



Clara Barton

December 25, 1821	Clara Barton born in N. Oxford, Massachusetts
1839	Earns teaching certificate, begins teaching
1850	Enrolls at Clinton Liberal Institute for female teachers
1852	Establishes free public school in New Jersey
1861	Civil War begins, Barton nurses wounded Union soldiers
1862	Receives permission to nurse wounded at battlefield
September 1862	Battle of Antietam
December 1862	Battle of Fredericksburg
1863	Red Cross founded in Geneva, Switzerland
1864-65	Superintendent of nurses for "Army of the James"
April 9, 1865	Civil War ends
1865	Begins nationwide search for missing soldiers
1869	Sails to Europe
October 1873	Returns to United States
1881	Establishes the American Red Cross Society
March 16, 1882	U.S. joins International Committee of the Red Cross
1902	Elected president of the Red Cross for life
1904	Resigns from the Red Cross
1905	Founds the National First Aid Society
April 12, 1912	Dies of double pneumonia