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Local Citizens Who Owned Many Slaves in 1860

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Dear Editor:

Some time ago in Washington, I copied out the following information on Fairfield which may be of interest to your readers. It is a list of Slaveowners who owned as many as 100 slaves in 1860--the end of the era. It does not include slaves owned by Fairfield residents outside of the County. It is possible that these manuscript records now in Washington will be destroyed and the information is of historical value.

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Sincerely yours,
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