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Originally Published: Burlington; Isaac Neal, 1794 Reprinted: Buffalo; William S. Hein & Co., Inc.; 1940

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Originally Published: Washington; Carnegie Institution of Washington; 1938

Reprinted: New York; The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd.; 2000

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By Elizabeth Donnan

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By Henry Wheaton

Wheaton was a distinguished attorney and diplomat. His *Elements of International Law* (1836) established him as America's foremost authority on that subject. Published simultaneously in the United States and Great Britain, *Enquiry* criticizes Britain's seizure of American vessels engaged in the Atlantic slave trade. Although the importation of slaves was prohibited by law at this time, Wheaton rejected the right of other nations to enforce this American law. Instead of serving the United States, he reasons, such actions are a violation of its sovereignty.

FREE MEN ALL The Personal Liberty Laws of the North

By Thomas D. Morris

The Personal Liberty Laws reflected the social ethical commitment to freedom from slavery, and as such, were among the bricks that laid the foundation for the Fourteenth Amendment. Morris examines those statutes as enacted in the five representative states (Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio, Wisconsin, Massachusetts) and argues that these laws were an alternative to the violence allowed by the southern slave codes and the extreme abolitionist viewpoints of the North.

Originally Published: Baltimore; The Johns Hopkins

University Press; 1974

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HISTORICAL AND LEGAL EXAMINATION of that Part of the Decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the DRED SCOTT CASE

By Thomas Hart Benton

This text presents a critical examination of the Supreme Court's DRED SCOTT decision, along with Benton's arguments against the Missouri Compromise that reaffirms his conviction that the status of slaves, as property, could not be affected by federal legislation.

IMPERFECT UNION: SLAVERY, FEDERALISM AND COMITY

By Paul Finkelman

Finkelman describes the judicial turmoil that ensued when slaves were taken into free states, and the resultant issues of the conflict of laws, comity and cooperation between the states, their Constitutional obligations, and the threat of nationalization of slavery.

Originally Published: Chapel Hill; University of North Carolina Press: 1981

Reprinted: New York; The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd.; 2000 Distributed by William S. Hein & Co., Inc.

JUDICIAL CASES CONCERNING AMERICAN SLAVERY AND THE NEGRO

Edited By Helen Catterall

In 1937, few books had addressed slavery, even though it was one of the most important chapters in the history of the United States. The Department of Historical Research in the Carnegie Institution saw the need for such a work, and published this set from historical materials published throughout volumes of judicial reports.

LINCOLN THE CONSTITUTIONAL LAWYER

By John Maxcy Zane

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Zane explores the sources of Lincoln's interpretation of the Constitution, with an emphasis on slavery and civil liberties during times of national emergency. Two introductory chapters offer an appreciation of Lincoln's prose style and courtroom technique.

John Maxcy Zane was a Chicago attorney and the author of *The Story of Law* (1927). This edition reprints a volume that was issued in a limited edition of 300 copies by Chicago's Caxton Club in 1932.

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By Rembert W. Patrick

For the first time since the collapse of the Confederacy, these opinions were made available to the general reading public. More than 200 opinions of four Confederate attorneys general, and Wade Keyes, who was at various times Assistant, Acting, and Ad Interim Attorney General, are found in this work. With the exception of 15, none of these opinions had been officially published until this volume was produced.

PLATO'S LAW OF SLAVERY IN ITS RELATION TO GREEK LAW

By Glenn R. Morrow

The presence of slavery in the Laws has puzzled and distressed many of Plato's admirers. However, before passing judgment on Plato's attitude toward slavery, we must first have a clear idea of the legal status of the slave under Plato's law, and compare it with the slave's position under Greek law of Plato's day. This work sets out to do just that, as well as to provide a good account of Greek law, much of which has been lost over the course of history.

RACE TRAITS AND TENDENCIES OF THE AMERICAN NEGRO

By Frederick L. Hoffman

A fascinating study of the circumstances of African-Americans during the first thirty years from the emancipation of slavery in the United States. This analysis is divided into chapters that examine population factors, vital statistics, anthropometry, race amalgamation, and social and economic conditions and tendencies.

The author concludes that the 1896 abolition of slavery did not demonstrably improve the plight of African-Americans in the United States. Hoffman was the statistician to the Prudential Insurance Company of America at the time of this publication, and as such collected vital and social statistics regarding the subject.

ROMAN LAW OF SLAVERY

The Condition of the Slave in Private Law from Augustus to Justinian

By W. W. Buckland

A systematic and scholarly description of the principles of the Roman law regarding slavery. "So great is the care, skill, and accuracy with which his object has been carried out, we think it will be long before any other writer, either at home or abroad attempts to produce a rival work on this branch of the law" (Marke 126). With appendices and a thorough index.

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TWICE CONDEMNED: SLAVES AND THE CRIMINAL LAWS OF VIRGINIA, 1705-1865

By Philip J. Schwartz

Analyzes the history of enslaved African Americans' relationship with the criminal courts of the Old Dominion during a 160-year period. Schwarz's study is based on more than 4,000 trials from the colonial, early national, and antebellum periods. This book provides a fascinating portrayal of slave culture and slave resistance to white Society, not only as a means of resistance against oppression, but also as a means of individual empowerment.

Originally Published: Baton Rouge; Louisiana State University Press; 1988

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SLAVERY IN THE COURTROOM

An Annotated Bibliography of American Cases

By Paul Finkelman

Recipient of the Joseph L. Andrews Award in 1986. This book provides a detailed discussion and analysis of the pamphlet materials on the law of slavery published in the United States and Great Britain. It provides the reader with an understanding of most of the important American and British cases on slavery.

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