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# **Mountain House Photograph Collection**

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## **Background on Mountain House**



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Wardwell (1937-1920), a native of Vergennes, Vt., remained an hotelier into the early 1870s, later moving to Winchester, N.H.

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#### Inventory

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On Verso: Views From and Of The Mountain House, Summit of Sugar-Loaf Mountain, South Deerfield, Mass. G. Wardwell, Proprietor. No. 6."



Mountain House with nine men and women posed on the lawn, with telescope and tripod ca.1865

Carte de visite

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Barns at the southern base of Sugar Loaf Mountain, South Deerfield. ca.1865 Carte de visite

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#### Access

The collection is open for research.

#### Provenance

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### **Processing Information**

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### Contributors

• Mountain House (South Deerfield, Mass.) [main entry]

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