

Cox Family Collection

Adams County Historical Society

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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 objects, 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 Cox Family Collection was acquired by the Adams County Historical Society in November of 2002 as the bequest of the Betty Cox Estate. The collection was processed in January of 2004.

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

The Cox Family Collection, Adams County Historical Society, Gettysburg, PA.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Many years of genealogical research are contained in the collection. The collection was acquired by the Historical Society from Betty Cox who no doubt contributed to the mass of research for the various families represented.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection is made up of wills, deeds, marriage records, tax records, estate papers, family histories, correspondence, newspaper clippings, photos, birth records, death records, church records and cemetery records.

SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

Series 1 – Family Genealogy Information

This series contains genealogical information on the Barnett, Cox, French, Gibbs, Gilliland, Gornwell/Cornwell, Godfrey, Harper, Hunter, Moore, Page, Purdy, Pollock, Maddox, Graham, Horn,

Garrison, Bateman, Wise, Vincent, Settle, Richards, Rucker, Wierman, Stivers, Tennis, Noell, and Watts families. Also contained in the series are other miscellaneous family files. The amount of information available varies by family with the most being relevant to the Cox family. Types of papers in this series could include wills, deeds, marriage records, tax records, estate papers, family histories, correspondence, newspaper clippings, photos, birth records, death records, church records, and cemetery records.

CONTAINER LISTING

Box #1

- Will of John Barnett, marriages, genealogy
- Genealogical information on the Cox family, includes passengers and ships prior to 1684, material from the Chester County Historical Society on the Cox's
- Betty Cox correspondence from 1971 to 1993
- Newspaper clippings, and 10 photos of New Castle, Delaware, of historical signs and houses
- Cox Family book written by the American Genealogical Research Institute, Arlington, Virginia

Box #2

- Calendar of Delaware Wills, New Castle County, 1682 to 1800
- Lists of wills and deeds from 1701 to 1711
- York County Church records of the 18th Century and abstracts of Wills, 1749 – 1820 from York County and Chester County, 1714 – 1758
- Land records of Worcester County, 1666-1810
- Last will and testament of Nicholas Cornwell, 1701
- Death records of William Godfrey, 1831
- The 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880 Census for the Godfrey family
- Quaker Records, 1780-1890, and lists of Heads of Families in 1790
- Marriages from 1834 – 1877
- Godfrey correspondence 1861-1917
- Last Will and Testament of Robert B. Allen, Thomas Godfrey, William Godfrey, and Jean Godfrey
- Copy of Death Record for June Cox, December 19, 1890
- A picture of Jane F. (Godfrey) Cox
- Marriages of Culpeper County, Virginia, 1781-1815
- The History of Old St. David's Church, 1700-1906

Box #3

- Book on the Hunter Family History dated 1929
- Book on the history of the descendants of Samuel Harper, James Purdy and James Leeper
- A list of family relatives buried in Kings Creek Cemetery, Hanover Township, Beaver County, PA and in the Mt. Gilead Cemetery, Mt. Gilead, Ohio
- York County Church Records of the 18th Century
- Pennsylvania Archives Vol. XXI dated 1897

- Heads of Families, the 1st census of the United States taken in 1790
- The History of York County, PA, dated 1886, 1907 and Beaver County, PA, dated 1888 and 1904
- Comprehensive Index to the warrantee & patent maps of Beaver County, Pa, from the 1700's through the 1900's
- Complete index of Will Books & Register's Dockets, Beaver County, PA, 1800 – 1900
- Gravesite Inscriptions from Lakeview Cemetery, Ohio
- Newspaper clippings, photographs, death certificates, marriage certificates, and last will and testament of Eva Jean Cox

Box #4

- Hunter, Moore, Page and Purdy family papers
- Tombstone inscriptions, wills, land and tax papers, court records, marriage records, and newspaper articles
- Letters pertaining to genealogy searches
- 1900 census report

Box #5

- Newspaper clippings, photographs, wills, marriage, birth, and death records of Pollock and Maddox families

Box #6

- Land grants, titles to land, and land surveys for the Cox family
- Adams County Church Records of the 18th Century
- Last will of William Cox
- Information pertaining to the Cox children of William and Naomi Cox
- Menallen minutes, marriages and miscellany, Quaker Records, 1780 – 1890
- 1820 Federal Census for Indiana
- Papers on Susanna, Ann, Ruth, and Amy Cox
- 1790 and 1800 Census
- Orphan Court Records

Box #7

- Land purchased by William (Cocks) in 1721, 300 acres, 1734, and 1741
- Papers on Julia Cox, daughter of William and Catherine Cox
- 1880 Census for Ottawa Township, Ohio
- 1860 Census
- Putnam County, Ohio, Cemeteries
- Papers on Rebecka, Isaac, and Ann Cox
- Land bought and sold by William & Naomi Cox in 1792
- Will of Herman Kinkey

Box #8

- John Cox family information, pertaining to deeds, land grants
- The Cox Family in America from the First Representative in this Country in 1610
- Immigration of the Irish Quakers into Pennsylvania 1682-1750 and Quaker marriage certificates from 1704-1799
- History of the Wierman Family
- Photographs of the Cox house and pictures of a cemetery
- Last wills and testaments of John/Joshus Cox
- Wills of William and Nicholas Wierman
- York county deeds 1749-1758

Box #9

- Letters, photographs, newspaper clippings, marriage, birth, death certificates, obituaries of family members, last wills and testaments, and tombstone inscriptions for the Cox, Godfrey, Graham, Hunter, Horn families

Box # 10

- Genealogy information, marriage, birth and death notifications, last will and testaments, and Quaker records for the Thomas, Amy, John Jr., Richard, William and Ann Cox families as well as John Garritson and Anne Bateman

Box #11

- Contains letters, genealogy information, marriage, birth, death notifications, Adams county Church Records from the 18th century, wills, and other family information for Ann Cox, Samuel Cox, Joshua Cox, Jeremiah & Catharine Cox, Jesse Cox, Josiah & Sussanah (Cox) McMillan families

Box # 12

- Wise family, deeds from Delaware
- Family information regarding genealogy, cemetery plots, wills, marriages, birth and death notifications for the Maddox, Cox, Vincent, Harper, Moores, Hunter, and Settle families

Box #13

- Births, deaths, marriages, cemetery listings, wills, newspaper clippings, letters, county records of various Cox family members from Ohio
- Information about the Richards family, the Rucker family, and the Wierman family
- Richards Generations records at All Hallow's Church, Snow Hill, Md
- Land records of Worcester County Maryland 1666 to 1810
- Heads of families at the 1st census of the US taken in 1790, Maryland
- Thompson's Historical Collections of Adams County, Ohio, genealogies and obituaries, 1982
- Index of Maryland Colonial Wills, 1634 to 1777

- Marriage records of Adams County, Ohio, 1797 to 1894
- Booklet on the Order of First Families on Virginia, dated 1607 to 1620
- Revolutionary War Records from Virginia: Historical Register of Officers of the Continental Army, April 1775 to December 1783
- The Vawter Family in America
- Essex County, Virginia, Deeds & Wills, 1707 to 1711, 1738 to 1741
- Orange County, VA, Tithables, 1734 to 1782
- Marriages of some VA Residents, 1607 to 1800

Box #14

- Letters, last wills & testaments, photographs, brochures, post cards, Cavaliers & Pioneers, abstracts of VA Land Patents & Grants, 1666 to 1695 pertaining to the Tennis family, the Vawter family, the Vincent family, the Watts family, and the Westbay family
- Essex County, VA, deeds & wills, 1706 to 1707, 1707 to 1711, 1717 to 1719
- Virginia wills & administrations, 1632 to 1800
- Early Virginia Immigrants, 1607 to 1660, 1623 to 1666
- Marriages of Culpeper County, VA, 1781 to 1815

Box #15

- Newspaper clippings, photographs, wills and testaments, birth and death certificates, marriages, and cemetery inscriptions for the Wise and Cox families

Box #16

- Photographs of tombstones, certificates from the Masons, photographs, letters, birth certificates, newspaper clippings, genealogy information, Quaker records from 1780 to 1890 on minutes, marriages and miscellany, blank envelopes, and death notices related to Ernest Cox

Box #17

- One large binder with genealogy about the Cox family, includes copies of birth, marriage and death notices, and many transcribed letters.

Box #18

- Genealogical information on the Maddox family, the Hunter family, the Stivers family, the Rickards/Cornwall family, the Tennis family, the Noell (Nowell) family, the Vawter/Page family, the Barnett/Wise family, the Cox (Cocks) family, and the Watts family containing last wills and testaments, letters, tombstone inscriptions, photographs, letters describing their passage to America, marriage lists, and list of ships taken to America