

Harrisburg May 12. 1857

Am S. A. Douglass

Dear Sir

Enclosed you
will find for you acceptance
draft of Arnold Harris
in my favor for \$10,000. due
May 1. 1858 which I have
had discounted, at the
request of Mr Harris, for
you accommodation, also
find enclosed check of
Mechanics Savings Bank,
for the proceeds, to wit,
\$9350⁰⁰ of this date on the
Western Bank of Philadel^a
You will please accept the
draft "payable at the
Western Bank Philadelphia"
& enclose to me at the place
marked Private

Yours Truly
A. J. Magraw

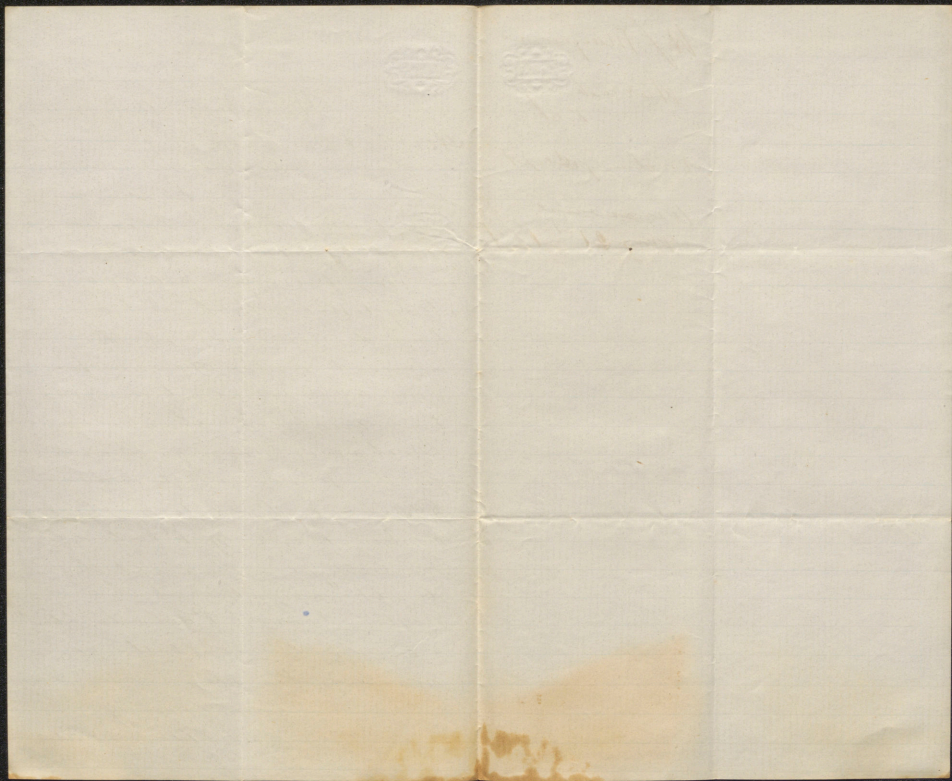
W. F. Mayhew

Aurresbury
Pool

Anding Dept

Unsubscribed

May 21st 1857



Cordova May 12th 1857

Hon A A Douglas

Dear Sir I had
a Conversation With our post Master to day
and he is apprehensive that there is an
effort a making to take the office from
him he is a man highly respected here and
an aged man and not able to labour much
and it is an act of Justice I think to let him
retain it I believe he gives very good
Satisfaction and by his retaining it would
meet the approbation of the whole section of
the Country that is interested, he is honest
Capable and Energy to Execute his business
Correctly and I am satisfied that the Commu-
nity does not ask his removal

Yours With High Respect & Esteem

Wm. Marshman Jr

Wm Marshall
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Freeport Me.
May 12/57

Mrs. A. A. Douglass
Sir

The beam of this
Mr. F. Frank being about to leave our
City where he has resided for the past
two years, We his friends & Democratic
fellow citizens, take this occasion
to testify our regard for him as a
gentleman, & as a firm & unyield-
ing Democrat, and to commend
him to the favorable notice of your
self, and to the Democratic Party
at large, in whatever locality his
future lot may be cast.

James Mitchell

J. Wright Smith

William Bright

F. W. & P. W. Wray
Democrat & Shaker

Warren C. Clark

W. P. Harwood

J. F. Frank
Freeport
Mss.

Recommendation

This image shows a blank, aged, cream-colored page, likely an endpaper or flyleaf of a book. The paper has a slightly textured appearance with some minor creases and discoloration, particularly along the edges. The left edge of the page is bound into the book's spine, and the binding material is visible. There is no text or other markings on the page.

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Sharon Springs May 12/57
Geo Platt Esq

Dear Sir -

On my
return from New York I found
the enclosed petition in office with
request to send it to you &
solicit your influence with the
P. O. Dept in procuring the
appointment of D. H. Eldridge
as Post Master at Plano Ill.
The Mr Eldridge referred to in
the petition is my former
partner in business. he removed
to that place (Plano) last summer
& is engaged in the Mercantile
business. Of course I know
nothing of the abuse of the
office complained of. Mr Eldridge
is a firm Democrat and any
thing that you can do for him

will be duly appreciated, by me -
His qualifications to discharge the
duties of the office I can vouch
for.

Mr Bull has received notice
from the Department of his bid
being accepted, and he sends
another proposal by this mail,
to carry six months daily &
six months tri-weekly -

You will please excuse me for
troubling you with this, but I am
doing only as Mr Eldridge
requested me -

I am Very Respectfully Yours
M^r D^r Rogers

May 23-57.



Charlestown, Mass., May 12th, 1857.

Sir,==The Bunker-Hill Monument Association propose to celebrate the 32d Anniversary of the Battle of Bunker-Hill, on the 17th of June next, by the Inauguration of a Statue of General Warren, which will then be placed upon the Battle Ground; by Addresses by Hon. Edward Everett and other distinguished Gentlemen, and by other appropriate ceremonies.

The Committee of Arrangements have deemed that this will be a celebration of no ordinary interest and importance, and they therefore respectfully request that you will be pleased to honor them with your attendance on the occasion.

On behalf of the Committee of Arrangements,

G. Washington Warren,

Wm. W. Whittier,

Geo. T. Sawyer,

Frederic W. Lincoln, Jr.

G. M. Warren
to others

Charleston
map

an invitation
to Bunkerhill
celebration



State House Hartford May 18 1837

Ans. Stephen A. Douglas

Sir

Genl. State informing me
that he forwarded to me the recommendations
of Noah Waldo an Rep. in Cong. H. Wm. D. Bishop
together with his own in favor of my son
Jonah & Dick with D. who is an applicant
for the vacant Cadetship from the 7th Dist
Col. ^{not} my son's, & commendation of the
highest character from the most distinguished
men in this State from Oct. 9.
Superior Court Judges several of the
late Governors for Edward Phelps in the
place which can be forwarded if necessary.
But we suppose that the paper forwarded
by Genl. State may be satisfactory.

It may appear very unusual to me
to receive such an application as
we have unfortunately mis-represented
in the last Congress by the Hon. S. Wells
who bawled away this recommendation for
ten votes in the Convention where he was

a Candidate for re-nomination - And
being the son of a prominent Member of
the Democratic party And a relative of
the Hon. C. S. May, was the nomination was made
in favor of a son of a prominent Member of the
Republican party. Altho the Dr. Meigs had been
that they became negotiating, they referred to them
in favor of J. G. Beckwith Jr.

It may be that there might be no
mistake as to the ability of the Hon. Mr.
Allen to fill the vacancy. He has sometimes
been called in the matter who states that
he has this power until the 30 May, but
for the present year and know the Committee
is Mr. Meigs probably to fill the vacancy
for the present year even better.

You are so favorably known already to
the Democracy in this State that Mr. Meigs
feeling their united influence undoubtedly
for the highest office he can fill - But this
influence if it were to favor Mr. Meigs
will add to the weight of obligation
already to Mr. Meigs and the appearance of
the Democracy of the State.

If any further testimony be necessary, I can
forward you those of a large number of
the Demo. Members of our Legislature who
are in favor of Mr. Meigs and with best regards

a Member and Judge, Appellate of
New Haven, Hon. C. S. May & others -
Hon. Mr. May is very personally
acquainted with me and has the
any information (Mr. May seems to say)

With high respect Mrs. C. S. May

J. G. Beckwith

Hon. Mr. Douglas.

Washington

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J. G. Beckwith
Hartford
Ct.

My dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst.

Yours truly
J. G. Beckwith

I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst.
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 truly,
J. G. Beckwith



Pittsburgh, St. Wayne & Chicago R. R. Company,
OFFICE OF GENERAL WESTERN AGENT,
NO. 30 DEARBORN STREET.

Chicago, May 13 1857

Hon S A Douglass

Dear Sir

I take
great pleasure in introducing
to you Mr W A Hunt-Eske
whom I have known from
Boyhood. And one more
worthy of friend ship
I never know. but he an
unfortunate Circumstance which
he will fully explain to you
he has been to some extent
injured by hard swearing
and an insane Judge
His relations to
his aged Mother and
sister. and his orphan
children. ~~to my~~

On my departure
I am unable to do what

I would wish.

I have suggested
him. An Application to
you.

The peculiarities of the
case must be my apology
and I assure you that
for honor honesty and
manhood your interest
and confidence may be
fully and safely used
on this behalf.

Again

let me say that my knowledge
of him is from the head
I have the honor
to remain

Very yours
D M Boss

I send you a letter
I received this morning
from Genl Elliott of
Indiana a warm friend
of yours D M B

D. M. Pop
Chicago

Rockford May 13 / 57

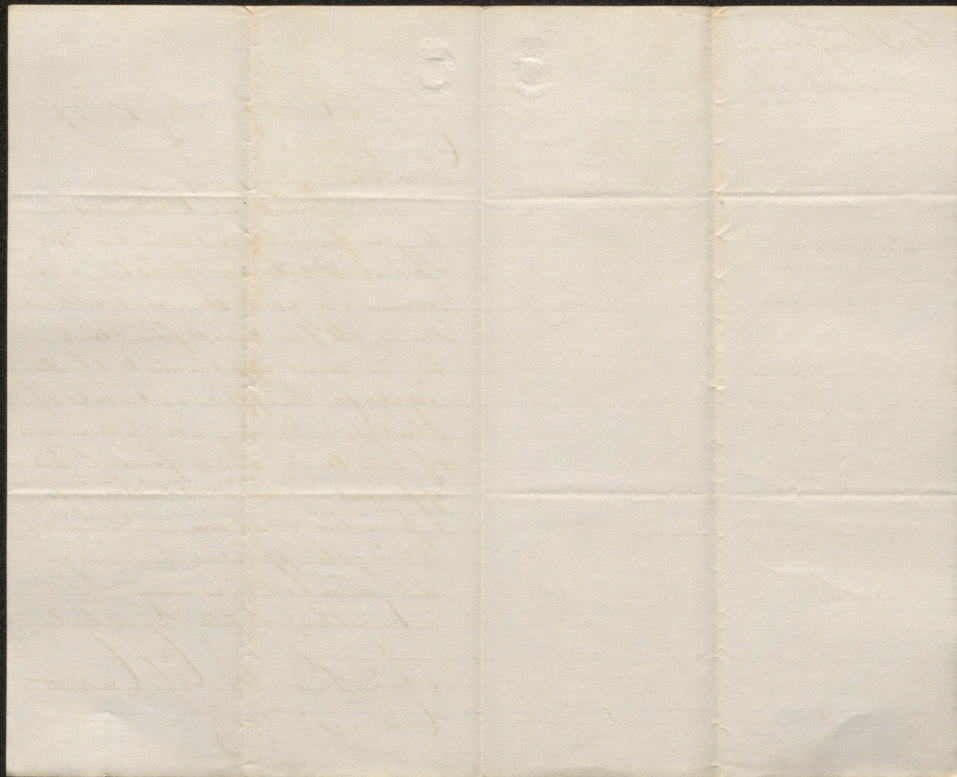
Dear Sir

Permit me to introduce
to your favourable acquaintance Mr
Samuel Petersburger of this City a native
German & a good Democrat & stood
during the last census firm & true
he has made application to the Pres-
ident for the office of consul of
Stuttgart Germany all the Democrats
of this County are in favor of his
appointment if consistent with your feelings
& patriotism & you can assist him in
obtaining the appointment he desires you
will much oblige

Very Respectfully Yours truly

Wm. L. Douglass }
C. W. Carman }
Chicago Ill }

C. Chapman
Rockford
Ill



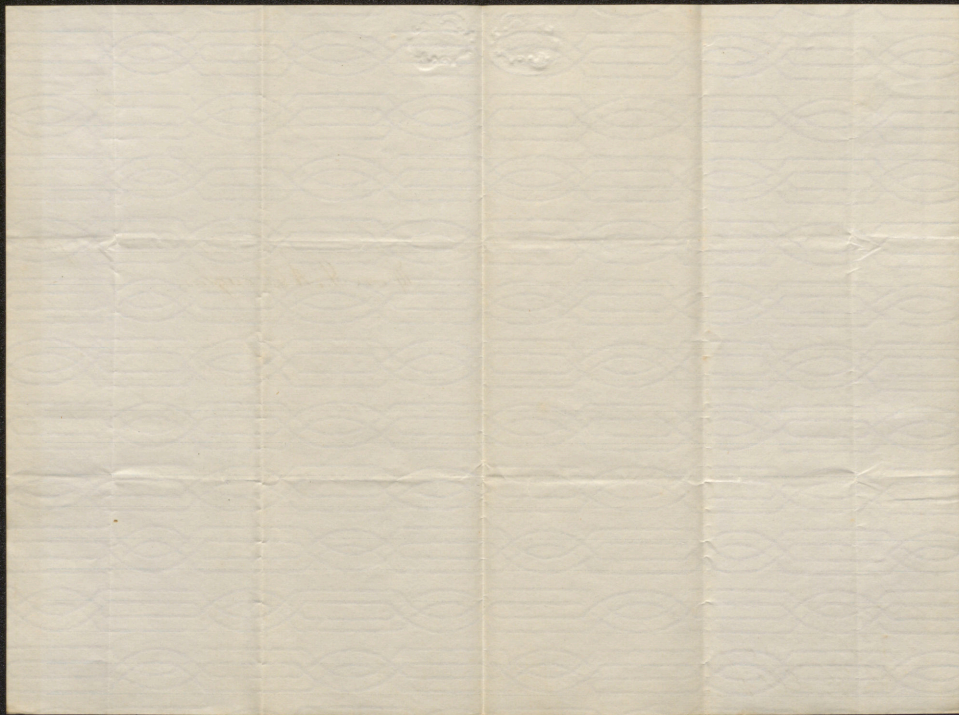
Barterhill Mass May 30th 57
Hon S. A Douglas.

Dear Sir would
you oblige me so much as to send
me you Autograph if it is not
to much trouble

Yours With Respe^t
J. M. Smith
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J. W. Fitts
Haverhill
Mass.





1857
Monticello Pitt co Ill May 13

Hon D A Douglass

Dear Sir

My have got up a petition
to have me thrown out from
Berry Post Master, Mr Mc
Cormack a renegade who
has standed A by lying, &c
I have a petition to be
continued & have about
300 signers to be continued
signed by all the business
men & county officers of
the county & I want you
to use your influence
to that effect if you please
the petition is signed by all
you old friends in this place
your obedt servant
J E Johnson

J. C. Johnson
Monticello
Ills

Monticello, Va May 13. 1857
Pitt county.

Sir - G. P. Master - Sir - I have
brought the mail from Monticello
to Rail Road the Last year and
at last the mail has never
laid over in the stable over
day and nite as was stated
to you by letter and ~~the~~
there is no need for a change
of postmaster here at present

Yours

William Motherfaw

Wm. Muthershan
Monticello.

Monticello N.Y. May 13th/57
Hon S. A. Douglass

Esteemed friend

I wish to inform
you that in consequence of
some personal enmity again
st J. C. Johnson & his Brother Geo.

One of the citizens of Monticello
a Lawyer lately from Bergen
who is making himself very offic-
ious in a great many instances
Has gotten up a petition to have
J. C. Johnson removed from the
Office of Post Master and to
have David Corne propst a
Grocery keeper appointed in
his place he has in his
petition several objections
to J. C. Johnson that are ground-
less and several Representations
that are entirely false I have
known J. C. Johnson for 10 or 12
years & believe him to be the best

Postmaster
we have had in Monticello
he is as good a Democrat as there
is in the County & warm supporter
of Buchanan And to counter
act said petition we have
gathered up and circulated a
petition to have him to retain
the ^{office of} postmaster of Monticello which
petition you will observe
contains the names of all the
present County Officers & all
the most influential & business
men of the County

We hope you will use your
influence in his favor
and have him to continue
to be our postmaster

Yours with Respect

J. F. Cutler Clerk

I hereby certify that I believe
that H. Johnson the choice
of the Democrats of Pratt as for
for Postmaster J. F. Cutler clerk
Co Court

Jan. 7. Catter
Monticello
Ills

Springfield, Mass., May 13, '37.

Hon. L. A. Douglas

Dear Sir-

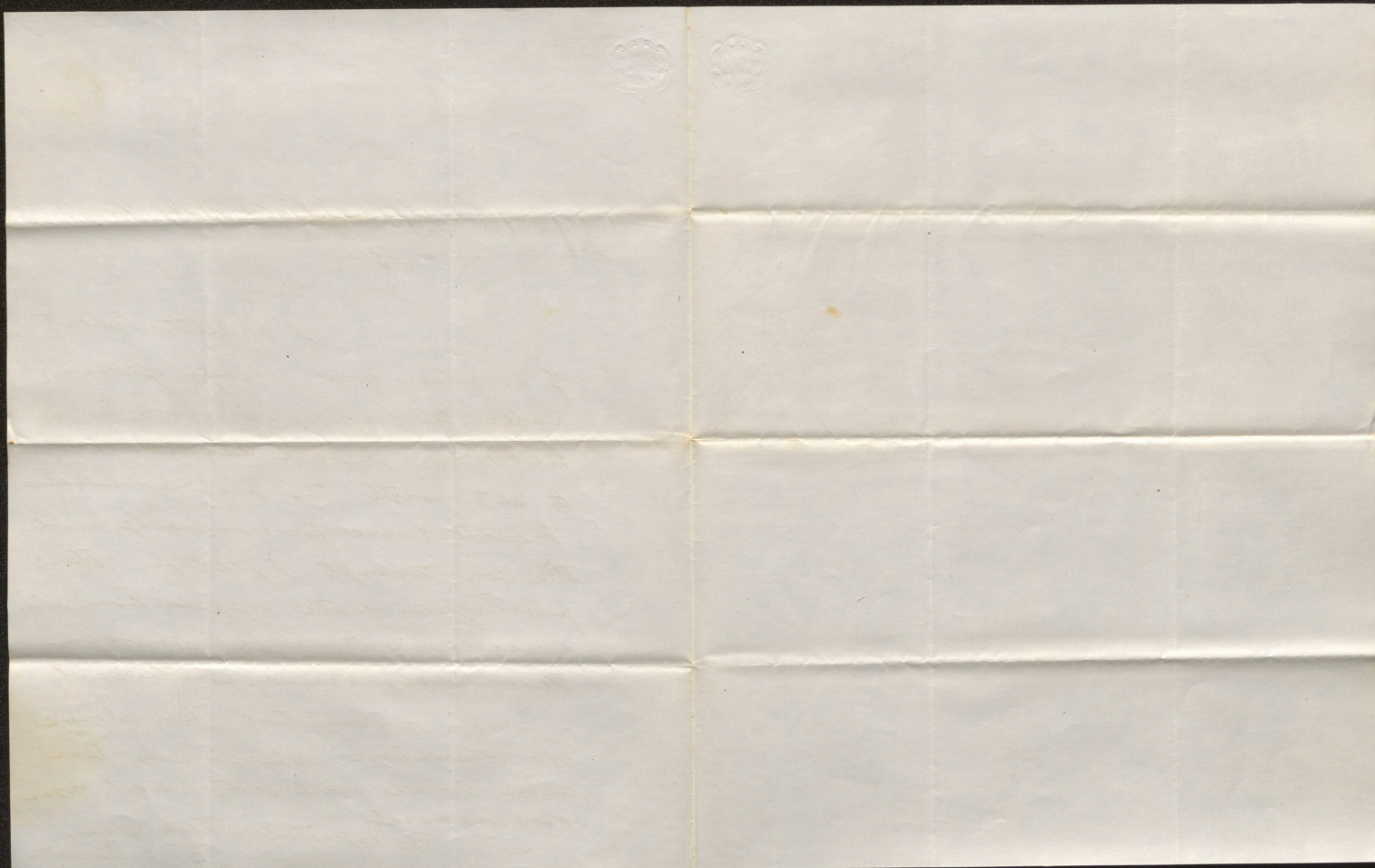
I take the liberty
of sending you a copy of our
paper, the Aegis, in which, in a
feeble way, I have endeavored
to set forth the high admiration
I entertain for yourself, and
the contempt I feel for those
partisans of the opposition who
never fail to vilify you when
they have an opportunity.
I write to say that there can be
no occasion when my pen
and voice will not be at your
command.

Very respectfully Truly yours
E. K. Olmsted



E. K. Abbot
Springfield
Mass.

Sends Green Paper



Freeport, May 13. 1857

Dear Cheekman

I hastily write you these few lines in relation to our Post Office. I have just now learned that Mr. Bagg has left here en route for Washington, and on his way thither intends remaining a few days in your city, no doubt for the purpose of seeing Judge Douglas. I have also been informed that Col. Mitchell intends leaving here, (as he says) for Springfield, but I have pretty strong evidence to satisfy myself that this is merely a ruse, and that his real intention is to go to Washington. They will make a bold effort to have our friend Bramley removed - and as I know that you are in a position to render him good service I thought proper to inform you of the above facts.

I do not intend saying

any thing here to satisfy you that Bagg is
utterly unfit for the office to which he aspires -
you know the man and that is sufficient.
But I must add that he is entirely unworthy,
and has pursued a very dishonorable course
in this matter, not only towards Bramley,
but towards many of our best democrats
whose signatures he procured for himself
in the absence of Bramley and by the
grossest and most wilful misrepresentation.
I am well assured that every good
democrat in this City and County, will
not only feel dishonored but actually
disgusted at Bagg's appointment - Should
such a calamity befall us. He never has
had any position or influence in the party
here, whilst Bramley has been repeatedly in-
dorsed not only by the party but by the
people of our County. Bramley has a few
personal enemies who would be rejoiced
at his removal, and particularly if it

would be accomplished by so mean an
instrument' as Bagg, but our party, the
democrats of this city and County, despite all
that Bagg and his friends may do or say to the
contrary, are in favour of having Bramley
retained.

Would it not be well for you to
see Judge Douglas and get him to take such
steps as will at once put an end to this
controversy?

I expect to be in Chicago next week
when I ^{hope} expect to see you - if, in the mean time,
you should have any thing to advise in
the matter please write - Regarding this as
confidential.

Yours friend
J. Wright Smith

Pardon me most fully all that
is said in the above concerning Bagg.
Chicago May 14. 57 J. R. Sheahan

J. Bright Smith
Freeport
Me

About P. M.,

Chicago May 14. 27
W. H. Jackson
to send in the above concerning Doug
Lewmore must feel all that

Clinton May 14th 1857.
Hon. Stephen A. Douglass;

Dear Sir;

Enclosed please find a petition for a New Post Office, which I hope will meet your cordial approbation and that you will allude to it in your communication and forward to the Honorable Post Master General.

The petition was got up before the new cabinet was installed into office, is the reason why the Hon. James Campbell's name is at the head of the petition. If the enclosed petition should be granted, please have the Department forward the papers relating to the office to LaRabe Centre, as that is the office where I get all my mail matters.

Respectfully your
very obedient and
humble servant

J. S. C. Boston

P.S. We wish the office to be known
by the name of "Prairie Pond."

Yours,

J. S. C. B.

J. N. C. Boston
Clinton
Ills

Sends a Petition
for a new P. O.

Chicago Th ~~Dec~~ May 14, "57.

Dear Sir

I had the honor of an introduction to you some few years ago in N. Y.

I hope this will pardon me for my silence on this occasion.

Your friend Mr John W. Crookham, Editor of the N. Y. "Citizen," advised me to call on you that I might have an opportunity of explaining to you a transaction which is not very creditable to a prominent official in this city.

With sentiments of the most sincere respect,
I am Dear Sir Yours. Most Respectfully
W. F. Farrelly

R F Farrell
Chicago
Ill

1887 Journal
Chicago

Chicago, Ill. Sept. 17
(over the)
I have been for
information to you
for years ago in
I hope the above
to be my testimony on this
to explain
all the "Chicago" cases
of the "Chicago" cases
to be in the
might be a good
I am sorry to hear
that the "Chicago" cases
are not to be
official in the
This is the
of the fact in our
I am sure the
W. H. Jones

Madison, May 14th 1857.

Hon. Judge Douglass:

Dear Sir:

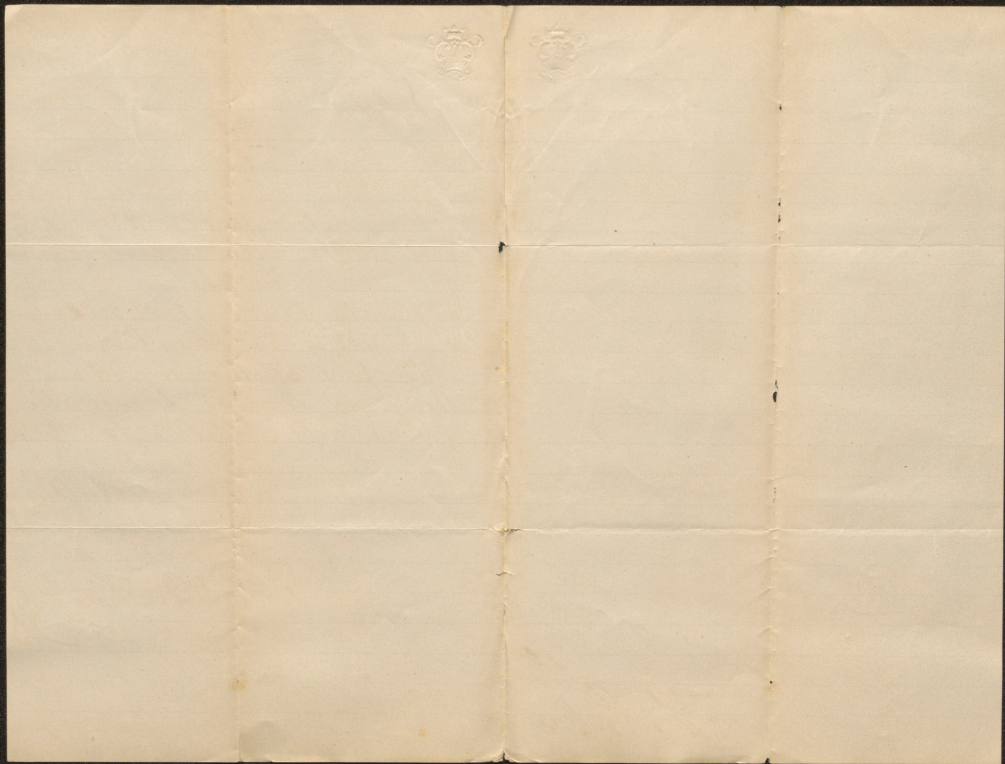
Gouverneur Barstow's
letter, dated Chicago 11th, I only
received to day. I have to leave
for Milwaukee to morrow
and with the greatest pleasure
I should like to introduce
myself next Monday to
you, my admired Democratic
friend, and to Mr Cook.

Very respectfully

August Verner
Edit. Wis. State Register

Augustus A. Kraus
Madison

Ed,



Newton Casper Esq
May 14th. 87.
Hon. S. A. Douglass

Dear Sir

I am just in receipt of a letter from the Hon. Truston Polk of Mo. & he informs me that he has just written to the Post Master General in my behalf for the appointment of though I mail agent from St Louis to Cincinnati - which appointment he claims as a favour to himself as a friend of mine. He also advises me to apply again to you for your influence with the Department. I suppose you have received a letter before this from the Hon. Aaron Shaw. & John Wilden Esq of Olney both personal friends of mine & both acquainted with the good service rendered by me during the last campaign. I think that I with Old Casper have some claims on the party.

Hoping that I may receive your influence with the Department & that my friend Polk will be successful

in his application

I remain yours most
Respectfully

James C. Towson.

James O. Townson
Newton
Jasper Co

Boston, Mass
May 15, 1857.

Sir,

If you have "Perry's Expedition to Japan", for gratuitous distribution can the same be furnished the subscribers?

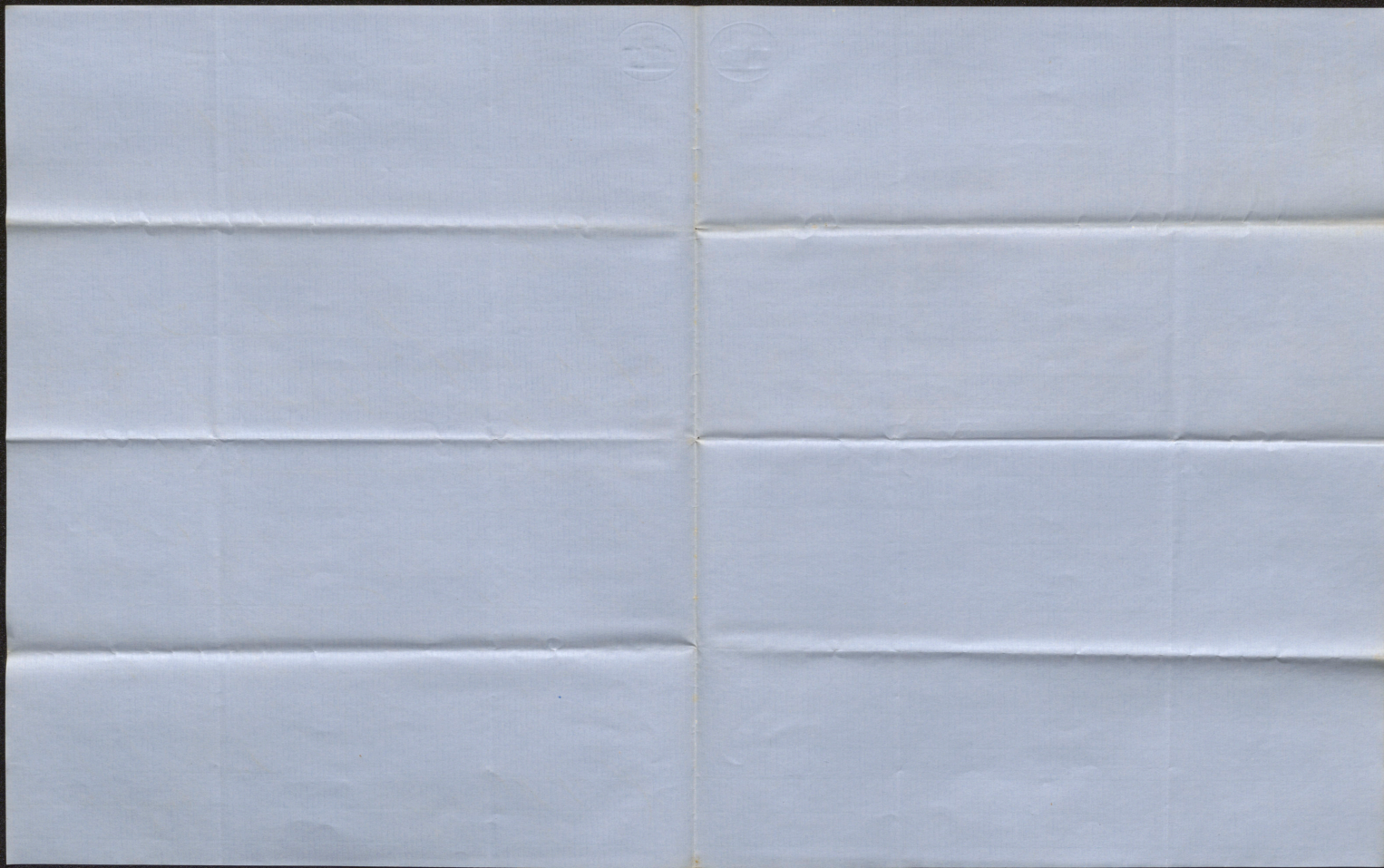
I am aware, Sir, that your constituents only can reasonably claim such favors, but it is hoped you will regard the writer as one of many Union-loving Citizens of New England, who have no Representation in Congress. My Dear Sir, if you cannot comply with the wish herein expressed can you inform me where my application would be attended with success

Hon. L. A. Douglass
Chicago, Ill.

Truly your humble Serv.
Henry S. Adams

Henry S. Adams
Boston
Mass.

Wants "Perry's
Japan"



Washington D.C. May 13/37

Dear Sir It is no disposition
to be troublesome to you that causes
me at this time to address you
the actuated by the same feelings
originally expressed to find
who in our circumstances
had assumed the friendly relation
of a Brother of mine
which causes me again to
call your attention to the
search for the letter which
you drew from the Post
office department as I
yet am of the opinion
(from the circumstances) that the
letter is in Chicago as it
was drawn from the Department
by your letter — Thinking
therefore that from the multiplicity
of your engagements you had
not thought of me

which causes me at this time
to drop you a line for
the purpose of again calling
your attention to it. I doubt
for it having been filed
in that place.

The Coons in the part
of the State have become
greatly calmed down. They
are now for the last man
to be the president. W. H. W.
Yet you can see in them
(as by instinct) a prejudice
against Hays. What for from
the fact of his ^{probable} ~~probable~~ ^{probable} ~~probable~~
the acquisition of more
territory and that they have
from Kate Deal & Co. on
the South. This however
is nothing new please let
me hear from you at your
convenient season. A. H. Benton, M.D.

A. W. Button
Washington
D. C.

To the Hon. Mr. S. C. Douglas Chicago.

Chicago 15 May 1837

Dear Sir I take the liberty
to write you this letter, for I am a very unhappy
man, who beg you for your kindly protection
I am a german, who father has lost all what
he owned in the revolution time in the
year 1848. 1849. You may think, it is very
hard for a Familie to be poor and in misery
who was happy before. I came over to this
Country in hope that I could assist my
Familie better, than in the old country,
What I had saving besides, I send to my
from Familie. Now you see, I can't do more
hard work, for I am much time in very poor
health. I know, you are a friend of germans
I beg you, be so kindly and help me to a
place, I am sure you can recommend me
anywhere, if you please. You may excuse
me, my and my Familie unfortune makes
me bold, to beg you, although you don't know
me. If you are willing, to help me, I am
yours grateful honest obedient
servant

L. Schuchnell

S. Schubnell
Chicago

Wants Situation



Frankfort Ky May 15 57

Hon Stephen A. Douglas

Dear Sir -

I am desirous of obtaining such public documents as have emanated from the National Administration during the past four years. For such as you may have on hand, for which you can find no better use, I will be greatly obliged to you.

Kentucky is now thoroughly democratic & I trust, and doubt not, will continue ~~so~~ to be the more of the recreation. For the present in '50 I think she will present a solid phalanx for the "Little Rock" of Illinois -

God & Democracy

W. H. Stapp -

H. W. Löffel
Frankfurt
1877



[Faint, illegible handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the paper.]

Expecting soon to relinquish
the office I now hold, I cheerfully
recommend W. James E. Yost, my
clerk, and who has been in my
office for over two years past, as
a young man of strict probity,
and close application to business.

Should he be appointed to
any post or employment under
the Gen. Government, as route
agent of the P. O. Department, or
otherwise, I can fully certify
to his sobriety and business habits,
and doubt not his giving full
satisfaction in the discharge
of his duties.

Chicago May 15, 1857.

H. L. Tucker,
County Judge

H L Beecher
Recommends
James E. Post
for Brevet Lt.

Washington D.C. May 16, 1854

Hon. S. A. Douglas

My dear Sir,

I have had an interview with
Atty. Gen. Black today on Utah, and find
him as ignorant as a man can be. Cannot
for the life of him appreciate the power of the
Mormons. He says they will enforce the laws
in Utah and intimate that 1000 men will do it.

I think I will make good war on this Admin.
on this dead question and with the men who have
been there since the Organic Act was passed make it
as hot as Judge Black and the President can well bear it.
but before I begin I will have a talk with you in regard
to the future for I assure you that now it looks as
though the present Cabinet were determined to throw away
our chances for success in 1860, by a foolish preservation.
Capt. Dillon is here will get something also. Gen.
Williams of Iowa. Dr. Swin has just returned &
is at work for his friends. I rather think Ross
will succeed but it is all in doubt. These appointments
will generally be made during the ensuing week.
C. L. Mellers P.M. at San Francisco Cal. and Leol
B. F. Washington Collection of Post at San Francisco have
for deals and the 20th Inst. are letters for you in 1860
but it is for something to read

Yours Respectfully Yours

W. G. Sumner

M. M. Drummond
Washington
D.C.

Esteemed Sir

Two days since, His
Hon^{or} Judge Strong,
who is holding a court
in our Village, rec^d
from me your Portrait,
in the Court Room,
with a beautiful and
sensible Speech, giving
it strong welcomes for
Mess^{rs} Lapham & Coles
who followed & gave
some plans and a pithy

anecdotes, touching your
Academy days,
in short the scene was
touching, illness, prevented
my account of the Painting
to the Legat Temple.
as it does, may adding
another word except
the bounty, and Wm
Woot, are your abject
old friend & Friends &
~~to tell~~

May 16/57

To the Hon Mr Douglas
Secy. War. S. C.

Please inform the Artist
the Portrait does him
great credit, and is
certainly No 1. in the
whole collection,

The Hon B. D.
Barnards of St. Mary
comes next,

Wm. Wood
Canandaigua
New York

Office of the MONTGOMERY IRON COMPANY,

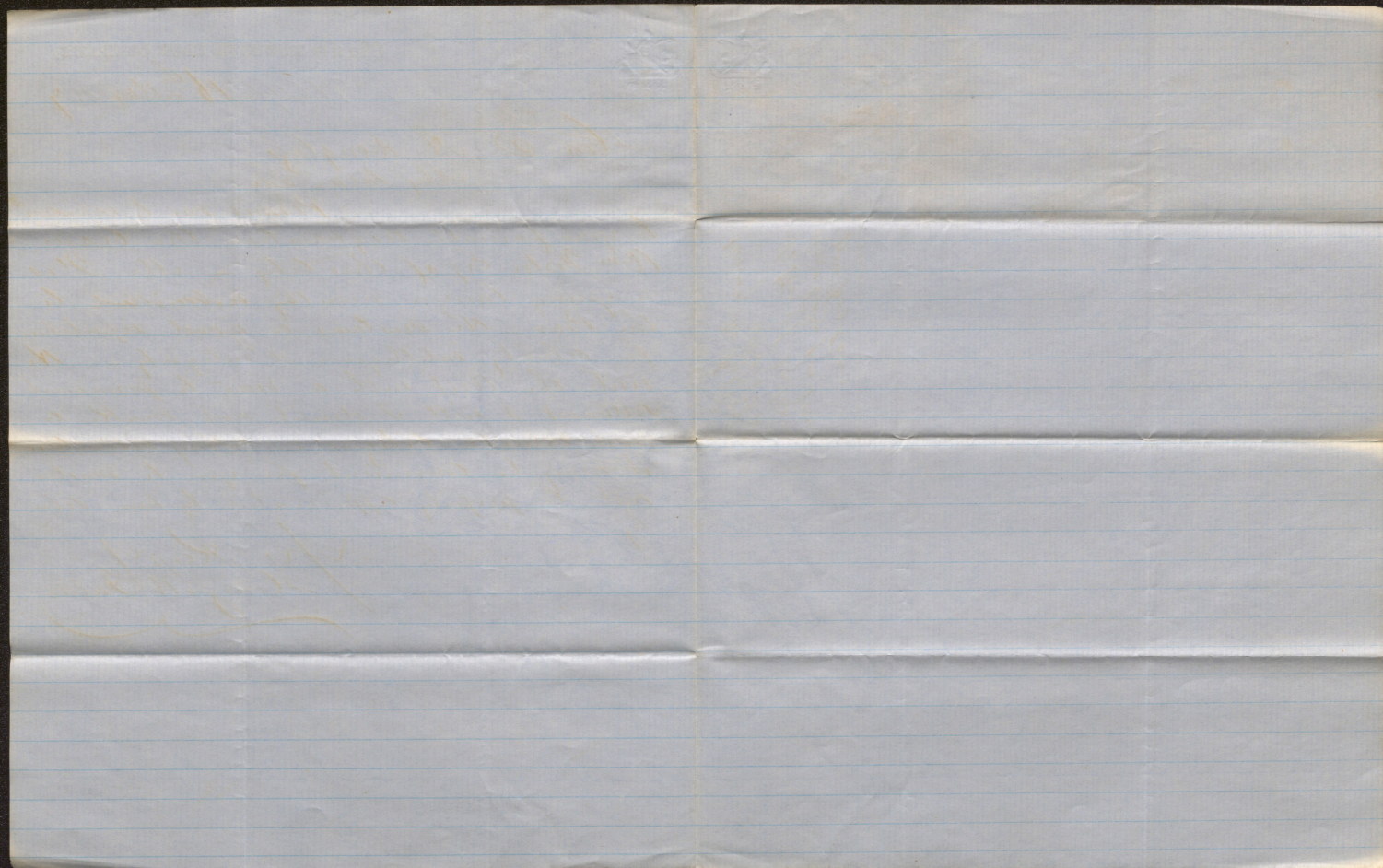
Philadelphia, 16th May 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglass
My Dear Sir

Permit me to introduce
to your favorable acquaintance the bearer
Wm Foster Esq of this City - Mr Foster
is a young lawyer recently admitted to
the Bar - He sustains a good reputation
for ability intelligence & integrity - He
visits the West with a view to permanent
settlement & will I doubt not make a
most valuable citizen - Any attention
it may be convenient for you to render
will be properly appreciated by him also
by

Yrs Respy
Henry J. Fuller

Henry M Fuller
" Phila
Letter of Intro-
duction for Mr
Jm Foster.



Chicago, May 16th '57

Dear Sir:

R. C. Dix, Esq. postmaster at Aurora Kane County, has held the office less than ~~two~~ years. He is one of the best officers in this region; is an untainted democrat, and has nothing ~~for~~ party man. He, for over a year has, to contend single handed against the Republicans of his town, who sought by every means to break up his office. For a year by establishing & keeping up an independent office, they deprived him of half his revenues.

I understand that efforts have been made to displace him and appoint W Parks. I have no objection to W P. if the office was vacant but respectfully suggest that it is not good policy to turn out a correct and faithful officer, and good party man to put in another who is no better democrat, and not half so efficient an officer.

I have given this letter to W Dix unopened; he does not know its contents, but he may perhaps speak to you upon the subject of his removal.

Yours truly,

J. W. Chesbrough

J. W. Sheahan
Chicago

R. C. Davis

P. Matluma

Mosby Creek
May 16th 1857—

Sir,

The members of the Columbian
Literary Society at Mosby Creek, have
elected you as an honorary member
of the same, and imposed upon us
the very agreeable task of informing
you of the fact: at the same time
knowing that, while no connection
with us, whatever, could reflect addition-
al honor upon you; it would give
much credit to us, if you should
accept the position.

Yours with due respect &c.

Cum { W. H. Scruggs
J. A. Bowen
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New York. May. 16/57.

My dear Mr. Fiske.

Although I received no reply to several confidential letters. addressed to you at W. I must attribute your silence to the pressure of engagements & to no intention to forget of you, old friend. I am now under very poignant feelings. & to ask a favor of you, under circumstances which will I believe interest you — My oldest Daughter — who is as good as she is lovely & accomplished — the idol of her Parents — has been afflicted for 18 months with a Malady, contracted at New Port, which has baffled the skill of several of our best Physicians and a recent consultation has resulted in their positively informing Dr. J. G. Fayet, that an immediate sea voyage and a residence abroad for 2 or 3 years at a thermal climate is indispensable to save her life — this crushing intelligence has quite overwhelmed us as it is evidence of a more critical state of her case than we have imagined. My pecuniary condition presently my going to Europe with my wife & daughter without aid and to accomplish the object. I have under the advice of my business friends determined to apply for a resolution & as the larger bodies are more likely to be influenced by a great number of influential

candidate and I am later in the field
I have also had to apply for the subordinate
position of Consul to Glasgow - your last letter
may be improved at my tutoring, but my dear
friend, the all absorbing anxiety to save the
life of my beloved (which now shadows all
other considerations - The Physicians favor
the climate and the inferiority of the position
would seem to make it almost probable, that
I may succeed - although I confess the inadequacy
of the salary to meet life! and support me -
Now my dear Sir, I am involving all the aid
in my power to accomplish my objectments

Genl. J. F. Wacker, who left here last evening,
for your City, takes a deep interest in this
matter & promises to confer with you about
it - he has written strongly to the President,
and also had an interview - One (unappointed)
delegation - all the public officers - & the most
prominent members of the party in the City & State
are addressing letters in my behalf -

Pray you not my dear friend, waver in
this holy cause - Wm. Graham & self are
in the greatest affliction at the prospect of
our dear (which I surrender every reason
of comfort, trusting I. to fly an eye, to save
our beloved - We would ask you to send

us strong letters to the President & I
Party of State & I think you are address
them in a tone which will indicate
your friendly solicitude for our
family, whom you have so long loved
Wm. J. & my daughter unite in affection-
ate regards to your good wife.

Please enclose your letters to me
at the earliest moment.

Your devoted friend,
Wm. J. Graham

Wm. J. F. Wacker.

Chicago. Ill.

John S. Graham
New York