

Olin H. C.

Dec. 28. 1857.

To The Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Dear Sir,

Will you
 be so good as to send me your
 speech on the President's Message,
 in The Senate Dec. 7. And I will be under
 many obligations to you & look Recd for
 any documents which you might
 send me. Could you be brought to
 Lowell County next Summer to make
 a speech upon Education? //

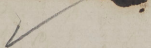
Yours truly

W. W. Allen

Olin. N. L.
Dec 28th 1857.

Mr. W. Alban

wants to speak
on the causes,
questions & desires
to know whether
you will visit W.
C. next summer
& deliver an address
on Education



Galestown Knox Co Ill
Dec 28 1857

Dear Sir

Hon Stephen A Douglas

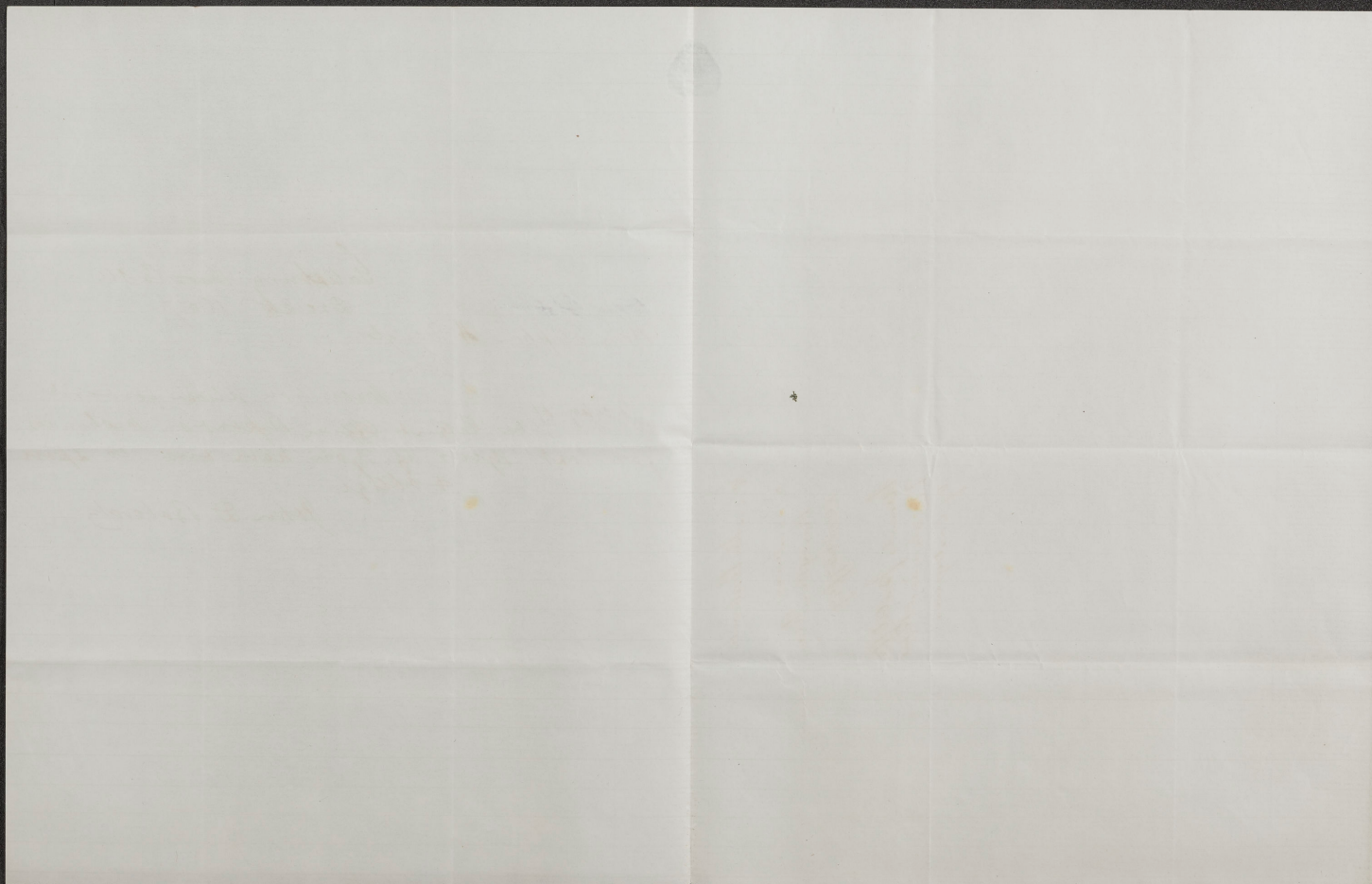
Sir

Will you please forward
to me a copy of the Patent Office Report on Mechanics
for last year if you have one to spare
& oblige

John D. Babcock

John L Babcock
Galesburg.
Knob Co. Ill.
Dec 27/57

Wants paid off.
Mechanical Repair
of last year.



Henry M. Biden
Rochester, N.Y.
Decr 28, 1857

Wants Speech.

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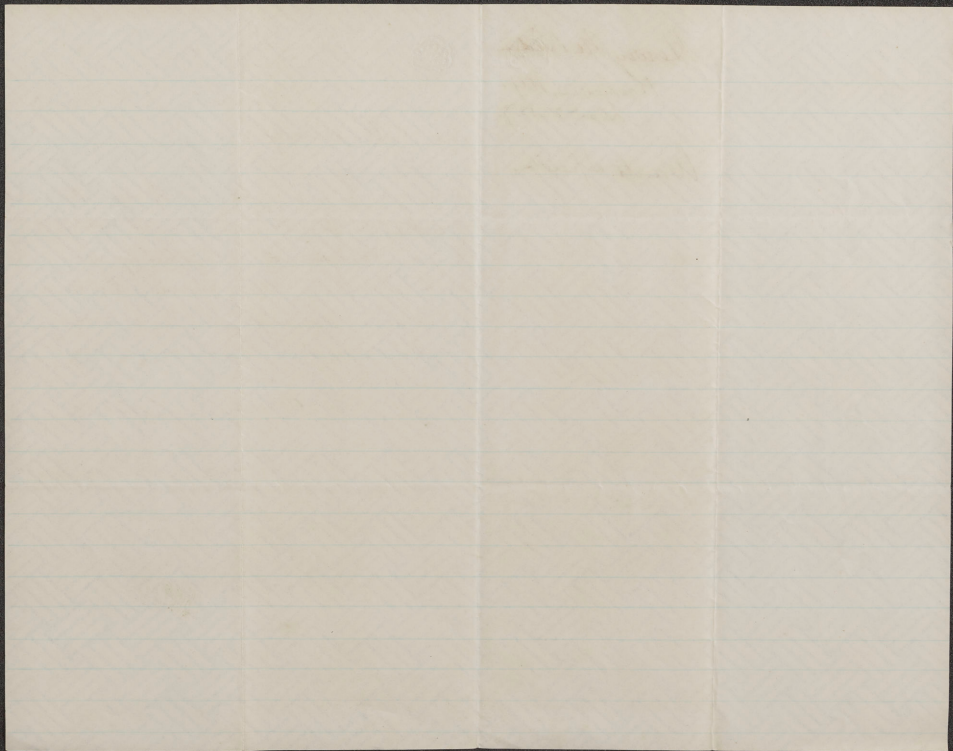
Rochester N. Y. Dec. 28, 57
Hon. S. A. Douglass
Dear Sir...

If not too much
trouble, I should feel much obliged
to you for one or two copies of your
last speech on the Kansas Question.

I have not seen a perfect copy,
I am anxious to get one

Very Respectfully

Henry M. Biden



Bellevue House
Cincinnati Dec 28. '37

Hon. S. A. Douglass

Sir

Please pardon the liberty I take in addressing you, as an old Pioneer of 1798 to the N. Western Territory - and my father Rev. John W. Browne a member of the Convention that formed the Constitution of Ohio in 1802 - I feel a very deep interest in every thing which may be bro't to bear to make "Kansas" a free State. I rejoice in the exalted position you have taken, and bid you good speed and triumphant success.

I should be greatly obliged by copies of your speeches and other documents you may have for distribution Very Truly y^rs

J. W. Browne

L. J. Moore

a friend

Cincinnati

Decr 28. 1857.

Congratulate you
on your course

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Thos. A. Phelps

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Concord, N.H.

Williamson County Illinois
December 28th 1857

Dear Sir

Permit me to trouble you with
a request that you will send to me
any books or documents published by
Congress for distribution, any such books
will be very thankfully received & remem-
bered with gratitude Direct to Marion
Williamson County Illinois

Yours Truly
Hon S. A. Douglass } Wilson A. Caplinger

W. J. Caplinger

Manion

Dec^r 28/57.

Wants public doc

Concord N.H. Dec. 28/87.

Sir

Will you have the
kindness to forward me a
copy of the Agricultural
report for the year 1886.

By doing this you will
much oblige

Yours

W. H. Child.

Hon. S. A. Dwyer.

Wm H Child

Concord. N.H.

Dec 28/57.

Wants Agricultural
Reports.

N. Stonington - Ct. Dec. 28. 1857
 Hon. Stephen A. Douglas?
 Washington D.C.
 Dr Sir -

I would like very
 much to receive from you, your
 speeches during the present Congress.

Very respectfully
 Your political admirer

Thomas Clarke
 North Stonington
 New London County
 Connecticut

Wm Clarke

Wilmington
Ch

Dec 28, 1857,

Wants to receive your
Speeches during the
Session

Canton O. Dec 28th 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir

Will you be so good
as to send me two or three copies of your recent
Speech on the "Leecompton Constitution":

By so doing you will greatly oblige

yours Truly

W. Cook

Addres Canton Ohio,

H Cook
Canton Ohio.
Decr 28/57.

Wants copies
of speech.

Cincinnati, Ohio

December 28th 1857

Now Stephen A. Douglass

My Dear Sir

It will certainly not be out of place for me to inform you that the whole mass of our people in Ohio, approve of the noble stand you have taken on the Democratic Constitution. Your cause meets not only the almost unanimous approval of the Democracy of Ohio but our people of all parties. When you first introduced "The Kansas Nebraska Bill" in the Senate in 1854 I am one of the few, here, who attended on the stump and every place that the Bill was right and the only way to get rid finally of this everlasting Negro question, and now to see all our people say "Douglass, is right after all" and "was right in the start" does my soul good! It is unnecessary to tell a man like you to stand firm. I know you never back. just pursue the same call understood, view you have taken and the American People will elect you their next President. I this day send you one of our papers

which has already placed your name at its mast
head, and in a few weeks we intend to hold
a County Convention and order our Democratic
Editor to do the same. Ohio will go for
you, such a perfect rack. I have frequently
thought of sending you the Ohio Statesman and
other Democratic papers, but I expect you get to
see them all in Washington about as soon as I
do. I should be truly happy to receive
some of your recent speeches or pamphlet form
for distribution.

Wishing you success, and with many prayers
for your good health. I am with sentiments of
profound Respect

Very Truly Yours
James E. Cox

Jas E Coy
Mansfield Ohio
Dec 28. 1887.
Gratulatory.
wants Speeches.



Cin. O. Decr. 28th 1857.

Hon. S. Douglas.

Dr Sir, I was strongly opposed to your course in the repeal of the No Compromise. I am as warmly in favor of your present course in favor of "popular sovereignty fully expressed". Please frank me some copies of that speech that will do more to immortalize you than anything you ever did before. I have read it, - I wish to preserve it myself and give it to others for preservation. Please also send me some of those valuable scientific works which it is your privilege to send to your friends. My motto is Principia non homines, Do wrong & I oppose you; Do right and I sustain you. Party has no trammels for me. You will remember to have been introduced to me come of B & Broadway in 1845 by our mutual friend J. C. B. M.D. L.D. C in Ch. Th. M. Mayor of N. Y. -

Very respectfully yours,
 Address A. C. Smith M.D.
 Cincinnati Ohio.

A. Curtis M.D.

Cincinnati, Ohio

Decr 28, 1857,

Was offered - now
warmly support -
want, speakers,
for distribution

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H. Grey, Dec 28 1857

Hon S A Douglass

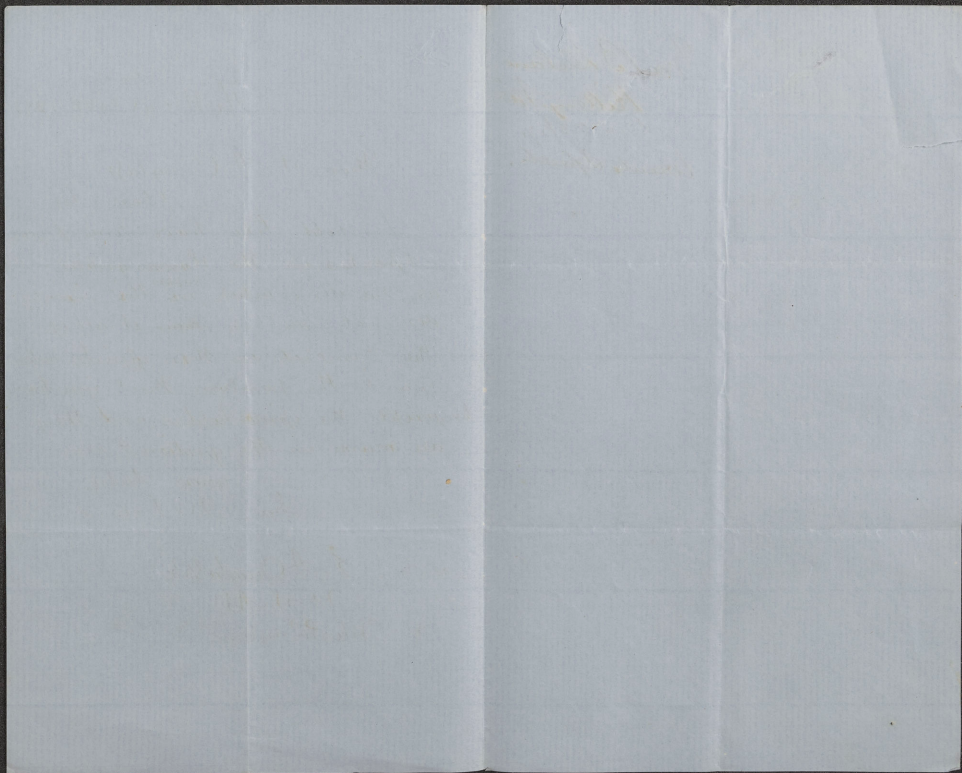
Dear Sir

I should like have some of your
Speeches on the Kansas question
as the democratic ^{papers} in this vicinity
do not publish ~~them~~ it all of
the Democrats in this vicinity sustain
you in the position that you have
take except the office holders and they
are mum on the question I have

Yours truly,
Geo D Delano

To Hon S A Douglass }
26 S St }
Washington

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Dec 28/54.
Wants Speech.



Nashville Tenn, Dec 28/57

To The Hon Stephen Douglass

My dear Sir

I cannot but express

My warm and decided approbation, of your whole course on the Kansas question, I have admired your boldness, energy, and democracy, I may say, in bringing forward and carrying through that Bill, and more than all I respect and admire your fearlessness, in daring to be a consistent democrat, that is an honest one, even though you stand arrayed against a democratic^(C) administration.

Your position is a proud and noble one indeed, and the great Giant of democracy has never stood in a better light with me.

I am proud to sustain you, and though my support is more nothing. Still I give it all my heart, and how an honest Democrat, a supporter of your Kansas Bill - one who voted for James Buchanan - can be otherwise than for you now, I cannot conceive, Nor are without supporters in this state even though the Papers are against you? But I fear you put little faith in southern support after the shameful manner in which they treated you at Cincinnati, but remember Tennessee is also a western state one of

Mississippi valley states, and, and in that great
valley the heart and strength of the nation lies
your strength, the opinion of the people is
not always reflected by their delegates as you
know well enough - Look at Leecompton for
instance, nor by the press, the Nashville Union
for example. We all know what Emil Facklan
thought of you, and his opinion is gospel with
us democrats.

For the present I have the honour to
subscribe myself your friend
A. Douglass, Democrat

P.S. Please send your ^(late) speech on Kansas affairs
and direct to
A. D. D.

A. D. D.
Nashville Tenn
Decr 28/54.
for a check

WJ

L. F. Dunge

Fulton City
Dec 23/58. Ill
Stick to your principles
10 to 1. for you here

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Fulton City Whiteside Co. Ill
Dec 28th 1859
Mr S A Douglas Esqr
Washington City

Dear Sir
It is my wish that you stick
to your principles. Mr. Mc
will find that he is in a great error
Our Post Master here is supposed
to be a Democrat but seems to
take no interest in the Present
Administration. I think there is
about 10 to 1 for you in this town

I remain Yours for 1860

L. F. Dunge

in the morning
the weather
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^{Mass}
West Newbury, December 28/857

Dear Sir

I have seen various extracts, from your speech
on the Kansas question, but have been unable
to obtain an authentic copy of the whole. If you
would favor me with a copy, I would be greatly
obliged, your petition is regarded with favor
by conservative men of all parties in this section
and expect now by the aid of your efforts, an
honorable settlement of the Kansas matter

Yours Truly N. F. Emery

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

W F Emery.
West Newbury
Mass:

Decr 28. 1857.

Wants speech.

J L Foster
Pittsfield
MA.
Dec 28/57,

Wants Speech.
- Walkers Resignation
- Presidents Reply.

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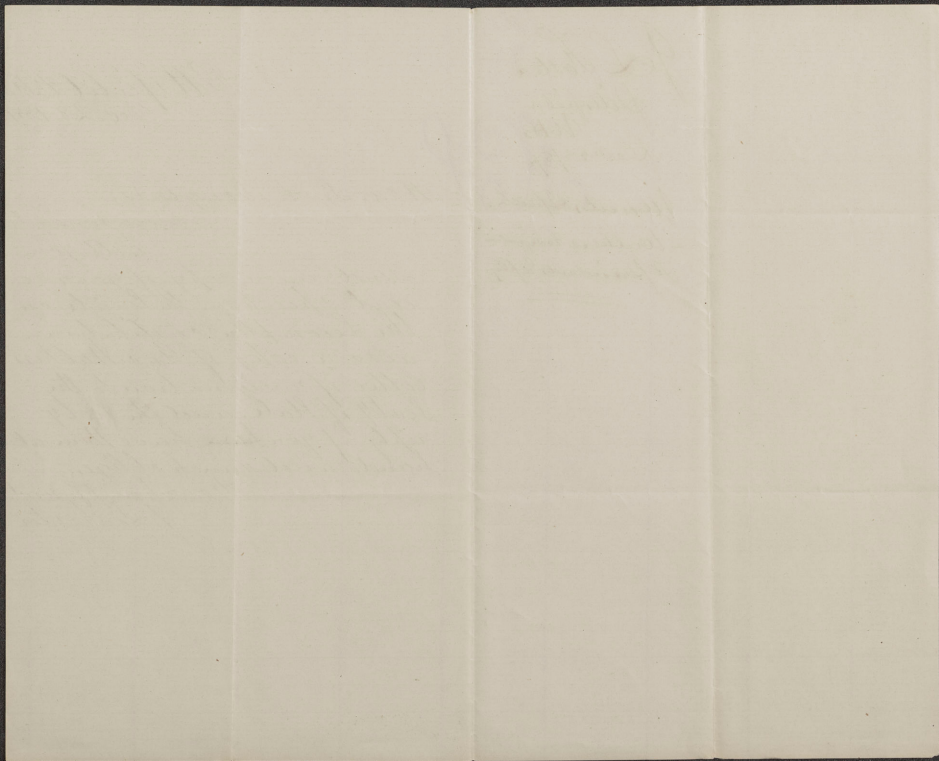
Pittsfield M.A.
Dec. 28-1857

Hon. S. O. Douglass.

Dear Sir -

Will you
send me a copy of your re-
cent speech in the Senate on
the Lecompton Constitution -
also a copy of Gov. Walkers
letter of resignation to the
Secty of State, and the Secty's
reply. If you ~~have~~ have them at
hand, and much oblige,

Your humble servant
J. L. Foster



Henry Gaines
No 200 Vine St
Cincinnati, Ohio
Dec 28/57.

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wants Speech -
of President's Message

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Cincinnati Dec 28 1857
Hon Stephen A Douglas

Dear Sir

Will you
do me the favor to make me a copy of your
speech on the Kansas Question if not too much
trouble you would oblige me by sending a copy
of President's Message. You can rely upon it
your bold course meets with great favor
among the young men in the Democratic ranks
to want a leader of acknowledged talent who
has the courage to take the responsibility upon
himself and carry out such measures and
are deemed benefactors to the Country

Respectfully Yours

Henry Gaines

No 200 Vine 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,
Your obedient servant,
J. H. [Signature]

My dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst.
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J. H. [Signature]

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Henry Co. Ia

December 28, 1857

Hon S. A. Douglass

Dear ^{Sir} altho a stranger
to you personally, but not
politically, I have been a
democrat all my life and
have voted the ticket for 30
years, and I hope in god
my life may be spared to
vote for you at the next
presidential election, as the
the Gocate Champion of the
people governing themselves
in the States and Territories
your course on the Leconte
Constitution is approbated
by all classes and Parties
of the people, except some
of the dependents of governm-
ent patronage and their
cats paws, go on the people

NB You could carry Indiana
this day by one Hundred Thousand
Majority against any other man

any favors will be
Thankfully Received
F. L. G.

for

are with you ² and will
sustain ^{you} against all oppos-
-ition let it come from
who it may, great god
what a change! what a
change has come over the
Republicans since last
year. They say now you ^{was} right
and they ^{was} wrong in their
opposition to you in regard
to the great doctrine of
popular sovereignty in the
Territories, and they are now
ready to sustain you, and say
that you are the greatest man
in the United States. the fact
is every body is hallowing hwy a
foe Douglass. Some still tries to
sustain old Buck for fear
of dividing the party, but
they all say that you are
right. you need not be
surprised if at our 8th of
January convention, the

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The administration would
be indorsed in general terms
there is an effort making
for that purpose, and it
may succeed, and I may
vote for it as many others
will to keep peace in the
party, but I assure ^{you} that
it is not the sentiments
of one Democrat in twenty
who could or would sust-
-ain old Buck in regard
to his Kansas policy as
recommended in his mes-
-sage, I say again go on for
you are winning golden opinions
from all classes, I would
like to get some of your
speeches for distribution
yours Respectfully

F. S. Goble

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L. F. Cable

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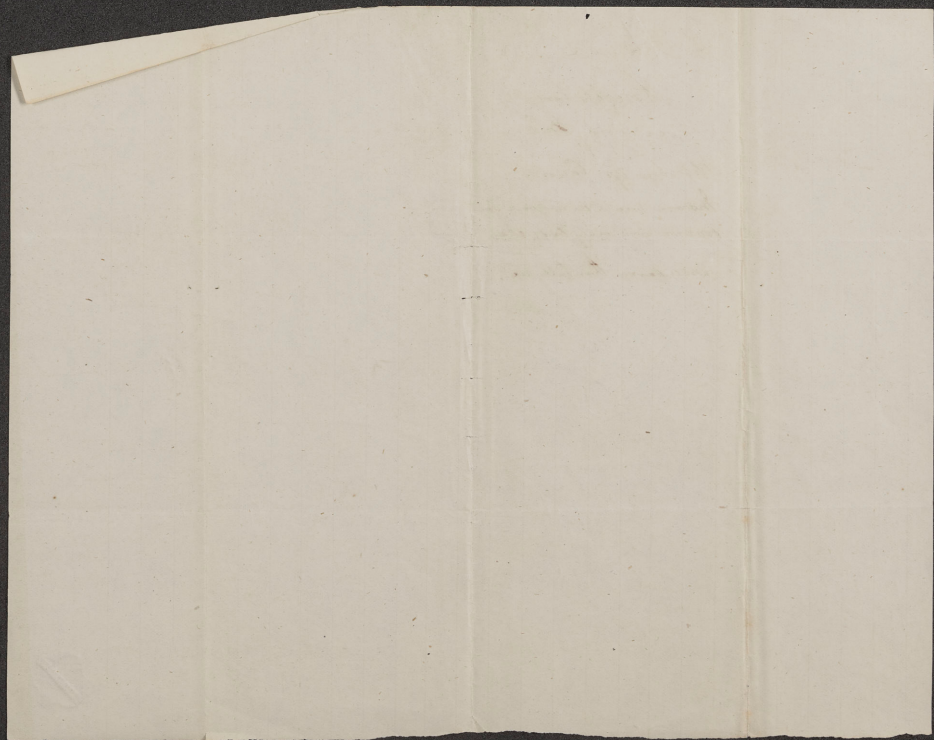
Dec 22/57, Ind

Appreciate yr Couns

Indians would now give you
100,000 over anybody else

Ever favorably recd.

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Rock Island

Decr 28th 1857.

P. Gregg. Others

application to
Sec of War enclosed.
rjr co-operation asked

Hon^{ble} S. A. Douglas
Washington

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Rock Island

Decr 28th /57

Hon^{ble} S. A. Douglas.

Dear Sir,

We the
undersigned, your staunch
friends, & representing the
wishes of the City & Co. of
Rock Island, both Democrats
& Republicans. beg leave to
transmit to you the enclosed
application to the Sec^y of
War for that portion of Rock
Island included in our
City limits.

We have made the
application to the Sec^y
of war, supposing that the
Island is yet under his
control. But depend on
you to inform us of the

proper proceeding, should
this not be right.

We most respectfully
urge our suit on your
attention, & trust you may
be able to carry this, to
us most desirable object.

If deemed advisable
the City would send one
of her representation to
Washington. In this
respect we will be
guided by your advice.

Yours respectfully
D. Gregg.

Wm. Craigell -
Jacob Norris
B. J. Cobb -
J. W. Webster

Grinnell Iowa Dec^r 28/57.

Hon. S. A. Douglass,
W. S. Levate

Dr. Sir,

Since the passage of the "Nebraska Bill" I have reprehended your course as a politician frequently and vehemently, and I may add honestly. With the same spirit it is now in my heart to commend you. My influence you might not have been aware of - any more than the ox in fable was aware that a fly rested on his horn; still justice is justice and as one who has the credit for influence with the public I wish to announce myself your hearty supporter and to inform you, that all parties here are for you; except a P. M., perhaps in each city and town. At this time I am a subscriber to more than 20 papers and there is not one which does not mention yourself as just and heroic. I pray you do not fear the people. My friends in Ill^y are numerous and this is the opinion that if you make no concession to the South your election to the

U.S. Senate is now nearly certain.

Being one of the State Members of the State Senate of this State at the opening of our Session I shall introduce a resolution in your support, that you may feel that you are not alone and that we may know who are for an oligarchy and against the People.

Senator Jones Spurgeon is not with you in voting. Will you be pleased to write me confidentially just how he does stand. If he goes for "Buck" and "Mumma's" we shall invite him to resign. I will thank you to reply to me in regard to Jones at "Mt. Vernon, State Senate."

The sympathy of Senator Norton & Davis & Curtis of the House I am quite sure you have.

You may remember that we were in and then Martin Washington in 1850. and three years ago last Session we had several times conversation in the corridors Erie & Charlot. I left Vermont at an early day, my course as you see I had hope in the future that we might find acting together in the spirit of the Fathers of the Republic. Loving you all and
L. B. Grinnell

Grinnell, Iowa.

Dec 24th 1857.

J. S. Grinnell -

Political



Chas Griswold

Moscow.

Hillsdale Co. Wis.

Decr 28/57.

"You are right,
don't yield an
inch -"

Wants all your
speeches. I a
line from you.

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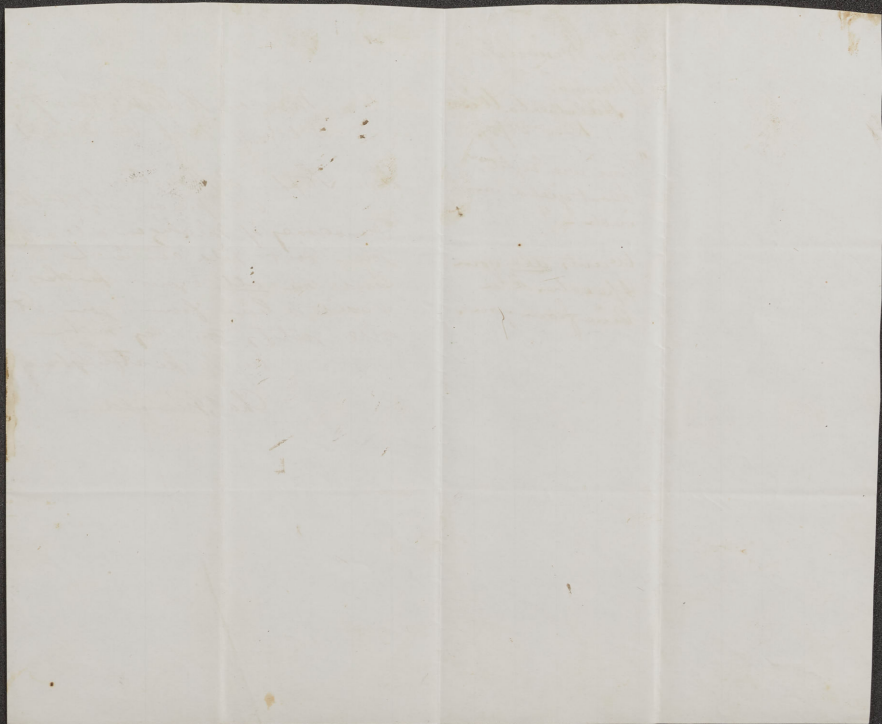
Moscow Hillsdale County,
State of Mich Dec. 28, 1857

Hon Stephen A. Douglas -

Sir, You are right. The
Democracy of Michigan will sustain
you - Don't yield an inch -
Send me all your speeches -
I want a line from you - It
will gratify me very much

Very Respectfully Yours

Chas. Griswold



[Dec. 28, 1857]

Logan Ohio
Office Hocking Sentinel

Senator Douglas
Dear Sir

The Democrats here have been in raptures at the bright prospect ahead in regard to the great issue growing out of the Kansas Secession Convention.

For a time we had some apprehension, fearing the odds were against you. The people however are with you to a man and will endure any thing almost to prevent the dishonor of their country, which the success of the Secessionists would involve. Fight them to the death - ~~but~~ The whole Northwest will take the responsibility.

Never was a public man more fully heartily and universally sustained than you are now. The war spirit is felt here.

The word contempt is ~~all~~ the only one which expresses our notion of the ~~present~~ President. I am no seceder. Never was always was a democrat, long am now the editor of the Democratic Newspaper of this village.

Respectfully
D. W. Grogan

M. Graham

Editor Weekly Sentinel

Cogan, Ohio,

Decr 28/1857.

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with you -

- Fight them to the
death, The whole
North West will
take the responsibility

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