

Dayton March 3 1838

Am S. A. Douglass,

Dear Sir,

You would confer
a favor on me by sending me your Minority
report, and the Majority report also, together
with any document which you can con-
veniently send.

The Anti Secessor (wing
of the Democracy have no information except
what the newspapers afford, and I being
one of the uninformed, have to be satisfied
with what the administration send out in
great profusion,

Your cause is indured by
the people in this part of the County, and a
large Majority of the Democrats in this
(the Campbell district) are anti Secessor
We will have a meeting in this City before
long Hoping that you may succeed in
this as well as in all your undertakings
which may be as just and honest as this, I
have the Honor to remain Sir your most
respectful friend

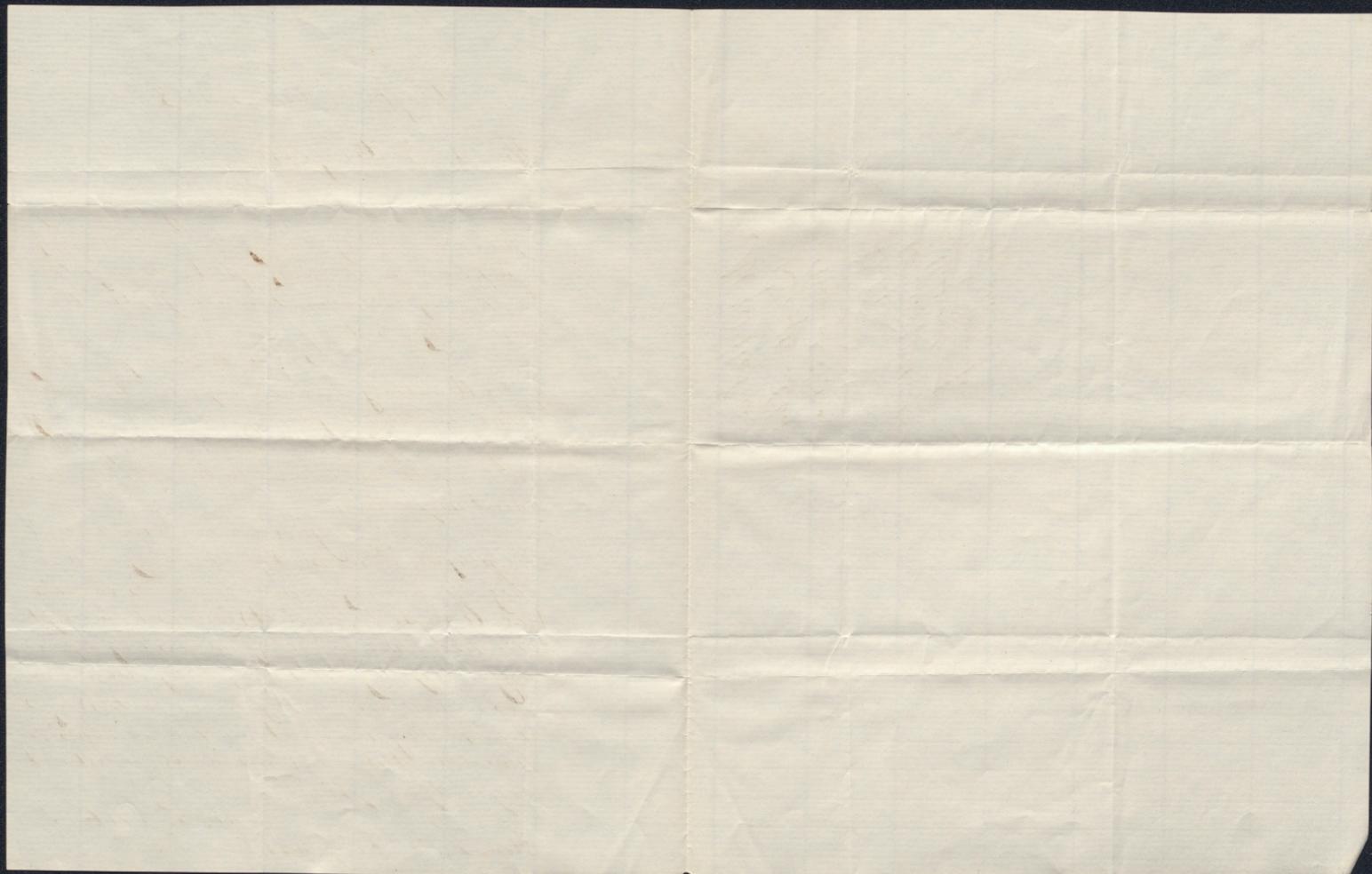
Wm. P. Nolan,

Am S. A. Douglass,

M. P. Nolan
Dayton, Ohio.
March 3, 1858.

Political -
Wants, Speeches, &c.
- that section filled
with Secession
Speeches, &c.





W. B. Ogden
N. Y.

Mar. 5.

Repair & use of
Harbor piers.

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New York Mar 3rd 1859
Hon J A Douglass
My dear Sir

I am much indebted for your kind attention in advising me of the fate of the bill for repair & use of Harbor piers, which I knew must be lost if Col G's opinion was obtained & regarded - I should be glad of a copy of that opinion - if it does not inconvenience you -

Would it avail for me to visit the War Dept now & try to get instructions as to use of piers modified. I do so will come on being telegraphed at once - If not shall use them and

test the question of rights
& public policy of Col &
Prings suit -

I hope for the pleasure
of seeing you & Mrs Douglass
when here after the
adjournment of Con-
gress -

With great respect
Yrs Very Truly

W. B. Ogden

Dear Sir

Loona March 1863

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Dear Sir

you will oblige me by
 sending your published speeches
 on the admission of Slaves at the
 time of the repeal of the repeal
 of the Missouri compromise

"I believe a great wrong had been
 done but time has convinced
 me that a massing and your
 majority of the two thousand
 in pure country of western
 New York. I believe Eight thousand
 endorse it & Douglas acknowledges

them here wrong and with in
 my knowledge you are sustained
 by a large majority of the Democratic
 Party Can you see Slaves from
 being admitted under the Socratic
 constitution your opinion is respectfully
 asked for

Amos Reed

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N.Y.
March 3, 1858.

apprecatory
wants & speeches,

Portsmouth New Hampshire
March 3 1857

Hon S. A. Douglass

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

I write again to you, asking a favor if it is not too much trouble to you, to procure me a copy of the Report of the Japan Expedition but I beg of you not to put yourself to any inconvenience to procure it for me.

With respect I remain
Your obt Servt
J. E. Rider

J. E. Rider
Portsmouth, N.H.
March 2, 1858.
Wants Japan Exp.:

Dear Mr. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Frederick, N. H. March 3^d / 58

J. P. A. Gayles

Please send me
a copy of your recent
speech in the Senate

Chas E Smith

Chas. O. Smith
Meriden, N.H.
March 31/58,

Wants Speech

Jess Haddock Smith
Columbus,
Ohio,
March 3, 1858.

Political

Unexp. Attendance
at Meeting of 10th
proximo. —



Columbus Ohio
March 7 1858

Mr Stephen Douglas -
Dear Sir

and Miss have failed
us from meeting on
the 10th instant, and
we have no hope of
Walter Stanton or
Honey. Now unless
we can telegraph over
the state that you
have accepted an
invitation, & will
be here, Thursday
will stay at home
who would other-
wise come. It is
it not worse important

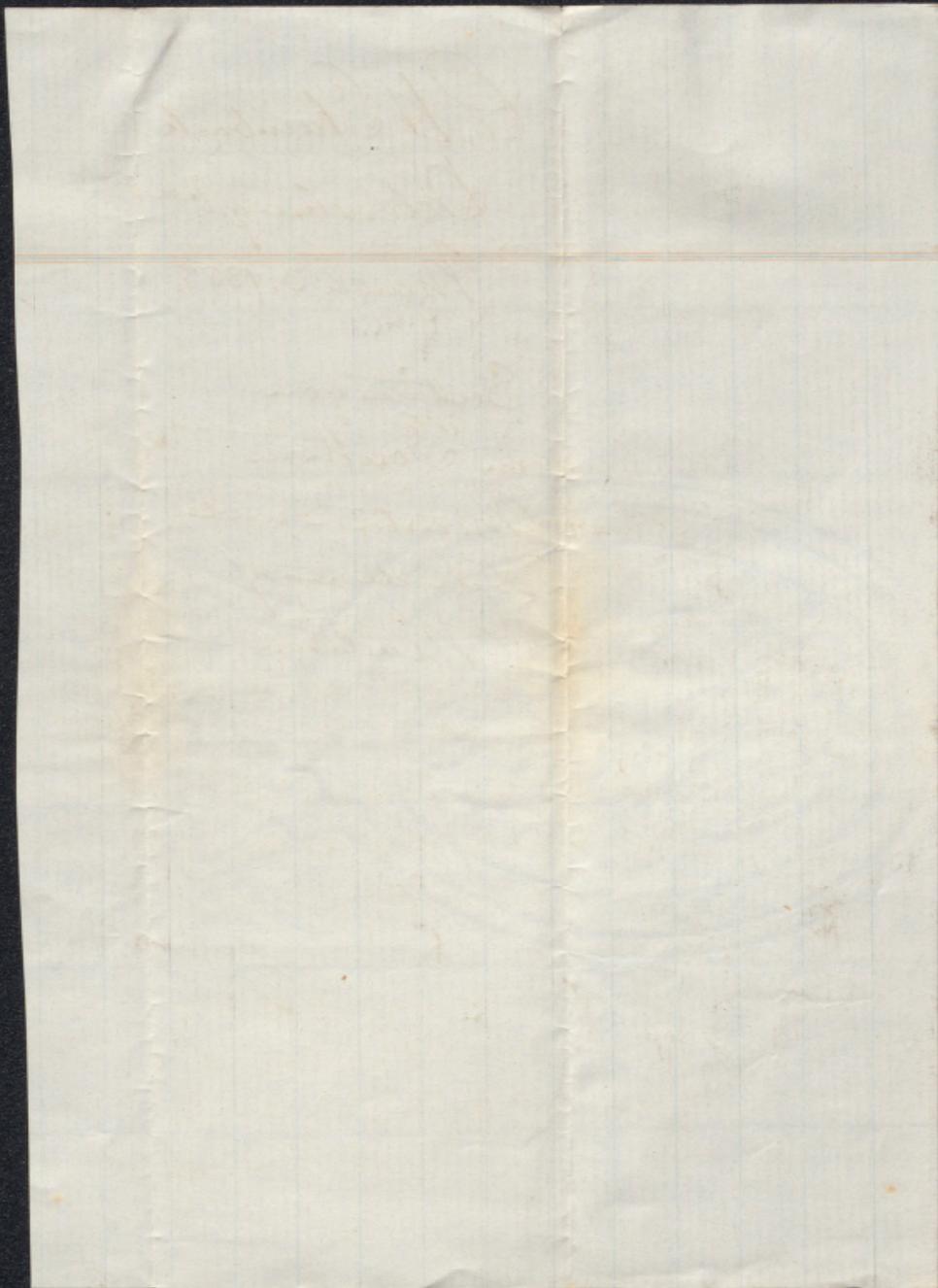
that we have a
success on the 10th
than almost anything
else conceivable, ex-
cept the defeat of
Secombe in the
Senate - and unless
you can hope to effect
that by your presence
during the time you
would be in attendance
and going and coming
to & from Columbus,
would you not do
more for the cause
by coming? Let me
quote Stoddard's pa-
triotic health
& season - I am al-
most afraid they
would have Secombe

If they don't, they will
spoil, perhaps, or delay
one of the grandest
political movements
of the age - the trans-
ference of the dominion
of this nation to the great
West. So if you come,
the work the evening
can do in your absence,
will turn out to be
the last for us. Allow
us to circulate the
news of your attendance
with us on the 10th,
and will give you
a newspaper which
will reveal to you
the depth to which
you have struck the
popular heart -
Very Respectfully
Jas. G. Cook

C H Stainback
Petersburg, Va
March 3, 1858,

Sustain you
in "Southern
Monitor" - under
Signature of
"Madison."

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Petersburg Mar 5th 1858.

Wm. L. A. Douglas.

Dear Sir

My object in addressing you this letter is, for the simple purpose of respectfully requesting you to send me a copy of the report of the Committee on Territories, including both Mr Sneed's for the majority, Mr Colamer for the minority, and your own independent report; which will be kindly received from you by your humble servant.

I beg leave to inform you, that I have defended your course on this Kansas question from the start, and intend to do so

if I should die whilst thus acting. I have requested the Editor of the Southern Advocate to send you a copy of the two last letters of correspondence forwarded to that paper by myself, signed, Madison.

I hope you will read them out your lecture and study them, for they represent ^{you} asure the true sentiment of the yeoman, the upright, true Democracy of Virginia, with Governor Wick as their great leader, who is a real lion, the champion of Democracy, whom you see, is determined to fight for the chosen people, in spite of friends and foes. The like yourself is not afraid to stand up alone, single

handed and defend the rights of the Democracy, the Union and giving justice to all sections. Can Mr Douglas, if you do not merge one vote, from the track you are now on, in regard to this Kansas matter, but pursue the even tenor of your way, hold the Administration and all in office under to the scratch, including Calhoun in particular; bring out those fraudulent election returns and expose them before the people and the country, and my word for it, you will receive the thanks not only of the Democracy, but the whole country, and they will rise up and call you blessed!!
Knowing therefore that your

fixed purpose is to conquer
or die in this struggle, it is
my sincere hope for the sake
of the Democratic party and
the Union, that you will bring
all your forces to bear on
this question, and I have im-
-plicit confidence that you
will succeed, for who can
countenance fraud, whether
Buchanan, or Adams, or
and I presume you and Garrison
agree on the subject, he is sound,
and all I have to regret is, that
he is not in the Senate.

Do not show this to anyone,
neither mention it, except to con-
-fidential friends if you choose,
and I will be much obliged to
you for a copy of the reply
I should be glad to
I am respectfully
E. D. Sumner

Syracuse N. Y. Mar 8/58

Hon S. A. Douglass

Sir:

Having understood that you send copies of your Speech, delivered in the Senate Dec 9/57 to those desiring, & being desirous of obtaining one sanctioned by you, I take the liberty of asking you to send me a copy & oblige

Yours Truly

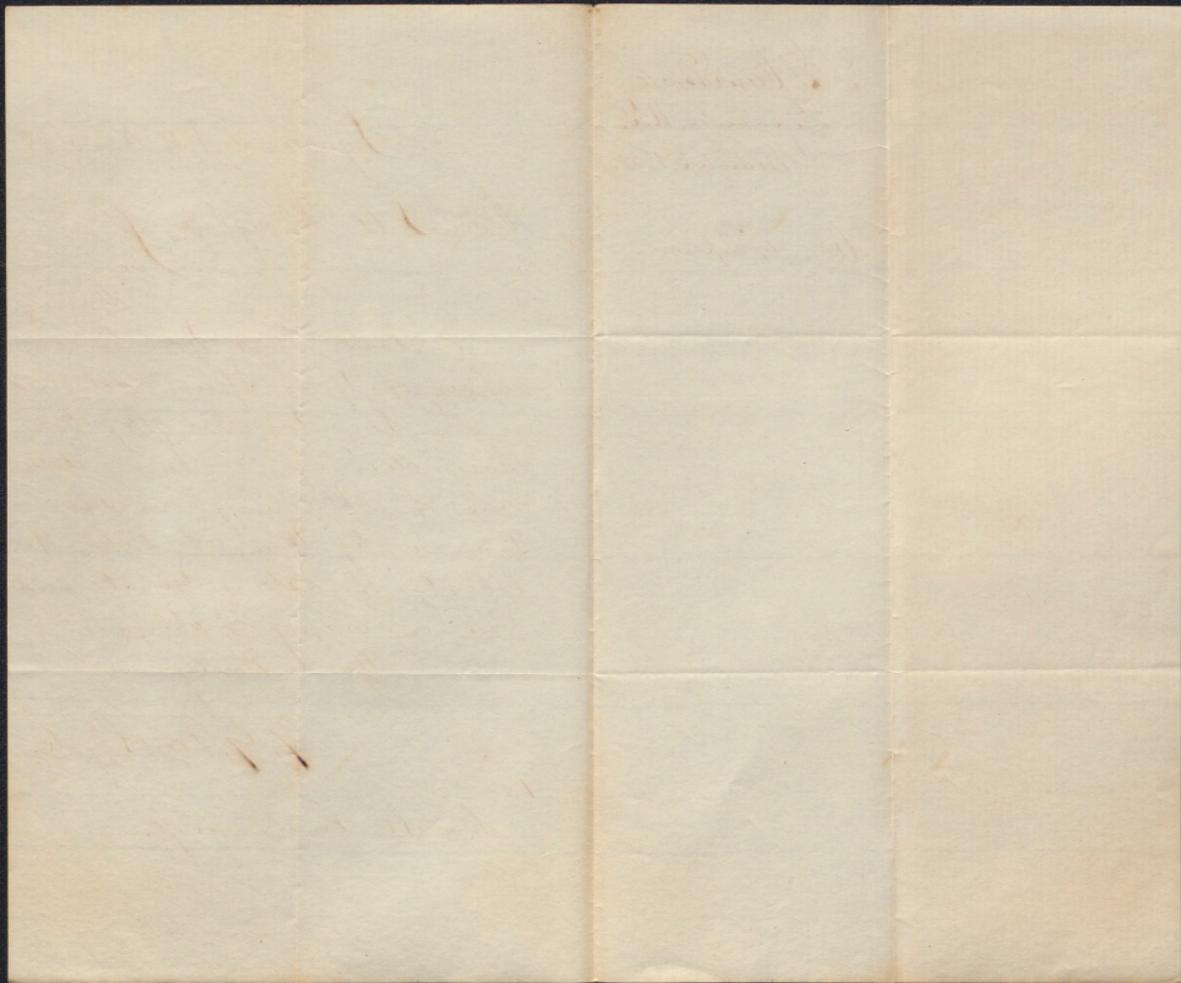
G. G. Van Slyke.

To

Hon Senator Douglass.

G. G. Van Slyke
Syracuse, N. Y.
March 3, 1858.

Wants Speech.



North Island. March 3. 1858
Hon. Steph. A. Douglas,

Sir,

I venture tho' personally a perfect stranger to you, to transmit to you a little affair of a Campaign sheet, which I published in this city ~~during~~ previous to our late municipal Election. There is not I suppose much in it to interest you; but the "Pictorial Number" at the end will perhaps make you laugh.

The Republican paper having got into bad hands & finally died a natural death several weeks ago, I am about to start a permanent local Republican paper to supply its place; which with your permission I shall have great pleasure in forwarding to you. The miserable wily-washy affair of a Ci-devant Democratic paper which we have here has been striving earnestly to drop you in a quiet way, without a commotion amongst the Anti-Secumpton men, but I do not intend that it shall succeed.

I have looked pretty closely into the thing, & with the exception of a dozen or two Kentuckians, who are prosclary to the hub, & the office-holders as a matter of course, I can only hear of one Secumpton man amongst the educated Democrats.

Respectfully yours,
Benj. D. Walsh

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Hon. Steph. A. Douglas,
U. S. Senate,
Washington
D. C.



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March 3. 1858.

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Rock Island
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W. K. Wardwell
Lewiston, Me.
March 2. 1858.

Wants Reports &
Speeches.

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Lewiston Nov 3rd 1858

Hon Stephen A Douglas
Dear Sir

I wish you
to send me a report on Canada
and a few of your speeches
by doing so you will greatly
oblige your friend

Very respectfully your
obedient servant

W. K. Wardwell
Lewiston Me

To Hon Stephen A Douglass



Elgin 3 March 1858

Dear Sir

There is a moral heroism in your opposition to the Se Compton ~~Legal~~ jugglery that meets the approval of every independent democrat in the whole north west. No man can dispute that your position in the Senate upon that miserable attempt to force upon the people Kansas a constitution repugnant to a large majority of them is in principle the same as held by you and powerfully sustained in all your political addresses in Illinois and elsewhere during the Campaign of 1856. So irresistible was your logical argument, that our most bitter Abolition opponents, ~~in~~ conversation with me, conceded their great truth, with the general declaration, that no confidence could be placed in your sincerity, nor any of us who composed the democratic party. That it was a gilded pill, to decoy the electors to the support of Slavery expansion by ^{the} election of James B. McManis, and thus by some base fraud, ^{he would} bring Kansas into the Union as a slave state,

To all such charges, the most unqualified
denials were made. And ^{the} strongest assurance
given, that should Mr. Buchanan be elected,
the people would be protected by the adminis-
tration, in their inalienable right to form their
institutions themselves, that no restrictions
should trammel the formation of their organ-
ic law of republican in form and in consonance
to the constitution. In less than one short year
of Mr. B's term of office, the charges iterated
and reiterated by the opposition, are thrown
into teeth, with a surdonic sneer and mali-
cious triumph. Your whole position, ^{as they} ~~is~~
treacherous and false, and all the Douglass
seems to oppose. Secumpton, yet he will be
drummed in. Our democracy has painfully
acknowledged this disappointment in Mr. B. but
equally claim you as an uncompromising
friend to Kansas Nebraska popular sovereignty
and that great democratic principle will find
an able advocate in the senate and that through
you and our noble delegation in congress may
be ^{at} ~~in~~ intact the sacred right of the people to
govern themselves. How is it that leading pol-
iticians can so suddenly change positions

The democracy has long held that congress
has no power, to interfere in the municipal
laws of states, or territories; and especially
have southern Statesmen proclaimed; that in-
gratious interference in local matters, would be
an aggression upon state rights, justifying se-
cession from the Union. Now an investigating
committee is so organized by a Southern gentle-
man (for whom I have a profound respect) as to
stifle if not suppress ^{intentionally} ~~facts~~ the eliciting of
facts that it seems would most certainly have
a controlling ^{influence}, to defeat a desperate game, got
up and thus far enacted by desperate men.

You may be by your colleagues in the sen-
ate, and by the Union, read out of their demo-
cratic party. When they make falsehood truth,
and truth falsehood, they ^{will} eject the democratic
party of Illinois will disown you, and not tilt
them. Our democratic party will stand by
you and Smith & Harris & Morris & Shaw
and Marshall with a constancy parallel
to your firmness in sustaining the principle
(rather than the hollow assumption) of de-
mocracy so unequivocally held them.

So me it look queer to see the adminis-

tion, using its power, to force upon the people
of Kansas, ^{a fundamental law} against their consent as definitely
expressed at the 4th of January Election, while
the Anti National Republican party has in a
like anomalous manner taken ~~of~~ the side of
popular sovereignty. Senator Seward appears
to be the only consistent one in that jumbo
party as shown by his performance of Congress.
Equal rule rather than the people

We had our city election on yesterday
at which John Hill ran for Mayor ~~by~~
114 majority. The whole ticket was elect-
ed

We are looking with interest for the
proceedings in Congress upon S. Compton

I am sincerely yours &

E. Wilcox

Wm. A. Douglass

Washington

Post Office

Richmond

E. M. West
Elyria Ohio
June 27th 1850