

“Escape of Fugitives—Exciting Chase,” New York (NY) *Tribune*, January 23, 1856
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ESCAPE OF FUGITIVES—EXCITING CHASE—UNFORTUNATE CAPTURE OF ONE.—A paper published in the town of Frederick, Md., called *The Examiner*, gives a description of a late stampede of slaves from that vicinity. It appears that six of them—four men and two women—having two spring wagons and four horses, came to Hood’s Mill, on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, near the dividing line between Frederick and Carroll Counties, on Christmas day. After feeding their animals, one of them told Mr. Dixon whence they came. Believing them to be fugitives, he spread the alarm, and some eight or ten persons gathered around to arrest them; but the negroes, drawing revolvers and bowie-knives, kept their assailants at bay until five of the party succeeded in escaping in one of the wagons, and as the last one jumped on a horse to flee he was fired at, and the load took effect in the small of the back. After going a few rods he reeled and fell to the ground, when he was pounced upon and secured. How he was used by his captors we know not; but humanity shudders at the probable result.