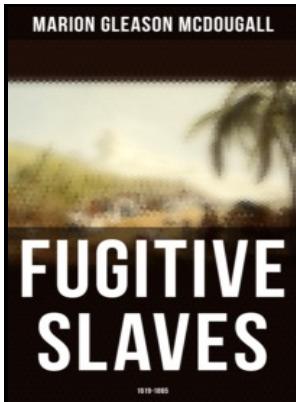


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January 30, 1797, they petitioned Congress for relief, and after an exciting debate the House by a vote of 50 to 33 refused to receive the petition. Here they engaged the attention of Theodore Parker, and he protected them during their stay.

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It remained only to attack the last stronghold of the system,—the two acts of 1793 and 1850. In this way numbers of negroes, many of them really free, were arrested, on the supposition of being runaways, and were imprisoned without trial for an indefinite length of time. Then Somersett ran away, but his owner soon secured him and had him placed on board a vessel bound for Jamaica, probably with the intention of selling him as a slave.

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Jefferson, in 1784, proposed to draw a north and south line through the mouth of the Kanawha, west of which there should be no slavery after 1800. Thereupon the angry Lords of the West India Company issued a proclamation commanding that there should be no rendition of fugitive slaves to New Haven. Their masters were away in the army; many homes were broken up, and confusion reigned instead of law; the strict discipline and oversight necessary for the maintenance of the slave system was impossible.

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Diggs, wandering about his plantation in Howard County, Missouri, without a pass. The fugitive from a disloyal master was by this compromise to be deemed a captive of war, and forever freed from servitude.

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On the other hand, no form of property held by rebels was so vulnerable; slaves could not only be seized as the lines of the Northern troops

extended, they could, by actual law or by kindly reception, be invited across the lines. Mason thus presented the evils with which the law must cope.

1619

It seems probable, therefore, that the return of a slave when within his own colony was taken as a matter of course, and roused so little opposition, and required so simple a process at law, that matters concerning it would seldom find mention in the chronicles of the time. Blair's bill, of February 25, 1862, from the Committee on Military Affairs in the House, was to the same purpose. The coming on of difficulties with France, and the Alien and Sedition Acts of 1798, absorbed the popular attention.

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It declared also that negroes might be received into the armed service of the United States; and henceforth throughout the war, the former slaves were enrolled as soldiers and did good service for the government. The first case of rescue. In the trial Anderson was defended by Mr.

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Before Judges Grier and Kane, in the Circuit Court of the United States for the eastern district of Pennsylvania. At Philadelphia shelter was found among the Quakers, and thence they pushed on to Boston. AGAINST SLAVERY, FOR RACIAL EQUALITY In the beginning of 1900s, America's growth became massive, which provided a leeway towards the rising conflict of slavery and whether or not it would continue to prosper or come to an end.

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