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Diary of Susan Jones Crocker, 1880

Extent: 1 folder in a multifolder box

Scope and Content Note: The collection consists of one small diary of Susan Jones Crocker for the year 1880. She writes about the weather, daily happenings, cooking, cleaning, picking berries, and traveling to visit friends and family. Her family members appear to be Hattie, Zenas, May, and Abbie. The closing pages are an account of household purchases. The collection includes a transcript of the diary by Laurel Gabel.

Biographical and historical information: This diary was written by Susan Augusta (Jones) Crocker, wife of Zenas Crocker of Barnstable, MA. Susan was born August 1834, the daughter of Nathaniel and Abby H. (Fish) Jones of Randolph, VT. Zenas and Susan were married on July 16, 1861, by Rev. N. Philbrook, at Sandwich, MA. It was the first marriage for Zenas, age 30, and Susan, who was 26.

At the 1880 date of this diary, the Crocker family consisted of Zenas, Sr. (1831-1898), Susan Augusta (Jones) Crocker (1834-1914), Hattie E. Crocker (1862-1948), Zenas Crocker, Jr. (1864-1963), Ellen M. Crocker (later Mrs. Daniel Handy, 1868-1938), and Francis H. Crocker (1872-) The family lived in the Santuit/Cotuit section of Barnstable in the house that Zenas Sr. (III) had built at the time of his marriage in 1861. (It is now the Isaiah Thomas Bookstore.) Zenas, wife Susan, Daughter Hattie, Daughter Ellen Handy, and son Zenas, Jr. (IV) are buried in Mosswood Cemetery (also known as the Cotuit Cemetery) in Cotuit, MA.

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