

## **Freedom**

On January 1, 1863, President Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation freed the slaves in the states in rebellion. The enslaved workers that plantations like Snee Farm relied on were declared free. Former slaves escaped to the Union lines throughout the South. Eventually African Americans were allowed to fight for freedom as Union soldiers.

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