

Scots, Irish, Alba and Picts- longest race held in slavery

This story will offer evidence that the Alba, Scots, Irish and Picts have been the race held longest in slavery.

Alexander Steward was herded off the Gildart in July of 1747, bound with chains. He was pushed onto the auction block in Wecomica, St. Mary's County, Maryland. Dr. Steward and his brother were attending the auction, aware of Alexander being on that slave ship coming from Liverpool, England. The two brothers paid nine pound six shillings sterling to Mr. Benedict Callvert of Annapolis for the purchase of Alexander. He was a slave.

Jeremiah Howell was a lifetime-indentured servant by his uncle in Lewis County, Virginia in the early 1700's. His son, Jeremiah, won his freedom by fighting in the Revolution. There were hundreds of thousands of Scots sold into slavery during Colonial America. White slavery to the American Colonies occurred as early as 1630 in Scotland.

The judges of Edinburgh, Scotland during the years 1662-1665 ordered the enslavement and shipment to the colonies of a large number of rogues and others who made life unpleasant for the British upper class.

This accounting sounds horrific but slavery was what the Scots have survived for a thousand years. The early ancestors of the Scots, Alba and Picts were enslaved as early as the first century BC. Varro, a Roman philosopher, stated in his agricultural manuscripts that white slaves were only things with a voice. Julius Caesar enslaved as many as one million whites from Gaul.

Pope Gregory in the sixth century first witnessed blonde hair, blue-eyed boys awaiting sale in a Roman slave market. The Romans enslaved thousands of white inhabitants from Great Britain.

The eighth to the eleventh centuries proved to be very profitable for Rouen, France, as this was the transfer point of Irish and Flemish slaves to the Arabian nations. In the early centuries AD the Scottish were known as Irish. The major component of slave trade in the eleventh century were the Vikings, who spirited many "Irish" to Spain, Scandinavia and Russia. Norwegian Vikings made slave raids not only against the Irish and Scots, but also against Norse settlers in Ireland and the Scottish Isles, and even in Norway itself.

The Scots-Irish have been enslaved longer than any other race in the world's history. Most governments do not teach white slavery in their world history classes. Children of modern times are only taught about the African slave trade. The Scots do not need to be taught because they are very aware of the atrocities upon an enslaved race. Most importantly, they have survived to become one of the largest races on earth.

White slavery in America was real. There are many documents that verify the bondage, kidnapping and transporting of Brits to the Colonies as slaves.

The British government realized as early as the 1640's how beneficial white slave labor was to the profiting colonial plantations. Slavery was instituted as early as 1627 in the British West Indies. The Calendar of State Papers, Colonial Series of 1701, records 25000 slaves in Barbados, of which 21700 were white.

Ulrich B. Phillip's book, *Life and Labor in the Old South*, explains that white slavery was crucial to the development of the Negro slave system. The system set up for white slaves governed, organized and controlled the system for the black slaves, who were latecomers into a system already developed.

These quotations from various authors are just the tip of the iceberg on the white slave trade of the Americas. People from the British Isles were kidnapped, put in chains, crammed onto ships that transported hundreds of them at a time. Destinations being Virginia, Boston, New York, Barbados and the West Indies. White slaves did not fetch as good a price as the black slave at the auction block. The planters treated the blacks better than their "Christian" white servants. Even the Negroes recognized this and did not hesitate to show their contempt for those white men who were worse off than themselves.

Governments have allowed this part of American and British history to be swallowed up. The contemptible black slavery has taken a grip on people associated with American history. Yet, no one will tell of these accountings that are well established into the middle 1800's.

Slavery is not something to be proud of, but it is a fact that happened to every country, kingdom and empire that has been on this earth. We should realize that the black race was not the only race in the last 400 years that was in bondage. In fact, the white race was in bondage in Egypt for 430 years.

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