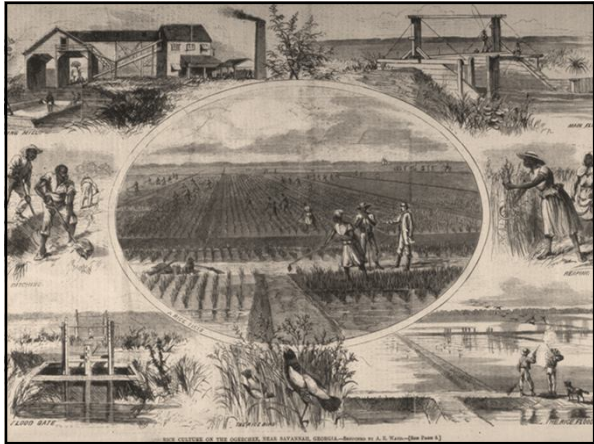


"negroes and other slaves"



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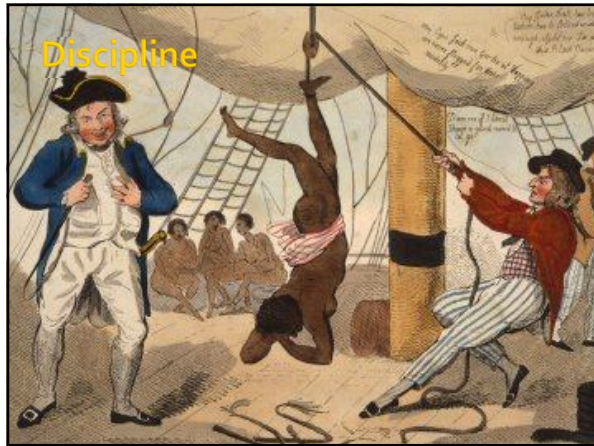
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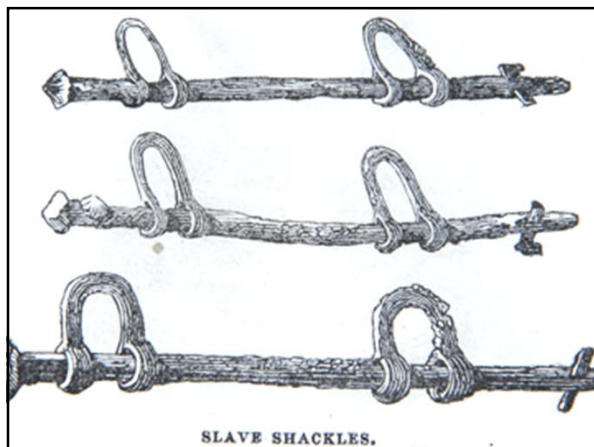
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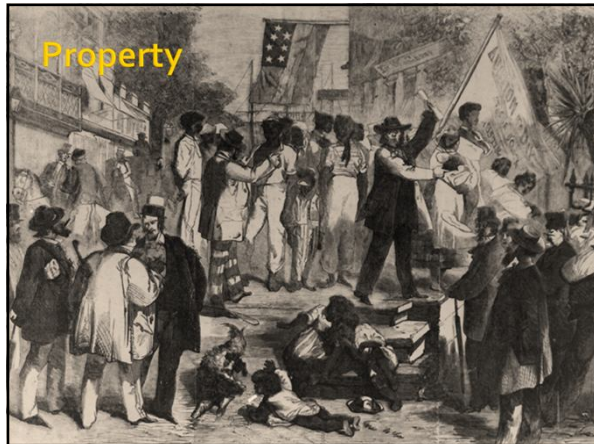
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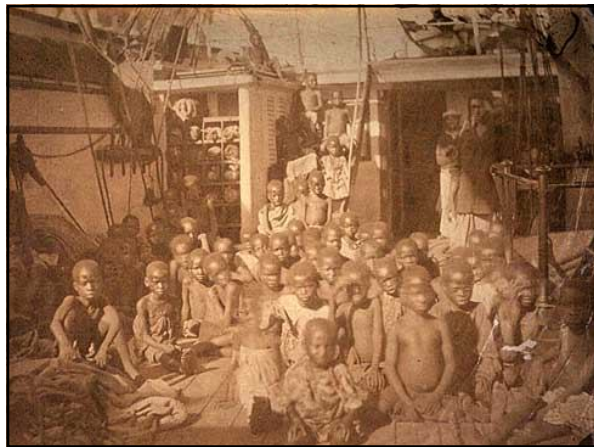


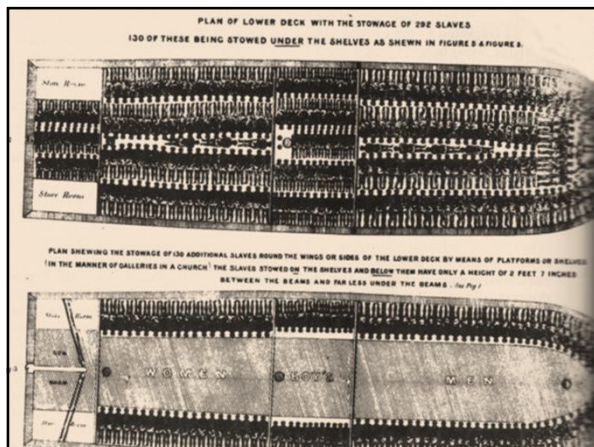




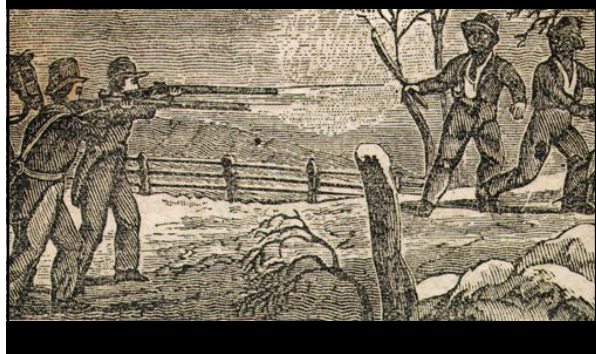








New York Slave Code



Virginia Gazette (Purdie), June 16, 1775.

TEN POUNDS REWARD. RUN away from the subscriber in Dunmore county, in May last, a negro fellow named SAM, 5 feet 5 or 6 inches high, has a broad face, and is a well looking fellow. As to his clothing, I cannot be certain, he having carried several things with him. He also took with him an old bay horse very gray about the head, an iron pot, a narrow axe, a handsaw, and an old smooth bore gun. About three years ago he purchased his freedom of his old master, Mr. Francis Slaughter, and continued in that state till this spring, when it was discovered he was attempting to inveigle away a number of negroes to the new or Indian country (where he had been most of the last summer) upon which the neighbours insisted on his being reduced to slavery again, and I purchased him. I imagine he will endeavour to pass as a free man, he having a discharge from his old master, as well as one from Lord Dunmore, having served in the expedition against the Indians last fall. Whoever delivers said slave to me shall have the reward that is offered.

Twenty Dollars Reward.

RAN away, on Thursday evening, the 18th inst, a Negro Man Servant, the property of the subscriber, named BELFAST; but who commonly goes by the name of BILL. At the time of his elopement he was in the service of William Forlyth, Esq; and had meditated an attempt to get on board a ship that night which lay in the harbour, bound to Newfoundland; but was frustrated: It is probable, however, he may still endeavour to escape that way, therefore, the masters of all coasters going along shore, or other vessels bound to sea, are hereby forewarned from carrying him off at their peril, as they will be prosecuted, if discovered, with the utmost rigour of the law.

The above reward will be paid to any person or persons who shall apprehend and secure him, so that I may recover him again.

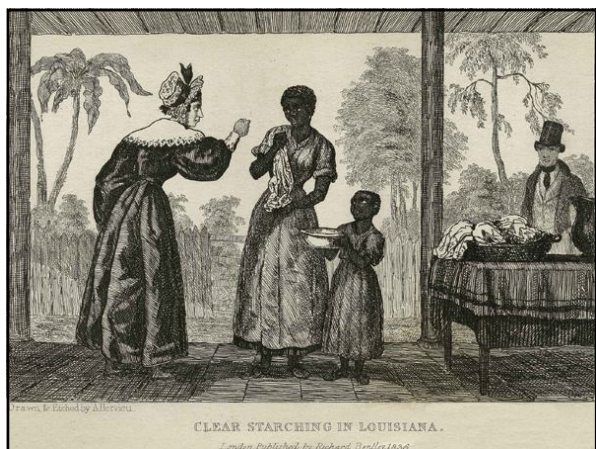
He is a likely, stout-made fellow, of five feet eight or nine inches high, and about 27 years of age; of a mild good countenance and features, smooth black skin, with very white teeth; is a native of South Carolina, speaks good English, and very softly, and has been in this Province ten years.

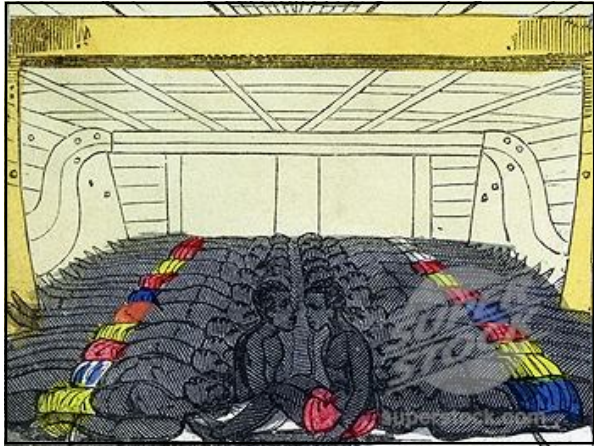
When he went off, he wore an old Bath-Coating short coat of a light colour, worn out at the elbows; brown cloth or duffil trowsers, also much worn at the knees; a round hat, and an old black silk handkerchief about his neck:—But as he had other cloaths secreted in town, he may have changed his whole apparel.

He will no doubt endeavour to pass for a free man, and possibly by some other name.

MICHAEL WALLACE.

GABRIEL JONES.



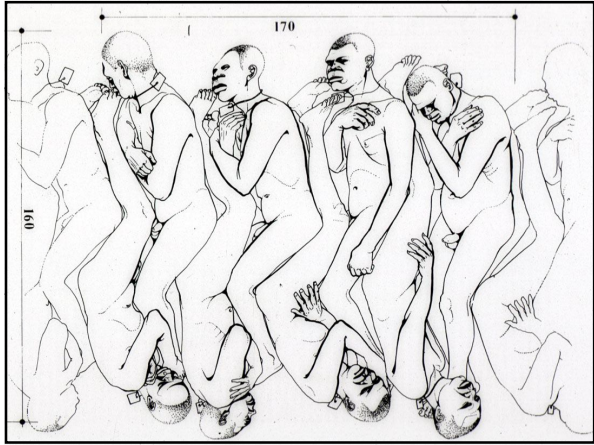


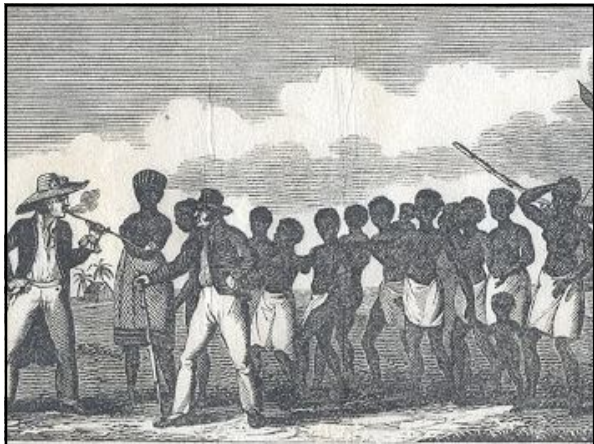




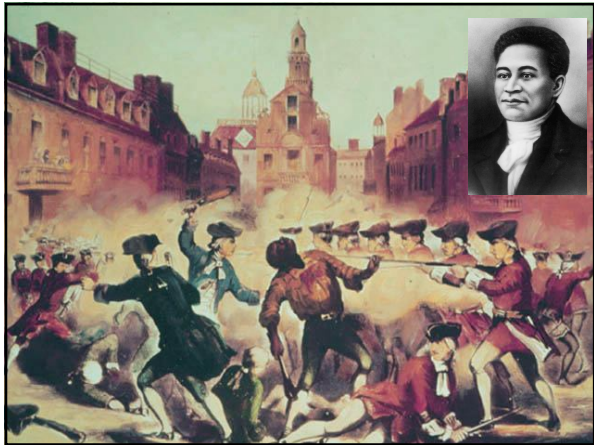


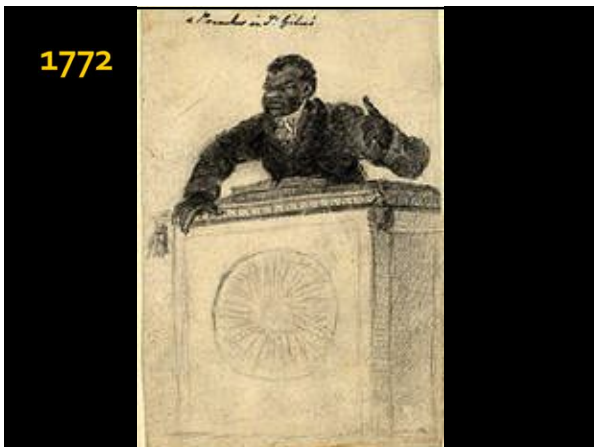
The New York Slave Conspiracy













1775

- The slave population in the colonies nearly 500,000.
 - In Virginia, the ratio of free colonists to slaves is nearly 1:1.
 - In South Carolina it is approximately 1:2.
- Georgia took action against slave importation.
- First abolition society founded in Philadelphia
- April, first battles of the Revolutionary war waged between the British and Colonial armies at Lexington and Concord, Massachusetts.
- Black Minutemen participated in the fighting.

1775

- July, George Washington announced ban on the enlistment of free blacks and slaves in the colonial army.
 - By the end of the year, he reverses the ban, ordering the Continental Army to accept the service of free blacks.
- November, Virginia Governor John Murray, Lord Dunmore, issued a proclamation announcing that any slave fighting on the side of the British would be liberated.

