

Hon Senator Douglas

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portion of the senate's bounty and has supplied
our places by writers drawn from the
National Era Office.

Yours
truly

{ A. E. Drapier
Ellis Hughes
J. A. Via

Of the Senate Reporting Corps of 1856.

A. E. Drapier
L. E. Hughes &
J. A. Via
Reporting Corps
Senate.

United States,

1856

To Saml. A. Lowe Esq.

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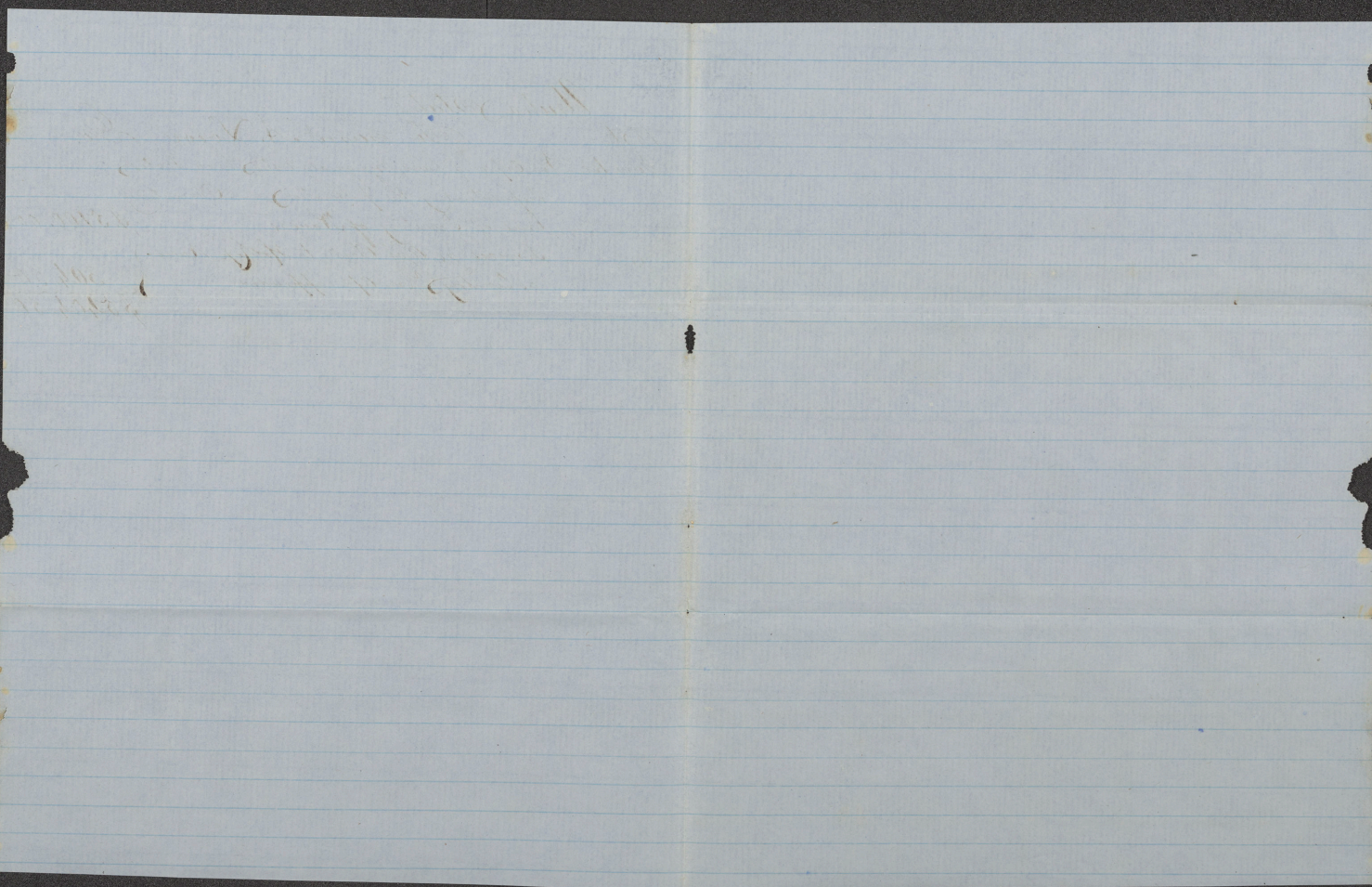
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Account

Olympia W.T. January 1st 1858.

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Senator in Congress,

Washington City D.C.

My dear Sir,

I send you by this mail a copy of my message to the Legislative Assembly of the Territory and I beg leave to call your attention to my account of the Indian War and our Indian relations, and the statements which I have given in regard to the character of the country. In this matter, I have endeavored to keep my mind free from all prejudice and to confine myself simply to such a presentation of the facts as was essential to the vindication of the character of the people of the Territory and of the course taken by me as an officer of the Federal Government.

The differences between the officers of the Regular Service and myself have been most painful to me, for I was bound to the service by my early education, by fourteen years service in the army, by many warm and abiding friendships, by never having had an enemy with a brother officer whilst in the service, by my good reputation throughout that service, and all ^{the} my inclinations and ~~all the~~ principles of action which ~~possessed~~ governed me were to act in concert with them and to go as far as I possibly could consistently with my duty and my self-respect, in the way of cordial and effective cooperation. But what was my duty in ^{the} premises? Manifestly to stand on the responsibility then pressing out of the trust placed in my hands, and to see to it that those responsibilities were met with firmness, with justice

and unflinching determination of purpose. It was no matter
of inclination, but an imperative obligation of duty, from which
I could not and would not shrink, that was to ~~see~~ direct
my public course. I will acknowledge that in my case the
usual consequence has resulted from earnest devotion to
the public service of a remote and suffering community, viz.,
an intense love for the Territory, the same now of fraternal
love for nearly four long years, ~~as~~ an abiding attachment
to these ^{people} personally and as a community. I am the witness
of their humanity, their moderation, their fraternalism, and
may my right hand forget its swelling and my tongue cease
to the roof of my mouth before I will abnegate the duty of be-
wilderating their cause. If I know myself however, I have
been thoroughly impartial both in the view of public policy which
I have adopted, and the measures of administration which
I have carried out, as Sup^y of Indian Affairs. I have learned
as unworthy a man in public position either pandering to
the sickly sentimentalities of so called philanthropists, or
giving to the fears and apprehensions of a community its
direction, when my duty was to look things sternly in the face, to be just
as well as merciful, to allay apprehension and not to excite it.

In the measure you will find ~~my~~ indication of my course
in proclaiming and enforcing martial law, and some observa-
tions in regard to the Pacific Railroad. I will earnestly call
your attention to the facts I have given in both cases.

It is of great consequence to our future peace that action
be had in conforming the treaties which have been made with
the Indians of this Territory, exact as regards the tribes, which
were part in the war, and that these latter should be planted

on reservations by an authoritative act of Congress. I have urged
such action in my reports to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
particularly in reports which go to him by this mail. Such a
course is in my judgment absolutely essential to the peace
of the country. I went into the subject very fully in my annual
report.

I trust in closing this letter, that your exertions in common
with those of the other earnest friends of the Territory, may
result in action which will save us from another Indian
war in the midst of our settlements. The war is now
transferred to the Interior.

Truly Yours friend,

Isaac D. Stevens

Isaac D. Storrs
Olympia W.T.
Aug 1/57
About Frontal affairs

Albany N.Y. Jan. 3^d 1851
 Gen. S. A. Douglass

Sir, several weeks since I took the liberty to write you a line in regard to the Post Office in this town and am once more obliged to address you upon the same subject, for though it may be small it is of some importance to us. The present incumbent is wholly unfit for the Office as for the last ten days he has been so much intoxicated as to be unable to do anything, and has kept the Office so that every one could go and help themselves as they pleased, since some of our business men say they would rather have the Office discontinued entirely than to have it as it now is. When I was in Chicago a while since I left a petition with Mr. Shehan, signed by two hundred of our Citizens, to have me reinstated, also a copy of resolutions passed at a Public Meeting in town, and he said it should be all made right. Mr. Cook also said he would see the matter attended to and I would respectfully refer you to that gentleman for particulars - and also Mr. B. Nichols^{sr} of Sterling Mass. Sir if you will be pleased to use your influence (which no doubt would be successful) in our behalf you will confer a great favor upon our Citizens.

Miss Cook Cambridge & Shehan say that Mr. B. Nichols Committee Respectfully
 an even in having the removal made G. G. James

G. G. Dennis of
Albany Ill wants
a new Port martins
apt^s —
May 3rd 1856

Private

Indianapolis Ind.^a January 7th 1856.
Hon Stephen A. Douglass
Washington City.

Dear Sir:

I was not aware before this day, that you were absent when the vote upon Fugitive Slave Law was taken, for the reasons stated by this tool of Mr. Bright.

I think, that I understand your course, and the reasons of your not voting, was very different from that of Mr. Bright: And you expressed your opinion upon the subject of that law, in a very positive manner at Chicago, soon after its passage. Jesse gave no opinion until he saw which way the wind set.

I think this matter should be set right. I give you the article. If it is not done at head quarters, I will see that it is here.

Yours faithfully,

Joseph A. Wright

Gov. Wright
Mr. respecting
Mendocino

May 7th / 36
+ clippings

The Presidency—Mr. Bright.

At no period in the history of our country have the Democracy been better united and more thoroughly purged of factious spirits. In Congress the Democracy present an unbroken front, and have held their position against a superior force, with a courage that would have done honor to the defenders of Genoa, and whatever may be the result in that contest, the shouts of a Marengo victory will greet our ears before the close of the year. It only remains for us to choose a standard-bearer, then the road to victory will be plain. We may congratulate ourselves that so much harmony prevails, and that the people are not involved in a war of words relative to the fitness of candidates for the Presidency. It is true there are always exceptions to general rules. We observe that the Democratic paper at Chillicothe, O., recommends the name of Hon. William Allen for the Presidency. Mr. Allen is eminently qualified for that position, and, should he be nominated, the Democracy would rally to his support. But this Chillicothe editor has seen fit to speak disparagingly of Mr. Douglas, an eminent statesman, no less worthy of that high position.

Hon. Jesse D. Bright has been spoken of in connection with the Presidency, in various parts of the Union, and unless we are mistaken in the signs of the times, he is the choice of Indiana. Yet some of the more timid imagine that his name will create difficulty in the State Convention, and predicate that opinion upon the fact that an anonymous writer in the Brownstown Democrat has seen fit to attack Mr. Bright. But I am of the opinion that a man of Mr. Bright's standing cannot be vanquished by an anonymous writer. This writer charges Mr. Bright with being a dodger, but the traits of his character quite the reverse. All who know Mr. Bright, whether friend or foe, will admit that he has ever been open and frank, and that firmness and decision have, at all times, marked his course. The simple fact that a member, by some accident, is not present when a vote is taken, does not show that such member would avoid responsibility unless it be made to appear that he has attempted to conceal his opinions. But no one ever need be in doubt in regard to Mr. Bright's opinions upon any leading question, because he has always fearlessly taken his positions. But such is the animosity of the writer alluded to, that he charges that Mr. Bright is a dodger because his vote is not recorded on the passage of the Fugitive Slave Law or the Nebraska Bill. If this writer cannot do justice to the living, he should have some regard for the ashes of the dead. Who does not remember that distinguished statesman and able advocate of popular rights—the lamented James Whitcomb? He too was absent when the vote was taken on the Fugitive Slave law. So was Cass, and so was Douglas. The circumstances under which that vote was taken are still fresh in the memories of many of our people. It was well understood on the day previous, that a long speech would be made before the vote was taken. The consequence was, that when the day arrived, Mr. Bright and some other Senators went to the Departments to transact business for their constituents, and, in the meantime, the vote was taken before it was possible for them to reach the Senate chamber. But neither Bright, nor Whitcomb, nor Douglas, nor Cass can be regarded as dodgers, because they made not the slightest attempt to conceal their principles—they avowed their opinions boldly. It is well known that Mr. Bright was a member of the committee from which the compromise measures emanated—that he was one of the majority that recommended their passage—that he endorsed them in the Senate—and that when he returned to his constituents, he took ground in favor of all, including the Fugitive Slave Law, in his speeches.

In regard to Mr. Bright's position on the Nebraska Bill, but little need be said, because no one is so blind as to doubt that Mr. Bright is a thorough Nebraska Democrat, and that popular sovereignty has ever been his polar star. The writer that traduces him, furnishes a sufficient vindication in the same breath, by saying that Mr. Bright was absent from Washington, attending a Democratic convention. If he was absent, how was it possible for him to vote? If he was attending a Democratic convention, he was certainly in good business, and I hope the writer has no worse sin to answer for. It would have been well if the writer had stated the fact that, at the same convention, Mr. Bright was among the first to endorse the Nebraska Bill, and that he has endorsed that measure in every speech he has made to his constituents.

I am no man-worshiper, but why should I not do justice to the living and revere the memory of the dead? In the great contest of '43, the Democracy knew well who to choose as their standard bearers—Whitcomb and Bright. They fought the battle well, the victory was won, and more than five thousand can date their conversion to Democracy at that period.

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Dr Sir

Excused at. Dignon on
my part - Our Book Keeper away - Part must not know
the facts - occasional delay in replying to yr letter from
Clearland - The drafts assigned to you by Mr Rice
was at yr request handed to A. A. Tucker Esq -
As I then understood you was also to have the accep-
tances of A. S. Mitchell Esq, which we had not rec^d
when Mr Rice made the assignment of the others - and
which we have never rec^d as the Mitchell draft was
not consummated -

We now have \$11,000.⁰⁰ rec^d yesterday
belonging to Mr Rice - Proceeds of Sale to Co^t Rochester
of J. Shaw - Out of this our Commission to be deducted
balance Mr Rice instructs us by letter to place
to his credit & send him the Certⁿ of deposit -

If you can give us such authority
as we can properly act on, we will forward you
part or all of this - Otherwise we must obey Mr
Rice - Now remember that I have sent
from Mr Murray to you - also the note

for \$500. of Sardinian, which at your
request I deposited - having left as collateral
your \$500. Bank Note (Linn)

I truly hope you may speedily
be restored to vigorous health - I regard
your illness at this juncture as a great
national calamity - You need be pained to
me your intended course towards free-sover-
eignty - God grant you strength to carry it
out to its fullest extent - And all the people
will say Amen

Truly
Yours
E. R. Smith

E. R. Smith
Chey.

Wesley
July 11th '96

Pindola Jan 14 1836

Mrs. S. A. Douglass

My dear Sir

I was very sorry to hear of your
sickness, but I was glad to see
by the paper that you had so
much recovered as to be able
to leave for Washington but I
have not seen the announcement
of your arrival there but take it
for granted that if you were
able that you was there so I
take the liberty of writing to you
I want you to send to me
the patent reports of 1833 & 1834
& of 1835 if it should be out before
you should leave Washington
& also send to J. Siman at
Loralle the same I should

like if I could get it some good speaker full as well as he
of the black sea spring wheat did the fine of the merchants at
in Gait I should like some the battle of Bunker's & I hope
of any kind of wheat or any kind that that good old Samaritan
of seeds that would benefit the party of what is left of them will
Yam. for such I intend to be flag throne and vote for Hubert
the villain of my days if I or any other man until the day
I had a member in the lower house of Congress I think from the vote
I should asked him to have sent that throne must be at least 75
thousand to me for I know that you demagogic votes that I call, I
have much to attend to but what poor old doctors must & will
ever give place to send to me & prevail in time this Gillingham
should be glad to receive those abolition African religious humbug
one same men in my school sail in time die & he so damned
that I should like to have you dead & heaped so deep that the
send the something to George hand of no religion can't drag them
Mr. Weiss Mr. Tarnes out as the Danagon said I hope
H. Gillingham & Wm Gillingham that you will hold these meetings
tell Mr. Richardson that he seems discontented but where they are
to stand the line in the House I think that throne same song

man in our State. I am
sorry to say to you that my
House in Ponca was entirely destr
by fire on Monday morning the
just the weather here has been
very cold so below 0

I am now farming 3 miles
East of Menahala you
with Respect John Hoffman

Answered for
Doe & Co

Jan, 15, 1856

S Lake Fork of Okla & Secon
 Ma Post office Smith Co Ill
 To Stephen & Douglass esq

Dear sir after years have past since
 we have met or any communications
 past between us I take the liberty to
 to ask one favor of you knowing that
 like my self you are all ways ready
 to do any thing that interests the Democratic
 party the Post office Department has
 lay the devil at this office lately
 by appointing a R. B. Southern Post Master
 the Democracy cant stand it it wont do
 it is giving them all the facilities that they want
 and we cant expect to get any documents
 or any thing through the P. O. office if they have
 the power to suppress or hinder in any way
 it is better for us to have the office vacated
 and go where a Democrat is in office mark
 my friend Please to do something for us
 in this case I am the same fearless
 Democrat that I was when I told you
 in Carrollton that old Greenback give
 you 300 majority in Brownings county
 more when we lay united account

the Center lot of me gave our enemies
the officers they can give us up count
stand still when there is any thing
to be done have not more than
thirty years and was all ways a Samson
and shall hold out to the end have
not yet any more yet as to what
you are about but expect you
have a stormy time now best as
I can respect fully yours

James Mc Pitt

Jan the 15

1856 J.B. of your bondancy
Liber to the Samson in the place send
them to Bear Lake (also to J.C.)

James Mc Pitt
Wrote a "K M" Pm
Removed and as
Removal out of town
- to Wm P.O.
Lake Fork Ill

Removal
Some

Phil^a Jan^y 16th 1856

Dear Garvid

I received your letter
some days since, and would have
replied to it sooner, but sickness
has prevented me from doing so.

It affords me much pleasure
to bear my testimony to your capac-
ity and conduct during the time
you served under my command
in the Horn Squadron - a period
of upwards of two years during
several months of which my servant
was hoisted on board your vessel a
circumstance which allowed me
ample opportunity of observing closely
your conduct and fitness for com-
mand. My long service in the
Navy has brought me in contact
with many officers of your grade,
but I say without hesitation I

have met with men whose promptness
and decision in the performance
of their duty, has given me more
satisfaction than yours. By your
firmness and equanimity a cheer-
ful and exact state of discipline
was maintained on board your
Ship which rendered her always
efficient and prepared to execute
and fulfil all the purposes of a
man of war.

I am very truly,
Yours &c
D. Conner

Com^d J. P. Lewis.
U. S. Navy.

Copy of a letter
of recommendation
from Commodore
Conner
to Mr Larrie
of the Navy.

Sept.

Post Office Department,

APPOINTMENT OFFICE,

Jan 21, 1856.

Sir,
 Clark Gale, the Postmaster at Forkville
 County of Lake State of Ill.
 appointed on your recommendation,
 declines to accept. Will you please
 suggest the name of a successor?

Has Left the place
 In May 1856

Before submitting this case to the Postmaster General, I
 have to request the favor of any information you may possess, or be able
 conveniently to obtain, respecting it.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully, &c.,

Wm. S. Douglas,
 U. S. Senate.

Nathan King

FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL.

(11.02)

Memorandum

JOHN TAYLOR

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to Secretary

to Mr. Taylor

to Mr. Taylor

Post Office
Dept in regard
to PM at Goshen
Ill.

To Secretary

Also to the Secretary
to the Secretary
to the Secretary

to the Secretary

to the Secretary

JOHN TAYLOR

Your cousin Mr.
B. Douglas wishes
you to get the son
of the late Major
Henry into the Army
Mercantile Bank & Co.
Jan 26th

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Mercantile Bank,
New-York, Jan 23 1856
Mr L. H. Douglas
Dear Sir

I am very
much interested in the success
of the application of the
widow of the late Major
Henry, for her son to be
appointed as a cadet to West
Point. She is a Grand daughter
of Sir' Thompson on her
mother's side, and of Uncle
Thompson, the late Smith
Thompson of the Supreme
Court of the U.S. on her
Father's side - a most
estimable and interesting

woman, but plunged into want
and sorrow by the loss of
her husband. He was a
gallant officer, who died
in this City, from disease
contracted during his service
in the war in Mexico.
The widow is left with
three interesting children, two
daughters and one son. The
last a fine youth, born I
believe in a Garrison and
with all his tastes leading
him to the army. It is
a very strong case, pleading
for the appointment of an
orphan boy, of a gallant
Officer, whose life was a
sacrifice to his Country,

and I shall be very glad if
you will interest yourself
in his behalf. His Mother
has made a formal application
to the President, and has
written to Col. Totten. I
will be obliged if you will
let me hear your opinion
of the prospects of the youth.
I trust you have recovered
your health. My Mother is
very feeble and failing; so
ful that he cannot long
be spared to us.

Sincerely Yours
J. R. Douglas

Chicago Jan'y 33rd 56

Wm L A Douglass

Dear Sir

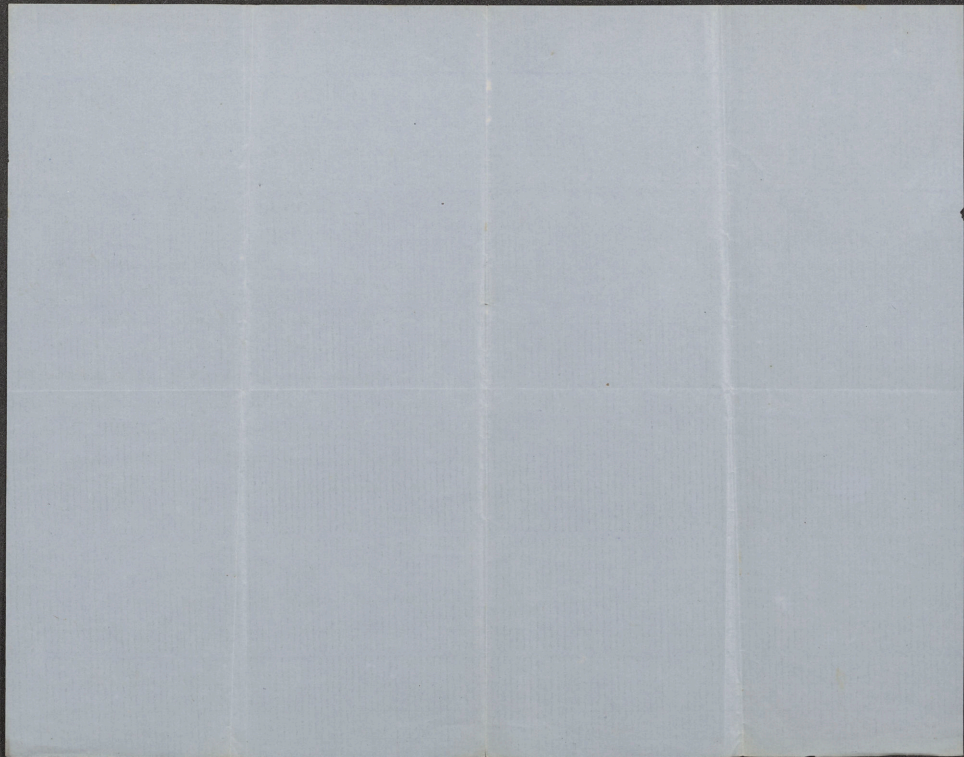
Your note given
July 10th/55 became due Jan'y 13/56
for \$1142⁵⁰ and interest the holder
of said note, Col B Bissell is
becoming very clamorous &
I wish you would arrange it
as I suppose you despise law
as bad as I do. Please inform
me who your agent is here or
what course I can take to
arrange it.

An early answer would
much oblige

Yours obed^t serv^t

John B King

Box 262



Chicago, Jan'y 29th 1886.

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Dear Sir.

As you will have seen by reference to the Times, I took the initiative in effecting a city organization. I called meetings in the three divisions for the appointment of a central committee. By management we got ten of the committee of 15 all right. That committee met last night (Monday) and in spite of snowstorm and his friends, we ordered a caucus for the nomination of city officers to meet on the 5th of February. The election takes place in March.

The primary meetings ~~as~~ for the choice of delegates is ~~as~~ will be held next Friday night. To prevent villainy or division I ordered the committee to name the places of holding these primary meetings, and the persons who shall conduct the same. While things were progressing

so admirably and harmoniously to unite the entire party and ensure a brilliant victory, the cars on Saturday night rolled into the city, freighted with breastplates and our friend Cook. The former, in his paper, on Monday

voluntarily denounce the Convention. His desire was to have E. B. Williams run independently and force the Democracy to his support. But, I had obtained previously from Williams a pledge, that he would abide the nomination of the Convention. I need not say to you that it is ~~not~~ ^{the same thing as} running counter to the pledge as to run Williams. Dyer would have received four fifths of the votes in the Convention. But, Cook is out in violent opposition to Dyer, and is pledging himself to spend all he is worth to defeat him. Cook's reasons are private, and are known only to me; I look upon the defeat of Dyer as the defeat of the nominee; and I think that to carry Chicago by a thousand as we can if Dyer be the man, would be a victory most auspicious in its effects all over the country. It could not fail in being attributed to your personal presence in Chicago, and would be a public reputation of the many slanders published as to your personal as well as political influence here. //

I write you these particulars that you may understand what follows. The Times is now the organ of the party. Dyer nominates for the Democratic over to the fusion party against our nominations, and at once, it will

cease to exercise any control over the councils of the party. Nominate Williams, or any one else ^{or let} us be defeated, and the effect is disastrous. If the other side elect, should be hailed as a triumph over you. If Williams is the man, whether elected or not the Democrat will be his organ & consequent of the party. Brooks' success having the effect to defeat Dyer's nomination or his election, will make much worse the organ of the party. Could any thing be more disastrous. I had a conversation with him but I amounted to nothing. He has since then sought out Lamson & told him what he did not like to tell me, that he intended to defeat Dyer's nomination if he could, & finally that to defeat his election; he said the Times might do as it liked - he intended to act as he pleased.

as he keeps it. This places me under the necessity of heating
between the Cork & Snow-hoek as one party; 50000
& how can I arrive at, will damn Cork forever, and
so the paper no good. It will moreover have the
effect of disturbing our personal relations, and
that is to be deplored. Yet what can I do. I will
see Cork tonight, and ~~if heads~~ will tell him what
is to result from his conduct, I leave him to decide
the matter. I am in hopes, that you would have

been able to soften his personal asperities against Dyer,
I care nothing personally for Dyer, but we can elect him
where we cannot a liquor dealer, who Cork wants to ruin.
I do not think that in a question of so much political
importance as our carrying this election, that the
personal feelings of Cork should be allowed to lead us
to ruin.

I need not say to you that Cork is not silent
in his opposition. He is open, and avows it everywhere.
Under these circumstances, and as I intend to adhere to
what is right - do not be surprised that when you hear
that Cork and the Times have quarrelled.

If Dyer has sought heretofore to have Cork elected,
what will not Dyer do, when should he be defeated
by Cork either for the nomination or for mayor.

I trust you are recovering. I feel bound to render
my advice, that you do not go to Washington
until the House organizes.

Yours truly
J. W. Sheahan

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and term election
J. W. Sheahan
Chicago Ill

About the time
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some elections

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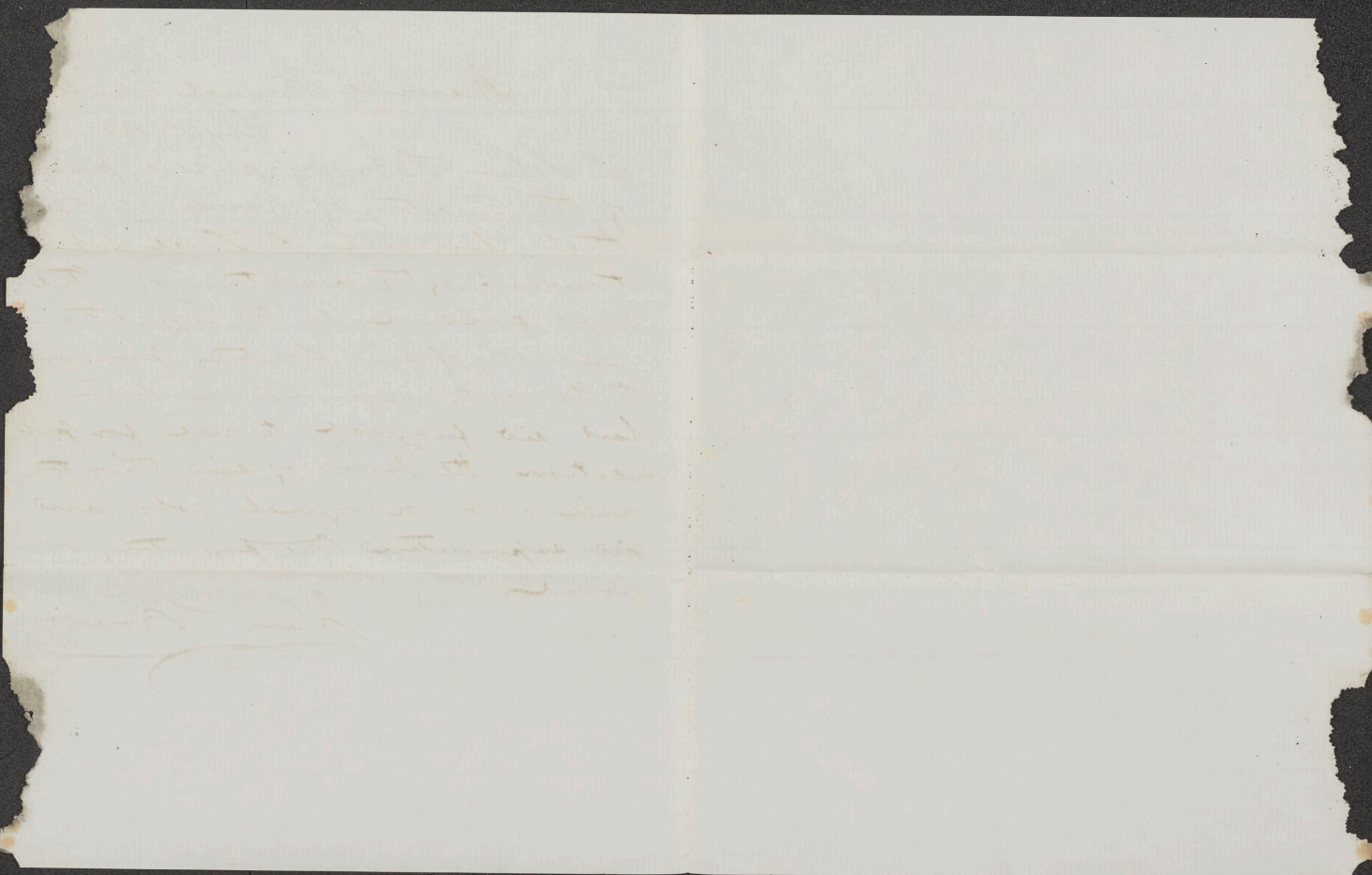
Shawnee Manual Laborer

Feb 1st 1836

I John T Brady public printer
of the Territory of Kansas certify
that Samuel A Loral Super-
intendent of the printing of the
laws passed by the Legislative
assembly of said Territory pursuant
to the duty enjoined on him by
law did furnish to me for pub-
lication the ^{copies of} laws of said Territory
made out (original notes and
did superintend the printing of
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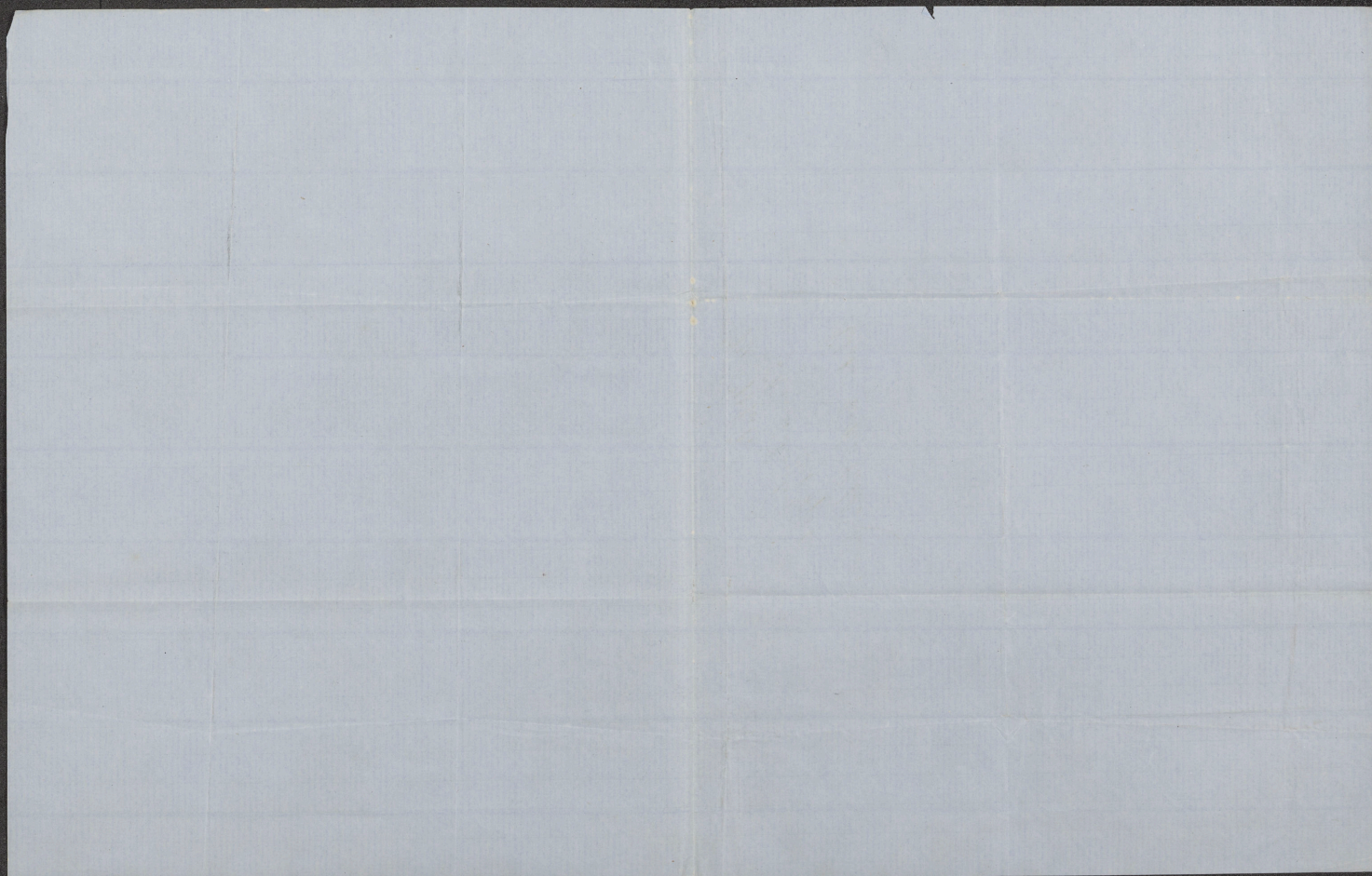
February 7th 1846

Mr. S. F. Douglas United States Senator
 Friend I send you a few lines
 to inform you that we are in trouble
 here and we want your aid to help us
 we are on the prairie lands and are ordered
 to leave if there is any chance for us
 to remain a bidding to the treaty we want
 you to use your influence with President
 Pierce the Indians so that they have not
 complained and that they don't
 want us removed I have sent you one
 letter before this and have gotten no
 answer we have sent petitions and
 memorials to General Whitfield but have
 got no answer from him I would like
 you will would consult him please
 write me and you will oblige yours
 I direct your letter to Assawtame
 Pocomments well be thankfully
 received at any time

S. F. Douglas

ell. White

Mr. White
Kansas Territory
Feb 5/86
Relative to the Public Lands



The Philomathesian
Society of Ill. State
university notifies
you that you are
declared honorary
member

Springfield

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Illinois State University
Springfield Feb. 6, 56
Hon. J. A. Douglass

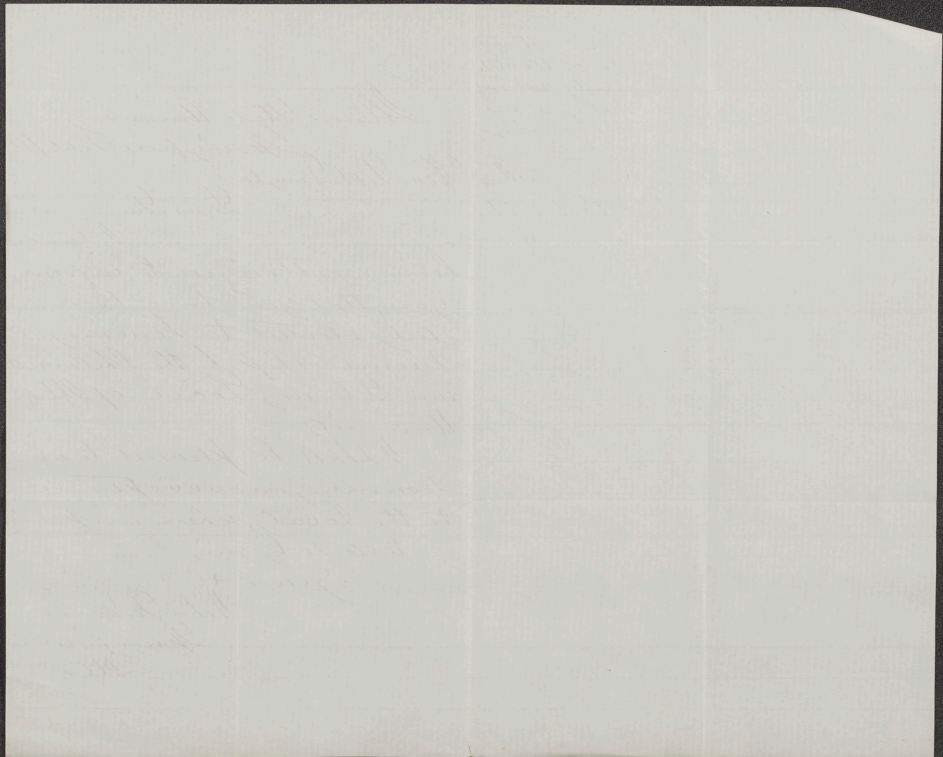
Dear Sir

I have
been authorized to inform
you, that you have been
duly elected to honorary
membership by the Philomathe-
sian Literary Society of Ills;
University.

I shall be pleased to an-
nounce your acceptance
to the Society, when empow-
ered to do so by you,

Yours &c

John G. Quar
Springfield
Ills.



Office of the Secretary of the Senate, U. S.,

February 9, 1856.

The Honorable S. A. Douglas.

Sir:

I send you one copy of the Executive Documents of the Senate of the First Session of the Thirty-third Congress, in thirteen volumes, and one copy of the Miscellaneous Documents of the Senate of the same session, in one volume, the receipt whereof I will thank you to acknowledge.

The volumes now sent, together with the Journal and Reports of Committees delivered to you on the 22nd December 1854, complete the series of the Senate Documents of the First Session of the Thirty-third Congress.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Wm. Dickinson.

Secretary of the Senate.

(To be signed and returned to the Secretary of the Senate.)

Received of Asbury Dickinson, Secretary of the Senate, one copy of the Executive Documents of the Senate of the 1st Session 33d Congress, in 13 volumes, and one copy of Miscellaneous Documents of the Senate of the same session, in 1 volume.

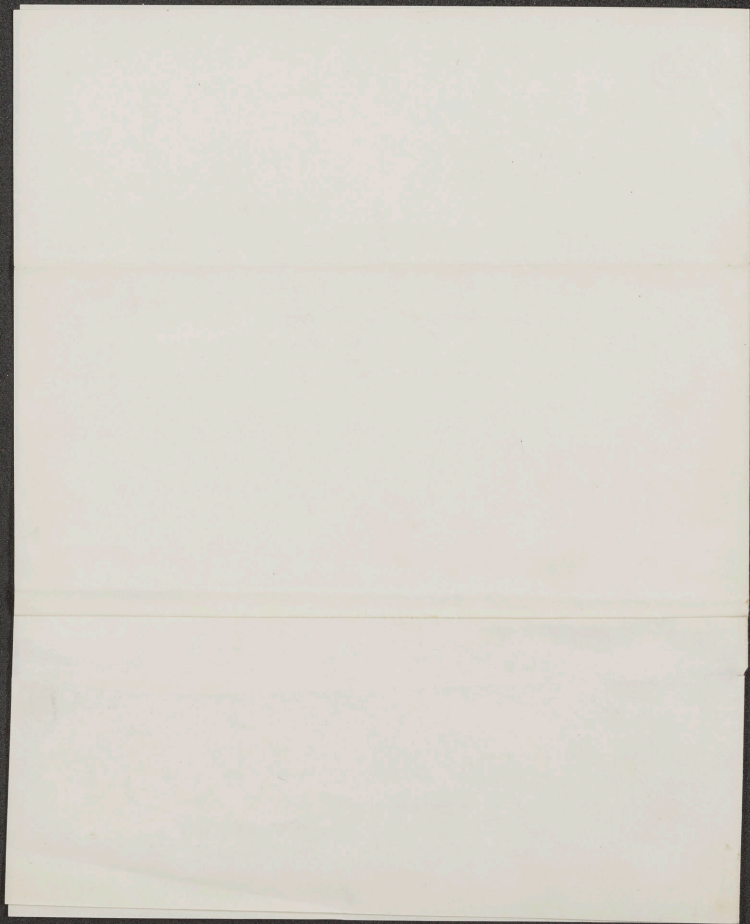
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the proposed purchase of the land in the State of California, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, very truly,
John W. Foster, Secretary of the Interior.

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Sir,

Pursuant to a Joint Resolution of the 23d February, 1854, "for supplying new members of the Senate and House of Representatives with such books of a public character as have been heretofore supplied," I send you herewith, four packages, containing the "Diplomatic Correspondence," in three volumes, and the "Reports on the Finances," in seven volumes, the receipt whereof I will thank you to acknowledge.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Asbury Dickins

Secretary of the Senate.

(To be signed and returned to the Secretary of the Senate.)

Received of Asbury Dickins, Secretary of the Senate, one copy of the "Diplomatic Correspondence," in three volumes, and one copy of the "Reports on the Finances," in seven volumes, under the Joint Resolution of 23d February, 1854.

On the 1st of June 1880

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th inst.

and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

J. H. [Signature]

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Geneva Feb 11th 1866

Hon S A Douglas

Sir

I have been trying for some time to procure the appointment of B. W. Lyon postmaster at Lodi in Kane County Ill. in place of Jenkins who is & always has been an abolitionist. it is important that this should be done. soon - Clyde don't forget this, hoping to hear from you soon I remain Truly Yours
A. W. Herrington

Wants you to
get him app-
P M at Lodi
All Feb 15-1856

See who this is

Montgomery News Co Virginia

February 11th 1866

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As the time fast approaches when the Social States of the Confederacy will assemble in Convention to nominate Candidates for the office of President and Vice President to preside over the destiny of this great Republic. In common with my fellow Citizens I feel deeply interested in many of the great political questions, which now agitate and distract the Country.

As an humble member of the Democratic Party and regarding you as a true Patriot in the cause of our Country's Democracy as well as one of its present prominent members, I take the liberty should you be selected as the Standard Bearer of that honorable body: And as your supporter, beg you to reply to the following questions, which deeply move the public mind of our beloved Union.

The first that presents itself to me is the Fugitive Slave Law! living as I do in the South I can but feel that is a question of great importance.

Secondly, The Naturalization Law! which will be attacked by this new party which has just sprung into existence with relentless rage against of Constitutional Rights. Thirdly, The Question of Slavery! the burning question of which shined around to arouse every Patriot in the Country, but more especially those in the South!

is one that demands serious attention.

We have already seen armed Bands in Kansas commencing at it soon the dissolution and destruction of this Union's Confederacy. Also the Acquisition of Cuba will be a question of no minor importance.

Spain in joining the Atlantic has probably a guarantee from England for its protection backed by her Fleets, independent money therefore be offered that must not be lost sight of. And that calls to my mind the great Condition of our Navy in comparison with the Steam Navies of other Countries. There are other questions of importance which I forbear troubling you with and would not with any but believing in Democracy frankly & Confidently that its principles and Measures when openly exposed never fail.

The Democracy here at this time has parties to oppose and it behoves us to take every opportunity to let its principles and Measures known to the public, and success is certain, as well as to place on a firm basis the safety of the Union.

Trusting at your earliest convenience you will reply to this. Hoping your future political life may be as successful as your former has been Constant.

I have the honor to be

Yours Respectfully

James N. Shreve

Wm Stephen A. Douglas
Washington
D.C.

Admission of Slaves
on Government
Appointed ground
fully
Prostitutionary
the public life



Le Roy Ill. Feb. 11th 1856
Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir

I have this day transmitted my resignation to the Post Master General as Post Master of the Post Office at Le Roy McLean County Illinois and I have recommended to his consideration the Appointment of Mr. Samuel A. More as a man well worthy and Eminently Qualified for the Office He is a member of the Democratic Party and uses his best Efforts to perpetuate its harmony, He is a Strong Supporter and Advocate of the principles of Squatter Sovereignty as recognized in the Organic Law of Kansas & Nebraska. He regards the Fusionists and Luctionists movements of the present day as being diametrically Opposed to the genius of our free institutions. I have therefore sought Your able Assistance in procuring his Appointment. He has filled the Station before and I have no doubt will give general satisfaction and at the same time protect the interests of the Department.

With sentiments of true regard I remain

Yours truly,

James Vandever P. M.

As I have vent
P M of Lt Royce
resigns in favor
of S A Moore and want
you to use your influ-
ence to get him apptd

Feb 11 1856

Lt Major Harris

Feb. 12, 1856

Dear Douglass - Our meeting is fixed for the 22d of February - This day week - and if you will come, we will make no fuss about it, but will without noise give you a chance to make just such a speech as ^{only} you can make. There was to be no invitation to anybody, but the Committee desired me to ask you to meet us, and to give us the benefit of your opinions, precisely as if you had come into ~~Massachusetts~~ ^{Phila.} accidentally. Your speech will be fully reported, and your unexpected presence only announced a day before hand. This will be better for you, because you will not then be accountable for anything else we may do at

the meeting, and nobody else can expect
because they were omitted. Come on,
by all means. It will be a gift
that will not be the worst of
your eventful life; and an
investment of time and trouble
that the future will amply
reward.

Yours truly

J. W. Poppley

Wm. S. Abouglaff

Phil. Ind. 12, 1840.

J. W. Dorney

no

Hon. Stephen A. Douglass
Senator