

## **NEBRASKA STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY COLLECTION RECORD**

RG1189.AM: Gillespie, John, 1832-1897  
Scrapbook, misc.: 1860-1890  
Lincoln, Lancaster County, Neb.: State Auditor  
Size: 4 items

### **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

John Gillespie was born in Springfield, Ohio in 1832 and moved to Peru, Nebraska in 1859. He fought through the Civil War and later in the Indian Skirmishes. He was elected territorial auditor and later state auditor and was on the commission which located the state capitol in Lincoln. In 1871 articles of impeachment were filed against him and Governor David Butler. Mr. Gillespie died in Lincoln in 1897. The Gillespie collection related for the most part to the impeachment proceedings against him and Governor Butler

### **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

The collection relates mostly to the impeachment proceedings against Gillespie and Governor Butler. The collection consists of a scrapbook of news clippings, most which relates to the impeachment, and a folder containing the articles of impeachment against John Gillespie, a typed copy of his defense, and a souvenir of the Spanish-American War signed by President William McKinley.

### **INVENTORY**

Box 1

Scrapbook of news clippings, 1860-1890  
Articles of Impeachment of John Gillespie and Governor Butler  
Typed defense of John Gillespie  
Souvenir of the Spanish-American War signed by President William McKinley

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Subject headings:

Butler, David Christy, 1829-1891

Gillespie, John, 1832-1897

Impeachments -- Nebraska

Politics and government -- Nebraska

Trials (Impeachment) -- Nebraska