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The Black Feminists Behind #YourSlipIsShowing, a Campaign Against Twitter Trolls Masquerading as Women of Color with the Fake Hashtag #EndFathersDay | Slate

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Shafiqah Hudson remembers the moment she realized something was off. She saw a tweet from an account she had never seen before: "#EndFathersDay because I'm tired of all these white women stealing our good black mens." Something about the grammar—not to mention the idea that black women wanted to abolish Father's Day because of interracial dating—just felt too cartoonish to be real. That day, Hudson, who tweets as @sassycrass, had a job interview. It was June of 2014, the Friday before Father's Day. As she typed out her follow-up thank-you note and went through what she calls "the unemployment shuffle," toggling between social media and email and playing with her cat, she spotted some reactions from people she followed to other suspiciously inflammatory tweets posted by a handful of new Twitter accounts claiming to be black feminists. "#EndFathersDay," read one. "We'll bring it back when men stop raping and killing us."

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