

Gettys Family Collection

Adams County Historical Society

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PREFACE

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INTRODUCTION

The Gettys Family Collection was acquired by the Adams County Historical Society in August of 1959 as a gift of Siebert Leberknight. The Collection was processed by John Lustrea in September of 2013. The collection is housed in one box.

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

Gettys Family Collection, Adams County Historical Society, Gettysburg, PA.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

James Gettys (1759-1815) in 1786 founded the town of Gettysburg. He, at one point, owned 116 acres centered on what is today the town square. He served in the Pennsylvania militia during the Revolutionary War, and at the time of his death was a Brigadier General of militia. His wife, Mary Todd, was an ancestor of First Lady Mary Todd Lincoln.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection is made up of the Gettys Family Bible.

SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

Series I – Family Bible

This series is the Gettys Family Bible dated 1810. A gift of F. Siebert Leberknight. There is no written information pertaining to the family itself, just the family bible.

CONTAINER LISTING**Box #1**

1-1 The Gettys Family Bible.