

"Slave Stampede," Louisville (KY) *Journal*, July 17, 1862

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**SLAVE STAMPEDE.**—The Madison Courier says on Friday night six or seven slaves stole their masters' horses, in the vicinity of Ghent, Ky., and escaped down the river. When opposite Eagle Hollow, about three miles above Madison, they left the horses and crossed the river in a skiff, secreting themselves among the hills back from the river. The masters of the fugitives were all day on Saturday hunting through the hills for them, but without success until about nine o'clock at night, when they were overtaken, steering northward, under the guidance of two young negroes, named Harris, who live in the vicinity. A brisk fight immediately ensued, in the confusion of which all the men of the party effected their escape, leaving the only woman of the party in the hands of her master. No one was seriously damaged.

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