

Guide to African American Sources

The H. Furlong Baldwin Library at the Maryland Historical Society possesses a variety of resources for those researching African Americans or their history, including books, photographs, oral histories, manuscripts, and various records and directories. The collection is strongest in materials from the 19th and 20th centuries. The Library's significant holding of materials relating to the efforts to colonize freed blacks in Liberia and its transcripts of oral histories are particularly interesting.

A number of influential African Americans were born in Maryland or called it home. Harriet Tubman was born in Dorchester County, and Frederick Douglass's narrative of his escape from slavery on a Maryland plantation is well known. Books on these and other individuals are included in the Library's collection and can be found by searching for the individual's name in the Library's on-line catalog. The Eubie Blake Papers can be examined in the McIlvain Special Collections Reading Room, and many items of correspondence and other miscellany from this collection are available on-line. General histories of African American life or more specific accounts can also be found. A good place to start is by browsing through the subjects on the on-line catalog that begin "Afro-American" or "Afro-Americans". To aid in your research we have also listed below some of the main sources relating to African Americans. Please keep in mind that this list is not comprehensive.

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I. SLAVERY

Published Primary Sources

The Library has an extensive collection of pamphlets related to slavery which were published in the antebellum era. These are included in the online catalog.

- Maryland Tax List of 1783 (Microfilm) lists number of slaves by sex and age, not name
- Maryland Tax Lists, 1798-1805: includes assessments of slaves in most counties (MS807, available on microfilm)
- 1790 Census, for Maryland (Micro 462) lists number of slaves by sex and age, not name
- 1800 Census, for Maryland (Micro 463-477) lists number of slaves by sex and age, not name
- 1810 Census, for Maryland (Micro 478-489) lists number of slaves by sex and age, not name
- 1820 Census, for Maryland (Micro 490-505) lists number of slaves by sex and age, not name

- 1830 Census, for Maryland (Micro 507-522) lists number of slaves by sex and age, not name
- 1840 Census, for Maryland (Micro 523-538) lists number of slaves by sex and age, not name
- Slave schedules, 1850 Census, for Maryland (Micro 562-564)
- Slave schedules, 1860 Census, for Maryland (Micro 679-680)
- Earl Russell and The Slave Power; issued by the executive of the Union and Emancipation Society, Manchester (Rare PAM S-581)
- Enquiry Into the Validity of the British Claim to A Right of Visitation and Search of American Vessels Suspected to be Engaged in the African Slave-Trade (JX5268.W5)
- Captain Canot: Or Twenty Years of an African Slaver (Rare HT 985 .M47)

Plantation and Owners' Records in Special Collections

- Baltimore Town Account Book, 1742-74: now known to be daybook of Priest Neal's Mass House (Paradise Plantation) in Harford Co. (MS1133)
- *Dr. John H. Bayne Papers*, 1862-69: letters discussing disappearance of slaves and ensuing economic hardships (MS1200)
- Carroll Papers: includes inventories of slaves, accounts of work by slaves (various MS collections)
- *Carter Papers*, 1775-1804: includes letters discussing use of Negroes in the Iron Works (MS1228, available on microfilm)
- Cockey Family Papers, 1725-1908: includes wills and papers relating to sale of slaves (MS1782)
- Robert Franklin Account Book, 1702-1901: records numbers of slaves owned by this Anne Arundel Co. planter (MS282)
- Richard and David S. Gittings Papers, 1815-96: includes records of births of Dr. David S. Gittings' slaves (MS1667)

- Grundy-Gibson Papers, 1783-1840: letters discussing New Orleans's attitudes toward slaves in 1822 (MS1294)
- *John Hanson Letters*, 1780-83: some comment on plantation affairs, runaways, and treatment of slaves (MS1785)
- *Hoffman Family Papers*, 1770-1869: includes bills for purchase of slaves (MS1743)
- Henry Hollyday Account Book, 1745-90: accounts of Henry Hollyday of "Ratcliffe Manor," in Talbot Co. (MS454)
- *Hollyday Account Book*, 1746-84): ledger includes purchase of slaves (MS454.1)
- Cornelius Howard Papers, 1699-1848: includes Baltimore County farm daybooks with daily accounts for slaves (MS469.5)
- Curtis W. Jacobs Diary: slaveholder recounts purported Eastern Shore slave revolt, sending slaves to the Deep South as punishment, and slaves running away to join the Union Army (MS3036)
- Baker Johnson Letters, 1773: includes letter discussing sale of a "boy" and going price of slaves (MS1656)

- Johnston and Donaldson Papers, 1855: will of Caleb Goodwin with inventory of his slaves (MS1564)
- Jones Record Books, 1779-1812: lists inventories of servants and slaves, etc. (MS517) Anne Arundel and Baltimore Counties
- Lloyd Papers, c.1650-1910: plantation accounts, inventories of slaves for several different years, a 1793 controversy about Edward Lloyd's treatment of slaves (MS2001)
- Long Family Collection, 1830: letter discusses slaves (MS1643)
- *McPherson-Johnson Papers*, 1785: letter to George Washington on use of slave labor on canals (MS1714)
- *Michael Papers*, 1659-1908: letters concerning runaway slaves, etc. (MS1368)
- *Oden Papers*, 1755-1836: correspondence on tobacco trade and sale of slaves (MS178)
- William P. Preston Papers, 1835-75: scrapbook includes information on slavery (MS978.2)
- *Mark Pringle Letterbook*, 1811-18: comments on slave labor (MS680)
- Richardson Papers, 1831-61: includes letters on slaves and on Baltimore riot of 1861 (MS1405)
- *Ridgely Account Books*, 1732-1884: plantation, store, and iron accounts, including clothing

- allotments for slaves at Northampton Furnace (MS691)
- *Ridgely Papers*, 1740-1880: includes items on purchase of slaves (MS692)
- Andrew Schad Papers, 1855: receipt for purchase of a slave (MS1566)
- Susanna Warfield Diaries, 1845-85: comments on slavery and Civil War (MS760)
- Robert M. Wier Collection, c.1850-1912: includes receipt for purchase of young Negro man (MS1093)
- Otho Holland Williams Papers, 1781-1839: occasionally mention slaves (MS908, available on microfilm); see finding aid at www.mdhs.org/library/mss/ms000908.html
- William Wirt Papers, 1784-1864: includes list of Florida Negroes (1833) and letter on slave purchases (MS1011)
- William Patterson Account Books, c.1770-1838: items relating to plantation affairs and mercantile interests (MS904)
- *Virdin Papers*, 1838-1938: farm inventory and slave record (MS866)
- Watkins Record Book, 1703-c.1815: includes list of slave births (MS880)

Slave Trade

- *Baltimore County Chattel Records*, 1773-1788, 1791-1794, 1811-1812: includes sales of slaves and manumissions (MS2865)
- Baltimore Life Insurance Company Papers, includes policies for many slaves with descriptions (MS175)
- Paul Bentalou Journal, 1784-1813: occasional mention of slave trade by Baltimore merchant and pamphleteer (MS125)
- Cheston-Galloway Papers, 1684-1961: merchant and planter family (MS1994)
- *Hollyday Papers*: duties levied for importing Negroes, Irish servants, and liquor (MS1317)
- Maryland Ports-of-Entry Records, 1745-1775 (MS638, available on microfilm): includes slave imports

- Naval Officer Shipping Lists, 1689-1701,
 1754-1764 (MS2331, available on microfilm):
 includes slave imports
- Thomas Rutland Letterbook, 1784-87: deals with cargoes, including slaves, shipped between Annapolis and the West Indies (MS1726)
- Seymour Papers, 1707-1709: includes lists of slaves imported (MS737)
- *Dr. Thomas Ramsay Steele Collection*: slave trade (MS1769)
- Edwin Anderson Williams Papers, 1749-51: diary of doctor on a slaving ship to Africa (MS899)
- Wright Papers, 1845-6: contains letters on African slave trade (MS1467

Other Primary Sources in Special Collections

- Account of a 14-year old slave girl, 1834: her execution for murder (Sp. Col. Vertical File)
- *John Leeds Bozman Papers*, 1788-1876: includes notes on slavery (MS1934)
- Bood-McCulloch Family Papers, c.1850-1870: letters dealing with slavery and Reconstruction (MS1159)
- Boyd-Hoopman Papers,1801: includes broadside advertising for runaway slave (MS1208)
- Bradford Papers, 1860-79: correspondence of Augustus W. Bradford, Maryland Governor, discussing slavery, the Civil War, etc. (MS1215)

- Law Papers, 1821: letter to John C. Calhoun on "the Negro problem" (MS1345)
- E. Louis Lowe Papers, 1692-1970: autobiography of Mrs. Lowe includes comments on fears of slave revolt, on nature of blacks of Annapolis (MS1949)
- McIntosh Papers, 1808-1827: experience of merchant in Santo Domingo during slave uprising (MS1032

Secondary Sources

- Cash for Blood: The Baltimore to New Orleans Domestic Slave Trade, by Ralph Clayton (E442.C57 2002)
- The Price of Freedom: Slavery and Manumission in Baltimore and Early National Maryland, by T. Stephen Whitman (MF191.W45)
- Slave Counterpoint: Black Culture in the Eighteenth-Century Chesapeake and Lowcountry, by Philip Morgan (F232.C43.M67)
- Slavery and Freedom on the Middle Ground: Maryland During the Nineteenth Century, by Barbara Fields (MF191.F46)
- Tobacco and Slaves: The Development of Southern Cultures in the Chesapeake, 1680-1800, by Allan Kulikoff (MF187.P9 K9 1986)

II. CHALLENGES TO SLAVERY

Free Blacks

- Benjamin Banneker Almanacs and Astronomical Journals (Library has originals; microfilm is available)
- Benjamin Banneker Letters, 1789-97: famous African American astronomer (Vertical File)
- Cecil County Maryland Orphans Court Papers, 1824-49: information relating to free blacks' mobility and indentures (MS1281)
- District of Columbia Free Negro Registers, 1821-1861 (F205.N4P76 1996)
- Free African Americans of Maryland 1832: including Allegany, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Caroline, Cecil, Charles, Dorchester, Frederick, Kent, Montgomery, Queen Ann's, and St. Mary's Counties (E185.86.H95 2000)

- Free African Americans of Maryland and Delaware: From the Colonial Period to 1810 (E185.96H46)
- Free Negroism (Rare PAM S-182)
- Free Negro Papers, 1824-49: free blacks in Cecil County (MS1281)
- The Free Negro Question in Maryland: Slavery and Free Negroism incompatible; the doctrine of equality exposed and refuted, letter by Col. C. W. Jacobs, 1859 (Rare PAM 4469)
- Registry of Free Negroes, 1806-1863, Prince George's County Maryland (MF187.P9P969)
- Speech of Col. Curtis M. Jacobs on the Free Colored Population of Maryland, ..., 1860 (Rare PAM 4468)

Colonization

- Address of the Board of Managers of the American Colonization Society to its Auxiliary Societies (PAM S-624)
- Address of the Managers of the American Colonization Society (PAM S-645)
- African Colonization: An Address Delivered Before the American Colonization Society in Washington D.C., January 19, 1875 (PAM S-642)
- The African Repository, American Colonization Society (Rare AP2.A16)
- American Colonization Society/Liberia
 (PP161): some of the earliest photos (1860s) and a map of Liberia; see finding aid at www.mdhs.org/library/fotofind/PP0161lnk.ht ml
- A Bill Entitled An Act to Continue the State's Appropriation for the Benefit of the African Colonization (PAM 370)
- Colonization of the Free Colored Population of Maryland, and of Such Slaves as May Hereafter become Free (PAM 3525)
- The Color Question in the United States American Colonization Society, 1877 (PAM S-616)
- An Essay on the Late Institution of the American Society for Colonizing the Free People of Colour (Rare PAM S-638)
- The Exodus, by C.K. Marshall (PAM S-649)
- The Hand of God with the Black Race: A
 Discourse, Delivered Before the Pennsylvania
 Colonization Society, by Rev. Alexander T.
 McGill (PAM S-632)
- An Inquiry into the Character and Tendency of the American Colonization and American Anti-Slavery Societies (PAM S-666)
- An Inquiry into the Merits of the American Colonization Society: And a Reply to the Charges Brought Against It (PAM S-643)
- John H. B. Latrobe Letters: letters, speeches, pamphlets regarding Maryland State Colonization Society (Sp. Coll. Vertical File)
- Latrobe Sheppard Papers 1831-57: includes letters on financing colonization (MS1492)
- Letter on the Relations of the White and African Races in the United States Showing the

- *Necessity of the Colonization of the Latter* (PAM S-277)
- Letters on the Colonization Society and on its Probable Results, 1832 (PAM 3952 and 3953)
- *Liberia's Next Friend*, American Colonization Society (PAM S-651)
- Maryland Colonization Journal, 1835-1861 (available on Microfilm, Micro 3051-3054)
- Maryland Colonization Society Papers, 1827-71 (MS571); see finding aid at www.mdhs.org/library/mss/ms000571.html
- Moses Sheppard to John H. B. Latrobe, 1834-35, 1857: letters on African colonization (Sp. Col. Vertical File)
- News From Africa. A Collection of Facts, Relating to the Colony in Liberia, for the Information of the Free People of Color in Maryland (Rare PAM 2874)
- *The Opening of A World*, by William Coppinger, 1881 (PAM S-267)
- The Origin and Purpose of African Colonization: Being the Annual Discourse Delivered at the Sixty-sixth Anniversary of the American Colonization Society, held in the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, Washington DC, Sunday, January 14, 1883 (PAM S-641)
- Patriotism, Philanthropy, and Religion: An Address Before the American Colonization Society, January 16, 1877 (PAM S-614)
- Proceeds of A Meeting... Held in the City of Baltimore on October 17, 1827; Friends of African Colonization (PAM167 and 167a)
- *Ridgely Family Papers*. 1759-c.1950: letters dealing with Margaretta S. Ridgely's mission in Liberia (MS1127)
- To Pastors and Churches; American Colonization Society (PAM S-622)
- William McLain to John H. B. Latrobe, 1853: letter on African colonization (Sp. Col. Vertical File)

Abolition

Many hits appear on the on-line catalog with a subject heading search for "anti-slavery movements"

- Abolition Fanaticism in New York: Speech of a Runaway Slave from Baltimore (PAM 3681)
- *Abolition of Slavery*, 1861, by William Lloyd Garrison (PAM S-199)
- The African: A Trust From God to the American (PAM S-662)
- American Negro Slave Revolts, by Herbert Aptheker (E447.A67)
- A Bibliography of Anti-Slavery in America (Z1249.S6D8)
- *Black Abolitionists*, by Benjamin Quarles (E449.Q17)
- *Bond Accounts*, 1758-1841: includes letters from various abolitionists (MS61.1)
- Brown Letter Book, 1859: contains three chapters of a narrative entitled "Sambo's Mistakes" in a book owned by John Brown (MS155)
- Daniel O' Connell Upon American Slavery: With Other Irish Testamonies (PAM S-196)
- Emotion at High Tide: Abolition as a Controversial Factor, 1830-45 (E453.S592)
- Equality of All Men before the Law Claimed and Defended in Speeches by Hon. William D.

- Kelley, Wendell Philips and Frederick Douglas... (PAM 12,201)
- The Genius of Universal Emancipation newspaper
- The "Infidelity" of Abolitionism, 1860, by William Lloyd Garrison (PAM S-703)
- Religion and Social Justice: The Case of Christianity and the Abolition of Slavery in America (HT913.A927)
- The Slavery Question Settled: Man-Stealing, Legitimate Servitude, etc." by Harmon Kingsbury, 1862 (PAM S-184)
- The Southern Black: Slave and Free: A Bibliography of Anti- and Pro-Slavery Books and Pamphlets, and of Social and Economic Conditions in the Southern States from the Beginnings to 1950 (Z1249.S6T47)
- The Struggle Against Slavery: A History in Documents, by David Waldstreicher (E447.W35 2001)
- *Underground Railroad* (E450.U59 1998)

Emancipation and Manumission

- African American Manumissions of Washington County, Maryland (MF187.W3A)
- The American Freedman's Aid Commission (PAM 3767)
- *James A. Buchanon Papers*, 1857: includes deed of emancipation (MS1220)
- Letters Received by the Office of the Adjutant General (Main Series), 1861-1870; includes accusations of obstructing the implementation of the emancipation provision of the new state constitution, Nov. 1864 (Micro M619 Roll 280)
- *Maryland Freedom Papers*, by Jerry M. Hynson (M191.H997F)
- John Philpot Papers, 1736-1936: includes claims for slaves enlisted in the US Army (MS2816); see finding aid at www.mdhs.org/library/mss/ms002816.html
- *John Chew Thomas Papers*: deeds of manumission (MS2139)
- USCT Manumission Records, 1864-1865: includes manumissions of members of the United States Colored Troops (MS1860)

Reconstruction

Be sure to check the plantation records listed in the Slavery section for information on the relationship between freedpeople and their former owners.

- Bond Papers, 1870-73: letters and printed trial proceedings of Judge Bond relating to KKK cases in North Carolina (MS1206)
- Robert C. Buchanon Papers, 1811-90: letters relating to Klan affairs (MS159)
- Massey Diary and Time Book for Bohemian Manor Grassdale Farm, 1861-1904: daybook recording work of field hands, including African Americans (MS 3044

III. African American Life and Culture

Education

- Annual Report of the Maryland School for the Colored Blind and Deaf (PAM 5718)
- Annual Reports of the Maryland School for the Colored Blind and Deaf-Mutes, Baltimore, 1885-1920 (MHV1796.M40)
- Baltimore Normal School's Account Book and Minute Books, 1867-1908: African American education (MS94 and MS95)
- Catalogue of Pupils of St. Frances' Academy for Colored Girls . . . for the Academic Year 1871-72 (PAM 4068)
- A Century of Separate but Equal Education in Anne Arundel County (MF187.A6B879)
- Posey Account Books, 1824-1902: includes accounts for running an African American

- school in La Plata, Charles County, 1899-1902 (MS665)
- *The Problem of Negro Education* (PAM S-94)
- Report of the Proceedings at the Formation of the African Education Society: Instituted at Washington, December 28, 1829. With an Address to the Public (LC2703.A5 1830)
- Schooling for the New Slavery: Black Industrial Education, 1868-1915, by David Spivey (LC2801.S65)

Military/Wars

- Black Defenders on Land and Sea: 1776-1945 (N8232.B433)
- Black Soldiers Black Sailors Black Ink: Research Guide on African-Americans in U.S. Military History, 1526-1900, by Thomas Truxton Moebs (Z1361.N39M693)
- The Colored Patriots of the American Revolution (E269.N3N4)
- Colored Volunteers of Maryland, Civil War, 7th Regiment United States Colored Troops, 1863-1866 (MF185.4C163C)
- Company B, 30th Regiment, U. S. Colored Infantry: Descriptive Book, 1864-1865: register of officers and company roll, including

- physical descriptions and notes on service records (MS2603)
- Fighting Men: A Chronicle of Three Black Civil War Soldiers, by John Zubritsky (PS3576.U2245F54)
- The Loyalty and Devotion of Colored Americans in the Revolution and in the War of 1812, 1861, by William Lloyd Garrison (PAM S197)
- A Sketch of the 29th Regiment of Connecticut Colored Troops... (PAM S-579

Oral Histories

• The reference book *Guide to the Research Collection of the Maryland Historical Society* (Ref.MZ6621.M393) includes an index and description of the historical, genealogical, and oral history interviews in the Library's collection. Oral histories touch on topics such as African American businesses, charity organizations, and churches; colonization of

blacks, blacks and the Civil War, and African American disfranchisement; education and employment of African Americans; black relations with the police and with Jews; public accommodation of African Americans, black political action, and black women. See especially those listed as part of the McKeldin-Jackson Oral History Project.

Performing Arts and Culture

- Black American Writers, 1773-1949: A Bibliography and Union List (Z1361.N39M35)
- Eubie Blake Papers: includes correspondence, sheet music, photographs, and miscellaneous items of prominent jazz musician (MS2800); a finding aid is available at www.mdhs.org/library/mss/ms002800.html and some of the collection is available on-line at http://www.mdhs.org/eubieblake/.
- A History of African-American Artists: from 1792 to the present (N6538.N5B38)
- *Negro Heritage*; title changed to *Black Heritage* (E185.N3)
- Alfred J. O'Ferrall Sr. Collection, 1762-1868: includes letters to Joshua Johnson (or Johnston), a black portrait painter (MS1575)
- Reflections in Black: A History of Black Photographers, 1840 to the Present, by Deborah Willis (TR23.W55 2000)

- Ronald L. Freeman, a Baltimore Portfolio, 1968-1979: A Black Photographer Looks at His Hometown (9TR654.F76)
- Stylin': African American Expressive Culture from its Beginnings to the Zoot Suit, by Shane White and Graham White (E185.86.W4388 1988)
- Unchained Voices: An Anthology of Black Authors in the English-Speaking World of the Eighteenth Century (PR9085.U55)
- The World of James Van Der Zee: A Visual Record of Black Americans, by Reginald McGhee (TR654.M3)

Photograph Collections

Many photographs of African Americans are available on-line at http://www.mdhs.org/library/Z24AfrAm.html Numerous photograph collections include some images of African Americans; they can be found using the Photo Search Engine. The Library also maintains looseleaf binders with photocopies of images; one of these binders is devoted to photographs of African Americans. The Library also has photographs of many buildings in Baltimore and around the state, and some of these are buildings of importance to African American life, such as churches or schools.

- Eubie Blake Papers (MS2800): includes many photographs of Blake and other performers
- Eastern Shore Photo Collection (PP83): includes some photographs of African Americans
- Evergreen-Red Cross Institute for the Blind Collection (PP148): includes photographs of African American soldiers, 1918-1920
- Paul Henderson Collection: Henderson was a photographer for the Afro-American and for Morgan State during the mid-20th century
- Liberty Housing Company, Dundalk Collection (PP137): includes photographs of African American workers
- Clara Lips Collection (PP149): album includes photographs of African American women and children, 1898-1902
- *Mulford Collection* (PP84): includes group portraits of African Americans and children at a Christmas party, ca. 1913-1915
- John Appleton Wilson Collection (PP3): includes African American churches

Politics/Government and Civil Rights

The Library has various collections of published government records which are relevant, including the colonial records of the *Archives of Maryland* series, the journals of the Maryland State House and Senate, *Maryland Reports: Cases Adjudged in the Court of Appeals* (372 volumes), and various law codes. In addition:

- Annual Report of the Baltimore Urban League, various years (MHS2261.U3R)
- Annual Report of the Commission on Interracial Problems and Relations to the Governor and General Assembly of Maryland, 1953-1968 (E185.93.M2A35)
- Ellinger Scrapbook, 1915-18: contains newspaper clippings on "the Negro problem" in 1918 (MS329)
- Harry S. Cummings Papers, 1866-1917 (MS 2961): African American lawyer and member of the Baltimore City Council
- Imperfect Equality: African Americans and the Confines of the White Racial Attitudes in Postemancipation Maryland by Richard Paul Fulke (E185.94.M2F85)
- *Ingle Papers*, 1833-1917: includes letters discussing condition of the South, African American labor, etc. (MS1325)
- McKeldin-Jackson Oral History Project: includes interviews with many participants, black and white, in the Civil Rights Movement, including Juanita Jackson Mitchell, Thurgood Marshall, Clarence Mitchell, Donald Murray, and many others;

see

- $\underline{\text{http://www.mdhs.org/explore/library/FindOral}}\\ Histories.html$
- The Relation of the National Government to the Revolted Citizens Defined: No power in Congress to Emancipate their Slaves or Confiscate their Property Proved: the Constitution as it is, the only hope of the Country, by Anna Ella Carroll (PAM S-5)
- Report of the Committee on Coloured Population to the House of Delegates (PAM 369)
- Sidney Hollander Collection, 1926-1972 (MS 2044): large collection of correspondence of social activist and welfare reformer
- Toward Equality, Baltimore's Progress Report: A Chronicle of Progress Since World War II Toward the Achievement of Equal Rights and Opportunities for Negroes in Maryland (PAM 4511)
- *Warfield Scrapbooks*, 1907: contain material on the "Negro problem" (MS1009)

Religion and Charity

- Annual Report of the Board of Managers of the Shelter for Aged and Infirm Colored Persons of Baltimore City, various years (MHV1471.S544)
- Annual Report of the House of Reformation and Instruction for Colored Children at Cheltenham, various years [1873-1937] (MHV9080.M3H841R)
- Annual Report of the Shelter for Orphans of Colored Soldiers and Friendless Colored Children Baltimore, Md., 1869, 1871, 1872, and 1875 (MHV995.S544A)
- An Apology for African Methodism, by Benjamin T. Tucker, 1867 (BX8443.T16)
- The Emanuel Chambers Foundation Papers, 1945-72: papers of foundation established by the African American Chambers (MS2435)
- A discourse delivered by the Rev. H. H. Webb, Assist. Minister of St. James First African P. E. church . . . Baltimore, Maryland, on Thanksgiving day, November 23d, 1854 (MP3.W366D)

- Elizabeth King Ellicott Fund, Inc., Papers, 1914-56: fund established for "intellectual advancement and material welfare of the colored people of Maryland." (MS1177)
- History of the Nineteenth-Century Black Churches in Maryland and Washington, D.C., by Nina Honemond Clarke (F203.2.A1C599)
- House of Reformation and Instruction for Colored Children: Incorporated by the General Assembly of Maryland at the January session, 1870 (PAM 3979)
- The Howard University Bibliography of African and Afro-American Religious Studies: With Locations in American Libraries (Z1361.N39W555)
- Johns Methodist-Episcopal Church Register, 1895-1912: African American church in Dorchester County (MS2572, microfilm available)
- The Josephites: A Century of Evangelization in the African America Community (PAM 10,796)

- Journal of the Session of the Baltimore Conference of the AME Church, 1846, 1849, and 1850 (PAM 4326)
- Missionalia: or, a collection of missionary pieces relating to the conversion of the heathen; both the African Americans and American Indians, 1727 (Rare BV2500.M67)
- Papers Relating to the History of the Church in Maryland, AD 1694-1775, edited by William Stevens Perry: includes 1724 and 1731 ministerial reports on slave religion (MF189.P95P3)
- Question on the Creeds: Designed to Aid Candidates for the Ministry and Others in Acquiring a Knowledge of the Truth, by Daniel

- A. Payne, American Methodist Episcopal Church (PAM 1320)
- Rob, the Hermit: Or the Black Chapel of Maryland, by Charles Frederick Adams, 1879 (PAM CW-671)
- Sermons addressed to masters and servants and published in the year 1743, by Thomas Bacon (MP3.B129S)
- Two sermons, preached to a congregation of black slaves, at the parish church of S. P. in the Province of Maryland, by Thomas Bacon, 1749 (MP3.B129T)
- The Well Spent Sou: Or, Bibles for the Poor Negroes, by Jacob Porter, 1830 (PAM S-113)

Trades and Occupations

- African Ironmaking Culture among African American Ironworkers in the Western Maryland, 1760-1850, by Jean Libby (TT215.L5 2000)
- Baltimore City and Business Directories, 1796- (missing some years) (Microfiche and microfilm): the directories frequently identified African Americans; sometimes had a separate listing for African Americans
- *Banneker, the Afro-American Astronomer,* by Will W. Allen (QB36.B22A4 1921)
- Black Jacks: African American Seamen in the Age of Sail, by Jeffrey Bolster (VK221.B65 1997)
- Building a New World: Black Labor Photographs (PAM 12,578)

- Colored, Professional, Clerical, Skilled and Business Directory of Baltimore City (Rare MF204.N4): MdHS has 1917-1921, 1935-1936, 1940-1941, 1945-1946
- Directory of African-American Artisans in Maryland, 1763-1890 (PAM 11,111)
- Directory of Minority Businesses Serving the State of Maryland, 1977 (PAM 11,680)
- The History of the Negro in Medicine, by Herbert M. Morais (R695.M6)
- A Study in Black and White: An Address at the Opening of the Armstrong-Slater Trade School Building, November 18, 1896 (PAM 3642)

Miscellaneous

- *African Institutions in America*, by Hubert H. Aimes (HT1048.H8)
- An Appeal in Favor of that Class of Americans Called Africans (E449.C53)
- Bibliographic Checklist of African American Newspapers (Z6944.N39H518)
- Hidden Witness: African American Images From the Birth of Photography to the Civil War (TR 680.W55 1999)
- Negro Hospitals: A Compilation of Available Statistics (RA981.A45J8 1931)
- Strong Men Keep Coming: The Book of African American Men, by Tonya Bolden (E185.86.B65 1999)
- *The Search for a Black Past* (E185.L72)
- Welcome to the Ransomed: or, Duties of the Colored Inhabitant of the District of Columbia (MP3.P3454W)

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