

African Americans & Indians & the American Revolutionary Era

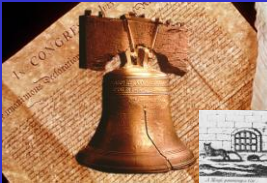
Thomas Peters
Thayendanega
(Joseph Brant)



African "Call & Response"
"Beneath the Raven Moon"

"The World Turned Upside Down"

"All Men Are Created Equal"



"The World Turned Upside Down"
(18th-c. engraving)

Thomas Peters

Kidnapped African

- 1759
- Yoruba people
- Present-day Nigeria



Thomas Peters

Kidnapped 1759

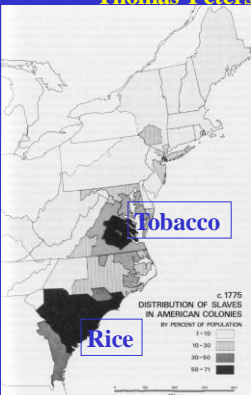


Thomas Peters

Runaway Slave:
3 times before 1770



Thomas Peters to North Carolina



20% of colonists were black in 1776

Thomas Peters



1775

Fled to
Lord
Dunmore
(Virginia Royal
Governor)

Lord Dunmore



Thomas Jefferson:



30,000 slaves fled to Dunmore

RUN away from the subscriber
in *Albemarle*, a Mulatto slave called *Sandy*,
about 35 years of age, his stature is rather low,
inclining to corpulence, and his complexion light;
he is a shoemaker by trade, in which he uses his
left hand principally, can do coarse carpenters
work, and is something of a horse jockey; he is
greatly addicted to drink, and when drunk is inso-
lent and disorderly, in his conversation he swears
much, and in his behaviour is artful and knavish. He took with
him a white horse, much feathered with traces, of which it is ex-
pected he will endeavour to dispose; he also carried his shoe-
makers tools, and will probably endeavour to get employment that
way. Whoever conveys the said slave to me, in *Albemarle*, shall
have 40 s. reward, if taken up within the county, &c. if elsewhere
within the colony, and 20 l. if in any other colony. from
THOMAS JEFFERSON.

1769

**Fugitives from
Slavery:
Declaring their
Freedom**



**Dorah
and Child**





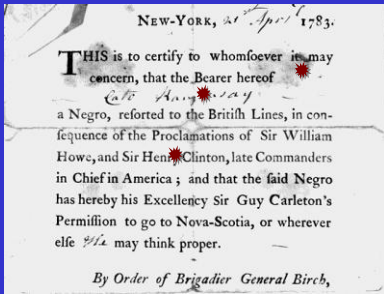
Washington Crossing the Street



Washington Crossing the Delaware

Slaves Leave with British

- Nova Scotia (Canada)
- West Indies
- England



Pass for Cato Ramsay, escaped slave, to leave America with the British, 1783



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Lord Dunmore

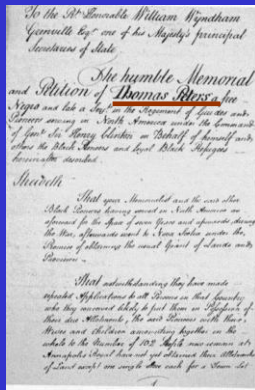
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- War refugee with other Loyalists
- 1783: To Nova Scotia (Canada)



Wood Cutter, Nova Scotia, 1788

Petition of Thomas Peters to the British Prime Minister demanding a “competent settlement” for black Loyalists 1790



Thomas Peters

- “Moses” to Africa
- 1792--to Sierra Leone





Thomas Peters

Struggled for
Life
Liberty & the
Pursuit of Happiness

Native Americans in the Revolutionary Era

- Perpetual Hostilities 1750-1800
 - “Play Off” System
- Cultural Reinvention
- Various biographies



Thayendanegea

Diplomacy: “Play Off System” and Warfare

1750



1763

Choices After The American Revolution?

- Molly Brandt
 - Flee to Canada
- Cornplanter
 - Reservations
- Handsome Lake (1790s)
 - Cultural Reconstruction
 - Combines Iroquois & European values



Cornplanter



Handsome Lake

Native American Cultural Resistance

- Return to traditional ways
- Established “Prophet’s Town” in Indiana

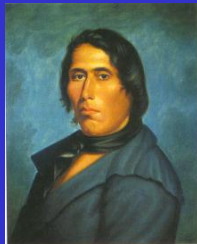


**Tenskwatawa:
“The Prophet”**

Native American Physical Resistance



Red: Prophet's Message
Blue: Tecumseh's Travels



Tecumseh

Native American Resistance

- War of 1812 (U.S. against Britain)
 - Tecumseh fought with British
 - Killed in battle in 1813

