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The New York Times has invested significant resources in its 1619 Project, built upon the premise that everything in American history is irrevocably built on and tainted by slavery.¹ Many well-respected historians from a wide array of backgrounds have stepped forward to challenge the premises and factual assertions of the Project, particularly the claim that U.S. independence was motivated by a desire to break from an abolitionist Britain.² The Times has finally admitted its error.³ Will it now go back to correct the record with the vigor with which it distorted it, and ensure that schools using 1619 Project materials⁴ are not teaching falsehoods?

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