

Peter and Sophia Crocker Papers, 1864-1923 (MSS 97)

Collection Overview

This collection documents the lives of Peter and Sophia Crocker, early settlers of Sarasota County.

Descriptive Summary

Title: Peter and Sophia Crocker Papers

Dates: 1864-1923

Creators: Sophia Crane Crocker, 1847-1925; Peter Crocker, 1843-1911

Donor:

Extent: 0.5 linear feet

Language: English

Repository: Sarasota County History Center

Arrangement: By subject

Administrative Information

Accession Number:

Access Restrictions: No restrictions

Use Restrictions: No restrictions

Copyright Notice: Copyright may apply

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Historical Note

Born in New York in 1843, Peter Crocker served in the Union Army during the Civil War. He went on to serve as a lighthouse keeper at two separate locations in Florida before moving to the Sarasota area in the 1870s with his wife, Sophia Crane Crocker. Born in Florida in 1847, Sophia Crane Crocker was the daughter of Henry Crane – a noted public figure and state senator in Florida. The two lived in Sarasota for over thirty years and helped to build a small chapel, known today as the Crocker Church.

Container List

Box	Folder	Title
1	1	Small Box containing a Prayer Book and Bible, undated
	2	Crocker Family Tree, undated
	3	Peter Crocker Army Discharge and Re-enlistment Papers, 1864-1867
	4	Peter Crocker Lighthouse Appointment, 1870
	5	Quitclaim Deed, 1883
	6	Invoice, 1888
	7	Correspondence, 1898
	8	Warranty Deed, 1901
	9	Obituary, 1911
	10	Sophia Crocker Widow Pension Benefits, 1912
	11	Correspondence, 1923

Associated Items

Also included in this collection are three volumes of Harry Gardner Cutler's *History of Florida* and a small series of photographs and postcards.