

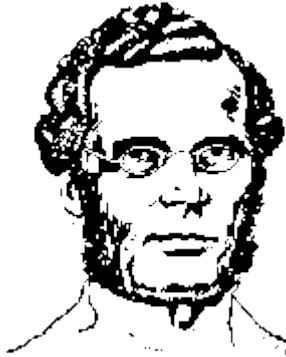
WILLIAM GORDON AND PAUL BOGLE

PAUL BOGLE birth date uncertain-died 1865.

Paul Bogle, a Baptist Deacon was generally regarded as a peaceful man who shunned violence. He believed in the teachings of the Bible, endorsing the principles of charity and endurance. Yet he was also a leader and organizer who knew well the terrains of the land and had spent time in educating and training his followers. He lived in St. Thomas and led the Morant Bay Rebellion in 1865.



GEORGE WILLIAM GORDON 1820-1865.



George William Gordon was a free coloured land owner and an associate of Bogle. As a member of the House of Parliament, he used his position to highlight the sufferings of the people and to make a plea for changes. The Morant Bay Rebellion and the resultant deaths of Bogle and Gordon precipitated the beginning of a new era in Jamaica's development. The British government became compelled to make changes including outstanding reforms in education, health, local government, banking and infrastructure.