

Rochester N.Y.
Dec 14th 1857.

C. L. Bliss
wants your
Speech
Sent Copy.

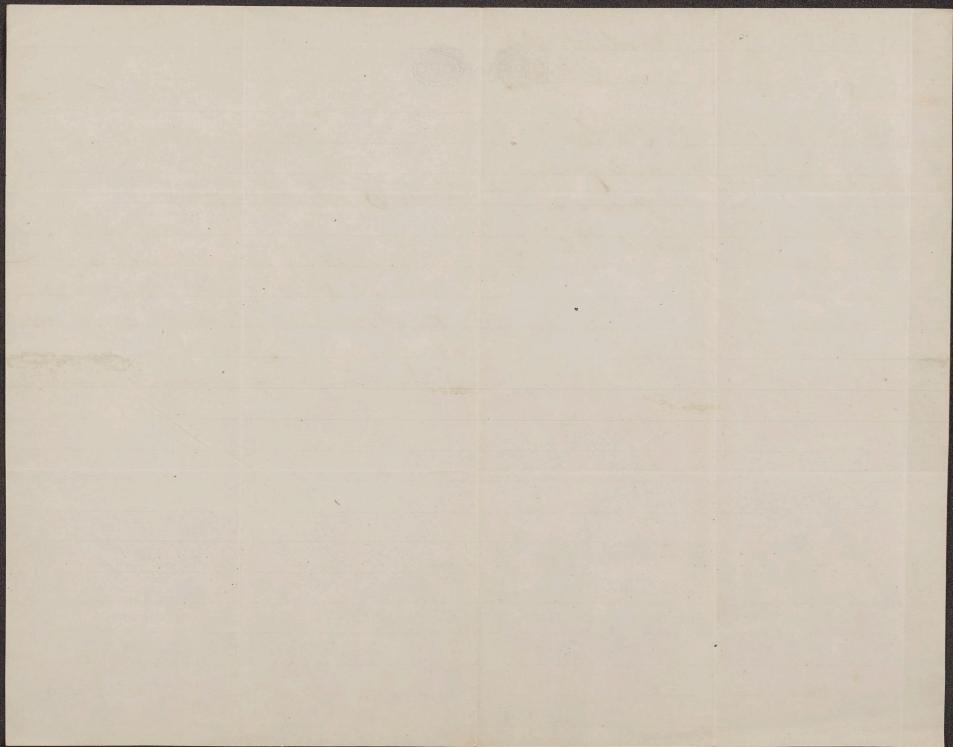
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Rochester Dec 17, 57

Hon. S. A. Douglass Jr Sir

Please send your speech of last
week on the Kansas Question, also
the Presidents Preface and ac-
companying Documents

Yr Obedt Servt
W. S. Otis



Henry C. Parsons.
Williamsport.
Pa.

Sends a package of
the Kansas Speech.

Dec. 14th
1857

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Williamsport Lycoming Co Penna
Dec 17th 1857.

My dear Sir.

Your great speech upon
the Kansas difficulty has created
much excitement in this portion
of Pennsylvania. It affords me
much pleasure to inform you, that
every Democrat here most cordially
endorses you. But we find it
impossible to obtain a copy of
your speech - The edition of the
Philadelphia Press containing it
was entirely exhausted half an
hour after its arrival here.

If the speech is published in
pamphlet form I would consider it
a very great favor if you would
enclose me a few copies. I am

anxious to give it to some gentlemen
who desire to preserve it.

Perhaps you will remember my
calling at your house last Spring
in Chicago, in company with
your brother-in-law Mr. Leuts.

With great respect

I have the honor to remain &

Henry W. Parsons -
Frank A. Douglass.

Ga Dec 17th /57

Judge Stronglap

Dear Sir

The Legislature of
Ga has in Violation of all
precedent as well as in-
vove the action of the Committee
whose business it was to-
appoint a suitable time for a
Convention of the State who
should be direct from the
people to appoint delegates
to the Charleston Convention to
select a Democratic Candidate
for the presidency

This Executive Committee did
appoint a time for that Con-
vention to assemble in March
at Milledgeville & select their
Delegates

This unjust assumption
of power was but about
no doubt by the agency of
Cobb the Governor

aspirations & purposes

We shall have a convention
in March in accordance with
the usage & obedience to
the arrangement of our Committee
which will at the same time confer
& have two sets of delegates
but let it be so "We can make
the fight at Charleston before
the Convention & we hope to
believe they will do up Justice
& set aside the unjust acts
of the Legislature & give up
our unwholesome representation
we expect to send a repre-
sentative from that Convention of
the State who will go down with
national feelings no prejudice
& who will as cordially accept
their Standard from you the north
as from the South If he should
have the ability & heart, & which
never as a National Statesman
will most cordially accept
the State

I think if he has them himself
worthy of our Confidence & support
accept my thanks for the various public
documents you have had the kindness
to send me for the last several months
I have perused them with care &
I have been highly interested
with your independent position
on important issues that divide
& distract the peace of the Country
It is important for your discern-
ing that documents be put in circulation
among our Citizens, & as proof of
this last position the Editor of the
Rambler Argues not long since
was quite rallied in his denunciation
of one of our leading politicians
I took the paper & I addressed
a line to him asking the use
of his Columns to reply if he inclined
to publish in like & repeated appeals
& did in that with reply to the
position he made & I have not
heard a single word from him
I am at

I in place of a cold reception
as I somewhat expected he gave
me a cordial shake of the hand
& asked me to aid him to get
the appointment of State printer
If this Editor know that if
they make a false position
with false ignorance or design
that there is a man who looks
after them & has the ability &
power to afflict them. They will
necessarily use a pair of scales
to balance their Editorial
before they are thrown out
for such unbecoming subject-
themselves thereby to be placed
in ridiculous position or position
of chit instead of the probability
Most respectfully Edw. P. Hall

Camille

Malaball City La

I reside in the
2nd Congressional
District represented

by Judge (name)
of the Orleans
parish

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for Ball

F. W. Perry
Rockville Ct

wants Speech &c

Dec 17 1857

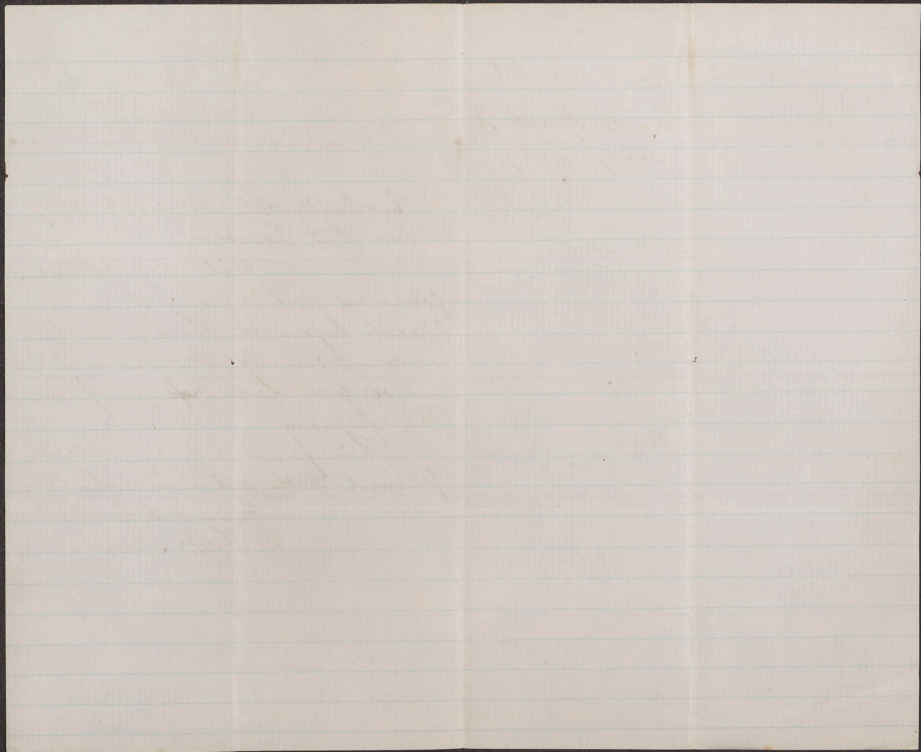
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Rockville Ct. Dec 17th 1857
Hon S. A. Douglas.

Will you please
forward me a copy of your
Speech before the Senate on the
Secompton Constitution in
answer to the late message of Pres.
Buchanan.

This favor would oblige a
friend to the administration.

Yours with Respect
F. W. Perry.



Lowville, N.Y. Dec 17th 1854.

Hon S.A. Douglass.
Dear Sir,
Will

you have the kindness
to send me your speech
on the Leecompton Convention.
and oblige your
Obedt Servt.

Wm J Phillips

To Hon S.A. Douglass

Henry A. Phillips
Lowville,
N.Y.
Dec 27/54.
Spoke on New
York Affairs.
Spoke on New
York Affairs.

Barnardston Mass
17 of December 1857

Hon S. A. Douglass;

U. S. Senator

Washington D. C.

Dear Sir;

Will you
send me a copy of your speech on
the President's message, ~~and~~ if you
have any to hand for distribution
I should be happy to obtain a copy.
I hope to hear from you soon.
I am very Resp^{ly}
Yours at Service

John F. Phillips

John F. Phillips
Bernardston Mass.
Dec 17/57

Wants Speech

Friday 8 Dec 1857

Am L. A Douglas

Dear Sir

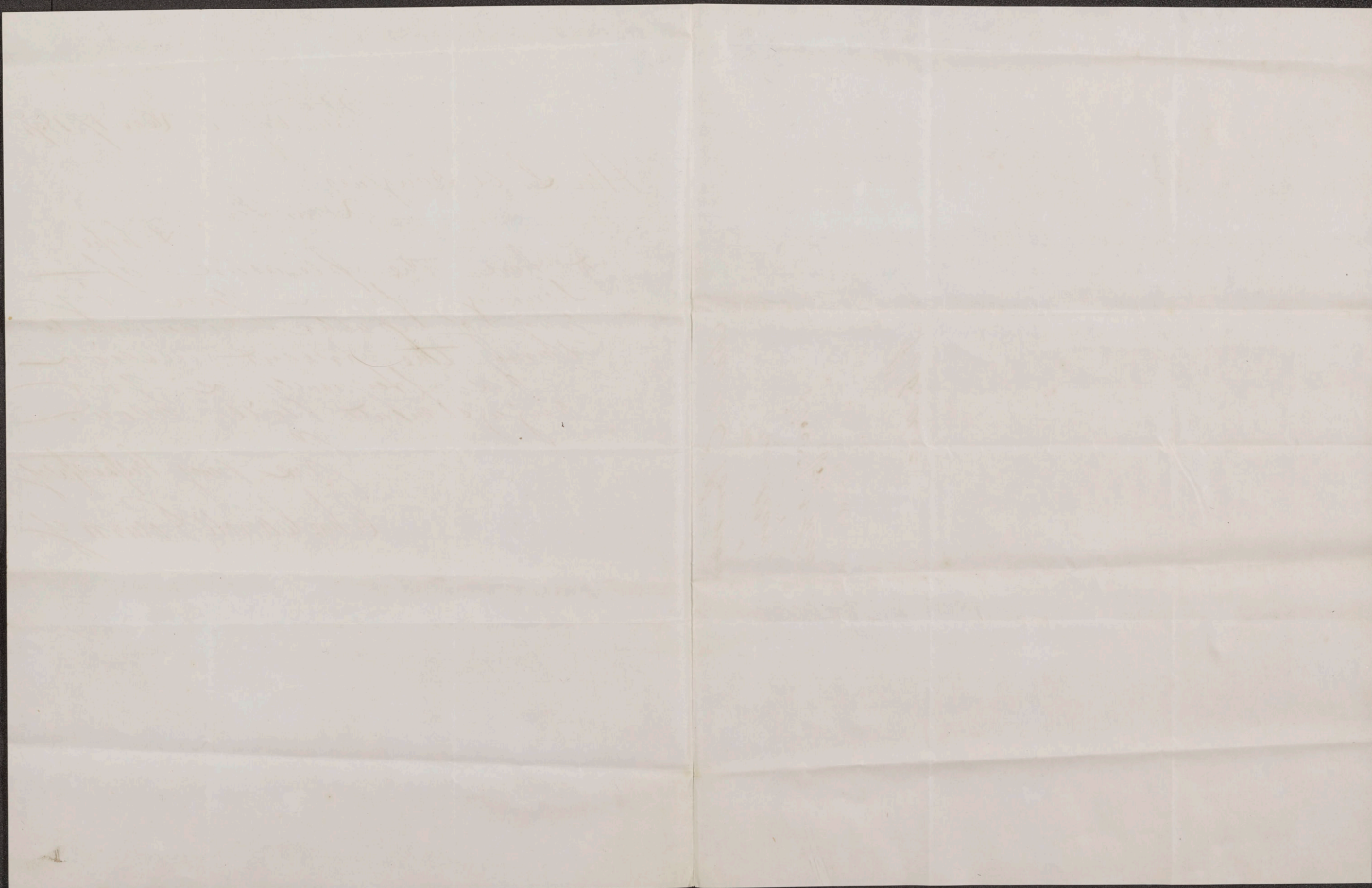
I hope
to have the pleasure of
hearing from you, by
way of Public Document to
appear the present session
as frequently as your
engagements will allow.

Yours very respectfully
Charles M. Townsend

Charles C. Pomeroy,
Hindley,
Levy, Ohio
Buchanan

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Tammany Hall, New-York,

December 17th, 1857.

Sir: *V*

The Democracy of the City of New-York, impressed with the importance of the national issues now presented for public consideration, and desiring to make a formal expression of their views in relation thereto, will hold a **MASS MEETING, at TAMMANY HALL, on Wednesday Evening, December 23d, 1857,** (pursuant to the call of the members elect of the Democratic Republican General Committee,) for the purpose of renewing the expression of their confidence in the administration of **JAMES BUCHANAN,** and responding to the sentiments and recommendations of his recent Message.

You are respectfully requested to attend and address the meeting.

Yours, Respectfully,

R JOHN H. WILLIAMS, 1st Ward.
FRANCIS C. FENNO, 3d "
ROBERT DONNELL, 6th "
ISAIAH RYNDERS, 7th "
HENRY H. MORANGE, 9th "
ANDREW R. JACKMAN, 11th "
CHARLES DOTY, 13th "
DANIEL W. NORRIS, 15th "
ANTHONY EICKHOFF, 17th "
JOHN L. BROWN, 19th "
RICHARD BUSTEED, 21st "

WILLIAM MINER, 2d Ward.
GEORGE H. PURSER, 4th "
WALTER ROCHE, 6th "
JOHN D. BETTS, 8th "
ELIJAH F. PURDY, 16th "
WILLIAM O. WEBB, 12th "
JOHN H. CHAMBERS, 14th "
SAMUEL D. VANDERHEYDEN, 16th "
OLIVER S. HERBERD, 18th "
PETER B. SWEENEY, 20th "
ALEXANDER WARD, 22d "

Committee of Invitation.

ELIJAH F. PURDY, *Chairman.*

Please address your answer, at your earliest convenience, to the Chairman, at New-York.

Chamney Hall
Dec 17th 1854.
Geo H Williams Esq
Invitation to
attend & address
Meeting
Endorsing
Mr Buchanan
Cmra

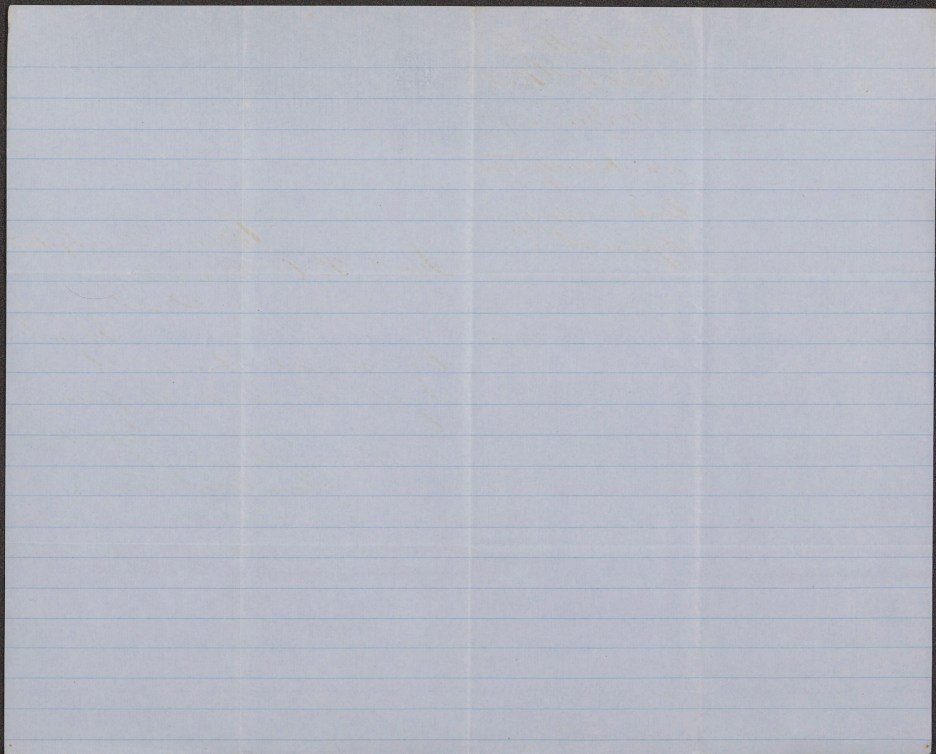
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Boston Mass
Dec 17th 1857.
W. W. Quincy
Hand autographed
sent a copy of
speech

Boston Dec. 17th 1857.
Hon. F. A. Douglass
Sir

If not
too much trouble to you,
I should be much pleased
to receive your Autograph,
to the address of
Your Obedt Servt

W. W. Quincy
Boston



Gerry America Warren Collet 17th 1859
 Hon. S. A. Douglas Dear Sir

Will you please send me
 a bundle of Copies of a speech
 delivered by you in the Senate
 on the ground relative to the
 Kansas Constitution

We believe it should have a
 general & thorough circulation -
 It will carry all parties with
 it in this part of the state

With much respect I am

Yours faithfully & sincerely

J. W. Russell
 P. M.

J. R. Ramsdell
Young America
Illinois. Dec 17/57.
(Document)
Spuch or Mr.

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Geo H Read
Editor Courier.
Ashkosh, Wis.
Dec 14/57

Wants Speeches.
for distribution

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Office of the Ashkosh Courier
Ashkosh Wis, Dec 14, 1857

Hon S. A. Douglass
Dear Sir:—

Of your speech on
the Seecompton Constitution, has been
published in pamphlett form, I would
like to have a few copies for circulation
in this region. I shall publish it in my
paper for this week, but for the sake of
convenience, and future reference, a
few of the pamphlets are very desir-
able. I beg leave to assure you, that
there is but one opinion among the demo-
crats of this part of Wisconsin, in regard
to this matter, and that is one of unqualified
and cordial approval of the noble stand
you have taken; and that throughout the
State, there is not one democrat in a hun-
dred, but will sustain you with all his
heart and soul

Respectfully, Geo. H. Read
Editor Courier

Wm. H. Bond

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above named matter. I am sorry to hear that you are not satisfied with the result of the investigation. I have, however, done all in my power to ascertain the truth of the matter, and I am confident that the result is correct. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, Wm. H. Bond

Keokuk Dec 17th 1854

Wm L. A. Douglass

Dear Sir

I write to ask
you if you see proper to use your in-
fluence to do so, to procure for me
from the Foreign Ministers at Washing-
ton representing them, the appointment
for me as Counsel for Gona to reside
at Keokuk, for some of the German
States not represented here. We have a
large German population in this part
of Iowa, and only one of the German
States that I am aware of viz: Prussia,
has a Consul in the State, & he resides
at Burlington. I speak with the Ger-
man language & can get the recom-
mendation of the Catholic Bishop &
such others as may be required —

As a Democrat anything you can do
for me in procuring any of said ap-
pointments will be gladly reciprocated

Yours Truly

James M. Reid

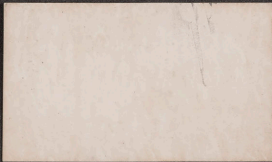
Gar. M. Reid
Keokuk, Iowa
Dec 17/54,

Wants to be made
German or other
Consul at Keokuk,

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JAMES M. REID,
Attorney at Law & Notary Public,
KEOKUK, IOWA.

OFFICE.—WITH GEN. H. T. REID, No. 81 Main street,
24 doors up stairs.



Portsmouth
N H
Dec 17 1857
J. E. Rider

wants
your autograph
Sent copy of
Speech

Am^d

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Portsmouth N H
Dec 17/57

Dear Sir

Having been for some time
engaged in the Collection
of the Autographs of all
the distinguished men in
this Country And Europe
I take this method of
Addressing you for yours
I shall feel myself deeply
indebted to you if you will
have the kindness to Answer
this note, Enclosed please
find Envelope with my
Address.

Truly Yours

To
Hon^d S. A. Douglass
Washington D C
J. E. Rider

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 Prattville N.Y.
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Prattville N.Y.
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Mr Stephen A Douglas
 Washington D.C.

Dear Sir Will you do
 me the favor to send me your
 late speech on the Kansas question
 if it is published. —

Yours Respectfully

Omar V. Sage

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Hon^d. Stephen A Douglas.

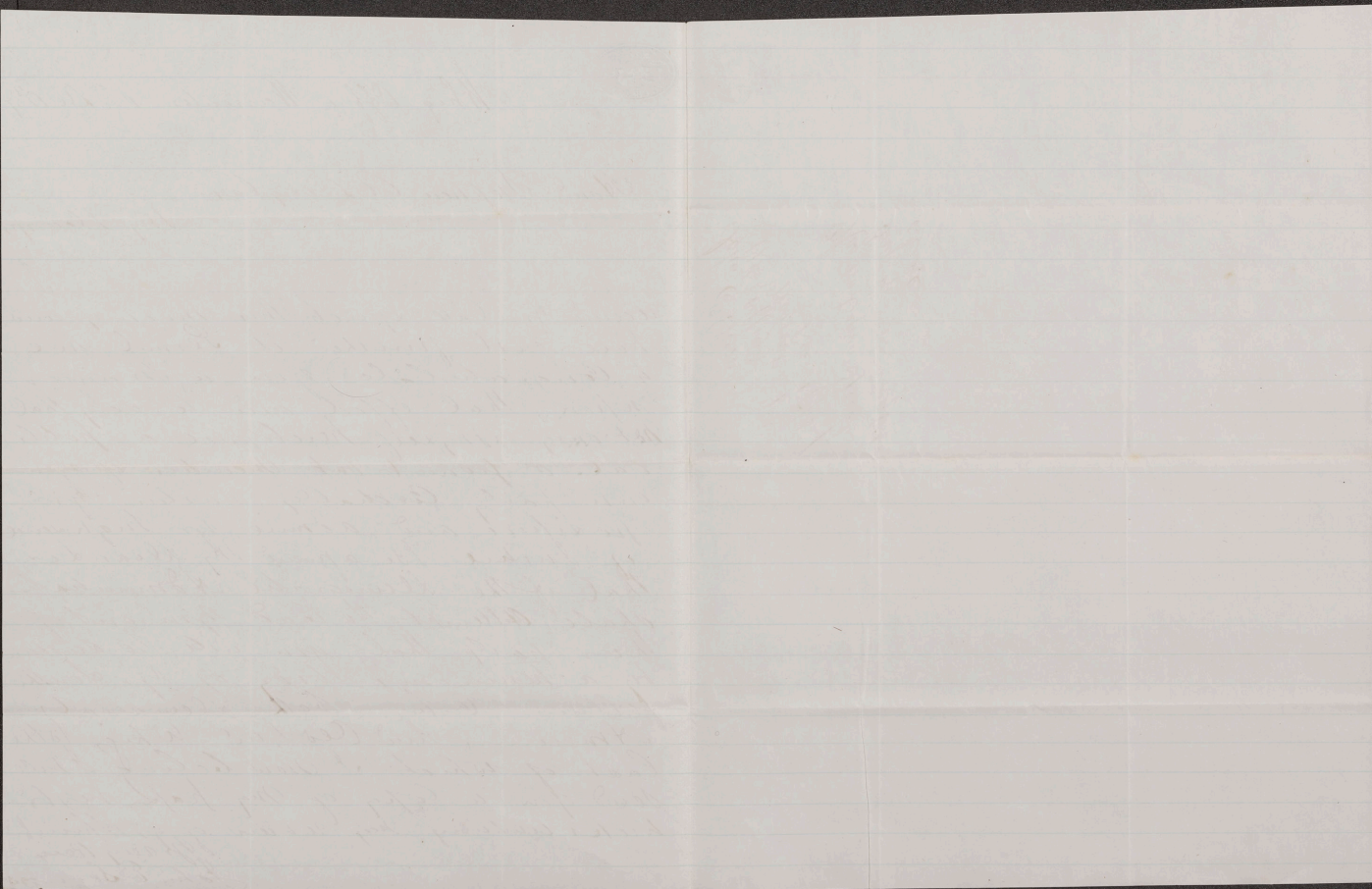
My dear Sir

J.

recd yr. late speech this morning and have just finished it. Permit me to Congratulate you a stranger upon that effort and to say that not only myself heretofore a political opponent but member of your own party cordially sustain yr position and admire yr high sense of Justice. Be assured My dear Sir that if the Democratic Administration shall attempt to read you out of their party that you will be sustained by a numerous body of yr Southern fellow Citizens both Democrats Americans and Old Line Whigs both last of which I now believe I will send you a copy of my paper next week containing my views of yr speech
Yrs very truly
John E. Seruaga

John E. Longgo
(Ming Office)
Harrington Va
Recd 17/87

Has read your Speech
Says you are right
o.k. &c



Ironton Lawrence County Ohio
Dec 17th 1857

Senator Douglass

Show me in behalf of the Democracy of this County to tender you their cordial thanks for the lucid and in answerable propositions you have placed before the County in your recent speech, on the great question that now occupies the minds of the people. That speech is sought after and read by the men to whom the President's message was read by one

There are now adopted by the soldiery of the Democracy as their Slogan to veto that infamous machination, which if consummated will shiver the most glorious unity into fragments, and reconstruct masters anew, and on a dangerous basis

The President, and his friends certainly ought to know that the people will not sanction a palpable fraud. Can it be possible that Mr Buchanan, and certain Senators who have been placed in authority upon the inherent vital force of the great principle that underlies all Constitutional Democracy, will now spurn and repudiate it? and thereby bring shame upon their friends

perhaps defeat where the hurry, and endanger
the peace of the County. The apprehensions of
an honest and straight-forward Democracy are
unwakened upon this matter: They will stand or
fall by the actions of your Church, which have
nearly been the ruin of the party since 1848
and more or completely triumphant in the
hearts, and minds of the people as at present.

My only apology for writing you
is that I wish you to know how the Democracy
stand here. This is a border County fronting
on Virginia and Ky. - Yesterday your Church
has sent at the door of the Post office to
more than one hundred copies and abundant
testimonies: The people will stand by you,
and their deliberate judgment is the highest
witness of men.

In the name of the Democracy of
this County I salute you with
their high regard and ^{only} their
champion of a great principle

Edwin Seete

Cincinnati, O.
Decr 17th 1857.
Ralph Seale.

Congratulatory of
your course on the
Kansas question.

Private

Daily Courier Office,

Buffalo, N.Y. Dec 17 1857

My dear sir:-

We should be glad to send your revised speech to such of our weekly subscribers as reside in this county. If you have extra copies, or if extra copies have been printed, I should like say 1000. If sent from the printer let him forward a bill.

The democratic organization of this county is strong and compact, and however they may be disposed to go with and sustain the administration, they wish your plan had prevailed, and that the whole Constitution had been submitted to the people of Kansas.

Some of my Democratic
friends have thrown out
hints of reading the Courier
out of the party for the
course it has pursued; but
the attempt is too feeble to
be worthy of notice.

I tell all our friends that
the Democratic party will not
be sundered on this question;
that it will yet be satisfactorily
settled; and that you will
never surrender nor be
driven from the position you
occupy in the party.

Truly yours,

Wm. A. Seaver

Hon. S. A. Douglas.

Wm A Seever
Daily Courier Office
Rochester, N.Y.
Dec 17, 1858,

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H. C. Smith,
Fairport, N. Y.
Dec 17/57
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Fairport Monroe Co N.Y.
Dec 17th 1857

Hon S A Douglass

Dr Sir

Having read brief
Sketches of your State Speech on
the Presidents Message - I am
anxious to have the whole of
it - in form that I may keep
it to the end of time -

I am one of the New York Nat-
ional Democrats that has
always admired your whole
Course on the Kansas question
and still think you right
and consistent. And tho
my feeble prayers may be of
little avail to you - yet
they shall always be hearty

and fervently given for your
success and welfare. And
May God Speed the right

I am very truly yours &c

A. C. Smith
Fairport N.Y.

Hon S. A. Douglass

Widdetbury St Decr. 17. 1857

For F. A. Douglass Washington D.C.

Allow me to seize upon the opportunity
 thus afforded of congratulating you upon
 the noble stand you have taken upon
 the Slavery question. I am aware that
 your Motives are Maligned, misrepresented,
 traduced. This you must expect. I am
 convinced of No other ground you can
 occupy with any degree of Candor
 or Consistency. It fully accords with
 your position when the Rebels Slaves
 are forced. Popular Sovereignty cannot
 be shored aside, and any Government
 that attempts to override it, will ultimately
 be wrecked and stranded. I hope
 you will not flinch or move one inch
 from your position. The great heart
 of the Nation, the true Democracy will sustain you.

I am not one that has acted with
the Democratic Party, although considering
myself a true Democrat. I am
heartily opposed to Slavery and that too
from honest motives, believing the
System at War with the nobility
impulses of the human heart and
the growth power and influence of the
Nation.

While some of you fast acts have
not met with my approval fully
your present position while it is not
Anti Slavery fully is right. I wonder
at your boldness and enterprise and
then again I do not. For I remember you
were once among the Green Mountains
on the Soil trading Ethan Allen, State
Mammot a host of others who dare
do right

I am rejoiced that Stephen
a Douglas dare do right

Religious spirit Vermont will sustain
your all parties & classes will rally
around you in your present position
to uphold Isador Douglass and
the rights of the people in the
Vermonting to accept or reject
any Constitution presented them for their
action

I was once a student of this
place and I am one that never
felt any anxious feeling at your
prosperity. I saw Mr. Nahum Parker
this morning. He sends his best
respects to you. I have just arrived from
a rich bill or I would write more

I am only sure I pray Heaven to sustain
Isador Douglass enable you to meet the
circum of right, are loyal
Truly your friend

James M. Shaw

J. W. State
Middlebury
Dec. 17th 1874
Patented & published

Anderson Ind

Dec 17th 94

Hon S A Douglas

Dear sir.

Enclosed I send
you slip of ~~paper~~, taken from our county
paper, showing the feeling of our section
in regard to your self - Your name was
inserted some months ago - but had it
not been, your course in the last
few days on the Kansas question would
have caused such a feeling among
the whole people here -

I have understood that Messrs Bright
& Titch our U.S. Senators are with

0
The President on the Kansas question, if
so they are against the wishes of their
Constituents - I was a Member of our
last Legislature and voted for them -
but not on the Conditions that they
were to repudiate the great doctrine
of the Nebraska & Kansas Bill -
I have visited different parts of the
State since the question has come up
in Congress - and find but one opinion
among the Democrats of Indiana - and
that is in sustaining you in your
Course - And no into our Indiana
Delegation if they take different views

Yours respectfully -

Thos. D. Stewell

Chas. S. Douglas
Washington etc.

Anderson Ind.

Dec 17th 1887.

Thos W. Stearns

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Speech.

W. C. Stone,
 Albion, N. Y.
 Dec. 7/57.
 Wakes an auto-
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 Spruce Lark

Albion Dec 17th 1857

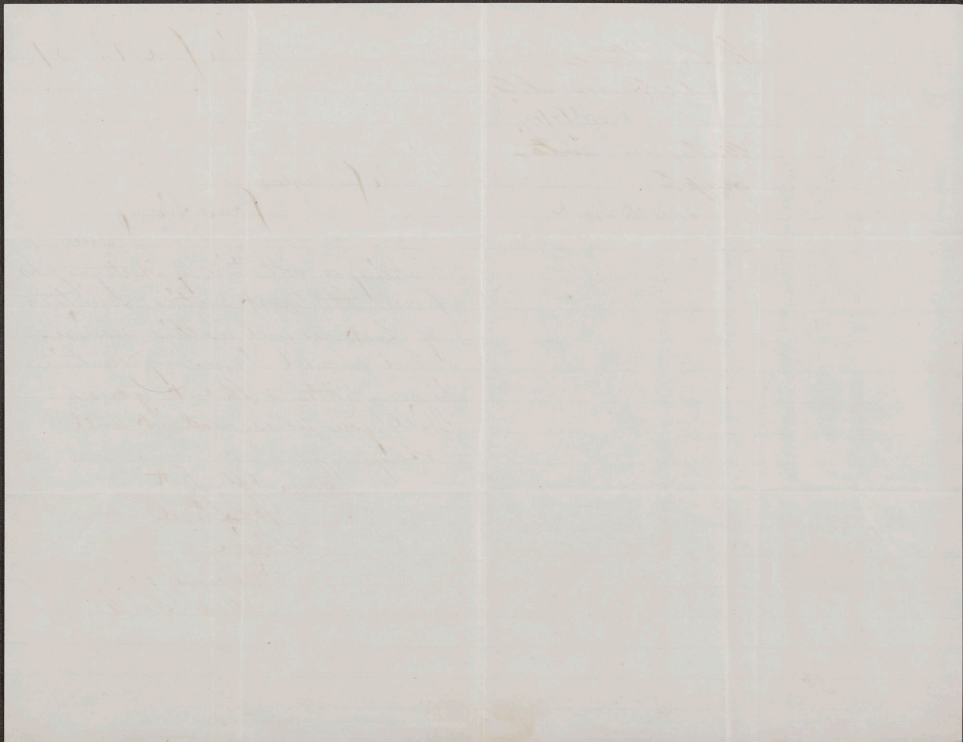
Mr Douglas

Dear Sir

I am
 making a collection of Autographs
 from the most Active Senators
 of last, as well as this session,
 And should deem my selection
 incomplete without yours.
 Will you please send it and
 oblige

Your Obedt. Servt

W. C. Stone
 Albion
 Orleans Co
 New York



Wm. L. Storrs.
Rochester
N.Y.
Dec. 17th 1857
Anti-Slavery

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City of Rochester N.Y.
Dec 17th 1857
Hon. S. Douglas
Sir

Will you do me the favor to send
me a few copies of your speech
recently delivered in the Senate
on the Kansas question.

I shall be happy to receive
any documents that you may
send during the present session
of Congress

Yours Respectfully
Wm. L. Storrs



[Faint, illegible handwriting is visible across the page, likely bleed-through from the reverse side.]

Geo. W. Sweet,
Ed. of "Times",
La Porte,
Ind.
Dec 17/57.
Speeches. 8000.

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Times Office
La Porte Dec 17/57
My Dear Douglas

I recd,
a copy of your recent speech
delivered in the Senate
Chamber, and hastened at
once to devour its contents,

Suffice it to say, I
commiserate the growing
effort of your useful life,

I have loaned it,
everybody is devouring it,
with an appetite that
shows they know, and
appreciate the truth

You are in the right
quadrant, let politicians say
what they may,
My prayer is that

God will give you strength,
sufficient to overcome
them all. We are with
you here, heart and soul
I have not heard
a man express himself
to the contrary.

I intend to publish
your speech next week.
To conciliate where you
can, is no doubt the
true policy, but ^{let} the
eternal principle of truth
go for unbridled

She is the swifter
and stronger horse,
and will surely win
in this as in every
other race.

May God give you
health and strength,
I will risk the

balance

Wishing this will
find you and family
well.

I Am, Yours
Geo. W. Sweet

White Water

Walworth Co

Nov 22^d 1857

E. F. Tarr.

Wants Pub Does

Sent copy of
last speech.

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(White Water Walworth Co, Wis-
Dec. 17/57)

Hon. S. A. Douglas

U. S. Senate

Dear Sir

Not having the pleasure of
your acquaintance only by the
press I take the liberty to write
you asking a small favor
of you as we have moderate
-eratic Senator from this State
that I can send to I take the
liberty to ask you to send me
a few Speeches Public Doc.,
and Agricultural Reports. It
will afford me great pleasure
indeed and greatly oblige one who
has stood firm amid the conflicts
of the party of the present day. To
the old party of truth and right
and amid the downfall of many

of our contemporaries and maintained
our position such as become the
one of the true Democratic party.

Respectfully Yours

E. F. Carr - Deputy W. S. Marshal

C. B. Thompson
Horse & Cressida
Co NY
Dec 17 1857

Wants Accounts for
Acct Library
in Speech



George Cressida Co New York
Dec 17 1857

Hon

L. A. Douglass

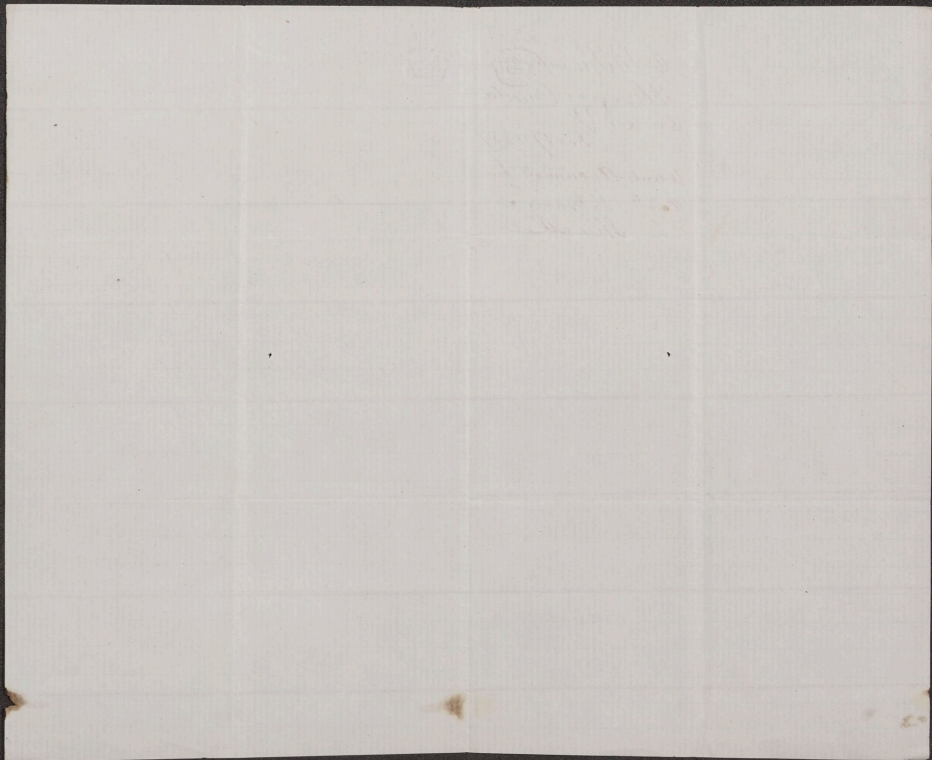
I am preparing
a Documentary and Autographic
Library Will you have the goodness
to make an addition to it by sending
me some Bornel Doe with your
Autograph and date in
the Fly Leaf

Respectfully
C. B. Thompson

P.S.

Please send me in addition
your late Speech on the
Kansas question

C.B.T.



Baltimore Dec 14th 1857

Hon Stephen A. Douglas
Dear Sir:

You would confer a favor
by sending a copy of the "Kansas Ne-
braska Bill" & of the LeCompton con-
stitution to the address of

André Trippe

38 E. Baltimore St.

Baltimore, Md.

and greatly

Yours respectfully
R. C.

Andrew C. Frippe
Baltimore
Dec 17/57.

Wants Kansas
Nebraska bill
"L"
Secompton Constitution

North Haven, Conn.
Dec 17. 1857.

Dear Sir:

Will you oblige me with a copy of your remarks on the Kansas question last week? Will it be overmuch for me to ask the favor of your speeches you may make this present congressional term? If not, will you honor me with them

Most truly Yours
L. W. Tucker -

Hon. S. A. Douglass }
U. S. Senate }

G. H. Tucker
North Haven
Ct - Dec 17/54.

Wants Speech
to send
for Sepion.

Fulham, N. Y.
17 Decr 1857.
R. H. Tyler.

Walt's Secompton
Constitution, and
your speech on
the same

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Fulham N. Y. 17 Dec, 1857

Hon. G. A. Douglas,
Sir,

Will you
do me the favor to send me
a copy of your late speech
on Kansas & the Leecompton
Constitution, if you have it to
spare? If you will do so you
will oblige a friend & admirer.
My friend Nicholas Vidden
can inform you whether I
am reliable. I have not been
able to procure a copy.

Sincerely Yours
R. H. Tyler

John H. Tinkler
1881

July 14th

Received of
Mr. J. H. Tinkler
the sum of
\$100.00

Chas. A. Warren.

Auburn
Cayuga Co.

Dec. 17th
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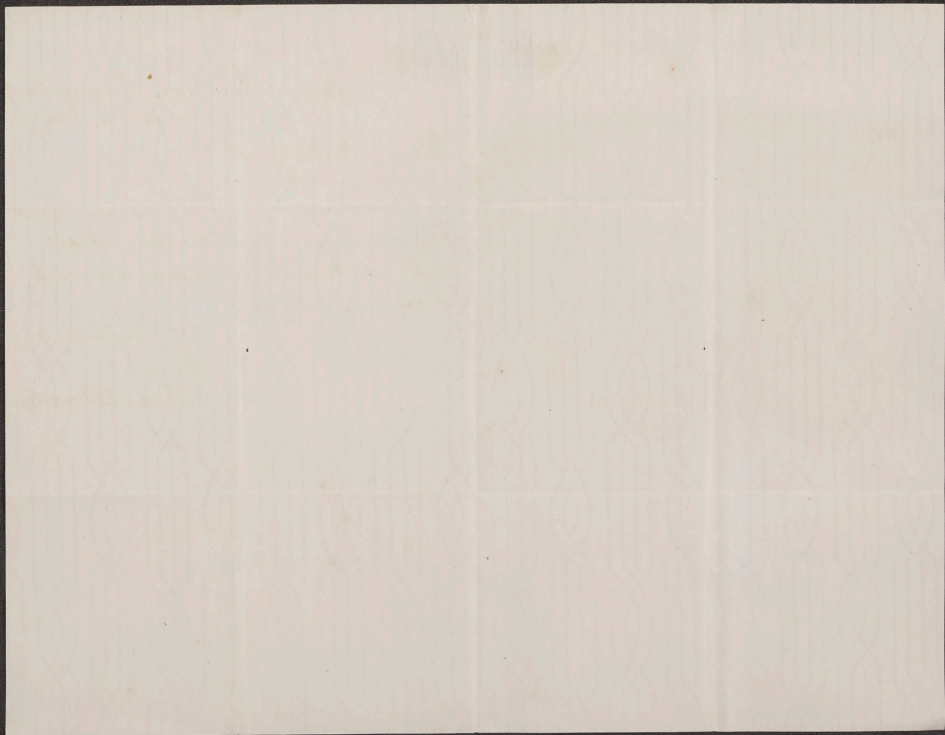
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Auburn Cayuga County
N.Y. Dec 17. 1857

Hon S. A. Douglass
Dear Sir.

Will you have
the kindness to send me your speech
upon the Presidents message delivered
December 9th 1857.

Very Respectfully
Yours &c
Chas. A. Warden



E. C. West
New York
Dec 17/57
Wants 100 Copies
Late Speech
Sent Dec 18/57 &
Mr. West written to.

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New York Dec 17 1857
37 Wall St.

My dear Judge

Will you direct
100 of your last
speech ^{to me} thro' the
Express. I can
make good use
of them always for.

Edw. L. West.

Wm. S. A. Douglas.

My dear friend
I have received
your letter of the 10th
and am glad to hear
from you. I am
well and hope
these few lines
will find you the same.
I am, my friend,
very truly,
Your friend,
Wm. Lloyd Garrison

Wm. Lloyd Garrison

H. G. Wenton,
Peoria, Ills.
Dec. 17/57.
Speeches &c.
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Peoria, Illinois. Dec 17. '57

Wm. L. A. Douglass,

Dear Sir,

Allow me to heartily
congratulate you upon the noble position you
have taken in your recent, orally & most
effective speech. I do not suppose it is
a matter of any particular consequence to
you from a individual like myself, bound
by my profession to keep out of politics
may be affected towards you. Yet I do
not think you wd be utterly indifferent
even to that. I had not the slightest ex-
pectation of being interested in any thing in
the political world this winter, but as a
life long Democrat, as an Illinoisian, as
one who has tried to defend you in whatever
may was proper for me to do, I have been
exceedingly interested & gratified in your
position. More than all I admire it, not

so much for the ability which all admit
it exhibits, adding to even your well earned
reputation, nor so much for the bold self
reliant spirit as shining in it, as because it
is right, & in these days for statesmen to
plant themselves squarely, avowedly & firmly on
the right is a spectacle as rare as to be
most refreshing to any one who loves the
right.

I have never written a line before to
any public man on any political sub-
ject - my hands & my heart are occupied
with other things exclusively, but I c'd not
forebear offering you my word of sympathy
& approbation.

Yours truly,

N. G. Weston.

Isaac Willard
New York
Dec 17th 1857.
440 Pearl Street
Dante 81760
Copies of papers
Sent me copy

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[Dec. 17, 1857]

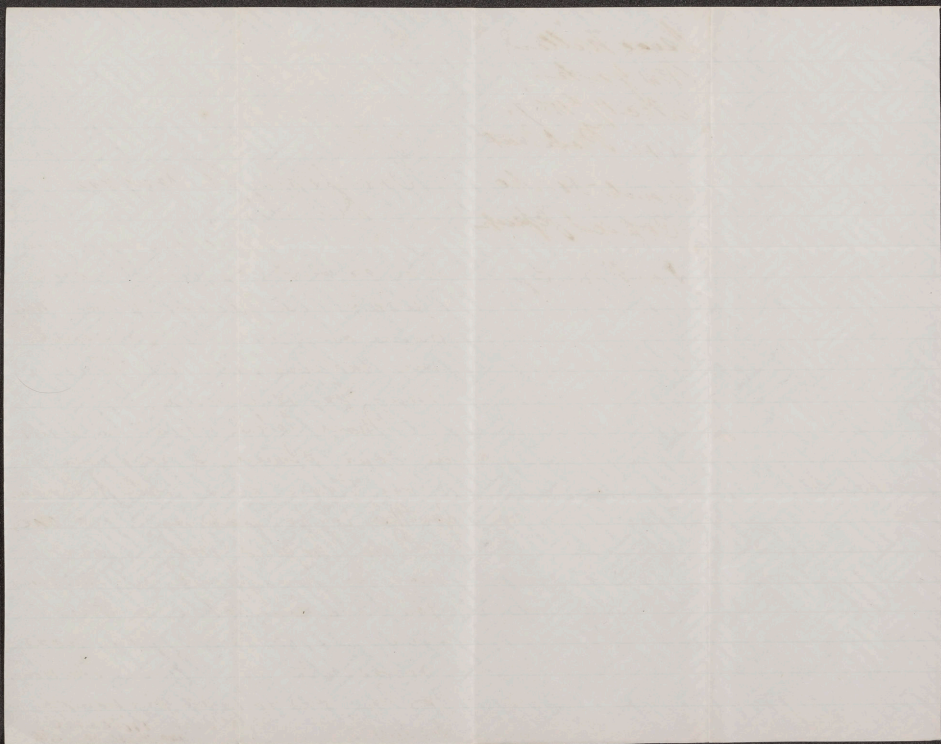
Wm Stephen A. Douglas
Dear Sir,

Please send me
five or six copies of your
speech, also please place my
name on your list & send
me documents as they
may be delivered.

I have taken great interest
in your stand, & admire
more than ever your firmness
for the right, fearing no one.

I do hope & pray you
may be justified in the stand
you have long taken & the
seat in which you now
prosecute it. I have the honor
to be your humble servant
Isaac Willard
Dec 17. 1857

440 Pearl St. N.Y.



Samuel Williams

Phil^a

Decr 17/57

Wants Copy of your Late
Speech

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Phil^a Recd. 17/10/57

Hon^r S. A. Douglas
Sir

Will you have the
kindness to favor me with a copy
(when printed) of your late speech
in the U. S. Senate on the
Kansas question; with any
other Historical, or Statistical
information, you may from
time to time have on hand
over and above the wants of
your immediate constituency.

At the same time, I hope
you will pardon the liberty I
have taken as a stranger, and
heretofore Political Opponent

Yours Very Respectfully
Sam^l Williams
No 3 Arch St

My dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the 11th 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 obedient servant,
J. M. Smith

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Perkiomen Bridge.

Montgomery Co. Pa. Dec. 17.

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir - The office of the Montgomery
Sedger is under obligations for Congressional matter
sent to yourself from time to time. Hereafter, should you
be disposed to continue such favors, would you direct
them to the home address of myself (as below) one of the
Eds. and proprietors of that journal? Their receipt
will be properly acknowledged in the paper, a copy of
which will be forwarded to you.

Very truly Yours

W. L. Williamson Ed. &c

Perkiomen Bridge P. O.

Montgomery Co. Pa.

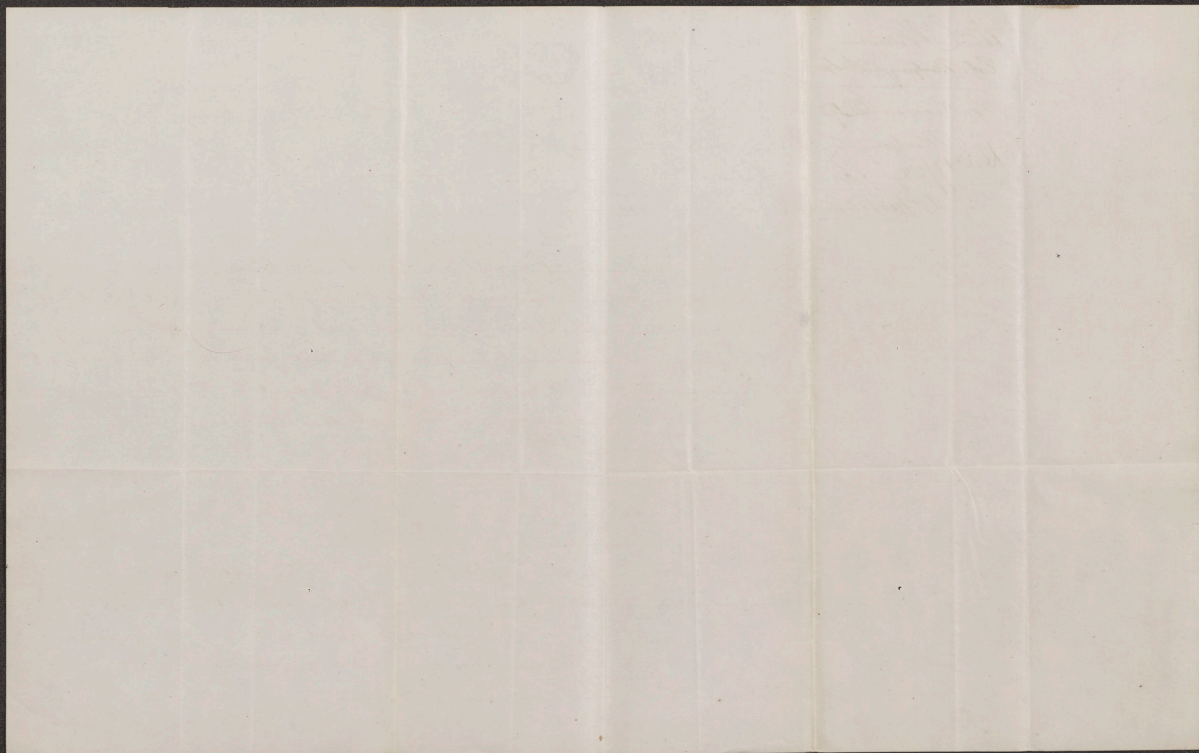
P.S. Should it be of any interest to you allow me to
say that in this Democratic district, so far as I have observed
the prevalent sentiment is favorable to your present
position upon the Kansas question W. L. W.

Wm L. Williamson
Ed. Montgomery Co. Ledger

Port Keweenaw Bridge

Montgomery Co.
Decr 17/58. Pa.

Wm. Perbotin



Reading Pa.
Dec 17th 1857.
Lewis H. Menden
wants 100
copies of your
speech for
distribution
Sent one copy.

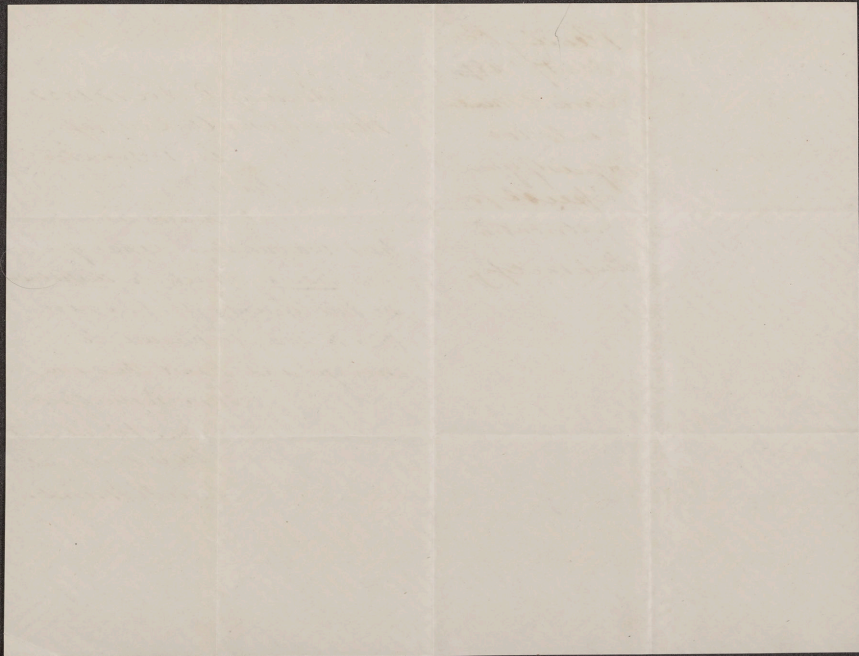
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Reading Pa Dec 17 1857
Hon Stephen A Douglass.
U. S. Senator

Dear Sir

I should like to
have one hundred copies of
your Kansas speech for distribution
in this County. If you have
them to spare be pleased to
envelope and frank the same,

I am Respectfully

Your friend and
fellow Democrat.
Lewis H Menden



Union Grove Whiteside Co Ill
Dec 17th 1857

Hon. Stephen A Douglass Esqr
Sir

In the distribution of Patent Office Reports. You will confer a favour to send Copies as follows. Report on Agriculture to H Boyer, O. B. Young, Benj Burns, Andrew Graves, and E. C. King,

Report on Mechanic Arts to J. W. Bailey, Jas W. Robertson, Philip Allen, S. I. Robbins, and William Annan, also a copy of each report to your humble servant, and any other Public Documents during the Session of Congress will be thankfully received.

And much oblige yours

Respectfully

O. B. Young

Geo. H. Young,
Union Grove,
Illinois.

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