The following excerpt written by Abigail Adams appears at the beginning of Chapter 33. Her father owned slaves, and she was writing to her husband, John Adams, regarding her opinions on slavery and the war.

I wish most sincerely there was not a slave in the province. It allways appeard a most iniquitous scheme to me – fight ourselves for what we are daily robbing and plundering from those who have as good a right to freedom as we have. You know my mind upon this subject.

Explain the meaning of the excerpt. Why do you think that Anderson put this excerpt at the beginning of this chapter? How does it relate to the plot of the story at this point? Give at least one text detail to support your answer.