

Series Creek Randolph County Illinois
February 3rd 1858

Dear Sir

Would you be so kind as to send me the Mechanical Reports of the patent office for the year 1856 if you have any on hands I would like to have the plates and tests Book both and send me also the Smithsonian report of 1856 as I am anxious to get them to peruse by complying with the above request you will confer a favor on a friend and they will be thankfully received yours with much respect

Wm H. Bilderback

P.S. Mail your address to Series Creek
post office Randolph County Illinois
W. H. Bilderback

W. H. Bilderback
Jones Creek Ill.

Maunt Doe^s

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir

I had the happiness of receiving from you the Speeches you delivered in the Senate of the United States, March 3rd May 8th & May 25th 1864 On Nebraska and Kansas, which I read with interest to myself and to others.

And I assure you that the principles therein expressed received my hearty approval and zealous support.

And now as the subject has again come up with all its practical interests, and you are again at your post, it would afford me great pleasure to receive your Speeches on Kansas affairs, &c.

And I do most respectfully solicit you to send me a copy of all your Speeches and such others as are of a kindred principle with yours as your convenience will permit. And thus oblige your old Democratic friend and fellow Vermonter.

Anthony Collson
Campbelltown
Steuken Co. N.Y.

Feb. 3rd 1868

Campbelltown
N.Y. Febr 2/58

Anthony Collins.

Wants the
speeches of myself
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Huntley Grove McHenry Co. Md

Mr Douglass

Dear Sir

If convenient will
you please send me 2 Vol of the Patent
office Report, they will be very thankfully
received & will read

Hon S. H. Douglass

Yours very Respect
S. M. Cronwell

St K Cromwell
Bentley Grove

Mr Henry Co

Feb'y 31st 1858

Wants 2nd vol

Patent & Report

T. J. C. R. N., Feb 3rd 1855

Wm Stephen A Douglass

Dear Sir,

You will
Confer a particular favor by forwarding
me a copy of your late speech delivered
in the Senate

Please comply with the
above request and it shall be recon-
sured

Respectfully yours

J. B. Cunningham

Address

J. B. Cunningham

Postoffice

Westmoreland Co

Pai

J B Cunningham

Norbrook

Feb 23/88. Pa

Speech

Geo P Davis
Andover
Feb. 3/58. Mass
Speech

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Andover Mass Feb. 3. 1858.

Wm S. A. Douglass;
Dear Sir;

If you will
please direct a copy of your
recent speech on the Leominster Constitu-
tion to the following address
you will confer a great favor
on

Your Humble Serv't

George P. Davis.

Andover
Mass.

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Exeter. N. H. Feb. 3. 1858.

Sir,

I, knowing the office you hold and considering your name worthy of being placed among the names of the most distinguished men of our nation, humbly ask your autograph.

Yours sincerely,
C. W. Field.

P.S. I am a student of Phillips Exeter Academy.
to which please direct your letter.

6 W Fifield

Exeter

Feb 13/58

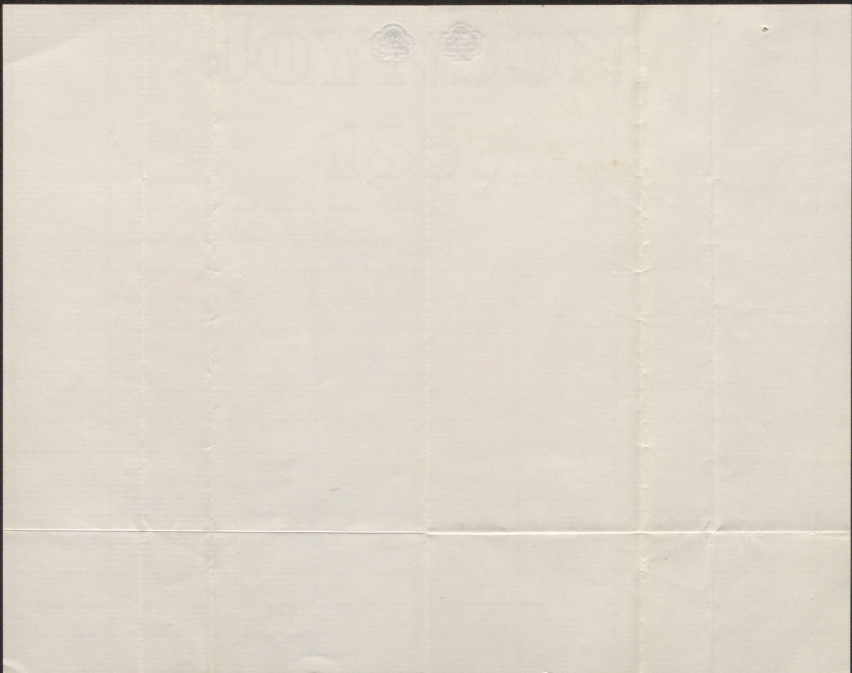
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Autograph

John B Fisk
 Salem
 Mass
 Feb 3. 1858,
 Wm Fisk
 Autograph

Chalmers Chapel Feb 3^d 1858
 Dear Sir

Being engaged in collecting autographs, it would give me much pleasure to receive your signature, and I take the liberty to ask for the same.

Yours Respectfully
 John B. Fisk



Hoing College, Manchester, Md.,
3^d February, 1858.

Wm. L. Douglas:

My dear Sir:

Not letter from
my friends in Bangor, Maine, in-
forms me that they are "Compelled
to abandon their project for es-
tablishing a Douglas press in Maine."
They wish to make such an organ a
first-class paper, and insist upon
it that four thousand dollars are
needed to start it. They seem
much disappointed that their propo-
sition did not meet with a warmer
reception at your hands. They
say: "Maine may yet be wanted:
she has once made a President,
and may soon hold the destinies
of another in her hands."

My friends insist that I shall raise \$2000; and say they "will put up the other \$2000, any day." If not, the thing falls through.

I understand that a great many people are just now giving in their adhesion to you as "original paper men". Now an opportunity is given to test the sincerity of such as have any funds to spare. I propose this plan, upon which I could like your opinion: namely, that subscription papers be circulated, in Washington and New York city, whereby parties may pledge themselves to take shares in the stock of the proposed newspaper - payment to be made only when the whole amount of four thousand dollars is subscribed by responsible persons. Of this sum, the half

is already pledged, and ready to be paid into bank at a moment's notice. The remaining \$2000, might be divided into ten shares of \$200, each, or into twenty shares of \$100, each, and could undoubtedly be obtained with a little effort.

Cannot you call upon some of the New York Periodical men for aid in this matter? It is certainly a thing of some consequence. The time is short between now and the next National Canvass, and promptitude is necessary or the iron will grow cool.

Suppose you send me the names of parties with whom I might correspond on the subject. //

Very truly respectfully,
your obt. servant,
Charles H. Foster.

Irving College
Manchester N.H.
Febr'y 3/58
Chas H. Foster.



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Judge. You can see from this what our
people are thinking of - S S Cox
Columbus, Feb'y 2nd 58.

Gov. L. L. Cox
Dr. Sir,

I should have written you before
but was at Cincinnati from the Monday up
to Friday of last week. All is right there, the
feeling against Leecompton of the strongest cha-
racter. Judge Baldwin requested me to
write to Mr. Douglas and tell him not to give
an inch. There is no necessity for it I am per-
suaded but you can show him this let-
ter. It don't matter what 3 or 4 hundred
or thousand in Washington may think, he
is the "Man of the People", and they'll know
it shortly. Judge Baldwin told me to
tell Douglas that ninety-nine out of every
hundred democrats in Hamilton County are
with him. I only met one man the other way
and he is a petty officer under the Govt.
Colonel Medary is here, bitter for Leecompton
I am told. He has not talked to me, know-
ing I presume, that it is of no use. You will
see my article in to-day's paper "Union &
Jim Lane". I have an argumentative article
for Thursday's paper in reply to Richmond
Enquirer. Now, mind this - nothing can change
the course of this paper on this subject while

Mr. Smith and I remain in it and I assume you are
not likely to go out of it. I have just
seen a telegraphic synopsis of Buch's mes-
sage. It will have no more effect here than
a message from Matt Martin - not a d-d
bit. The Democracy have been getting their
teeth set finer every day. If those re-
solutions were back here, now the course of
the Administration in this matter would
be formally repudiated. A great many
of the most active Democrats are in favor
of a Convention of the Democracy of the
North Western States and New York and Penn-
sylvania if they choose to come in, ^{as soon as practicable} should
this infernal folly be consummated.

Look here! as to any threats about
disunion we disregard them altogether. Our
Democracy are conscious that they have
fulfilled their obligations as National men.
One gentleman from Washington has proclaim-
ed it here as a fearful catastrophe "if this
Secompton Constitution is rejected, the Southern
men will hold sectional caucuses." The reply
universally is let 'em hold it and be d-d!
We cannot be fooled, sir; nor can we be scared.
We can't go Secompton and what's more we won't.
Pray write me soon.

Yours Truly
Charles D. Root.

Chas T Foster

Columbus, Ohio

Feb. 2, 1858

to
Hon: S S Cox,

Judge Caldwell
requests Foster to
write Judge Congdon
"not to give an
inch."

J. P. Foster

Care of

Spaulding & Parrot

Portsmouth

Feb'y 3/58. N.H.

Speech

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Portsmouth N.H. Feb. 3rd 1858

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Washington D. C.

Respected Sir,

Will you
be so kind as to forward to me a
Copy of your Speech, delivered last
December, in the Senate upon the
President's Message.

Your Humble Servant

Joseph Foster

Please direct,

Mr. Joseph Foster,
Care of Spaulding & Parrot,
Portsmouth,
N. H.



George H. Hickman.

Attorney at Law

Commissioner of Deeds &c. for all the States.
Claims against the Government prosecuted
before the U. S. Court of claims or any of the
Executive Departments.

Wm. B. Chandler Esq.

Sir

Baltimore Feby 3^d 1858

Adm'd

I have received a number of letters from friends desiring copies of Judge Douglass' Speech on the "Secession Constitution", besides there are several personal friends to whom I desire to send the Speech. As the Judge is doubtless much engaged I have deemed it proper to write you. By complying with my request you will place me under obligations which at all times I will be happy to reciprocate.

I desire about 25 copies of the Judge's Speech, enveloped singly and franked. You can have them put in a small package and sent me per Adams' Express, directed to me at No. 116 Baltimore Street. I will pay all the expense and upon their receipt I can direct them.

Your early attention will much oblige

Yours most verily

Geo. H. Hickman

Gov Wickman
Baltimore
Md

Feb'y 3, 1858.

Wants Speech for
Self & friends.

Present

Joseph B. Chandler Esq

For,

((George W. Dickinson))

My dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above named subject. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

Very respectfully,
G. W. Dickinson

Received
of the
Treasurer
of the
Board of
Education
for the
City of
New York
the sum of
\$100.00
on the
10th day
of
April
1884

Fairfield Indiana Feb 3, 1858

Wm Stephen A Douglass

Dear Sir Will you please
 send me your speeches in relation to Kansas
 Affairs, since the Commencement of the present
 Congress. Particularly your replies to Senators
 Critch & Satch. by doing so you will much
 oblige one of your friends

Yours Very truly
 Thomas Irwin

Mr. Irwin
Harfield,
Feb 7 3/58, Ind
Spuchey

Walter R. Quinn Secy
Vermont-Les

Elected an honorary
member of Young
American Union

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Vermont L.L.S. Feb'y 3 1858

Hon. S. A. Douglass, Sir

This is to inform you that at
a regular meeting of the
"Young America"
Lyceum and debating club
you were elected an "Honorary
member" in honor of your noble
stand in favor of liberty.
The address of the society
is - "Young America"

Vermont L.L.S.

Respy
Walter R. Quinn Secy



1870
State of New York
County of New York
In SENATE
January 1st 1870

Brighton, Feb. 3^d/58

Dear Sir:

Excuse me for trespassing on your valuable time; but having often read your remarks in the Senate in print, and liking them, I desire to possess your autograph if agreeable to you to send it to a school boy. With many wishes for your future prosperity and political success.

I remain yours respectfully
C. Barrett Jones.

Brighton Mass.

C Barrett Jones
Brighton
Mass
Autograph



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Erastus Hancock Co. Dies
 E. City 3rd 1858

Now S. A. Douglas.

Dear Sir

Will you do
 me the favor to send me the Report of
 Explorations and Surveys of a Route
 for a Pacific Mail Road.

I have made application
 to the War Department who reply that
 they have none for distribution. Also
 to our Representative Mr Morris who is
 in a similar situation

If you can send it to me
 you will confer a particular favor
 I shall be pleased to receive any other
 Pub. Docs.

Our people are all in your
 favor on the Kansas Question

Respectfully Yours
 J. W. Lincoln

1 M Lincoln
Galveston
Feb 10/58 L4
Pacific Railroad
report

Poultney ^{vt} Feb. 3. 1858
Hon. Stephen A. Douglass:

Dear Sir,

Will you please do me the favor to send me the fourth vol of the reports of "Explorations and Surveys for a Railroad route to the Pacific". I make bold to ask it of you, feeling confident that you will not consider it wrongly disposed of, if sent into a literary institution. — Any other similar documents which you may deem proper to be sent will be thankfully received, and shall be deposited in one of the libraries in this institution.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

Henry R. Lovell.

HR Sovell

Poultney
Feb 7³/58. N

4th-Vol Pac

Rail Road Sur

Amelia Clermont Co Ohio
Feb 3 1858

For S. A. Douglas:

Sir:

If you
any Put Doc for distributions,
Especially the Mechanical part
of the Patent Office Report, we
would be very happy to receive
them from you

Very Resp^{ly}
Yours &c
J. Mc Mahan
B. Pimpelly Jr

I am a Democrat formerly from
the State of Illinois
J Mc Mahan

Immaculation
B Pumpdey
Amelia

Ohio
Feb 3. 1858,

P. G. Report

Office of James Murphy and Company,

FULTON IRON WORKS, NEW YORK.

Feb 3 - 1858

Am! William A. Douglas!
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir!

The position of Engineer in Chief U. S. F. is one of great responsibility and importance to our National advancement and for which I feel a great solicitude. The late incumbent Daniel McMartin filled it with advantage and I desired to see him retained. The Hon! President in his judgement and with a wish to rotate in office removed him. In his place he appointed Chief Engineer Samuel Archibald of Maryland. While I regret the necessity of a change I am gratified that the successor to McMartin is every way worthy and qualified. Mr Archibald has devoted all his time and energy to his profession and from the experience of years has made himself proficient in steam machinery in all its various shapes and forms and is one of the best mechanics of the present time. In all the relations of life he is respected and is regarded by his numerous friends and acquaintances as a high minded & honorable man. He has uniformly cast his ballot and used his influence for the Democratic Party. His confirmation will probably come before you Hon! Body at an early date. I hope for your favorable consideration of his claims and your support of the same will confer on me a particular & special favour.

Am with great respect, Yours truly! James Murphy

New York

Feb 13/58

Joe Murphy -

Wm's Laid

Archibalds con-
-firmed Chief 2^d

W.S. Jr. - asks your
influence. and aid.

Office of the Secretary of the Interior

Department of the Interior

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W. H. H. H.

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Lebanon, Pa., Feb 3rd, 1837

Hon. Stephen A. Douglass,

My Dear Sir: — I should

have acknowledged the receipt of copies of your speech sent to the Berks County Prep office, but residing here, and getting to Reading only every fortnight is the cause of neglecting to do so. They have, however, all been forwarded to their several addressees, as directed by myself, and agreeably to my promise to you.

Col. John C. Myers, the Editor in Chief of the Prep, is a warm political friend of yours, since your course against the Disunion Constitution. You have also hosts of democratic friends in old Berks, despite the efforts of J. Hauey Jones, and Wm. Riles to prejudice your position among them. It is hoped here you will yet triumph in the cause you have espoused.

With many kind wishes for your health and happiness, I am

Very Respectfully Yours &
Jas. Law. Rightmeyer

Lebanon, Pa.

Geo S. Righthiser

Feb 3 1888.

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speeches & says
you have hosts of
friends in
Berks Co. —

MS
Perena, Feb 3rd 1858.

Hon. S. A. Douglass,

Dear Sir. Pardon me for thus addressing you as a stranger personally, but politically an old & tried friend. As a Democrat I have ever looked upon your political career with pride & admiration, I wish to be placed on your list of constituents please send me some public documents and in the Spring (if convenient) some choice seeds. I am a Farmer living eight miles North of Ottawa in the Town of Perena please direct to Ottawa MS-

P.S. Your friends fully endorse your course on the Kansas Question in this County. many that have heretofore ranked themselves with the Republicans are with you on the great Questions of the day. all I can say in conclusion is go on go on I remain yours
Truly &c
William J. Sinclair

Hon. S. A. Douglass,

Wm Sinclair

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Feb'y 3/58

want his name
to be placed on Com
list -

Chicago Ills February 3 1858
Hon S A Douglas

Dear Sir

I am inclined to think Congress will increase the U.S. Army this session and I would very much like to be reappointed to a Commission equal to the one I held in the M^t Rifles

I have never felt satisfied, since I so hastily resigned my former commission

Will you have the kindness to aid me - If so you will never have cause to regret it. I will forward to you recommendation which I trust will be to your entire satisfaction

The Democracy of Chicago are in good spirits. More well and harmoniously organized and if we don't make a clean sweep in the March City Election I shall be very much disappointed

Accept my thanks for the copy (you sent me) of your great speech on the Kansas question

Respectfully

Your Obedient
Wm. W. Taylor

Chicago Ill's
Feb 3/58
Mr. Mr. Taylor.

relative to the
increas of the
Army of U.S.

Sustains your coun
on Kansas —

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C. A. Wright.

Box 1671

New York

Feb 7 3/58.

Autograph

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Recd Jan 20
Feb 8. 1858

Hoping you will
condescend to grant me the
favor of your Autograph
I remain

Your most humble
Servant, with profound respect

C. A. Wright

Box 1671 P.O.

New York

