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letter



Cleveland 4 February 1858

Don J. A. Douglass  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir I send you a copy of a certificate signed by the Faculty of the Cleveland Medical College in relation to Dr. Todd's qualifications for the post he now occupies ~~now~~ / Physician and Surgeon to the U. S. Marine Hospital located in this City. It has never fallen to my lot to be cognizant of a more ~~unsuccessful~~ <sup>unsuccessful</sup> falsehood than this certificate. Some of the members of the Faculty had never seen Dr. Todd when they signed the paper, all of them knew by common sense and some of them by actual knowledge that he had not made the least pretension, whatever to the practice of medicine since 1828 but has been engaged in other business until his health failed / his trouble <sup>being</sup> of the <sup>brain</sup> and he enters the Hospital to preserve his life. He pretends to claim that Dr. Todd had practiced medicine for thirty years and the title of doctor to him was no more appropriate than to Coates on our Steamboats. Any amount of proof can be furnished the department of this fact. The department has at this time affidavits of five defersant & good substantial men 50 y. old neighbours who swear before a Notary that that he abandoned the practice of medicine in 1828.

and had not been engaged in that business since that time. What better proof of his incompetency can the Secretary Mr Cobb want than this of the abandonment of practice does not disqualify a person to take charge of a hospital like this what can  
 the Medical Faculty

of the College are all rank black republicans and hate me for my politics but more particularly for resigning two or three years since. They also think that by sustaining Dr G he will allow them to have clinical patients for the benefit of the College and they have even gone so far as to announce that arrangements have been made with Dr G, for that purpose. Enclosed I send you this notice taken from their annual announcement. These facts will account for their signing such a paper I was further told that the Medical ~~men~~ profession in the city are highly indignant at the Faculty for this act and will give an expression of their feelings by holding a public meeting the ensuing week I should have added that one of the faculty Dr Weber has done all the surgical operations at the hospital since Dr G has been there he being incompetent to make the simplest operations;

Occupying the position you do  
at Chicago at the head of the  
great chain of northern lakes you  
have a right to be heard by all  
Cobb on this matter. And <sup>the</sup> Marine  
interest and individuals engaged here  
a right to claim your aid in having  
this insult to their just claims  
removed; a competent Physician should  
have the place. I shall keep you  
acquainted with the trouble and in  
behalf of the sailors ask and  
urge your aid

Respect Yours

W. C. Buckley

## SPECIAL NOTICE.

PROFESSOR WEBER,

BEING NOW MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT  
of the

Cleveland City Infirmary,

the valuable CLINICAL advantages afforded by that institution, which always contains a large number of PATIENTS will be fully open to the Medical Class.

Also, by the politeness of Dr. TOD,  
the present MEDICAL OFFICER of the

U. S. HOSPITAL,

located in this city, we are further permitted to assure students who may find it convenient to attend the lectures in Cleveland Medical College, that arrangements for extending their privileges in clinical instruction, will also be made at the Hospital; subject, of course, to such regulation as the U. S. Government may prescribe.

SPECIAL NOTICE

PROFESSOR WEBER

Cleveland City Hospital

U. S. HOSPITAL

Cleveland Feb 11 1858

Sir,

It having come to our knowledge that effort are being made by contemptible parties to request the removal of Doctor Ford, the present physician of the Marine Hospital, we as Professors of the Cleveland Medical College, take this opportunity of assuring you that we are intimately acquainted with Dr J. S. Ford, and know him to be eminently qualified both professionally, and otherwise to discharge the duties imposed by his position.

And we can further assure you that so long as he holds the post, the interests of the Government will be well cared for.

To Hon. Norvell Cobb }  
Secretary U.S. }  
Treasury }

Cleveland, Ohio.

Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> 1888.

E. C. Ackley.

Sup of Certificate and  
Letter relating to the  
qualifications of

Dr. Todd.

U. S. Hospital.

Cleveland.

Ohio

Detroit. Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> 1838

Mrs. Stephen A. Douglass  
Washington

Dear Sir

Whilst a Passenger  
with me on Ste. Buck. Eye State from Buffalo  
to this City during the Summer of '35. you said  
to me that if you could be of any assistance  
to me at Washington. I was at liberty to call  
on you at any time. I am now about to take ad-  
-vantage of your kindness. I wish to get an appoi-  
-ntment in the Revenue Service. There is now  
building at Milan several Revenue vessels for the  
Inland Lake could I get the appointment of  
Captaining of one there. I am well acquainted  
with all the Routes on the Inland Lake then  
you would feel myself capable to take charge  
of one of them. If there is any chance for  
such an appointment as I wish will you tell  
me how I am to proceed. to get it. and  
com I reckon on your assistance. I have a large  
acquaintance with Lake men and flatter myself  
that I have some influence with which I shall be happy to  
expect to gain a advantage at any time on

Will you inform me by return mail  
what the probability of success would be  
for such appointment.

Yours Truly

S. C. Andrews  
St. Benedict's College  
Buffalo & Detroit

Detroit Michin  
Febry 4/58  
S. C. Andrews.

Wants a Captaincy  
in the Revenue  
Service; & wants  
your aid ~~to~~ to  
know how to  
proceed to secure it.

India

Raleigh February 4th 1838

Mr F. A. Douglas Sir I wish you  
 to send me 15 or 20 copies of your  
 Liberator Kansas Speech, as we are  
 not favored with them at this office  
 I would like to have some of  
 Walker Letters of Resignation If  
 we new how to obtain them, we  
 would be willing to pay for them  
 Documents if we new By what channel  
 we could obtain them, we had  
 expected Mr Holia would have sent <sup>them</sup> But  
 it appears he will not, you will send  
 to my address, W<sup>m</sup> Bartlett Raleigh  
 Rush County Indiana. you will please  
 do us the above favor for which we are  
 willing to pay for if the charge will  
 be presented, yours in haste

Mr Douglas

} W<sup>m</sup> Bartlett  
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Wm Marshall

Raleigh and

15 or 20 copies

desired

July 4/58.

House of Assembly  
Madison Wisconsin

February 4<sup>th</sup> 1858.

Hon Stephen A. Douglass

Dear Sir

We humbly  
inclose you a recommendation by the  
Democratic members of the Legislature of  
May Henry E. Van Osdel, of this State  
who is desirous of being appointed a  
Pay Master. May Van Osdel is a per-  
sonal friend of ours, whom we know  
to be well qualified to discharge the duties  
of the Office to which he aspires. Should  
you interest yourself in his behalf, we would  
return it a personal favor conferred on  
your firm and obedient servants.

Charles Braxton  
Harned

P.S.

I herewith send you a Joint Resolution  
introduced yesterday, a substitute was  
moved this morning not yet printed. They  
close up this afternoon. The struggle will  
be to amend the 4<sup>th</sup> resolution. I hope  
we shall succeed. C.B.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN.

IN ASSEMBLY.

J. R. NO. 13 A.

February 3—Introduced by Mr. NOBLE; read first and second times and ordered printed.

*Resolved, by the Senate and Assembly of the State of Wisconsin:*

*First*—That our Senators in Congress be and they are hereby instructed, and our Representatives are requested, to oppose the passage of any act or resolution for the admission of Kansas into the Union as a State, under what is denominated the "Lecompton Constitution," unless said constitution shall have been first submitted as a whole, in all its provisions, to a fair vote of the people of said Territory, and by them accepted.

*Second*—To oppose the passage of an act providing for the formation of a

2 Constitutional Convention in said Territory, unless said act shall provide for  
 3 just apportionment of delegates to said convention, based upon the number of  
 4 inhabitants in said Territory, and the election of such delegates by a fair vote  
 5 of the resident people, nor unless provision is made in said act for a submis-  
 6 sion of any constitution which may be formed, in all its parts, as a whole, to a  
 7 fair vote of the people, for their acceptance or rejection.

*Third*—To oppose the passage of any act or resolution in the nature of a  
 2 compromise, or otherwise, whereby the admission of Kansas as a State, is made  
 3 a condition to the admission of any other newly formed State, or to the or-  
 4 ganization of any new Territory.

*Fourth*—That Congress having, by the Kansas Nebraska act, waived their  
 2 right as to these Territories to prohibit slavery therein, our Senators are in-  
 3 structed, and our Representatives are requested to oppose the passage of any  
 4 act which should in any way hinder or prevent the people of these Territories  
 5 from prohibiting or abolishing slavery by legislative enactment.

To his Excellency  
 James Buchanan  
 President of the United States.

It having been represented to the undersigned Democratic Member of the Senate and Assembly of the State of Wisconsin that Major Henry E. Van Osdel of New Diggings La Fayette County in this State wishes to be appointed a paymaster in the Army. Should there be a vacancy in that branch of the Service, He would then take great pleasure in recommending Maj Van Osdel to your notice as a reliable Democrat, a gentleman of integrity and one every way qualified to discharge the duties of the office which he seeks.

Very Respectfully  
 your old servant.

E. F. Cook, Senator 1<sup>st</sup> Dist.  
 D. W. Mayow do 4<sup>th</sup> "

E. A. Clempson }  
 Secy Genl }

Temple Clerk 19<sup>th</sup> Dist. Genl. Zouete Atty Genl

- M. L. Martin Sec. 1<sup>st</sup> Dist.
- Cuy. Greuling " 5<sup>th</sup> "
- Norman J. Hamilton " 3<sup>rd</sup> "
- Andrew Bondfit " 26<sup>th</sup> "
- Daniel Meary " 28<sup>th</sup> "
- William A. Tucker 30<sup>th</sup> "
- E. P. Simpson " 12<sup>th</sup> "

Charles Bracken  
 Jas. Robinson  
 Wm S Tuttle  
 Peter Hagan  
 Sam Juncum  
 Henry M. Collins  
 Hermon Warner  
 J. D. M. Gaulty  
 P. M. Josselyn  
 P. J. Hatton  
 Joseph Curney  
 Alexander M. Alling  
 J. M. Mathis  
 John Gibb  
 W. Carnut  
 Es. Doucetin  
 Jack Sarage  
 A. W. Conroy  
 Paul A. Weil  
 Charles W. Ditmering  
 Alvin B. Alden  
 H. H. B.  
 H. H. Belamy  
 W. W. Mathis  
 J. D. Condit  
 W. E. Prickett  
 F. H. Berg  
 Alexander Galt  
 Joseph Curney  
 W. W. Conroy

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 H. D. York  
 M. Stever  
 M. Haurahan  
 James Kenealy  
 W. G. Redelf  
 R. Smith  
 Joseph Wagner  
 David Roberts  
 J. P. Meason

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Madison, Wis.

Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> 1848.

Recommendation from  
Members of the Wis. Assembly,  
for the Appointment of

Maj. Henry C. Tombsell  
as Pay Master in  
U. S. Army

Thos Braekin  
and others.

Natth Scituate R 9  
Feb. 4. 59

Hon Stephen A. Douglas  
Dear Sir

Will you have the kindness to send me some of your Speeches. perhaps you may think it strange in me to send to you for such Comments but I am yet young and wish for information and these will furnish me some information that I want my Friend Hon Charles F. James used to send me some of yours but I have seen none for about two years. so I come to the Conclusion to drop a line to you and ask the favor

truly yours

William H. Chandler  
Natth Scituate R 9

Wm Chandler

North Scituate

Feb 14/58. RA

Spencer

Sago, s Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>/58

S. A. Douglass

Please send to this office a few copies of your speech on the Kansas question. We here were opposed to your original action on that question but believe that you are consistent in maintaining the right of that people to pass on the whole constitution. Our papers have your speech much abridged, we would like to see it in detail.

Yours with respect  
J. Brooks P.M.

Send to "Sago"  
via Cambridge  
Ohio

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Sago Old  
Feb 74/58  
A few copies

Lewis Ellsworth

Naperville Ill

Feb'y 11/58

Pac Rail Rpt Report

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Naperville Ill

July 4<sup>th</sup> 1858

Hon S A Douglas

Washington DC

Dear Sir

I wish to procure  
1, 2 & 3, Vols of the Reports of  
explorations & surveys of the Pacific  
R.R. If convenient & agreeable  
to yourself, I would be  
obliged if you would procure  
them for me, which will  
be duly appreciated, If not  
perfectly convenient do not trouble  
me yourself about the matter.

Allow me to say your indebted-  
ness and best stand taken on  
the Kansas Convention has made  
friends for you in this state I  
trust all these differences will  
be pretty settled by the wisdom

of course, I regret to see  
the position of our Spectator  
on that question — Let the  
design & action be to maintain  
our political institutions on  
the principles advanced by great  
& good men of the early history  
of our country.

Truly Yours,  
Lewis Ellsworth

Brunswick Perria Co. Va.  
Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> 1858

Hon. S. A. Douglass

Dear Sir,

If you will please send me a copy of your late great speech on that portion of the President's message relating to Slavery, and also the Patent Office Report for the last year, you will confer a great favor on an ardent admirer of your policy.

Address Wm. Falmestock Jr.

Brunswick Perria Co. Va.

Mr. Fahnestock

Brunswick

Peria Co, Ills

Feb 4/58.

Trans Speech

also Pat. off.

Ref. for last yr.

C. C. Fellows  
M.  
Centre Sandwich  
N.H.  
Feb'y 4/58.  
A few Speeches

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Centre Sandwich N.H.  
February 4<sup>th</sup> 1858

Hon. Stephen A. Douglass

Dear Sir

I would  
like very much to circulate some of your  
Speeches &c. in this vicinity. If you  
have Documents from time to time  
to spare and will send them to me,  
I will try and do good with them.

Respectfully Yours

C. C. Fellows P.M.



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San Francisco Feb'y 4. 1858

Dear Sir

I take the liberty of trespassing for a moment upon your time and attention, by way of renewing old acquaintances, and to ask you to place my name upon the list of those to whom you send occasional favors, such as speeches &c.

I take occasion also, to say that you have known me as a Whig, I remained a Whig until the demise of that party; since which I have found it consistent with my duty to support the Democratic party.

I mention this that you may know, that I have not made a fool of myself, by giving support to any of the Sons of the day.

I may add that the position you have taken on the Kansas question, is as I believe approved by a large majority of the people on this side of the Continent - Our Legislature appears anxious to avoid the issue, and are in the condition of a certain official & leader in this City, who being asked how he stood on the question; said he did not exactly know, but he was with the party - || Our Illinois people

out here are with you, I believe without  
Exceptions -

Very Respectfully  
H. Fellows

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

W. H. Kellogg  
San Francisco  
Cal

Feb. 11, 1858.

Political

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Office of the Secretary  
February 4. 1858

Hon S. A. Douglas

Ohio

In case a Territorial government shall be formed from Carson Valley, or rather from Utah including Carson Valley Harvey Lee Esq now a prominent Member of our present Legislature will be an applicant for the Chief Justiceship of said Territory. Mr Lee was born in Vandavia Illinois, I have known him from boyhood, and know that he is every qualified to fill the duties of said position with

credit to himself and the  
appointing power

Any assistance you  
may render in this matter  
will be gratefully remembered

By Your Obedt. Servant

Levis Norman

Col Ferris Forman.  
Sacramento City  
California.  
July 4<sup>th</sup> 1854.

Answered.  
July 31<sup>st</sup>.

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