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Sommario/riassunto	Many early-19th-century slaveholders considered themselves "masters"; not only over slaves, but also over the institutions of marriage and family. This privilege was generally reserved for white males. But as many as one in ten slaveholders was a widow, and as this book demonstrates, slaveholding widows developed their own version of mastery.

