## Lesson One, Breaking Boundaries: Activity #2 Clara Barton and Her Work Pamphlet

Xal- Himan was - The Paruphlit Tatio stabuloing Hus prepared your Twi and a leter Jupe to See - Nº 425-X - and 424X and A 4 Par Paulles CLARA BARTON And Her Work. Whatever of stirring narrative and brilliancy of style may enter into the Biography of Clara Barton when it shall come to be written, nothing can well exceed the simple, beautiful eloquence of the following unadorned memorandum of some of the leading incidents of her life and work. Upon every line of it may be hung a thrilling story of perilous adventure and pathetic moving incidents; and sermons without end might be drawn from it upon the entire abnegation of self and indifference to peril of a life consecrated to the cause of suffering humanity.

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From a photograph taken at St. Petersburg, Russia, July, 1902, showing the decoration conferred upon Miss Barton by the Crar and Empress Dowager.

# Memorandum of some of the Leading Incidents in the Life of Clara Barton.

Popularizing Public School System, Com-menced her school with six pupils and in one year had 600 and promises of new school build-town, N. J. ing if she would continue. It was built for her

and is still in use.

FIRST WOMAN CLERK IN GOVERNMENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

A place of trust. In charge of caveats, Patent Office, which position she gave up at the opening of the Civil War to work in the field.

### THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR.

Met 6th Mass. Vol. in Washington on arrival from the Baltimore attack 19th of April, 1861. and was afterwards on the following fields of battle and relief:

Cedar Mountain, Falmouth, 4 Years ..... Fort Wagner. Deep Bottom. Chantilly, Fredericksburg, The Wilderness, Petersburg,

and Bull Run, Charleston. Spottsylvania, Richmond, Antietam. Morris Island. The Mine. Annapolis.

Andersonville, Identifying the dead (13,000), and laying out the first National Cemetery, by request of the Government. Summer of 1865.

4 Years .... Following the Civil War searching for the missing men of the army, 80,000. The Lecture Field.

1870-771 .... THE FRANCO-GERMAN WAR AND ITS HOSPITALS.

> Haggenau, Meta, Strasburg, Belfort, Woerth, Baden Hospitals, Mon belard, Paris (The Fall of the Commune).

#### RED CROSS.

RED CROSS.	1896 Armenian Massacres, Turkey, Asia Minor, protection, medical help, tools, seed,
<ul> <li>1869-71 With the International Committee in Europe; Switzerland, Germany, France.</li> <li>1875-'82 Seven years effort in making it known to the United States and asking for the treaty. Secured Adhesion of the United States to the Treaty of Geneva, March and, 1882, having or- ganized the present American National Red Cross the year previous, and nominated to 1st</li> </ul>	isood, stock, etc.       116,325         1898-1900       Cuban Reconcentrado Relief, Food, clothing, medicines, material, orphan asylums.       500,600         1898       Spanish American War, through auxiliaries East and West       800,000         1900       Galveston Stórm, Money and material.       120,000
Presidency by President Garfield. RED CROSS WORK.	AT THREE INTERNATIONAL RED
The early contributions of the people to a field of disaster are largely in material; they give of what they have in readiness, thus it is estimated that only about one-seventh of the amounts given below are in money, often scarcely more than enough to properly distribute the material sent.         1881       Michigan Forest Fires, Material and Money       \$80,000         1882       Mississippi River Floods, Money and Seeds       \$,000         1883       Mississippi River Floods, Material and Seeds       \$,000         1883       Mississippi River Floods, Material and Seeds       \$,000         1884       Ohio and Mississippi River Floods, Iumber, house furnishings       \$,000         1883       Balkan War       \$00         1884       Ohio and Mississippi River Floods, lumber, house furnishings       \$,000         1883       Balkan War       \$00         1885       Texas Famine, Contributions and State appropriations resulting from personal investigations and effort       \$100,000         1886       Charleston Batthquake, Money       \$500         1888       Mt Vernon, III, Cyclone, Money and synophics       \$5,000         1888       Florida Yellow Fever, Physicians and Nurses       \$5,000         1889       Johnstown Disaster, Money and alk kinds of materials, buildings and furnishings 7\$0,000       \$5,000         1889       Johnstown Disaster, Money, Nurses and Medical Supplies	CROSS CONFERENCES. 1884 At Geneva, Switzeriand. 1857 At Carlsruhe, Germany. 1890 At Rome, Italy (appointed, but could not leave the Russian Famine Relief then in progress). 1897 At Vienna, Austria 1897 At Vienna, Austria 1898 Medal of International Committee of the Red 1884 Cross of Geneva, Switzerland 1884 Red Cross, by Queen of Servia 1885 Diploma of Honor from Genera, Switzerland, 1885 Diploma of Honor from Red Cross of Austria 1896 Diploma and Decoration by Suitan of Turkey. 1896 Diploma and Decoration by Suitan of Turkey. 1896 Diploma and Decoration by Spain. 1990 Vote of thanks by the Cortes of Spain. 1990 Vote of thanks by the Portuguese Red Cross 1990 Resolutions of the Center of the Red Cross by the Carl of Texas. 1992 Decoration of the Order of the Red Cross by the Carl of Russia 1995 Resides personally bearing the expense dur-
1893.'94 South Carolina Islands' Hurricane and Tidal Wave, money, lumber, tools, seeds, supplies, materials and clothing, 65,000	Red Cross's ing seven years of cfort in securing the adhe- Headquar- sion of our Government to the Treaty, Miss Bar- ton's house has been the headquarters of the

American Amendment

American Red Cross since its adoption in 1882 and it has had no other to 1904. To the work of the Red Cross in America, Miss Barton added, by permission of the other nations, "Relief in National Calamities and Dis-asters," other than War, since known as the "American Amendment" to the Red Cross.

Direction.

Her comprehensive brain, clear judgment, sound, common, practical sense, and her states-manship, have been the directing force of the Red Cross of the United States, and her constant, careful, tireless labor has also performed a great part of the detail work, often night as well as day, in office and on the field, for twenty parts.

Personal Relief Work.

The relief fields in this country, the the al-hesion of the United States to the Treaty averaged one for every year, and on most of these Miss Barton has personally directed and worked from two to eight months to a field

#### HOW MISS BARTON AND HER WORK ARE ESTEEMED BY THOSE WHOM SHE HAS SERVED.

#### MISS CLARA BARTON

Work.

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Editorial from The Johnstown, A. Demo-trat, Oct. 17, always hold her in grateful remembrance, as she relieving their distress and out of season in close of the Red Cross Work. hearted men and women that came to our relief on wings of love and sympathy, she stands to-day conspicuous among the foremost. Her advent was with the first eastern train that reached Johnstown, and was greeted as an angel of mercy. "With ardor born of the noblest impulses

and with an energy that knew no respite she went everywhere on her great mission of love, gladden-ing the hearts of our destitute and suffering, asking the acarts of our destructe and sumering, ask-ing no questions about nationalities, creeds, social standing or color. The one great controlling inspiring bond of universal brotherhood made us all akin in her estimation.

"Never did an organization select so wisely and elect so judic-ously as did the National Red Cross Association when it chose her to preside over its benevolen, work. Such is her national reputation that the generous donors of money and goods had no hesitancy in putting all in her hands.

Appreciating her character, ability and work as Johnstown people now do, we do not wonder that Charles Sumner's estimate of her was so high. In ascribing to her the highest attributes of exalted womanhood, and in saying that she possessed in a marked degree the highest grade of both statesmanship and soldiership, he gave utterance to a truth that has been verified in all

"To ber timely and heroic work, more than to that of any other human being, are the people of the Conemaugh Valley indebted for whatever may be their favorable condition of to-day.

#### FAREWELL TO MISS BARTON

"How shall we thank Miss Clara Barton and the Red Cross for the help they have given us? It cannot be done.

Iohnstown.

Pa , Daily Tribune,

the Red

Joel Chandler

Harris's

Observations in Scribner's Magazine for Feb.,

1894.

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"We cannot thank Miss Barton in words. Hunt Oct. 25, 1889, the dictionaries of all languages through and you on the dewill not find the signs to express our appreciaparture of

will not find the signs to express our apprecia-tion of her and her work. "Picture the sunlight or the starlight, and then try to say good-bye to Miss Barton." But there is really no parting. She is with us, and will be with us always—the spirit of her work even after she has passed away. But we can say food bless yon, and we do say it, Miss Barton, from the bottom of our hearts, one and all.

one and all.

#### RED CROSS RELIEF IN SOUTH CARO-LINA SEA ISLANDS' HURRICANE AND TIDAL WAVE OF AUGUST 29, 1893

\* \* "I went to the Sea Islands with no prejudice against the Red Cross Society, but certainly with no preposession in its favor. \* "As a matter of f ', the Red Cross Society as I saw it at Beaufort is something entirely dif-ferent from any other relief organization that has come under my observation. Its strongest and most admirable feature is its extreme simplicity.

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The perfection of its machinery is shown by the apparent absence of all machinery. There are no exhibitions of self-importance. There is no display-no torturing cross-examination of applicants-no needless delay. And yet nothing i done blindly, or hastily, or indifferently."

## THE GALVESTON DISASTER-TEXAS "In conclusion, I beg to assure you of my high

determination and self-confidence; nothing that I could say or do would adequately compensate you and the Red Cross for your and its kindly and substantial offices at this time. I can only pray that God be with you and with it, and pros-

Paragraph appreciation of your services; their value cannot from business letter of be computed in dollars and cents. Your very presence amongst us at this trying time, seven Governor without the substantial aid which you have reu-Savers to Miss Barton dered, would be indeed a benediction, and it has Oct, 6, 1900, served to inspire our people with energy, dell

per all your undertakings. Resolutions of State Legislature Feb. 1, 1901, (H. C. R. No. 8.)

"In behalf of the people of Texas, the Legislature extends to the American National Red Cross Society, the most grateful acknowledgement for the relief exter led through the Society to the sufferers in Texas by the storm of September 8, 1900, and especially does the Legislature thank Miss Clara Barton, President of the Society, for her visit to the State and her personal supervision and direction of relief to those who were in need and in distress.

"That the Governor be and he is hereby requested to tracsmit a copy of this resolution to Miss Clara Barton."

"Resolived, "hat we especially thank and render homage to the woman who is the life and spirit of the Red Cross. Her who is the embodiment of the s ving principle of laying down one's life for one's friend, whose friend is the friendless and whose charge is the stricken, and should be exalted above Queens and whose achievements are greater thin the conquests of nations or the inventions of genius, and who is justly crowned in the evening of her life with the love and ad-miration of all humanity, MISS BARTON."

Mayor Jones, Cheiman.

Excerpt from Engrossed Resolutions of the Central Relief Committee.

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