

## Lucinda Keys looking for her children Albert and Margaret Carpenter

Lucinda Keys placed this ad in *The Christian Recorder* in 1877. Published by the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church, *The Christian Recorder* is the oldest continuously published African American newspaper in the United States. Although the AME church published the newspaper, much of its content focused on secular issues that affected the African American community.

Keys placed this ad in *The Christian Recorder* on May 10, 1877. Keys describes her separation from her young children, sold sometime before the Civil War from Virginia and trafficked to the Deep South (the Cotton States).

**WANTED.**  
Information of the present whereabouts of my two children Albert and Margaret Carpenter, who were sold away from me in the town of Madison Court House, Va., and taken by slave-traders to the Cotton States, several years before the breaking out of the late rebellion,  
At that time the boy was only nine and the girl eight years of age. I was told that one Dick Mulhundo sold my daughter to a Georgian planter. I never knew what became of my son; I trust in God that this notice may in some way restore these dear ones to my arms again. A letter addressed to me in the care of my son William Stewart, Hamilton, Ohio would reach my hands by my last marriage. My name was changed to  
Lucinda Keys,  
Hamilton Ohio.

### **WANTED.**

Information of the present whereabouts of my two children Albert and Margaret Carpenter, who were sold away from me in the town of Madison Court House, Va., and taken by slave-traders to the Cotton States, several years before the breaking out of the late rebellion.

At the time the boy was only nine and the girl eight years of age. I was told that one Dick Mulhundo sold my daughter to a Georgian planter. I never knew what became of my son; I trust in God that this notice may in son way restore these dear ones to my arms again. A letter addressed to me in the care of my son William Stewart, Hamilton, Ohio would reach my hands by my last marriage. My name was changed to

Lucinda Keys,  
Hamilton Ohio.