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kitchen and after some time ~~and then~~ ^{and then} not asked
her if the saw Jim ~~was~~ ^{was} at home and she ~~if~~ ^{if} they came and
that she was much surprised that Jim was not gone
to see his wife and this nitch went to bed and after
some time his negro woman Eddy came and asked him
up and told him he enquired of this negro what was
the matter and she said that Jim was dead then nitch
immediately got up and asked this negro if any accident
had happened ^{to him} and this negro said there had not that she
knew of and this nitch sent for some of the neighbours
and when these nitches the neighbours had come then nitch
two or 3 of them went into the kitchen and found Jim the dead
lying dead on the bench and this nitch with others examined the
dead and found on the body and head of the dead ~~was~~ ^{was} signs
of his having died by the hands of violence and that there
were several contusions on his back & other parts of his body
especially one on his back where the skin off much broken
and on the head and that his ear was cut thro and when raised
up he bled a good deal at the ear and that he had ~~been~~
a bump on each shoulder

And Nancy Gardner of full age being sworn says that
on Saturday night the 24 July last the night on which Jim
the dead was killed she sat home with her husband about
10 hours in the night and that she immediately went into
the kitchen where she saw Jim the dead lying on the bench
and called to Bob and he made her no answer pretending
to be asleep but this nitch did not suppose him asleep
and this nitch went immediately into the house & told Mr.
Gardner that she was surprised that Jim was ~~not~~ ^{not} gone
to see his wife

And Eddy a negro woman slave the property of James
Gardner of this county being ~~sworn~~ ^{sworn} says that Jim the
dead asked the pursuer now at this time to go out to work with
him on the same day that Jim was killed that the pursuer
replied he might go on and he would follow immediately
But Jim the dead insisted on the pursuer to go with
him and the pursuer still refusing Jim applied and
thrust him with a small stick that they then engaged