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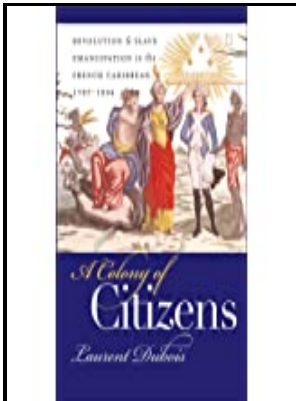
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The British have freed these American slaves. Can't say I'd recommend it to the average reader, but for the historical reader it's great. Schama is, as usual, brilliant and the stories are varied: good men This is book is a five for those who are fascinated by black history, or social political history of the late 1700s in Europe.

[Rough Crossings: Britain, the Slaves and the American Revolution]

Rather, it tells just one side story, but a fascinating one: how over 1,000 impoverished ex-slaves living in Nova Scotia after the war emigrated to an experimental new British-backed colony in Sierra Leone on the west coast of Africa in the 1790s. Parts of the story have been well rehearsed by earlier historians, but never like this.

Rough Crossings: Britain, the Slaves and the American Revolution

As we read we can easily emerge ourselves into London life. Having studied aspects of the Trans Atlantic Slave Trade at University it is a subject that has continued to interest me.

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There are many surprises in this book, covering angles less or not considered by the standard approach. MONTAGNE: For some what followed began well. His successors were strict and unlike Clarkson and the settlers, did not believe they were capable of self-government.

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Take the long opening paragraph of part one.

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As usual, several men are outstanding in their fight against slavery. For such a fundamental topic in the founding of America, the execution leaves much to be desired.

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In spite of its broad scope, Schama follows the fortunes of slaves who fought for the British against the Revolutionary United States through the conflict itself, their subsequent resettlement in Nova Scotia and their recruitment to a model colony in Sierra Leone.

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