OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION
Number: 035-03
Title: Florence Nelson Scrapbook
Creator: Nelson, Florence, 1875-1957
Dates: 1898-1902
Quantity: 1 scrapbook

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
Acquisition: Unknown
Accruals: No accruals are expected
Custodial history: Unknown
Processed by: The collection was processed in 2014 by Meghan Sullivan-Silva
Conservation: Not applicable
Language: Materials are in English

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INFORMATION FOR RESEARCHERS
Separated material None
Published description Not applicable
HISTORICAL NOTE
Florence Nelson was an aspiring actress and dedicated follower of the arts in the Providence area. She was born in Bristol in 1875. Little is known about her personal life. Nelson kept a scrapbook in which she collected memorabilia from various plays and performances. Her scrapbook documents a significant portion of Rhode Island culture in the late 19th century. Prominently featured are performances held at the Providence Opera House, which opened in 1871 and was demolished in 1931. Theater was extremely popular in Providence at this time; while open, the Opera House housed numerous performances and hosted a number well-known actors and actresses.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE COLLECTION

ORGANIZATION OF THE COLLECTION
The collection is entirely contained within a single bound scrapbook. Newspaper clippings and images are pasted within. Items are somewhat chronological and are arranged with like subjects.