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local and transnational and the enduring effects of slavery. Reflecting on the ethics of narration, this study is particularly attentive to the risks

of representing anti-black violence and to the intricacies involved in (re-)appropriating slavery's archive.

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