

Sale of the enslaved Tousaint to the Sieur de Beaubassin.
28 December 1753

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N^o. 298 Minutes of the sale of a *negro*
Sent to the Sieurs Beaubassin silvain
et Compagnie by Sieur
Dauberminey de lamartinique
Sold to Sieur Willy (?) Dasarette
Le 28 xbre (december) 1753 for the
Amount of de 450#

On 28 – xbre 1753

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Bundle of three papers

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Messieurs

I took aboard the Ste Rose a *Negro*
named Tousaint to beg you to able me to
get rid of him at any price whatsoever
He belongs to a friend of mine who wants to
drop him off away from all these Isles because
of the too strong habits he has here. Do me the
the pleasure to render him this service and
to keep him in Louisbourg and to sell him
to someone who will never bring him back here
he is a baker by trade. As for the prize
of the sale use it in what you will
judge the most appropriate either cod
or other things

I have the honor of being entirely

Messieurs, your very humble and very
obedient servant

J. Pierre le 20.7.1753 Dauberminey

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To these *Messieurs*

Messieurs Beaubassin
La Gonnaire et Comp^{nie} Neg^{ts}
At Louisbourg

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A Monsieur
Monsieur the Bailliff of
Louisbourg, Isle Royale

We humbly beg Beaubassin Silvain et Comp.*
Merchants of this town. Saying that
they were sent a *negro*, a baker by profession by
Sieur Dauberminey de Saint pierre
from Martinique , as per his letter
dated last September 20 which
gives orders to sell the said *negro*, and as
the supplicants cannot get rid
of him de gré à gré** they resort
to your authority *Monsieur*, so that this
considered it pleases your graces
to let them sell said *negro*
legally at the first auction which
will be made, and awarded to the highest
and last bidder, at the charge of the purchaser and have the
amount in cash at the current rate or by bill of
exchange or naval treasury
into the hands of the supplicants, and that it
would please you also *Monsieur* to indicate
the day to do this, and you will do
justice

Beaubassin Silvain and Comp.

Having regard to the request of
the attached letter from S^r Dauberminey
we allow the supplicant to sell the said *negro*
on this town's quay next Friday the 28th of this current month
to be adjudicated at the first auction to the

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last and highest bidder at the
conditions presented in the said request
at Louisbourg 24 xbre 1753

(? Signature)

** a sale “de gré à gré” means a sale by mutual agreement which operates without any intermediaries.