

## Guide to the Mobile Female Benevolent Society Records

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### **Descriptive Summary:**

Creator: Members of the Mobile Female Benevolent Society

Title: Mobile Female Benevolent Society Records

Dates: 1831-1991 (Bulk 1860-1991)

Quantity: 2 linear feet

Abstract: Organizational records of a local group devoted to the aid of indigent women.

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### **Biographical Note:**

The Mobile Female Benevolent Society was founded Mobile, Alabama, in 1829, as a non-denominational organization to aid indigent widows through the donation of food, clothing, and medical supplies. In 1835 the society built and maintained several houses at Dearborn and Warren streets, houses that were collectively known as "Widow's Row." Later the group purchased the Gazzam Home at the corner of Government and Ann streets, which remains the site of a new facility known as Murray House

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**Provenance:**

Gift of Murray House, 1997.

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*Resident's Real Estate Deeds (cont.)*

1. Sarah A. Moseley Smith
2. Alleta Turner, Franco Turner, Mary T. Hunter-Slaton
3. Holman's edition of the Holy Bible, 1875 (belonged to Daisy Davol)
- 4a. Residents' rental properties (1 of 3)
- 4b. Residents' rental properties (2 of 3)
- 4c. Residents' rental properties (3 of 3)
5. Benevolent Home insurance policies – Various

*Articles, Memorabilia, and Photographs*

6. Newsclipping photocopies, 1952
7. Newsclipping photocopies, 1953
8. Newsclipping photocopies, 1960
9. Mobile County sectional and township map (hand-drawn on linen paper)
10. Photographs of properties and residents