Stampede of Slaves.

We copy the following from the Cin.

Enq of Saturday:

The negroes who had been worked and paid no wages, for many years on the plantation of Mr. Byrnes, of Bourbon county, had been observed on several evenings to mysteriously absent themselves from their owners premises, and on Wednesday night they were watched by a son of Mr. Byrnes who saw them in a secluded spot, about half a mile from the house, in conversation with a couple of white men, with whom they were taiking for upwerd of an hour. Informing his father of this occurrence, the latter became alarmed, and despatched his son to a friend, who resided ten miles from his plantation, for assistance; the negroes in the meantime suspecting something, stole off, and were followed by Mr Byrnes, who observing that they had bundles with them attempted to prevent their leaving. they resisted, and their master, in the melee, was severely handled, being left senseless on the sward. The slaves in the meantime, made tracks for the Ohio River, which they crossed about ten miles below this city, and are supposed by this time to be out of the influence of the Fugitive slave Law. Mr. Byrres jr., arrived here yesterday morning, but came to the conclusion that he was a little too late to affect much good.

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