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Country to enjoy themselves on these festive occasions  
they frequently hire a large room for the purpose  
on one occasion the Author happened to be in the house  
when it was they had hired a room for this  
purpose if the question was asked of an elderly woman  
if they were all slaves she hung down her head as  
she answered Yes for we are all slaves. —  
the Author took an opportunity of asking an elderly  
Man between 60 & 70 years of age who had been in slavery  
in various parts of the South Virginia Carolina &  
if there was much difference in Southern Slavery &  
Western Slavery he replied there was no comparison  
that there was as much difference as light & darkness  
in Virginia & other Southern slave States the  
Slave is always exposed to the power & lash of the  
Overseer but in Missouri their labour is merely that  
of another farm servant exposed to no overseer or any  
thing of the kind

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The Character of the Slave there

The Idea that many of the advocates of Slavery  
propose to entertain of the character & organization  
of the Negro race is most preposterous disgraceful  
& degrading to any individual who would  
dare to utter or give vent to any Idea of the kind