

## Haverhill Children's Aid Society Collection, 1867-1990

### Collection Summary

<b>Reference Code:</b>	MRQ, US.
<b>Repository:</b>	Special Collections, Haverhill Public Library, Haverhill, Massachusetts.
<b>Call Number:</b>	MSS 16
<b>Creator:</b>	Haverhill Public Library
<b>Title:</b>	Haverhill Children's Aid Society Collection, 1867-1990
<b>Dates:</b>	1867-1990
<b>Size:</b>	0.714 linear feet (2 boxes)
<b>Language(s):</b>	Collection materials are in English.
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Haverhill Children's Aid society was founded in 1865 to provide a home for "indigent and neglected children."

### Organizational History

The Haverhill Children's Aid society was organized on 12 April 1865 and incorporated on 15 August 1866, in Haverhill, Massachusetts. In October 1866, the first meeting was held. Its purpose was to "provide a suitable home for indigent and neglected children." In 1872, the old Ayer homestead was purchased from Benjamin Emerson Emery by the Society. It housed many homeless children there until 1884, when another home was built on Main Street and the children were moved. As of 2020, it has become part of Children's Friend and Family Services, Inc.

### Scope and Content Note

This collection provides information, history and governance of the Haverhill [Massachusetts] Children's Aid Society. The collection is made up of five series. Series one contains materials about the history of the organization. Series two is divided into two subseries. Subseries 2.1 contains the organization's constitutions and by-laws from 1867, as well as account books and minutes of meetings. Subseries 2.2 contains annual reports of the society that cover the years 1875-1923. Series three has programs that were held to promote and raise money for the organization. Series four has several flyers and handouts that were used to promote the group. Series five has newspaper clippings from the local and county newspapers and cover the years 1872-1990. Additional materials were discovered sometime after the collection was originally

processed; it was decided to create additional series and subseries to this collection rather than to add more and renumber the folders. Series 6 contains annual reports, a president's report, and Elizabeth Home exercises. Series 7 contains information about the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the society and series 8 contains additional newspaper clippings.

## Arrangement

- Series 1: History, undated
- Series 2: Governing Documents, 1867-1923
  - Subseries 2.1: Constitution and By-Laws, 1867
  - Subseries 2.2: Annual Reports, 1875-1923
- Series 3: Programs, 1889-1914, undated
- Series 4: Handouts and Flyers, undated
- Series 5: Newspaper Clippings, 1872-1990
- Series 6: Additional Governing Materials, 1867- 1884
  - Subseries 6.1: Annual Reports, 1875-1884
  - Subseries 6.2: President Reports, undated
  - Subseries 6.3: Elizabeth Home Exercises, 1884
- Series 7: 100th Anniversary, 1965
- Series 8: Additional Newspaper Clippings, 1926-1990

## Administrative Information

- Preferred Citation:** [Item Identification], Haverhill Children's Aid Society Collection, 1867-1990, *Reference Code*, Special Collections, Haverhill Public Library, Haverhill, Massachusetts.
- Custodial History:** Unknown
- Acquisition Information:** Found in collection
- Processing Information:** Processed by Erik R. Bauer, 2020. Updated by Tamara Gaydos, 2020.
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**Related Material:** HM4.A.1 Female Benevolent Society, 1854-1961  
**Separated Material:** None.  
**Conservation Notes:** Newspaper clippings scanned onto archival quality paper.  
**Subjects:** Children's Aid Society, Haverhill (Mass.)  
 Clippings (Books, newspapers, etc.)  
 Elizabeth Home, Haverhill (Mass.)  
 Haverhill (Mass.)  
 Haverhill (Mass.)—History  
 Haverhill (Mass.)—Charities

## Collection Inventory

### Series 1: History, undated

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Children's Aid Society and Elizabeth Home History, undated	1	1

### Series 2: Governing Documents, 1867-1923

#### Subseries 2.1: Governing Documents, 1867-1923

Children's Aid Society Constitution & By-Laws, 1867	1	2
Account Book, 1905-1915	Volume 1	
Account Book, 1916-1926	Volume 2	
Account Book, 1938-1948	Volume 3	
Bequests and Treasure Book, 1927-1929	Volume 4	
Meeting Minutes Book, 1895-1919	Volume 5	
Meeting Minutes Books, 1942-1951	Volume 6	
Records of the Haverhill Day Nursery, 1918-1941	Volume 7	

#### Subseries 2.2: Annual Reports, 1875-1923

Children's Aid Society Triennial Report, 1875	1	3
Children's Aid Society Annual Report, 1886	1	4

**Subseries 2.2: Annual Reports, 1875-1923**

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Children's Aid Society Annual Report, 1904	1	5
Children's Aid Society Annual Report, 1912-1913	1	6
Children's Aid Society Annual Report, 1922-1923	1	7

**Series 3: Programs, 1889-1914, undated**

Programs, 1889-1914, undated	1	8
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**Series 4: Handouts and Flyers, undated**

Children's Aid Society & Family Services Trifold, undated	1	9
Children's Aid Society & Family Services Handout, undated	1	10

**Series 5: Newspaper Clippings, 1872-1990, undated**

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Newspaper Clippings, 1872	1	11
Newspaper Clippings, 1879	1	12
Newspaper Clippings, 1880	1	13
Newspaper Clippings, 1881	1	14
Newspaper Clippings, 1882	1	15
Newspaper Clippings, 1884	1	16
Newspaper Clippings, 1886	1	17
Newspaper Clippings, 1887	1	18
Newspaper Clippings, 1888	1	19

<u>Folder Title</u>	<u>Container Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Newspaper Clippings, 1889	1	20
Newspaper Clippings, 1891	1	21
Newspaper Clippings, 1893	1	22
Newspaper Clippings, 1894	1	23
Newspaper Clippings, 1895	1	24
Newspaper Clippings, 1896	1	25
Newspaper Clippings, 1897	1	26
Newspaper Clippings, 1898	1	27
Newspaper Clippings, 1899	1	28
Newspaper Clippings, 1900	1	29
Newspaper Clippings, 1901	1	30
Newspaper Clippings, 1902	1	31
Newspaper Clippings, 1903	1	32
Newspaper Clippings, 1904	1	33
Newspaper Clippings, 1905	1	34
Newspaper Clippings, 1906	1	35
Newspaper Clippings, 1907	1	36
Newspaper Clippings, 1908	1	37
Newspaper Clippings, 1909	1	38
Newspaper Clippings, 1910	1	39
Newspaper Clippings, 1912	1	40
Newspaper Clippings, 1913	1	41
Newspaper Clippings, 1965	1	42
Newspaper Clippings, 1990	1	43
Newspaper Clippings, undated	1	44

**Series 6: Additional Governing Materials, 1867- 1884****Subseries 6.1: Annual Reports, 1875-1884**

<b><u>Folder Title</u></b>	<b><u>Container Number</u></b>	<b><u>Folder Number</u></b>
Annual Report, 1867	2	45
Annual Report, 1875	2	46

**Subseries 6.2: President's Reports, undated**

President's Report, undated	2	47
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**Subseries 6.3: Elizabeth Home Exercises, 1884**

Elizabeth Home Exercises, 1884	2	48
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**Series 7: 100th Anniversary, 1965**

100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Booklet, 1965	2	49
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**Series 8: Additional Newspapers, 1926-1990**

Newspaper Clippings, 1926-1990	2	50
Newspaper Clippings, 1878-1961, undated	2	51