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Essays should be no longer than twenty (20) pages, excluding the title page and bibliography. The title page should list the title of the work as well as the author's name, university, and class (i.e. freshman, etc.). An abstract of 100 words maximum should also be on the title page. The essay should appear in 12 point Times New Roman Font and be double-spaced. It should also have one-inch margins, with pagination centered at the bottom of the page. Finally, authors should format citations according to Chicago style.

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This paper explores the differences between the ways that white male slave owners and white slave mistresses viewed the problem of slave medical care. The paper analyzes the journal of Dr. Walter Ross Wade, the owner of Rosswood Plantation, and the diary of teenager Eliza Magruder, a resident of Locust Plantation. I conclude that while men primarily viewed their slaves as economic assets and women were more apt to pity ill slaves, both sexes viewed slaves as inherently unequal to whites and used this inequality to warrant their treatment of ill slaves. Through contrasting these two individuals' philosophy of slave medical care, I suggest that we can draw conclusions about the larger Mississippi slave-holding population.

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