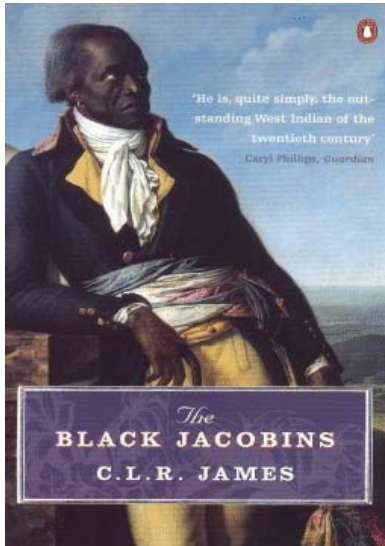


ABOLITION OF SLAVERY BICENTENARY *The West Indies*



CLR James
 The Black Jacobins:
 Toussaint L'Ouverture &
 the San Domingo Revolution

The modern state of Haiti has its roots in a slave rebellion of 1791. Inspired by the French Revolution the slaves of San Domingo rose against their owners and maintained a twelve-year struggle to establish the first black independent state outside Africa.



Matthew G Lewis
 Journal of a Residence
 Among the Negroes of
 the West Indies

This diary describes Lewis's visits to his sugar plantations in 1815 -1817, after Abolition but before emancipation. He was not an Abolitionist but cared for the welfare of his workers which made him unpopular with other owners. His witty style makes this an easy read.

Also:

- Richard S Dunn Sugar and Slaves: the rise of the Planter Class in the English West Indies 1624-1713
A vivid portrait of English life in the Caribbean more than three centuries ago, tracing the development of plantation slave society in the region.
- Guy Grannum Tracing your West Indian Ancestors
An illustrated guide introducing researchers to the main sources available at the National Archives, and elsewhere in the UK, the USA and the West Indies.