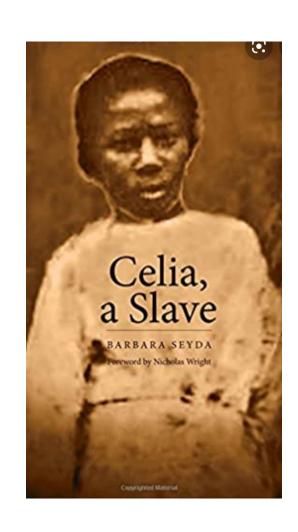
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"Celia, A Slave," Melton A. Mclaurin, 1991



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Lynch's Slave Pen, Downtown St. Louis

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Old Des Peres Presbyterian Church (1833), Frontenac



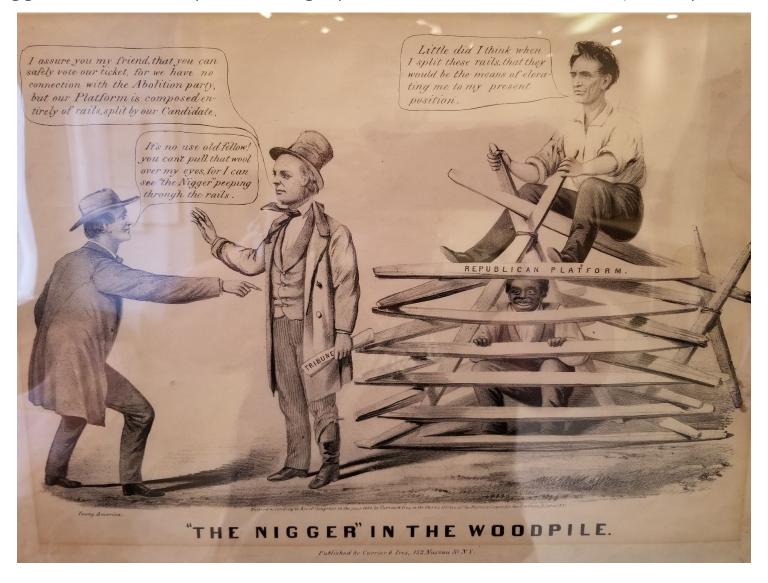
Plaque Placed in 1983 to Memorialize Unmarked Enslaved Burial Area



Slave Collar Modeled By Enslaved Man-Turned-Union Soldier



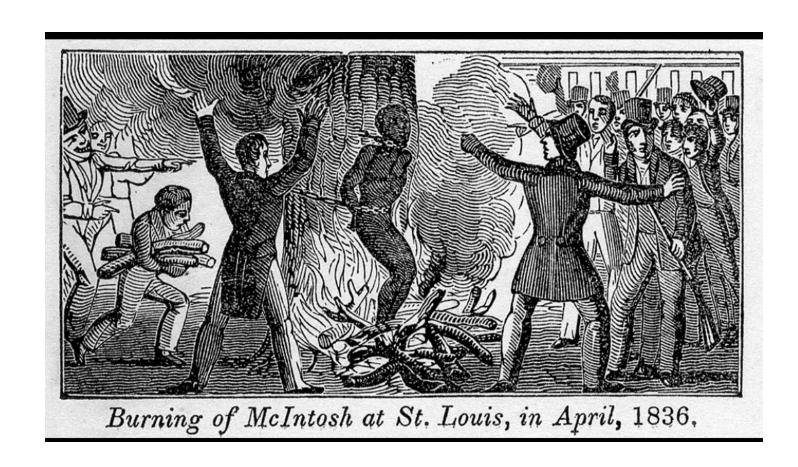
"The Nigger in the Woodpile" Lithograph, c. 1860, Currier & Ives (Library of Congress)



Quote from a 19th Century Enslaved Person

"My mama's master whipped his slaves for pastime. My master was not so bad as some. I've had many a whippin', some I deserved, and some I got for being blamed for doing things the master's children did. My master whipped his slaves with a cat-o-nine tails. He'd say to me, 'You ain't had a curryin' down for some time. Come here!!!' The cat left nine stripes of blood on my back"

Woodcut from "Illustrations of the Anti-Slavery Almanac for 1840"



1923 BNSF RR Bridge over Meramec River at Valley Park – near site of Frisco RR Bridge Where Buckner was Lynched in 1894



Photo of Blacks During Reconstruction Era

(Color Added Later)



"Dressing for the Carnival," Winslow Homer, 1877





Perhaps the first printed illustration of the racist watermelon trope, c. 1869 (Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper)

Vacant Buildings in North St. Louis



Mural at Mary Meachum Freedom Crossing, near Merchant's Bridge, Downtown St. Louis

