Record Nr. UNINA9910778943803321 Autore Horne Gerald **Titolo** Negro comrades of the Crown [[electronic resource]]: African Americans and the British Empire fight the U.S. before emancipation // Gerald Horne New York,: New York University Press, c2012 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 0-8147-9050-X Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (368 p.) Disciplina 306.3/620973 Soggetti African Americans - Relations with British - History - 19th century Government, Resistance to - United States - History - 19th century Slavery - United States - History - 19th century Slave rebellions - United States - History - 19th century United States Relations Great Britain **Great Britain Relations United States** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto "Huzzah for Bermuda!" -- "Base fools!" -- Can U.S. Negroes commit treason? -- The enslaved torments the slaveholder -- "A powerful Negro army" -- The British, Africans, and indigenes versus the U.S. --Revolutionary implications -- Abolition of private property? -- Africans flee from "republicanism" -- London sanctions murder of U.S. slaveholders? -- Britain to forge a Haiti in Texas? -- Declare war on Britain to avert civil war in the U.S.? -- Canada invades, or civil war in the U.S. -- A paradise for U.S. Negroes in the British West Indies?. While it is well known that more Africans fought on behalf of the British Sommario/riassunto than with the successful patriots of the American Revolution, Gerald Horne reveals in his latest work of historical recovery that after 1776. Africans and African-Americans continued to collaborate with Great Britain against the United States in battles big and small until the Civil War. Many African Americans viewed Britain, an early advocate of abolitionism and emancipator of its own slaves, as a powerful ally in

> their resistance to slavery in the Americas. This allegiance was farreaching, from the Caribbean to outposts in North America to Canada.

In turn, the British welcomed and actively recruited both fugitive and free African Americans, arming them and employing them in military engagements throughout the Atlantic World, as the British sought to maintain a foothold in the Americas following the Revolution. In this path-breaking book, Horne rewrites the history of slave resistance by placing it for the first time in the context of military and diplomatic wrangling between Britain and the United States. Painstakingly researched and full of revelations, Negro Comrades of the Crown is among the first book-length studies to highlight the Atlantic origins of the Civil War, and the active role played by African Americans within these external factors that led to it. Listen to a one hour special with Dr. Gerald Horne on the "Sojourner Truth" radio show.