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Gettysburg National Military Park Eisenhower National Historic Site Gettysburg, PA 17325 Gettysburg, PA 17325



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This letter replaces the previous letter dated September 30, 2014. Please note wording in the fourth paragraph.

Recently, you contacted the park regarding the disposition of a 3-inch Ordnance Rifle (marked 534, 816 lb, CCC, and 1862) that you currently own. Field Artillery Weapons of the Civil War by James Hazlett, Edwin Olmstead, and M. Hume Parks notes that this particular piece was in the inventory of Gettysburg National Military Park. This conclusion was based on a number of sources that the authors cited at the beginning of the appendices. As such, you requested that we verify that this cannon left Gettysburg National Military Park under proper and legal conditions.

Our examination of the park's records, both those of the Gettysburg National Park Commission and the National Park Service, can find no record of this particular cannon either arriving at the park or leaving it at any time in the park's history. An inventory of park cannon conducted by James Hazlett in 1957 does not list the cannon amongst the park inventories. In short, no documentation on the history of this cannon exists in the park's records.

The park, therefore, believes that you are free to sell this cannon and makes no claim of ownership to it.

If you have any further questions, please contact Greg Goodell at (717) 334-4451

Sincerely,

Ed-W. Clark Superintendent

