

THE SLAVES IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MD.—The slaves of Prince George's county, we hear, are running away in numbers.—Most of them make their way to this city, having got the idea that they will be free here. Parties of from five to fifty sometimes start together, and separate themselves in small squads just before reaching the Eastern Branch bridge, in order to avoid suspicion on crossing. We are informed that weekly from one to two hundred cross this bridge and get in among their friends in the city. A day or two since a family consisting of five, two of whom were children, who had walked some twenty miles, were stopped at the bridge. The owners of slaves in Prince George's say that it is almost useless to bother with them, that they are a source of continual trouble, having to be watched at all times. Several instances have occurred where the owners have overtaken on the road a party of their slaves making their way up, and have contented themselves by picking out the most valuable ones, and allowing the others to go. Others let the fugitives "slide" unmolested, giving themselves no uneasiness, expressing the belief that they will wish themselves back again.—*Wash. Star.*