

## Dorchester, Guy Carleton. British Headquarters Papers: 1747-83

### References to Black Presence and Experience

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- "Negroes or blacks"
  - Colonel Augustine Prevost to Gen. Howe (#265)
    - 1776, September 9. St. Augustine. If the armed shallop arrives before the depredations are made, they will prevent their planters to leave their plantations, their harvest, &c., to come here with their "negroes" without provisions, which is the project of the rebels, as they know we are not able to support them.
  - Lieut.-Colonel Brown to General Patrick Tonyn (#1070)
    - 1778, April 6. Fort Tonyn. One hundred and twenty plantations with the "Negroes," and Stock will be peremptorily sold.
  - Maj.-Gen. Robert Pigot to Gen. Sir William Howe (#1083)
    - 1778, April 10. Newport. "Negroes" come to us for protection, their Masters wanting them to enlist in a Regiment raising at Boston upon Terms of granting them their Freedom after three Years' Service.
  - Brig.-Gen. Augustine Prevost to Gen. Sir Wm. Howe (#1215)
    - 1778, June 5. St. Augustine. I have besides a number of "Negroes" employed to repair the Lines, making of Redoubts and finishing the Outworks of the Fort, in short I hope to oblige them to make a Siege, consequently to bring heavy Artillery which is very troublesome, if they cannot effect to bring it by Water.
  - Virginia (#10235)
    - Return of persons who came off from Virginia with Maj.-Gen. Mathew in the Fleet the 24<sup>th</sup> May 1779, showing names of the ships and the white men and the numbers of women, children and blacks.
  - Virginia Refugees (#10235 (2))
    - 1779, June 18. New York. Capt. Stewart will take charge of all the "negroes."
  - General Sir Henry Clinton (#2094)
    - 1779, June 30. Head Quarters, Philipsburg. Proclamation. As the enemy have adopted practice of enrolling "negroes," all such taken in arms shall be purchases for the public service at a stated price, the money to be paid to the captors. No one to claim right over a negro who may take refuge here, and negro deserters promised liberty to follow any occupation.