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DECREASE OF SLAVES IN MISSOURI.number of the St. Louis Christian referring to the change that is constan ing on in Missourf as regards the relative proportion between the white and colored populaion, says that scarcely a week passes without witnessing the emigration of of slaves to the South. One of the causes set down for tion, or driving, rather, of slaves to the South, a general conviction that white labor is more profitable in Missouri than slave labor. Another cause mentioned by the Admicate, for the decrease of slaves, is the insecurity of that species of property. The stampedes slaves are of frequently occurrence, papers are filled wit Advocate points to the deep, firm, tled, and absolute conviction that Missouri as v destined to be a free potent cause of the rapid decrease