

Dr. Robert S. Gabbey

Dr. Robert S. Gabbey was born May 4, 1833, in Cannonsburg, Pennsylvania, and married Annie Welton in 1854. He was appointed the Rossville, Kansas, government physician in 1861 and was the town's first Justice of the Peace, appointed in 1867. Before his death in 1900, he designed and received a patent on an airplane. This photograph is provided through a pilot project to host unique cultural heritage materials from local libraries on Kansas Memory and was accomplished by mutual agreement between the Northeast Kansas Library System, the Rossville Community Library, and the Kansas Historical Society.

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