

Coleman, Emma Lewis (1853-1942)
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Born in Boston in 1853, Coleman was an author, photographer, teacher, and craftswoman who spent part of her life in Deerfield, MA. As the daughter of Lewis Coleman (a well-to-do merchant) and Elizabeth Farrington Coleman, Coleman travelled somewhat extensively in Europe in her youth and received part of her education in Paris. In the 1870s, Coleman taught at a school in Brookline, MA, where her friendship with Charlotte Alice Baker (1833-1909) and Susan Minot Lane (1832-1893) took root. Coleman, Baker, and Lane began dividing their time between three locations: Cambridge, Mass., Cutts Island, Kittery, Maine, and Deerfield where Baker had purchased the Frary House, her ancestral home. Coleman became very involved in the restoration of the house (1890-1892) and began to share Baker's antiquarian interests.

Coleman accompanied C. Alice Baker and Susan Minot Lane on a trip to the Azores. All three kept diaries. The trip was the basis for Baker's *A Summer in the Azores*, published in 1882.

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