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Origin Story: *The Narrative of James Williams* and the Formation of the African American Slave Narrative

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This talk provides a material history of the American Anti-Slavery Society's first sponsored slave narrative, *The Narrative of James Williams* (1838), and illuminates how its publication and the controversy that surrounded it shaped the development of the genre as a whole.

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