

"A Black Stampede", Montpelier (VT) *Green Mountain Freeman*, February 17, 1853
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A BLACK STAMPEDE — On Wednesday night of last week, ten slaves from an interior county of Kentucky crossed the river below this city, and succeeded in making their escape through Hamilton Co., on their way to Canada. Their owners who arrived a day too late appeared to be gentlemanly and honorable men, and stated that the ~~three had been well treated, and over~~ ed, and having no cause of complaint except a rumor that two of their number, who were husbands, were to be sold to a Louisiana cotton planter.—*Kentucky Gazette*, 28th October.

The editor of the *Michigan Democrat* makes the following comments on this circumstance:—"The only reason why they were induced to dare at all the hardships and perils of a race to Canada was, that the two who were husbands were about to be sold to Louisiana cotton planter! It is certainly marvellous that men should run away into freedom, and take their wives with them."

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