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## INTRODUCTION

The collection contains a letter from Lieutenant-Colonel John M. McConihe with the 169th New York Volunteers, to Martin I. Townsend, an attorney and anti-slavery politician in New York, describing and condemning the draft riots which took place in New York in July 1863.

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# **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

John M. McConihe began his military career as a Captain in the 1st Nebraska Infantry on July 30, 1861. He resigned September 2, 1862, and enrolled with the 169th New York Volunteers on September 17, 1862, at Troy, New York, for three years. He was mustered in as a Lieutenant-Colonel. On April 12, 1864, he was promoted to Colonel and on July 1, 1864, he was made Brigadier-General by brevet of the U.S. Volunteers. He was killed in action at Cold Harbor, Virginia, on June 1, 1864.

# SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of one three-page letter condemning the draft riots that took place in New York in July 1863. McConihe also sends word that he is sending a detachment of men to pick up the draftees in New York and asks that a flower be given to Meip Frank, a woman he seems to be fond of.

## PREFERRED CITATION

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