

America's Domestic "Slave" Trading Routes To The Deep South

"Overground Railroad"
Passages of Sorrow to the Forks of the Road
and Deep South Markets

CAUTION!!
COLORED PEOPLE
OF BOSTON, ONE & ALL,
You are hereby respectfully CAUTIONED and
advised, to avoid conversing with the
Watchmen and Police Officers
of Boston,
For since the recent **ORDER OF THE MAYOR &**
ALDERMEN, they are empowered to act as
KIDNAPPERS
AND
Slave Catchers,
And they have already been actually employed in
KIDNAPPING, CATCHING, AND KEEPING
SLAVES. Therefore, if you value your **LIBERTY,**
and the **Welfare of the Fugitives** among you, **Show**
them in every possible manner, as so many **MOUNDS**
on the track of the most unfortunate of your race.
Keep a Sharp Look Out for
KIDNAPPERS, and have
TOP EYE open.
APRIL 24, 1851.

Professional dealers, traffickers and speculators,
by purchase, by hook, crook and sometimes
outright kidnapping, tore apart mothers, fathers,
daughters, sons, brothers, sisters, uncles, aunts,
cousins, babies, young children, relations and friends
already enslaved or were so-called "free people"
in the upper South. They forced-brought them
to the new lower south markets such as the Forks
of the Road to be sold into enslavement, yet again!

The roads, trails, rivers, sea and ocean routes
from the upper old South and Mid-South states
that eventually led to Natchez Forks of the Road
markets, this story writer calls, The Overground
Railroad's Passages of Sorrow. Passages of sorrow
because of the pain, agony, dehumanization
and destruction caused by being torn asunder and
forced-walked or shipped in the same manner as
their Foreparents were from Africa to the Americas.

PASSAGES OF SORROW
Water and Land Routes to the Forks of the Road

Many historians agree enslaved persons were driven south/southwest on the same routes, stage and mail roads, by-ways and inter-connecting rivers, creeks, streams as were used by migrants and regular travelers.

Several main interconnecting overland routes were agreed upon as follows:

A. Baltimore>>Alexandria>>Richmond
hubs via Abingdon, Virginia>>Knoxville/Nashville
<<> Tuscaloosa/Montgomery >> to Natchez's Forks
and beyond.

A-1 Baltimore hub>>Winchester-Staunton-Abingdon
Virginia>>Moccasin Gap/Cumberland Gap>>
Knoxville>>Nashville>>Natchez Trace to Forks
and beyond.

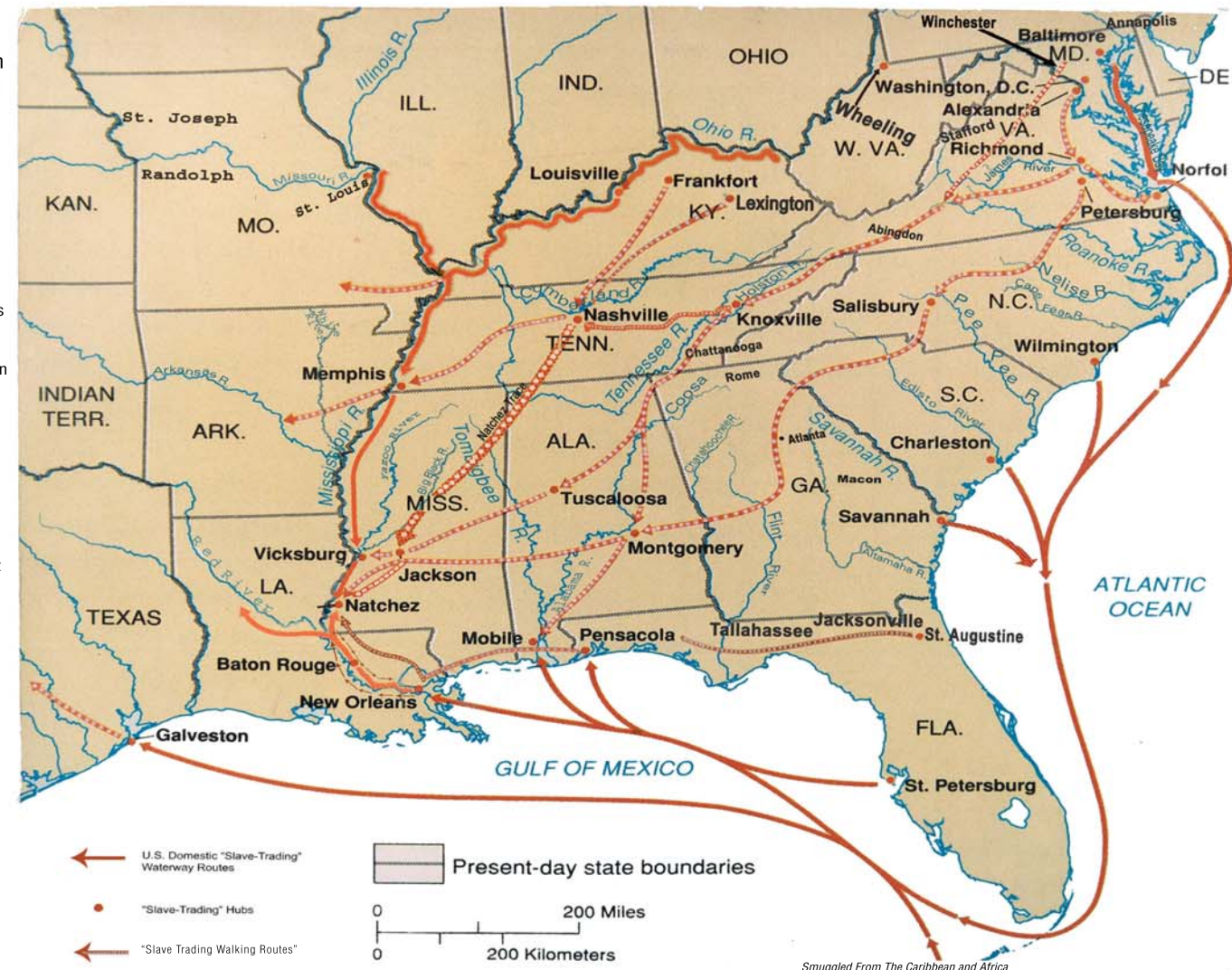
B. Richmond hub via Salisbury North Carolina<<
>>Juncture of South Carolina-Georgia and
Tennessee>>Chattanooga>>Rome Georgia>>
Montgomery>>to Forks and beyond.

C. Kentucky via Lexington hub>>Nashville>>Natchez
Trace>>to Forks and beyond.

D. Across coastal stretch from Florida via
Jacksonville/St. Augustine>>Tallahassee
>>Pensacola>>Mobile/Montgomery>>to Forks
and beyond.

Animal trails, "Native Americans" trails, stage and
mail roads, streams and creeks through the
wilderness linked a busy number of interconnecting
local markets along these routes.

See map of probable sea, river, stream and
overland trafficking routes of America's
Domestic "Slave trade."



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