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The bulk of the contents of this roll relates to the administrative activities of Furnas as Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture in arranging the Nebraska State Fairs of 1889-1891. Correspondence pertains to the procurement of advertising materials, issuance of complimentary tickets, payment of premiums and awards, provisions for transportation of the exhibits and the selection of judges and entertainment for the fairs. Additional correspondence concerns Furnas's role as United States Treasury Expert and his subsequent report to the Bureau of Statistics on the commercial, industrial and mining opportunities in Nebraska. A number of correspondents write regarding annual reports of the State Board of Agriculture; organization of county agricultural societies; and Nebraska's participation in the Paris Exposition of 1889 and the Edinburgh International Exhibition of 1890.