

**African American Studies**  
**Slave Auctions**  
**Group**

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1. How many 'Negroes' were being auctioned?
  2. Whose Estate was this?
  3. Where did this sale take place?
  4. What was the date? Time?
  5. What's the heading? What do these terms mean knowing what you know about slave history?
  6. What's the name of the auctioneers? Age?
  7. Are there terms? If so, what are they?
  8. What was the name of the printing company? Where are they located?
  9. What city is this?
- Describe some of the physical conditions? (Qualifications)
10. How many were in families? What was the average number in each family? Which family had the highest number?
  11. What was the highest price paid on the list?
  12. What was the total price of all the sales on the list?
  13. How many slaves are being auctioned?
  14. How many men? Women? Babies? Children?
  15. Were there any on the list that did not get sold? Who were they? What were their ages?
  16. What was the lowest price paid?
  17. What were some of the unusual names on the list?
  18. Who was the oldest person on the list? Youngest?
  19. How many cooks? Nurses? Carpenters? Field hands?

Slaves were sold to the highest bidder.

- **Slave women in good health were sold for \$ 300-\$500**
- **Healthy young male slaves were sold for about \$1000**
- **Children ~~slaves~~ were sold for \$150 to \$200**  
*Slaves*
- Using the pricing guide above, how much would ~~you~~ <sup>your</sup> immediate family be sold for?
- If your auction lists do not list any prices, place prices next to the ones that you can.