

Nathaniel Gilbert (1722 - 1774) Source Tree

Date of b: Baker in 'JW's Thoughts upon Slavery' MH 1984
Notes below are based on usefulness of sources to NG studies

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Primary Contemporary Sources

AM	Arminian Magazine (see list of letters to JW pub. 1780-1783)	
AM	NG letters to John Wesley	
Brookes	NG Letter to Benezet	
AM	FG Letters to JW	
JWJ	Wesley's Journals	
JWL	Wesley's Letters	
Brookes	Benezet's letters about NG	Signs of a tormented soul "afflicted and mournful state of mind".
AM	Mrs Leadbetter's letter to John Wesley	Journey to Antigua in 1759
WDS	J Fletcher's letter to C Wesley	Declining invitation to go to Antigua with NG

Methodist Derivative (& other 19th C)

MGJ	Miss Mary Gilbert's Journals (1768)	Intro by Mary (Leadbetter) Gilbert gives info re NG
Horne	Horne Melville Investigation 1809	Polemical intent Family trad. NG unjustified
Coke	Coke History of West Indies 1811	The first general account of NG
MMG	Gilbert H, Memoirs of Mrs M Gilbert [Leadbetter] 1817	Close family history by niece of Francis' wife Mary
Drew	Drew Life of Thos Coke (1817)	NG health causes England visit - embellishment of Coke?
SLW	Southey R Life of Wesley (1st ed, 1820)	Uses Coke with literary embellishment and commentary: no use for NG but interesting on Wesley and enthusiasm.
SCH	Southey T Chronological History of WI (1827)	Derived from Coke / RS? with some embellishment
EG	Account of N&F G by Eliz Gilbert daughter [died 1832]	Family trad - NG Methodist prior to going to UK
Horsford	Horsford J A Voice from the WI (1856)	Attempts to tackle slavery: "necessity not choice"
LTW	Tyerman Life & Times of J Wesley 1876	Goes down in estimation
WDS	Tyerman Wesley's Designated Successor 1882	Letter from Fletcher declining NG's invitation
Oliver	Oliver's History of Antigua (family tree / will etc.) 1899	Solid direct recourse to parish records, wills etc.

20th Century

Findlay	Findlay & Holdsworth Wesleyan Methodist MS Hist 1921	Disappointingly inaccurate
Walker	F D Walker The Call of the West Indies [und. c.1935-9]	Full account of NG - much detail seems independent and derived from Methodist oral tradition in Antigua. Good on topography.
Brooks	Brooks G S Friend Anthony Benezet 1937	Vital non methodist source for NG's state of mind
BakerOMWI	Baker F Origins of Methodism in the West Indies (1960)	Review of Gilbert family; helpful info on NG's father
Thompson	Thompson E W Nathaniel Gilbert 1960	Uses Antigua Assembly Minutes. Good discussion of NG's relationship with slavery; wrote preface to Walker.
Baker Slavery	Baker F The Origins, Character, and Influence of John Wesley's Thoughts upon Slavery (1984)	
Dyde	Brian Dyde, A History of Antigua	Good general background - no new NG material
HEMA	Robert Glen 'The History of Early Methodism in Antigua' JCH Vol 35: 2 2001, 253-284.	Identifies Tyrrell. Good discussion of Wesleyan slavery

Bold = includes primary material