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Journal of the Commencement & of the  
proceedings of the Society of Coloured  
people; with the approbation of the  
Most Rev.<sup>d</sup> Archbp. Samuel & of the Rector  
of the Cathedral Rev.<sup>d</sup> H. B. Coskery.

1<sup>st</sup> Session

The first meeting was held in the  
basement of Albert Hall on the 1<sup>st</sup>  
Sunday of advent 3<sup>rd</sup> of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1843

The 1<sup>st</sup> meeting was numerous amounting  
to about 150 or 200 - females & males. -

John G. Hickey, assistant at the  
Cathedral, acted as Director - during  
that meeting, which began by invocation  
of the Holy Ghost, an instruction on  
the great truths of Religion was given, &  
the principal object of the meeting  
explained - viz. the affording of the Col<sup>d</sup> people  
an opportunity of attending more par-  
ticularly to their salvation & spiritual com-

cerus. - 2<sup>o</sup>. the adopting of such regulations as may tend to render the society useful  
 3<sup>o</sup>. the selecting of a name, which was to be given by the majority of votes, & of the officers to be employed in the society.  
 &c &c - After speaking himself the director requested any gentleman or lady to give expression to his or her ideas relative to the matter before the society - after singing, praying & making a collection of 90 cents the society adjourned.

2<sup>nd</sup> ≡ Session

10<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1843 the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of advent the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the society took place at 7 o'clock the same as the first meeting & at the same place. Dirigente J. F. H. after prayers & instruction the votes were taken for the naming of the society. Accordingly 75 votes were given for the name of "the Holy Family" & 40 votes for the name of the "St. Benedict Society". -

of course it was then & there called the Holy Family. - After a few remarks made by two or three members - both useful & proper - after singing some hymns as at the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting - saying prayers and collecting \$ 3.46 the meeting adjourned. -

3<sup>rd</sup> ≡ Session

3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Society of the St. Family took place on the 17<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1843. the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent - After praying - I read the life, abridged by R. Rev. D. Barron of St. Benedict, with comments &c - singing hymns &c - Mr. John Noel was chosen by a vast majority, the President of the Society - & Miss Mary Holland was elected by a great majority or unanimity the 1<sup>st</sup> Counsellor. - after hymns & night prayers & a collection of \$ 2.10 the meeting adjourned to the Sunday after Christmas - not being able to hold meeting conveniently on Christmas Eve.

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4) The names of those, who petitioned to be admitted as members of the Society of the S. F., are all here written down without examination concerning the merits or demerits of any one. - Each member consents to pay for the benefit of the Society 6 1/4 cents per month. -

W<sup>m</sup> John Noel (12) President. Mary Holland 1<sup>st</sup> Counsellor 4

Priscilla Holly	Eli. Woods
Honnetta Nichles	Eli. J. Demages
Harriet Berry	Angela Noel (12)
Harriet Queen	Clara Briscoe 6
Rebecca Powell	Jane Berry
Rosetta Symes	Rosetta Bell
Dray Anna Butler	Rebecca Gibbs
Cath Fenwick	Ann Hammond
M. Jane Hall	Maria Clark
Susan Aikens	Mary Patterson
Sarah Mayers	Rutha Hopp
Susan Simmons	Eli. Becraft
Adeline Lydies	Mary A. Jakes
Ann Leneey	Martha A. Berry
Caroline Reynolds	Ann Brooks

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Julian Meads	Mary A. Berry
Charlotte Thomas	Harriet Rock
Adeline Lebarth	Lucinda Hollen
Adeline Meads	Sydney Hollen
Harriet London	W <sup>m</sup> M. Goldson
Mary G. Rock	Caroline Addison
Mary M'Gee	Emily Addison
Mary Cassell	Rose King
Eli. C. Berry	W <sup>m</sup> M. Duvertier
Jane Thompson	Danl. Demages
Mary Williams	Mary G. Hollen
Anna Johnson	Eli. Morrison
Susan Burgett	Ann Green
Caroline Thomas	George James
Eli. Burgett	Susan Busto
Mary Hinton	Mary Carter
Alina Davidge	Louisa Oliver
Amelia Burke	Eira Cook
W <sup>m</sup> Nath <sup>l</sup> . Williams	Eli. Molison
Burias Jenkins	Sarah A. Roberts
John Davidge	Teresa Mahoney

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Thomas Cook  
Owings Oliver  
Joanna Henicks  
Jane Francis  
Amelia Holly  
Mary Lynch  
Jane Lyman  
James Nvert  
Mary L. Addison  
Edw. Gilward  
John Hopkins  
Mary Fossitt  
Susan Ann Noel  
Mary Burke  
Mary E. V. Augustin  
Mary F. Johnson  
Harriet Johnson  
Henrietta Smith  
Mary Jane Cook  
Mary Addison  
Dinah Addison

Cath. Herbert  
Mary L. Hines  
Bathur Lee  
Rachel A. Lee  
Sarah Demages  
Harriet Jordan  
Louisa Marchal  
~~Abbe Wood~~  
Georgiana Landau  
Ellen Johnson  
Edw. Queen  
Levy Drish (15)  
Perry H. Rideout (15)  
John Lewis  
Charity Grant  
Ann Rideout (15)  
John Thomas  
Wm G. Thomas  
Francis Ragin  
Henry Burgess  
Barbara Sellman

Maria Thomas  
~~Betsy Wood~~  
Lucy Butler  
Milly Burk  
Ann Burk  
Martha Holly  
Mary Woods  
Amelia Howard  
Susan Hikes  
Adeline Pitt  
Rosetta Jones  
Eli. Greatfield  
Lucinda Bant  
Mary Conkling  
Peter McClain  
Mary A. McClain  
Henrietta McClain  
Charlotte Powell  
Lucretia Queen  
Amelia Mitchell  
Ann Smith (42)

Sarah E. Talbot  
Wm Howard  
Henrietta Bowan  
John Conkling  
John Fossitt  
Elin Ann Gustaf  
Lucinda Bant  
Julia Ann Anderson  
Maria Carol  
Jane Starboe  
Grace Richardson  
Ann Deheare  
~~Rebecca Lyman~~  
Louisa Black  
Martha Johnson  
Elizabeth Linkins  
Martha Tolson  
Mary Eli. Gustaf  
Henry Bantum  
Sarah Bantum  
Prudence Lyman

Ellen Small  
 Anastasia Brown  
 Lucy Ford  
 Ellen Walsh  
 Mary A. Dorsey  
 Mary A. Snowden  
 Henry Dorsey  
 Ephrem John Snowden  
 Nancy Dawson  
 Harriet Eli Kenna  
 Lydia Powell  
 Washing Ford  
 Guilbert Gordon  
 James Powell  
 George Demages  
 Nelson Moquet  
 Gabriel Brisko  
 Julia Green