2251

Calais Jan 4th 1858

Dear Sir as I live in a locality where the people do not know that Gen A. Jackson is dead, some of the legal Voters will come up to the polls, & hollow for Jacksons, Know Sir, if I had one or more of your late speches in the Senate, during the present Session of Congress, in relation to Kansas affairs, as they are so lucid & unassumable of think the present Democratic administration, any man in possession of grain of sence above a jack, belonging to the phoslavary party would understand the genius & policy of our government better than some seem to be thro actions Sir I do sincerly hope & trust that the all seeing Eye that never slumbers will so direct you in the discharge of your Political duties that you owe to your Country & your God, that nations yet unborne, will rise up & call you blessed, please comply with the above request yours sincerly,

direct to Calais Monroe County Ohio

To Hon Stephen A. Douglas

Wm B. Alexander

Wm. B. Alexander
Calais, Ohio
Jan'y 4. 1858.
invokes the aid
of Providence in
your behalf

2252

Cleveland Jan the 4th
1858.

Honorable Sir
I hope
you will pardon the liberty
I have presumed to take
while I kindly solicit
your kind attention for
a few moments
Oh how I do wish I
could see you I know
you would not turn
a Deaf ear to my request
which is please to
not throw the trouble

Petition - aside with
disdain

I have a
Dear Bright Beautiful
Boy 7 years of age
and as I am alone
in the world and
not able to educate
him oh how I wish
you would take him
as your own - Oh
I beg of you please
procure for me
a situation in
some good kind
family in one
of the Southern
States - where

I could leave
him with or near
me for a short
time yet at least
& oh God would I
not bless you dear
Sir if you would only
assist me to come
to you to Washington
& bring him there
he will make an
Eloquent Orator and
I know you or any other
Great man would love
him - Oh Mr Douglas please
do speak to some one
there to assist me
& grant my Request

I am yours &c
Refer to Parsons Lancaster of this state
(and others)

Please answer and if
Receive the thanks of a grateful
Orphan

Mr J Alliger
Cleveland Ohio
Jan 24/58

If you cannot
Want to assistance
I Beg of you
Don't disappoint
me — I have been
a widow four
years & struggled through
the hardships world
of which I am tired
please write & tell
me if you will assist
me + if I had money
I'd come now
Before writing for I know
could you see him
you would take him
Please address me
your faithful Mrs J Alliger

Answer I desire

Riley. Ill Jany 4th 1858

Hon Mr Douglas — I write to say that your course is highly approved. not only every democrat but leading republicans are now calling for your old speeches on this subject. Their prejudices have kept them from reading them before, and now are loth to believe that your present course is but a recapitulation and summing up of the whole course that you have pursued. This last act seemed a necessary step in order to bring the great and fundamental principle of our government to the reasoning view of the mass — only carry out this measure of popular sovereignty in Kansas and all is right. — by supporting it you have secured it to yourself

Yours truly E. Babcock

E V Babcock
Riley Ills
Jany 4 1858

Political

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New York.
154. Front street.
Jany 4th 1858.
W. B. Barton.
Wants copy speech.
for himself &
several friends —

Newyork
4th Jany - 1857.

Hon S. A. Douglass.
Dear Sir.

May I take the liberty of asking you to forward to my address - as below, a copy - of your late speech on the Kansas question? No doubt you are overrun by applications of this kind. but it seems to be the most direct way of obtaining the document. I am joined in the request by several friends - who are not satisfied with the meagre - News - Paper reports.

Very Respt
W. B. Barton.
154 Front St

Duplains Michi
Janry 4th 1858.
Saml L. Brass.

Wants a few
copies of his speech.

1858
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Duplain Mich Jany 4

Hon S. A. Douglass

Sir will
you be so kind as
to send me a few copies
of your Speech Delivered
in the United States
Senate on the Kansas
question Dec 8 1857

Respectfully
Saml L Brass
Postmaster

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J. L. Brattin P. M.
New Salem
Jany 4, 1858 – Ohio
A few Speeches

Jan 4 1858
New Salem Fairfield Co Ohio

Hon S A Douglas

Dear Sir
You will confir a favor on one of your many Friends by sending me a few of your Speaches upon the present ished for the admiskion of Kansas i will distribut them to your advantage

Yours Respectfuly
J L Brattin P. M

May 4th 1858.

Norfolk Va

Mr. Douglas,

Respected Sir: —

It is an exceedingly delicate matter for a young lady to indite a letter to a gentleman whom she has never seen; and were I not fully aware of the fact that you will not consider it at all amiss when I make known the subject to yourself, then would the pen be thrown aside. For some time your name has been proclaimed throughout the columns of every paper my eye chances to rest upon; and though we are extremely antagonistic in our views upon the subject of "Slavery," I feel confident it will not, in the least prevent a hearing of what I have to say. We should, and are proud of so illustrious a Statesman as Mr. Stephen A. Douglas.

But to my object — Mr. Barbee a Virginian by birth has just completed a piece of Statuary he calls "The Cigarette". I will not give my views in detail in this letter, but merely enclose the article which appeared in one of our daily papers. He designs visiting Washington in a very short time for the

purpose of erecting it — I would most respectfully solicit your attention to it, for it well deserves the consideration of all. — Mr. Barber has or will have a Memorial before Congress for the purpose getting the task of executing "The Union" in Marble. — Will you exert your influence to get it passed? — Your influence is very great — I know in Washington as it is everywhere else; and if your voice is in behalf of the Memorial I am confident that Mr. Barber's effort will be accomplished. Do not, for a single moment imagine that I have any personal interest whatever only so far as encouraging genius. — When you see the Republic I am confident that you will agree with me in saying that Mr. Barber deserves all encouragement. —

It is highly probable that I will be in Washington very soon —

Hoping you will consider the matter and lend your influence towards obtaining my request, I subscribe myself

Very Respectfully Yr
Obedt Servt
Lewis Cass Jr

Hon Stephen A. Douglas
Washington City D.C.

Norfolk, Va.
Janry 4th/58.

Miss
N. H. Burr.

A young Lady
solicits your aid,
in behalf of Genius.

THE "COQUETTE." 2257-2

Our admiration of this exquisite piece of statuary, becomes enthusiasm. One to watch the smile sleeping upon the lips, feels almost as if it were chiselled by a supernatural hand. The expression so exquisite, so much in keeping with the subject, leads one at once to acknowledge it, the work of a rare genius. The limbs so perfectly, so elegantly proportioned (not exagerated in point of beauty—a fault many eminent sculptors have fallen into,) the undulation caused by the slight movement of the muscles are true to life. The position is so easy, natural and graceful, that it is no wonder "she seizes hearts without consent."

While gazing upon the beautiful Coquette, we were forcibly reminded of an extract from Ossian. Fairer than the ghost of the hills when it moves in a sun-beam at noon over the silence of the morn.,'

The more we see the Coquette, the more our desire increases to see it; each moment—do we discover a new beauty—which flashes upon the sight like a bright star suddenly rising before us.

* * * * Nothing seems to have been forgotten in preparing the "Coquette," the rose lays at her feet and she seems to be in the very act of trampling upon the thorns, which she has not discovered—the dimple, which by the by, adds to beauty is perfectly and distinctly marked.

The Coquette, we are informed by Doctor Barbee, is the first effort of his brother's chisel, and we are proud to say is a Virginian—what then may not the future promise, since his first attempt is so worthy of one older in the Heaven-born Art of Sculpture? His star is decidedly in the ascendant, and we may safely predict for him laurels upon laurels.

Only a short time ago we lamented the death of the great Crawford, who showed to the world that he was indeed a genius and "mocked his own Creator's skill." He has left a monument that will withstand all the mutations of time. We have a consolation in knowing that there is yet another so skilled. Mr. Barbee the author of "The Coquette."—We entertain for him the highest opinion as an artist, indeed we must yield the palm to him. Hiram Powers has a rival.

Many ladies have false modesty which prevent them from going to see any specimen of undraped statuary. This is a very great error, and should be guarded against. There can be no impropriety whatever in going to see the Coquettee, her only fault consists in playing havoc with so many hearts, making all her captives. She represents beauty, grace, elegance, and her air is decidedly coquettish. No mock modesty should deter any one from taking a peep at Miss Coquette; one should blush only at the idea of imitating her example in piercing so many hearts with Cupid's relentless arrows. Let all Miss Prudies remember.

"True modesty is a discerning grace
And only blushes in the proper place;
But counterfeit is blind and skulks thro' fear
When 'tis a shame to be ashamed to appear."

We render our thanks to Miss Coquette, for visiting our city, and assure her that her presence has afforded us unspeakable pleasure—May she meet with a host of friends and admirers who will applaud her for her beauty and elegant simplicity, and add laurels to the wreath destined to entwine itself around the pillars of the Temple of Fame, upon which will be carved in bold letters, the name of "Barbee" the gifted son of Genius.

MARTHA HAINES BUTT.

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, WEDNESDAY MORNING,

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2258

S. Brooks
Baltimore Md
Jany 4/58

Wants your Speech

Sent Speech

Balto Jany 4 1858

Hon. Sir

I am very anxious to read your late speech upon the Utah question. and our papers have not published it in full. have been unable to do so. If you would send me a copy you would oblige an admirer of your course

Respectfully
S. Brooks
Lexington St
Balto

Hon Jos Douglas
Washington

J. W. Cardwell
Kankakee Ills.
Jan. 24 /58.

Commends cr
course & wants
speeches

Kankakee City, Ill.
Jan 4th 1858.

Hon. S. A. Douglas,
Washington City, D. C.

Being decidedly in favor of the position taken by you in the repeal of the "Mo Compromise" Also of the independant stand you have taken in the present Congress, in relation to the introduction of Kansas into the Union, and the opinions expressed by you relative to other important measures which are entirely in conformity with my own views. I would respectfully request of you, such documents as will sustain our party in the next Presidential canvass, and such other favors as you may be pleased to confer. I need not tell you that your views and proceedings have captivated men of all parties,

and I am happy to congratulate you on the prospect our State has of placing the next occupant in the "Presidential Chair."

Very Respectfull

S W Caldwell

Hon S. A. Douglas

I will send in a few days the names of the Democ. members of the Legislature. I think each member should have a copy. The enclosed does not furnish your speech.

Portland Jany. 4. '58

Sir,

If you have them to spare will you please send me 100 or 150 of your speeches upon the President's message. Or, perhaps if your clerks are not too much engaged it will be as well to have them sent directly from you. I enclose a few names. Please send 12 each to Hon. Geo. P. Sewall, Bangor, and Hon. Edmund Wilson, Waldoboro, ms. late Collector — and send bill of all to me.

Our State is in a bad condition — If possible I should like to see it come up right.

Your speech will do more to bring us up, I think, than has been done since our fall.

Judge Southgate, a Democrat of more than half a century, says that is true Democratic doctrine or he is no democrat.

I have yet to find the first Democrat that is not an Office holder or expectant that does not approve it — and the Office holders are fast becoming dumb.

Hon. S. A. Douglas. Respy Yr Obt Svt Ezra Cutler.

Ezra Cutler Jr
Portland Me
Jany 4/58

Political Seat of
Names.

Sent Speech

all Sent

New Orleans La.
January 4th 1858,

To the
Hon. S. A. Douglas,
Senate U. States

Dear Sir, = In the month of July last, I broke up my interesting home at Chicago, in view of improving the feeble condition of my wifes health and my own better fortune, and went to Minneapolis, Min. And although it had been my happiness prior to that time, at home to know you, and to have been engaged sustaining the True Principles of Democracy, during the past years residence of myself at home, and ever looking up to you as our leader & champion of our rights = It was, to me & my wife an additional pleasure to personally know you, and as likewise your amiable Lady = While travelling, at the time referred to, you will recollect myself wife & child and Col. Starkweather, introducing our little party to your after our leaving Prairie du Chien. It was my intention at that time to take up a permanent residence at Minneapolis, And

Endeavour to make my small capitol tell to advantage in Books and Stationery. My Experience my dear sir, has been a sad one; my Child was taken ill first, my Wife had severe illness after our little ones recovery, and my business did not prosper. The times were so cramped in money matters, my little means the savings of the past 4 years has very nigh, been used up by sickness & misfortune, And as a last resort to recover a part of my losses, packed up what I had left and came to this City, doubly in hopes, that a full restoration of my wifes health, and a better chance for business would occur; Matters here have been and are discouraging - you can not even sell at the greatest sacrifice. I have lately been obliged to pay a license of $75. at that rate per annum to enable me to sell at all, I am so disheartened I would, If I possessed the means make my way back to chicago again; It is now that I would most respectfull solicit your aid, And should you befriend me at this time, It would be acknowledged by a prayer to heaven for your happiness. A friend in Need is a dear friend and should ever be blessed and remembered. - I require seventy five dolls and will pay you if ever in my power. -

Principle, Interest and the gratitude of my self and family! Could you but see my struggle to support them during and since we met on our way to Saint Paul, - Knowing your natural goodness of heart at home, And the greatness of your mind and disposition to alleviate the worthy, when misfortune does overtake them. I feel that my appeal to you will receive your kind consideration at once.

For several years past it has been in my power and I have always given time and contributed cash to help sustain the Home Department expenses of our Glorious Democracy, And now I am myself unable to contribute as many comforts to my little family as I would desire - Awaiting your reply my wife joins me in wishes for health and happiness to Mrs Douglas and Eminence and prosperity to you, with heath combined

Most Respectfully
Your Obt. Humble Servt
Wm H. Chambers
of Chicago

No 222 Julia street
New Orleans
La

Wm H Chambers
" of Chicago.

New Orleans.
La
Jany 14th 1858.

Wants assistance
Ans. loan

W

A. Chester
Chicago
Jan'y 4/58. Ill
Approvingly

WD

2262

Chicago
Jan 4th 1857

Hon S. A Douglas
Dear Sir

I have read your speech with no ordi-nary interest. I have done con-siderable formerly in politics & suppose that some portions (if small) of this state has been mov-ed to some degree by my pen & efforts. But the last two years I have stepped aside, & out of the political arena. & have chosen to let the world wag as political men are disposed. The last few weeks while watching your course and reading your speeches, I have felt a disposition to take the field again & do a little more battling in political life. With no disposition to encourage any breach between yourself & your political friends, still I cannot say that I feel no sympathy, or even ordinary

ague of
sympathy for your views
as expressed in your speeches
or your present position be
it at variance or in accordance
with whatever views your friends
or my friends may hold.

Allow me to present to you
my own & the respects of my
family & the sympathies of
many others around me

Very truly
& respectfully
Yours
A. Chester

Wm. W. Clark
Strawberry Point
Clayton Co.
Iowa Jan 4/58.
Want's Speech

2263
[Jan. 4, 1858]

Hon S. A. Douglas

Sir, I should feel much obliged to you if you would send me a copy of your speech on Kansas affairs, or, any speech you may make through the session, or those of your friends would be very acceptable

Respectfully Yours

Wm. W. Clark
Strawberry Point, P.O.
Clayton Co Iowa

Jan 4th 1858

Mr. W. Gill
Steamboat Foin
Lebanon Co.
Penna.
Mouth Sheet

2264

Coolbaugh's Pa
Jan 4th 1858

Hon S. A. Douglas

Permit me to say, that your Position, is approved by Many of the Old Democracy, of this Section Your Masterly Speech, is Called for, would you be so obliging as to send me at least a half dozen for distribution

Verry Respectfully

M. W. Coolbaugh

Coolbaughs, Pa
Janry 4/88

Mr. W. Coolbaugh

Approves his course
wants 1/2 dozen
copies of his speech
for distribution

East Palestine
Januy 4/58.
S. R. Lemon.
approves your course.

2265

Columbiana County
Ohio

East Palestine Janu 4/58

Hon ~~Mr~~ S A Douglas

Dear

Sir I have being much Pearsd in your Course that you have taken in Regard to the Lecompton Constitution and I find the Democratic Party of Ohio is indorsing your Course with a few Eceptions and those few are aposing you for the Sake of Looking for small favours I find our Editor Mr Gill is in Washington Looking for favours from the Party and find he is aposed to your Course that is nothing Strange to me for he has alwise being aposed to you the time you Intoduced the Nebraska bill in the Senate Mr Gill took Eceptions to

your Course and the administration
and I send a Call of the
Democratic Party of Columbiana
County to anounce your
bill i as a democrat told Mr
Gill he would have to take
that all Back for that Bill
was Bound to pass for the
Principles was Rite and
Every thing that was Right
was allwise befor Expediance
and Mr Gill well find he
is on the Wrong side and
the Democratic Party of
Columbiana County will
not Sustane him in his Course
I find he has Sent Mr
Biglers Speech out to
be Pint in his next Paper
I find tha Democratic Party
that Sustained You in Your
Course to Stick to You and
many others that was opposed
to You and we feel
Confident that the Lecompton
Constitution will be
Rejected when Presented
to Congress as for Slavery
I Care nothing about it
the majority of Kansas wants
Slavery Let them have it
if the have a fare Election
of the Voters on the hole
of the Constitution and
tha Decide So all Rite
If Rite to Vote on one
Clause of the Constitution
why not Rite to Vote
on all we have many
Democrats that will
Sacrifice all Principle
for Small favors
Yours Respectfly Please let
us hear from you G. C. Crum
Adress East Palestine
Columbiana Co
Ohio

as for the Nebraska Bill
I would Say and boste
of when we got the
hoespack of the bill ling
paste we Brought
out the Olde Cannon
and Give the Black
Repulicans harte and
I belive that was more
than Eny other parte of
the State Hon now
I am aucouse to
se that bill carrid
out in its Merit and
in acordance to the
Cincinatta Platform and
the Black Repulicans admits
you are Consistent in your
Course as for Corispodence
~~we~~ are Representive
from hear is a Black
Repulican and we ar
no faroing from and
we are amoung to Get
all the News we Can
Yours Respectfully G. C. Cunn

Owatonna Minnesota
Jany 4. 1858

Hon S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir

If your Speech on Kansas has been published for distribution, will you favor me with a quantity for circulation in this vicinity. The noble stand you have taken in defence of the doctrine of popular sovereignty, the leading principle of the Democratic Creed in the last Presidential campaign, & upon which the Minnesota Democracy fought & won in our late Election has endeared you to the North almost universally & in an especial manner to the Northern Democracy. A general circulation of your speech, I am satisfied will advance the interests of the Democratic Party & confirm the faith of many who are wavering

Very Respectfully Yours
M. A. Dailey

M. A. Daily

Owatonia Minn

Jan. 4th 1858

Speech

Alfred Day
Philadelphia
Jan 4. 58. Pa
Speech

2267

Philadelphia
Jany 4. 1858

Dear Sir:

Will you have the kindness to send me a copy of your speech, on the Presidents Message recently delivered in the Ud. Senate?

I am.
Very Respectfully
Yr Obt Servt
Alfred Day

Hon S. A. Douglas
Senate Chamber
Washington
D. C.

2268

[Jan. 4, 1858]

To the Honorable

Stephen A Douglass,
U. S. Senate

Washington.

SIR:

I have the honor of laying before you the wrongs which I think I have suffered. I do so in brief here, as they are more fully set forth in the memorial which will be laid before the House. I am of a Virginia family whose name figured in the Revolution, and I bear the same now. In early life I embarked in the commercial marine, and was so engaged when the last war with England was declared.

In that war I served my country in Barney's Flotilla, and continued in that service until the enemy retired from the city of my adoption. For these services I was appointed by President Jackson in the revenue marine, and continued faithfully to discharge my duties and to obey every order of my superiors, until, without any previous notice, I was dropped from the service by President Pierce.

At my advanced age, very reduced in my means, it was a blow which affected me terribly. I have petitioned President Buchanan for my restoration, and my petition is signed by the respectable citizens of Baltimore; they are among those who served with me in the last war—merchants who have known me for years and many professional men.

In thus briefly stating my services and griefs, I wish to solicit your kind offices in my behalf. I am now advanced in life and cannot engage in its active pursuits, and therefore earnestly invoke you to obtain for me a pension, by act of Congress, from the day of my dismissal; and be assured, Sir, that for your efforts you will be entitled to my lasting gratitude.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

BEVERLY DIGGS.

Baltimore 4 Jany 1858

B. Biggs

Baltimore Md

Jany 4. 1858.

In relation to his memorial to Congress for restoration to the naval service - a permanent

2269

Indianapolis
4 January 1888

Judge Douglas

Dr Sir

Allow me to trouble you with a short history of Events that are about to transpire in our State and paiticularly at our Convention Great interest is now felt in the deliberations of the Coming Convention. The administration party are moving allmost Everything to carry certain resolutions. Endorsing the Administration and condemning those who may disagree with them. But I think

they will be disapointed.
Should they offer resolutions of that character, there will be trouble. For it is a well established fact that three fourths of the Democrats are with you in the Kansas question indeed there is not one Democrat in ten outside of the Office holders influence but will most cheerfully endorse your course
It is useless for the Administration party to disguise the fact that "Great Democratic heart and soul of the North West is with you. and will sustain you to the better end." They may sneer and call you and your friends no Democrats, or what they please if they (your friends) are not Democrats then there are no Democrats. Let no letter writers of Indiana deceive or discourage you or our friends at Washington for their troops, whole armies ready and willing to march at a moments warning under the Old Democratic Flag with popular Sovereignty inscribed upon their banner. This feeling is fast gaining strength in Indiana
I do not believe, that the Democrats could carry the vote in 10 counties in our state if we went into an Election in support of the Lecompton Constitution. The Democrats will loose all the vote of the Adopted Citizens should Congress admit Kansas under the Lecompton constitution
Your able speech is doing much Good it is important that it should

be widely circulated at an early day. — Your friends are extremely anxious that your health will prove sufficient for the task — as you have none to do ——

Very truly yours
Obedient Servant
S J Ethiell

Hon. Ex-
Senator

Hon. H. J. Ellis
Dalesburgh Co
Iowa T.

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Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne & Chicago R. R. Co.

SUPERINTENDENT'S DEPARTMENT,

Pittsburgh, January 4th 1858.

Hon Sir

Although not personally acquainted with you, yet through our mutual friend W W Boss Esq of Chicago (and as Senator Bigler would say) other sources, your name and fame is very familiar to me, and therefore I presume to address you.

Mr Boss told me some months ago that through you he would obtain for me a copy of Com Perry's Expedition to Japan - As you are aware I live in a district (Allegheny Pa) where we are not able to send a Democrat to Congress consequently, I have no one of my own creed to apply to for documents, speeches &c &c - and as your late course in regard to Kansas meets the hearty approval of our leading Democrats here - I wish you to enter me on your list for a few of your speeches and pub documents - and also my soninlaw Revd R W Harper Xenia Ohio - He has been a Whig all his life - but your speech has so pleased him - I think he will soon be on our side. To give you an idea of who I am - I would say, I have been for years the personal friend of James Buchanan - Gen Cass G M Dallas Breckinridge our vice President - Gen Sam Houston &c &c and would like very much to be personally

Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne & Chicago R. R. Co.

SUPERINTENDENT'S DEPARTMENT,

Pittsburgh, Jan. 4, 1858 1857.

your friend as I am politically. You may set me down (if living) for 1860 = D W Voss can tell you my history in Politics = President Buchanan has called at my house in Allegheny and met a few friends on two occasions = Senator Bigler when running for Governor also called on the same business = Old Governor Shunk always called when in the neighbourhood = I send you herewith a copy of a work I published some time ago on Book Keeping = it is the text Book in the Sun City Commercial College where I have the honor of being a Lecturer = my employment for 6 years past has been the Gen Ticket agent of the C & P R R Co and now Chief Clerk in Superintendants Office as above = please excuse this long egotistical epistle, and believe me your friend

with every sentiment of esteem &c

John Fleming

Allegheny City Pa

P S If you are ever this way I would like very much to have you visit my humble domicil

J F

Pittsburgh, Pa
Janry 4th 1858
Jno. Fleming

Wants Perry's
Expe. to Japan,
also a few of his
speeches - doc'd
& approves his
course on Kansas
also wants same
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B. F. Foulke
Fremont Ohio
Jany 4 1858

Wants your late Speech

Fremont, Ohio, Jany 4/58

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir: Will you have the kindness to favor me with a copy of your speech on Kansas recently delivered in the Senate?

The great body of the people in Northern Ohio are with you, and they honor the man who dares stand up for the people's rights.

I am Sir, Respy
Your Obt Servant
B. F. Foulke

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Geo. Gale
Galesville Wis
Judge of the 6th Circuit
Jan. 4 1858

Approves yr course

Galesville (near Dubuque)
Wis. Jany 4. 1858.

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

I most heartily approve of your course on the Kansas question. Our great N. Wt. will never tolerate any thing but a full submission of the whole Constitution to the people. I have been a strong supporter of Buchanan but cannot stand by him on this point. If popular Sovereignty extends only to slavery I would spit upon it with contempt.

Yours in Democracy
Geo. Gale
Judge 6th Circuit Wis.

Troy. January 4th 58

Hon Stephen A Douglas

Dear Sir

I have always been a great admirer of you not only on account of your fearless advocacy of the rights of citizens generally but on account of the sound democratic principals you embody, your recent action on Kansas affairs commends you so heartily to my appreciation that I cannot resist the desire to tell it to you, you may. And I have no doubt you will meet hostility and opposition from several quarters. you may. or I have no doubt the effort will be made to lead you out of the democratic party. but will they succeed thats the question, And if they do what then ~~xx~~ you can tell the Gentlemen who may make the effort that they will fail, The sentiments of the democratic masses of the north are with you. not that they have any hostility to the south or her institutions but because they want to see justice done in this instance the democrats of the State of New york went into the Election of 1856 on this principal. And more recently in a State Election they ~~xxx~~ triumphed on this principal. (Kansas) And the moment this principal is departed from the democracy of the north is gone the press of this State is no criterion nor the

office seekers either who want to parade in print — you may judge them they have either an office that they want to hold or are looking for one for self or friends. My business calls me annually to the Northern and Western part of this State & have a dealing with men who can control more or less votes and I have taken the trouble to feel the question direct and it is one out of about twenty that support the Lecompton force. I am a democrat of the old hard shell stripe not a particle of free soilism about me & like the South and her institutions but not enough to bleed to justice. I want to see the people of Kansas have a fair expression of their views on the law which they have been made. I have watched the proceedings there since the organization of that Territory. And I cannot see how any Gentleman can stand up and advocate a different course from that which you pursue pursue the course you have shadowed forth you are right Gov. Walker is right and you will triumph in the end. I would not bother you with my views on this question but I hesitated to have a talk with our Congress man elect Mr Olin of Rensselaer and he tells me nothing would give you greater satisfaction than a line (you may see how I have acted) I commending your course In conclusion I must say that nothing would give me greater satisfaction than your Autograph

Nothing you success in your course

I am sincerely yours

James Hill

James Hill
Troy N.Y.
Potticle
approvingly
Jany 4. 1858

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Covington Ky Jany 4th 58

Hon Stephen A. Douglas

Sir

I am forming a collection of autographs of distinguished men. I should be pleased to be able to place your name on my list.

Be kind enough also to send me one of your recent speeches on the Kansas question

Very Respectfully
Chas. R. Goodin

Chas R. Goodin
Covington Ky
Jan'y 4/58.
on speech
& Autograph

Both Sent