## Annotation


This compilation, edited by historian Gert Oostindie, contains eight chapter-length responses Seymour Drescher’s “The Long Goodbye: Dutch Capitalism and Antislavery in Comparative Perspective,” originally published in 1994 and annotated above. Prefaced by an introduction detailing the history of abolition in the Dutch colonies, the main question the text seeks to address is why emancipation was not declared until 1863. Three chapters are of interest to scholars specifically interested in the relationship between the Netherlands and Suriname; Edwin Horlings’ “An Economic Explanation of the Late Abolition of Slavery in Suriname,” Alex van Stipriaan’s piece entitled “Suriname and the Abolition of Slavery,” and Gert Oostindie’s “Same Old Song?” Each chapter of the text, including the introduction and the epilogue, is accompanied by substantial bibliographic entries.

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