

B Kellogg,  
Middlebury, Vt.  
March 24. 1858.

"Literary Soc:  
of Middlebury College  
wants Judge to  
deliver the  
Commemorary address  
on 11 Aug. 1858.

Answer requested

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Middlebury College March 24. 1858

S. A. Douglass

Honored Sir

The Literary  
Society of our College is anxious through myself  
as Chairman of its Graduated Committee, to engage  
you as its Orator at our Coming Commencement.  
Commencement week is the 2d week in August &  
as you may possibly be aware the Anniversary of said  
Society forms a prominent part of the usual ex-  
ercises. Tuesday, the 11<sup>th</sup>, is the day we wish you  
to speak. You will pardon me if I add that  
though the Soc. is Literary yet we would prefer to hear  
you on some political question. I have the more  
boldness in thus soliciting your services since  
this is your native State & some years of your life  
were spent in this town here. Can you not make

it in your way to visit Vermont at that time  
& address on that occasion the largest of audiences  
many of whom are personally acquainted with you.

May I request of you an immediate reply so  
that if disappointed in my suit I may lose no time  
in looking elsewhere.

Very respectfully yours—

A. Kellogg

Hon. Steph. A. Douglas—

Penn<sup>a</sup>

Laureaster, Mar. 24th, 58.  
Hon. Stephen A. Douglas, Esq.,

Having a particular interest in the debates of Congress, especially of the present session, on account of either the triumph or defeat of the glorious principle of self-government, the ~~triumph~~<sup>most</sup> of which, I would hail as glorious news. Having learned that you had been seriously ill for some time, and since that you had recovered and your presence on the floor of the Senate, I received as cheering and pleasant news. Having gained considerable knowledge from your remarks of

9th. of December, I thought  
I might acquire a great deal  
more from your remarks of  
the ~~present month~~ 22nd. that  
I would be under many obliga-  
tions to your most honoured  
self for a copy of the same

Yrs. Respectly.

Geo. W. Kendrick

File Kendrick  
Junc 24/58  
March 24/58  
North Street  
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New Haven, Conn. Mar. 24. '58.

Hon: Sir:

Will you do me  
the favor to send me a  
copy of your late speech on  
Reanoas affairs.

Most respectfully

Hon S. C. Douglas.

Yours  
Orlando Leach.

Orlando Leach  
New Haven, Ct  
March 24. 1858

Wants Speech of 22<sup>d</sup>

Honble S.A. Douglas

Dr. Sir,

Pittsburgh 24 March 1855.

During the latter part of Mr. November last a gentleman, introduced himself to Mr. Leary of this City and to me, using your name. From the sentiments expressed on political matters and otherwise, we felt honored with your visit. If it was you who called, at the "Washington Hotel", I would like to know it, because, one or two persons here, denied your presence in our City.

Altho no politician, yet, as a private citizen, I have watched the course of your adherence to the principles of the Kansas & Neb. act; — also your speech in the Senate on the "Dismantling" Cause. I write to encourage you and to thank you for the noble stand you have adhered to, in defiance of the "dictates of conscience", — of the will of your constituents, & the rights of the people of Kansas, as well as the whole American people. I know a majority of our people in this City, through the press, also express these very simple sentiments.

I am Dr Sir

Truly & Resp.

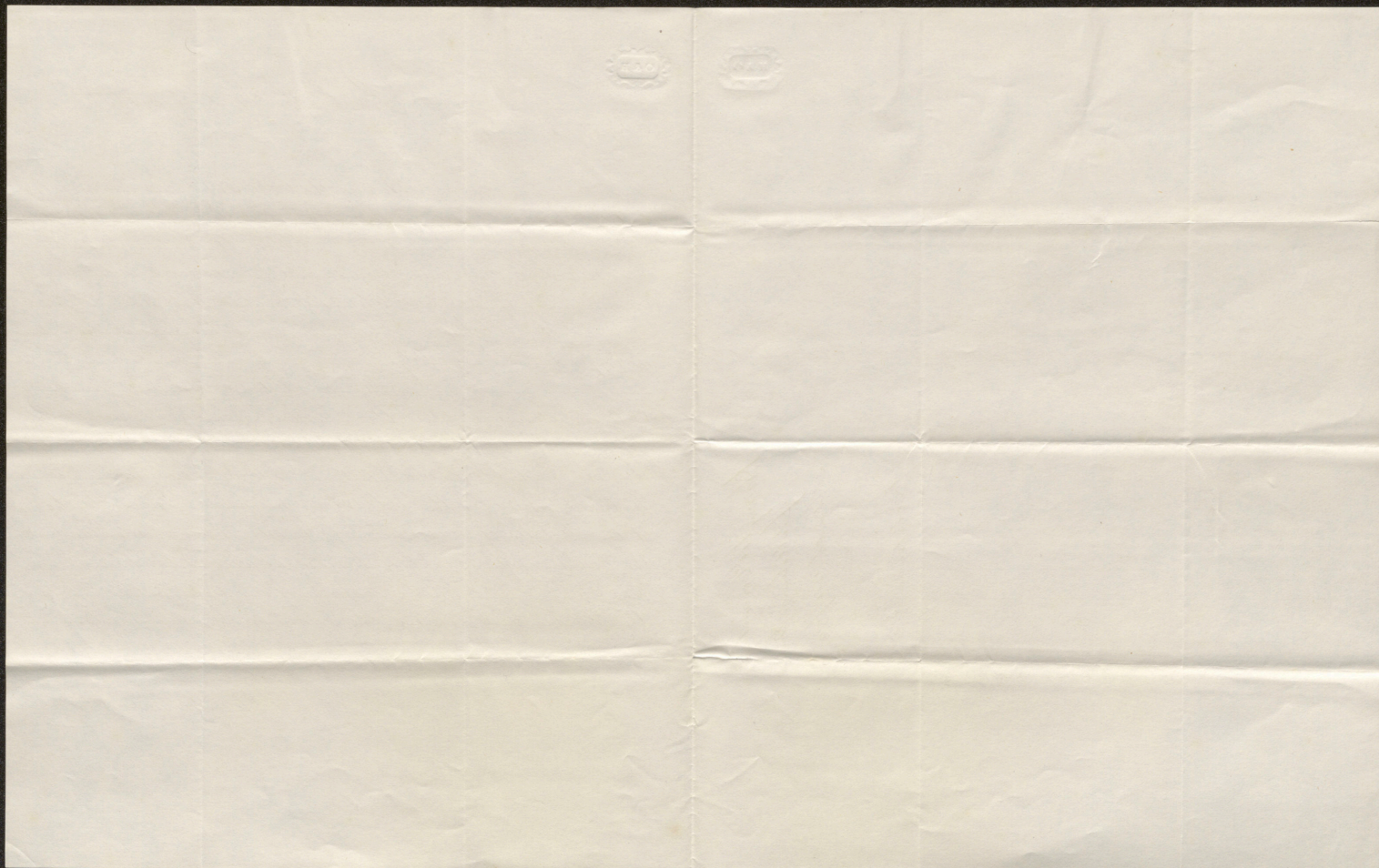
Henry W. McCormick

Henry M Corwin  
Pittsburg, Pa  
March 24/58,

Political,

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Jas S McCoy  
Syracuse, N.Y.  
March 24./58.

Wants Speech of  
Mr. S.

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Syracuse, Mar. 24, 1858

Honored Sir

Will you do  
me the honor of sending  
a copy of your last  
speech on Kansas, to  
your obedient  
and humble servant

James S. McCoy  
Syracuse, N.Y.

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas  
Washington  
D. C.





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David Magie  
Princeton College  
March 24/58

Wants Speech of '72,  
&c

Speakers sent  
to all 25

Princeton College Mar. 24.

Hon. Stephen A. Douglass  
Sir,  
Sir,

You  
will confer a great favor  
on me by sending your  
last speech on the Le-  
compton Constitution  
delivered in the Senate.  
Also any reports which  
have been made in  
the Senate, will be most  
thankfully received.

I remain  
Yr. Obedt. Servant  
David Magie Jr.



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Geo. Merrill  
 Dartmouth College  
 Hanover  
 N.H.  
 March 24/58,

Wants Report  
 Speech of 22<sup>d</sup>

Dart. College  
 Hanover, N.H. March 24/58

Hon. S. A. Douglas:-

Will you  
 have the kindness to favor me  
 with two copies each of your  
 admirable Report, and last-  
 Speech, in pamphlet-form,  
 on the Kansas question, and  
 greatly oblige  
 Yours

Respectfully

Geo. Merrill  
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Respectful M<sup>rs</sup>  
 Nov. 24/58

Judge Douglas

Dear Sir

Mr. Bay is at Washington  
 I have seeking the appt. of Post  
 Master here

After our correspondence  
 last summer, it might be nat-  
 -ural for you to presume that  
 I am still addressing him

I wish to say to you that  
 this is not the case, I could  
 not ask for the appointment  
 of any man to office, who  
 sustains it on the ground of his  
 support of Secession

When Mr. Bay left him he  
 did not ask me for any assistance  
 , nor have I in any way aided  
 him ~~in any way~~ since last  
 summer, when I asked for his

Appointment on grounds wholly  
different from those which  
he now occupies

I have just seen Mr.  
Wolcott & from a conversation  
with him I found that it was  
understood at Washington  
that I was assisting Mr. B  
in this matter

You Sir, are entitled  
to the warmest sympathy  
and support, of every  
democrat, in your present  
struggle for the right, against  
official power & patronage  
so far as I am concerned  
I trust you will feel that  
I am with you heart &  
soul

I sincerely hope that your  
efforts may be crowned  
with success, altho. I will  
know the strength of the Union  
with you an Centurion, with

I make no doubt that  
the State Convention, will give  
you & our gallant representatives  
for this State such an  
undercurrent as will set  
the country that in Ohio  
our Illinois the doctrine  
of "Popular Sovereignty"  
has not yet been "crushed"  
out of the hearts of the  
people

If you have time, write me

Very truly  
your friend  
James Whitcomb  
G



Geo. Mitchell  
Freeport, Me.  
March 24. 1858.

Withdraws his  
Support of  
Mr. Bagg for  
Post Master —

—  
Heavily endorsed Judge  
L. V. Courser,  
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Yelpert Ills. March 24. 58.

Hon S. A. Douglass  
Washington

Dear Sir,

As soon as you get letter from Jos. Mitchell of this place - answer it - he is for you against all others - also write the Dr & tell him that you would like him to be in Convention 31 April - It is impossible for me to be in that Convention as I have no home - they say in Ills. but Ills. be open <sup>the</sup> outside yet - I leave in few moments for Galena

He Dr stands firm upon Civil Rights and endorses democracy as now represented in Congress by all delegates from Galena I go to Rockford - Chas. Foxman you will recollect was turned out of P. O. there and old Brock put in his place some one from Lancaster Pa. I will try to have him in Convention 31 also - From Rockford I go to Woodstock - thence to principal towns in Kane Co - Harrington has strength in this Co. & I must be at work - When is

Bye taken will be in  
Chicago? You need all  
the strength you can bring to  
bear in Chicago - while  
at Elgin 23rd W.C. Kimball  
suggested that we keep our all  
I.M. such <sup>as</sup> Reunick, and  
to my face is for you, but  
I dare not trust him -  
at heart he is for me but  
the "Fakemage" might turn him -

If you have any suggestions  
better make them to the Dr.  
as I shall be on the go  
at the time to the 15 April.

Yours truly

W.S. Motony



PS Malony,  
Freeport. Me.  
March 24, /58,

Political,

- Dr. Mitchell Boston  
to attend Convention  
of 21<sup>st</sup> —

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Baltimore Maryland  
March 24 1858.

Hon. S. A. Douglas.

Respected Sir.

Please pardon the liberty which I have taken in asking you to furnish me with your Speeches and the debates in the Senate on the Kansas Question.

I am a true Democrat, and believe that the principles of the Kansas Question so ably expounded, and so nobly advocated by yourself are the true and only Democratic principles.

I am a citizen of Maryland - but I hope I am as great an admirer of you - as any of your constituents, and shall give you all my power, and influence in elevating you to that honorable position in 1860 which you so worthily deserve.

Yours true friend.

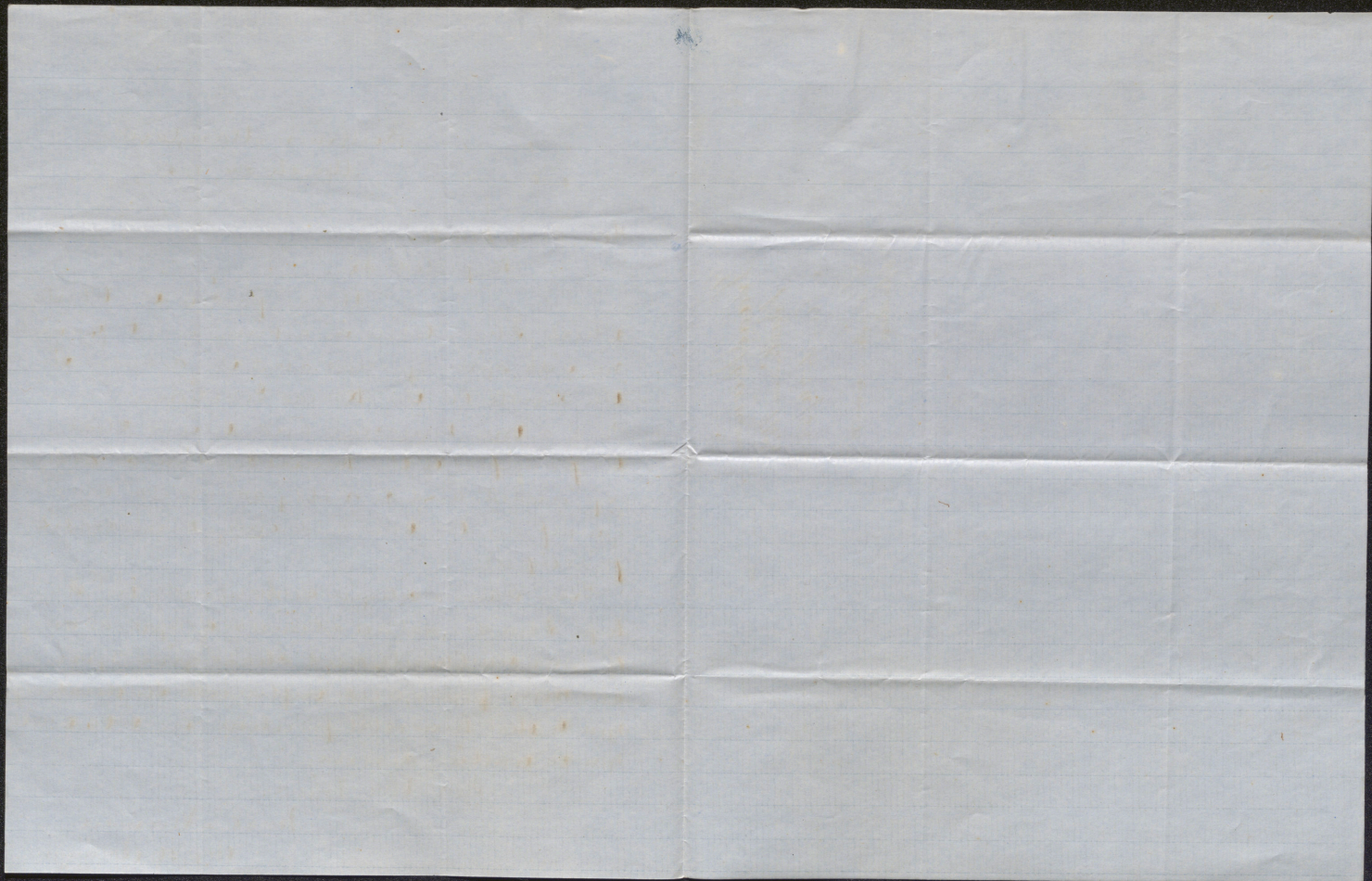
Isaac Newman

Box 536. Baltimore  
Md

Isaac Newman  
Baltimore Md.  
March 24/53

Eulogistic - wants  
speeches.







Expositor Office  
Portland March 24<sup>th</sup>  
1858

Dear Sir  
Will you forward to  
my address your special deliverance March  
22<sup>nd</sup> and oblige

most respectfully  
Your obedient

servant

Thomas Nichols

Rev Stephen A Douglass

Washington

D.C.

Thos Nichols  
(Expositor Office)  
Portland, Me  
March 24/58

Wants Speech  
of 22.



March 24. 1858.

Mr. Douglas,

Dear Sir,

Will you  
please send to a true Democrat  
a copy of your speech in the  
U. S. Senate this week on  
secessionism?

Respectfully,  
Wm. La. Pillsbury  
Secy.  
N. H.



Wm S Pillsbury  
Leray, N.H.  
March 24, 1858,

Wants Speech of m?



Providence March 24/58  
Hon Mr Douglass  
Dear Sir

Will you be  
kind enough to send me your admirable  
speech in the Senate against the late  
Leaumont; You have many admirers in  
this State for the stand you have taken  
we hope the time will come, when by our  
votes, you will be convinced that  
even Rhode Island will sustain you  
in the cause you have so nobly taken  
Respectfully Yours

William B. Riden



Wm B Riden  
Providence  
R.I.  
March 24, 1858,  
Wants Speech



Syracuse N.Y. 24/58

Mr Douglas

Will you have  
the kindness to send  
me a copy of your  
recent speech

truly Yours

H. Riegel

H S Reigel  
March 24/58  
Syracuse, N.Y.

Wants Speech of  
22.

Amos F. Roberts,  
Versailles, Ind.  
March 24, 1858.

Has rec'd 25  
copies of Reports.  
wants Speeches  
of 22 to distribute

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Versailles, Ripley Co.  
Indiana

March 24, 1858.  
Hon. S. A. Douglas  
U. S. Senate.  
Wash. D. C.

I have just this  
moment dropped the Daily  
containing an abridged re-  
port of your speech delivered  
in the Senate the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst.  
on the Kansas controversy.  
That speech, Sir, permit  
me to say will do you  
honor and perpetuate your  
memory in the hearts of  
American freemen  
where those who have  
denounced your cause  
and called you "traitor",



will be consigned to everlasting forgetfulness.

Yes, Sir, Americans will honor you when centuries shall have rolled her millions, yet unborn, into vast eternity, and when the yoke of tyranny which has been placed upon the necks of freemen by self constituted <sup>masters</sup> shall have been thrown off and tyrants driven from the land.

I have received the copies of your Report forwarded to me some time since and am making good use of them. If convenient I want you

To be so kind as to send me as many copies of your speech of the 23<sup>rd</sup> as you can possibly spare, I will make good use of them. Don't fail of sending me a dozen copies at least, I will wait for them patiently.

If you should not print it in pamphlet form, send me a copy of the Globe that contains it.

Yours  
Oht Sent

Omar H. Roberts

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Richard Roche  
Dickinson College  
Carlisle, Pa.  
March 24. / 58.

Wants Speeches,

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Dickinson College.  
Carlisle Penna.  
March 24th. 1858.

Hon. Stephen A. Douglass M.S.

Sir.

Having read  
with feelings of profound pleasure a portion  
of your late speech on the Lecompton Constitution  
I have taken the liberty to address you and  
request you to furnish me with a copy of that  
(one) and copies also of all your speeches upon  
that subject.

I also desire a continuance of the  
same favor in regard to your future speech-  
es, in general.

I am, sir, with great respect,  
Your most humble servant.  
Richard H. Roche.

Hon. Stephen A. Douglass. M.S.

Mr. W. H. Allen

100 North  
Chestnut St.  
Philadelphia

Dear Sir,

Yours

Very truly  
Yours

W. H. Allen

Enclosed

Yours

W. H. Allen

100 North  
Chestnut St.  
Philadelphia

Dear Sir,

Yours

Very truly  
Yours

W. H. Allen

Enclosed

Yours

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A. C. Scott  
Medford.  
Map.

March 24, 1858,

Wants Speech of  
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Medford Mass -  
March 24<sup>th</sup> 1858

Mr. Douglass

Sir - Will you  
allow me to be numbered  
in the list of your friends  
and favor me with a copy  
of your last speech -

Respectfully yours -  
A. C. Scott.

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Ruffaw, March 24

S. A. Douglass—

Dear Sir:

Please send  
me a copy of your speech  
on Kansas on Sunday  
last

Respectfully &c

Andrew F. Lee



Andrew L. Lee  
Buffalo, N.Y.  
March 24, 1858.

Went to Speech of 22.

Hon<sup>ble</sup> Stephen A. Douglas

Dear

will you have the kindness to forward  
to me, your Speech. made in the U.S. Senate  
a few days since; on the Admission of Kansas,  
and Obispo. Respectfully Yours B. A. Smith

Penn.

Wyoming Co.  
N.Y.

March 24. 1858

R H Smith  
Perry,  
Wyoming Co, NY.  
March 24, 1858.  
Wants Speech of 22.

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Augusta March 24<sup>th</sup> 58

Hon S A Douglass

Sir please send me  
your speech of 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Please direct to  
Milltown Maine.

Yours with great  
respect

Wm H Smith

Hon S A Douglass)

P.S please send to Wm  
Somerby Ellsworth Maine  
I give you his name at his  
request

W H S

Wm H Smith,  
Milltown, Mo  
March 24/58,  
Wants Speech  
I for

Wm Somerby  
Ellworth  
Mo.

Wm A Thompson  
Hanover,  
N.H.,  
March 24/58,  
Autograph

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Hanover, N. H. Mar. 24.

Hon Stephen A. Douglas -  
Respected Sir,

Prompted by  
an earnest sympathy for the  
noble defense of liberty in the  
present-session of Congress -  
I have taken the liberty to re-  
quest the favor of your  
autograph -

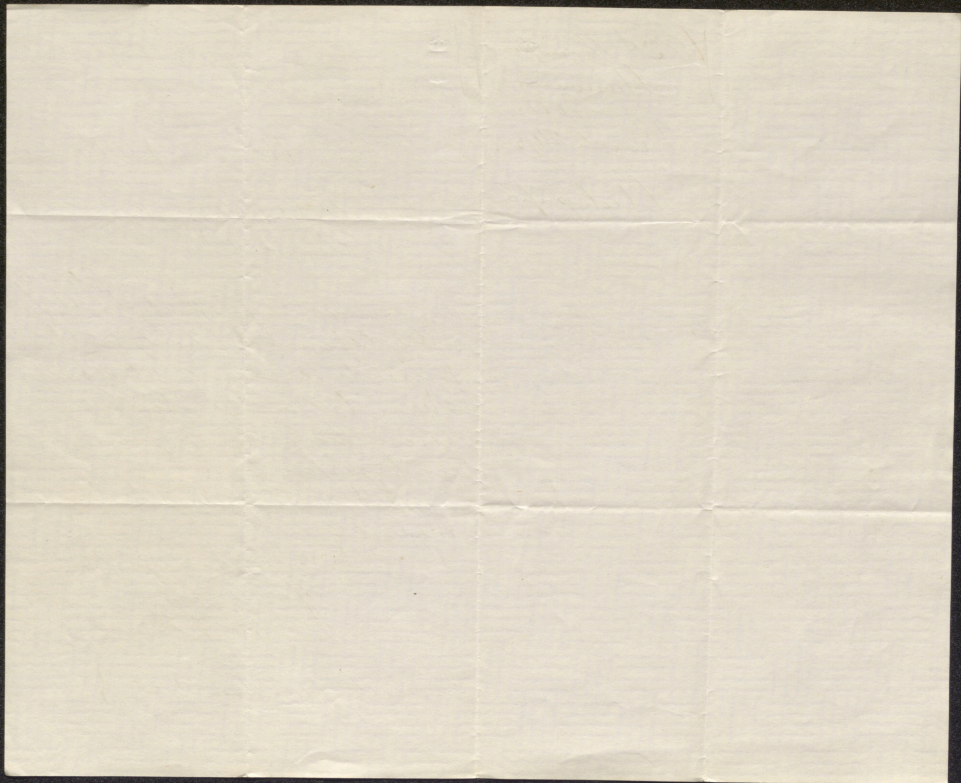
With sentiments of the highest  
regard -

I subscribe myself

Yours  
Wm A Thompson -

Direct: Hanover, N. H. }





Brooklyn March 24/68

Hon. S. A. Douglass.  
Dear Sir,

Would you be so kind as  
to forward me a copy of your late speech  
upon the admission of Kansas delivered on  
the evening of the 22<sup>d</sup> inst. and oblige

Yours Respectfully  
Jas. R. Vanfanott  
Box 17. Post office

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Jas R Langsdorf

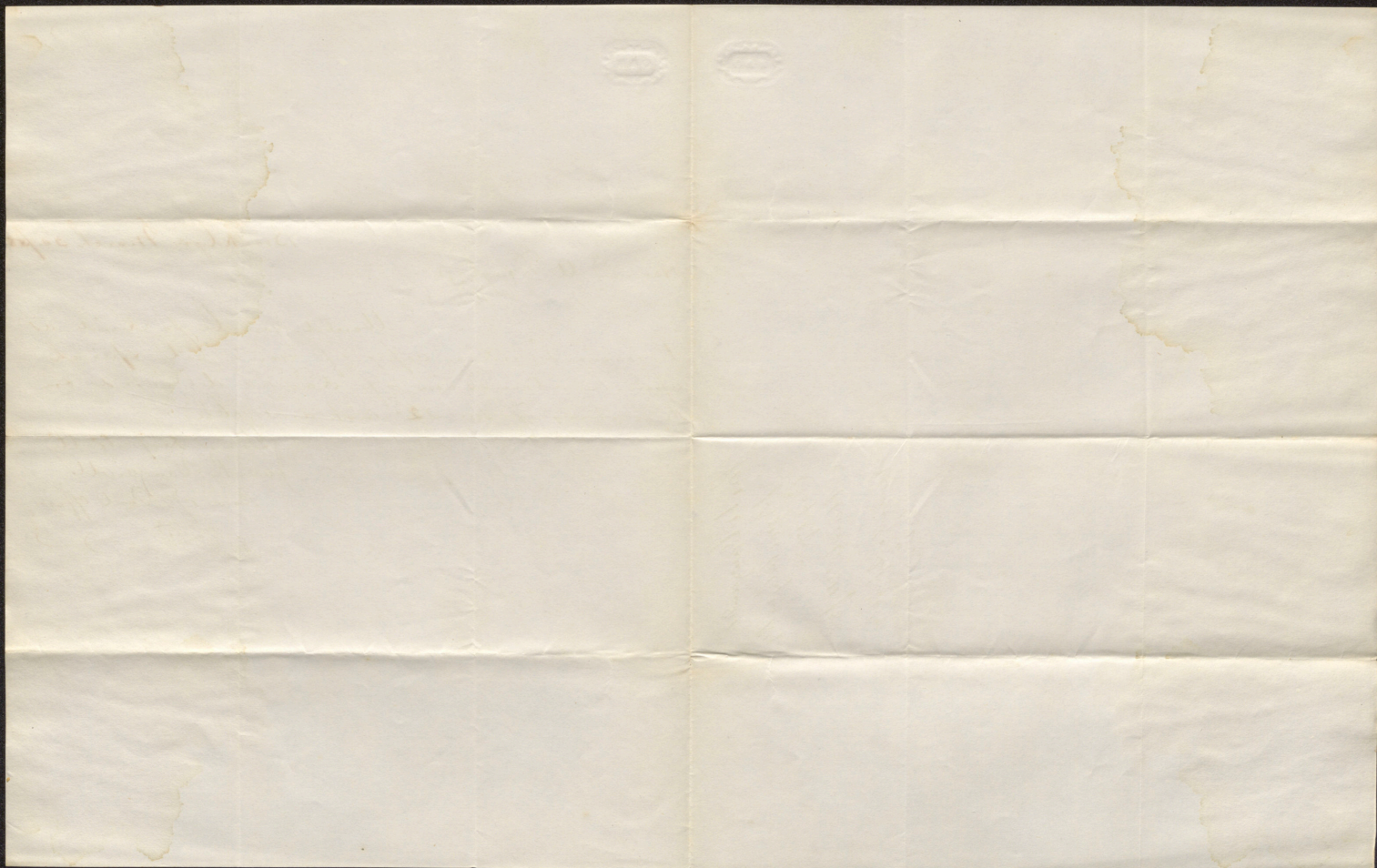
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Box 17. -

March 24, /58

Wants Speech  
of 22<sup>nd</sup>







Clinton Map.  
Mar 24<sup>th</sup> / 55.

Dear Sir.

Will you please be so kind  
as to send me one or two copies of your  
Speech, <sup>delivered</sup> in the senate Mar 22<sup>nd</sup> / 55 & oblige.

Yours very truly,  
Geo. H. Weeks.

To:

Hon Stephen A. Douglass  
Washington

Geo W Weeks  
Clinton Mass:  
March 24/58

Wants Speech of  
22.



Carthage March 24. 1858.  
Hon S. A. Douglass.

Will you please  
send me a copy of the great speech  
recently delivered by you in the Senate.  
I am unable to obtain anything but  
but a broken news paper report. as  
I am situated. It would be of great  
advantage to me and our one common  
cause if I had a copy in full. as I  
should be able more clearly to prove  
and sustain your position. The people  
in this vicinity fully endorse you &  
we "true blue" Democrats are bound to  
keep them right until some action shall  
give shape to their sentiments.

Success to your principles and better  
health to yourself.

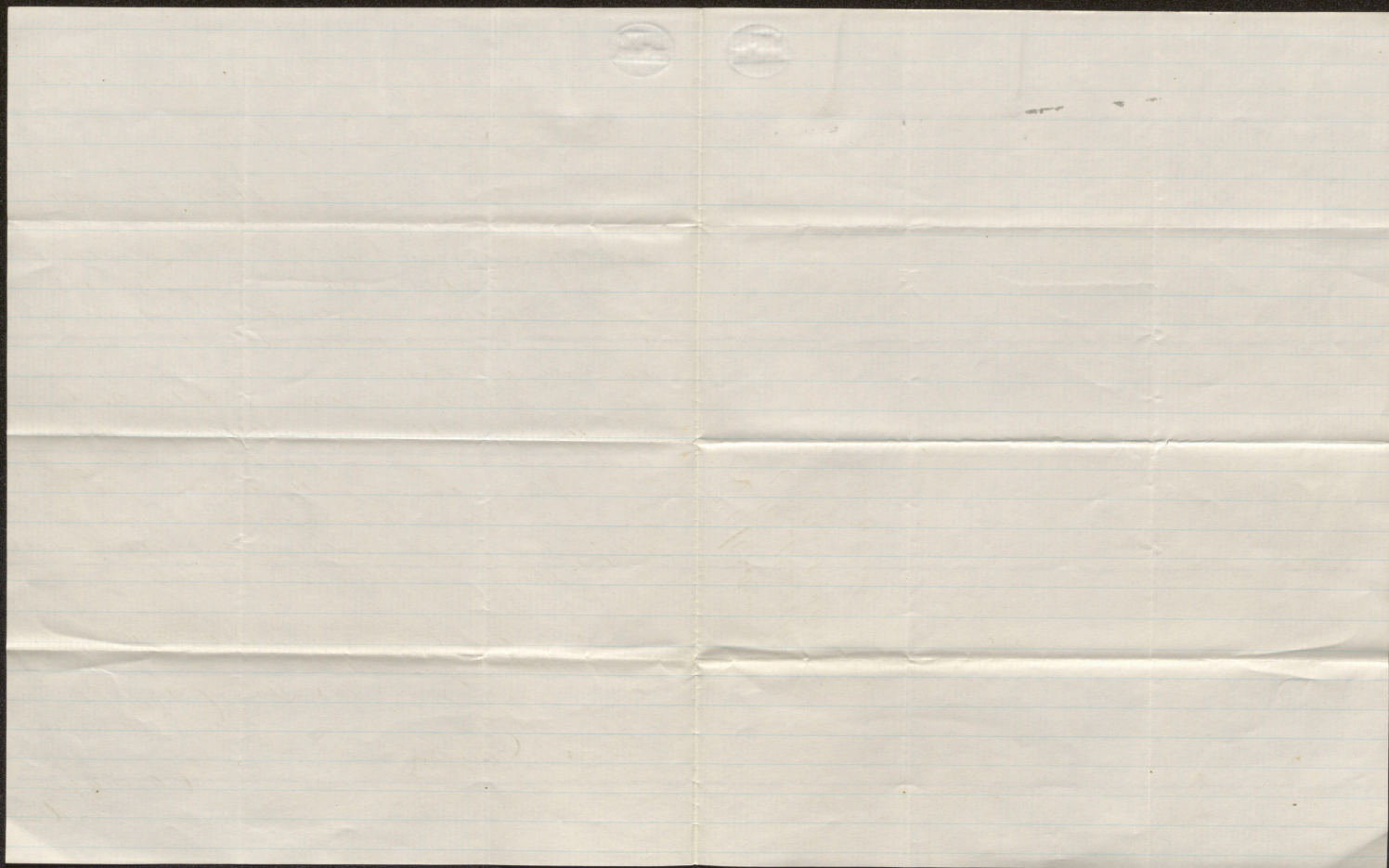
Yours &c  
J. Whitman  
Carthage  
Maine

S. A. Douglass.



S J Whitman  
Carthage, Mo  
March 24, 1858.

Wants Speech of 22,





Wednesday Morning -  
New York March 24. 1837.

Friend S. A. Douglass -

Friend Sir -

I have indulged the  
undesigning for a moment, and after perusal of his  
brief note you can learn from Ben. Amator of you of home,  
whether its author is "a bona fide" personage or not. -  
This very morning your correspondent while reading  
the scriptures in his quiet apartment, as is his daily  
practice, he was forcibly reminded of yourself in  
your present position before the people of America,  
by the subjoined texts. "And Jonathan said to Saul  
I did but taste a little honey with the end of the rod that was  
in mine hand, and I must die." "Hear the people  
said not Jonathan, what Jonathan did, who hath wrought  
this great valour in Israel? God forbid: as the  
Lord liveth, there shall not one hair of his head fall to  
the ground: for he hath fought with God this day. So the  
people desired Jonathan that he did not." 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel  
14<sup>th</sup> chapter.

— Truly & affectionately —

Thimbley list of all however; the Long Fork  
that his excesses should ever be any purpose happily  
quote or utter any portion of this word:

Senator Forbes may be termed a style king  
of Illinois by the will of his constituents in that  
State. Forbes now knows that this may be, it is not  
what I intended to say. James Buchanan has  
made himself king of the American people. He has  
forbidden the citizens of Massachusetts to taste of the sweets  
of State sovereignty - of the inherent right of living  
under a constitution of their own choice! Senator  
Forbes, after the example of Jonathan, made use  
of the rod placed in his hands by his constituents in  
Illinois, and therewith condemned for their rights, &  
thence demanding money for his wrongs & outraged  
constituents apace. James Buchanan illustres  
Senator Forbes with political direct! for rightfully  
using the rod in his hands. But the people say to  
say James Buchanan, "here shall not one hair of this  
be put to the ground". And not Mr. Buchanan sent  
to his bed in the Upper Room, House of Representatives,  
"Quiesce to the man that catch any foot in the morning,  
that I may be arranged in mine enemies"? -

With honor to yourself, and to your  
faithful collaborers in the cause of the people.

and political rights of your countrymen.  
The Senate has by its vote of yesterday condemned  
pillows to the corn into of the President of  
that Republic; but the people have not yet  
tried, fill those pillows with thorns that will  
prove any thing but mollifying to the locality  
whereupon they shall press. -

Put my sense of propriety into me  
to lay heads my pen after chancing you  
for your rights, independent and patriotic cause  
upon the Disunion Trinity. -

Illinois was my choice for President in the  
last campaign. Buchanan not by all  
honorable means, rather than Force. -  
My belly bit Buchanan his minions now.

And now, dear Sir,  
Very respectfully,  
And hoping the good cause  
will eventually triumph,  
I remain, Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

And Robert Williams.



Geo Howard Mallin  
New York.

March 24. 1858.

Eulogistic—  
Curious Scripture  
quotations.—



Winston  
Washington  
March 24. 1858,

Asks favorable  
view of his nomination  
before Senate as  
Marshal of Kansas,

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Washington City March 24<sup>th</sup> 58

Hon Stephen A. Douglass:

Dear Sir: -

My  
nomination is now before  
the Senate for confirmation -  
as Marshal of Kansas -

May I ask the favor of  
you to join me your aid in  
the matter - I refer you to  
Mr. Madison Call

I will add, that I  
never thought the appointment  
was the first, that I knew of  
it, my nomination has  
gone to the Senate ten days  
before -

I believe I am the  
successor of an Illinois man.

I am, very respectfully,  
Yours obt. Servt.

J. Winston.

