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## NOTES

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### *Chapter 1: The Wake*

- 1 Some definitions, phrases, and quotations (like, for example, the definitions of wake) will repeat throughout the text of *In the Wake* and will be marked by italics. I imagine these italicized repetitions as a reminder, a refrain, and more.
- 2 I share this with a friend and he responds with the following: “I tripped over the word ‘opportunity,’ [in my narrative] because of its ubiquity in the narratives of Dutch Caribbeans. I’ve been thinking a lot about the work that ‘opportunity’ does both in Dutch Caribbean narratives of migration, and the Dutch government’s pledge to ‘create opportunities for all.’ My parents moved to the Netherlands ‘for opportunity,’ and they also experienced ‘constant and overt racism, isolation.’ My father was kept in the same job with no prospect of promotion for years on end; ironically, in the Dutch Caribbean the Netherlands has been imagined as the ‘land of opportunity’ (and I won’t be getting into how that imagination has been shaped by colonialism). The Netherlands has become fixed as an orientation point.” Personal email cited with the permission of the author, Egbert Alejandro Martina.
- 3 A while ago when I was searching for something else in the archives of the *Philadelphia Inquirer* I found two of the many op-eds that my mother wrote and that were published in the paper after she read about, saw, or otherwise witnessed racism. I include the text of the letters here.

Letters to the Editor: Deep-seated Bias  
December 20, 1986

If anyone has seriously been entertaining doubts that deep-seated prejudice is alive and thriving in the United States, he has only to read the Dec. 9 front page article in *The Inquirer* concerning the 14-year-old girl who was a rape victim to disabuse himself of this naive notion.



Here we have a situation cast in the classic mold of the pre-civil rights era. A white female is raped (by a white male whom she knows) but, when describing her assailant, she does not describe a bogus white male but chooses to describe her attacker as a nonexistent black male. How sad that this 14-year-old child apparently instinctively chose a member (albeit a fictitious one) of another race to be her victim.

Ida Wright Sharpe  
Wayne

Letters to the Editor: Racist Asides  
March 02, 1992

While I sympathize with Jack Smith's son who was given a traffic ticket because of the flashing lights on his car (after all, are they any more distracting than the vanity plates that one tries to read in passing?), I am more concerned about the gratuitous comments made by Mr. Smith.

His remark that the car "looked as if it had just rolled out of the barrio" is blatantly racist, as is his question about the lights being "overly . . . Latino." Is one to believe, as Jack Smith apparently does, that on the Main Line only Spanish-speaking individuals drive cars that have anything other than the names of universities and yacht clubs embellishing the rear windows?

I don't know how long Jack Smith has been a resident of Wayne, but I have lived here for over 38 years and can assure him that 90 percent of the individuals whom I have seen over the years getting in and out of highly decorated vehicles have been white males of assorted ages.

In the meantime he needs to work on his racist assumptions about the other kids on the Main Line; some of them — many of them in fact — are not white and none of them deserves to be pigeon-holed and disparaged by people like Jack Smith.

Ida Wright Sharpe  
Wayne

- 4 I draw the optic of the door from the work of Dionne Brand, who writes, in *A Map to the Door of No Return*, that the door of no return is on her retina. I return to this later in the introduction and throughout this text.
- 5 See the forthcoming book by Rinaldo Walcott, *The Long Emancipation*. Walcott names this unfinished project the long emancipation and he defines it thus: "It is the interdiction of a potential black freedom that I have termed the long emancipation."
- 6 For Blanchot the disaster is the Holocaust. For me it is the ongoing unfolding of centuries of the trade in Africans — an event that is historical and one that, as Dionne Brand writes, ruptures history. Morrison writes, "The overweening,



defining event of the modern world is the mass movement of raced populations, beginning with the largest forced transfer of people in the history of the world: slavery. The consequences of which transfer have determined all the wars following it as well as the current ones being waged on every continent.” See Morrison 1998; Blanchot 1995, 1–2.

- 7 Blanchot’s translator notes that the writing of the disaster “means not simply the process whereby something called the disaster is written—communicated, attested to or prophesied. It also means the writing done by the disaster—by the disaster that ruins books and wrecks language. “The writing of the disaster” means the writing that the disaster—which liquidates writing—is just as ‘knowledge of the disaster’ means knowledge *as* disaster, and the ‘flight of thought’ the loss of thought, which thinking is” (Ann Smock in Blanchot 1995, ix).
- 8 I thank Mario DiPaolantonio for thinking this through with me after my talk at York University.
- 9 In the premiere issue of *Lateral*, the online journal of the Cultural Studies Association, Jared Sexton writes the following on Lewis Gordon in *Ante-Anti-Blackness: Afterthoughts*. “I am guided in the following task by a two-sided idea derived from Gordon’s arguments: 1) all thought, insofar as it is genuine thinking, might best be conceived of as black thought and, consequently, 2) all researches, insofar as they are genuinely critical inquiries, aspire to black studies.” Sexton 2012.
- 10 Lexi Belcufine, “Turtle Creek 20-Year-Old Fatally Shot in Fineview,” *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, December 10, 2013, <http://www.post-gazette.com/local/city/2013/12/10/Pittsburgh-police-responding-to-shooting-on-North-Side/stories/201312100134>.
- 11 Courier Newsroom, “65 of 91 Homicides Black Lives in 2013,” *Pittsburgh Courier*, January 8, 2014, <http://newpittsburghcourieronline.com/2014/01/08/65-of-91-homicides-black-lives-in-2013/>.
- 12 My memory differs from my brother Christopher’s here. Christopher recalls that Robert was shot eleven times. Van Zimmerman and I each recall that Robert was shot nineteen times.
- 13 My mother wrote a letter to the editor about Robert’s murder and the way it was reported in the news, but I have not been able to locate it. I include here two letters that are in the *Philadelphia Inquirer*’s online archives and that point to some of the ways my mother lived in the world.
- 14 “Big Steve—Lil Nigga Trey (lil nigga snupe beat),” YouTube video, 2:31, December 17, 2013. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mv\\_dqwcOM5c&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mv_dqwcOM5c&feature=youtu.be).
- 15 “U.S. Marshals Arrest Pittsburgh Homicide Suspect in New Kensington,” *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, March 28, 2014, <http://www.post-gazette.com/local/city/2014/03/28/U-S-Marshals-arrest-Pittsburgh-homicide-suspect-in-New-Kensington/stories/201403280201>.



I have redacted the name of the young Black man accused of murdering my nephew Caleb. It serves no purpose to name him here. I say more about what I am calling the practices of Black annotation and Black redaction in the final section of this work, “The Weather.”

- 16 In Stein 2007 we read: “After lives in which they often struggle to get medical care, African Americans and other minorities are more likely than whites to want, and get, more aggressive care as death nears and are less likely to use hospice and palliative-care services to ease their suffering, according to a large body of research and leading experts.

As a result, they are more likely to experience more medicalized deaths, dying more frequently in the hospital, in pain, on ventilators and with feeding tubes—often after being resuscitated or getting extra rounds of chemotherapy, dialysis or other care, studies show.”

See also Cardinale Smith and Otis Brawley, “Disparities in Access to Palliative Care,” *Health Affairs Blog*, July 30, 2014, <http://healthaffairs.org/blog/2014/07/30/disparities-in-access-to-palliative-care/>. They write, “Even when socioeconomic status is the same, minority patients remain at risk for disparities in treatment for pain. Physicians appear to deliver less information and communicate less support to African-American and Hispanic patients compared to white patients, even in the same care settings. Furthermore, minority patients often do not receive treatment consistent with their wishes even when their wishes are known.”

- 17 Silverstein (2013) writes: “The more privilege assumed of the target, the more pain the participants perceived. Conversely, the more hardship assumed, the less pain perceived.”
- 18 That is, study within the university and graduate classroom and not Black Study as Moten and Harney take it up in *The Undercommons: Fugitive Planning and Black Study*.
- 19 Brand writes: “One enters a room and history follows; one enters a room and history precedes. History is already seated in the chair in the empty room when one arrives. Where one stands in a society seems always related to this historical experience. Where one can be observed is relative to that history. All human effort seems to emanate from this door. How do I know this? Only by self-observation, only by looking. Only by feeling. Only by being a part, sitting in the room with history” (Brand 2001, 29).
- 20 Wilderson (2010, 2) writes about “helping the manuscript to stay in the hold of the ship, despite my fantasies of flight.”
- 21 I use “transmigration” here to mean movement across and also the movement from one form to another.
- 22 It appears, still, that within a particular ideological frame paternal responsibility remains a prerequisite to (right to) life.
- 23 “The Dominicans Use Drones to Hunt Down Undocumented Haitians,” *Rezo Nodwes*, August 18, 2015, <https://rezonodwes.com/les-dominicains-utilisent>



-des-drones-pour-traquer-les-sans-papiers-haitiens/. The article reads, “The Dominican Minister of Defense, Lt. Gen. Máximo Williams Muñoz Delgado, announced the operationalization of ‘a new border surveillance modality with [l’incorporation] drones to detect illegal migrants and traffickers all kinds. These new reconnaissance aircraft, equipped with advanced technology transmit a signal to two trucks prepared for the processing of images in real time and from which orders to depart (come) to hunt down illegal. The Dominicans use drones to hunt down undocumented Haitians. . . . Note that the Turks and Caicos Islands had also announced the use of these devices in their efforts to hunt Haitian boat people.” (This is a rough translation of the original article through google translate).

- 24 See Sharpe 2012a, 828. As the sentence appears there it reads in part: “constituted through and by vulnerability to overwhelming force though not only known to themselves and to each other by that force.”
- 25 *Verso* 55 (Brand 2015) is unpublished; it is used here with permission of the author.
- 26 Hartman writes, “This writing is personal because this history has engendered me, because ‘the knowledge of the other marks me,’ because of the pain experienced in my encounter with the scraps of the archive, and because of the kinds of stories I have fashioned to bridge the past and the present and to dramatize the production of nothing—empty rooms, and silence, and lives reduced to waste” (Hartman 2008, 4).
- 27 R. M. Kennedy, in acknowledging the powers and the dangers of thinking melancholia, writes that melancholia, in its refusal of the outside, its refusal to bring into itself that outside object, forms a too-ready alignment with nationalist discourses. See Kennedy 2010.
- 28 From the euphemism of children forcibly removed from their parents into state “care” to laws like the “beyond the front door policy” in the Netherlands that forces people, often nonwhite, to open their doors to state monitoring and intrusion, to medical experiments and the forced feeding of hunger strikers, who for example, refuse food to protest *that* they are held *and* the conditions under which they are held. All of this and more is carried out under the rubric of care. Yet I want to find a way to hold onto something like care as a way to feel and to feel for and with, a way to tend to the living and the dying.
- 29 Lewis Gordon (2007, 11) makes clear that zone includes the disaster of recognition and “living with the possibility,” not to say the necessity, “of one’s arbitrary death as a legitimate feature of a system.”
- 30 In an interview with Maya Mavjee about *A Map to the Door of No Return: Notes on Belonging*, poet, novelist, essayist Dionne Brand activates another understanding of luck. I offer it here. Brand says, “In *Map* I talk about all these interpretations that you walk into unknowingly, almost from birth. If you’re lucky you spend the rest of your life fighting them, if you’re not, you spend your life unquestioningly absorbing” (Brand and Mavjee 2001).



## Chapter 2: *The Ship*

- 1 *The Forgotten Space*, <http://www.theforgottenspace.net/static/home.html> (accessed June 17, 2015).
- 2 I think here of those fish and those body parts of enslaved Africans in Turner's work but also Ellen Gallagher's *Blubber* (2000) and Kara Walker's *Middle Passages*, each of which make visceral the relation between Black people and any "fish (or water mammal) story." See also Rediker 2008.
- 3 Llenín-Figueroa (2014, 90) writes, "At first glance, the immediate present shows a Caribbean relationship with the sea mediated by the powerful machine of global capital: the tourism industry, both as a more or less established enterprise of hotels and resorts that has appropriated coastal regions and as a transient industry in the form of massive cruise ships that take over interinsular sea routes; the mobility of cheap labor migrating between Caribbean islands and toward the United States in *yolas* or *balsas*; the nodes of a global network of lucrative businesses, the most potent and deadly of which is, of course, drug trafficking; and the dumping site of capitalism's debris, waste, garbage, spills, and the excesses of its nuclear experiments and military operations."
- 4 Allan Sekula and Noël Burch, "The Forgotten Space," panel discussion, April 24, 2012, <http://www.tate.org.uk/context-comment/video/allan-sekula-and-noel-burch-forgotten-space-panel-discussion>.
- 5 Prior to her interview we have glimpsed her in the film as she appears in the background of several shots of the tent city. One must ask, and attempt to answer, why this one, of all of the film stills that one could use for the film. See Academy Lectures: Kunstakademiet Academy of Fine Art, [http://academylectures.khio.no/?page\\_id=53](http://academylectures.khio.no/?page_id=53) (accessed July 5, 2015).
- 6 I return to this designation of "former mother" in the section of this book called "The Hold." I include three images of Aereile Jackson because I want to read these photo/text of her image and the films' use of it. Though she is in the film only for a very short period of time, I am interested in how her image circulates as one of the film's publicity stills. Of the images included here, one is a still from the film, and the other is from the end credits (and in this there is an echo of Steve McQueen's 2012 film on the FBI files of Paul Robeson called *End Credits*, to which I turn briefly in the section titled "The Weather"). The final image of Aereile Jackson appears in Darrell Varga 2012, "Making Political Cinema — The Forgotten Space."
- 7 Transcription mine.
- 8 S.v. "opportunity," *Dictionary Online*, <http://www.dictionary.com/browse/opportune>.
- 9 In "What More Can I Say? (A Prose-Poem on Antiracism)," C. Riley Snorton (2014) writes, "To be not fully human — which seems to also mean to be something else (other/Other? super? sub?) and to survive — which means to be in excess (or perhaps outside) of life is a peculiarly black predicament."



- 10 Here I draw on Dionne Brand's formulation and theorization of the real and mythic Door of No Return as the site of Black Diaspora consciousness. She writes, "The door signifies the historical moment which colours all moments in the Diaspora. It accounts for the ways we observe and are observed as people, whether it's through the lens of social injustice or the lens of human accomplishments. The door exists as an absence. A thing in fact which we do not know about, a place we do not know. Yet it exists as the ground we walk. Every gesture our body makes somehow gestures toward this door. What interests me primarily is probing the Door of No Return as consciousness. The door casts a haunting spell on personal and collective consciousness in the Diaspora. Black experience in any modern city or town in the Americas is a haunting. One enters a room and history follows; one enters a room and history precedes. History is already seated in the chair in the empty room when one arrives. Where one stands in a society seems always related to this historical experience. Where one can be observed is relative to that history. All human effort seems to emanate from this door. How do I know this? Only by self-observation, only by looking. Only by feeling. Only by being a part, sitting in the room with history" (Brand 2001, 24–25).

I draw, too, on the work of Frank Wilderson, especially *Red, White, and Black* (2010), in which he argues that violence against the Black is gratuitous and not contingent; not violence that occurs between subjects at the level of conflict in the world but violence at the level of a structure that required, indeed invented, the Black to be the constitutive outside for those who would construct themselves as *the Human*.

- 11 Brooks (2010a) writes, "We're all supposed to politely respect each other's cultures. But some cultures are more progress-resistant than others, and a horrible tragedy was just exacerbated by one of them."
- 12 I turn more fully to the question of the singularity in the section called "The Weather."
- 13 And, as Marcus Rediker and others have told us, the captains and crew of any and every slave ship had to ready themselves for all forms of "creative resistance" by the captives (Rediker 2007, 307). And here is Walvin (2011, 107): "Every slave ship expected to face dangers from their African captives."
- 14 Sharpe (2010, 29) writes: "If 'slavery is the ghost in the machine of kinship,' it is in part because under slavery, system and sign, lexico-legal acts of transubstantiation occur in which blood becomes property (with all of the rights inherent in the use and enjoyment of property) in one direction and kin in another."
- 15 Philip writes, "Very early on I develop a need to know the names of the murdered and actually call James Walvin, author of *Black Ivory*, in England to ask him if he knew how I could locate them. 'Oh, no,' his tone is commiserative, 'they didn't keep names.' I don't—cannot believe this to be true, but later on as a result of correspondence with a colleague who is researching and writing a book on the *Zong* case, I receive a copy of a sales book kept by one Thomas



Case, an agent in Jamaica who did business with the owners of the *Zong*. It is typical of the records kept at that time: Purchasers are identified while Africans are reduced to the stark description of ‘negroe man,’ [sic] ‘negroe woman,’ or more frequently ‘ditto man,’ ‘ditto woman.’ There is one gloss to this description: ‘Negroe girl (meagre).’ There are many ‘meagre’ girls, no ‘meagre’ boys.

The African men, women, and children, on board the *Zong* were stripped of all specificity, including their names. Their financial value, however, was recorded and preserved for insurance purposes, each being valued at thirty pounds sterling” (Philip 2008, 194).

- 16 Interview with Dr. Anne Gardulski, July 7, 2014, Cambridge, MA.
- 17 I recognize that that title of first Black published poet goes to Jupiter Hammon. Wheatley is the first Black woman poet to publish in what will become the United States.
- 18 I expand, here, the argument I made in *Monstrous Intimacies*. “Agassiz was one of the founders (or fathers) of the American school of ethnology; he was an abolitionist and a contributor to the emergent field of racial science, who believed in African inferiority and European superiority. Pro-slavery politicians embraced his polygenetic arguments that attempted to make manifest, measurable, and readable an essential black inferiority and black monstrosity, not the monstrosity of slavery and slavery’s complicated black performances and not the violence of the law and the gaze.” And “the daguerreotypes (the ‘mirror with a memory’) commissioned by the abolitionist Agassiz that would be used to support slavery and to naturalize and justify the continued subjection of black people in and eventually out of slavery” (Sharpe 2010, 11–12).
- 19 There has been some dispute about the numbers of those thrown overboard. I indicate the discrepancy in numbers here.
- 20 “Despite the change in policy, the INS has continued to return Haitians leaving the country in small boats—over 1,300 boat people were returned to Haiti in May after the change in policy was announced.” “Clinton Changes US Policy on Haitian Refugees,” *Migration News* 1, 5 (June 1994), <https://migration.ucdavis.edu/mn/more.php?id=328> (accessed July 7, 2015).
- 21 Again, the captions read: “An injured child waits to be flown for treatment on the USNS *Comfort*.” And: “A child waits to be medevaced by U.S. Army soldiers from the 82nd Airborne to the USNS *Comfort* in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.” “PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI — JANUARY 21: A child waits to be medevaced by U.S. Army soldiers from the 82nd Airborne to the USNS *Comfort* on January 21, 2010 in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Planeloads of rescuers and relief supplies headed to Haiti as governments and aid agencies launched a massive relief operation after a powerful earthquake that may have killed thousands. Many buildings were reduced to rubble by the 7.0-strong quake on January 12.”
- 22 The photographer, Joe Raedle, is from the United States.
- 23 Jack Shenker, “Migrants Left to Die after Catalogue of Failures, Says Report into Boat Tragedy,” *Guardian*, March 28, 2012, <http://www.theguardian.com>



- /world/2012/mar/28/left-to-die-migrants-boat-inquiry. I will return to this later in this section and in the sections “The Hold” and “The Weather.”
- 24 See, for example, Schwartz 2010; Barron H. Lerner, “Scholars Argue over Legacy of Surgeon Who Was Lionized, Then Vilified,” *New York Times*, October 28, 2003, <http://www.nytimes.com/2003/10/28/health/scholars-argue-over-legacy-of-surgeon-who-was-lionized-then-vilified.html>; Caitlin Dickerson, “Secret World War II Chemical Experiments Tested Troops by Race,” *Morning Edition*, NPR, June 22, 2015, <http://www.npr.org/2015/06/22/415194765/u-s-troops-tested-by-race-in-secret-world-war-ii-chemical-experiments>; Sophie Kleeman, “One Powerful Illustration Shows Exactly What’s Wrong with How the West Talks about Ebola,” *World.Mic*, October 7, 2014, <http://mic.com/articles/100618/one-powerful-illustration-shows-exactly-what-s-wrong-with-media-coverage-of-ebola>; Kathryn Krase, “History of Forced Sterilization and Current U.S. Abuses,” *Our Bodies Ourselves.org*, October 1, 2014, <http://www.ourbodiesourselves.org/health-info/forced-sterilization/>.
  - 25 Michael M. Phillips and Christopher Rhoads, “Government Turns to Long-Term Needs,” *Wall Street Journal*, January 22, 2010, <http://www.wsj.com/articles/SB10001424052748704423204575017384160415238>.
  - 26 Mary Beth Sheridan and Manuel Roig-Franzia, “Haiti Relief: 2,000 Tents — 200,000 Needed,” *SF Gate*, January 22, 2010, <http://www.sfgate.com/world/article/Haiti-relief-2-000-tents-200-000-needed-3275233.php>.
  - 27 Definition: A Dictionary of Literary Devices (Gradus, A–Z).
  - 28 Andrea Rose and Colleen Barry, “Italy Divers Find ‘Wall’ of Bodies in Migrant Ship,” *Seattle Times*, October 8, 2013, <http://www.seattletimes.com/nation-world/italy-divers-find-wall-of-bodies-in-migrant-ship/>.
  - 29 Gianluca Mezzofiore, “Lampedusa: Italian Fishermen ‘Abandoned’ Hundreds of African Migrants to Drown,” *International Business Times*, October 3, 2013, <http://www.ibtimes.co.uk/lampedusa-fishing-boats-turned-away-migrant-sinking-51190>.
  - 30 This is a reference to Dasani Coates who was featured in the *New York Times* special feature “Invisible Child.” I discuss this in chapter 4, “The Weather.”
  - 31 For an in-depth analysis of the Black Mediterranean see Saucier and Woods 2014.
  - 32 Ian Traynor, “EU to launch military operations against migrant-smugglers in Libya,” *Guardian*, April 20, 2015, <http://www.theguardian.com/world/2015/apr/20/eu-launch-military-operations-libya-migrant-smugglers-mediterranean>.
  - 33 “EU to Back ‘Boat-Destroyer’ Mission in Mediterranean,” *BBC News*, May 18, 2015, <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-32776688>. We read, “On May 18, 2015, the European Union voted to replace humanitarian patrols of the Mediterranean with military ones”
  - 34 Corina Crețu, “Mémorial “ACTe: A Place of Remembrance and of Reconciliation,” European Commission, February 8, 2015, [https://ec.europa.eu/commission/2014-2019/cretu/blog/memorial-acte-place-remembrance-and-reconciliation\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/commission/2014-2019/cretu/blog/memorial-acte-place-remembrance-and-reconciliation_en).



- 35 "Hollande Honours the Lives of Slaves at Caribbean Museum," *France 24*, May 10, 2015, <http://www.france24.com/en/20150510-france-slavery-hollande-caribbean-museum-guadeloupe>.
- 36 In the prologue to *Invisible Man* the narrator says, "but that . . . is how the world moves: Not like an arrow, but a boomerang. (Beware of those who speak of the *spiral* of history; they are preparing a boomerang. Keep a steel helmet handy.)" (Ellison 1995, 6).
- 37 "Ark of Return: UN Erects Memorial to Victims of Transatlantic Slave Trade," UN News Centre, <http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=50428>.
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### Chapter 3: *The Hold*

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- 2 Jessica Elgot and Matthew Taylor, "Calais Crisis: Cameron Condemned for 'Dehumanising' Description of Migrants," *Guardian*, July 30, 2015, <http://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2015/jul/30/david-cameron-migrant-swarm-language-condemned>.  
See also Jessica Elgot and Patrick Wintour, "Calais: Man Killed as Migrants Make 1,500 Attempts to Enter Eurotunnel Site," *Guardian*, July 29, 2015, <http://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2015/jul/29/calais-one-dead-1500-migrants-storm-eurotunnel-terminal>.  
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- 3 "Quotes from, and about, Nicolas Sarkozy," *New York Times*, May 7, 2007, <http://www.nytimes.com/2007/05/07/world/europe/07francequotes.html>. The Kärcher has particular resonance with Algerian uprisings in France.
- 4 Justin Huggler, "Buchenwald Concentration Camp Immigration Plan Criticised," *Telegraph*, January 13, 2015, <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/europe/germany/11343119/Buchenwald-concentration-camp-immigration-plan-criticised.html>. "Plans to house asylum seekers in a former ss barracks at a Nazi concentration camp are causing controversy in Germany."



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- 7 "Greek Police Spray Migrants with Fire Extinguishers," *Al Jazeera*, August 11, 2015, <http://www.aljazeera.com/news/2015/08/greek-police-kos-migrants-150811124542301.html>.
- 8 Oumar Bar, "When Senegalese Writer Fatou Diome Kicked European Union Butt," *Africa Is a Country*, April 2015, <http://africasacountry.com/2015/04/that-moment-when-senegalese-writer-fatou-diome-kicked-european-union-butt/>.
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- 10 "In November 1994, . . . the North Carolina Department of Correction (DOC) issued a press release announcing that it had unearthed a relic of America's carceral past at one of its facilities. The release read in part: "[The] Community Resource Council for the Alexander Correctional Center arranged for the National Guard to forklift the cage out of the mud and vines. The original three-inch concrete floor, a small toilet and braided metal bars are all that remain of the prison cage where twelve convicts slept." Dennis Childs. 2015. *Slaves of the State*.
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slave notices, it is to the archives, slave narratives and often to black expressive practices and creative texts that we can look to for moments of refusal and critique. What I am arguing here is that with certain acts of cultural production we can find performances of freedom and suggestions of alternatives to ways of living under a routinized surveillance that was terrifying in its effects” (Browne 2012, 547).

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to appear, like OJ's white Bronco, as an inset at the bottom of the screen. Or for the spectacle of the "fight" to capture Dorner—though two hundred LAPD officers, ten other agencies, a Sno-Cat, helicopters, armored vehicles, and heat-seeking technology against one man can hardly be considered a fight; that (to quote Baby Suggs in *Beloved*) is a rout—to altogether replace the spectacle of the Black president's speech. Such is the compulsive orthography of the wake which has to reinvigorate, and palimpsestically inscribe, the fugitive enslaved over the im/possibility of the black president talking.

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#### Chapter 4: *The Weather*

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daughters, Delia and Drana, are of them front, dress pulled down and tucked in, and standing side. No images of them naked front, side, rear have been recovered. There are, however, images of an enslaved woman from Brazil that Agassiz commissioned and she is shot, captured, held, completely naked, front, back, side. There is no reason to think that such images of Delia and Drana do not exist. There is nothing that would have protected them.

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