

The Austin W. Lathrop Collection

Adams County Historical Society

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PREFACE

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INTRODUCTION

The Austin W. Lathrop Collection was acquired by the Adams County Historical Society in August of 2013 from the Gettysburg Foundation. It was processed by Andrew Dalton.

ACCESS

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Austin Lathrop was born about 1844 in New York. On August 20, 1862 he joined the 136th New York Infantry in Warsaw New York. He saw service at major battles such as Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Chattanooga, and the Atlanta Campaign. After the war he married Lodina at some point before 1910 (it is unclear when). He lived the Dakota Territory in 1870 but moved back to his original home in Wyoming County New York by 1910. By 1920, he had moved to Saint Cloud Florida where he would die on November 14, 1932.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection is made up of diary transcripts, photos, newspaper clippings, and research papers.

SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

Series 1 – Letters, copy of diary, photograph, and Biographical Papers.

This series consists of the following: A typewritten transcript of Austin's diary, a photo of his farm, and a newspaper clipping of the Reunion of the N.Y. Volunteers, 136th Regiment of N.Y. Volunteers. Two photos of the 136th N.Y. Infantry, 2d Brig. 2d Div. 11th Corps. A Historical Sketch of the 136th. An article on the Army of the Potomac, 11th Corps, 2nd Division, 2nd Brigade, Col. Orland Smith, 22d Massachusetts, 136th N.Y., 55th 73D Ohio Infantry. Some information is contained on Austin from various sources including Ancestry.com.

CONTAINER LISTING

Box #1

1-1 = Copy of Austin's Diary. Photo of his farm in N.Y.

1-2 = Information on Austin's history, and another copy of his diary.