

CW/VFM-32: *Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association*

Various documents associated with the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association. All manuscripts are 1pp. unless otherwise mentioned.

- Note—Presented by the McConaughy family, 1932.
- Undated ad on newsprint for \$10 subscriptions to the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Associate (hereafter: GBMA)—listed as already purchased for preservation are Culp’s Hill, Round Top, Cemetery Hill, and Granite Spur.
Officers listed:
 - Chairman Provisional Committee is the Hon. Joseph R. Ingersoll
 - Vice Chairman is Rev. Dr. S.S. Schmucker
 - Vice Chairmain is Rev. J. Ziegler
 - Treasurer T.D. Carson
 - Secretary D. McConaughy
 - Local Committee Philadelphia Chairman Henry O. Oarey
 - Treasurer Edmund A. Souder
 - Secretary Henry O. Baird
 - Members—S.A. Mercer, N.B. Browne, J.G. Fell, Charles E. Smith, S. M. Felton, W. H. Ashhurst, Jay Cooke, Chas. J. Stille, A. J. Drexel, Oswald Thompson, George K. Ziegler, J.B. Lippincott, William Bradford, Aubrey H. Smith, John W. Forney, Solomon W. Roberts, Geo. F. Lee, Prof. H. Coppee, Dr. D. Gilbert, George H. Boker, James L. Claghorn, Edwd. W. Clark, Rev. E.W. Hutter, Hon. William Strong, Ferdinand J. Dreer, Jno. A. McAllister, Geo. W. Childs, John H. Dohnert, Morton McMichael, W.W. Harding, Gibson Peacock, John. O. James, Morton P. Henry, Dan’l Dougherty.
- Two copies of the act put forth by the Pennsylvania Congress to incorporate the GBMA. Dated 12 May 1864. Describes the Associations jurisdiction, duties, and mission statement.
- An undated newspaper clipping mentioning the GBMA’s decision to use “natural byantic granite found upon the battlefield” for memorials. Also mentions the possibility of erecting a column of white marble to commemorate the Sanitary and Christian Commissions.
- Handwritten budget list detailing costs of land and size of tracts to be purchased for the GBMA. Dated 28 December 1867. Mentioned tracts include: Reynold’s Grave, Round Top, McKnight’s Hill, East Cemetery Hill, Granite Spur, and Culp’s Hill. List noted as a copy of one mailed to Governor Geary.
- Undated clipping listing recently elected officers (on Monday the 5th inst.) for the GBMA. Also a description of the design on the card sent to subscribers. Officers include: President Hon. Joseph R. Ingersoll; Directors H.C. Carey, Edmund A Souder, Wm. M. Hersh, David A. Stewart, Hon. O. A. Hiester, H. N. M’Allister,

- D. M'Conaughy, H. L. Baugher, J. B. Danner, R. G. M'Creary, T. D. Carson, George Arnold, A.D. Buehler
- Board of directors is listed as: Chairman of the Executive Committee Rev. Dr. Baugher, Secretary D. McConaughy, Treasurer T.D. Carson
 - Program containing the Order of Procession and Order of Exercises for the "Inauguration of the National Cemetery at Gettysburg, PA." 19 November 1863. Noted on back—Presented by Leigh University 19 November 1956. Ms 2pp.
 - Order of Procession—Military under Major General Couch, General Meade and Staff and other officers and soldiers of the Army of the Potomac, Officers of Navy and Marine Corps, Chief Marshall and Aids, President of the United States, Members of Cabinet, Assistant secretaries of Executive departments, General in Chief of the Army and staff, Lieutenant General Scott and Rear-Admiral Stewart, Supreme Court Justices, Edward Everett (the chief orator) and the chaplain, Governors of states and their staff, State Commissioners for the Inauguration of the Cemetery, State flag bearers, Vice President of the United States and Speaker of the House, Members of Congress, Officers of Congress, Mayors of Cities, Gettysburg Committee of arrangements, officers and members of the United States Sanitary Commission, Committees of Different Religious Bodies, US Military Telegraphic Corps, Officers and Representatives of Adams Express Co., Officers of different telegraph companies, Army Hospital Corps, Soldiers Relief associations, Knights Templar, Masonic Fraternity, Independent Order of Oddfellows, Other Benevolent Associations; Library, Scientific, and Industrial Associations; The Press, officers and members of Loyal Leagues, Fire Companies, Pennsylvania Citizens, Citizens of other states, D.C. citizens, Territory Citizens.
 - Order of Exercises—Music, Prayer, Music, Oration, Music, Dedicatory Remarks By The President of the United States, Dirge, Benediction.
 - Program for the GBMA, announcing their purpose, cost of subscriptions, Preamble and resolutions, listing of officers, executive committee, and local committee. Ms. 4pp.
 - A second copy of this same document contains at the back a handwritten listing of subscribers and how much they paid
 - Newsletter listing intra-association correspondence, dated 14 August 1863 through 18 August 1863.
 - Form letter invitation addressed to "General" inviting addressee to a re-union for officers on 23 August (no year) at the Gettysburg Springs Hotel. Ms. 4pp. Invitation also includes three resolutions and a sketch of the Hotel. Listed on the back are officers: President is General John W. Geary; Board of Directors includes Hon. Henry C. Carey, Edmund A. Souder Esq., Gen. J. Watts DePeyster, William M. Hersch Esq., Hon. A. O. Heister, H. N. McAllister Esq., Hon. J. B. Danner, Hon. D. McConaughy (Secretary), R. G. McCreary Esq. (Vice President), George Arnold Esq. (Treasurer), A.D. Buehler Esq., Prof. M.L. Stoeber, Dr. Charles Horner.

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