

Marion, Feb. 1st 1858.

To The Honorable Stephen A. Douglas, U. S. Senate,
Dear Sir:

I most cordially approve of your
course, on the affairs of Kansas. You are gaining
ten friends, to where you lose one, Stand firm,
"Don't give up the Ship."

I have a friend who would like the
Patent Office Reports for 1856, (I have the Reports
for 1856) but (P) would like those for 1855, if any
remains for distribution. Will you have the
kindness to forward them to me.

And also will you please send me
from time to time Public Documents, such as
are liable to distribution. It matters not whether
Northern, or Southern, Democratic, or Republican.
I earnestly seek for information.

Your friend and servant
A. G. Beebe
Morris

Gracely Co.
Illinois.

A G Beebe
Morris
Grundy Co

Feb 1. 1858, ^{MA}

P.O. Receipt:-
Specimens &c
approvingly

The autograph of the Hon
S. A. Douglass is very respectfully
Solicited by

Edward Briggs
45 Kneeland St
Boston
Mass.

Feb 1st 1858

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45-Kneeland St
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Feb 1st 1858

Dear Sir

Enclosed I send you the names of a number of persons to send documents to. It would seem to a casual observer here that it was unnecessary as every body is with you, men of all parties. (You will not be hung in effigy in Illinois this year.) But I hold you should not relax in sending Docs as now they count, and I have sent names in reference to that fact. We want to make the old Whig County of Piatt Democratic next fall and we intend to do it. The signs are flattering at present and now is the time to work.

Yours truly
L. E. Bryant

Capt R. S. Williams

J. H. Alwood

A. S. Bushley

A. Gost

W. M. Cutcheon

H. E. Bodman

Elias Baldwin

John Conway

W. C. Booth

J. H. Dawson

Col. J. S. Williams

L. A. Force

J. Hughes

S. E. Bodman

A. H. Geddes

J. R. Crippen

M. W. May

J. C. & A. Evans

Rement Pitt to Mrs

O. C. Denslow

A. G. Gregory

Luther Moore

R. B. Monroe

Lyra Hays

J. I. Mitchell

Joseph Moore

L. Hachbarger

A. Shankweiler

R. Mitchell

S. M. Gregory

Wm Pitt to Lee

also please send a document or two to
Mrs Monroe Bay Prairie Edge Indiana he
is an old resident of the County and a
warm friend you have put, he will be
here again in the Spring

age
B.

F. E. Bryant

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Feb 11/1891

Lee - J. Evans

Rement

Chambers, etc.

John Smith (ms)
Wendell
and wife
of
the children

John Smith
Wendell

C. G. Dendler

John Smith
Wendell

1892-1893

1892-1893

Manhattan Wiley Co. Kansas.
 Wm. S. Douglass
 Feb. 1st / 58

Dear Sir - It is a number of years since I commenced to collect all the speeches I could procure in pamphlet form, I had several volumes collected and bound, in moving to Kansas I lost them,

I ask as a favour from you any of your speeches in pamphlet form, in order to get them bound with those of others, I have the reports of speeches in newspapers, but desire to procure all the speeches in pamphlet form for the above purpose. Should any of your friends desire the names of any of your constituents for the purpose of sending speeches in pamphlets, I hope you will consider me on the list.

I am Dear Sir

Yours &c

A. M. Burns,

Manhattan Wiley Co. Kansas.

P.S. It may not be improper for me to state that all parties (except pro-slavery fanatics) approve your course the present Congress. When I say "all parties" I mean free state Democrats, Republicans and free state Americans.

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3 The speeches I allude to are those of the present or any former session.

A. M. Burns
Manhattan
Pike Co. Kansas
Feb. 1. 1858,

Wants Speeches.

Chicago Ill

8 P M

Monday evening

Feb 1 1858

My Dear Sir

W have only time before the mail
 closes to give you the result of the
 nomination of our city convention. Perfect
 good feeling prevails. All satisfied

For Mayor	W. B. Brainard	American
" City Marshall	Ex Alderman Howe	do
" " Collector	Henry Bandt	German
" " Treasurer	H. D. Boloin	American
" " Attorney	Augustus Weike	German
" " Surveyor	Murphy	Irish
" " Judge Recorder	Geo. W. Thompson	American
" " Clerk	Philetus Wayne	Irish

Good ticket

In haste,

Very truly Yours friend

C. P. Button

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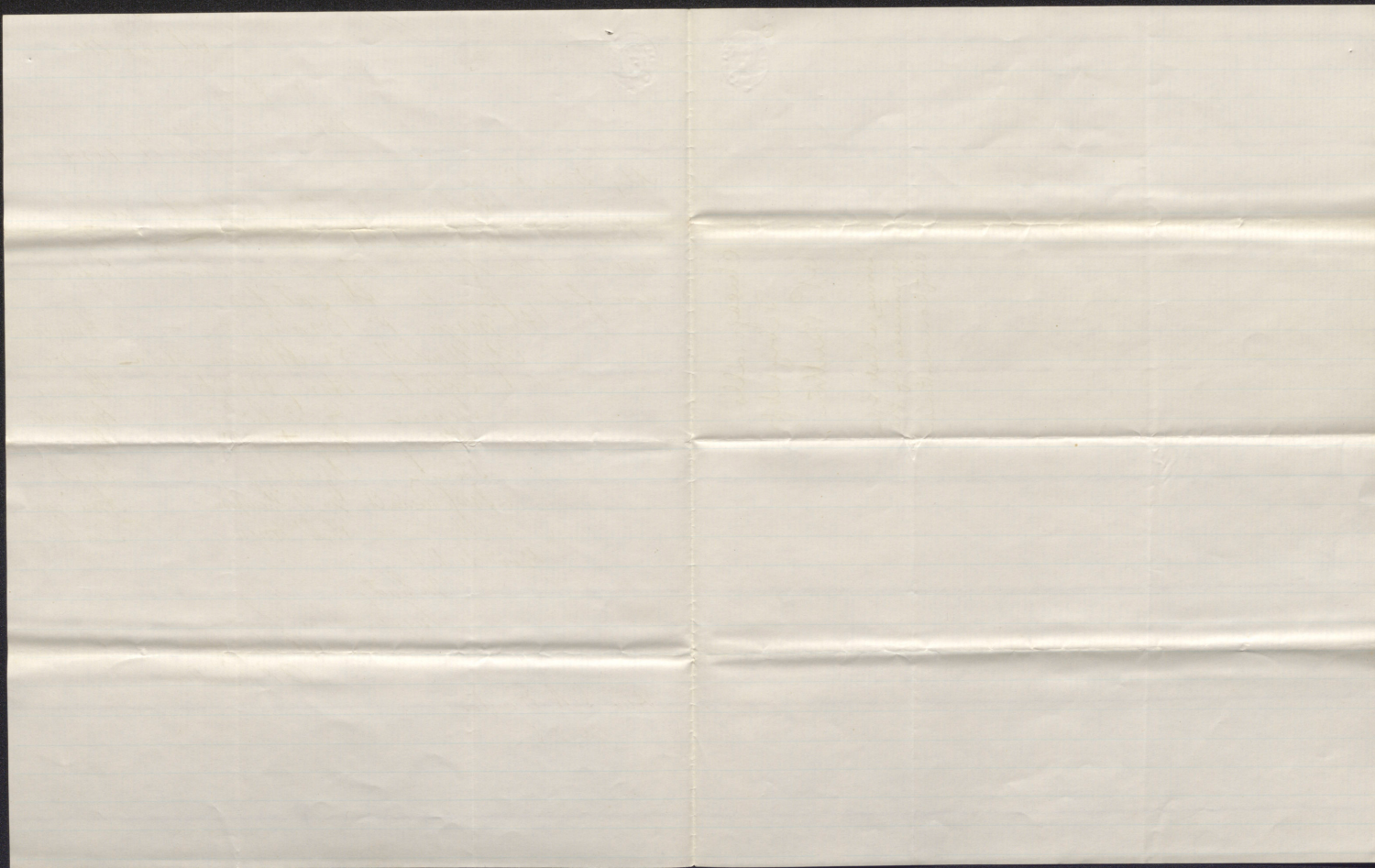
Hon S. A. Douglas

N. S. S.

Chicago. Ill's
Feby 12/58
L.P. Burkhon

Giving a list of the
nominees of the
city convention.

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Stillsborough Ohio February 1 1838
 Hon S A Douglas Esq

Sir I thought to drop a few lines to
 you first I am glad to see that you stand
 up to the old Jackson and Pinnable that you
 fought so strong for the last ~~four~~ years. I think
 that some of Democratic friends rather play the Smokey
 game I am sorry to see Indiana Senators take the
 ground for that is my native State but I think that
 they will come up to the work before long and act
 right I am a Resident of that State but at this time
 am staying at Stillsborough Ohio shall return
 to Indiana a few months you must to send
 me some Publick Documents to Bluffton Indiana
 and I would be much obliged to you for some now
 it is agreeable with you to send me the last
 Pattern office Report as I would like to have it
 and as many other Documents that is of interest
 to read and will be much obliged for them at
 your hands stand up to the Democratic Pinnable
 and 1860 will make it all right with you
 old Wells County is right side up my own
 County in Indiana you must to direct yours to
 me Judge S B Caley direct to Stillsborough
 til I change Post office address yours in haste
 with Respects
 Samuel B Caley



Hillsborough, O.
Febr'y 1/58-
Saml B. Leary
Resides in Bluff
Town Indiana
Sustains you,



Office Daily Patriot,

Madison, Wis.,

Feb. 1.

1858

My Dear Sir—Feeling it both my duty and my pleasure as a Democrat, to sustain the noble stand you have taken on the Kansas question. A few office seekers in this State, in order to destroy any influence I may be able to exert in your behalf, are publishing the following base Coimage about the State

But when he had all his plans laid, he called on Judge DOUGLAS and solicited his influence to procure him the Post-office in Madison. Judge DOUGLAS, without looking around, said:

“Pump Carpenter, Pump Carpenter, yes, I know him. Such a man is a curse to any party.”

This relates to my visit to Washington last March. As a matter of justice better to yourself, you dispute cannot, may I ask your reputation of the above, and know you never said the same to me and I am confident you never did to any one else.

Very Respectfully &c
S. D. Carpenter

Hon S. A. Douglas
Washington

Office "Daily Patriot"

Madison, Wis.

Feb 1/58 —

E. D. Carpenter

Asks your refuta-
-tion of a charge
contained in
newspaper slip
enclosed. —



Cheviot Hamilton Co. Ohio
Feb 1st 1858

Hon Stephen A Douglas

Dear Sir

Having read your
late speeches with considerable interest
I am anxious to procure a copy of the
same, If you will transmit some of
your late speeches &c to my address you
will very much oblige

Respectfully &c

Your Friend

Isaac S. Carson

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Isaac Carson
Cherish Hamilton
Ohio.
May 1st 1888.
Frank Speech.
Speech sent.

Alex.^a Va.

Feb 21. 58

Dear Sir:

I fear indeed, you will consider me very troublesome, and if indeed an apology might relieve me from the charge, and you from the inconvenience of my wishes, I would readily make it -

Although no Lawyer, yet I have really a curiosity to read the delivered opinions of the Sup. Court Judges, in the Dred Scott case. I learned some days ago, that an order had been made by the Senate, directing 20,000 copies to be published.

Will afford it a great favor if you will send me a copy -

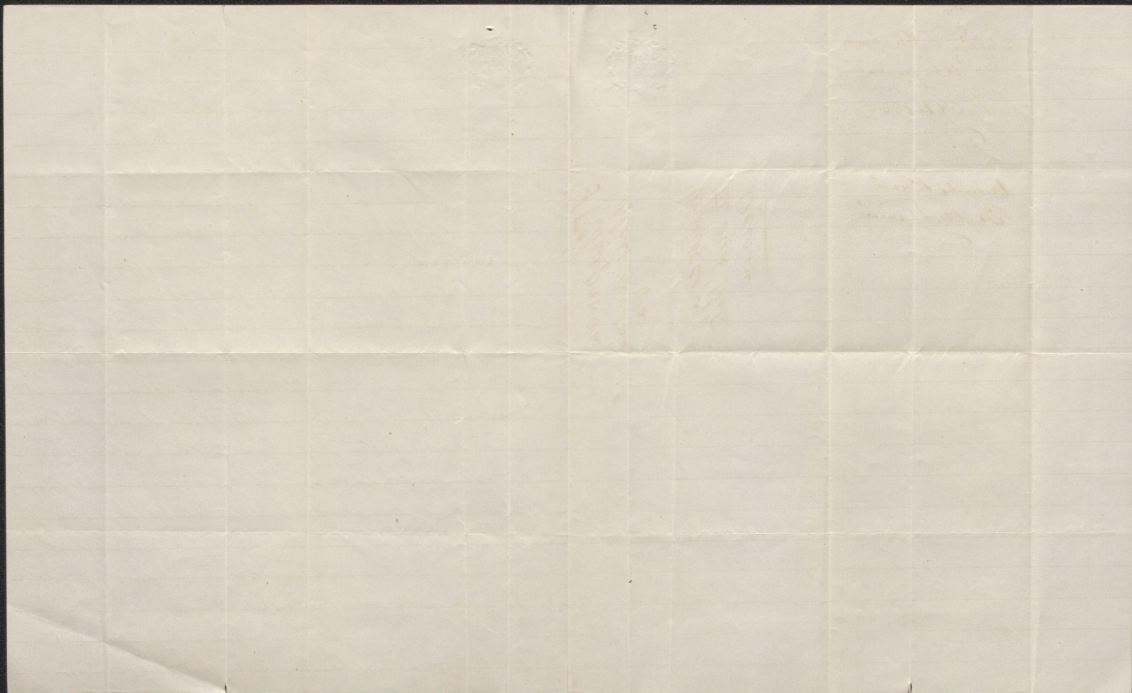
With high regard & respect
I am yr friend - S. F. Chapman

Sidney L. Chapman
Alexandria
Va
Feb 1. 1858

Wants Read
Best Decision

Wants copy of
the said text
decision.

J F Chapman
Alexandria
Va




 Westdale Feb 1st 1858
 Dear Sir

I should be very
 much obliged to your Hon.
 if you would send me
 your speech on the Kansas
 question in pamphlet form
 I have no copy with me I have
 read it I want it for reference
 I always remembered the statements
 which Judge Phelps made a number
 of the South were since that
 time I have since seen a
 of course I was not very
 well posted on Congress matters
 Please share this to Hon. Mr.
 Foot and I think he will be
 kind enough to send me a

Thank you for a paper
very interesting
with great respect
Yours
Wm. Chapman

of St. Louis

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Feb 1. 1888,
Wish Chapman
Speech

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Chas^r Hooper
Andover
Mass
Speech

Andover Feb 1st / 858.

Hon Stephen A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

Wishing to
preserve your Speech on Kansas I
take the liberty to request you to send
the same to me.

Yours Respectfully,

Chas^r S. Hooper
Direct to Andover.
Mass

Hon Stephen A. Douglas.

Chas. Rogers
New York
1851
Exhibit

Exhibit No. 1

Exhibit No. 2

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C. C. COX, M. D.

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Chas C Cox
Easton, Mi
Feb'y 1, 1858,

Large number
of friends there
Wants lecture
delivered there
before "Young Men's
Chi Association."

Wm Stephen Douglass.
N. S. S.

My dear Sir,

You have a very large
no. of political & personal admirers in this section,
who have the greatest desire to see & hear you. The
"Young Men's Christian Association, Library & Reading
Room" will commence, on Friday we. next, a course
of lectures in this town, of a popular kind, to be
continued every Friday we. thereafter until 12 lectures
shall have been delivered. Will you not allow us
to place your name in the list of lecturers to be
announced? It will add greatly to the attractions of

the Cause & noble humors to see you who
might otherwise never have that pleasure. If
you can possibly comply with our wishes, please
inform me at earliest possible convenience, the
times at which it would be most convenient
to attend, & the topics with which you propose to
introduce us. - Our community (who morally
cherish its reputation as of national position) is an
intelligent & appreciative ^{one}, & I am sure you mention
nothing to regret in the view of this part of
Maryland.

I have the honor to be,

Yours, res. Respectfully

Christl. Cox

Easton, Md

1st Feb. 1858

State of Illinois Brown County February the 13, 1858
 Honorable Steven W. Douglas after my best respects to you
 this is to inform ^{you} that I want you to do me a favour if you
 are not too busy and may I will have the chance to
 spend as much time for you
 that is I want you to go to the general land office see
 how sized for the north west quarter of section eight
 one south of the base line and one west in Brown County
 I want you to give me some instructions concerning
 possessions under tax titles where the possession runs
 to whether to the commencement ^{or} to the taking it up
 for well I will inform you that I am in possession of
 a piece of land under a tax title that was obtained in
 forty one and I took possession in forty nine and
 paid the taxes from fifty one and Mr. Coshins
 commenced suit against me for possession a year ago last
 spring ~~was a year ago~~ and now I want you to give me
 some instructions how to proceed ^{with} the sale
 yours with respect

Thomas Davis of Brown County

Thos Davis
of Brown Co.
Ills —

Wants your
opinion as to
the validity
of Tax titles etc.

Chicago Feb 1. 1858

Sir, I have become a Citizen
of Ill - and my Foot Doc list will
will be lost from my former State.
If you will put my Name on your
list. I will be ever grateful - I am anxious
to keep my self full and compelled thus
to trouble you

Yours
Respectfully

To Hon L. A. Douglas
Washington
D.C.

L. S. Engle
Box 4594

Chicago
Ill

C. J. Engle
Chicago

Box 4459
Feb 1. 1858. M

wants to be placed
on your list - to
receive documents



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Brownsville, Pa
Feby, 1st 1858.

D. S. Eccles. —
Cor-Secy
Notifies you of
your election as
honorary member
of "Franklin's
Literary Institute"

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Brownsville Pa Feb 1st 1858
Dr Sir

By a resolution of the Frank-
lin Literary Institute, I am directed
to inform you, of your unanimous
election to honorary membership, in
the above named organization.

Accept Dear Sir the assurances of the
very high regard, in which you are
held by the members of the Institute
and believe me.

Truly Yours

D. S. Eccles
Hon. S. A. Douglass Cor-Secy

P.S. An early acknowledgement
of the receipt of this, will be thank-
fully recd, and placed upon the
file.

D. S. E
For myself I will say, That beyond

all doubt, the people of this section
of the State are with you on the
Kansas question. As for me and all
will be well.

St. Paul Min. Feby. 1. 1858

Dear Sir,

Will you be kind enough to send me your Speech made in U.S. Senate some time since on Kansas affairs - I saw a newspaper report of it soon after it was delivered, but I am anxious to see a more authentic copy. The Democracy in this quarter are almost unanimous in supporting the position which you occupy, - excepting a few officials who are doubtless restrained from the expression of their real sentiments.

I send you herewith the report of Mr. Shephard Chief Engineer on the Minnesota and Pacific Rail Road. I thought from the interest you have manifested in the welfare of this remote corner of the Union you might like to glance at the prospect before us.

With sentiments of esteem
I am most

Hon S. A. Douglass
U. S. Senate
Washington
D. C.

truly yours
T. Fitch

St Paul Mfg
Feb 1st

1888.

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Brunsville Licking Co Ohio
Feb 1st 1838

Hon S. A. Douglas

Sir it is with a great
degree of reluctance that I address your
honorable self. my objects in doing so are those
I would like to have public documents, such
as speeches reports bills &c... My situation is so
that I cannot procure them, I being an appren-
tice, but still my Ambition is to be a Statesman
that I may benefit my county as well as myself.
If you think this a laudible ambition, you
will confer a great favor by sending the above
named documents

Your Obedient Servant
Gey P. Elkins

SP Fluke
Brownsville
Living Co
Feb 1/58 Ohio

Wm. J. Joch

Washington
Feb 1/58
J. F. Gilchrist

Enclosing a
Confidential
note from Mr
Merriman. —

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Washington Feb 1st

My dear Sir

I enclose you a
confidential note from Mr Merriman
of Concord, N. H. which tells its own
story. I have delayed this matter
for ~~some~~ some days intending to call
on you in person but I have been
confined to my room by illness
& am unable even to use my own
pen. I hope you will be able
to comply with the request contain-
ed in Mr Merriman's notes.

I know the high value placed
upon your services in New Hamp-
shire & that nothing could

be more gratifying to the Democra-
cy of that State than your compli-
ance with this request.

Will you be good enough to inform
me in the course of the day
whether it is probable that you
will be able to address our political
friends there & believe me to be

very sincerely yours

J. G. Gilchrist

225 Penn Avenue.

Hon Stephen A Douglass.
U. S. Senate.