

## **William C. Storrick Collection Adams County Historical Society**

**Accession No(s):** 4108

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### **PREFACE**

The Adams County Historical Society was established to “foster interest in the history of Adams County and vicinity, conduct research, preserve records and object, mark sites, and pursue such activities as may be related to the history of the community.” The Society’s collections are privately held, maintained, and made available to the public for research purposes at the discretion of the governing authority of the institution and its staff.

### **INTRODUCTION**

The William C. Storrick Collection was donated to the Adams County Historical Society by Nina Storrick. The collection was processed by John Lustrea, September 2013. The collection is housed in four boxed.

The Storrick Collection includes correspondence and research on a variety of topics pertaining to the battle and local history. A large amount of the material was collected in preparation of his articles and his book. The collection is organized alphabetically by subject category.

### **ACCESS**

This collection is open for research, and viewing access to the materials is unrestricted. However, restrictions apply concerning the use, duplication, or publication of items. Please consult research room staff for specific information regarding the Society’s policies.

### **PREFERRED CITATION**

William C. Storrick Collection, Adams County Historical Society, Gettysburg, PA.

### **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

William C. Storrick was born in Straban Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania on September 16, 1856, the son of Adam and Eve Margaret (Seltzer) Storrick. As a six year old child, he was witness to the Battle as his family lived off the Hanover Road not far from East Cavalry Field. Four months later, he was one of those fortunate enough to be present at Lincoln’s Gettysburg Address. In 1879 he was married to Mary Jane Brinkerhoff with whom he had several children. After farming for a brief time, Storrick began a teaching career in the public schools of Straban Township which lasted for 34 years. He served with the Gettysburg National Military Park Commission from May 10, 1909 to October 1, 1930, first as caretaker of East Cavalry Field and then as manager of government owned farms. In 1917 he was appointed as Superintendent of Battlefield Guides. He was a member of the Adams County Historical Society and St. James Lutheran Church where for many years he was the superintendent of its Sunday school. He wrote numerous articles on the battle and local history that were published in the *Gettysburg Times*. And he was the author of *Gettysburg: The Place. The Battles. The Outcome* (J. Horace McFarland Company, Harrisburg: 1932). In 1945 he was given an honorary degree of doctor of

letters by Gettysburg College. Storrick died on January 4, 1951 at the age of 94, and is buried in Gettysburg's Evergreen Cemetery.

### **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

The collection is composed of one series: Subject Files of Storrick's research organized alphabetically. Much of the research was done by Storrick for his book about Gettysburg published in 1932.

### **SERIES DESCRIPTIONS**

#### **Series I – Subject Files**

All of Storrick's research on the battle and local history is here organized alphabetically by subject.

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- 1-3 Aftermath of the Battle of Gettysburg
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- 2-8 G. A. R.
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- 2-11 *Gettysburg*, Materials and drafts for Storrick's Book
- 2-12 *Gettysburg*, Manuscripts proof for Storrick's Book
- 2-13 Gettysburg Battle Incidents
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- 2-21 Gettysburg Units by State and County
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- 3-7 Hunterstown Cavalry Fight
- 3-8 Irish Brigade
- 3-9 Lee, Robert E.
- 3-10 Leister House
- 3-11 Lincoln, Abraham
- 3-12 Little Round Top
- 3-13 Louisiana Tigers
- 3-14 George Gordon Meade
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- 3-16 New York Monument Commission Reports
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- 3-20 Oak Hill

### **Box #4**

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- 4-4 Reynolds, John F.
- 4-5 Roger's House
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- 4-9 Signal Corps

4-10 Sixth Pennsylvania Cavalry  
4-11 Sixth Wisconsin  
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4-13 Stevens, Thaddeus  
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4-15 Stuart, J.E.B.  
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4-18 Trimble, Isaac  
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