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Johns Creek Ill Jan 26 1858

To the Hon S A Douglas
Dear sir I had the pleasure of an introduction to you last fall on the Cars near auburn on the Chicago alton & st louis R R I have read your speach with pleasure on the Lecompton Constitution and the presidents mesage wich meets my Entire apobation we are only one haity here now if there is a surplus of your speaches I want you to send me on some to my adress for destribution

I wan them Directed to me at Johns Creek sangamon co Ill

very Respectfuly yours

John Ashury

P M

John Alsbury
PM

Johns Creek
Sangamon co
Ills

Jany 26/58.
Commends Yr. course
& wants a few copies
for distribution

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Kilbourn City Wis
Jany 26 1858

Hon Stephen A Douglas
Dear Sir
Permit me to hand you
a card of a social party to
be held in this place
Feb 4/58 hoping you
will honor us with your
presence I am
Yours truly

Thos J Murray Esq

Some fun
or
Mischief

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SOCIAL PARTY.

The company of yourself and Lady is respectfully solicited at a Social Party to be held at the

FOREST CITY HOUSE,

IN KILBOURN CITY,

On Thursday Evening, Feb. 4th, 1858.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS:

J. C. FREMONT,	New York.	Hon S. A. DOUGLAS,	Washington.
WM. B. OGDEN,	Chicago.	Gen. JAS. LANE,	Lawrence, K. T.
CHAS. DICKENS, Esq.,	London.	COUNT DE SHAKISHEUZE,	Paris.
Gen. A. L. SANTA ANNA,	Mexico.	CHANG JELDIE-JOU,	Calcutta.

ROOM MANAGERS.

G. W. McALASTER, ‖ WM. A. GARDNER, ‖ P. B. SMITH.

Music by Dunbar & Jones' Band.

P. G. STROUD Prop'r.

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S. A. Briggs
Cortland
DeKalb Co
Jany 26/55.
Ills
Wants Pacific R.R
report

Cortland DeKalb Co,
Illinois January 26, 1855.

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir, Notice in one of our county papers the acknowledgement of the reception of the "First Four volumes of the "Explorations for a railroad from the Mississippi river to the Pacific ocean" My business being emerging such documents possess particular interest, and I would thank you to forward me a copy of the work

Respectfully
S. A. Briggs

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Oxford Benton Co. Ia. Jan. 26th, 1858

Respected Sir

I am requested to inform you. that at our last meeting you were unanimously elected an honorary member of the W. Oliver Working Mens. Institute at this place

Your Most
Obt. Svt.
H. W. Chancellor. Sec.

W. H. Chancellor
Secty Pro.

Notice of his election
as honorary member
of the Mt. Clare
Working men's
Institute at Benton Co.
Iowa

Jany 26, 1858

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At Sheldon, Blakeman & Co.,
115 Nassau Street,
New York, Jan. 2d, 1858.

Dear Sir;

I should be happy to hear from you.

Can we not make some arr=
=angement with Maj. Heiss?

If he will take the Star we make it the Mark one – the signal and sentinel of liberty. –

Fraternally and sincerely,

Chas. W. Denison.

Sheldon B Lakeman
L C 0115
Jany 26/58,
Nassau Street
New York.
C L W Denison.

Wants to make
an editorial
arrangement
with Mr Hicks.

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Harford Pa Jan 26/58

Hon Stephen A Douglas
Senator of Congress

Sir

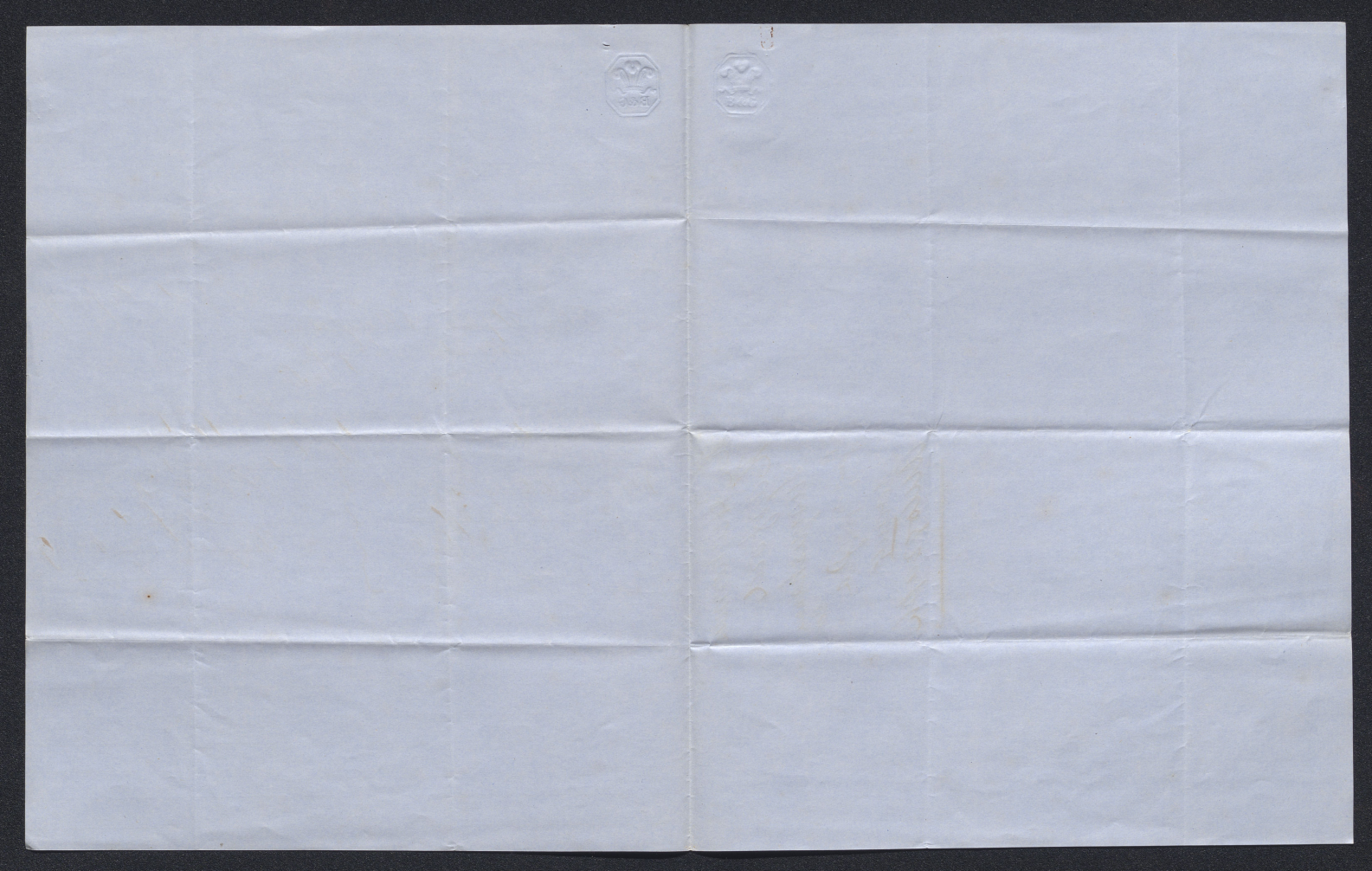
Will you please
to send me your autograph and oblige me

Yours &c &c
H. C. Dickerman
Harford
Susquehanna County
Penna

Hon. S. A. Douglas M. C.
Washington
D.C.

H. C. Hickerman
Harford
Susquehanna
Co
Jan 26/58. Pa
wants
autograph

Sent April 21/58.



Elm P.O. Lancaster Co. Pa. Jan. 26th 1852

Dear Sir,

I have a favor to ask of your Honor; which I hope you will condescend to grant, (Viz.) To forward a copy, (either in pamphlet or newspaper form) of your speech in Senate, after the Pres. Hon. the President's Message was read to the Thirty fifth Congress of Our Glorious Democratic Republic. God grant, that Popular Sovereignty; and Non-intervention, (the Motto of every good Democrat in the Union;) May be stamped on her National Flag, as well as in the bosom of every American Citizen. ☞ Before I proceed any farther in the matter, I shall give your Honor a short sketch of my life &c. I was born near Doylestown, (the seat of justice for the County of Bucks since A.D. 1812) on the 24 evening of Dec. A.D. 1799 — My Father departed this life Oct. 26th A.D. 1799 consequently I was an Orphan born — the 4th child of a poor widow; (which by the by is no crime) On the first of April A.D. 1812, My mother, Step Father & family left Bucks County, and migrated to the lower part of Chester County, where they resided 7 years, in 1819 they migrated to Lancaster County where they both departed this life A.D. 1850 — My Mothers Maiden-name was Morris — her Father was an own Cousin to Robert Morris A signer of the Declaration — that Immortal Document. My Father, Ancestors Migrated from Wales and were amongst the first settlers of the Eastern part of Pennsylvania. — It was my lot to be BORN a Democrat; and I never have patronized an Anti-ism of any kind, and I pray God that I never may: (when I was a Child my Mother taught me to read the Bible, and in that good book I was informed, that the Devil, was the first Anti- and I believe that the Devil is deeply concerned with all Anti-isms.) On the 30th of November A.D. 1826 I was joined in the Bonds of Wedlock, which lasted 24 years, 7 Mo and 26 days. In April A.D. 1852 I paid a visit to the City of Washington &c. I had an introductory Letter from my friend Col. Reah Frazer to Senator Broadhead, who took me through the Capitol and into the Senate Chamber; where he promised to give me an introduction

to Senators, Cass & Douglas - But as neither your Hon, nor that of Mr Cass, did not attend that day until a bout the hour of Organising therefore I was debarred, of the inexpressable pleasure of becoming acquainted with your Honors:- Although I saw your honor, and that of Mr Cass, sitting side by side, in the Senate Chamber: I spent part of two days in the Patent Office, and then returned, via Baltimore, Little Rock, and Lancaster City, to my Residence in Bart township then, but Edene now. On the 13th of May AD 1852, set out on a tour through the Western part of Maryland, Virginia, along the border of North Carolina, Ohio, and the Western part of Pennsylvania, I traversed all the valliez of any magnitude in the State of Virginia, and croped the Mountains 3 times.- And to the Honor of the Citizens of that Old Democratic State, (~~which I do~~) be it spoken, they possess more Hospitality & true friendship than the Citizen of any other State that I have ever visited.

I am a regular bred Pennsylvania farmer, with the exception of 10 years of my life; which has been spent in teaching School, & in travelling. I had the pleasure of reading the speech a copy of which I so much desire, but I was requested to return the paper that contained it, to the owner which I did;- I have been taking the weekly press of Philadelphia since the first of January but I was too late to get a copy of said Speech.

I must soon draw this epistle to a close for the present- hoping that your Honor will forgive me if I have asked amiss:

Or more at present but remain yours in friendship. William Duncan

To The Hon. R. Douglas Senator of the U. S. &c

N. B. My address is
Duncanville P. O. Lancaster
County Pa.

Please excuse all impropriety, and presumption, that is here taken by unwavering Democrat in his 57th year

Wm Duncan.
Duncanville Lancaster Co. Pa.
Jan 26 1858
Give a history of this letter and of Cass & Douglas!

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Cold Spring Cape May New Jersey Jany the 26.th 1858

Hon^r. M^r. Douglas, U.S.

Dear Sir I take the liberty to address you to ask as a favour that you would send me your speech on the Kansas Lecompton Constitution, any other Documents or Speeches will be read with interest Yours with Respect

Hon^r. M^r. Douglas

Dawson. C. Foster

D. E Foster
Cape May
Jany 26/58. N.J.
Wants speech
& other documents,

27 Beekman St
N.Y. Jan 26/58

Dear Sir

We have to apologize for not having answered your favour of 13th before this — we apply we say to say that we only received

from our "Washington"
agent the Lithographs
of Mr Douglas
We may get an
long wait it but
should prefer to
have a good
full length Photograph
of the Senator.
We are not in

a great hurry
for it just now
but should like
to have it the
first opportunity
Mr D has
nothing in getting
on the same.
Yours truly
A Lincoln Esq


THREE CENTS
Madison Cutts Esq.
Washington
D.C.

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G. W. Garland.
M. D. Lawrence Mass
Wants the Autograph
of Mr & Mrs
Douglas;
commends his Course

Jan. 26, 1858

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas.

Dear Sir

Allow me to congratulate you on the entire success of your "Great Speech" —

Your "place of defence is the munitions of rocks"; and your refuge "the everlasting arms" —

The eyes of the North are turned to you — You are this moment on the flood-tide of public favour and prosperity — Be firm — Be vigilant —

The Autograph of yourself and Mrs Douglas are desired by a friend at the North —

G. W. Garland M. D.

Lawrence Mass —
Jan'y 26 th 1858

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Union Grove
Jany 20. 1858.

Allen Graves
Union Grove
Ills

P.O Report
wanted

Union Grove Jan 20th 58

Honorable Stephen A Douglas
Dear Sir

My Neighbors has got the patent office reports sent to them by way of their members in Congress and I am in want of them and would respectfully invite you to send me the Washington last reports Also the Jasper Era.

I get all of your speeches in the Senate, they are very thankfully rec'd

Your most obedient servant

Allen Graves

Union Grove
White side Co
Illinois

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Post Office, Augusta, Illinois.
Jan 26, 1858.

Hon S. A. Douglas —

Dear Sir: —

A few days since I wrote to the Post Master General, resigning my Office as P.M., at this place, and recommended D. C. Taylor Esq., as my successor. I trust you will attend to this matter and have Mr Taylor appointed. He is a Simon Pure Democrat, (a thing ~~thing~~ that can be said of but few in Augusta,) and fully competent to discharge the duties of the Office. I learn that E. L. Yates has written to Col Morris to have W. H. Watson appointed. There is not a more violent black republican than he in Hancock County. Last fall when Col. Morris was here to speak, Watson was one of his worst defamers. Mr Taylor is the only true Democrat in Town who would accept the Office.

Please lay these facts, (for such they are,) before Col Morris, & the P. M. Genl., and have Mr D. C. Taylor appointed as soon as practicable. He has a suitable building in a central place, and the Office would suit him well. He always votes a clean ticket.

Yours in haste,

L. S. Grove, P. M.,
Augusta,
Ill.

Augusta, Ills.
Aprils 2 1868.
L. S. Grove P.M.
Let Morris has this made in change —

W

Lafayette. Mo.
C. A. Keene
Editor National American.
Jany 26/58.
- Thinks you are right, & wants 50, or 100 copies of yr speech for distribution

Office of the National American
La Grange Mo. Jan. 26. 1858.

Hon. S. A. Douglas.—

Dear Sir

Will you have the kindness to send me fifty or one hundred copies of your great speech on the Kansas Constitution,— your reply to Senator Green— and your speech on the arrest of Gen. Walker. There is much enquiry in this part of Missouri, for your speeches— and I think you have many friends here among the Democrats, and many sympathisers among the Americans. I published an abstract of your first great speech, but since the reception of Senator Green's speech in reply to yours, much interest is felt to see your entire speech, especially among the Americans. I have also sent a request to Senator Green

to forward me copies of his speeches as I desire to distribute both at the same time.

It may not be out of place for me to add, that I think you right on the Lecompton Constitution question, and I can fully endorse your position, and wish you "God speed," in the good cause of right and justice.

I will take it as a great favor if you will send me Senate Documents, as I am getting up a library and you know that "public documents" are of great service to editors sometimes for reference.

Please consider this strictly private and confidential, and believe me

Yours, respectfully,

Charlton H. Howe,

Editor National American

La Grange, Ohio.

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

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Jan. 26, 1858

Hon. C. A. Dunlap

Dear Sir:

Dr. W. H. Davis of this place will hand you this note. Dr. Davis is an active democrat and a true friend of the first doctrine of "popular sovereignty." He will remain in Memphis City the second day, and desires to make your acquaintance. I know you will like him.

Adieu,

Yours respectfully & truly,

Edward Johnson.

Shelbyville, Ills.
Jany 26, 1858

E Johnston
~~Washington~~
a note of Pay 26/58.
Mr Snodgrass
of Dr A H Davis

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Holderness N. H. Jan 26 1858

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir

As we (the Democrats) have no representation in Congress, I am for one deprived of Pub. Docts.

If you would add my name to the list you supply I shall be very grateful.

From the first, I have been pleased with your course on the Lecompton constitution, and trust you will fight it to the end.

If any thing will save us here at our election next March it will be your course on that matter

As a long letter from me, an entire stranger to you, might be out of place, I will not inflict one

I am Very respectfully Your Obt Servt

O. W. Keyes

O. W. Rogers
Holderness
N.H. Jany 26/88.

approves the
course & wants to be
placed on doc'
list —