



Guide to the Edward T. Harrington & Co. and Suncook Valley Real Estate Agency Records, 1902-1913

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Suncook Valley Real Estate Agency

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Abstract:

This collection consists primarily of real estate listings from 1902 to 1913 for the Pittsfield, NH, area from the Suncook Valley Real Estate Agency of Pittsfield and the Edward T. Harrington & Co., Real Estate Brokers, of Boston, MA.

Access and Use

Acquisition Information and Provenance:

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Processing Information:

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Access Restrictions:

Available for research.

Location:

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Collection Overview

Biographical Information:

Nathaniel S. Drake, of the Suncook Valley Real Estate Agency, was born in Pittsfield, NH, to James and Betsey (Seavey) Drake on September 16, 1851. He attended Pittsfield Academy before taking a job at the United States and Canada Express Company and later American Express. He returned to Pittsfield to work at the C. B. Lancaster Shoe Company, eventually becoming superintendent of the factories in Pittsfield and Barnstead, NH. After the company moved to Keene, NH, he formed the Hill and Drake Shoe Company, later becoming the Drake and Sanborn Shoe Company. Drake retired from the shoe business around 1900 and became a real estate agent.

Interested in the town, Drake served as moderator and member of the town budget committee, town treasurer, auditor, and served as a member of the appropriations and ways and means committee, and as a member of the school board. A democrat, he served as a State Representative in 1910 and a State Senator in 1914. He married Mary Agnes Rodgers Green on

March 17, 1872. She was born on July 3, 1857 at Plymouth, NH, the daughter of Danile and Elizabeth (Chase) Green. Nathaniel and Mary had two children born at Pittsfield: James Frank born September 1, 1880, and Agnes born April 2, 1883. Nathaniel Drake died of pneumonia on December 28, 1936 in Pittsfield. Mary died there on November 24, 1954.

Edward T. Harrington, of the Edward T. Harrington & Co., was born December 14, 1842 in Bolton, MA, to Tyler and Caroline (Atherton) Harrington. In the 1880 census, Edward lived in Boston, MA, and worked as a real estate agent. He moved to Lexington, MA, in 1884, and died there on January 31, 1912. Edward married twice, first to Miriam A. Temple on May 3, 1882 at Boston. She was born at Shrewsbury, MA, on October 15, 1851, the daughter of Luther H. and Rozan H. (Harington) Temple. Miriam died July 29, 1896 of septicaemia at Lexington. Edward married second Caroline Hutchins on March 19, 1902 at Malden, MA. She was the daughter of Freeman and Margaret (Armstrong) Hutchins, born at Boston on June 15, 1871.

Collection Scope and Content Note:

This collection consists primarily of real estate listings from 1902 to 1913 for the Pittsfield, NH, area from the Suncook Valley Real Estate Agency of Pittsfield and the Edward T. Harrington & Co., Real Estate Brokers, of Boston, MA. Other towns with listings include Alton, Barnstead, Chichester, Deerfield, Epsom, Gilmanton, Goshen, Hillsborough, Loudon, Manchester, Northwood, Nottingham, Ossipee, Penacook, and Strafford, NH; Brattleboro, VT; and Somerville, MA. Correspondence is included with some of the listings. In addition to descriptions of the house, quantity of land, and price, the listings include information on distances to markets, Boston, depots, churches, schools, and post offices; information on how much woodland and pasturage is included; the type of soil; and what types of produce the lot contains.

Arrangement:

The materials in this collection are organized alphabetically by type, then chronologically.

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Subject Terms

People:

Drake, Nathaniel S., 1851-1936
Harrington, Edward T., 1842-1912

Organizations:

Edward T. Harrington & Co.
Suncook Valley Real Estate Agency

Subjects:

Real estate listings
Real property

Locations:

Alton, NH
Barnstead, NH
Boston, MA
Brattleboro, VT
Chichester, NH
Deerfield, NH
Epsom, NH
Gilmanton, NH
Goshen, NH
Hillsborough, NH
Loudon, NH
Manchester, NH
Northwood, NH
Nottingham, NH
Ossipee, NH
Penacook, NH
Pittsfield, NH
Somerville, MA
Strafford, NH

Occupations:

Real estate agents