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About the Guide

*Afro-American Family History at the Newberry Library: A Research Guide and Bibliography* was compiled by David Thackery in 1988. He created an updated version of the guide in 1993, which was published by the Newberry as *A Bibliography of African American History at the Newberry Library*. David Thackery was the curator of the Local and Family History collection at the Newberry from 1983 until his death in 1998, and during that time he greatly strengthened the Newberry's African-American genealogical materials. This bibliography is evidence of his work and a tribute to his efforts.

This edition of the bibliography has been updated with materials purchased by the library since 1993 and supplemented with appendices on Reconstruction-era sources and Pullman Company employment records.

The bibliography is not intended as an exhaustive list of every African-American family history source in the library, but rather as a selective guide to materials in the library. Researchers will find additional resources in the Newberry catalogs.
Acknowledgements

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General Sources

Guides and Tools for Genealogical Research


Guides and Bibliographies for African American Genealogy


Newspapers and Periodicals


*Southern Workman and Hampton Record* (Jan. 1872- Jul. 1939). Call # Microfilm 319. 7 reels. Millwood, NY: Kraus-Thomson, 1978. The Hampton Normal School played an important role in African American education, one aspect being the training of black educators who were to find teaching positions throughout the country. A genealogist researching a Hampton School graduate should find this publication of interest and may wish to look at appropriate issues for alumnus marriage and death announcements. This periodical regularly featured news of its graduates.

**Manuscript Sources and Guides**

1. **General**


2. **Guides to Individual Collections**


Special Topics

Biographical Compendia


Census Records


Singhal, Cheryl H. “1860 Census of the United States Slave Schedules.” *Journal of the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society* 15:2 (Fall 1996). Call # CS1.A37 (open shelf). Fayette and Raleigh Counties, Virginia (West Virginia). This is an extract for these two counties only.

**Church History**


**Free People of Color**


**Liberia**


*Serial Set 28th Congress 2nd Session (Senate),* Volume 9. Contains 1843 Liberian census, as well as roll of emigrants to September 1843. (Serial set designation acts as call #).


**Passing**


**Slave Narratives**

1. **Compendia**


<http://www.ancestry.com/search/rectype/biohist/slavnarr/main.htm> 9 November 2004. This is a
digital, full-text searchable version of the WPA slave narratives, previously published as The American
Slave (Call # E444.A45 1972 (open shelf)).

2. Selected Monographs


Aunt Sally; or, The Cross the Way of Freedom. A Narrative of the Slave-life and Purchase of the Mother of
Rev. Isaac Williams, of Detroit, Michigan. Cincinnati: American Reform Tract and Book Society, 1858. Call #
H5832.965.

Ball, Charles. Fifty Years in Chains; or, The Life of an American Slave. Indianapolis, IN: Asher, 1860. Call #
H5832.068. (Several editions—consult card catalog).

Berlin, Ira, Marc Favreau, and Steven F. Miller, eds. Remembering Slavery: African Americans Talk about their

Bibb, Henry. Narrative of the Life and Adventures of Henry Bibb, an American Slave, Written by Himself. New

Brown, John. Slave Life in Georgia: A Narrative of the Life, Sufferings and Escape of John Brown, A Fugitive

Clarke, Lewis Garrard. Narrative of the Sufferings of Lewis Clarke, During a Captivity of More than Twenty-
five Years, Among the Algerines of Kentucky... Boston: David H. Ela, 1845. Call # H5832.169.

Furman, Jan, ed. Slavery in the Clover Bottoms: John McCline’s Narrative of His Life During Slavery and the


Hughes, Louis. Thirty Years a Slave. From Bondage to Freedom. The Institution of Slavery as Seen on the

1865. Call # H5832.553.

Northup, Solomon. Twelve Years a Slave. A Narrative of Solomon Northup, a Citizen of New-York, Kidnapped
in Washington City in 1841 and Rescued in 1853, from a Cotton Plantation near the Red River, in Louisiana.
Buffalo: Derby, Orton and Mulligan, 1853. Call # H5832.63.


Thompson, John. The Life of John Thompson, a Fugitive Slave, Containing His History of 25 Years in Bondage and His Providential Escape. Worcester, MA: John Thompson, 1866. Call # H5832.875.


Webster, Delia Ann. Kentucky Jurisprudence. A History of the Trial of Miss Delia A. Webster at Lexington, Kentucky Dec’r 17-21, 1844...on a Charge of Aiding Slaves to Escape... Vergennes, VT: E.W. Blaisdell, 1845. Call # H5832.093.


**Miscellaneous**


Gutman, Herbert G. *The Black Family in Slavery and Freedom, 1750-1925*. New York: Pantheon Books, 1976. Call # E185.86.G77 1976. A classic study of the African American family, this scholarly monograph could provide the family historian with important contextual information on slave family structure. In addition, it contains lengthy transcriptions and family reconstructions from the following plantation slave communities: the Dulles Good Hope Plantation, Orangeburg, South Carolina; Stirling Plantation, Nansemond County, Virginia (see also Kenneth Stampp’s *Records of Ante-Bellum Southern Plantations*, series E, Part 1); the Bennehan-Cameron Plantation, Orange County, North Carolina, (see also Jean B. Anderson’s *Piedmont Plantation: the Bennehan-Cameron Family and Lands in North Carolina* listed in the North Carolina section of this bibliography); and the Henry Watson Plantation, Greene County, Alabama.


Call # Ayer E185.925.H36 1991 (Special Collections). Covers Nicodemus, Kansas; Mound Bayou, Mississippi; Langston City, Oklahoma; Boley, Oklahoma; Allensworth, California.


Mills, Gary B., comp. *Southern Loyalists in the Civil War: The Southern Claims Commission: A Composite Directory of Case Files Created by the U.S. Commissioner of Claims, 1871-1880*. Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1994. Call # E480.5 .M55 1994 (open shelf). Indexes a seldom-explored record group. Mills notes in his introduction, “The documents frequently reflect upon politics during the Civil War and Reconstruction, and there is considerable treatment of African American life and welfare. New material appears concerning slave housing, slave ownership of property, and slave relations with white or black masters. Freedmen testified not only for and against their former owners but also in their own suit for reimbursement of property they had accumulated prior to the federal invasion. Quite a few of the claimants were free Negroes in the antebellum era, and their files are a rich source of data that seldom has been analyzed.” (p. xiii)


Military Sources

General


Revolutionary War


War of 1812


Spanish American War


Civil War

1. General

1890 Census for Civil War Veterans and Widows. Microfilm available at the Genealogy Desk. Only those schedules for Kentucky through Washington, D.C. have survived. These listings include the veterans’ unit.


*Compiled Records Showing Service of Military Units in Volunteer Union Organizations.* (Rolls 204-218 of National Archives microfilm record group M594). Call # Microfilm 1104. These particular rolls contain the compiled records for United States Colored Troops and other African American Civil War units. Although it is very unlikely that one will find references here to enlisted men, one can gain a fairly good sense of the stations, movements, and other activities of the regiments. Consult the online catalog to determine which reel or reels contain information on particular units.


*Index to Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Union Soldiers Who Served with the United States Colored Troops.* Call # Microfilm 713. Indicate desired surname(s) on call slip. Use in conjunction with Dyer below. 98 reels of National Archives microfilm record group M589.


2. Published Rosters and Indexes

the following USCT infantry regiments: 3rd, 6th, 8th, 22nd, 24th, 25th, 32nd, 41st, 43rd, 45th, 127th. The recruits for these regiments were primarily from Pennsylvania. Index available. Call # E527.B32 Index.


Indiana. Adjutant General. *Report of the Adjutant General of the State of Indiana*. 8 vols. Indianapolis, IN: Alexander H. Conner, 1869. Call # E506.2.1393 1865 (open shelf). Also Index volumes (Call # E506.2.1393 1865 Index (open shelf). Volume 7 contains roster for the 28th USCI, which was primarily made up of Indiana recruits, although some companies had strong Mid-Atlantic representations. Also listed are Indiana residents in the following USCI regiments: 8th, 13th, 14th, 17th, 23rd, 31st, 58th, 72nd, 109th, as well as the 4th United States Colored Heavy Artillery.


Massachusetts. Adjutant General. *Massachusetts Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines in the Civil War: Compiled and Published by the Adjutant General.* Norwood, MA: Norwood Press, 1931. Call # E513.M37 1931 (open shelf). See the following volumes:

Volume IV. Contains rosters of the 54th and 55th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry – recruits from various states.

Volume VI. Contains 5th Massachusetts Volunteer Cavalry Roster – primarily Massachusetts’s residents.

Volume VII. Includes “Massachusetts Soldiers in the United States Colored Troops.” As often as not these soldiers were not from Massachusetts, but were recruited by this state’s agents to fill its enlistment quotas. The soldiers listed here were primarily recruited at New Bern, North Carolina; Washington, D.C.; Fort Monroe, Virginia; Hilton Head, South Carolina; Nashville, Tennessee; and Vicksburg, Mississippi.


Ohio Roster Commission. *Official Roster of the Soldiers of the State of Ohio in the War of the Rebellion, 1861-1866.* Various locations and printers, 1886-1893. Call # E525.3.038 1886 (open shelf). See Volume 1, part 2 for rosters of the 5th USCI (the 127th Ohio Volunteer Infantry) and the 27th USCI. Also alphabetical listings of unassigned recruits for the USCT, as well as Ohio recruits for the following USCI regiments: 16th, 17th, 72nd, in addition to the 5th United States Colored Heavy Artillery.


3. Regimental Histories and Personal Narratives


Califf, Joseph M. Record of the Services of the Seventh Regiment, U.S. Colored Troops: From September, 1863 to November, 1866. Providence, RI: Freeman, 1878. Call # Microfiche 4766.

Chenery, William H. The Fourteenth Regiment Rhode Island Heavy Artillery (Colored) in the War to Preserve the Union, 1861-1865. Rhode Island: Snow & Farnham, 1898. Call # F8349.908. Also available as Microfiche 3591.


**World War I**


*Organization Index to Pension Files of Veterans Who Served Between 1861 and 1900.* (National Archives microfilm publication T289). Call # Microfilm 1183. The Newberry holds only a few reels from this set. Of interest to the African American researcher may be those pertaining to the “buffalo soldiers” in the 24th U.S. Infantry (reels 669-671); the 25th U.S. Infantry (reels 671-672); the 40th U.S. Infantry (reels 677-678); the 9th U.S. Cavalry (reels 704-706); and the 10th U.S. Cavalry (reels 706-707).

Records by Location

UNITED STATES

Alabama


Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Deposit Ledger Indexes. Call # Microfilm 710. Huntsville branch on reel 1.

Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Signature Books. Call # Microfilm 709. Records for Huntsville on reel 1 (see also Rathbun below). Those for Mobile on reel 2. These records are indexed by Freedman’s Bank Records. Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000. (Ask at Genealogy Desk for this item.)


*Return of the Census of 1866 for Counties* [of Alabama]. *White and Colored Population.* Montgomery, AL: State of Alabama, Dept. of Archives and History, [1981]. Call # Microfilm 983. Specify county on call slip. Despite its limitations, this source can be especially important for African American researchers, given its closeness to Emancipation. Researchers should note that the schedules are segregated and that localities within a given county are often unspecified. Only heads of household are listed by name. Several counties not included—consult the entry for this item on the online catalog for list of counties.

Stampp, Kenneth M., ed. *Records of Ante-Bellum Southern Plantations from the Revolution through the Civil War.* Call # Microfilm 708. See full entry for this title under “Manuscript Sources and Guides.” Entries below list families whose records contain significant slave data, followed by county of residence and reel number where records begin.

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**Arkansas**


_Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Deposit Ledger Indexes_. Call # Microfilm 710. Reel 1 contains indexing for little Rock.

_Freedman’s Savings and Trust Signature Books_. Call # Microfilm 709. Reel 3 contains entries for Little Rock. These records are indexed by *Freedman’s Bank Records*. Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000. (Ask at Genealogy Desk for this CD.)


United States. Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands. *Records of the Field Offices for the State of Arkansas*. Call # Microfilm 1171. Although not keyed specifically to this microfilm set, the researcher should consult volume one of the *Preliminary Inventory of the Records of the Field Offices of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands* (Call # E185.2 .U56 (open shelf)) for an inventory of the records reproduced on this microfilm. The Newberry’s online catalog lists the field office towns represented on each reel. Genealogical highlights of these records include: Marriages for the period of approximately 1865-1868 in field office records for Arkadelphia (reel 1), Jacksonport (reel 7), Little Rock (reels 11-13), Osceola (reel 16), Paraclifta (reel 16), Pine Bluff (reels 16-17), Washington (reels 20-21). Also labor contracts in field office records for Arkadelphia (reel 1), Augusta (reel 1), Camden (reel 2), Devil’s Bluff (reel 3), Fort Smith (reels 3-5), Hamburg (reels 5-6), Jacksonport (reel ), Lake Village and Luna Landing (reels 7-8), Madison (reels 13-14), Monticello (reel 15), Napoleon (reel 15), Osceola (reel 16), Paraclifta (reel 16), Princeton (reel 20), Washington (reel 21). These listings are provided to alert the researcher to several of the records with the greatest genealogical potential; however, these suggestions should not be relied upon exclusively. The serious researcher is urged to consult the “Preliminary Inventory” in conjunction with the Newberry’s online catalog entry for the field office records.

United States. Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands. Claims Division. *Records of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, Arkansas*. [Arkansas] Claims Division, Disbursing Officers & Claims Agents. Call # Microfilm 1170. Largely concerning the claims of the United States Colored Troops soldiers for bounty and back pay. The most informative are the claims of widows or other family members relating to deceased veterans, although these are very much in the minority. Organization is chronological for letters and papers sent and received. There is periodic indexing by ledger, but even so a scan of these records (on six reels) will take some time.


**California**


**Colorado**


**Connecticut**


Delaware


District of Columbia


*Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Deposit Ledger Indexes.* Call # Microfilm 710. Records for Washington, D.C. on reel 1.

*Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Signature Books.* Call # Microfilm 709. Records for Washington on reels 4 and 5. These records are indexed by *Freedman’s Bank Records.* Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000. (Ask at Genealogy Desk for this item.)


“Slave Manifest 1833.” *Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey* 60:3 (September 1985). Call # F131.G32 (open shelf). Manifest for a cargo of slaves “from port of Alexandria in the District of Columbia for the port of Natches [sic] in the State of Misippi [sic] Via New Orleans and Norfolk, Virginia.” Lists 68 slaves, almost all of who have surnames, together with listings of ages and physical descriptions. (Note: Alexandria was formerly part of the District of Columbia, but was ceded to Virginia in 1844.)


Florida


**Georgia**


Warren Counties. Surnames: McCants, McCrory, Riley. “Supplement to the Jackson-Moore family history and genealogy.”

_Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Deposit Ledger Index_. Call # Microfilm 710. Indexes for the Augusta and Savannah branches on reel 2.

_Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Signature Books_. Call # Microfilm 709. Records for Atlanta on reel 6, those for Augusta on reel 7, and those for Savannah branches on reels 8-10. These records are indexed by _Freedman’s Bank Records_. Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000. (Ask at Genealogy Desk for this item.)


Lunceford, Alvin M., Jr. _Taliaferro County, Georgia: Records and Notes_. Spartanburg, SC: Reprint Company, 1988. Call # F292.T23 L85. Especially noteworthy for African American genealogy with the inclusion of black marriage registers, the free black registry, and inclusion by name of slaves in will and deed abstracts.


Stampp, Kenneth M., ed. _Records of Ante-Bellum Southern Plantations from the Revolution through the Civil War_. Call # Microfilm 708. See full entry for this title under “Manuscript Sources and Guides.” Entries below list families whose records contain significant slave data, followed by county of residence and reel number where records begin.

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**Illinois**


Anderson, H. Obert (Mr. & Mrs.). “Register of Slaves (Indentures) and Emancipation of Slaves.” *Illinois State Genealogical Society Quarterly* 10:1 (Spring 1978). Call # F536.I177 (open shelf). Gallatin County records beginning 1814. Series continues in the three subsequent issues of this volume.


**Indiana**

Bigham, Darrel E. *We Ask Only a Fair Trial: A History of the Black Community of Evansville, Indiana*. Bloomington, IN: Indiana University Press, 1987. Call # F534.E9 B58 1987. This scholarly monograph does not contain genealogical source material or family histories; however, many individuals are mentioned in the text and are indexed. At the very least, this work should be of interest to anyone with roots in Evansville for the historical context it establishes.


Thornbrough, Emma Lou. *The Negro in Indiana: A Study of a Minority.* Indianapolis: Indiana Historical Bureau, 1957. Call # F895.435 (volume 37). Not specifically genealogical in its orientation; however, it is well indexed and contains much information on individuals. Also useful for its treatment of migration.


**Kansas**


**Kentucky**


Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Signature Books. Call # Microfilm 709. Records for Lexington and Louisville on reel 11. These records are indexed by Freedman’s Bank Records. Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000. (Ask at Genealogy Desk for this item.)


Schreiner-Yantis, Nettie. See Virginia listings.


United States Congress. House of Representatives. “Communication from the Commissioner of Freedmen’s Affairs Transmitting Petition of Colored People of Kentucky in Relation to Unjust Taxation by State Authority.” Serial Set 40th Congress 2nd Session (1867-1868), House Documents Vol. 9, No. 70. (Serial set designation acts as call number.) A petition from freedmen of Daviess County.


**Louisiana**


Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Deposit Ledger Indexes. Call # Microfilm 710. Indexes for the New Orleans and Shreveport offices on reel 12.

Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Signature Books. Call # Microfilm 709. Records for New Orleans and Shreveport on reel 3. These records are indexed by Freedman’s Bank Records. Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000. (Ask at Genealogy Desk for this item.)


Hebert, Donald J. *Southwest Louisiana Records: Church and Civil Records of Settlers.* Eunice, LA: [s.n.], 1974-1994. Call # F368.H42 (open shelf). Multi-volume series. Records concerning blacks, especially free blacks, are scattered throughout; however, volume 2, pp. xii-xx; volume 3, pp. 684-694; and volume 33, pp. 106-307 should be of special interest.


Knight, Carol Young. *First Settlers of Catahoula Parish, Louisiana 1808-1839.* Aledo, TX: Knight, 1983. Call # folio F377.C3 K56 1983. Primarily records for the sale of land and slaves, who are usually referred to by name.


Stampp, Kenneth M., ed. *Records of Ante-Bellum Southern Plantations from the Revolution through the Civil War.* Call # Microfilm 708. See full entry for this title under “Manuscript Sources and Guides.” Entries below
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Maryland


Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Deposit Ledger Indexes. Call # Microfilm 710. Indexes for Baltimore branch on reel 3.

Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Signature Books. Call # Microfilm 709. Records for Baltimore on reel 13. These records are indexed by Freedman’s Bank Records. Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000. (Ask at Genealogy Desk for this item.)


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**Massachusetts**


**Michigan**


**Mississippi**


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*Freedman’s Saving and Trust Deposit Ledger Indexes.* Call # Microfilm 710. Indexes for Natchez and Vicksburg records on reel 3.


Genealogical Society of Utah. Microfilm copies of manuscript marriage records for the following counties:

- Alcorn (old Tishomingo) 1866-1921 “Colored Registers.” Call # Microfilm 950.
- Bolivar 1900-1916 “Colored and White Registers.” Call # Microfilm 953.
- Clarke 1865-1919 “Freedmen Registers.” Call # Microfilm 949.
- George 1910-1921 “Colored Registers.” Call # Microfilm 952.
- Franklin 1871-1893 “Colored Registers.” Call # Microfilm 954.
- Lauderdale 1870-1916 “Marriage Record, Colored.” Call # Microfilm 978.
- Lauderdale 1839-1916 “Marriage Record, Colored.” Call # Microfilm 951.


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Mississippi. State Board of Health. *Mississippi Index (Soundex) to Marriage Records Prior to 1926*. Call # Microfilm 773. Call slip should indicate soundex code.

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*Oldham Slave Case: Correspondence and Documents*. Call # Case MS H5836.6438 (Special Collections). Manuscripts dates 1857-1860 concerning the emancipation of two slaves named Syrene and Emeline by their owner, James Oldham of Coahoma County.


“Slave Manifest 1833.” Natchez connection. See under District of Columbia.
Smith, Rebecca Haas. *Educable Children, Tate County, Mississippi, 1892*. Senatobia, MS: Tate County Mississippi Genealogical and Historical Society, 1897. Call # folio F347. T35 E394.

Stampp, Kenneth M., ed. *Records of Ante-Bellum Southern Plantations from the Revolution through the Civil War*. Call # Microfilm 708. See full entry for this title under “Manuscript Sources and Guides.” Entries below list families whose records contain significant slave data, followed by county of residence and reel number where records begin. See also Bank of the State of Mississippi Records.

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Thompson, Julius E. *The Black Press in Mississippi 1865-1985: A Directory*. West Cornwall, CT: Locust Hill Press, 1988. Call # Z1361.N39 T52. Bibliographic listings arranged by county of publication. Holding information is provided, although in all too many cases apparently no extant copies have survived. In other instances the only extant copies are in private hands.
United States. Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands. *Records of the Assistant Commissioner for the State of Mississippi*. Washington, DC: National Archives and Records Service, 1971. Call # Microfilm 722. Indentures and marriages on reel 42. The marriages recorded here were performed during the years 1864 and 1865 in Vicksburg, Natchez, and Davis Bend. An extensive collection of freedmen labor contracts are found on reels 43-50. Unfortunately the order of their arrangements makes research difficult.


**Missouri**


*Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Deposit Ledger Indexes*. Call # Microfilm 710. Indexes for St. Louis on reel 3.

*Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Signature Books*. Call # Microfilm 709. Records for St. Louis on reel 16. These records are indexed by *Freedman’s Bank Records*. Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000. (Ask at Genealogy Desk for this item.)


**New Jersey**


**New York**


Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Deposit Ledger Indexes. Call # Microfilm 710. Indexes for New York City on reel 3.

Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Signature Books. Call # Microfilm 709. Records for New York City on reel 17. These records are indexed by *Freedman’s Bank Records*. Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000. (Ask at Genealogy Desk for this item.).


**North Carolina**


Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Deposit Ledger Indexes. Call # Microfilm 710. Reel 4 contains indexes for New Bern, Raleigh, and Wilmington.

Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Signature Books. Call # Microfilm 709. Reel 18 contains records for New Bern, Raleigh, and Wilmington. (Also see Tetterton below.) These records are indexed by *Freedman’s Bank Records* (Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000). (Ask at Genealogy Desk for this item.)


following families: Applewhite (Wilson County), Barnes (Nash County), Harris (Pitt County), and Pender (Edgcombe County).


North Carolina Division of Archives and History. An Index to Marriage Bonds Filed in North Carolina State Archives. Call # Microfiche 296. Covers period 1741-1868. Contains references to a few freedmen and antebellum free black marriages.

The following county records are also on North Carolina Division of Archives and History microfilm:

- Bertie County “Cohabitation Records, 1866.” Call # Microfilm 880.
• Catawba County “Freedmen’s Marriage Record 1866.” Call # Microfilm 877.
• Catawba County Marriage Register “Black 1867-1872.” Call # Microfilm 882.
• Duplin County Marriage Register “Colored Male and Female 1952-1962; Marriage of Freed People 1866.” Call # Microfilm 883.
• Forsyth County “Acknowledgement of Cohabitation 1820-1866.” Call # Microfilm 884.
• Granville County “Marriages of Freed People 1866”; “Marriage Register 1867-1924.” Call # Microfilm 885.
• Guilford County “Marriage Records 1872-1961.” Call # Microfilm 886.
• Mecklenburg County “Marriage Records (Colored) 1850-1867.” Call # Microfilm 883.
• Pasquotank County “Account Book, Cohabitation of Negroes 1856-1867.” Call # Microfilm 880.
• Pequimans County “Record of Marriages by Freedmen 1866-1867.” Call # Microfilm 879.


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case reports. Labor contracts on reel 34, Robeson County is heavily represented. This is also the case for the indenture papers contained on reel 35.


Wynne, Frances Holloway. *North Carolina Extant Voter Registrations of 1867.* Bowie, MD: Heritage, 1992. Call # F253.W96 1992 (open shelf). Although the voter registration records for many counties have not survived, these records can be especially significant for African American genealogical research, given their midway point between emancipation and the 1870 census.
Ohio


- Volume 1: Adams-Carroll Counties.
- Volume 2: Champaign-Clinton Counties.
- Volume 3: Columbiana-Fayette Counties.
- Volume 4: Franklin-Geauga Counties.
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- Volume 6: Green-Henry Counties.
- Volume 7: Highland-Lorain Counties.
- Volume 8: Lucas-Morrow Counties.
- Volume 9: Muskingum-Ross Counties.
- Volume 10: Sandusky-Wyandot Counties.


Turpin, Joan. *Register of Black, Mulatto and Poor Persons in Four Ohio Counties, 1791-1861*. Bowie, MD: Heritage Books, 1985. Call # folio F490.T87 1985. The counties in question are Clinton, Highland, Logan, and Ross. The records were generated by an Ohio law requiring all black or mulatto persons to appear before the clerk of the county common pleas court to prove free status with appropriate documentation.


Wright State University. *Records of Black and Mulatto Persons*. Call # Microfilm 392. Microfilm of original records of the type referred to above in Turpin. Counties included are Greene, Logan, Miami and Montgomery. A printed abstract entitled *Register of Blacks in the Miami Valley: A Name Abstract (1804-1857)* compiled by Stephen Haller and Robert Smith is also available (Call # folio F497.M63 H34).

**Oklahoma**

*Enrollment Cards for the Five Civilized Tribes, 1898-1914*. Call # Microfilm 1083. The following reels are available and may be of interest to the African American researcher: Index (reel 1); Cherokee freedmen enrollments 1-1595 (reels 23-26); Cherokee freedmen minor enrollments 1-542 (reels 26-27); Cherokee freedmen D1-D1342, R1-R1276 (reels 33-38). Consult the index reel first.

*Index of Final Rolls of Citizens and Freedmen of the Five Civilized Tribes in the Indian Territory*. Call # Ayer 250.1.15 U42 1907 Index (Special Collections). Listings include African Americans affiliated with the Seminoles, Cherokees, Creeks, Choctaws and Chickasaws. This index should then lead the researcher to the Final Rolls of Citizens and Freedmen (Call # Microfilm 505). See Native American pathfinder available at Genealogy Desk.


**Pennsylvania**


*Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Deposit Ledger Indexes*. Call # Microfilm 710. Indexes for Philadelphia on reel 4.

*Freedmen’s Saving and Trust Signature Books*. Call # Microfilm 709. Records for Philadelphia on reel 19. These records are indexed by *Freedman’s Bank Records*. Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000. (Ask at Genealogy Desk for this item.)


**Rhode Island**

Battle, Charles A. *Negroes on the Island of Rhode Island.* Newport, RI: Black Museum, [1932?]. Call # F845.079.

South Carolina

Arnold, Jonnie P. *Index to 1860 Mortality Schedule of South Carolina*. Greenville, SC: Arnold, 1982. Call # F268.A75 (open shelf). Includes indexing for slaves, indicating names of owners if that information is present in the schedules.


Bryant, Lawrence C., ed. Bryant supervised a series of biographical compilations on South Carolina’s black legislators. Although there is a great deal of overlap among them, each book contains unique entries. They are as follows:


Cody, Cheryll Ann. *Slave Demography and Family Formation: A Community Study of the Bell Family Plantations, 1720-1896*. Ph.D. dissertation, University of Minnesota, 1982. Call # Microfilm 802. Although this is an academic dissertation with a demographic focus, it may be useful to the genealogist with slave ancestry on the Ball plantation both for the context it provides and the sources cited. A few slaves are mentioned by name, together with selected “family reconstructions.”


<http://www.freedmensbureau.com/southcarolina/index.htm>. This site contains a number of indexes and transcriptions of documents from the Freedmen’s Bureau records.  
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**Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Deposit Ledger Indexes.** Call # Microfilm 710. Indexes for Beaufort and Charleston on reel 4.

**Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Signature Books.** Call # Microfilm 709. Records for Charleston on reels 21-23. These records are indexed by Freedman’s Bank Records. Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000. (Ask at Genealogy Desk for this item.)


Prince George Winyah Church (Charleston). Register. Spartanburg, SC: Reprint Co., 1981?. Call # Microfiche 608. Microfiche of baptismal and other records (beginning 1813) includes those for slaves. Microfiche of similar records for other Charleston churches are listed in this bibliography.


South Carolina Historical Society. The Society has reproduced on microfilm a number of Low Country church records. Slave baptism records, some quite detailed, are found in many of them. The following show particular promise:

- Calvary Episcopal, Charleston (1848-1978). Call # Microfiche 651.
- Christ Episcopal, Mount Pleasant, Charleston County (1645-1865). Call # Microfiche 653.
- Georgetown Methodist Church (1811-1897). Call # Microfiche 569.
- Saint Andrew’s, Episcopal, Charleston (1719-1783). Call # Microfiche 665.
- Saint Andrew’s, Charleston County (1714-1899). Call # Microfiche 620.
- Saint Bartholomew’s, Colleton County (1818-1861). Call # Microfiche 667. See in particular “Rector’s Journal.”
- Saint Helena’s, Episcopal, Beaufort County (1720-1830). Call # Microfiche 572.
- Saint Michael’s, Charleston (1751-1881). Call # Microfiche 619. See in particular “Trapier Register.”
- Saint Peter’s, Charleston (1834-1958) Call # Microfiche 677.
- Saint Philip’s, Charleston (1713-1894). Call # Microfiche 679.
- Saint Stephen’s, Charleston (1822-1880). Call # Microfiche 681.
- Sheldon Church, McPhersonville, Hampton County (1825-1932). Call # Microfiche 664.

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*Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Signature Books*. Call # Microfilm 709. Records for Memphis on reel 24 and those for Nashville on reel 25. These records are indexed by *Freedman’s Bank Records*. Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000. (Ask at Genealogy Desk for this item.)


*Memphis Riots and Massacres*. House of Representatives Report No. 101 (39th Congress, 1st Session). Call # J5882.92. Special Congressional report on the anti-black riots which took place in Memphis in May 1866. Includes extensive testimony and affidavits of many Memphis African Americans, revealing details concerning not only the riots but also information on their families and personal lives. Indexing for witnesses and affiants.


Texas


Murray, Joyce Martin. Austin County, Texas Deed Abstracts, 1837-1852: Republic of Texas and State of Texas. Dallas, TX: Murray, 1987. Call # Ayer F392.A9 M87 1987 (Special Collections). Does not contain as much slave data as does her Red River County volume (see below); however, this book does deserve mention since it, like the Red River volume, contains a slave name index.


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*Freedmen’s Savings and Trust Deposit Ledger Indexes.* Call # Microfilm 710. Indexes for Richmond and Norfolk on reel 5.


“Slave Manifest 1833.” See District of Columbia section.


Stampp, Kenneth M., ed. *Records of Ante-Bellum Southern Plantations from the Revolution through the Civil War.* Call # Microfilm 708. See full entry for this title under “Manuscript Sources and Guides.” Entries below list families whose records contain significant slave data, followed by county of residence and reel number where records begin.
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Also: miscellaneous slavery related papers from Brunswick, Franklin, Halifax, Mecklenburg, Pittsylvania, Smyth Counties found on E.3.5; Silas and R.H. Omohundra (Richmond) “slaves sales book,” 1857-1864 on E.1.38.


United States. Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands. *Records of the Assistant Commissioner for the District of Columbia.* Call # Microfilm 723. Many of the freedmen listed on reels 17 and 18 as being transported out of Washington were originally from Virginia.


Wisconsin


CANADA


Appendices
Caption: Employee service record, Record Group 06/02/03, Pullman Company Archives, Newberry Library
Appendix A - Pullman Employee Records

By JoEllen Dickie, Special Collections

The Pullman Company archives contain a wealth of information relating to the company, car construction and employment history. The Newberry acquired 2,500 cubic feet of records from the Pullman Company over a thirty-three year period beginning in 1948. These records document the business activities of Pullman’s Palace Car Company and the Pullman Company. The records at the Newberry date from 1867 and include records of the entire firm up to the 1924 split of the company into operating (sleeping car operation, service and repair) and manufacturing companies.

The Pullman Company was the single largest employer of African Americans at the turn of the 20th century. The Employee and Labor Relations Department Records at the Newberry date from 1875-1980, although the bulk of records date from the 1920’s on. These records, some 694 cubic feet, contain information on porters, maids, attendants, conductors, shop workers, yard force, and clerical employees. In addition, there are microfilmed payroll records for other categories of employees dating from the 1880’s, these include employees of the General office, 1888-1950, Town of Pullman and Laundry, 1887-1908, and Pullman Car Works, 1887-1924. The South Suburban Genealogical and Historical Society holds the majority of Pullman Car Works employee records, although the Newberry does have a limited number of records for Pullman Car Works employees with the quit date of 1918-1929.

The Guide to the Pullman Company Archives is available online through the Newberry’s website at http://www.newberry.org/collections/PullmanGuide.pdf. Print copies of the Guide are also available at the Checklist Table, located on the third floor of the Library in the Bibliographic and Reference Department and on the fourth floor of the Library on the Open Reference Shelf in the Special Collections Reading Room. The Guide to the archives is arranged in Record Group order—a total of fifteen groups; the majority of employee records are found in Record Group 06, the Employee and Labor Relations Department, Personnel Administration Department. In this record group you will find employee indexes and registers, service record cards, application files, Group Insurance Application records, pension files and Social Security Account and Railroad Retirement Board Registration files.

Access to Employee Service Records in the Pullman Company Archives:

To consult the Pullman Archives, you will need to complete two forms. First, the “Application for Use of Manuscript Collections” and the “Pullman Access Statement.”

To conduct a thorough search of the employee records, it is best to know the district/city the individual worked, his/her job title and the dates (at least decades) the employee worked for the company.

The following is a list of the most useful record groups to consult when beginning an employee search in the Pullman archives. Refer to the Guide to the archives for individual box and folder/volume numbers.

1. RG: 06/02/03—Employee Service records, 1890-1969 (bulk 1920-1950).
   Records arranged with Central office service records preceding service records. Records are arranged by state, district, agency or shop; type of employee, individual cards arranged alphabetically.

   Check both the Central office and service records when searching for an employee—lists birth date, race, address, next of kin, service commendations and warnings, furlough, resignation and retirement dates. Many of Chicago District porter records include photographs.

2. RG: 06/02/02—Application and Service Files, 1900-1964, (limited number of applications).
Applications arranged alphabetically—including photographs, references, physician reports, disciplinary records etc. Indexes list employment date, district, and application number, 1909-1933.

3. **RG: 06/02/01-Employee Indexes and Registers, 1875-1946**
   Arranged by type of register or index, then chronologically—lists date of birth, nationality, race and service dates.

4. **RG: 06/02/06-Discharge and Release records, 1880-1957(bulk 1880-1931).**
   Cards arranged alphabetically by job title then chronologically—lists employee number, occupation, division, district, and dates of release and reason for discharge.

5. **RG: 06/03/04-Social Security Account Application and Railroad Retirement Board Registration Files, 1937-1960.**
   Cards arranged alphabetically—lists address, date of birth, nationality, race, address, and parents’ names.

6. **RG: 06/03/01-Group Insurance Application Records, 1929-1970.**
   Cards arranged alphabetically—lists address, race, occupation, work location, employment date, terminations and reinstatements, beneficiary’s name, address and relationship to employee.

7. **RG: 06/03/06-06/03/07-Retired with Pension Files, 1916-1980 Deceased Employees Prior Service Files, 1924-1976.**
   Cards arranged alphabetically by death date—lists occupation and district.

In addition to the employee service records, the archives contain materials related to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, photographs produced for the *Pullman News*, scrapbooks documenting the Pullman Strike and the Town of Pullman and Malcolm X’s time card.

If you believe you have an ancestor who worked as a Pullman porter or other employee, you can check the Newberry’s records by going to Special Collections on the fourth floor of the Library. There you can consult the *Guide*, fill out the forms, and page the appropriate employee records.

If you can’t visit the Library, you can send an email to specialcolls@newberry.org and request a record search. You can also send a letter to: Special Collections, Newberry Library, 60 W. Walton St., Chicago, Illinois, 60610.
Appendix B - Reconstruction Era Records

Using the Freedmen’s Bureau and Freedman’s Bank Records

Immediately after the Civil War, two separate institutions were established to help emancipated slaves and other war refugees: the Freedmen’s Bureau and the Freedman’s Bank. The records for these two institutions are a treasure trove for genealogists researching African Americans. The Freedmen’s Bureau records are complex and confusing, but are a rich source for family historians. The Freedman’s Bank records are less extensive than the Bureau’s records, but indexing has made them easier to use. This guide is intended as a quick introduction to these two important sources. For a more extensive explanation of the Bank and Bureau records, see Tony Burroughs’ chapter in Byers, African American Genealogical Sourcebook pp. 57-90 (Newberry Call # E185.96 .A444 1995 (open shelf)).

The Freedmen’s Bureau Records

The U.S. Congress created the Freedmen’s Bureau in 1865 (officially the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands) to assist in the transition between slavery and freedom. The Bureau was created as a part of the War Department. In carrying out its mission, the Bureau took on many tasks, including the negotiation of labor contracts, the licensing of marriages, the establishment of law and order, and the education of children. Congress ordered the Bureau to stop most of its activities on January 1, 1869, and it closed the Bureau completely in 1872. The Bureau’s wide-ranging activities during this short period generated a large volume of records of historical and genealogical value. The records are particularly important to genealogists researching former slaves because the records of the Bureau are often the earliest records that document the surnames of freedmen.

Records Created by the Bureau
Like any large organization, the Freedmen’s Bureau created many paper records: correspondence, reports of events, contracts and other documents. The original copies of these papers are now kept at the National Archives in Washington, D.C. The National Archives avoids re-arranging the papers of a government institution by subject. Instead, it leaves papers arranged the way that the organization itself kept them. Following this principle, the Freedmen’s Bureau records are arranged according to the Bureau’s organizational structure. The Bureau was headquartered at the Commissioner’s Office in Washington. In each of the 11 states where the Bureau operated, an Assistant Commissioner’s Office reported to Washington. Below the Assistant Commissioner’s office in the hierarchy, a variety of field offices and sub-assistant Commissioner’s offices reported; this lower-level organization varied from state to state.

The original paper copies of these records are held by the National Archives in Washington, D.C. In 1973, a preliminary survey of the papers was published by the Archives (Call # E185.2 .U56 1973 (open shelf)). The preliminary inventory serves as an overview of the original paper records. It was written before the records were microfilmed, so it does not give information about the location of the documents on microfilm.

Microfilmed Records
Some (but not all) of the Bureau’s records have been microfilmed by the National Archives. The chart at the end of this section shows which record groups have been filmed, whether they are held by the Newberry or the National Archives – Great Lakes Branch, and where to find descriptions of the films.
Guide to the Microfilm

In 1984, the National Archives published Black Studies (Call # Z1361.N39 U63 1984 (open shelf)), a guide to microfilmed sources for African American history and genealogy. Black Studies includes reel listings for the Freedmen’s Bureau microfilms, but only for the microfilm sets that were completed by 1984. Since that time, additional microfilm sets have been published. The chart at the end of this section shows which microfilm sets are described in Black Studies. For more recently published microfilm sets, researchers can use the Preliminary Inventory (Call # E185.2 .U56 1973 (open shelf)) to navigate the records, although it does not list reel numbers.

Indexes

Many sections of the Freedmen’s Bureau records have been name indexed by genealogists. There are a variety of indexes in print and on-line. The state sections of this bibliography list printed indexes held by the Newberry. Researchers should also search in the Newberry’s on-line catalog for the subject heading of Freedmen (locality) for newly acquired print indexes.

The Freedmen’s Bureau Online <www.freedmensbureau.com> is the best Web site for locating on-line indexes to the Freedmen’s Bureau. This collaborative Web site allows researchers to post indexes and transcriptions of Bureau records. For example, the site contains a large set of marriage records transcribed from the Records of the Assistant Commissioner for Mississippi. The front page of the site has a search function that allows researchers to search numerous indexes at once. Researchers should also explore the State sections for indexes.

Other Search Strategies

While name indexes are helpful, only a portion of the Freedmen’s Bureau records is currently indexed. To delve deeper into the records, researchers should consider which section of the Bureau might have dealt with their ancestors. Start at the state level: read the description of the record sets for the state your ancestor came from and see if any promising records are available as part of the Assistant Commissioner’s records. After checking the state level, try to locate the local field office records for the area you are studying and see what you find.

For example, suppose you were searching for an ancestor from Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana. First, you might read the description of the Louisiana Assistant Commissioner records in the Louisiana section of this guide. It notes that reel 32 of the Assistant Commissioner’s records contains “reports of indigents” organized by parish. By requesting that reel, the researcher could search for individuals listed in Avoyelles.

Next, you might search for Field Office records for Avoyelles. To determine which field office to check, the researcher should consider what large towns are near Avoyelles Parish. By looking at a map of Louisiana, you can identify Alexandria, Pineville, and Ville Platte as large towns near Avoyelles Parish. The description of the Louisiana Field Offices in the Preliminary Inventory (Vol. 1., P. 186-243) shows that there was a Field Office in Alexandria. The description of the Alexandria Field Office records includes a register of labor contracts from Avoyelles Parish. Other records from the Alexandria office, such as indigent reports and letters, might include more information about Avoyelles Parish during Reconstruction. In this case, the Newberry does not hold the Louisiana Field Office records, but researchers will find them at the National Archives in Chicago.

This strategy might seem like a lot of work to locate information about one ancestor. But many of the freedmen are not otherwise documented, so it might be worth the effort. Also, even if you do not find a record of your ancestor, by studying original documents from the time and place your ancestors lived you learn something about how your ancestors lived.
The Freedman’s Bank Records

A group of investors created the Freedman’s Savings and Trust Company (informally known as the Freedman’s Bank) in 1865 to give freedmen and refugees a safe place to save money. The bank was closed in 1874, but generated a significant set of records during its years of operation. These include signature registers, indexes to deposit ledgers, deposit books, dividend payments and administrative correspondence. The original records are held by the National Archives in Washington.

Microfilmed Records

The National Archives has filmed three sets of records from the Freedman’s Bank.

- **Registers of Signatures of Depositors in Branches of the Freedman’s Savings and Trust Company, 1865-1874.** 27 Reels. National Archives Microfilm # M816. Newberry Call # Microfilm 709. The Signature Registers contain the most genealogical information. In these documents, customers who opened accounts at the bank often submitted their residence, age, occupation, physical description, family members and other information in their application. The microfilm set is described in *Black Studies* (Call # Z1361.N39 U63 1984 (open shelf)) pp. 10-11.

- **Indexes to Deposit Ledgers in Branches of the Freedman’s Savings and Trust Company, 1865-1874.** National Archives Microfilm # M817. 5 reels. Newberry Call # 710. Described in *Black Studies*, p. 11.

- **Journal of the Board of Trustees and Minutes of Committees and Inspectors of the Freedman’s Savings and Trust.** 2 reels. National Archives Microfilm # M874. Not held by the Newberry. Available at National Archives - Great Lakes. Described in *Black Studies*, p. 11-12.

Indexes

The Family History Library of the Church of Latter-Day Saints has created a name index to the Registers of Signatures of Depositors on CD-ROM (Newberry Call # CD-ROM E185.6 F844 2000). The index includes roughly 480,000 names extracted from the registers. Other print indexes are described in the state sections of this bibliography and in the on-line catalog under the subject heading *Freedmen-(locality).*

Further Reading on Reconstruction Era Records


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