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2. [Great Britain. Colonial Office. Original Correspondence: America and West Indies: Selections \(CO 5/111-245\): 1770-1784](#)
3. [Great Britain. Colonial Office. Records in the British Public Record Office Relating to South Carolina: 1663-1782](#)
4. [Great Britain. Colonial Office. Original Correspondence: America and West Indies: Selections \(CO 5/115-266\): 1702-1794](#)

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Calendar: Volume 10 (1775-1776)

Georgia, Slaves; landing of, interfered with, 313,407,439,439i; encouraged to kill British troops, 90i

- (439i) Charlestown, 18 October 1775. Thomas Brown to Governor Lord William Campbell, reporting events in back country of South Carolina, raising of troops by Fletchall and others, and course of negotiations with W. H. Drayton. PS. Report from Savannah that non-importation regulation has been broken through by landing of 300 Negroes. [CO 5, 396, fos. 262-274d; found in Records ... [Relating to South Carolina: 1663-1782](#), vol. 35, page 304]

Jeremiah, Thomas, (Jerry); free Negro in S.C., judicial murder of

- 221: August 19 1775, Charleston. Governor Lord William Campbell to Earl of Dunmore (No.5)... Free Negro was hanged and burned yesterday on groundless suspicion of instigating insurrection. [CO 5, 396, fos. 204-207d; found in [Records....Relating to South Carolina: 1663-1782](#), vol. 35, p. 184]
- 266: 31 August 1775, Charleston. Governor Lord William Campbell to Earl of Dunmore (No.6)... Thomas Jeremiah (known as Jerry), free Negro pilot, was brought to trial for promoting the insurrection of slaves. Despite all my efforts I was unable to save him and he was murdered. [CO 5, 396, fos. 225-237d; found in [Records Relating to South Carolina: 1663-1782](#), vol. 35, p. 191]
- 266i: Charleston, 17 August 1775. Judges and Attorney-General of South Carolina to Governor Lord William Campbell, reporting on case of Jerry, free Negro. Sentence of death on him was illegal. [CO 5, 396, fos. 225-237d; found in [Records....Relating to South Carolina: 1663-1782](#), vol. 35, p. 207]
- 266ii: Judge Charles Mathews Cosslett to Governor Lord William Campbell, differing in opinion from No.i. [CO 5, 396, fos. 225-237d; found in [Records...Relating to South Carolina: 1663-1782](#), vol. 35, p. 211]
- 266iii: 19 August 1775. Judge John Fewtrell to Governor Lord William Campbell. By laws of province judges cannot interfere with powers granted to justices and freeholders. [CO 5, 396, fos. 225-237d; found in [Records...Relating to South Carolina: 1663-1782](#), vol. 35, p. 214]
- 266iv: 16 June 1775. Summary of evidence of Jeremy and Sambo against Thomas Jeremiah. [CO 5, 396, fos. 225-237d; found in [Records...Relating to South Carolina: 1663-1782](#), vol. 35, p. 215]

South Carolina; Negro in, executed on suspicion of insurrection (**See Jeremiah T**); Slaves, insurrection of, supposed to be instigated by British

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Augusta, Ga. Return of Slaves to the British, 1004

- 15 September 1777, Pensacola. John Stuart to Lord George Germain (No. 19), enclosing following. Mr. Taitt acted under instructions deriving from Treaty of Augusta of 1763 whereby Indians were promised reward for return of slaves. [CO 5, 79, fos. 7-28d]

Honduras, Bay of, Spanish lure slaves, 291

- 13 March 1777, Admiralty. Lords of Admiralty to Lord George Germain. Vice-Admiral Gayton reports that inhabitants of Bay of Honduras have no complaint against Spaniards but their inveigling away slaves. [CO 5, 126, fos. 110-115d; found in [Selections \(CO 5/115-266\)](#), vol. 126, document no. 165-168]

Taitt, David, 6 October 1777, Pensacola, 1078ii

- Account by David Taitt of money paid to Indians for recovery of runaway Negroes in 1775 and 1776. Total, £114 1s. 10d. sterling. [CO 5,79, fos. 29-38d]

Volume 19 (1782-1783)

Atlantic Coast, British army on; black corps proposed for;

- *1528 i*: Charleston, 2 February 1782. Lord Dunmore to General Sir Henry Clinton. Ten thousand black troops with white officers should be raised, with promise of freedom after service. Copy. 4 ½ pp. Enclosure in Dunmore's letter of 5 Feb. 1782. CO 5, 176, starting at frame 0447 in [Selections \(CO 5/111-245\): 1770-1784](#); additional enclosures on same topic include:
 - Charleston, 5 January 1782. Scheme for raising black troops in South Carolina presented to Earl of Dunmore by John Cruden, commissioner for forfeited estates. Copy. 2 ½ pp.
 - *1528 iii*: Schedule of officers to be appointed for black corps. Copy. 2 ½ pp.
 - *1900*: 10 July 1782, Charleston. John Morrison to Charles James Fox, offering to raise 10, 000 Negroes to reduce southern colonies, or alternatively to create dominion in south under lord lieutenant. Signed. 2 ½ pp. [also in CO 5, 82, fos.314-315]

Barbados; slaves in, belonging to Americans, 2299xxiii

- 2299xxiii: Tortola, 25 March 1783. John Cruden to Major C. Nesbit at Barbados. Many Negroes belonging to inhabitants of southern provinces have been brought here for sale. *Copy*. 1 ½ pp. [CO 5, 109, fos. 322-385d]

Cedar Grove, S.C.; agreement made at, for restoring slaves taken by British, 2079iv, 2299xi

- 2079iv: Cedar Grove, 10 October 1782. Agreement for restoration of slaves and compensation. Public records of South Carolina are to be handed to state government. State is pledged not to confiscate debts due to British merchants or banished persons. Returned slaves are not to be punished. *Copy. Signatories*, Edward Rutledge, Benjamin Guerard, A. Wright, James Johnson. PS. Persons whose estates have been confiscated may retain household effects and personal servants. This agreement extends to all forms of property. 4 ½ pp. [CO 5, 107, fos. 263-282d]
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Cruden, John; proposes raising black troops, 1528ii

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Duryee, Jacob; forcibly removes Negro from N.Y.C., 2396ii-iv, 2396xii

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East Florida, Slaves; 2299xxii

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Ferguson; American negotiator for recovery of S.C. slaves, letter to

- 2299xix: Uxbridge, 19 October 1782. Governor Matthews to Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Waring, recalling them. [CO 5, 109, fos. 322-385d]

Gillespie; in W.I., dealer in slaves belonging to S.C.

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Murray; John, Earl of Dunmore, gov. of Va., plans use of black troops

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New York City; slaves removed from, by British

- 2298xix: Orangetown, 6 May 1783. General Washington to Sir G. Carleton, requesting statement in writing of measures for evacuation of posts and when it may be completed. I was surprised to hear that large number of Negroes had already been embarked, which I think infraction of treaty. [CO 5, 109, fos. 271-321d]
- 2298xxi: New York, 12 May 1783. Sir G. Carleton to General Washington, acknowledging No.xix. Embarkation from New York was begun as early as possible and observers appointed. Completion depends on shipping available here and at Penobscot. I have ordered that Negroes belonging to Americans should not be taken but those who were freed before I came here must be allowed to go where they like. Details of ownership and value have been recorded in case compensation is intended. [CO 5, 109, fos. 271-321d]

Slaves; British propose to enlist; removal of, from America, by British and loyalists; proper if freed; retaliation threatened for; violates treaty; American property

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- 2345i: New York, 10 June 1783. General Sir Guy Carleton to General George Washington, acknowledging letter of 2 June. I have already referred matter of Negroes to King's minister. I hope Congress will proceed to execution of 5th and 6th articles. [CO 5, 110, fos. 46-61d]
- 2345v: Affidavit, sworn at New York on 13 June 1783 before David Matthews, mayor, by William Hunt, late of Westchester County. He was gaoled at West Chester last Sunday for having been member of party which destroyed flour in 1777. His father was compelled by threats to give bond for 100 pounds. [CO 5, 110, fos. 46-61d]
- 2345vi: New York, 17 June 1783. Representation to Sir Guy Carleton that carrying off 73 Negroes in last fleet for Nova Scotia was infringement of treaty, and that embarkation of civilians is also infringement. [CO 5, 110, fos. 46-61d]

- *200Iviii*: Uxbridge, 17 August 1782. Governor Mathews to Lieut.- General Leslie. Should effects or Negroes belonging to citizens of this state be carried away by refugees or by British officers, all debts due to British subjects will be seized. [CO 5, 107, fos. 118-142d]
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- *2314*: 6 June 1783, New York. General Sir Guy Carleton to Lord North (No. 82), enclosing following. They now allege violation of treaty in case of Negroes. [CO 5, 110, fos. 7-29d]
- *2314vii*: 26 May 1783. Pertaining to the resolution of Congress of U.S. that remonstrance be conveyed to Britain against carrying off of Negroes contrary to treaty. [CO 5, 110, fos. 7-29d]
- *2299iv*: Philadelphia, 27 March 1783. J Rutledge, David Ramsey, Ralph Izard and John L. Gervais to Sir G. Carleton...requesting appropriate steps to restore Negroes and other property. [CO 5, 109, fos. 322-385d].
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- 2406ii: New York, 5 August 1783. Embarkation return of loyalists going to Nova Scotia. Totals: for Halifax, 54 and 4 Negroes; for Port Roseway, 173 and 420 Negroes; for St. John's River and Annapolis Royal, 669 and 295 Negroes. [CO 5, 110, fos. 239-244d]

South Carolina Colony: Slaves: removal of, by British, agreement concerning, in E. Florida, retaliation threatened for.

- 339: 22 March 1781, Charleston. Lieut.-Governor William Bull to Lord George Germain (No.2). Powers of board of police have been extended; I hope it will be able to check carrying of Negroes out of province. Slaves have become ungovernable which, with want of draught animals, is disadvantageous to planters. But two or three years of peace will

restore plenty. [CO 5, 176, fos. 63-65d – found in [Selections CO 5/111-245](#), vol. 176, frame no. 573; entry in CO 5, 410, pp. 291-295]

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- 2079v: Summary of No. iv, with observations thereon by Chief Justice William Smith of New York. Agreement is disadvantageous because there is no security for performance on part of South Carolina. [CO 5, 107, fos. 263-282d]
- 2118i: Charleston, 18 November 1782. Lieut.-General Alexander Leslie to Sir G. Carleton. Halifax fleet sailed on 24 October. Lieut.-Colonel McArthur commands at St. Augustine. Treaty with Governor Mathews respecting Negroes has been discontinued. PS. Enemy advanced to Fort Johnson, James Island, but were repulsed. [CO 5, 108, fos. 31-42d]
- 2299iv: Philadelphia, 27 March 1783. J Rutledge, David Ramsey, Ralph Izard and John L. Gervais to Sir G. Carleton...requesting appropriate steps to restore Negroes and other property. [CO 5, 109, fos. 322-385d].

- 2299x: Uxbridge, 1 October 1782. Governor Mathews to Lieut.-General Leslie. Commissioners have been appointed on my part to meet three of your appointment. [CO 5, 109, fos. 322-385d]
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- 2079ii: Charleston, 9 September 1782. Memorial of loyal inhabitants of South Carolina to Lieut.-General Leslie. They are under sentence of banishment and confiscation of estates. State of South Carolina has declared that all debts due to them and marriage-settlements by them will be seized if Negroes and effects claimed by persons of that state are carried away from Charleston. Negroes should not be taken away except by lawful owners and compensation should be paid in respect of those who have borne arms. [CO 5, 107, fos. 263-282d]
- 2079iii: Charleston, 7 October 1782. Authority by Lieut.-General Leslie to Alexander Wright and James Johnson to agree with commissioners of Governor Mathews for return of slaves to former owners, except such as have served with British troops who are to be valued [CO 5, 107, fos. 263-282d]
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South Carolina colony: Black troops serving with.

- 1717: 25 March 1782, Charleston. Lieut.- Governor William Bull to Lord George Germain (No. 10), acknowledging circular of 2 January. Rebel Assembly has met at Jacksonborough and passed confiscatory Acts. They express abhorrence of our black dragoons. [CO 5, 176, fos. 89-94d; found in [Selections \(CO 5/111-245\)](#), vol. 176, frame no. 610]

South Carolina state: Black troops rejected by.

- 1730: 30 March 1782, Charleston. Governor Earl of Dunmore to Lord George Germain, enclosing following and recommending Robert Ross. I would undertake conquest of Louisiana with 2000 men. Rebel Assembly of South Carolina narrowly rejected proposal to raise Negro troops. I go to New York. Found in CO 5, 176, starting shortly after frame 0447 in [Selections \(CO 5/111-245\): 1770-1784](#)

Todd, Adam: forcibly removes Negro from New York.

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