

and facilities will enable us". The name "Orphanage and Home for the Friendless" was adopted. The officers elected at this meeting were: Mrs. O. L. Keene, president; Mrs. Susan A. Hartridge and Mrs. A. L. Hungerford, vice-presidents; Mrs. W. B. Watson, secretary; Mrs. M. C. Washington, treasurer, together with a board of directors composed of nine members.

The ladies held regular meetings every month. Before the end of the year they had accumulated enough money to rent a small cottage of two rooms and kitchen at the corner of Liberty and Ashley Streets; articles were liberally given to furnish this little home. It opened January 8, 1885, and was maintained until April 17, 1885, when the cottage was given up and the furniture stored, as suitable arrangements had been made for each of the friendless ones (five children and several adults) cared for during that time. However it was decided to reserve all donations and moneys received by the association for use as a building fund. Within a year the fund grew to \$1,000 and the movement for a permanent home was started under the association's first incorporation of February 23, 1886. Messrs. Campbell and Griffin generously donated two lots in Campbell's Addition at the corner of Evergreen Avenue and Center (Third) Street as a site; here a neat, well-built two-story frame building was erected, comprising three rooms on each floor, but no kitchen and dining room. With the generous aid of lumbermen the home was built at a cost of \$1,250. It was dedicated March 29, 1887, Rev. S. K. Leavett (Baptist) presiding at the ceremonies, assisted by local pastors of other denominations. At the exercises the treasurer's report was read and showed a deficit of \$145; the amount to clear it off was raised on the spot. An addition to the original building of five rooms and bath was built later.

In the spring of 1889, the mayor of New York City, Mr. Hewett, notified the Jacksonville Auxiliary Sanitary Association that he still had on hand \$8,929 contributed to Jacksonville's yellow fever relief fund and wished to know what disposition to make of it. The Relief Association replied that there were sufficient funds in hand here. Mayor Hewett then suggested that the amount held by him be returned to the party who had made the largest individual contribution, \$12,000, when Jacksonville called for outside help during the epidemic. In reply the Relief Association wrote Mayor