

Washington D.C.

July 13. 1857

Sir,

Your note was paid as you directed. The house will be ready for the roof in ten days, if not kept back by rains.

Please send on the amount of note (\$2576.²⁵/₁₀₀) within two weeks, as the money will be due Mr. Taylor by that time.

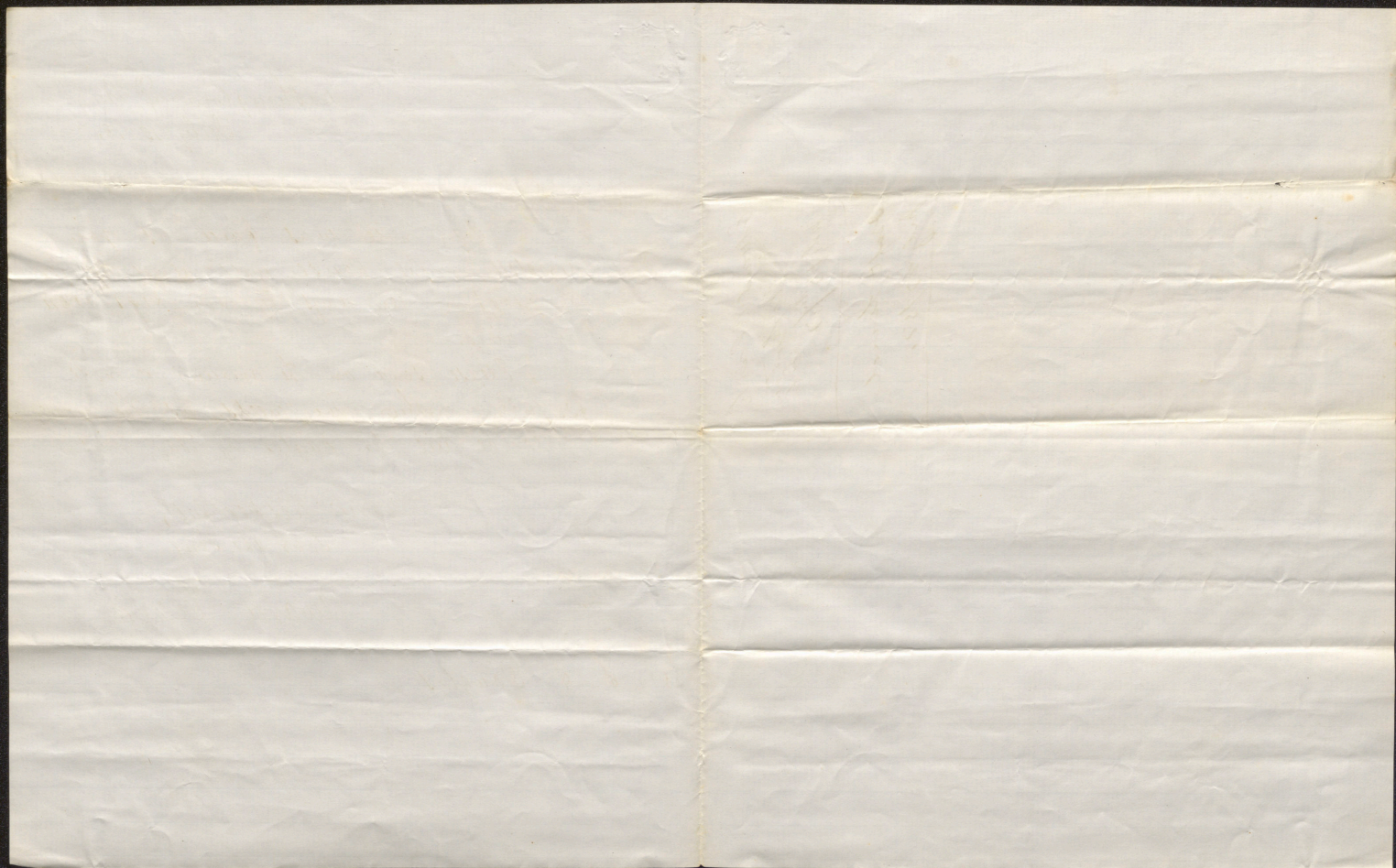
Very Respectfully
Your obt. Servt.

Edward Clark.

Hon. S. A. Douglas.

Edward Clark
Washington
D.C.
July 13th / 57

Draft sent
July 27 / 57.





Chicago July 13. 1857

Hon: S. A. Douglass Esq

Dear Sir - The bearer of this, Thomas J. Kelly, has been a clerk in our post office for several years, & as I learn, from his friends has won for himself a high reputation for industry integrity & capacity. He is anxious to return ^{for a time} to Ireland, his native land, & before going, to obtain a consularship to Galway or Limerick. He is desirous to obtain your influence for that purpose. I think I can safely say, you will have no reason to regret any aid you may afford him in a matter of so much importance to himself, as a testimonial of the high regard in which he has been held in his adopted Country.

Your aid & influence, in his regard will confer a favor upon him & be kindly & gratefully remembered by

Yrs Sincerely
B. F. Canby

Thos J. Kelly
Chicago Ill

Petition for a
Consulship to
Ireland

Hon: S. A. Douglas



His Excellency James Buchanan
President of U.S.

Sir In the undersigned
Democrats of the City of Chicago would recom-
mend Thomas J. Kelly as a good Democrat and worthy
of the appointment of Consul to Galway or any port
in Ireland. Believing that his appointment would
give general satisfaction to the Democratic party
Chicago, Ill. June 28th 1857

McLusson

W. W. McClure

Philip Conley
Wm. Kelly

Col. H. Diversey

Wm. Thomas

B. G. Caulfield

Thomas Morgan
R. B. Carpenter

P. H. Ballingall

James A. Mulligan

Wm. C. C. C.

Chas. C. C.

Thos. C. C.

Hon. James Buchanan

Sir

We the undersigned Democrats
of the City of Chicago, would recommend Thomas
P. Kelly, as a good Democrat, and worthy of the
appointment of Consul, or other post
in Ireland, believing that his appointment would
give general satisfaction to the Democratic party
Chicago Ill June 8. 1857





General Land Office
July 13: 1857.

Saml A. Douglas
Sir

In reply to your letter
of June 22: asking the attention of this
Office in the matter of the "Naumetes
Lands" I have the honor to state that
we are unable to identify the case
alluded to,

But that if you will furnish
us with such specific data, as will enable
us to recognize the case, it shall receive
immediate attention,

Very Respectfully
Yours Obedt Servt.
J. A. Henrichs
Commissioner,

Thos. A. Hendricks
Com. Gen. Land Office
Washington D.C.
July 12th 57.





University of Chicago

Post Office Department,

APPOINTMENT OFFICE,

July 14, 1857.

Sir:

Hard Butter the Postmaster at Mount Pleasant
County of Putnam State of Illinois
has resigned & moved from the place
Before removal he recommended for
appt. Learned Davis, whom he has
left in charge of the Office under his
appointment as assistant P.M. The
P.M. at Hennepin says Davis is an
abolitionist

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. Please nominate a
democrat who will take the office.
I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully, &c.,

Hon. S. A. Douglas. *Abraham King*
Chicago, Ill.
FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Horatio King
Washington
July 14th 1877. D.C.

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at Mt Palatine
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Post Office Department

Post Office

Mr. Wm. H. Thompson, New York

Dear Sir:

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

in relation to the matter of the

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

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Wm. H. Thompson

Post Office

New York

Very respectfully,

Wm. H. Thompson

Post Office

New York

Very respectfully,

Wm. H. Thompson

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Dear Sir,

Springfield, Ill. July 14. 1857

Will you do me the favor to read the
enclosed letter? I will not fatigue you with a recapitulation
of any part of its contents, but would state that the writer
is my nephew, and is a very worthy young man; and
that if you can consistently give your influence to the
promotion of his object, you will confer a very great
favor on me. I am afraid that the family
of my deceased brother in law are left without any
provision for their support, and unless my nephew can
shortly attain some position in which he can contribute to
their maintenance, I do not see what they are to do.
Please enclose me the letter after you have
read it, and oblige

Yours very respectfully
W. H. Burleigh

N. H. Ridgely
Springfield
Ill.

Answered July
16th 57.


Mendota Ill July 14th 1837

Hon S A Douglass
Chicago

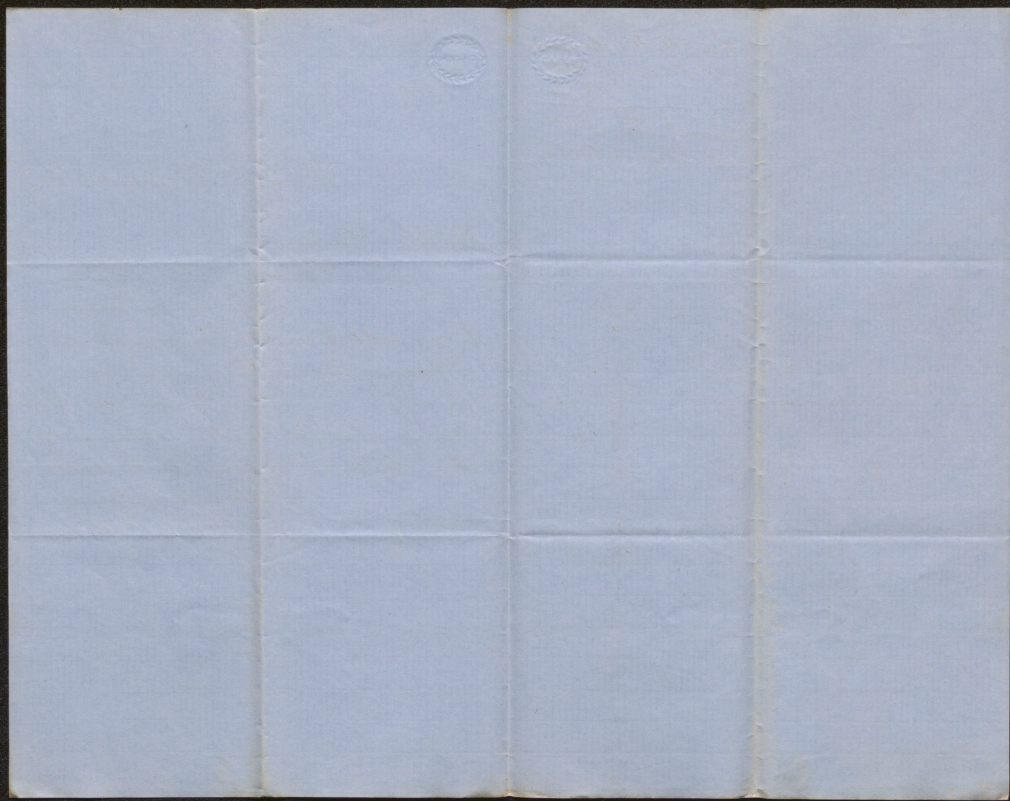
Permit me to enclose
to your address a letter from my friend
J. C. Eaton Esq of Ohio.

If you can give
it a favorable consideration at an early
day shall feel myself much obliged

Very Truly Yours
Geo. W. Anderson

Geo. M. Anderson
Mendota
Ills

about the PO
at Mendota



McLone Ills July 14th 57

Hon. W. A. Dugbs
Chicago
Ills

Dear Sir I return to
this place a few days since after taking
a tour up the Mississippi Mr. Bishop
called me to remain several days at
Hulton City during my stay there
I found a great deal of dissatisfaction
among the Democratic party in relation
to their Fosters Master of that place
they say he is a Bogus Democrat and
he was one of your appointments
I think it is a matter you had better
investigate and see if they have any reason
of complaint I cant say nothing myself
in relation for all Fosters are strangers
to me but they seem to lay all the
blame on you

Yours Respectfully

W. E. Gregory

McGregory
McComb 1866
July 14 1867

about the time
at Fulton City.

New York

July 14/54

Dear Sir

With many apologies I beg
leave to inquire of you if at any
time you have had in your em-
ploy a private Secretary by the name
of Henry C Howard - It is very im-
portant that I should be in pos-
session of your earliest answer - By
mail - And to accept my apologies
for this delay - I now take in addressing
so singular a letter to one with
whom I have not the honor of ac-
quaintance -

I have the honor to be

Yours most obt. Servt.

J H Herbert

New York Post-Office

Wm S C Douglas
Washington
D.C.

I have not your address so I send this to
Washington City -



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

Private

J. H. Stewart
New York



New York

Post Office

Dear Sir

With many apologies for
 the delay of my letter
 I have been so busy
 that I have not had time
 to write you more
 frequently. I am
 however, very
 anxious to hear from
 you and hope to
 hear from you soon.

Yours truly

Wm. L. Garrison
 25 N. 4th St.
 New York Post Office

Wm. L. Garrison
 25 N. 4th St.
 New York

I have not your letter of 18th inst.
 but I hope to hear from you soon.

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Post Office Department,

APPOINTMENT OFFICE,

July 14. 1857.

Sir:

The Postmaster General has ordered the appointment of *E. S. Mudgett* at *Minnetonka* in the County of *La Salle* and State of *Ill.* in place of *D. D. Gurnes*, removed.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Horatio King
First Assistant Postmaster General.

Hon. *C. A. Douglas*,

Chicago.
Ill.

E. A. Mudgett
Mendota
LaSalle Co
Ills

July 14th 1857.



Post Office Department,

APPOINTMENT OFFICE,

July 14. 1857.

Sir:

The Postmaster General has ordered the appointment of *Hugh Sears* at *Brimfield* in the County of *Deoria* and State of *Ill* in place of *Curtis Cady*. removed.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Noratio King

First Assistant Postmaster General.

Hon. *S. A. Douglas*,
Chicago,
Ill.

Hugh Sears
apt. P. M. at
Barnfield,
Pearia Co
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July 14th / 57,



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My dear Sir

Will you join us
at dinner today at 3 o'clock?

The Belgian Minister and a
few other gentlemen are to dine with
us

Very sincerely yours

James Grant Wilson

183 Michigan Avenue. Wednesday Am

An invitation
to Dinner July
15th 1857.

Answered
July 15th 1857



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My dear

Mr

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Sir:

Freany, Lib. agent

July 15th 1857

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter
of the 10th inst, received to day, with one from Mr
Cunley of the 9th inst on the same subject, both
which are referred to the Port Comptroller who
is charged by law with the decision of such
cases.

Very respectfully
Yours obed^t serv^t

Wm. Lobb

Secretary of Freany

Wm. L. A. Douglas
Chicago
Ms

Howell Cobb

Washington

D.C.

July 15th 57.

Spring Hill July 15th 1857
Mr S A Douglas
Dear Sir

I take this opportunity to write a few
Lines to you in regard to the
Postoffice at Jefferson Barnes subpost
at 13398, from Spring Hill to Princeton
the Postmaster C B Reynolds has run
away & it is left in the hands of two
Bail & it is the wish of the people at that place
to have Rufus A Langdon appointed
Postmaster he is a capable Person
is one of Reynolds Bail & is a good
Staunch Democrat & I wish you to
write to the Postmaster General & state
the above facts to him & ask him to
appoint Rufus A Langdon Postmaster
at the above named Jefferson Barnes
& by so doing you will confer a great
& lasting favor on the People

I Am Dr Sir yours
Very Respectfully

S A Douglas

Levi G. Hall, At Spring Hill
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Levi Fuller
Spring Hill
N.H.

July 15th 1857,
about Post Office

New York July 15th 1859

Dear Douglass

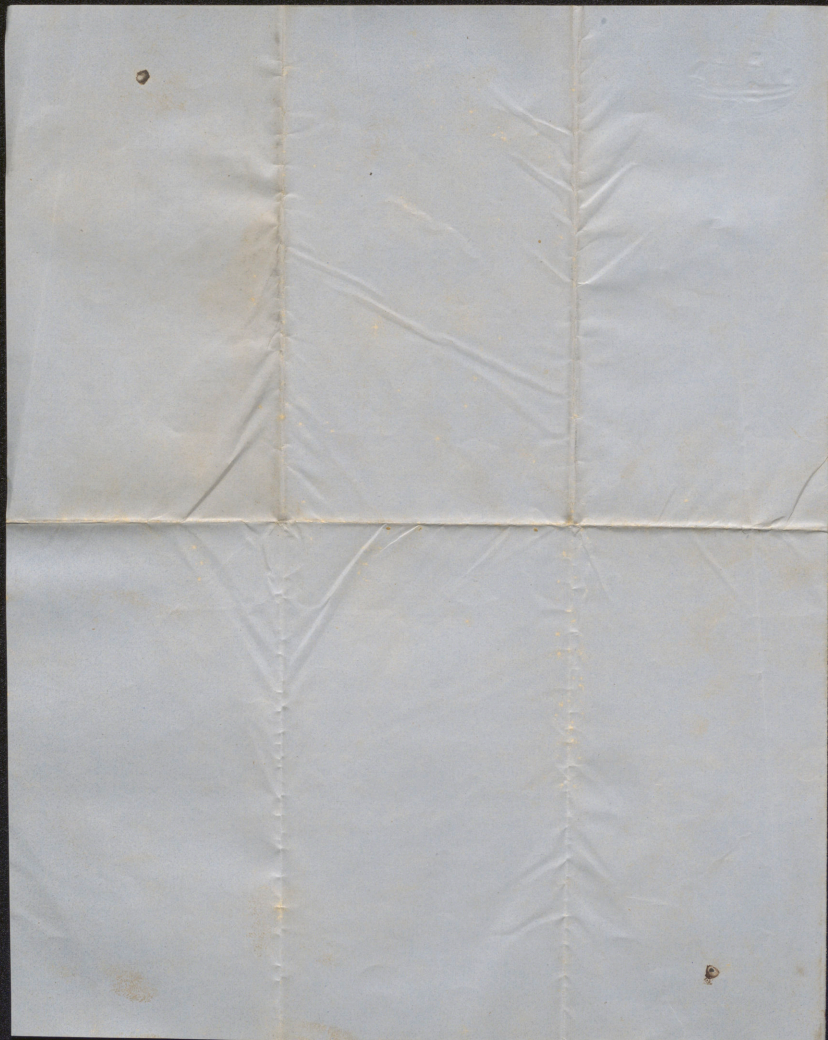
I slept with Quincy
a day found him a spiteful man
since you true friend, but I think
his course is calculated to even himself
& damage you. I think I have so convinced
him he is playing rather for the Whisk
or Parson to be elected by the Republican
Party I think I have satisfied him
that you were sure of being nominated
& elected & by his course he had every
thing to loose & nothing to gain
but that a course calculated to promote
your interest would place him on
much higher ground he has agreed to
change his Policy in such a way as
it should no longer damage you
he agrees with me that you should
at once express your views of the Cap
Naturalization doctrine that you should
not water-milk forty fourth rate men
took ground against the doctrine

To Hon. S. A. Douglass
Washington

Truly yours

Wm. L. Chapin





Bloomington, July 15th, 1837.

Hon. S. A. Douglas:

My Dear Sir:—Your favor of the 8th inst., asking information as to Dr. John A. Hart's Democracy, was duly received, and I have only delayed an answer thus long for the purpose of enabling myself to state clearly and unequivocally that he is a Democrat, pure and uncontaminated, and I believe that his fidelity to the party has never been suspected. Dr. Fell, the present is also a good Democrat and has given satisfaction so far as I know anything about it.

If the people of Lexington have petitioned for his removal, it is good proof that they desire a change, but aside from this evidence, I have none other before me. I should not like to ask the removal of Dr. Fell, unless for good reasons specified;

still, were I asked to sign a petition for the appointment of Dr. Hart, I should certainly comply with the request.

There is at present much dissatisfaction expressed with the way business is managed in the Bloomington Post office, and I am strongly urged to apply for it. Both parties, I am told, are circulating petitions asking the President to confer the appointment upon me, and they insist upon it that I must write to you for aid in my behalf. I tell that I am not and nor have been, of my own accord, an applicant for office; I "mistake, seek nor decline", and therefore shall not ask the President to remove the present incumbent for any benefit; nor will I ask him to give me any appointment whatever. If 25 years hard fighting for Democratic principles will not give me a little appointment in my old age, I shall

certainly not beg the President to confer it upon me; but will quietly await the coming of 1860, when I can do service for one whom I feel confident will not be ungrateful of services rendered. I have often regretted that the nomination did not fall upon you instead of Mr. Buchanan; but I am consoled with the belief that in 1860, there will be no opposition to your claims. You can rely upon my services in that contest and I can promise both you and myself a victory.

My friends say that because this is a hard place in which to sustain a Democratic paper, the Post office patronage should be given to the editor. Will you please let me know confidentially, what you think of the propriety of asking for the Wesleyan change? so that I may prevent my friends moving in the matter, in case such move be deemed improper.

I have the honor to be, dear Sir,
with the highest considerations
of esteem and respect,

Yours friend sincerely,

Thos. A. A. Douglas,
Vice President of the
United States
Chicago, Ill.

Samuel S. Pike

Chas. D. Pike
Albany, N. Y.
Aug 15th 1854

P. O. Princeton Ill
July 15. 1857

Mr. Douglas

Dear Sir -

The prof Democrats
of Puda, Sheffield and
Lamirice are impatient
for changes in the P. O. s
of those places. Concerning
which I ~~to~~ wrote you
some time since.

The appointment of
Edward C. Waters is
asked for at Lamirice;
Joseph C. Niles, Sheffield
and Hiram Dean, Puda,
all proper and sound.

Respy

C. N. Pine

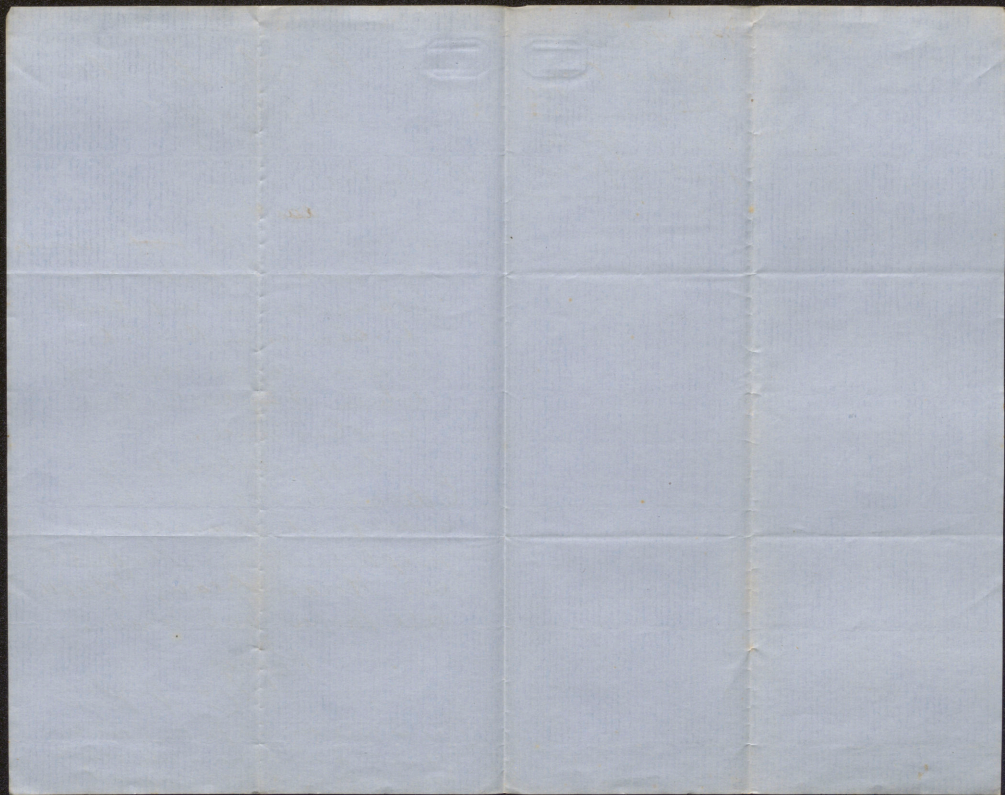
There is great demand for the speech down
here, and I should have been glad to
have more than 1,000. Copies.

CM Pine

Princeton

July 15th 57. Ills

About three
Post offices



Cousins, ~

At our last interview I mentioned my being a candidate for "County Clerk" and solicited your help; An immediate letter from you to G. Wash. M. Lear (and if you choose - one each to Pen-dleton & Pugh - particularly the latter) refering to this matter - and naming (my being your rel-ative - would aid me much;

Do me this favor and oblige one who seeks to befriend - never to compromise - you.

To
Hon. Steph. A. Douglass,
Chicago, Illinois.

Truly
Yours,
Chas. Selders.
Cen. July 15/57

P.S. I named not Grosvonts because he is safe for me, - we have been friends from boyhood and he will undoubtedly help me all he can. - In serving the Democ-
-racy (which I have always done) I served him in two bitter
congressional campaigns; in the 1st the N. N. over-
-whelmed him - in the 2^d he was gloriously
victorious. - Please let me hear from you soon.

Chas Selden
Cincinnati

July 15th / 57, Ohio

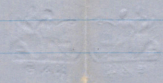
Ottawa Ill. July 16/57
Hon. V. A. Douglass.

Chicago — Sir, a few days since
I enclosed to two papers relating to the Post
Office at Lowell with a letter, enclosing
the Certified Statement, signed by several of
our prominent men. I requested you
in a ~~short~~ script to favour me with
an answer noting its reception &
if you would render us your valuable
& most effective aid in the matter,

I have received no answer & now
again ^{ask for} trouble you to write me. I am
about to leave Ill. for some weeks &
feel much interested in having
this Office relocated & Eastern P. Master
What is asked is right, — The Office should
never have been removed. Myself & others
are charged with using our influence in
its removal but in my case this was not
so, as you will know by my letter to you
sent by Wood, for I advised to the contrary.
Will you do me the favour to inform me
if you will aid us in this matter that I
can feel sure of the result before I leave home.
Very truly your friend
Wm. A. W. Burdett

H. M. Cushman
Ottawa Dec

About the B.C.
at Lowell
July 16/87,



Freeton July 16th 1859

Dear Stephen

Yours of 11th was yesterday received & contents noted. The Post Master ship seems to hang fire & by some way Taylor has mind that something is being held. I don't know who is doing it unless in his old way he has persuaded some letters of mine to you or yours to me but I don't think that yet something has stirred them up & there is a holding on as he did when here two weeks since told me that the thing would probably be settled at once & the P M General told Shaw that it would probably be attended to within one week & that was 4 weeks ago. Taylor is doing all he can for Taylor by writing letters to Washington & getting others to do the same but Shaw has altogether the strongest endorsement about here & indeed as you know he is a man of Character & a personal friend of mine & would go through fire to serve me & I feel a great interest in the matter. The Post feels solicited about asking so much of you but wishes if you will & can that you see Douglas at the earliest possible convenient & get from him the strongest letter he will write say to him that Mr. Johnson was

introduced to Mr Shaw at Washington by Redden
& that he espoused his Cause like a Brother.
& went before the Department for him. Judge
Douglas will of course know who to address
& you can assure him first of Shaws
Character & popularity as a man & his out
& out standing with the Democratic party
& that his appointment will, if made, be a
judicious one. all this you can assure
him And further you can assure him
of A Tyler first what you know of him
& I that he is a honour bringing an unknown too
by the Officers of that order & the affidavits, one
on file at Washington John D Stephens being one
& at the head of that party. Wares & Ludington
matter. These are men you know & aside from
their wickedness & Politics are men of Rascality
& integrity. & I know that the two past years
that Tyler or those so reputed, have as a body
supported him. ^{for Town Office} & it is known to that he has told
them that from the position he occupied he
must keep still although he was with
them as ever all this you can tell the Judge
& it is reasonable & I do hope he & this Community
will find relief in his being relieved from
a post he never ought to have filled.
I telegraphed you this morning & wondering
the dispatch might not reach you & because lack
of promptness may defeat the whole thing

I wish you would write Redden also although
I have perfect Confidence in him although Tyler
& Tyler under pay, have both appealed to him Tyler
by letter & Tyler in person when Redden was here &
Tyler urged him about what I had said to him
as he knew that Redden had been at my house
the only private house he entered while in Town
but enough so what you can & keep off of
Expense I will pay that but quick as possible

Now about family matters
I do feel & we all do, to regret that your second
marriage was embittered by her journey. We had hoped
the reverse & do hope that after the Effect of fatigue
she will be as well & better for her visit
It greatly gratified us to find it said she should
like to have Leon Lewis wife & we would like
to see your Father yes we would & James, yes Ella
also & best that Illinois Lily. It is so dark & I must
stop so God bless you all

Truly yours D D Webb

David I think will visit you but have
not heard from him since I wrote last
I have written him at St Louis as he
directed

You did great right in addressing
Charles instead of me I R

William B Shaw

J. Rust
Kullow ²⁴
about D Office
July 1st 7,

Post Office Department,
Appointment Office.
July 16th 1857.

Dr Sir:

I have the honor to inform you in answer to your telegraphic dispatch just received, that E. S. Mudgett was appointed Postmaster at Mendota on the 13th inst. immediately after the reception of your recommendation to that effect, & that the papers have been sent out. I have given directions to have the Commission held up, so that Mudgett cannot get possession of the Office, though appointed.

Please inform me of the circumstances of the case & what you desire to have done.

I am very respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant.

Watson King

1st Apt. P. M. Genl

Hon. S. A. Douglas.

Chicago.

Ill.



Horatio King
Washington
July 16th 57.

about the P.M.
at Mendota.



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Mr S. A. Douglass. Dear Sir

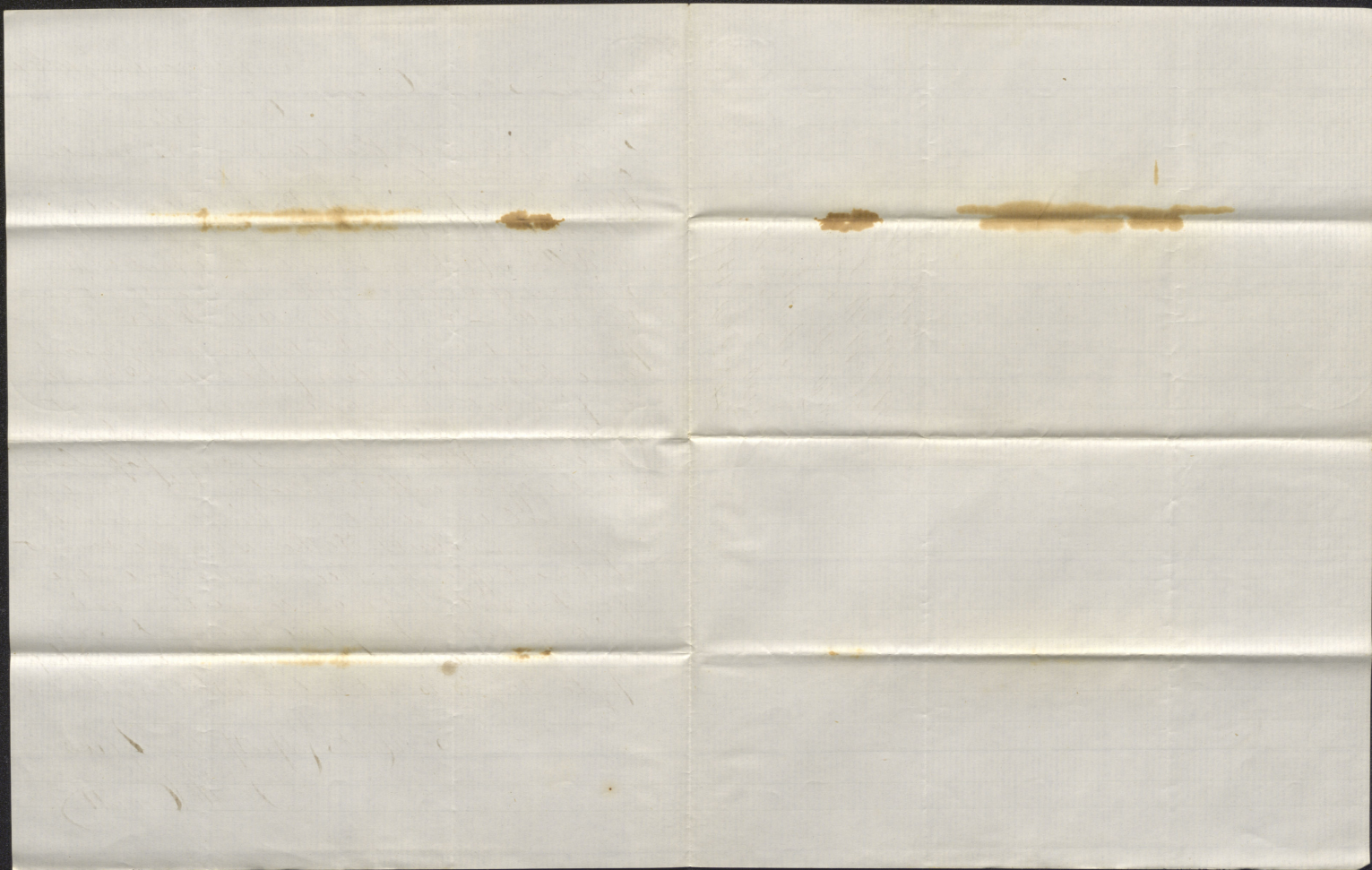
I am informed that a move is made
or is about being made to have a Mr
Hawkins appointed Post Master at Shab-
bona from Dekalb Co. Ill in place of
Mr William Marks for I understand that a Mr
Simmons of Sycamore is the moving spirit in
the matter - I cheerfully state that I have
personally known Mr Marks for many years
and know him to be a first rate P^o-master
a first rate man and a Bushman Democrat
I have just returned from Shabbona Ill
and know that Mr Marks is very popular
in his office with the People there and his
removal would not be kindly received
by them Mr Marks - Father is an old Democrat
but went off on the Nigger question and voted
for Fremont but I ascertained that he is
sick of his company and is now a Douglass
Democrat and in this respect I am hap-
py to say it is not a lone in that neighbourhood

Most Respectfully Yours
J. W. Croun

J. H. Arcutt
Aurora Ills
July 16th 37.

about the P.M.,
at Shabbona
Grave Deshalb
Co Ills

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Have Douglas read this letter



Omaha City N.B.
July 16th 1857

Friend Douglas,

I am obliged for your letter of the 22nd ult., I may have to publish it in my defence. As Genl Geo. W. Foster of Duluth, has just left here after a visit of two weeks throughout the Territory, during which time he has had no occasion pass without urging my defeat & said ^{to} his friends here that I was the cause of the loss of the Capital appropriation & Surgeon Genl Shipps which you know he defeated. He also addressed a letter to a Catholic Priest residing in north part of this Territory & formerly from Duluth to go in for the election of U.S. Dist Atty E. Esterbrook over me. The Priest is my friend & showed me

Jones letter so I am not
mistaken, E. Esterbrook
whom Jones wants elected
is the man who presided
over the first Anti-Slavery
meeting in Wisconsin
& which denounced you
Of all the members of the
last Congress who ^{have} visited us
Jones is the only exception who
has not urged my election
Ex-Gov. McCombs is here
& is in for me to the death
as are the Democrats generally
Except Price office holders
I shall make a hard fight
Gov. Izard has returned &
goes in for Esterbrook

Your friend
B. B. Chapman

B. B. Chapman
Omaha City
Nebraska
July 16/87, Wyo.

Springton July 15. 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglass

Dear

I Thank you for the
copy of your Springfield Speech
- Though I had seen & read it be-
fore -

I endorse it fully -

When in Chicago some two
weeks ago I obtained a copy
of it & believing that an oc-
casional reference to it would
be of service to J. B. Clay in
his canvass for Congress I
handed it to him - He has
since informed me that he
has made frequent use of
it in his Public discussion

I always with good effect
- It is a strong illustration of
The fact that The Democratic
is now the only National Party
& that it every where throughout
the Union speaks the same
Language & supports the
same Principles

We have strong hope that
Mr Clay will be elected -

His success will be a great
Triumph

Yours &c &c

J. Harrison

J. C. Harrison
Lexington Ky.
July 16th 57.

Springfield July 16

Dear Sir:

We waited several days for the number of copies of the speech ordered at the Republican office by Mr. Preston, relative to which I wrote you, but learned from Messrs. Chamber & Knapp that you had countermanded the order, we then printed the number you directed us to print for this district, and they are now being circulated - 20,000 copies. We have drawn on you for the cost of the same, \$200, as you requested, which you will please honor.

I am sorry that you did
not notify Dixon or some
of us here that you had
countermanded Pictor's ar-
rangements, as it delayed
the issue of the number
to be circulated in this
district, we expecting to
use 20,000 of the number
advised, which being so large
was afforded at a lower
rate than its usual cost
here, and in such papers
we have used.

Yours truly
Samuel Walker

I have just learned that
Harris has had another severe
attack of bleeding of the lungs,
but he is now getting better

Lamphear & Walker
Springfield, Ill.
July 16th 1857

Yazoo City Miss July 17th 57

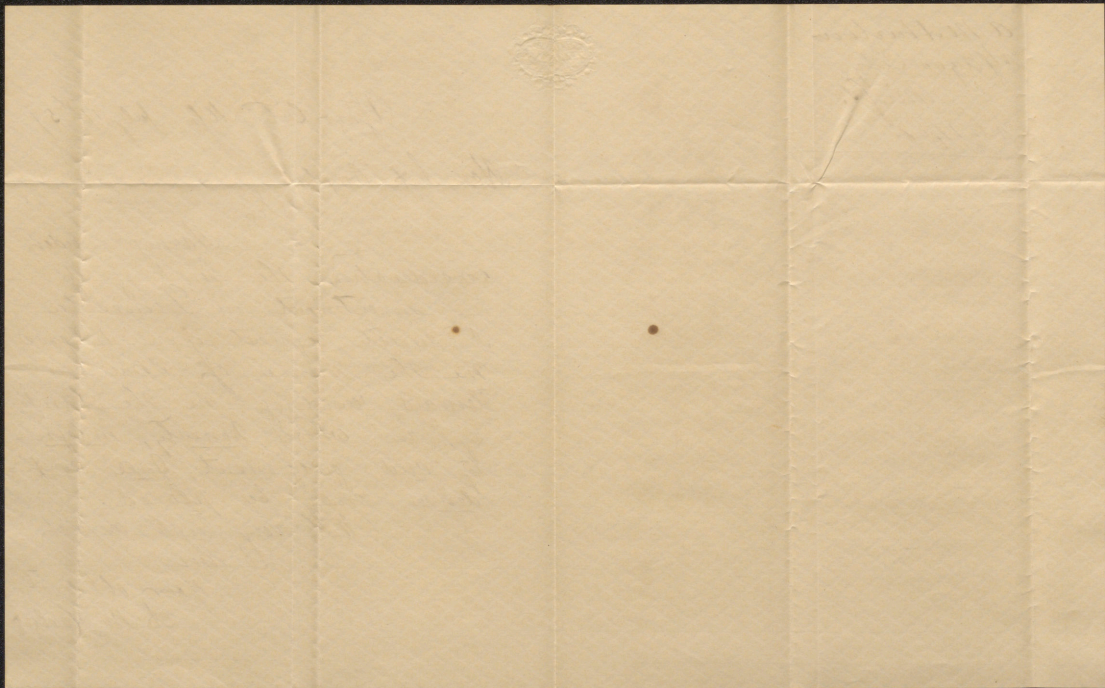
Now S. A. Douglass
Sir

Having under
consideration the making of
an investment in Minnesota
I must request you to give
me the name of some gen-
tleman residing in the Territo-
ry, in whose honesty, integri-
ty and judgment, full confi-
dence may be placed.

With very high respect
I am

Your obt. servt
A. M. Harlow

a M. Harlow
Yazoo City
Miss.
July 17/52.





Washington July 17th 1857.
Hon. Stephen A. Douglass,
Dear Sir,

Having received the desired appointment, as Consul at Tahiti, permit me to return my heartfelt thanks for the intimation ⁱⁿ it by you. I hope I may be able to reciprocate the kindness at some future day.

Should it ever be my good fortune to be able to be of service to you, it shall be my pleasure to perform it.

Wishing Happiness, Health and prosperity to yourself and good lady,

I am truly,

Your Friend,

Henry Owner

Henry C. Owen
Washington
D. C.





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Springfield, M. July 17. 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Dear Sir

In acknowledging the receipt
of your favor of 16. inst. I cannot refrain
from expressing my heart felt thanks for
your very kind and prompt attention to
the interests of the family of my deceased
brother in law.

Very respectfully
W. H. Ruggles

N. H. Bridgely
Springfield
July 17th 57

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New York July 17th 1857

Hon. Stephen Douglass. United States Senator
Dear Sir

I write to you to ask your Honor wheather
you would be so kind as to send me a letter of your
Administration or an Autograph signed by your Honor
as I have the Honor. John B. Floyds Signature I would be
Very Happy to have your Honors if you would be so kind
as to send me one by mail you would Oblige me very
much Indeed. 8c

Yours, Truly

Please your Honor send
it as quick as Possible
for George
attly at Law

John Francis St. George
Attly & Counsellor at Law
No 271 South 1st Street
Williamsburgh
Long Island

Stephen A. Douglass
President for 1856

United we stand
Divided we fall
(Buck & Breck)



John H. H. H. H.
New York
Grand Central Station

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Present

Monkton, Vermont, July 17, 1857

Hon. S. A. Bouleap

Sir.

Personally unacquainted yet familiar with you name and your fame I regard with pride the position occupied by the giant son of Vermont. It is, Sir, only in consideration of the fraternal tie of Green Mountain Brotherhood that I can look to you as at all likely to be interested in my "unvarnished tale". Yet if I do not mis- take, although the citizen of a sister State, your heart still burns with filial love for your native land and will beat a friendly impulse in answer to the call of a true "Green Mountain boy". With your kind indulgence I will proceed in few words as possible to tell my simple story and if after the recital you can lend me a helping hand I shall look upon myself as more and shall feel under obligations which if I ever were able to repay I can quiet my conscience by recording down in the "book of family favor".

I am a native of this place, of respectable parentage, a graduate of Middlebury College and also a graduate of the Medical

University of Maryland, about thirty years
of age, I have been in Europe most of the
time for a few years past, was in St. Louis
largely in summer of 1855, obtained there
a Commission as Major Surgeon in the
Russian Army and was stationed at
Odessa on the Black Sea in Hospital prac-
tice during the winter and Spring of 1856.
I had the good fortune while at Odessa
to marry a young lady of very excellent
family native of that City and relative
of the distinguished General Liprandi.
I then resigned my Commission and
returned across the Continent to France
and England and thence last fall to America.
I wish now to gratify my wife, whose fam-
ily resides at Odessa, by obtaining the
appointment of United States Consul at
that port and return to reside there.

Mr Smalley, Mr Stoughton, Gen Chase and
other principal men of the Democratic
party in this State have recommended me
for that office and I wish also to have
your assistance. The present Consul at
Odessa, Mr John Kelli, is a Greek Merchant
who understands but little of our Lan-
guage and who intrusts the business of
the Consulate to an Englishman by the
name of Perkins. It is he who writes

the letters keeps the books and does whatever
business there may be to be done. Mr Kelli
is one of an extensive Mercantile Company
of brothers who have stores or trade houses
in different parts of Europe and Asia, who
acting in concert possess considerable
influence and are reputed rich. One of
these houses is in St Petersburg, one in Con-
stantinople, one in Tcheran &c. By some
influence brought to bear upon our
Minister at St Petersburg he has I un-
derstand recommended and secured
the high recommendation of Ornelas and
others for the retention of Mr Kelli as Consul.
Now, I appeal to you whether that is exactly
American? I should be glad to get
your powerful aid in counteracting
such recommendation. Our Minister at
St. Petersburg has never seen Mr Kelli. His
good opinion and good offices have been
secured from letters written by the Englishman
Perkins acting as Consul and from represen-
tations made to him from the Consul.
I know this to be the fact both from our
Minister and Mr Kelli and Perkins. There is
in reality no better reason for the retention
of Mr Kelli contrary to the terms of the recent
Diplomatic and Consular Law than there is

for the retention of other foreigners transact-
ing mercantile business and holding like
offices in other places. There is nothing to be
said against Don Ralli, nothing particular
in his praise. He is a man about twenty
years of age, is as attentive and not more so
to Americans who visit Odessa, than Consuls
are elsewhere. He is a respectable Swiss
Chauffeur and has a better reputation than
generally attaches to that class of Greeks.
I make the only issue, he is a foreigner and
I am an American Citizen, a Vermonters. It
under the circumstances you can
do anything to further my wishes you
can by doing so, gratify my wish. You
sincerely and humbly friend and
obedient servant

Timothy C. Smith

Timothy C. Smith
Oran, N.H.
N.H.

July 17th/57.



Cleveland, O. July 17 1857

Hon S. A. Douglas

Sir

The company of yourself and Lady-
are respectfully solicited. on board the
good Steamer North Star which is to
leave Cleveland on the 3^d day of Aug
next, on a grand, pleasure excursion.
to Superior Wisconsin, touching
at intermediate ports

your friend

D. P. Rhodes & Lady will be of the party -
as well as your humble servant & Lady -
and many others -

A good time may be
expected

Truly Yours

S. A. Turner

J. W. Turner.
Cleveland.
July 17/57, Ohio.
An invitation
to go to Superior
Wisconsin.

Steamer.

North Star

Pass Mr. Hon S A Douglas
and Lady

From Cleve to Sup & Back

Trip No. 8 J. M. Turner

☒ This ticket to be returned when called for ☐



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Will leave Cleveland for SUPERIOR CITY, touching at
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EAGLE RIVER, ONTONAGON, LA POINTE and BAY FIELD.

LEAVES CLEVELAND

Monday, July 13th	at 8 o'clock P. M.
Thursday, July 23d	" "
Monday, August 3d	" "
Thursday, August 13th	" "
Monday, August 24th	" "
Thursday, September 3d	" "

LEAVES DETROIT

Tuesday, July 14th	at 10 o'clock A. M.
Friday, July 24th	" "
Tuesday, August 4th	" "
Friday, August 14th	" "
Tuesday, August 26th	" "
Friday, September 4th	" "

A Fine Brass and Cotillion Band will accompany the Boat for the entertainment of the Passengers, and nothing will be wanting to ensure the greatest variety of pleasure and comfort which could be desired.

The above Steamer is NOT SURPASSED, in point of SPEED AND ACCOMMODATIONS, by any Boat on the Lakes. She is built for this particular trade, is over 1100 Tons Burthen, is fast, staunch and new. She performs her trips with surprising regularity, and is so well appointed and furnished as to make her a PALACE HOME to the pleasure traveler.

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The Copper and Iron Mines, the leading business interest of this region, will always continue to attract the enterprising and scientific to their vicinity, and the new and easy communication by the Sant Ste Marie Canal, has made the voyage one of uninterrupted comfort and pleasure.

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EAGLE RIVER, ONTOGON, LA POINTE and BAY VILLE.
LEAVES CLEVELAND

Monday, July 1st	at 8 o'clock A.M.	at 10 o'clock A.M.
Tuesday, July 2nd	"	"
Wednesday, July 3rd	"	"
Thursday, July 4th	"	"
Friday, July 5th	"	"

A Fine Dinner and Cocktail Band will accompany the boat for the entertainment of the
passengers, and nothing will be wanting to ensure the greatest variety of pleasure and
comfort which could be desired.

The North Star is NOT SURPASSED in point of speed and ac-
commodation by any boat on the lake. She is built for this particular trade,
is over 1100 tons, has a hull of steel, and a new and improved engine, but this
with everything else, and is so well appointed and finished as to make
her a FAVORITE HOME to the pleasure traveler.

The route of the North Star is the shortest and most direct route to the
great resorts of the north, and is the only one to be found on the American Continent.
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