A selection from a book on slavery. The text discusses the practices and conditions of slavery and advocates for its abolition. It emphasizes the moral and ethical implications of maintaining a system of slavery and highlights the suffering of enslaved individuals. The text also references a speech by Dr. Charles T. Cotesworth, who was a prominent abolitionist. The selection includes a quote from Cotesworth, urging listeners to consider the plight of the enslaved and to take action against the institution of slavery. The text concludes with a call to action, encouraging readers to support the cause of abolition and to stand against injustice.