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Papers relating to the Negroes
settled in Nova Scotia from the year 1790.-1834

Sierra Leone

No 1.

Declaration of the Sierra Leone Company of their admiral to
received into their Colony certain Free Blacks

Date 2 Aug 1791 (Sunday)

Ann County
blacks

2. Draft of a Commission or Authority to L. Clarkson to convey certain
Free Blacks from Nova Scotia to Sierra Leone at public Expence

3. Letter from Alex. Howe to Hon. R. B. Bulkeley ^{people} respecting Black people
in the County of Annapolis willing to remove to Sierra Leone. The latter part
of this Letter refers to the Society of One Southerly African American who had
been engaged in opposing the British Authorities in the Province
an Act of Trade
Date Oct 25 1791

Finances

4. Memorial of Michl Wallace to Hon. R. Bulkeley ^{people} President
of the Board of Trade, requesting for the sum of five hundred
Pounds to enable him as Agent for receiving the Blacks to convey
into effect the project submitted to him
25 November 1791

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5. Memorandum for Mr Wallace respecting the same thing as
above

6. Memorial of Michl Wallace to Hon. R. Bulkeley for sending
blacks into the Colonies
Date 1791

7. Memorandum for Mr Wallace respecting the same thing as
above

8. Letter of Direction for the President Bulkeley to receive
at Sierra Leone by L. Clarkson certain Free Blacks
to be sent to Sierra Leone
Date 1791

9. Copy of the foregoing Letters

Series Leone

- 10. Memorial of Mr Wallau to President Bulkeley representing the
 number of Blacks from the Country and for the premium of 250 pounds ^{from} NB
 here arrived in Halifax to join the Expedition to Sierra Leone and paying
 of the supply of £1000.00 and Expenses. 17. Dec. 1791. H. B. Clarke
- 11. Letter from John Blackson and Lawrence Heathorne
 to President Bulkeley requesting and appointing Surgeon to be
 Supplies by Government for the Voyage. 30. Dec. 1791. Surgeon
- 12. Letter from Mr Heathorne to Mr Bulkeley respecting the Voyage
 to Sierra Leone. Dec. 30. 1791. ^{the Commodore}
- 13. Answer to Mr Blackson's letter with Instructions.
 Jan. 2. 1792
- 14. The Memorial of Mr Wallau to Mr President Bulkeley
 respecting the whole Expense of the Expedition to amount to £6000.
 and requesting a further Grant of £3000. Feb. 1792. Expense
- 15. Copy of a Certificate to Messrs Wallau for £3000. Antient
 Oct. 6. Feb. 1792. Finance
- 16. Draft of a Letter to Mr Blackson and Mr Heathorne agents
 of the Sierra Leone Company for the Post Office respecting the
 Demand for the Appointment of Surgeon to the Expedition. Surgeon
 Jan. 9. 1792.
- 17. Draft of Commission from the President of the Province to
 John Blackson Esq. to be Commander of the Expedition on
 Voyage to Sierra Leone. 7. January 1792.
- 18. Copy of Bill of Fare for victualing the Free Blacks
 to Sierra Leone, submitted to the St. Council. Fare
 H. B. Clarke
- 19. Letter from Sir John Blackwell to Gov. of Sierra Leone
 of Assembly concerning the Regulations respecting
 the Free Blacks in the Colonies. 29. June 1792. Regulations

incl daily
memo

Plans and Descriptions of the Lands laid out for the Blacks at Preston Hammonds Plains &c.

- Plan - Preston Survey #20. W. John Smith's plan of the Tract of 1696 lies at Preston Surveyed for the Negroes. Dated 18. Nov. 1835.
- plan - 21. Surveyor General's plan of several tracts of lands occupied by negroes at Preston, attached to a tract ^{of} thereof for the Crown, or intended to be so attached. Certified by Surveyor General. 11. January 1836.
- Sketchs Hammonds' Plains 22. Unfinished sketch of two or three tracts of land; colored plan. no date or names. HAMMONDS' PLAINS
- Plans + Sketch - Preston 23. J. Chamberlains sketch of lands in a tract Black Peter &c. in plan of Black Settlement at Preston. Sample given in plan. 21. August 1822.
- Plan - Preston 24. Plan of Negro lots at Preston by Geo. P. Brooker Sep. 8. Oct. 1827.
- Plan H. P. 25. Plan of lines settled between Walker and Hamiller by W. Walker at Hammonds Plains in 1829.
- Plan P. 26. Theophilus Chamberlains plan - Certain lands in the neighborhood of Black Peter in the parish of St. Andrew's. 25. Sep. 1816.
- Plan P. 27. W. Chamberlains plan of certain lands at Preston in the parish of St. Andrew's. 25. Sep. 1816.
- 28. Surveyor General's plan of certain lands in the parish of St. Andrew's. 25. Sep. 1816.
- Sketch 29. Plan of the Negro settlement at Hammonds Plains in the parish of St. Andrew's. 25. Sep. 1816.
- Plan 30. Plan of the Negro settlement at Hammonds Plains in the parish of St. Andrew's. 25. Sep. 1816.

31. Mr. Backus's plan of Black Settlements at Hammond's Plains. Date Nov. 8. 1818.

Plan HP

32. Mr. Titus Smith's plan of Black lots near Frog Lake, Preston. not dated.

Plan P

33. Plan and Distribution by Jas. Hall and J. Swinson of lots at Hammond's Plains. 12. January 1831.

Plan HP

34. A plan of certain lots at Hammond's Plains in the handwriting of Jas. Collins, Surveyor General's Clerk but with the signature & date.

Plan HP

35. Plan of Black Settlement, Preston, Frog Lake, etc. and then at Partridge River but with the signature & date.

Plan P

36. Letter from Governor DeKaskie of lots at Refugee Hills, Township of Adalefax, to Pompey Cooper and others with plan attached. Given under hand and seal at Harris at Adalefax 27. March, 1818.

License & plan Refugee Hill - Harris

37. Letter from Theophilus Chamberlain to Hon. Michl. Walker relating to an exchange of lots at Preston to accommodate the settlements of the Refugee Negroes. 16. Oct. 1815.

Letter - Preston

38. Mr. Commissary Franklin's report & address respecting provisions for Blacks. (Draft). 9. November 1815.

Letter - provisions

39. Mr. Henry Ainslie's Commission Granted for Black. 8. Nov 1815.

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40. Surveyor General's report to Mr. Com. Franklin for 1000 acres for for Negroes at Portsmouth. 2. Nov 1815.

Re. provis for bla Dartm

Letter - No. 41.
Preston

Mr Theophilus Chamberlain to Hon. la. Morris Surveyor Genl.
relating to Black Settlements at Preston, their location and progress.
Preston Nov. 11. 1815.

provisions
supplied to - 42.
Preston.

List of Articles of Clothing, Provisions &c. furnished by Government
to the Blacks at Preston. Dec. 1815.

Certificate
lands improved by
& water prov.

Certificate from John Rude, that Aaron Weston Williams and Richard
M. Sparten have improved certain lands and are waiting for their
advance of provisions. &c. Dec. 26. 1815.

Cert. of Bl families
settled on lands - 44

Certificate of the Black families having settled on Dr. Cooks
Lands - W. H. Jones 2. Feby 1816. Signed M. Johnson

receipt for
supplies to - 45.
Bl

Hon. la. Morris' acct. for supplies to Blacks. 29. Dec. 1815.

Letter -
prov to @ - 46.
P.

Letter from Mr Chamberlain to Mr Morris, relating to Blacks at
Preston Jan. 1. 1816.

Dr's Report
on farms @ - 47.
P.

Dr. James Morris' Report respecting the Black families
settled at Preston. 1. Feb. 1816.

memo.
Bl on land - 48.
for W. H. Jones

Memo. relating to acct of land owned by Dr. Cooks as
Widow in which Mr. Hays has his lot.
Lt. Sgt. Peabody gives up deed - non. 25. 1815.

49.

22. March 1816.

Settled
on land - 50.

Dr. James
Certificate from Dr. Cooks the Surveyor Genl. relating
to the Blacks who settled on his land.

Hanks Co. - 51.

Memo. respecting Dr. Cooks land for the Black families
settled on it. 1. Feby 1816.

Feb 8. 1816.

Certificate from Mr. Hays for the Black families
settled on his land. 1. Feby 1816.

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Refugee Hill
Hall

Names of 5 Coloured families settled at Refugee Hill near the
North West corner, lands formerly granted but to be inherited,
2, June, 1816.

order-
provisions/ 57.

NW Arm (be) has been in Srce of Chief Justice past year + to get land near NW Arm
Order for Benjamin Roberts son. Nelson 16. May. 1816. + fam - wife + 3 children; came to NS fr St. Mary's E. 5 children wife

List Coloured
rec'd fr N.C. 55.

List of 15 Coloured persons rec'd from James E. J. Egan Wilmington
at North Carolina - 1. July. 1816.

Cert
releasing
John Griffin

Names/Vessels taken/Vessels brought in
Certificate of John Griffin, Cochran's Land - abandoned land since 20 Apr last

List Br
Slaves
Captured
by Am

List of Slaves belonging to British Subjects Captured on board of British Vessels during the late War, brought into Charleston S. Carolina as prisoners and detained by order of the Government of the United States.
(Most fr West Indies) 5. Mar. 1815.

Cert. Officer
Health 58.

Health Officer Certificate (by Ceres) from Charleston S. C. list of who's been vaccinated Aug: 23. 1816, + not for small pox

Report
Health Officer 59

D. Phillips' Health Officer Report (by Ceres) 23. Aug. 1816.

List Coloured
on board 60.

List of Coloured people not on board vessels at Wilmington Note on death of William Simson, one of prisoners rec'd @ Charleston, who died of dropsy @ Sea

61.

Duplicate of at. 57. Aug 11, 1816

bl discharge
fr hosp 62.

Certificate of Discharge of John Thomas, a black from hospital and sent to Jenkins's frozen feet, had been rec'd fr Melville I., now sent to Poorhouse Hosp

provisions 63.

Orders and Certificate for provisions, &c. &c. incl - Saml Jenkins + John Thomas @ Melville I. + Thomas Butler - sick fr H.P. went to

64.

List of Refugee Negroes located on lands on the Property of the Trustees of the Trusteeship of Halifax 1 July 1816.

List of Negroes located (at West of Melville Island) 1 July 1816 Certified - 7 Oct = Refugee Hill

* died 27 Aug 1816

anking for rations to 24 Dec for these blacks;

propagator when need into hosp

list of refugees
at 66.
bls @
talent Poorhouse
Hud

Cart
some bls
made
land improved by

Black of Black Refugees received into the Melville Island
for the Military Hospital and Melville Island

incl. Timothy Williams, Sabina Williams, John Thome

* Thos Butler, Samuel Jenkins
Certificate from John Rule that Green Williams and Robt MacArthur two negroes
have made certain improvements on their lands

requests provisions for 6 mths 30. Dec. 1816.

Cert.

68. Certificate in favor of Wm & Abner negroes from Wm (Arthur) Matting
Benjamin
he has wife + 3 sons; at Refugee Hill 5. Oct. 1816.

surveying
finances

69. Surveyor that objections to Mr Chamberlain's charge for surveying land
+ certificate for Chamberlain on behalf of
Moses Seiner? on Block D - industrious, has
no axe, could use assistance. 17 May 1816

order - removal
bls fr Melville
to P.

70. Order for the removal of certain Blacks from Melville Island to
Preston, from Mr Boggs to Mr Morris not dated.

Return
prov. for bls
@ Dart.

71. Return of the provisions delivered to Mr Morris from the
Commissariat Magazine for the Negroes at Dartmouth.
Pork, Biscuit, beef November 1816.
Rice

72. Draft of Mr Morris' proposals for settling people of color.

73. Copy of the foregoing signed by Mr Morris but as in the case with
most of his papers and plans it is not dated.

list of refugees
wanting settlement
@ P

74. List of Black Refugees who are desirous of settling on lands at
Preston. incl - ages + # in family

Prov. p.

75. When Storage account against Government for sundry provisions
of Black People of Preston. May 16 1816

list of
@ Preston

76. Letter from Wm the bidman to Morris relating to the
Black Refugees settling at Preston who had been among
the family at that time. 16. April 1816

health + no service

P. pay

Charles ^{Surveyor General} of Lands

Wallace
relinq wishes
land for
Bl @ Preston

M. Wallau to Hon. G. Morris requesting a report of the quantity of Crown Lands to be given him in lieu of the Lot relinquished by him in Preston for the use of the Negroes. 1. June 1816.

lands
relinq wishes
for
Bl @ P

Letter from Theophilus Hambulain to the Surveyor General Morris respecting lands relinquished by individuals at Preston for the use of the Negroes. incl description of land relinquished lot # 2 (145 acres) in Preston. ex. by Hon. M. Wallace June 16. 1816.

Statement of the lands relinquished by certain persons in Preston on an assurance they should receive an equivalent in other situations. no date.

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Account of the Black Refugees (letter) Preston 26. Aug. 1816.

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Draft of a letter from Morris to Lt. Col. Addeison on the subject of the Black Refugees. not dated.

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Several Accounts from Timothy Board of Preston against James P. Challenging work, shows empathy, advocates services for the poor & people of colour at Preston.

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Letter from M. Hambulain to Hon. C. Morris respecting two Black Settlers at Porters Lake. re. land question.

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Return of the names of the Negro Settlers at Porters Lake. number of their families, letters and number of the lots with such as have building houses. (no date)

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Names of several Negroes who have settled on the property belonging to Thomas Jefferson. most have African surnames.

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Statement in the handwriting of Henry Brown the settler of some of the lands near Porters Lake.

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Statement of certain lots and the occupants thereof in the Porters Lake area.

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Other
Com Plan
also incl
Charleston
+ Wm
Lawson

+ Henry
Brown

91 - Request for land by John + Theophilus Chamberlain in Preston to Morris

list @ Preston

90. A list of the people of color settling at Preston with the names of their lots etc. incl Lake Loon, Lake Porter
 made Sept. 24. Aug. 1818.
 incl notations for some ex. house-building, no improvements
 this man has been sick

92. List of Blacks settling on Black Point St. (Preston?)

93. A list of Blacks Refuges who are willing to settle on Lands at Preston. incl names, ages + # in family; a few have comments - no date

94. Copy of the foregoing ----- ex - a good steady man

acct for surveys

95. Letter from Mr Chamberlain to the Surveyor General. Incls his Acc. for surveying Negro Lands. - Preston 12. Aug. 1818.

Dr those who relinq lands for bls

96. Letter from several owners of lands at Preston to Hon. J. B. Leffroy - Collector of Customs, respecting the relinquish of portions of the lands at Preston to be allotted to the Negroes. with inducements shown by the Governor Lord Dalhousie. 12. Oct. 1818.

deser lands @ P. relinq

want 10 acres each @ Point Pleasant; denied as location needed for military purposes
 Disposition of certain lands at Preston Relinquished in the hands of Wm Lawson, Hugh Vero?, Mr Tidmarsh?, Mr O'Brien.

street lots

98. A further statement of the status of lots relinquished to Government by individuals for the use of the American Negroes settling at Preston. Lots Relinquished had been previously Maroon Potts addressed by those now relinquishing for blacks; includes for ex. T. Chamberlain + Mr Wallace signed by George Samuel Wallace

accts

99. Further disposition of the relinquished; signed by George Samuel Wallace

+ Garret Miller @ Nine Mile River

100. A list of the names of persons of whom parcels of land were relinquished at Preston. names + acres - T. Chamberlain, Edward Hughes, Wm Lawson, John Chamberlain

letter to Sur. V. Genl

101. Letter from Mr Chamberlain to Surveyor General respecting lands relinquished at Preston for the use of the Negroes. Chamberlain is demanding further depends his actions re. Maroon Potts

Report of Council

102. Report of A. M. Council on lands to be Relinquished to the Negroes. Dated 1. 101

Chamberlain / Lawson

Wallace / Tidmarsh

Wm Hughes / Summary of above docs; agreed by Council

Plan #103.
L. Porter

Plan of Certain Lands at Lake Porter without signature or date. Sketch

104.
Relinquished land

Relinquishment from Mr. Wallace to Government of certain lands in Oregon for the use of the steps refugees. Contains a relinquishment of Power but has no certificate of having been recorded.

10th # 2 letter C of Plan Date 30 April 1815.

legal doc with description of lot, signed Michael & Mary Walker

Deed 105.

Deed from Hon: J. A. Jeffery to John Mansfield and others assigns of certain lands, Date 2 Sep: 1815. but not recorded.

Incl many with surname Hamilton

Deed 106
P. Lake

Deed from Rufus Fairbanks to John Lynch and others dated 24 Oct: 1815. Lands at Lake Porter.

+ Henry Brown, Charles Cophas?, Adam Green, James Wallace

Plan 107
Beaver Bank

Deed from John Rule to Baron Williams and others with plan attached, 'Lands at Beaver Bank. 13 Nov 1815.

Richard McArthur of Melville Del

+ acceptance by gov't to issue warrants, Hants County provisions, St Dec 1815

Deed 108

Deed from James Williams to Jas. Nelson Williams lands on Pebequa Road. 19 Oct: 1815. unrecorded.

Relinquished Rd - Hol

+ gov't agreement for provisions

109.

Deed from Dr. Lockman to John Griffin (black) him against all demands future claims of James Lockman a minor, to certain lands on Windsor Road. 1 Feb: 1816.

Deed 110
to Windsor Hants Co.

Deed from J. C. Cochran to John Griffin (black) lands on Windsor Road (not recorded.) Date 1 July 1816.

111.

Deed from Cochran to James Titcher and Joseph Windsor lands on Windsor Road. Date 29 January 1816. unrecorded. Beaver Bank Acres

112.

Deed from Joseph Bigelotte to Daniel (black) lands near the Great Lake. Date July 1816. Shrubentacade Grand Lake?

113.

Deed from Joseph Bigelotte to John Franklin lands at Beaver Bank. Date 2 July 1816. unrecorded. Hants Co.

deed

of 98th lot, Halifax

relinquished
land
@ P. N. 114.

of Preston, carpenter

Rebecca

Edw. and Rebecca Hughes to the Crown, relinquishment of certain
lands at Preston for the use of the Regent. 9 Oct. 1818

legal docu, had previously bought it as Marston lead

11 115.

Relinquishment for Mr. Lawson ^{of Halifax} and wife to the Crown of certain
lands at Preston for the use of the Regent

legal docu; merchants Date 17. Oct. 1818. not recorded.

11 116.

Relinquishment from John Siddell ^{of Halifax} and Samuel Buller
lands in Preston - Nov. 1818. not recorded.

deed to
Crown
@ P.

117.

Deed from Philip Tidmarsh ^{of Halifax} to the Crown. certain lands in
Preston. did not execute

deed
Hammonds

118.

Deed from John Gardner ^{Herbert Emily Eddell} and J. W. ^{merchants of Halifax}
to Hammonds lands at Hammonds Plains

Herbert - Capt in 18th Royal Veteran Battalion
date day 1818

licence to
bls for
land @ H.P.

119.

Licence from the Lieut. Governor ^{Genl.} Lord Colborne to Thomas
Buller and a number of other people of certain lots of
land at Hammonds Plains; signed by Lord Colborne
his wife's date and unrecorded.

grant land
to H bls
@ H.P.

120.

Grant of certain lands from the Crown to Mr. Day and a number of other
people of certain plots at Hammonds Plains
(marked duplicate land)
conveyed by Deed 20 Dec 1804

Marston
H.P. accounts

121-131

Abstracts of Vouchers for Cash paid for certain purposes in respect of
Marston Regent between July 1800 to Aug 1804
+ Account Sales of Marston
property in cattle, farming
utensils etc.
+ property (land) sold
at auction