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Content Note

The State Board of Assessors was created by the New Jersey Legislature in 1884 to assess, for purposes of taxation, all property belonging to any railroad or canal company in the state (Laws of 1884, chap. 101). This series consists of a scrapbook of newspaper articles and other mementos (e.g. tickets, form letters) collected during the period 1884-1888 by the board's secretary, John Talmadge Van Cleef. The scrapbook not only documents the early history of the State Board of Assessors, but also includes information relating to various legal issues involving railroads and, in many cases, railroad items in general. Unfortunately, sources and dates are noted only for a small minority of the clippings.

NOTE: For the purposes of preservation, the scrapbook has been disbound and photocopied onto acid-free paper. The original pages should not be disturbed unless the photocopy is illegible.

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