

North Plenheim, Schoharie Co. N.Y.

Jan 2, 1848.

Hon. Stephen A. Douglass,
U. S. Senate.

Dear Sir,

You will recollect meeting me at Coleman's Hotel in Washington about two weeks before the opening of Congress. I intended having some conversation with you on political matters before leaving W. but was prevented by a sudden call from home.

It will perhaps be proper to allude to myself & my position in the Democratic Party before touching upon the matters to which I wish particularly to call your attention. Formerly a citizen of your own State & recognized in my own County (Winnebago) as a warm & active democrat, I removed to this State in 1842, was soon after appointed Judge of this Schoharie County, have been twice put in nomination for important public offices, in which I was defeated by the Anti Rent movement. I now occupy a well defined position as one of the leading conservative democrats of this County.

So much for myself & now to matters of higher import. A State Convention will be held in Albany on the 26th inst, in which if necessary I shall take a seat, the ostensible object of that Convention is to make arrangements for the election of Anti-Wilmot-Proviso Delegates to the Baltimore Convention, in reality, to agree upon a candidate for the Presidency to be supported by the N.Y. Conservative Democrats.

W. L. Marcy, Genl. Capt. James Buchanan, Woodbury, Walker, Polk, Calhoun, others will be urged before the Baltimore Convention, many candidates, many interests to be reconciled, and how? Obviously by following the example of the Balt^o Convention of 1844. By the nomination of a candidate, not too intimately connected with any one political clique, a candidate sufficiently prominent, well & widely known as the bold & fearless adherent of the popular side of of certain great questions, for instance, the ardent defender of our claims to the "Whole of Oregon", the author of a Resolution for the "Annexation of Texas," the advocate for a bold and vigorous prosecution of the "War with Mexico."

I mean to say that all the probabilities are strongly in favor of such a nomination, it would in a great degree moderate individual jealousies, conciliate partizan interests, and if that candidate should be Stephen A. Douglas, Senator from Illinois, the vexed question of Slavery in New Territories, as between Northern & Southern Democrats, would be supposed to lie dormant through the campaign.

Illinois must be prepared to present your name, New York losing her particular candidate, as she will, can fall back upon either Lewis Cass, James Buchanan, or yourself, neither Cass or Buchanan will be acceptable to certain interests, as you will understand.

Your position as Chairman of the Senate Com on Territories is a sufficiently safe one, provided

you can keep clear of a too decided commitment on the "Proviso Question,"

I have at present nothing more to say, in my opinion the chances in your favor are sufficient to induce care and action, as your personal friend and an old citizen of Illinois I feel a deep interest in your success, I trust you will write me on this matter in the full assurance ^{that} your confidence will never be abused,

I am ambitious on one point, I wish you to recognize me as your friend & believe in my sincerity & good faith,

When I grasp your hand as President, I may, for we all indulge more or less in selfishness, bring to your remembrance this letter, in the meantime believe me

Most truly, sincerely

Your friend,

A. T. Repeto.

N. P. Peper

Poethel Morgan Co Mo January 8th AD 1848

Per Allow me to Congratulate you, on the success
~~fact~~ which has crown your efforts - both Politically
& Nationomically within the past year.

It affords me more pleasure in doing so, from the
fact, that I have been, one of your Democratic
supporters, since I came to the State in /43 -
And it also give me pleasure to think, that in sup-
-porting you, I have aided in, placing a Northern man
in a situation, where, he might make a
practical demonstration, of the old Political adage
Union of a Northern man with Southern Principles
(Nacally, in place of ^{last part of the} ~~the~~ adage. & it is, ^{not} ~~practically~~
N.C, the land, which gave birth to your better ~~in~~ off, has claim
on me, which may most sincere wishes, for its success
can never liquidate -

I have watched your course, since I was, introduced
to you by John Evan. of Milton Pike Co. & I hope you
will not think it flattery, when I say, it has met my most
heartly approbation.

I should be glad to receive some documents occasionally
from you, in order, that I may be the better able
to support the cause of Democracy, in old Morgan
- It being one of the few Counties of the state, which is
strongly tincture with modern Whiggery -
You will discover, by this letter, that since I saw you in
Jacksonville, Nov /46 my address is changed.

By the way, there is in the course of erection, a building, for the reception of the unfortunate (maniacs of
a few States; in Jacksonville - I would be glad
to obtain your influence, in order to obtain the
situation of Physician to the same - (Provided of course
that the salary will justify the neglect, that I will
follow, in my Private Practice of
inflicting that you, either know all about the matter
or are holding Correspondence with those who do
I would be glad that you would inform through
the medium of the pen, about it - As I am unacquainted
personally, with our Public authorities
It looks somewhat premature to commence operations
so early in such matter, - but I hope my sincere
wishes to further the extraordinary efforts of Miss
Dix, will be deemed a sufficient apology.

Yours &c
J. R. New

If Reference be required, I would
refer to the Medical Department of the University of Penn
a Portion of the Faculty of the University of Mo. &
Several Physicians of the State in all of the most

Better say Free

Mr Hon S. A. Douglass
Washington City
D. C.

Dr. D. Nathan
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Ellis Villet Jan. 9th 1848
Hon. S. A. Douglass

Dear Sir

Permit me to call your attention to an old friend this early in the Session, and while I do so I must confess it is with feelings of diffidence growing out of a knowledge of my unfitness to approach you, and because of the many and worthy friends you have to communicate with, connected with the arduous duties you have to perform which I am well aware must necessarily consume most of your time.

But still we have met, we have formed an acquaintance, we have exchanged thoughts and may we not again, Last Mail day I received the Presidents Message from my old friend Col. Richardson (for which he has my Thanks) and must say to you that I think it an able Document, It speaks the mind of every American, especially upon the war, Whigery stands mute not knowing which Horn of the Dilemma to take, but the honest portion say Gen. R. Roark is right

I look with much interest upon the action
of the Democracy of the Union assembled at
Washington the present Session, for upon your
unity of feeling and action depends the success
of our principal and measures for some length
of time, I hope to see the mind of the
leading Democrats center upon some man who
will be true to principle and who will be un-
objectionable, Van Buren I fear will be a heavy
drag, will it not be Dallas, can Whigery come
any speed against him, If you have time
I would be glad to hear from you upon
this matter, what will be the action of Congre-
ss in relation to the war, and whether your
Territorial Bill in relation to Oregon will
be apt to become a Law at this Session

I notice by the Press your Election
as Chairman of the Committee on Territories,
nothing gives me more pleasure, It was
just what I wished to see, But I am
intruding upon your time and patience,
you know my feelings in relation to Oregon,
any information you can give me upon that
Subject will be thankfully received, you remem-
ber our talk at Ellisville last Summer
Give my respects to Bruce Richardson

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Mr. Hernandez, Smith, and in particular
your amiable Lady, while I remain
your obt. servant
Hon S A Douglass H L Miller

H. L. Miller

Ellisville Mo
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Hon. S. A. Douglass, W. S.
Washington D. C.

Saturday night
January 15, 1848.

My dear Sir,

I take the liberty to enclose the accompanying to you in the hope that it will be acceptable to you and many friends in your state. I did not anticipate its length when I commenced; have written it in great haste, with many interruptions, and have not had time to correct as I would wish, nor even to read over the latter part of it.

If you should deem it worthy of publication any where or at any time, I beg that you will not permit it to be done here at present: it might induce the belief that I wish and designed to show myself, tho I have studiously kept as much in the rear if possible, as I did in the Battle of Buena Vista

Truly your friend
J. Churchill

Hon. S. A. Douglass.
Washington.

Genl S Churchill
M. G. A.

The enclosed
letter sent to Genl
W. H. Russell March
19th 1848

J BUTLER

Vanadua Illinois
Jan^y 15th 1848

Dear Judge,

I am advised by the printed proceedings of Congress that Mr Cass from the Com. on Indian Affairs, has reported to the Senate a bill providing for the adding of ten new flags to the Arm of the United States.

I have a great desire to go to Mexico & in the event of the passage of that bill, and I have but little doubt it will pass, may I be allowed to ask, that you aid me in procuring an appointment from the President, under the provisions of that bill -

Should my request meet your views - and I sincerely hope it may - your aid in this matter will greatly oblige.

Your friend &

Hon. S. A. Douglass

U. S. Senate

Washington City

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Mrs. W. F. Edmonson

J. W. F. Edmondson.



Barrettton June 12th 1848.

Hon^{ble} F. D. Douglass,

Dear Sir,

If Congress should order an additional no^o of Regiments to the Army, I suppose the officers of the same will be appointed by the President. In that event, I wish the privilege of raising a company, ^{or} to get the appointment of a com^{mand} to one, or some appointment in the service, as I should like to go to Mexico. - I hope you may feel at liberty to take an interest for me in this matter. - I may be able at some future day to repay the favor - ~~if not too much to~~

We have a meeting called to give an expression on the subject of the war with Mexico - the proceedings of which will be forwarded to you as soon as it comes off.

I should like to hear from you -
Respectfully yours
F Douglass Jr.



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Wm' L. A. Douglas,

Washington,

D.C. —

Wm' L. A. Douglas

London 12th June 1857

Dear Mr. Chapman

Dear Sir

I have just received your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the proposed publication of a new edition of the "Principles of Political Economy" by Mr. John R. McCulloch. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter and to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours truly,
J. R. McCulloch

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Mc Connelsville Ohio
Jan 12th 1848

Hon. J. A. Douglass.

Sir,

I take the liberty of
writing to you to enquire what the Law of
Illinois is in relation to the admission of
Attorneys, who have been previously admit-
-ted in another State

What I wish to know is what
residence is required and whether appli-
-cants are required to undergo a new exam-
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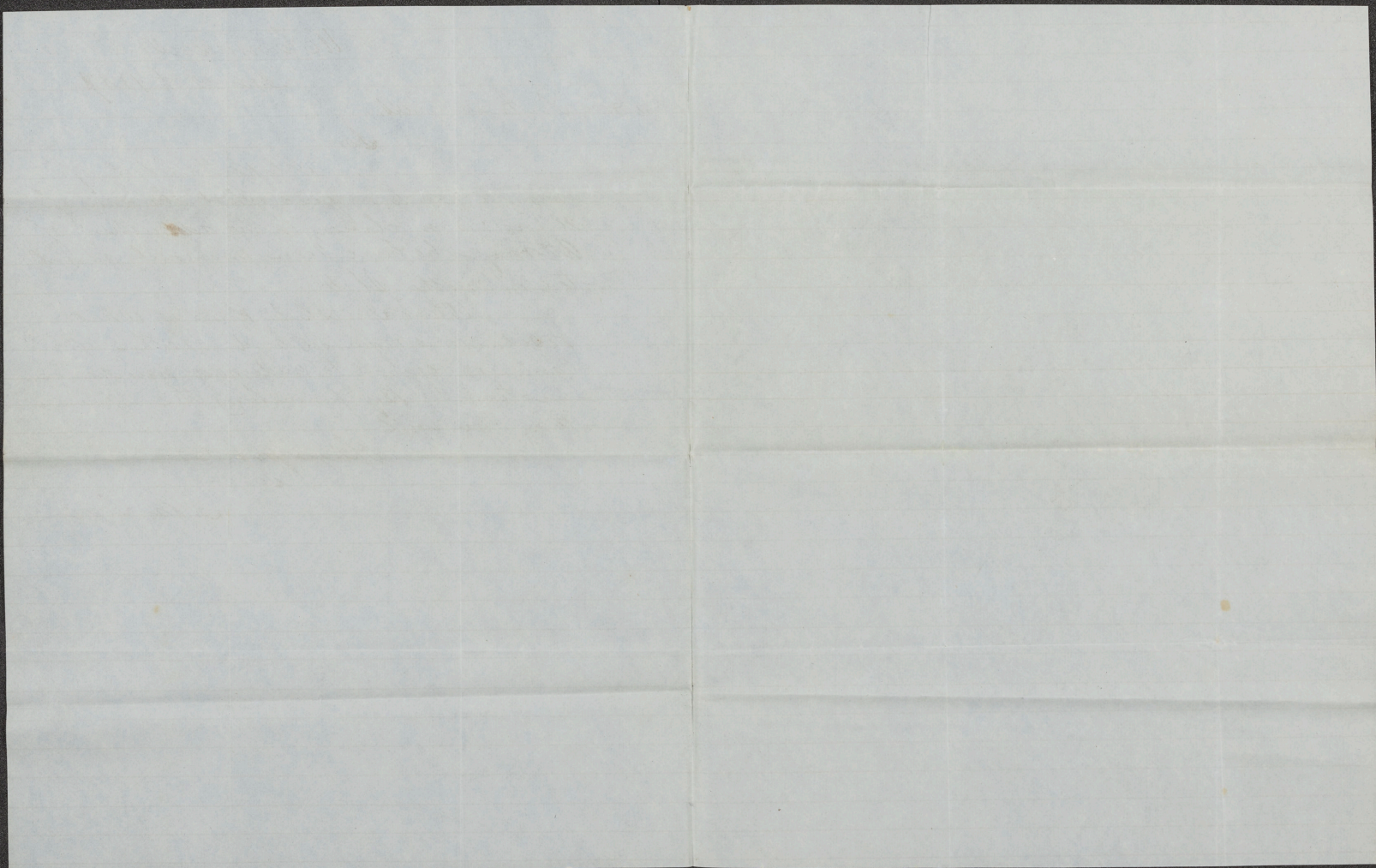
J. M. Love



Hon. J. A. Douglass
Washington
D.C.

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J. M. Brown



Lacone Jan. 12th 1848
Hon. S. A. Douglass

Dear Sir My Brother
Addison Ramsey wants the appointment
of assistant quartermaster in the army
He is anxious to volunteer himself in
Mexico. he has the promise of considerable
influence in the matter & we should be
pleased to have your aid. we have had
no appointments from this part of the state
yet, in the army, & think we should have
some. if you could consistently use your
for him it will be considered as a favor
I believe we are as good Democrats here
as in any other part of the state. I suppose
as it is customary, I might wish you much
prosperity & happiness since you have changed
your position in society I should be pleased
to hear from you occasionally & get a public
document.

Very Respectfully
Obedt. Nunn
S. A. Ramsey

John Henry.

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London Aug 1881

Mr. J. Chapman

Dear Sir,

I have the pleasure to inform you that the
proceedings of the Committee of the
British Association for the Advancement of Science
have been forwarded to you by the Secretary.
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours truly,
J. H. Thompson

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Placid Jan 13th 1848.

Hon. S. A. Douglass

Sir - Allow me to request that
you favor my application for the appointment of Surgeon
in some of the volunteer corps that have been or may be
raised for our war with Mexico, provided it should meet
your views. I will remark that I rec^d the unanimous
recommendation of the officers & men of the 11th Ill regt
commanded by Col Baker, 12 months ago last Spring. The
papers were forwarded to Hon S. Bruce, he returned them stating
that they united after the appointment, had been made
I procured also the recommendation of the Gen Gov of the
State that Ford, and all the officers of State at Springfield
with the most influential citizens also - I am known to
you as a physician - allow me to say that I possess what
may be regarded as *prima facie* evidence of qualification,
diplomas from some of the best medical schools and
boards in the Union - I am known to Hon A Lincoln Hon W
A Richardson & others to whom I propose addressing a similar
note - I desire much to go to Mexico - my own health is the
principal reason, and should it be in your power to
aid me in this matter, you will confer a most material benefit
upon a needy and afflicted friend -

I am yours fraternally & respectfully

P.S. You will perceive that I have changed my
residence from Springfield to this place

Francis A. McMill



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Hon: S. A. Douglass
U. S. Senate
Washington



J. M. Hale

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the
affairs of the [illegible] and in reply to inform you that the same have been forwarded to the
proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, &c.
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Springfield Ills Jan. 15th /48.

Dr. Sir

Should Congress comply with the suggestion of the President in his late Message, and authorize the raising of an additional regular force, to serve during the war with Mexico, permit me to suggest the name of Capt. Horatio E. Roberts (of this City) for the appointment of Major. Capt. R. served twelve months in Mexico - as Commandant of Company (A) 4th Regt. (Col. Baker), Ills. Volunteers - and acquitted him self with much credit. I know Capt. R. well, and have no hesitation in recommending him as being amply qualified for the discharge of the duties of the Office to which he aspires - Any aid you will render the Capt. in furtherance of his object, will confer a singular favor on him, as also,

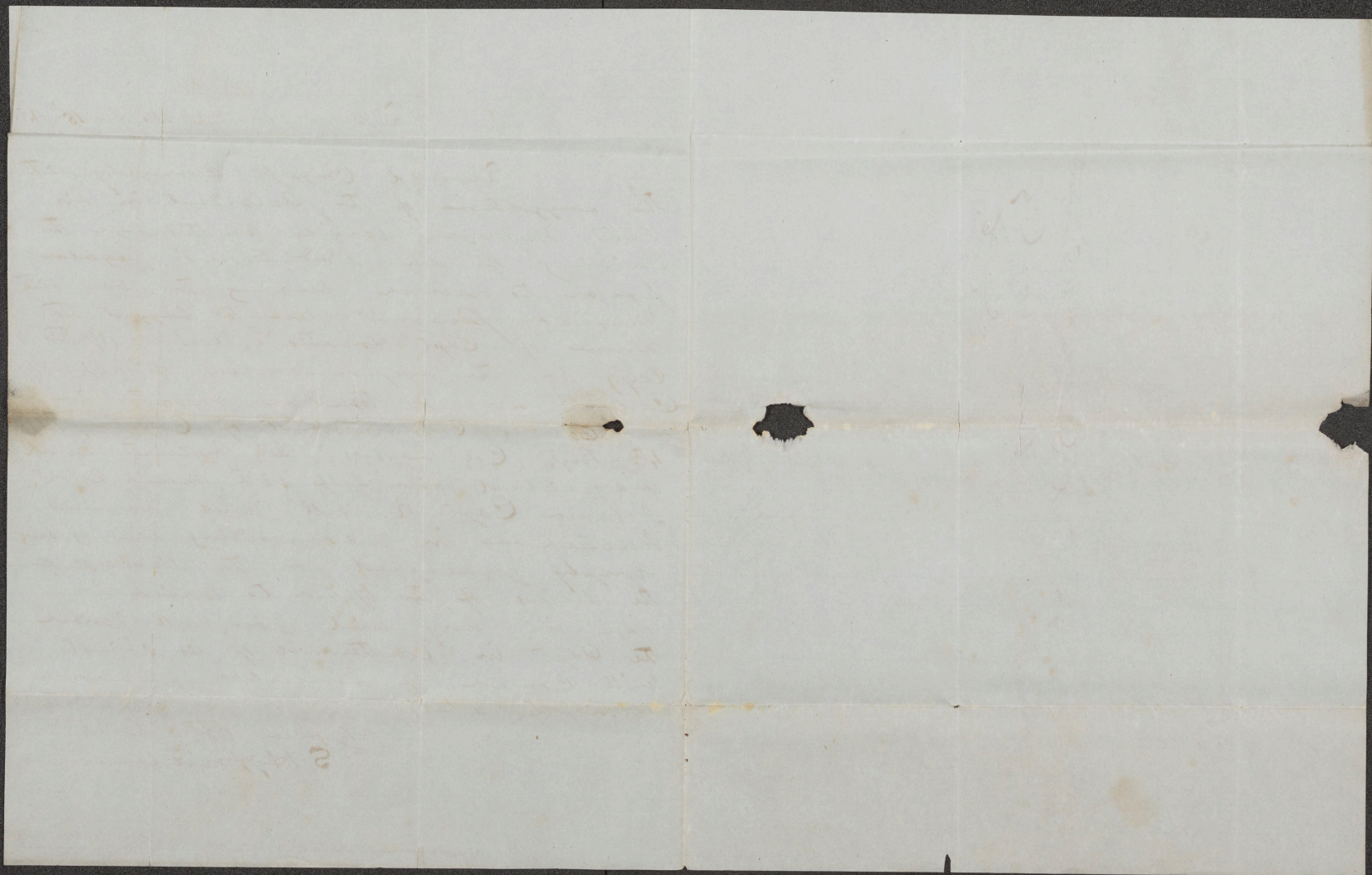
Yours Obedt. Servt.
S. H. Anderson



Hon S A. Douglass U.S. Senator
Washington City
D. C.

1846

J. W. Anderson



Dear Mr. Lang 15. 1898

Wm S. Abouglaw

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Accompanying this please
find the Affidavit & Discharge of George W. Lane
a Soldier. For which he wishes to procure a
Land Warrant.

If you will take upon yourself the
trouble of attending to the business, & procure
from the Pension Department the proper
documents & forward to us you shall have
our everlasting regards

Yours Truly
Wm S. Abouglaw

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State of Illinois,
County of Peoria } Ss:

On this fifteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty eight, personally appeared before me the undersigned an Acting Justice of the Peace within and for said County and State, George Mc Lane who being by me first duly sworn according to law deposes and declares that he is the identical George Mc Lane who was a Private in the 1st Rifle Company, Commanded by Captain Brumers in the 2nd Regiment of Ohio Volunteers, Commanded by Colonel Morgan that he enlisted at the Town of Circleville in the County of Pickaway in the State of Ohio in the month of April (the precise day he does not recollect) in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty six for the Term of one year, and was discharged at St. Louis in Texas on the thirtieth day of July in the said year of one thousand eight hundred and forty six by reason of sickness incurred in the course of such service as from the Certificate of the Surgeon of said Company, and the Certificate of discharge hereto annexed and made part hereof will more fully appear. And further says not

more. Attest

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }
PEORIA COUNTY, }

J. William Mitchell, Clerk of the County Commissioners' Court for
said county, do hereby certify, that *James Mc Lane*
the foregoing certificate, was, on the day of the date thereof, an Acting Justice of the Peace in and for the county aforesaid, duly commissioned and qualified, as appears of record in my office; and that, as such, full faith and credit are due to all his official acts *and that his signature at above is genuine.*

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court,
at Peoria, this *fifteenth* day of *January* 1848

William Mitchell

Clerk.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }
PEORIA COUNTY, }

ss.

I, William Mitchell, Clerk of the County Commissioners' Court for
said county, do hereby certify, that *Dennis Blakeley* Esq. whose name appears subscribed to
the foregoing certificate, was, on the day of the date thereof, an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the county aforesaid,
duly commissioned and qualified, as appears of record in my office; and that, as such, full faith and credit are due to all his
official acts. *and that his signature as above is genuine.*

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court,
at Peoria, this *fifteenth* day of *January* 184*8*

William Mitchell

Clerk.

Scoria, Jan. 17, 1848.

Friend Douglass,

I now want your attention for a few minutes. I have written to all the democratic members of Congress from Illinois, asking them, if they feel free to do so, to give me their support for the office of Surveyor General of Oregon. If Congress should pass the territorial laws recommended by the President, I presume there will be some consultation between you on the subject of the appointments to be made by his Excellency, and if it should appear that I cannot possibly get the Surveyor Generalship I trust I may be honored with another station, suited to my capacity. It is probably yet impossible to say what officers will be wanted in Oregon—Indian agents, or custom-house officers, may be among the number. I would esteem it a great favor, if you will, on the receipt of this letter, advise me candidly whether I can probably get the Surveyor Generalship or another appointment of some consequence in Oregon; and, if there is a fair prospect of my success, will it not be best for me to visit Washington before the appointments are made? It is desirable that I should be informed on these subjects, as arrangements to emigrate must be made in time to accompany persons going from this country next spring.

Herewith you will receive my letters of recommendation. I will thank you to take them in charge and present them to the President at such time as you may deem best, or most favorable, to secure their object.

I confidently trust you will do for me what you

can. My desire is to emigrate to Oregon. I have long been engaged in editing and publishing democratic newspapers - working hard and living economically; yet, with a large family and a business far from being lucrative, I see no encouragement in the future for myself and family except by directing my energies in another channel. If I go to Oregon I may at least secure them a home, and if the President should honor me with the desired appointment it may pecuniarily assist me, and I flatter myself that the opportunity of rendering myself serviceable to the country will not be abused.

I am sorry to say that our democratic friends here and Mr. Phillips of the Bells, don't get along very well. They entertain the notion that he is an abolitionist, and his editorials on the slavery question have confirmed many of our leading democrats in that opinion. They have warmly solicited me to resume the publication of the paper, and they think it will be impossible to reorganize the party in Leoria while he is the publisher. (You already know why I cannot accede to their wishes. Perhaps he will sell out - I have heard that Brooks (I don't know which one) has made inquiries about the office within a few days.

Let me hear from you, as above requested, soon as you can conveniently do so.

Very respectfully

John S. Fisher.

of the
specimen
Mexico

New Orleans July 18th 1848

Dear Sir

I send you by this mail
a file of ~~the~~ "American Star"
up to the time I left the City of
Mexico. I have spent upwards of a
year in that country. A friend
of mine who lives in Mississippi
has made an application through
the Hon Jeff. Davis of that state
to procure a commission in the
Army for me. I would be under
many obligations to you if you
would assist in procuring me
one. I am at this time in this
city and will remain here
for sometime.

I remain yours.

Wm B Hood

P.S. My address will be to the
care of Waters Compton Box 102
Poydras St New Orleans

Dear Sir

Enclosed are

Wm B. Wood,

Ally de no Div

I have sent to New York, by a vessel which sailed from St. Louis a few days ago, a box containing three dozen bottles of the very best claret wine, one dozen of which is sent as a token of my kind remembrance of yourself, one dozen for the President, and one dozen for Robert M. Walker. In the same box is also one dozen for Sen. Davis of the Senate, sent by his worthy and attached friend, Mr. Doack, Consul of the United States for this place. I think the dozen intended for Sen. Davis, are marked "Revere Vint". Walker was directed to be marked "the whole of Mexico," but I do not know that it was done. It should have been, had I not been compelled to my house by indisposition, from which I have been suffering for the past six weeks. The President was ordered to be marked "non intervention," and yours "Oaxaquino."

I have sent also a few boxes of Oranges, one of which is intended for Mr. Drake. The ^{other} ~~of~~ ^{ones} have been sent to Baltimore. You had better write, or get Mr. Walker to write to the collector at New York, to have the box of mine ~~and~~ ^{marked} ~~marked~~ ^{as a present} for your grandson ~~sent~~ ^{sent} down to Washington, with a statement of the duties, which I was obliged to have unpaid. All other charges I have had paid here including freight &c.

I am happy to say that I am getting better, though still confined to my house and yard. So far I have got on very well in my new position, and am happy to believe that I have succeeded in ^{meeting} it.

favorable and friendly impressions. I have seen the most marked, if not universal, manifestations of respect, as well from the King and his attendance, as from many others of distinction in London. The Queen, does not speak or understand English, and, I have not any means of seeing things else, but is in other respects a person of much worth. Of course, I take no part in the defections of his people, nor suffer my own sympathies to mingle with those of any of the parties, but I cannot but look upon such a Government as a evil and a curse. The King is more intelligent, and more liberal, but I struggle to say, he cannot influence and control the administration of public affairs. We shall have another outbreak here during the year, and if it shall not be precluded by the prevailing discontent, before I return, and the English Government should reverse its policy of last year, and take ground against intervention, the Queen will most probably be dethroned and sent off. I do not think that war would at present improve the condition of Portugal. There is in fact no liberal party here. Those called liberal, do not avow themselves in favor of free government, but a tyranny, which in this country would probably be more tyrannical, and I doubt not far more corrupt than a monarchy. I have no reason to suppose that the present Queen is corrupt, but many of her Ministers have been openly charged with all sorts of peculation, and in many instances very truly.

The Packet affair will soon be over, and I must therefore conclude, with salutation of my most friendly regards.

I am, Sir,

Very truly yours,

P.S. Do me the kindness to say to Mrs Polk, or to the President, that a box of Portuguese Oranges, have been sent for her to Baltimore, and the Collector will upon her order, send them to her, if he does not do so without it. I trust

four boxes of oranges, and all were intended to be shipped to Baltimore but the wine and one box of oranges were sent to New York, and the other three to Baltimore. If the boxes were marked for the persons to whom they were respectively sent, Mrs Polk & may have gone to New York, but the chances of course are three to one that her will go to Baltimore.

P.S. Mrs Polk Oranges, are shipped to Baltimore.

Since writing my letter, I have received a bill of Lading and certificate of the consul to the invoice, which are herewith enclosed. The wine I now perceive has been put up in four different boxes, and from the character of the Merchant and of his wine, it will I hope prove worthy of the names which I have given it. It will be necessary to inform the President, Mr. Walker and Earl Davis of the fact that their wine has been sent to them, as I have not written to either of them.

On the 22d of February, my self, Mr. H., and Mr. Poach, the only Americans in this City of pravity and filth, will drink

1. The United States as it is.
 2. The United States as it will be, when our ocean is bounded and a world defying Continent.
- after this, we can drink to absent friends &c.

O. 2. New York County, on 2nd Nov. 1892

27. 10. 1872

The very numerous on the left of Henry and John, who
 are the 22 of Henry, my wife, and John, and
 sent to them, as I have not written to either of them.
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 Adams, to make a proper record of the same with his
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Living Jan 26th 1848

Wm S. A. Douglass

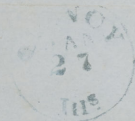
for him

Mrs Smith a widow Lady
of Mountbello, Hancock co. wishes to get a place
for her son, Johnson Smith, in the
Military Academy at West Point. She
is a very respectable old Lady, & her son
is a smart, active, intelligent boy, &
has a great taste for military life - His
father was a Captain in the U. S. Army.
If you can get him the place, you
will greatly oblige him

Very truly yours

J. A. Thompson

We have nothing new here - there is a
pretty strong movement being made agt the
Constitution -



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Hon S. A. Douglass

Washington

D. C.

P. A. Thompson.

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S A Douglass
Washington City
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Col. Bennett

Pinon Illinois

February 4th A.D. 1848

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S. A. Douglass

My Dear friend allow me to ask the favour of your kind consideration of an application of Doct M. S. Pearce of Rock Island Ills to be Secretary to the Minister to Rome

as you are I believe personally acquainted with Docton Pearce and so much better able to judge of the qualifications which should be possessed by such Officer I feel some delicacy in recommending him, but other considerations however justify me in asking the favour of your influence in favour of my personal friend whom I have known as an efficient man in our political campaigns in this Section of the State our party have received much good service from his well directed exertions. I think him destined to become distinguished in his profession and as a valuable citizen. I have found him a most pleasant companion and friend and would feel real pleasure at knowing that it should be agreeable to you to give him your valuable influence

allow me to add on my own personal account my kindest regards and best wishes for your long & good life and to express my extreme disappointment when I found that you had vacated this place in my absence) on not seeing you my family was not acquainted with the circumstances of you & family being present in the next morning when you were about leaving town my brother who was in the office had been with me but a short time and we had been but little to gather during the long acquaintance and friendship existing between you and me and was not aware of how much was and you on my account & did not happen to mention to my wife that you

- our lady were in town until at breakfast next morning
when she found she was too late to make her desired call
for all of this I am sure of you & your good lady to visit
before once more and that you give me an opportunity of
being at home so that I may do my agreeable duty, and
afford my self and family, the pleasure of your company at
our house

I remain with great respect your
devoted friend

John Dent

Rock Island Feb 8th 1848.

Friend Douglass

You will recollect that
in my last I indicated the probability
of my asking of yourself a favour
Enclosed You will find a letter
from our mutual friend Col Semint
If consistent with your feelings
please favour me with your influence
Mr. Turner has many times signified
his desire to render me service in
a matter of the kind

With best wishes

I am Your Friend

Wm L. G. D.

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P.S. New Mexico & the Californias are
the watchwords with the Democrats
in this section

Remember me kindestly to
Mrs D.

Yrs
Wm L. G. D.

D. Pierce.

Hon Stephen A Douglass
U.S.
Washington
D.C.

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the
10th inst. in relation to the
above matter. I am sorry to
hear that you are unable to
attend to the business of the
company at present. I will
be glad to hear from you again
when you are able to do so.

Very respectfully,
J. H. [Signature]

Wm. H. [Signature]
1861

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J. H. [Signature]
1861

Paris Ky February 9th 1828

Hon S. A. Douglass

Dear Sir

It is believed that there will be a vacancy in the P. Office in this place in a short time - by the resignation of the present incumbent - who intends resigning - in consequence of his infirmity - rendering him incompetent to discharge the duties of the office -

I understand there will be application made by two persons for the appointment - Dr. Holt - and John W. Williams - This letter is in behalf of the latter - he is a worthy young man - and well qualified to the discharge of the duties of the office - having served a long apprenticeship under the present incumbent - without suitable remuneration - he is a nephew of the present P.M. and one object of his in making application for the office is with the view of assisting his uncle in his infirm old age - and it not this I am satisfied that he would not greatly desire the appointment - Dr. Holt - is a well qualified physician and now dependent upon him for a support - having no family but one single daughter who I understand has been well provided for - knowing both parties and all the circumstances I can with all candor and truth say - that in leaning to the side of Charity - the interests of the department - will be promoted - And I ask with much confidence your aid in behalf of Mr. W.

I would be pleased to hear from you - and indebted
for any Congressional document that you may send me.

Very Respectfully

Your friend to

Mr Ballard



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Am.
S. A. Douglass. U.S.
Washington City

Mr. Butler
Dear Sir,