

Knoxville, Tenn.

Jan'y 6/57.

W. C. Kain.

Wants copy speech

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Knoxville Tennessee

Jan'y 6th 1858

Hon. S. H. Douglas,

Dear Sir,

I had the honor to be introduced to you at Rock Island Ill. during the fall of 1856, by some fatality no newspaper which has fallen under my eye contains yr remarks lately made in the Senate on the President's message and I am so desirous to see what your position is that I am emboldened to apply to you for a copy of the speech referred to.

Very respectfully

Yr. ob. Serv

W. C. Kain

Miss Alice

June 1871

My dear Alice

I have just received your letter of the 10th inst.

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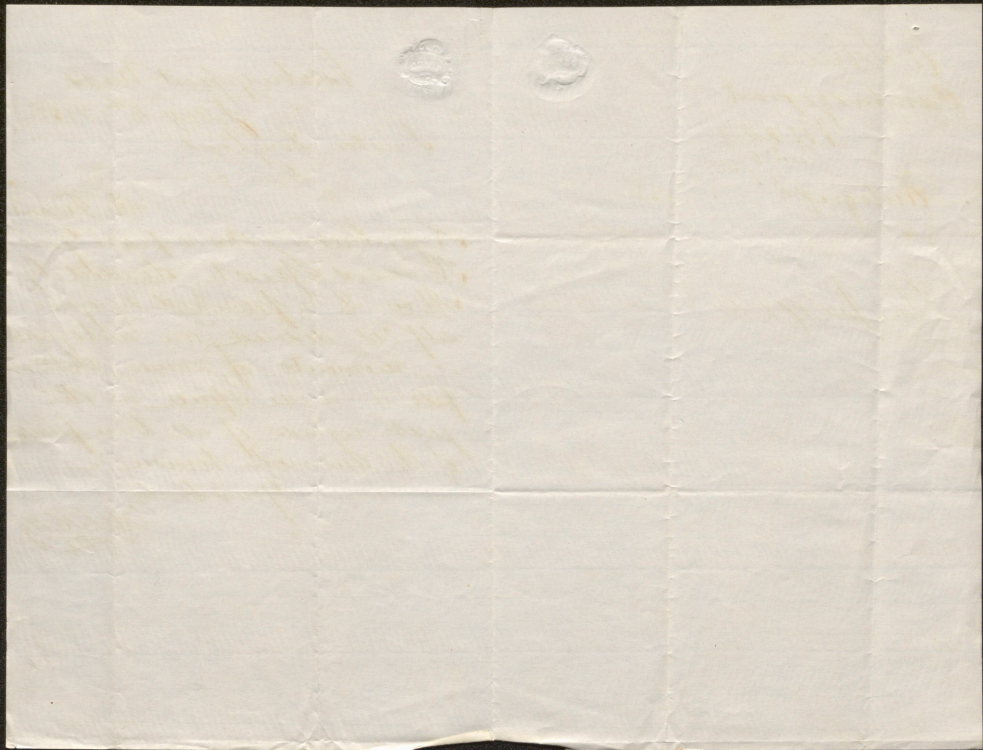
A. S. Kelley
Cambridgeport
Mass
Jan^y 6/58,
Autograph

Jan^y 17 1858

Cambridgeport Mass.
Jan^y 6th 1858-
Scrutor Souless
Dear Sir,

A "Pierpont
Republican" asks a favor. Your
Kansas Speech, devoted by
Messrs. S. & franked by your-
self is desired, an autograph-
ic memento of names, that
fill a wide space, in the
just regards of all true friends
of the American Union —

Yours truly
A. S. Kelley



2392
L.B. Kern
Momsville
Jan'y 6/58. NY
Cong. Document

Momsville Madison Co N.Y.
Jan'y 6. 1858

Hon S. A. Douglass Will
you be so good as to send
me, occasionally, Henry
Dickinnetz, and Vally to
one of your sincere
friends

Respectfully &c

L.B. Kern

Benjamin Lewis
Hollidaysburg
Jan'y 6/58 Penna
few Copies of speech

2393

Hollidaysburg
Jan'y 6/58 Pa

Hon J. A. Douglass,
Sir -

Com
would oblige by
mailing me a few
copies of your
late speech in the
Senate on the "Le-
compton Constitu-
tion,

Yours
Respy Moursze

Benjamin Lewis.

U. S. Senate
Washington
D. C.

Laurel Clermont Co. O Jan 26 1868

Sir

You would greatly oblige by forwarding your speech on the Kansas question to the following address, as the "Cincinnati Enquirer" the paper to which I have submitted for a number of years has omitted to publish it & I cannot wait to depend on a Black Republican report in the "Cin. Gazette."

C. H. Lowe	Laurel Clermont Co Ohio
F. A. McComick	do do
Leonard Simmons	do do
Alex Douglas	do do
John Anne	do do

our party are nearly unanimous in your support & you may rely on the Democrats of Monroe & Washington Townships Clermont Co in 1868

Yours &c

C. H. Lowe

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Chas. L. Love



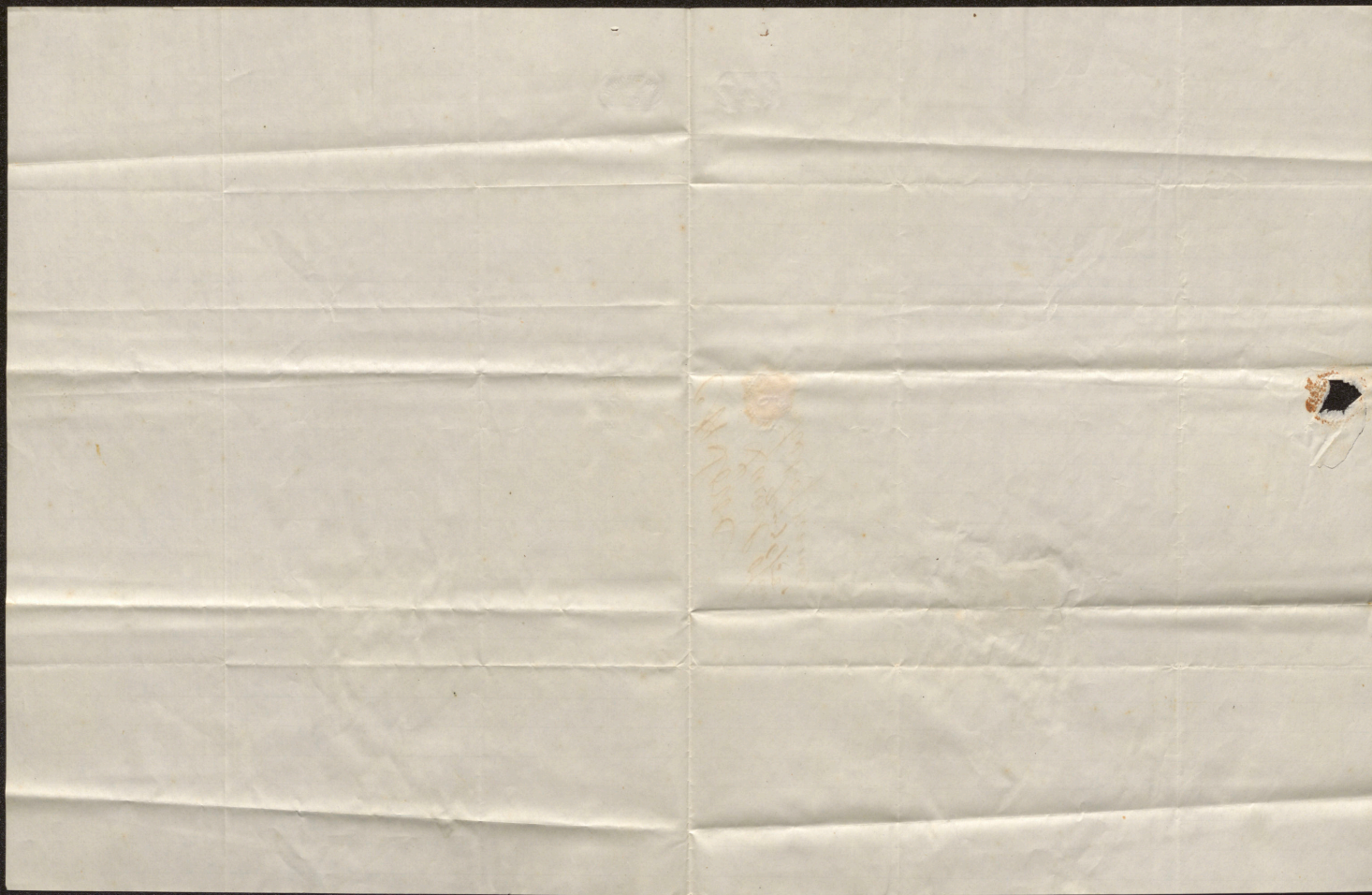
Laurel Ohio
Jan 3, 1858.
List of names

City of Washington

Laurel Ohio
Jan 3, 1858

W. J. Duane

Wm. L. Apple & Co. Boston



Nashville Tennessee Jan 6 1858

Hon S. A. Douglas

My Sir,

Excuse me for taking the liberty of requesting a copy of the speeches you have delivered on the Kansas question, at the present session. On account of the reluctance with which the Democratic papers of the south publish any thing at variance with the positions taken by the present administration, we have been deprived of the pleasure of reading your late speeches. There are many of us here who are loath to believe that you have taken any position inconsistent with the true national democratic principles that you have so ably defended. So that I and some of my associates may judge for ourselves, I ask for a copy of your speeches if convenient to you.

With high respect

Yours

A. G. Burritt

all. Merritt,
Nashville, Tenn.,
July 6/58.
Speech

Kearney County Iowa
January 5. 1858

Friend Douglas

Your Kansas position is approved here by every body, even the Quakers. Bear as light on the President as possible, pursue the even tenor of your way and all will be right. In the last letter to you I prophesied that the Nebraska Bill would get the right side up again. It is now right. all the Republicans here sanction your speech heartily and if you will keep cool your destiny is fixed. My friends of old Edgar was to have held a Douglas Meeting some ten days ago for the purpose of giving some expression touching your course and to connect your name with an anti-slavery around 1860 to which Meeting I was invited. Every artifice is being used imaginable in Illinois to defeat you in that State for which reason I advise coolness & smooth action. My writing this at present is done to send you particular names to whom I desire you to send as many documents as you can with confidence. We are going to organize for the first time in Iowa now and we want Democratic distributed to counteract the influence of the New York Tribune which is sent here by the own fall to every Post Office. To the Indianola Post office our County Seat send R. Dobb. A. Roberts. Saml. Carnall. John Huff. A. R. Haynes. John Haynes. E. W. Perry. John Cheshire. Wm. Barnwell. Wm. Caulfield a tavern keeper. E. Perkins. J. M. Hamilton. N. McClure. Dr. Kern. Dr. Fish. Dr. Dale. G. R. Stover. Luke Bryan. Bryan & Williamson. H. Watson. Dr. Gardner. S. T. Huddleston. A. Embury. J. S. Casad. J. W. Bundy. J. S. Loring. H. C. Henderson. David Laine

J. M. Russell, Ruthenburg & Hessel. L. I. Brisco. Thos
Thompson. John Brock, J. L. Corlett, David Graham,
E. M. Sabatier. B. S. Henson. John Burr, Graham Davis,
Rev. D. Taylor. I say send to Indianola &
Send to Hartford to A. W. Mummary to distribute and
individually to Uriah Lorton. Gilbert Bond, Wm
Harr, L. R. Mummary John Fisher Wm. Bringham
Jacob Briggoff. Henry Wilson. James Roberts, Newton
Roberts, Charles Rogers, James Greel, Wm. Wellings,
Wm. Black, Saml. Pettus Loper, George Shrods, George
Aloop, Henry Steubanus,

Our Post Master in Hartford is a Republican and uses
strong exertions to circulate seditious papers the chief
of which is the New York Tribune. Wm. Kimms
previous to becoming a Candidate for Governor and
to New York and made an arrangement with Greeley
to flood Iowa with his paper which was done in hundreds
of thousands and when they arrive our P. Masters
divide them from a list before them. The great circu-
lation of this sheet with its witty arguments and the
striking of the Kansas' note, eclipsed the democracy
of Iowa and now as a Radical change is apparent
as with to organize for the great Battle of 1856
Hence the necessity of documents of the high est
Place show this list of names to Allen, Shaw, Smith
Morris & and urged them in my name to send us
documents

Yours devoted Friend

A. W. Mummary

J. W. Kernalley
Hartford
Hartford, Conn.

January 6 - 1888
Wishes speeches - see
Names inside

Wm. J. A. Douglas
Hartford
Jan 6

Wm. J. A. Douglas
Washington City
D. C.

Albany N.Y.
Jan. 6, '58.

My dear Sir:

I don't wish to be troublesome, but I wish you would do me the kindness to send me several more copies of your very able and unanswerable speech on the subject of Kansas.

I am, my dear Sir,
with many kind
wishes, very
respectfully, Your
ob. S.

Wm D. Murphy

Hon. S. A. Douglas.

N. Y. Senate
Wash. City
D.C.

Albany, N.Y.

Jan'y 6th / 58

Wm. N. Murphy.

Wants several
copies of ~~check~~

A. S. Palmer

Providence
Jan 6, 1858. Ohio
Your speech &
other documents

2398
Brooklyn Ohio Jan 6 to 1858

The Hon J A Douglass

Dear Sir, Having
been a member of the Democratic
Party for twenty five years, and taking a
lively interest in all that pertains to
the Party, therefore I wish to obtain
all the documents I can that is
published in relation to the existing
topics of the day, I can but admire
the consistent course pursued by the
Government in relation to Kansas and
its affairs. If not intruding upon
your time too much, I wish you
would send me a copy of your speech
on Kansas, If there are any documents
you think would help you in the
contest in which you are now
engaged, I will see that they are
properly distributed, I should be

I enclose with a copy of the Patent
office report on mechanicals for 1856
With an anxious desire for your
welfare and a wish that you may
obtain a seat in the Presidential
chain to which your abilities so
eminently qualify you

I have the honor to be your
most Obedt Servt

A. S. Palmer

13 Street Brooklyn Luzhoga Co
Ohio

Henry L Parker
Milford Mass
May 6/58

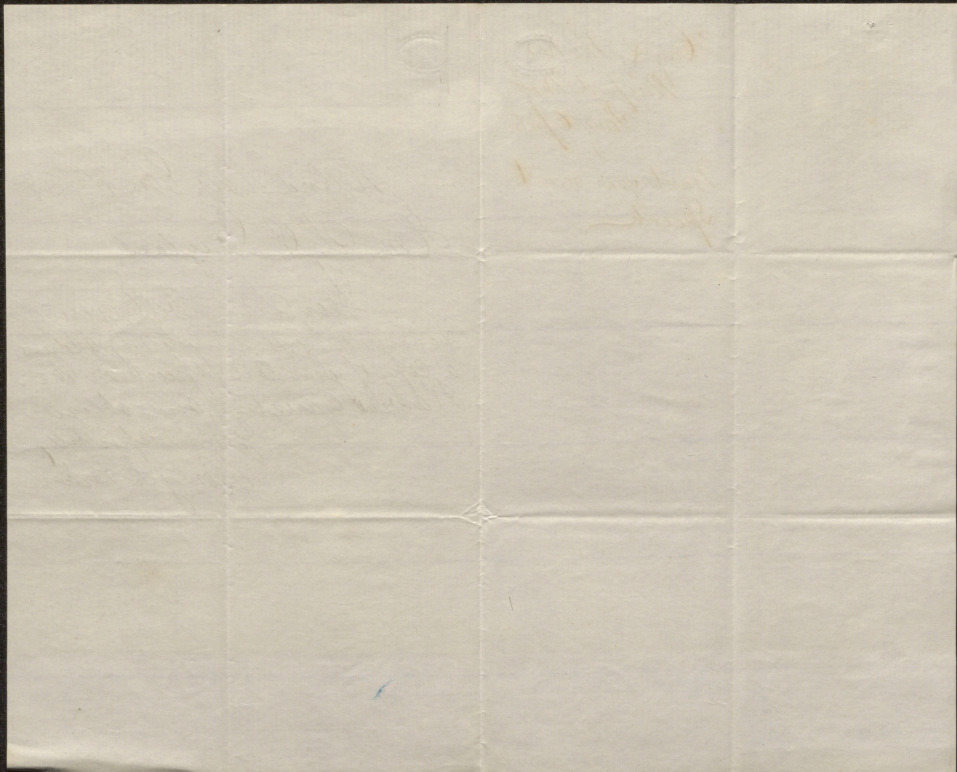
Wants your recent
Speech

Speech sent

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Milford Mass. Jan. 6th/58
Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir Will you
favor me by sending to my address,
a copy of your late speech on the
Slavery Question, and oblige
Yours respectfully
Henry L. Parker



W. L. Peck
 Andover, Mass.
 Jan'y 6/58
 Thanks for Speech.

Andover Jan 6th 1858

Dear Sir:

I am very desirous of
 reading your late speech against
 the Proslavery message, and would
 be greatly obliged for a remittance
 of a copy.

Yours Truly

W. L. Peck

Rev. Address

W. L. Peck

Andover

Mass.



M. L. W.
Gent. W. W. W.
W. W. W.

L. S. Pepper
Philadelphia
Jan 6 1858

Wants your speech
Sent,



2901
Philad.^a Jan 6/58.
Hon S A Douglas
Dear Sir.

Having had the pleasure
of meeting you in Philadelphia,
Permit me to take the liberty of
requesting you to forward me a
copy of your celebrated Kansas
Speech - I saw a copy in
Friday last in the hands of a
friend but was unable to
procure myself of it.

Very Respectfully
Lawrence S Pepper.
1426 Walnut St.

City of Minnesota Jan 6 1858

Honorable Sir



I hardly know how to address you I see you are an honest open & sincere man as I am one of that stripe I will write you according to the noble stand which you took in the Kansas Nebraska bill in introducing before the people of the United States to their agents in the Senate gained you a thousand of admirers your bold stand which you now occupy is convincing your old friends stronger to you & gaining you a host of new admirers since your first speech in the Senate the Session I have lasted in Kansas Iowa Wisconsin & Minnesota where among the people do I hear aught against your bold & noble stand they say nobly done our champion of our Democracy we the western Democrats look upon you as our champion to carry out our principles which have the principle of all good honest Democrats our old platform which was adopted by the Cincinnati Convention is the only stand that I know to be followed by a true party man knock out of that platform that glorious clause that in its place we the senators shall make all you have to say & claim the main trace is gone some party fall to the ground sir if you or any other leading democrat would admit Kansas as a State without making an effort to leave the whole of the constitution to the rule of the brief sold men you would be true to your former self if any Democrat would be in favor of admitting it Kansas they would be an idiot upon the party without leaving the whole of their

Constitution to the people we all for the last three years
have declared those principles public State spirits & surely
the people should make their own laws regulate their own
affairs & suit them selves as long as it did not infringe
upon the Constitution of the United States on the other hand
opponents in the last Presidential Election the Schmatz &
the Fremont party claimed that their platform was in
substance that Congress should or had the right to make
all or any part of the laws of a new State before it was
admitted or say whether slavery should or should not be in
their constitution with all due reference to Mr Buchanan
& think he this grounds Mr Byler Mr Brown & others
occupy the same position that the ^{Fremont Party} did only with this
difference our worthy President insists that the people shall
decide on the slavery clause only the Schmatz & the
Congress shall leave every thing else to the people except
slavery that Congress shall regulate let any of our
friends or friends if they choose to put in this election
on the people if they can which I am sorry to see
some of our own party are trying to do let them try
but then will tell themselves as democrats there is
there is man who will have us in confidence in
sincerity hereafter I say Sir your course is admired by
all true democrats I never but one voice he is our
next President for as there as you live such will
be the case I have voted fourteen years I never mind
but one Election that was a state Election an infamous
accident then returned me from the State at the last
Presidential Election I left a sick bed when all my friends

did not think I was able to ride ten miles but I was bound
if I was a time to cast my vote for Mr Buchanan & travelled
nearly I could not vote but one day out of four the balance
of the time I was confined to my bed from Sir such a
Democrat am I & your doctrine is mine I never voted any thing
but the regular nominated democratic ticket I never sent
my ticket but go the whole nomination straight out & God grant I
never may Sir I do not claim any credit for being a democrat
I inherited it my Father & Father was a Jeffersonian democrat &
my Father was an English Jackson Democrat Sir I am
a Douglas democrat let the people rule them selves if
that is not plain & undisturbed democrat what is it when I
took my pen to address you I did it to ask of you
Sir what I never asked of any other man a few copies
of your speeches I have read them in Chicago Times but
I have a great many democratic friends that would like
to see some of them I have tried to keep my paper but our
friends say they must read them the Chicago Irish of New
York is the only democratic paper that has much
circulation now among our party & that does not publish
the whole of your speeches extract only I take the Chicago
Daily Times my neighbours are as anxious to have it as we
as I am for they all read it it travels swift more dwellings
than any other copy of a paper ever did that is when your
speeches is published you see I am a capital buyer not Sir for office
but for some of your speeches some of our friends are in favour
of calling a meeting to express their appreciation concerning your
noble stand but I think they had not feeling it will make
the wound so deep that it would never heal I am for healing

all I would do any thing to retain harmony in our
rank, but would never sacrifice character or principle
for I hope you will excuse this long letter

I remain

As ever your

admirer Friend

Very truly
Yours

John

A. Pinney

about a few copies

A. Pinney
Ottumwa
Jan 16/58. Dr
W. H. Allen

New York Jan 6th 1858

Sir,

I hope you can send your speech on the Kansas question to the enclosed list of Democrats, in Fairfield Conn, my place of residence

The Bridgeport Farmer and the New Haven Register circulating in this town do not publish it, but they do not echo, or lead the public's sentiment, in their gentle advocacy of the LeCompton Constitution,

If the President is determined to Sink or Swim with his Kansas policy - he will find that he will sink his administration and swamp the Democratic party in the North,

I am

Very truly

Yours &c

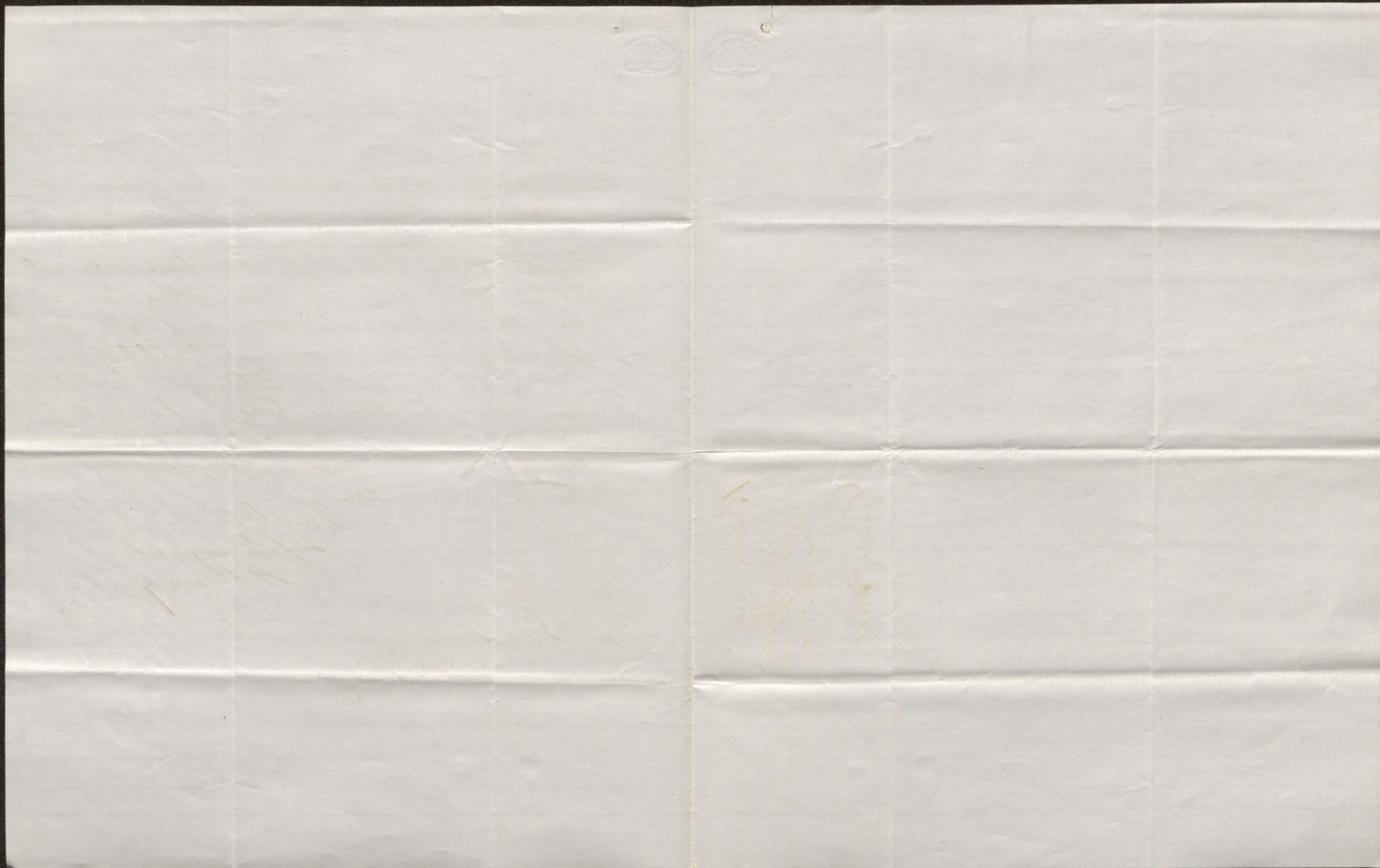
Wm. W. H. W. W.

127 William St.

Hope S. D. Douglass
Washington
D.C.

B. Pomeroy
New York
(please of guidance Springfield Ct)
Jan'y 6. 1858.

Enclosure list



Lamartine Wis. Jan'y 6. 1858.

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas.
Sir

By request of many Democrats of this Place, I take the liberty of writing to you, We are all very anxious of knowing what is going in our national Legislature, and would desire occasional Public Documents, through your kindness. The Member from this District the Hon Charles Billingshurst - as well as the rest of the Members of Congress are Republicans and of Course will not favour us Democrats with any Public Documents &c. The Democrats of this Vicinity highly approve of your Course & Speech recently delivered. If you will send any Documents directed to me I will cheerfully distribute among the Democrats of this Vicinity.

Very Respectfully your obdt Servt
Peter V. Sany

Peter V Sang
Lamartine, Wis
Jan'y 16, 1858
Documents wanted



Hartford Ct Jan 6th 58
 Hon S. A. Douglass

Ref

I am

unable to find a copy of your
 Speech in print. & you will confer a
 great favor by mailing me one. I expect
 soon to be a resident of Nebraska &
 feel a deep interest in the success
 of your plans. & hope your speech will be
 read by the people generally.

Wishing you much success I remain
 Yours with much respect

J. P. Snow

PS Please direct another to Mr. Snow

Williamsburgh

Mass

Wm Snow &
Eastford Conn
Aug 6/58

Want your Speech

Dear Sir
I have the honor
to acknowledge the
receipt of your letter
of the 2nd 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,
Wm Snow

Wm Snow

Wm Snow
Eastford Conn
Aug 6/58

Sylvestre Jan 6th 1858
To the Hon S A Douglas

Dear Sir

I have understood that you had your Speech (on the Lecompton Constitution) printed in pamphlet form and as I am taking two Democratic papers and they have both taken sides with the Administration and have refused to print your Speech, and as I have not read it yet (and I am not one that is going to the Republican papers to read it) And if you will send me a copy and John T Sutherland you will please us much

I am one that believes that the people of the Territory have rights of their own which Congress are bound to respect and among these is the right to form their own constitution. The Democrats have by all their resolutions and platform have held the White man is superior in intellect and knowledge to the Black man and that he should have all the rights that was given to him under the Constitution. While the Republicans have no sympathy only for the Black man

Yours with respect

William W. Sutherland

Wm W. Luskland
Salvestor Wis.
Jan. 7 1808
Wm W. Luskland
speicher

Baltimore July 6 1858

Hon Stephen A Douglas
Washington D.C.

My Dear Sir

Reasonably I am to you unknown, and have all my life been opposed to you in your general political tenets, my attention was however awakened in your behalf upon the introduction of the bill known as the Kansas Nebraska bill, and particularly to that feature of it which placed in the hands of the people of the Territories the right to pass upon their own form of Government so long as they conformed to the Constitution of the U. S.

For your advocacy of the bill attached to you received the cordial curses of the people of the North, and at no time were those curses more loud than in the last Presidential canvass, but - whilst you received those compliments from your northern friends, you had the satisfaction of congratulations no less cordial but more complimentary of the people of the South, and to me all this thing seemed passing strange when I had carefully and fairly looked

at the whole matter, indeed I was terribly
 puzzled to find a tangible reason for
 the curses of the ~~South~~ or the congratulations
 of the South, because I thought the thing
 should be reversed and if there was
 any cursing to be done in the matter -
 the South should try her hand and
 not the North, & in a letter to my friends
 in the South on this subject I said as
 much, & my reasons for so doing have
 remained the same to this moment -
 when I find them strengthened by the
 actual state of things ~~at this moment~~,
 for the letter to my friend I said that "if
 I understood the meaning & provisions of
 the Kansas Nebraska Bill, the South -
 were halloeing before they were out of the
 woods, and that although I considered its
 provisions national and was glad to
 find that the South had so far ratified &
 committed themselves to the support of
 it, yet I predicted that the practical oppo-
 sitions of it were such, that the North
 must from the nature of thing as well
 as the natural workings of the course
 of Emigration reap the practical advan-
 = tages of it, and that the day was not
 far distant that the South would see

The cat in The Meat Tub, and announce
 an edition of curses for beyond
 her former edition of congratulations,
 and that the North on the contrary
 would find that she had set up an
 cry before she was hurt & would
 smilingly come forward and extol
 & support the man she had so fully
 slandered,
 What I had predicted has come to pass
 a little sooner than I had supposed it
 would, The Secession Constitution has
 made the fur fly, and we find that
 the politicians are just working up in
 the South & North to the real state of
 things, you have dared to stand upon
 the principles of the bill the South
 so cordially endorsed and assisted
 you in carrying through Congress & upon
 the principles of which she elected a
 president, and now that they are called
 upon by their actions to dance to the
 music of their own manufacture,
 we find an awful flinching & hear
 such expressions as "treachery" "holding
 from the Democratic fold" &c, The fact
 is they did not see far enough and are
 mad at their blindness, whilst the North

look in their arrangement at the things
 things has taken for all the world
 like the Boy who has been bellowing
 for a whole day for the loss of a
 toy only to find it at length just
 where he had carefully placed it,
 now Sir I have said more than I
 intended, I only wished to say in this
 letter that the course you have taken
 heretofore upon this Kansas question has
 enabled you now to stand upon the
 only tenable ground found in the bill
 organizing that Territory and that your
 opposition to the Secession Constitution
 meets with the hearty and almost-
 unanimous sanction of the masses,
 and nowhere finds opposition but in
 the ranks of mere politicians, and
 that small portion of the masses who
 are under their influence, you at this
 moment & those acting with you are
 watched by the People of the whole Country
 = try with more than ordinary interest,
 & as far as I can judge you are
 founding a party upon principles which
 are in themselves the very essence of
 Americanism & Republicanism, and

& with proper management and a
judicious appreciation of other leading
interests will sweep the country at the
next Presidential Election.

Pardon me for thus drafting upon
your attention & time, were I not
aware of your pressing public duties
I would as I wish to do say much
more, in closing however I have -
but to say, go on as you have
started in this battle and victory
is sure.

Send me if you please copies of
your Late speeches in the Senate
and believe me

Sincerely your friend

Ed. L. Thomas.

Baltimore, Md

Jan'y 6th 1858.

Edw'd G. Thomas.

Political

I want copies of
Yr speeches

W

Wallingford Conn. Jan. 6. 1838
Hon. S. A. Douglass-

Dear Sir -

I would
be obliged to you for your
speeches during the present
session in pamphlet form,
if convenient, as I wish
them for preservation.

Also if convenient Mr.
Bigler's & Mr. Fitch's in re-
ply to you.

I congratulate you in
proving true to past professions
in regard to popular sovereignty.

Very Respectfully

Nathan Upham
Atty. at Law

St. Asaph
Wallingford Conn.
Dec 6/58

Speech

replied 7

Bisler & Fitch

Geo W Weeks
 Clinton Mass
 Aug 6/38
 Wrote your Late Speech

Clinton Mass. Jan 6th 38

Hon. F. A. Douglass

Dear Sir,

Will you
 please be so kind as to send me a copy
 of your late speech & very much oblige—

Yours truly,
 Geo. W. Weeks

P.S. If you can spare me two or three
 copies, I should like them for some of my
 friends.

G. W. W.



Carmel N. Y.
Jan 6th 1858.

Dear Sir

The undersigned
being at present engaged in
gathering the Autographs of
distinguished persons begs
that you will so far con-
descend to notice this note
as to send him yours

Respectfully &c

James R. Weeks

Hon S. A. Douglass

James R. Weeks
Carmel
Jan'y 6/58 NY
Autograph

Sent Jan'y 17 1858

Bristol Conn. Jan 5th 1858

H. C. S. A. Douglass Dear Sir

I am desirous
of procuring a copy of your speech, upon Kansas
affairs delivered during this session of Congress
and if you can conveniently furnish me with
one I should esteem it a great favor.

Respectfully Yours
H. H. Williams
Bristol
Conn.

Anything else bearing upon the great issue
would be gratefully received.

Bristol - Conn:

Jan'y 8th 1858.

Mr. H. Williams

Wants of speech.

Worcester July 6th 1858

Dear Sir

The first gun in our camp
Shine has spoken upon the question of —
Non intervention

I had the privilege of attending the
Worcester County ^{State} Convention as a delegate
from this place and was appointed chairman
of the committee on resolutions

The committee reported one in
favor of the doctrine of submitting all constitutions
for the formation of new States to the people
fully recognizing the principle sustained by
you —

This majority has acted and we expect
others to follow —

We had one member of the committee
who held back a little perhaps from in-
terest

I shall send you a copy of the resolu-
tions when printed —

I would like a few copies of your late
speech

To Hon. S. A. Douglass M.C.

Yours &c A. Woods

Ward 32
A. M. M. 32
C. H. H.
C. H. H. 16/38

Political

