

CONSTITUTION OF THE ANTI SLAVERY SOCIETY OF PROVINCETOWN

Preamble

Whereas the Most high God hath made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on all the face of the earth and hath commanded them to love their neighbours as themselves and whereas our national existence is based upon this principle recognized in the declaration of Independence, that all men are created equal, and that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights, among which are life liberty, and the pursuit of hapiness, and whereas after the lapse of sixty years since the faith and honor of the American people were pledged to this avowal before Almighty God and the world, nearly one sixth part of the nation are held in bondage by their fellow citizens,, And Whereas Slavery is contrary to the principles of national Justice, of our republican form of government and of the christian religion, and is destructive to the Government of the [next page] Country, while it endangers the peace, union and liberties of the states, and Whereas we believe it is practicable by appeals to the consciences, hearts and interests of the people to awaken a public sentiment throughout the nation that will be opposed to the continuance of Slavery in every part of the republic, and by affecting the speedy abolition of Slavery prevent a general convulsion, and Whereas we believe we owe it to the oppressed, to our fellow citizens who hold slaves, to our whole country, to posterity, and to God, to do all that is lawfully in our powers to bring about the extinction of slavery, we do hereby agree with a powerfull reliance on the divine aid to form ourselves into a society to be governed by the following Constitution.

Article first. This Society shall be called the Anti Slavery Society in Provincetown

Article Second. The object of this society is to petition Congress to put an end [next page] to the domestic Slave trade, and to abolish Slavery in all those positions of our common country which came under its control, especially in the District of Collumbia [Columbia], and likewise to prevent the extension of it to any state that may be hereafter admitted to the union.

Article third. Any person who consents to the principles of this constitution and subscribes their name to the same may be a member of this society and shall have a right to vote at the meetings.

Article Fourth. The Officers of this society shall be a President, three vice Presidents, Secretary and a board of Managers consisting of seven, they shall be annually chosen by the society and seven of the officers shall constitute a quorum.

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Article Sixth. The annual Meeting of the society shall be held on the second Monday evening in the Month of December in each year.

Article Seventh. This constitution may be altered or amended at any meeting of the society by a vote of two thirds of the members present, provided the amendments have been previously submitted to the board of Managers in writing.

Which being read was unanimously accepted and signed by the following gentlemen.

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Ebenezer Atkins
John Atkins
Freeman Atkins
Parker Cook
John Dyer
Zachens Atkins

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Isaac Small 2nd
Jesse Cook
Will. M. Shea
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Lewis Nickerson
James Cook
Solomon Rich
Isaiah Whitney
Aquilla Higgins
Samuel Soper
Ste. A. Major
Abraham Chapman
Joseph Freeman
John Knowles
Jonathan Dyer
_ Paine 2nd

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Joseph Baker
James S. Dyer
Robb Lavender
Isaiah Paine
Nathaniel Holmes
Reuben Rider
Nathaniel Lewis
George Lewis
Caleb Cook
Abraham Small
Nathan Small
Leonard Small
Taylor Small
Joshua Paine
Benjamin Lancy
Rufus Conant
Joseph Major
Albert Lavender
Steph. Chapman
Philip S. Rich
Henry Atkins
John Snow
Robert Knowles
Thomas Hillyard
E. W. Stickney

Provincetown November 30th 1837

The friends of Emancipation met in the vestry of the Methodist Meeting house to take into consideration the subject of Slavery. Mr. John Adams was called to the chair, and Mr. S. M. Hamilton [?] was chosen Secretary.

Voted to appoint a committee of three to draft a constitution for an Anti Slavery Society, and report the same at a subsequent meeting.

Voted on the Committee -

Messers John Adams

" John Atkins

" Ebenezer Atkins

Voted to adjourn to meet again at this place on the eve. of the seventh of Dec. next.

Dec 7 - Met according to adjournment [?] the Committee reported the following preamble and constitution [next page]

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John Snow
Robert Knowles
Thomas Hillyard
E. W. Stickney

Voted that Messers Solomon Rich, Esq., Isaiah Whitney and John Dyer be a committee to nominate candidates [new page] for officers agreeable to the fourth article of the constitution, and upon their nomination the following gent [gentlemen?] were chosen -

John Adams	President
Ebenezer Atkins Freeman Atkins Parker Cook	Vice Presidents
John Atkins	Secretary
Abraham Chapman James Cook Lewis Nickerson Samuel Soper Will. M. Shea Steph. A. Major Zachens Atkins	Managers

Voted that Messers Solomon Rich, Esq., Isaiah Whitney and John Dyer be a committee to draft Petitions to be sent to Congress on the subject of Slavery.

Voted to adjourn to meet in one week Dec. 15. Agreeable to adjournment the society met at half past six o'clock in the evening. The Meeting [next page] opened with prayer by Rev. I. M. Bidwell. The president submitted forms of Petitions sent to congress, also to the general consul [counsel? Attorney General?] on Slavery.

Voted to have the constitution read and agreeable to said vote the constitution was read by the Secretary.

Voted to remonstrate to Congress against the anexation of Texas to the union.

Voted to Petition Congress to regulate commerce so as to stop the traffick in human beings.

Voted to Petition the General Consul on Slavery.

Voted to petition Congress to abolish Slavery in the District of Collumbia.

Voted that a Petition be circulated today to the town for subscribers against the annexation of Texas to the union.

Voted to request the Lodgers [?] of this town to petition Congress for the abolition of Slavery in the District of Columbia.

Voted that the board of Managers circulate the petitions for signers as soon as may be and return them to the [next page] Secretary who shall forward them to those they are invested [?].

Voted that the Society meet on the first Thursday evening in each month untill otherwise altered by the society.

Voted to adjourn.

Nov 14 - 1838 Society met at six o'clock - meeting opened with prayer by Rev. I. M. Bidwell. The president stated the object of the Meeting to be the importance of petitioning Congress.

Voted that the records of the society be read, and agreeable to said vote the Sec. [Secretary] read the same.

Voted that petitions be circulated through the town for signers.

Voted that Messrs. Soloman Rich, Esq., John Dyer and Robert Knowles be a committee to circulate the petitions.

Voted that the Secretary be instructed to recommend to the Female Anti Slave Society the subject of petitioning Congress.

Voted to adjourn.

[end page]

Dec. 10th - 1838 The Society met in the ___ meeting opened with prayers by Rev. I. M. Bridwell

A committee was appointed consisting of Messers Rufas Conant Reuben Goodspeed and Isaiah Small 2nd to nominate candidates for officers for the year and upon their report the following gentlemen were chosen

Soloman Rich, Esq.	President
John Adams Ebenezer Atkins Freeman Atkins	Vice Presidents
John Atkins	Secretary
John Dyer Abner Chapman Lewis Nickerson Nathan Holmes Zachen Atkins W. M. Shea Josiah Cutter	Managers

Voted to take up quarterly collections.

Voted to have monthly Lectures on the subject of Slavery.

Voted that the Vice Presidents supervise [at]tend the lectures and engage lecturers.

[end page]

Voted to appoint a treasurer and Nathaniel Holmes was chosen.

Voted that the Vice Presidents be Collectors and that the money then in the hands of the treasurer shall be subject to the orders of the Board of Managers to be used for procuring a Library.

Voted that the Board of Managers shall in the absence of the Vice Presidents assist in taking collections.

Voted to choose a Librarian and agreeable to said vote Rufus Conant was chosen.

Voted that a subscription be taken forthwith to procure a library and about ten dollars was raised.

Voted to adjourn.

[end page]

At a Meeting of the Anti-Slavery Society held July 4th 1839 in the Church Room of the Methodist Meeting House S. Rich President in the Chair. Rufus Conant was chosen Secretary Pro Tem.

Voted the Managers select + purchase Anti Slavery publications to the amount of the funds now in the Treasurer's hand.

Voted two weeks be the length of time for any Book to be out at any one time.

Voted the Librarian be furnished by the Treasurer with a list of all the names belonging to the Society and also of those who have contributed toward purchasing a library

Voted Twenty five Cents shall constitute any person a proprietor of the Library

Voted their be a committee of three to collect funds to purchase forthwith Anti Slavery books for the use of the Society + proprietors.

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Voted that Messrs. Dr. J. Whitney, Wm M. Shea X John Snow be Said Committee

Voted to Meet Every Second Monday in each Month

Voted the at the first Meeting the Subject of debate be the Abolition of Slavery in the British colonies meet the views of that Nation

Voted Capt. Ebenezer Atkins + William M. Shea take the Affirmative + Messrs Revd J. M. Bidwell + Freeman Atkins take the negative.

Voted to adjourn

[end page]

Monday evening Oct 12 - 1839

The Society met agreeable to notice E. W. Stickney in the Chair President + Vice President absent

Voted to request E. W. Stickney to Lecture before the Society

Voted to meet on Wednesday eve the thirtieth of October inst.

Voted to adjourn

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The following persons became members on the eve of thirty Nov 1839

James Whorf
Alexander Attaway
Abraham Small, Jr.
Paul L. Bangs
Jesse Plives
Reuben Swift
Benjamin Atkins
John Swift
Ebenezer Higgins
Robert Lavander
John Atwood
Nathaniel Lewis
Edmund Smith
Ezra Kelley
Josiah Snow
Thomas Mayo
Jenk Stone

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Nov 4 - 1839 The Society met prayer by E. W. Stickney -

The President in the Chair

Voted to suspend the operation of the seventh article of the constitution for the present evening.

Voted that a new article be added to the constitution as follows

This Society shall be called the Provincetown Abolition Society - and shall be auxilliary to the Massachusetts Abolition Society

Voted that the society give notice of the same to the Secretary of the Mass. Abolition Society

Voted that the president be instructed to prepare petitions for the board of managers to circulate for signers to be sent to Congress and also to the State Legislature

Voted to adjourn to Thursday eve the fourteenth inst.

[end page]

Dec. 9 - 1839 - The society met in the Vestry - one of the vice presidents viz Freeman Atkins in the chair -

Voted to appoint a committee of three to nominate a list of persons for officers for the ensuing year - and agreeable to same vote Messrs Alexander Manuel Zackens Atkins and Ebenezer Higgins were appointed.

And upon the nomination of the committee the following persons were chosen

Vis Solomon Rich Esq - President

" John Adams

" Freeman Atkins } Vice Presidents

" John Dyer

" John Atkins - Corr + Record. Secretary

Abraham Chapman

Reubin Swift

Alexander Manuel

Thomas Hillyard } Managers

D. M. Shad

Aquilla Higgins Jr.

Josiah Cutter

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Nathaniel Holmes - Treasurer

Robert Lavander - Librarian

Voted to adjourn to Monday eve the twenty third inst

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Dec 14 - 1840 The society met according to notice

Opened with prayer

The following persons were chosen officers for year ensuing viz

Solomon Rich Esq - President
John Adams
Freeman Atkins } Vice Presidents
John Dyer
John Atkins - Corr + Record. Secretary

Abraham Chapman
Reubin Swift
Alexander Manuel
Thomas Hilliard } Managers
D. M. Shad
Aquilla Higgins Jr.
Josiah Cutter
Nathaniel Holmes - Treasurer
Robert Lavander - Librarian

Voted that Thomas A. Sargent be requested to deliver an address before the Society on Friday even the 24 inst

[end page]

Voted to hold abolition prayer meeting on the last Friday eve in __ inst

Voted to adjourn to Friday eve the 24th inst to meet in the vestry.

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Dec the 30 - 1841

The Provincetown Abolition Society held their annual Meeting in the Church Room -

Open by Prayer by Rev. S. W. Cogshall -

The Follow Officers were Chosen for the Ensuing Year

Abram Chatman - President
Robert Lavender - Vice President
Nath. Holmes - Sect
Thomas Hilliard - Treasurer

Z. Atkins Librarian

R. Goodspeed

B. Bidwell

R. Rider } Committee

J. Snow

J. Rider

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Dec 30 - Provincetown

Voted to hold monthly Prayer meeting Wednesday Eve Before Sacrament

Voted that S. W. Cogshall deliver an Address on Abolition

Voted that we send a Petition

Moved to dissolve this meeting

Signed N. Holmes
Sect.

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Provincetown Abolition Society 1842

Met at Methodist Vestry Dec 30

Opened by Prayer

Chose Abram Chatman - President

Robert Lavender - Vice President

Nathaniel Holmes - Sect.

Thomas Hilliard - Treasurer

Nathan Freeman - Librarian

Voted to choose the same Committee the ensuing year

Reubin Goodspeed

Benjamin Rider

Rubin Rider

Josiah Snow
Jess Rider

Voted to send the following Briathening [?] as delegates to a Convention the 18th in
Boston - Abram Chatman Thomas Hillyard Nathl. Holmes Enoch Snow Aquilla
Higgins

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1842

Voted that the President have power to Appoint meeting when he saw fit.

Voted to Close and Dissolve

Nathaniel Holmes Sect.

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[This completes the Minutes portion of the Book. The Remainder appears to be the
records of the Treasurer.]

Cash Received from 1851

Feb. 1	Cash on hand	75.00
	Interest from Joshua Dyer	4.00
	Interest	.50
	Cash Borrowed J. M. Holmes	160.00
	Schr Elsenore	46.13
	Cash Paid in	5.00
	from Witland	13.00
	Nuts Sold	6.00
	Appils	2.00
March 1	from Norfolk	16.00
	Bonist Wave	5.00
	Luis Bill	5.00
	B. King Paid	7.00
Apr	John Paid	3.00
	Cash from M Rand	500.00
	Cash from King	100.00
	Cash from H. Smith	50.00
	1/16th John Adams	343.75
	Boat Sold	<u>26.50</u>
		1361.62

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Cash Received form [from] 1851

April 10	fund Brought Over	1361.62
	Cash from N Amony Bank	450.00
	from C W Givens	750.00
	J Whitney	60.00
	B Alstrum	50.00
	Lucas W Zurnan	300.00
	Elsnurn [Elsenor?]	16.69
	Cash Paid	93.00
	from Smith	40.00
	from P Dyr	25.00
	Jame Pathr	58.00
	Pen Pient	8.00
	Joshua Dyr Note Paid	58.00
	Bowley Cook + Co - Note	62.00
	Interest Bank	15.00
	Ocean Ware	74.00

	Jack Downing	38.00
	Mr Land	100.00
Jun 1	Cash from I Whitney	100.00
	Cash for Lumber	8.00
	Alexander Cummings	<u>75.00</u>
		3692.29

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Cash Recei'd 1851

	foot of Bill	3692.29
	Due James	37.00
Jun 25	from M. King	22.00
	from Town	28.00
	Cash in Bank America	500.00
	Cash from J M. Holmes Belt	3.50
	Cash, Punt Mon [?]	15.00
Augt 30	Cash of G Rich	200.00
Sept 3	Cash F. union Bank	412.58
	Cash fm Smart	15.00
	Cash fm Dr. Paine	<u>8.00</u>
		\$4933.00

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Cash Paid Out from 1851

Jan 1	table expenses	6.00
	Mishonary money	15.00
	Paid Mr. S. Atkins	12.00
	" Naman Holmes	20.00
	Cash paid James M. Holmes	50.00
	Parish tax	14.45
	town tax	24.45
	John Smith bill	5.00
	Cash Paid	5.00
	Bill of Butler due	5.00
	table expenses	5.50
	Forston & Sons	7.00

	Thacher & Cook	
	A Baily	
	Rider _	20.00
	T Hillard	8.00
	Insurance on James Pole	22.50
	table expenses	10.00
	Postage Bill	2.81
	Donation	5.50
March 1	Jonathon Hill Bill	9.50

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March Cash Paid Out 1851

15	for House	2.00
	Paid Wife	10.00
	"	5.00
	Anctient [?]	3.50
	Paid	5.00
	Paid Paper	2.00
	Compositur	1.00
	at Nusncy	3.50
	Expens at Boston	9.00
	Cash Paid Potn	3.00
	Interest Paid M. Atkins	12.00
	Paid J. E. Bawly in Boston	450.00
	Stones for Mans	5.00
	Copper Shylocke	4.75
April 1	1/2 tub Water	4.00
	Paid Schr Almyra	100.00
2 -	John Adam fittery	100.00
	stones huns	3.00
	Paid M Pith N. Light	300.00
	Schr Alexander	100.00
	M Wing	35.25
20 -	Inves L. from	<u>25.00</u>
		\$1183.05

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April 25 1851

	foot of Bill	\$1183.05
	Music	5.00
	Insurance	485.00
	Conquer	44.00
	Alstrum Bill	158.00
	Stores hour	12.00
	J M Holmes	180.00
	J. E. Bowly Cash	400.00
25 -	Cloinuse	50.00
	New Scho	75.00
	Dewolf Bill	17.49
	New Scho J E Rand	100.00
	N. Adams Bill	28.00
	N. Snow Bill	10.00
	fitings J. Potre	141.80
	Paid N. White	151.80
	trur	1.41
	P. L. Thacher Bill	221.12
	B. Poles	1.25
	Soben Smith Bill	25.50
	Boston	5.00
		3110.02

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Cash Paid Out 1851

	foot of Bill Brought over	3110.02
	Paid J. E. Bowly	150.00
	Intters in Bank	10.00
	Stones a- garden	12.70
	Caps for House	6.00
	Pig + Corr	10.00
	Waves	2.00
1851 June 15	Cash paid O. Snow	25.00
	Cash paid Provincetown	28.00
	Paid J. E. Lawly	126.00
	Paid on Scho Alexandr	75.00
fated	Note fm. C M Givens	568.00
1851 April 1	in Boston Expenses	25.00

July 4	House	10.00
	B. Bradford	2.00
	Shiping Man in Boston	20.00
1851 June 1	Note fm J Whitney	100.00
Sept 12	Note fm Bank America	450.00
	Note fm J. G Peterman	100.00
	Paid Z Luken	13.00
		\$4742.77

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Cash Paid Out /51		
foot of Bills up		4742.77
July 30	House	20.00
	Boston	20.00
	M N Comp	19.50
	Paid Casque	4.50
	Goods in Boston	12.00
1851 31 August	A T Rich Note	200.00
	Note Paid Out	20.00
		4940.00

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1853 N. Holmes Jr.

Jan 1	" Note due at Yarmouth	335
	" Cash due Cst. J Athis	85
Paid	" Note J L Whaly	100
Paid	" Note for Zemon Bank	700
	" Note due N. P. Holmes	280
		\$1500
	" Note due N P Holmes	25
	" Note due C. Burnum	1.75
		100

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1853

Case & Note on hang

Jan 1	" Note on Elis Holmes	3500
	" ' ' S. Cook	15
	x George Whitney	92
	x J-n-bad Stone	250
	x I. S. Small	100
	x L Hibbard	100
	Bank	500
		\$11.5200
	Stephen Mott	96.00
	T. Hillard	166.00
	x T. Sparkes	50.00
	x T Hillard	50.00
	x Benjamin Alstrum	200.00
	x fitting Walden Holm	<u>122.00</u>
		685.00

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1853 Cash Account with N Holm

Jan 1	" Notes on hand	1152.00
	" Cash on hand	700.00
3	" Cash from Jame Peter	363.13
25	" Cash on hand	400.00
	" Note Paid Bank	665.00
	" Note SS Leonard	3000.00
	" Note E. C. Bates	1250.00
	" Bank Stock	500.00
	" x Note Altoum Holmes	475.00

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1853

Due

Jan 1	" x Note due	\$1500.00
	" x Cash due C M Givens	8267.12
	" x Cash due S. Ginn	475.00

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1853 Oct 1 Notes due

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1854 Vessels Owned

		<u>Value</u>	1853 Covning
1 Cigt	H Neal	500	
1 "	" Alixander	350	105
1 "	" Elsenure	300	
1 "	" Almyra	50	
3/16	" James Poter	600	
3/16	" Waldron Holmes	700	
1 Cigt	" Charles Alstrum	400	
1/18	" John Adams	500	
1/16	" Antartick	500	
1 Cigt	" Northern Light	500	25
1/16	" O Wave	200	
1/15	S.S. Leonard	<u>350</u>	
		\$5150	
1/8	Idea	800	

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1854 Notes due

1853		
Jul 20	atty C Atkins Note	200.00
"	btal of Z Atkins	80
1854 July	Nath P. Holmes - Note	298
	Sewing Sircle due	<u>75.00</u>
		\$653.00

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Notes on Hand

	Chr Holmes Note	40
	Solomon Cook Note	15
	Nathan Adams "	25
	Stephen Mott	35
	Thomas Hillyard	175
	James M. Holmes	1000
	Isaac Rich + Co	500
	North America Bank	<u>500</u>
		\$2290

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Note due Jan 1 1853

	x Note for I. Whitney 100.00	
	C'tal Z. Atkins 80.00	
	Note in yarmouth 350.00	
	Note due Zurman Jr. 675.00	
	Note due C. Burnum 300.00	710.00
	2. Note due N. P. Holmes 280.00	<u>1546.00</u>
1853		410.00
Feb. 20	Note due Sally C. Atkins	200.00
	Note due C. Burnum	<u>175.00</u>
	due	\$1045.00
	Note due Sewing Sircil	<u>75.00</u>
	Cook due Oct 1. 1853	\$1060.00
		450.00
		\$985.00

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Ioving - Cash On hand 1853

	C. Nolan Note	39	40	
				54
	Solomon Cook	12	14	
	Stephen Mott	90	94	70
				35
	G. Whitney	100		

	J. Stone	240	
	B. Alstrum	50	
	I. S. Small	[blot]	145
	Sto James Peter	160	887
	x T. Sparkes	99	500
	Bank N Amecad	5.00	[blot]
/5'2 Ns. 20	Lucas W. Zurman		60
Jan. 1853	Notes due from J. M. Holmes from B. Alstrum		1000.00 200.00
	" T. Hillard 166.50		222.00
	" T. Sparkes		<u>50.00</u>
	Cn		<u>\$2122.00</u>
	"		1915.00
			<u>1000.00</u>
			<u>915.00</u>
			1755.50
	Isaac Rich		<u>500.00</u>
			2255.50

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Notes Due

1851	Due Isiah Whitney Note	100	
1851	" x Philly S. Rich "	200	
1852	" in Yarmouth "	335	
1851	" Moses Burnum	1816	
1852	" Cst. Z Atkins	80	
1852	" Lucas W. Zurman	100	103 R
1852	" Bank of America	600	
Feb 11 1852	Ymouth Mss. Perry	130	
April 1	Ymouth Zurman dan X	675	
Oct 1	Note due M. Rand	<u>500</u>	<u>\$3786</u>
1852	N. P. Holmes Note	160}	
Oct 20	N. P. Holmes Note	120}	
	due	254	

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	Note	Elis Holmes	3500	
	"	S. Cook	1200-	
	"	R. L. Thavin	3500.	
	"	F. Cross	200.00	90
	"	S. Soper	200.00	90
	"	S. Mott	312.00	90
	"	I. Stone	312.00	240
	"	I. Whitney	150.00	95
	"	F. Smith	125.00	75
	"	B. Alstrum	207.00	70
	"	I. S. Small	100.00	11:657
	"	W. M. Shad	38.00	\$1725.00
	"	Bank North America		500.00
May 1	"	C. Burnum		200.00
	"	M. Rand		300.00
	"	Bank North America		600.00
	"	E. Burris		580.00
July 6	"	Cash Paid C. Burnum		700.00
	"	Paid A. Rand		200.00
		C. Burnum		10[blot]00

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Notes due by N. Holm

Year		
1850	Note S. J. Peter	100
1851	" Isiah Whitney	100
March	" Zefelly Rich	200
1851	Paid Santos 19.00	350
	" m Yarmouth	
Sept 6	" Zurman Rich	400
Oct 1	" C. Burnum	216.00
		2116.00
		<u>2254.00</u>
		\$3290.00
1852	" Due Ct Z Atkin	88.00
	x " M. Roberts	50.00
	" Lewis W. Zurman	100.00
Paid	x " M. King	100.00

"	" x Cash Paid By Whitney	50.00
	" x Stephen Mott	53.00
1852 Jan. 25	" 4 months due Bank of America	600.00
Feb. 11	" 7 months due Mss Perry	130.00
April 20	180 days Note due Steam boat	625.50
1852	Cash due M. Bon	500.00
Oct 20 1111	N. Pote Note	120.00
Oct. 20	N. Pote Note	160.00

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1851 Note on Hand

	Elis Holmes	35.00
	S. Cook	12.00
	Bank of America	500.00
	Thatch	50.00
1851 Oct 1	Thach & Cook	200.00
	S. Soper	200.00
	Stephen Mott	250.00
	St. Mott	55.00
	J. Stone	250.00
	G. Whitney	200.00
	I. Smith	175.00
	B. Alstrum	<u>207.00</u>
1852		2132.00
Jan. 11	C. Burnum Cash	300.00
	x Daniel Conway Note	<u>100.00</u>
	x O. B. Snow	<u>100.00</u>
	Daniel S. Small	<u>100.00</u>
		\$2732.00
	William M. Shedd	37.50
Oct 20	C. Burnam	100 [blot]

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1851 Amount of Vessails Owned 1851

July 4	1/8 Shylock	fiting	this year Cleon
	1/8 Alixander	175	
	1/8 Harrat Neal	300	
	3/16 James Poter	150	45
	1/16 John Adams	51	
	1/16 Ocean Wave		
	1/16 Mountain King		57
	1/8 Cheneur	50	40
	1/8 Almyra		
	1/16 North Light		
	1/16 Anterlick Whails	20.00	
	1/4 Waldron Holmes		

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Inoad	1852
	fitting
	Brigs
300	
out Nos.	
" "	175
600	
out Nos.	400
600	
out Nos.	175
" "	
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600	
March 1852	
600	100.00
" "	310.00

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{Note by two persons}
\$659.27 New York June 2^d 1837
For value received we jointly and severally
promise to pay to Richard Ricks or order
on demand six hundred and fifty-nine dollars
and twenty seven cents.
 Enos Allen
 John Allen

\$20.25 {Note Payable at a Bank}
 New York May 7. 1837
Sixty days after date I promise to pay John
Anderson or order at the Bank of the
United States twenty dollars and twenty
five cents for value received.
 Jesse Stokes

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Messers M. James + Co. {Forms of orders}

Please pay John Thompson or order
five hundred dollars and place the same
to my account.

 Peter Worthy
New York June 1. 1833

Mr. Joseph Rich

 Please to pay the
bearer sixty one dollars and twenty cents
in goods from your store and charge the same
to the account of your

 Obt. Servant
 John Parsons

 {Terms of Receipts} {Receipt from may on a/c
Received of John Ward sixty dollars
on account.
New York June 2. 1837 J. H. Fay
\$60.00

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Receipt for money on a Note
Received of Leonard Walsh
six hundred and forty dollars on his note
for one thousand dollars dated New York
January 1. 1837

J. S. Weeks
June 5, 1837 \$640.00

{Negotiable note}
\$25.50 New York May 1. 1837
For value received I promise to pay on demand
to Abel Bon or order twenty-five dollars
and fifty cents.

Reuben Holmes

\$875.39 {Note Payable to Bearer}
New York May 2 1837
For value received I promise to pay six months after
date to John Johns or bearer eight hundred
and seventy five dollars and thirty nine cents

Pierce Penny

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3290
2130
1160
700
460

550 -- 500
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100 -- 100
100 -- 50
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350
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300	1/8	Shylock	450
500	3/16	Jame Pater	600
300	1/16	John Adams	350
600	1/8	H. Neal	100.00
400	1/8	Alixander	400.00
200	1/16	Ocean Wave	175
" "	1/16	M King	300
300	1/8	Elsenune	300
300	1/8 16	Nine N Light	700
850	1/16	Nau	600
<u>75</u>	1/8	Almyra	100
	2/2	Jack Fury	<u>510</u>
3828			5325

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177
2006
650
2656

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100

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x 4

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Adams, John	Chair of the first Meeting on Nov 30, 1837; served on the Committee that drafted the constitution for the Anti Slavery Society [later the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; President, 1838; Vice President, 1839, 1840, 1841
Atkins, Benjamin	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839
Atkins, Ebenezer	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; served on the Committee that drafted the constitution for the Anti Slavery Society [later the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Vice President, 1838, 1839; voted at Meeting on July 4, 1839 to debate in the Affirmative with William M. Shea the question whether the Abolition of Slavery in the British colonies meet the views of that Nation
Atkins, Freeman	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Vice President, 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841; voted at Meeting on July 4, 1839 to debate in the Negative with the Revd. J. M. Bidwell the question whether the Abolition of Slavery in the British colonies meet the views of that Nation; Vice President, served as Chair at Meeting on Dec. 9, 1839
Atkins, Henry	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Atkins, John	Served on the Committee that drafted the constitution for the Anti Slavery Society [later the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Secretary, 1838, 1839; Corr + Record. Secretary, 1840, 1841
Atkins, Zachens	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Manager, 1838, 1839; appointed to Committee to nominate officers for the year at meeting on December 9, 1839; Librarian, 1842
Attaway, Alexander	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839
Atwood, John	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839
Atwood, Samuel	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Baker, Joseph	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society

	of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Bangs, Paul L.	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839
Bidwell, B.	Voted to serve on the standing Committee, 1842
Bidwell, I. M., Rev.	Opened meeting on Dec. 15, 1837, with prayer; opened meeting on Dec. 10, 1838, with prayer; voted at Meeting on July 4, 1839 to debate in the Negative with Freeman Atkins the question whether the Abolition of Slavery in the British colonies meet the views of that Nation
Bidwell, Ira M., Rev.	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Chapman, Abner	Manager, 1839
Chapman, Abraham	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown], Manager 1838, 1840, 1841
Chapman, Steph.	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Chatman, Abram	President, 1842, 1843; voted at Meeting on Dec. 30, 1842, to go as delegate to a Convention in Boston on January 18, 1843
Cogshall, S. W.	Voted to deliver an Address on Abolition at the Meeting on Dec. 30, 1841
Cogshall, S. W., Rev.	Led opening prayer at Meeting on Dec. 30, 1841
Conant, Rufus	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; on a Committee to nominate candidates for officers for the year 1839; chosen [the first] Librarian; chosen the Secretary Pro Tem at the Meeting on July 4, 1839
Cook, Caleb	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Cook, James	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Manager, 1838
Cook, Jesse	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Cook, Parker	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Vice President, 1838
Cutter, Josiah	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Manager, 1839, 1840, 1841
Dyer, James S.	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society

	of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Dyer, John	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; served on a Committee to nominate candidates at the Meeting of Dec. 7, 1837; Voted at Meeting on December 7, 1837 to serve on a committee to draft Petitions to be sent to Congress on the subject of Slavery; Voted at Meeting on Nov. 14, 1838 to serve on a committee to circulate for signature Petitions against Slavery to be sent to Congress; Manager, 1839; Vice President, 1840, 1841
Dyer, Jonathan	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Freeman, Joseph	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Freeman, Nathan	Librarian, 1843
Goodspeed, Reuben	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; on a Committee to nominate candidates for officers for the year 1839; voted to serve on the standing Committee, 1842, 1843
Hamilton, S. M.	Chosen Secretary at the first Meeting on Nov 30, 1837
Higgins, Aquilla, Jr.	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Manager 1840, 1841; voted at Meeting on Dec. 30, 1842, to go as delegate to a Convention in Boston on January 18, 1843
Higgins, Ebenezer	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839; appointed to Committee to nominate officers for the year at meeting on December 9, 1939
Hillyard, Thomas	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Manager, 1840, 1841; Treasurer, 1842, 1843; voted at Meeting on Dec. 30, 1842, to go as delegate to a Convention in Boston on January 18, 1843
Holmes, Nathaniel	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Manager, 1839; Treasurer, 1840, 1841; Secretary 1842, 1843; voted at Meeting on Dec. 30, 1842, to go as delegate to a Convention in Boston on January 18, 1843
Kelley, Ezra	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839
Knowles, John	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of

	Provincetown]
Knowles, Robert	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; voted at Meeting on Nov. 14, 1838 to serve on a Committee to circulate for signature Petitions against Slavery to be sent to Congress
Lancy, Benjamin	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Lavander, Robert	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839; Librarian, 1840, 1841; Vice President, 1842, 1843
Lavender, Albert	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Lavender, Robb	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Lewis, George	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Lewis, Nathaniel	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; became a member on Nov 30, 1839
Major, Joseph	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Major, Steph. A.	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Manager, 1838
Manuel, Alexander	Appointed to Committee to nominate officers for the year at meeting on December 9, 1839; Manager 1840, 1841
Mayo, Thomas	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839
Nickerson, Lewis	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Manager, 1838, 1839
Paine, [blot], 2nd	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Paine, Isaiah	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Paine, Joshua	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Rich, Philip S.	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society

	of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Rich, Solomon	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; served on a Committee to nominate candidates at the Meeting of Dec. 7, 1837; Voted at Meeting on December 7, 1837 to serve on a committee to draft Petitions to be sent to Congress on the subject of Slavery; Voted at Meeting on Nov. 14, 1838 to serve on a committee to circulate for signature Petitions against Slavery to be sent to Congress; President, 1839, 1840, 1841
Rider, Benjamin	Voted to serve on the standing Committee, 1843
Rider, Jess	Voted to serve on the standing Committee 1842, 1843
Rider, Reuben	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; voted to serve on the standing Committee 1842, 1843
Rives, Jesse	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839
Sargent, Thomas A.	Requested to deliver an address before the Society on Friday, December 24, 1840
Shad, D. M.	Manager, 1840, 1841
Shea, William M.	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Manager, 1838, 1839; voted at Meeting on July 4, 1839 to debate in the Affirmative with Capt. Ebenezer Atkins the question whether the Abolition of Slavery in the British colonies meet the views of that Nation; voted at the Meeting on July 4, 1839, to serve on a Committee to purchase Anti Slavery books for the use of the Society + proprietors
Small, Abraham	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Small, Abraham, Jr.	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839
Small, Isaac, 2nd	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; on a Committee to nominate candidates for officers for the year 1839
Small, Leonard	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Small, Nathan	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]
Small, Taylor	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of

	Provincetown]
Smith, Edmund	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839
Snow, Enoch	Voted at Meeting on Dec. 30, 1842, to go as delegate to a Convention in Boston on January 18, 1843
Snow, John	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; voted at the Meeting on July 4, 1839, to serve on a committee to purchase Anti Slavery books for the use of the Society + proprietors; voted to serve on the standing Committee, 1842
Snow, Josiah	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839; voted to serve on the standing Committee, 1843
Soper, Samuel	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; Manager, 1838
Stickney, E. W.	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; served as Chair at Meeting on Oct. 12, 1839, the President + Vice President being absent; voted at meeting on Oct. 12, 1839, to Lecture before the Society; led prayer at meeting on Nov 4, 1839
Stone, Jenk	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839
Swift, John	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839
Swift, Reuben	Became a member on Nov 30, 1839; Manager, 1840, 1841
Whitney, Isaiah	Signer of the original Constitution of the Anti Slavery Society of Provincetown [later renamed the Abolition Society of Provincetown]; served on a Committee to nominate candidates at the Meeting of Dec. 7, 1837; voted at Meeting on December 7, 1837 to serve on a committee to draft Petitions to be sent to Congress on the subject of Slavery; voted at the Meeting on July 4, 1839, to serve on a Committee to purchase Anti Slavery books for the use of the Society + proprietors
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Atkins, Zachens
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Paine, Isaiah
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Rich, Solomon
Rider, Reuben
Shea, William M.
Small, Abraham

Small, Isaac, 2nd
Small, Leonard
Small, Nathan
Small, Taylor
Snow, John
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