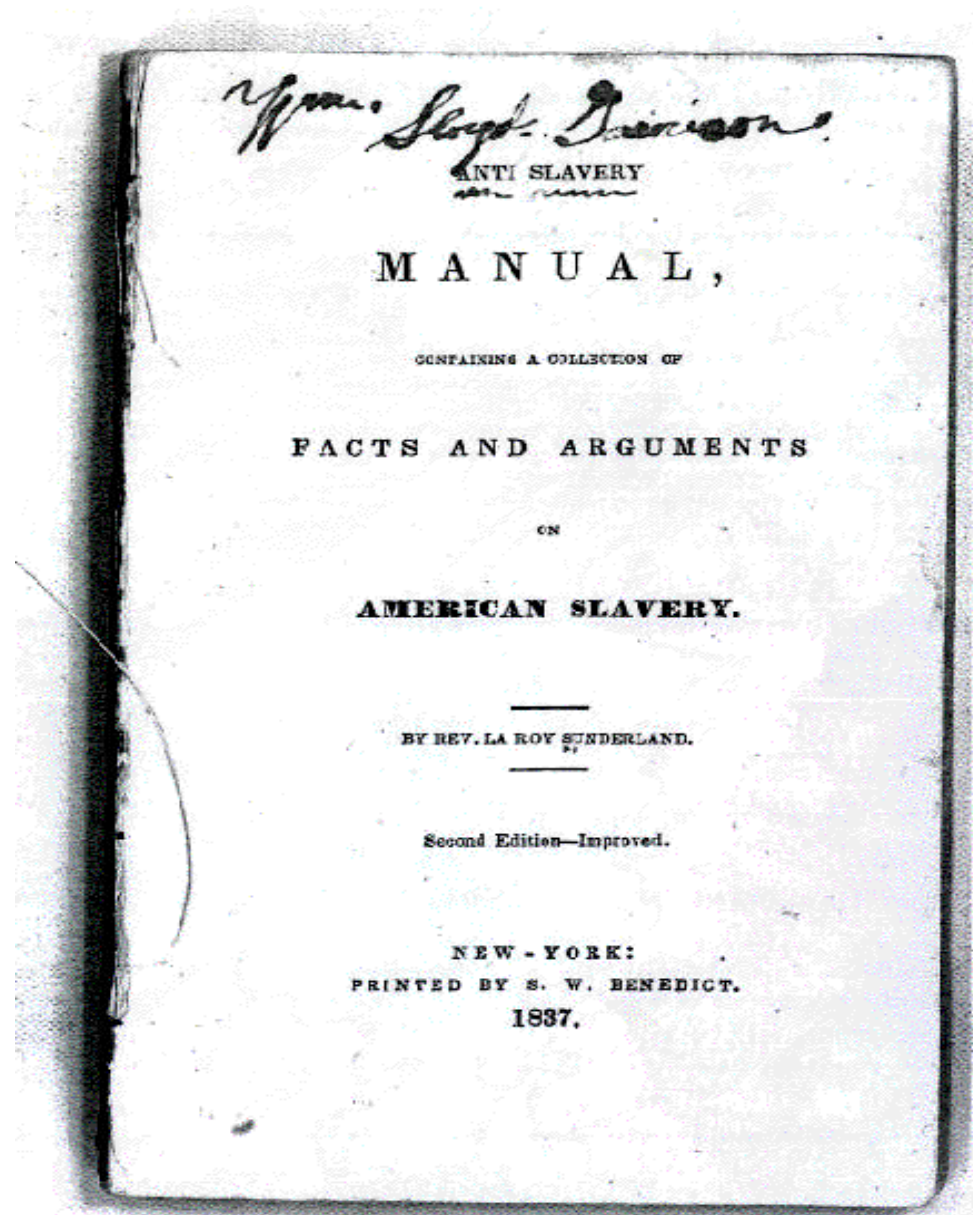


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among the Jews, such as slave prisons, slave markets, slave auctions, chains, iron yokes, shackles, whips, thumbcrows, &c. &c. Among the Jews there was no violent separation of parents and children, no parting of husbands and wives, no barbarous punishments, or any one thing in fact, which rendered Jewish servitude like American slavery.

## CHAPTER IX.

SCRIPTURE ARGUMENT AGAINST  
SLAVERY.

## Slaveholding is Theft.

1. To claim, hold, and treat a human being as property, is felony against God and man. Ex. xx. 15; Deut. xxiv. 7. If it be theft to reduce a man to slavery, it must be equally so to keep him in this state.

About sixty thousand human beings are feloniously reduced to slavery in this country every year. As soon as they are born, they are claimed, seized, held, and treated as property.

## Covetousness.

2. All slaveholding and slave dealing is *covetousness*, and as such, it is forbidden. Ex. xx. 17; Isa. lvii. 17; Jer. li. 13; Ezek. xxxiii. 31; Luke xii. 15; Col. iii. 5; 2 Pet. ii. 3.

The man who claims the body of his fellow man as his property, does, *de facto*, covet that which, in the very nature of things, must belong to his neighbor, and to which no circumstances can give him a just title.

## Oppression.

3. Slavery is the very worst form of *oppression*. Oppression is the spoiling or taking of another's person or goods or the fruit of his labor, by constraint, violence or force; and this crime is committed when ever one human being offers any violence to the person, estate, or conscience of another. Prov. xiv. 31; xxviii. 3; Isa. xlix. 26; Jer. vii. 6; xxi. 12, 13; Hos. xii. 7; Amos iv. 1; Mic. ii. 2; Zach. vii. 10; Mal. iii. 5; Eccl. iv. 1; Ezek. xxii. 29; Amos iii. 9.

## Manstealing.

4. Slavery is manstealing, and as such is forbidden, under the severest penalties. Ex. xxi. 16; Deut. xxiv. 7.

How has the present slaveholder come into the possession of the children whom he now holds as his slaves? They were never willed to him, nor did he purchase them of another. How could he take possession of them, and part them from their parents without stealing them?

## Enslavers.

5. The law of God was made for *enslavers*. 1 Tim. i. 10. The word here rendered manstealers, signifies to *enslave, to reduce to slavery to treat men as cattle*.

## Fraud and robbery.

6. Slavery is *legalized wholesale fraud and robbery*. Ezek. xviii. 4; Mal. iii. 8, 9; Prov. xxi. 7; Isa. lvi. 8; Ezek. xvii. 29; Amos iii. 10; Nuh. iii. 1; Mark x. 19; 1 Thes. iv. 6; Jer. xxii. 3; James v. 4.

## Traffic in the persons of Men forbidden.

7. American slavery is condemned in all those places which forbid trading in the persons of men.



Ezek. xxvii. 13; Joel iii. 3, 6; Amos ii. 6; Zach. xi. 4, 5; Rev. xviii. 13.

It could not exist without the slave trade.

#### Christian kindness.

8. The exercise of that kindness and pity which are commanded in the Bible toward the poor, is utterly irreconcilable with slavery. Lev. xxv. 35; Job vi. 14; xxxi. 16; Psal. xli. 1; lxxxii. 3; Prov. xvii. 22; xxiv. 11; xxxi. 8; Isa. l. 16; and lviii. throughout; Jer. xxiv. 10; Matt. xxv. 44; Heb. xiii. 3; 1 John iii. 17.

#### Duties of masters.

9. American slavery is condemned in the specific directions of the Apostle, to masters and servants. 1 Cor. vii. 21, 23; Eph. vi. 9; Col. iv. 1.

These precepts, if obeyed, would annihilate slavery at once, and forever.

#### Analogy of the gospel.

10. It is condemned in all those passages which represent the *evils of sin* by slavery, and gospel benefits by freedom. Gal. iv. 3, 7, 22, 31; v. 1, 13; Isa. lxi. 1, 3; John viii. 32, 36.

#### The golden rule.

11. By the reciprocal and universal law of love which is binding on all men. Matt. v. 7, vii. 12; xxii. 37; John xv. 12, 17; Rom. xii. 9; 1 Cor. xiii. 28.

#### Spirit of the gospel.

12. Slavery cannot be reconciled with the spirit and design of the gospel. It will not exist surely in the millennial state. Gen. iii. 15, xxii. 18; Luke iv. 18; 1 Cor. iii. 17; Zeph. iii. 9; Matt. iii. 10.

If it is condemned by the spirit of the gospel, the

precepts of the gospel must be against it, of course, because the spirit of the gospel is learned from its precepts.

#### Conditions of salvation.

13. To claim, hold and treat a human being as property, is utterly at variance with the conditions upon which man is authorized to expect forgiveness and salvation from God. Matt. v. 23. Therefore, if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath *striven* against thee, leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled with thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

## CHAPTER X.

### SENTIMENTS FAVORABLE TO THE PERPETUITY OF AMERICAN SLAVERY.

#### Governor McDuffie.

*Domestic slavery, therefore, instead of being a political evil, is the corner stone of our republican edifice. No patriot who justly estimates our privileges, will tolerate the idea of emancipation, at any period, however remote, or on any conditions of pecuniary advantage, however favorable. I would as soon think of opening a negotiation for selling the liberty of the state at once, as for making any stipulation for the ultimate emancipation of our slaves. So deep is my conviction on this subject that if I were doomed to die immediately after recording these sentiments, I could say in all sincerity, and under all the sanction of Christianity and patriotism, GOD FORBID THAT MY*