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## John Palmer Usher

This photograph represents John Palmer Usher,1816-1889, a lawyer from Indiana and a member of President Abraham Lincoln's cabinet. Usher servers only two years as the seventh U.S. Secretary of the Interior,1863-1865, before returning to private life. In 1865, he becomes the chief counsel for the Kansas Pacific Railroad a position he holds until his retirement in 1880. Usher also resumes his political career when he moves to Lawrence, Kansas, in 1872, and is elected to serve one term as the town's mayor,1879 to 1881. On April 13, 1889, at the age of 73, Usher dies at the University Hospital in Philadelphia after a lengthy illness. Burial is at Oak Hill Cemetery in Lawrence, Kansas.

Date: Between 1860 and 1865 Callnumber: B Usher, John P. \*5

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