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# **NURSE CLARA BARTON, RED CROSS FOUNDER, SERVED IN TAMPA**

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**Clara Barton**  
Born December 25, 1821  
At North Oxford, Massachusetts  
Died April 12, 1912  
Founder American National Red Cross

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During an unwelcome vacation from the front lines of the Spanish American War, Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross, picnicked at the water's edge on the grounds of the Tampa Bay Hotel. This rare photograph was made in 1898 by Mrs. E. B. Drumright (then Miss Annie Laurie Dean) and is one of the few known portraits of Miss Barton of this era. Miss Barton (striped neckpiece) is seated to the right of the coffee urn. The other women are not identified, but the men are (left to right) a Mr. McDowell, Dr. Egan, and Dr. Eldwell. Miss Barton at first was stationed in the plush hotel, but moved to more modest quarters over on Plant Avenue. The American Red Cross is celebrating its Centenary this year. Photo at left is from an old memorial postcard.

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**Clara Barton**