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Wants Speech

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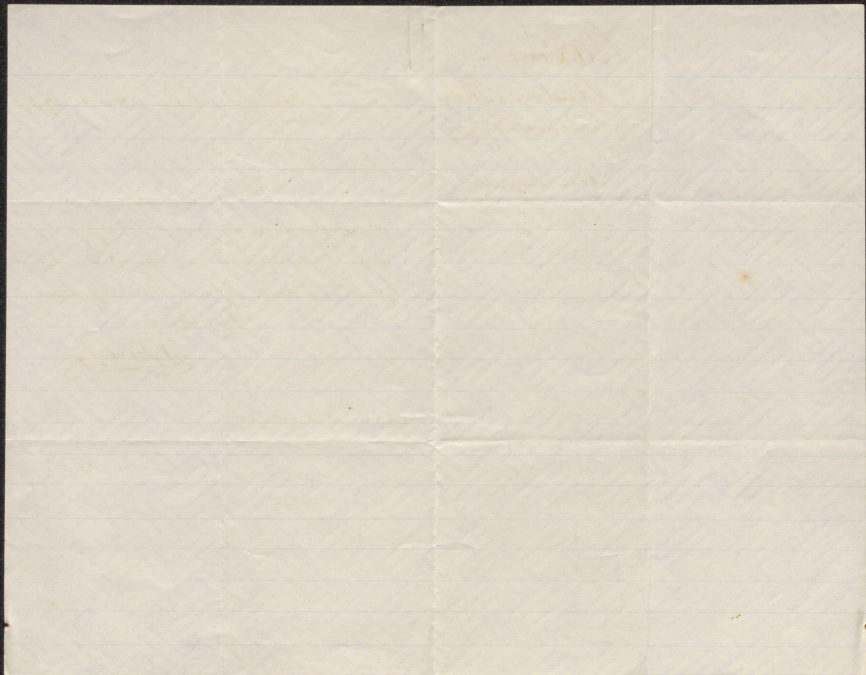
Dear Sir -

You would confer a
great favor in sending me copies of
your late Speech on the Kansas
question and your Minority Report -

Yours Obedt Servt -

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Hon. S A Douglass.



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Manhattan Kiey ler Kansas Terr
March 27 1858

Sir

Some year or so ago Our delegate in Congress proposed that I should have the place of Kansas Indian Agent or some other Agency in Kansas of equal importance That pledge was violation or grossly neglected About six months ago Ex Gov Shannon and Col Ely Moore renewed the application on my behalf for the above office But which application as yet has not been acted upon or if so adverse to me James Roman of Pennsylvania now residing at Osgood joined with them in their application Now the sole cause of my virtual if not actual rejection is based upon my adhesion to the Walker Kansas policy and directly opposed to the course marked out by men whose names are heralded forth as the popular candidates for the same office I see from the Republican (Mo) and other journals names familiar in the early organization of the Democratic party of Kansas as men popular with the

administration but who have now
left the party and have become
fully sectional in their views and
actions. If you will and can assist
me in my application for this
Agency I would ask your aid in
my behalf. I have written to
Mr Bright of Ind on the subject
and he I think will do all he
can for me

Respectfully
Samuel E. Hays
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Saml E Hayes
Mammattand
Paley Co
27/march Kansas
Potlivaloc

Worthington Armstrong esq, Pa, March 27 1858
Hon Stephen A Douglass Sir

... Please send me your
speech on the Kansas Question I am glad to see
the position that you take upon that question
all the democrats of or nearly all of them in this
section of country are with you if it does not
be too much of a task on ^{very} please send to me
some of the best speeches of your associates
Jas S. Brown

Hon Stephen A. Douglass
Senator from Illa

Post Office Address
Worthington
Armstrong esq
Pa

Mr S Herron
Washington
Armstrong Co
March 27, 1858.

Wants Speech
of those of associates

^{year}
Baltimore march 27th 1858

Hon. W. a. Douglass
Respected Sir

I hope I am not importuning
you too much. Be so kind as to Send me
a few copies of your recent Speech. Many
fellow Democrats have asked me for copies
during the past few days. Besides I
promised three or four friends at a distance
to Send them copies. If you have any
therefore please Send me a few and I can
mail them from here.

Sincerely wishing you a Speedy
return to good health &c.

I remain Your friend
Geo. H. Hickman

Please address
GEORGE H. HICKMAN,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,
Baltimore

Geo H Hickman
Ballinsore
Ms
March 27, 1858,

- Wants Speeches
for friends, &

Palmyra March 27th 1858

Hon Stephen A. Douglass

Dear Sir

I am not your immediate constituent but a very friendly neighbor - But I want a paper, and I presume you will not be very particular about the political relationship - I also know your position before this proud Republic, and your relative position to the President - (I am with you) I also know you can do me no good directly but I know you can work just as well indirectly if it is not too much trouble - I am making an effort to obtain for my son, Arthur T. Howe a mail agency in the cars, whenever there is a vacancy worth \$500 a year should like it running from Chicago but am not very particular only to get one I think if you are disposed you can give Charles Durkee our local member some assistance he will be in possession of the best papers the State affords, letters from the State Officers Democrat members of the Legislature the Delegates that voted to nominate James, B. - & Gov Foster If you can do any thing for me you will render a great service to one who will never cease to appreciate kindness

Truly your friend Mrs M. A. Howe

Mrs M. a Home
Palmyra
N.Y.

Mar 27/58.

Wants her son
appt. Board
agent out
of Chicago



Philip A. Hoque
Chicago,
March 27, 1858,

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Chicago March 27, 1858
Dear Sir,

Yours rec^d yesterday - and
contents noted. I think we will
have two set of delegates from the
County to the State Convention as
Cort, will act in his usual manner
and stand or fall a Convention
here, but we are determined to be
represented there and I shall
go down for one - but as to
my Bro Thomas I think he has
incensed the Administration, he
is so much afraid that he will get
out of the Democratic party - "a
burned child dreads the fire" but
if he has taken sides with the
Administration he will not make
himself conspicuous I don't think.
You have all my sympathies
I am An Anti Secessionist =

-Douglas-Harris Democrat and
nothing else. and I intend to
follow you wherever you may
pitch your tent for I know
you are right //

With my most ardent
wishes for your health

I remain truly
Philip A. Hoxne

New-Liberty N.Y.

March 9th 1858

Dear Sir,

Having heard of late of the great speech which you have made in the N. H. in relation to Kansas, & as I am anxious to read it, I would respectfully ask of you to send me a copy & with it a copy of the Majority & minority Reports of the Kansas Investigating Committee and oblige yours.

You will please
Send them to John M. Kizer,
Mill Haven,
Juncos, co. Wisconsin

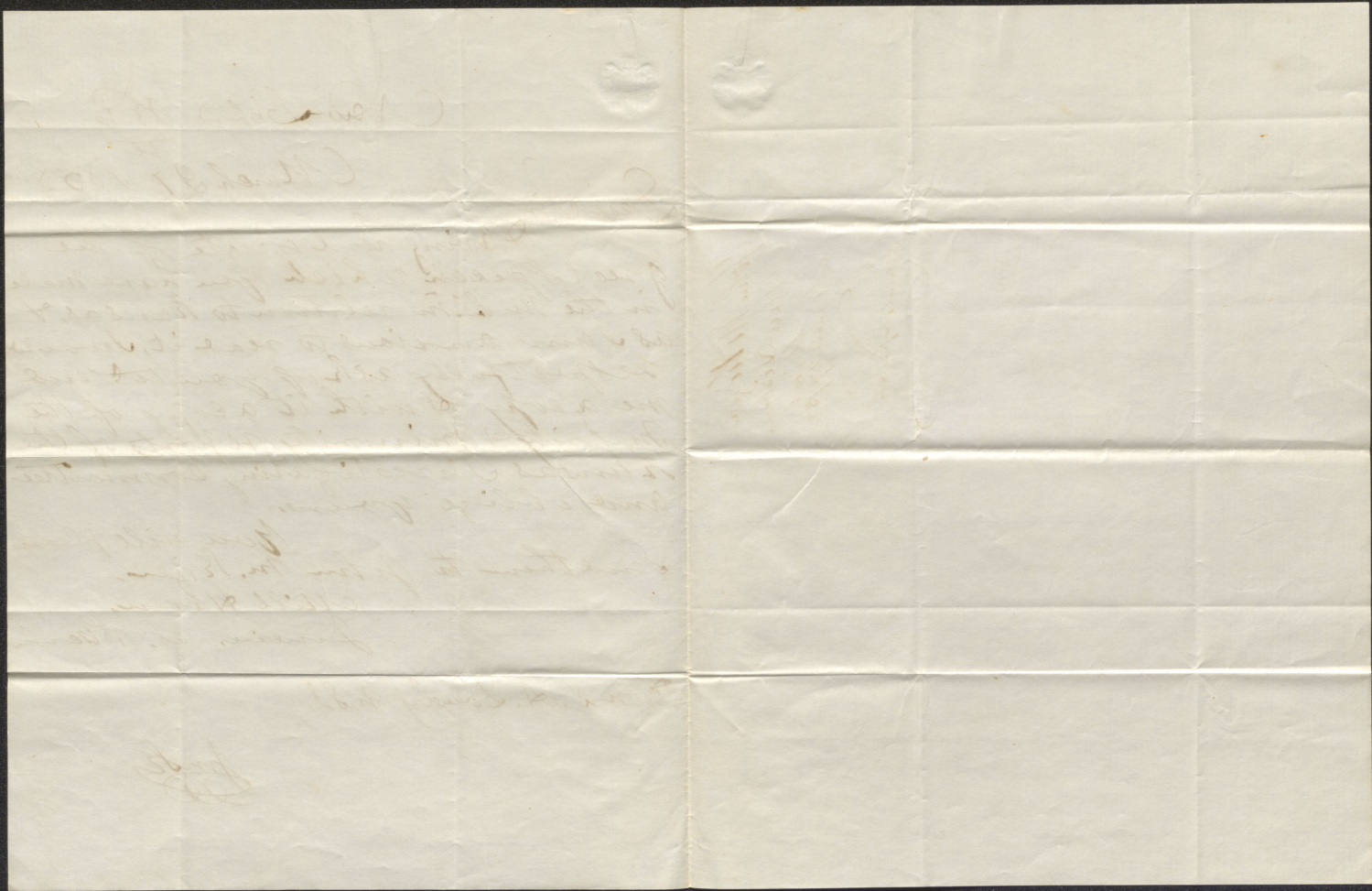
Hon S. A. Douglass N.H.

Yours
J. M. Kizer

John M Kizer
New Lisbon.

Ohio;
March 27/58,

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R D Knowles
 Wilson,
 Niagara Co. N.Y.
 March 27, '58.

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Wilson Niagara Co. N.Y.
 March 27, 1858
 Wm Stephen A. Douglass
 Dear Sir --

I have just
 read a synopsis of your
 last speech in the Senate.

Permit me to express
 to you my gratitude for
 your noble defense of
 liberty; you have won
 golden opinions in this
 vicinity. All, Republican
 Americans, & Democrats
 unite in expressions of
 the highest praise.

Of your rare copies of your
 speech for circulation I
 should be pleased to receive
 one. Very Respectfully,
 R. D. Knowles



Dear Mr. Laughlin, No 506 Pine St- Philadelphia
- would be grateful to Hon. S. A. Douglas for a copy of his
recent speech in Senate on the Kansas matter -

Should one be sent also to Wm McLaughlin, farmer, near
Marquette, Adams Co Illinois, I am sure he would feel
honored as well as instructed - March 27/58.

Wm M Laughlin
No 506, Spruce St.
Phil^a

March 27, 1858.
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Wm M Laughlin
Marceline
Adams Co MS

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From
H. S. St. J. Jackson -
Dentist - Washington
D.C.



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Hon S A. Douglas Sir

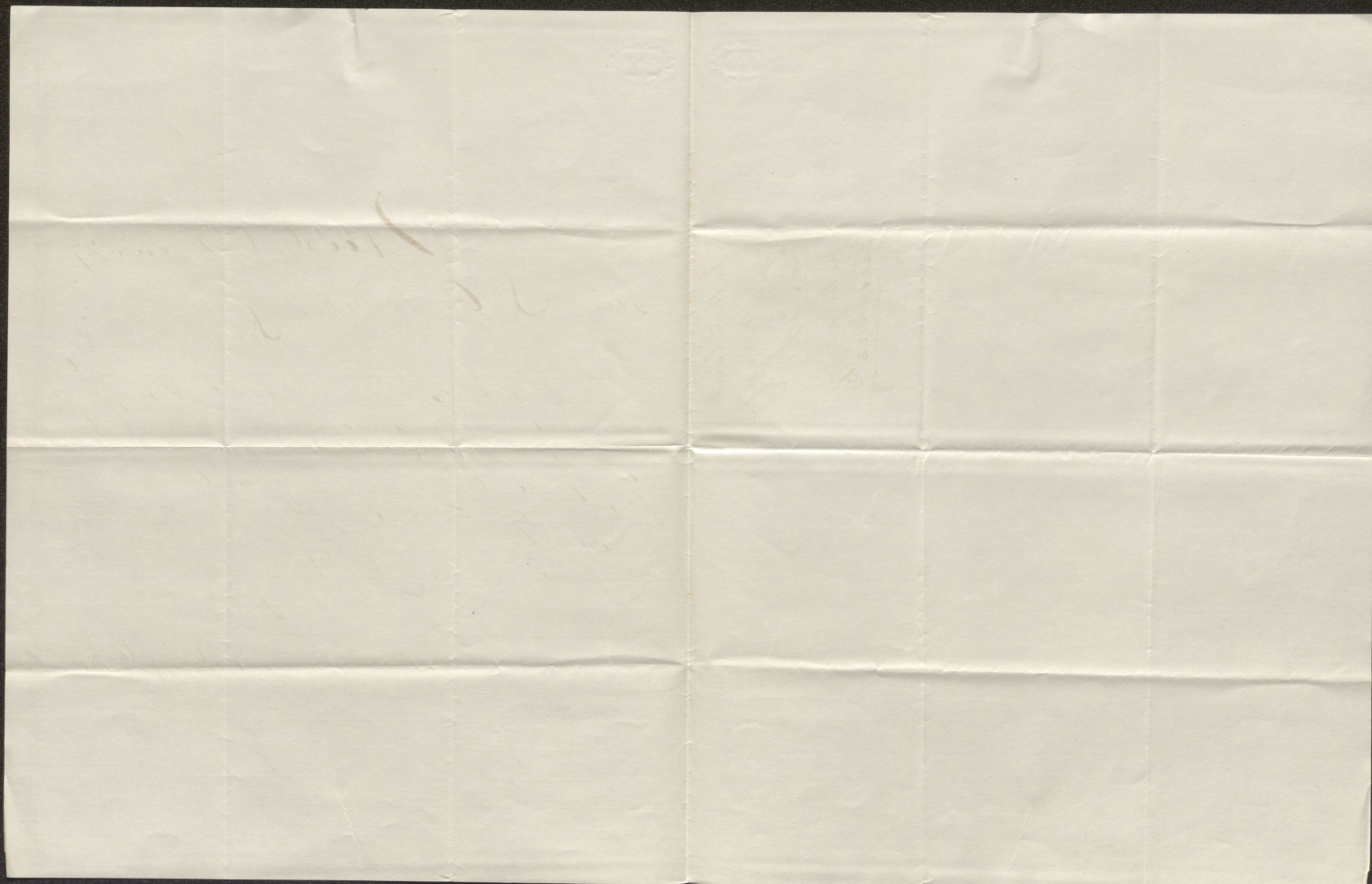
You will think me somewhat troublesome but I hope I will be able to reward you some future day the favor which I ask is this to send me your Speech that was made in the Senate on the 23rd of February. It will not only be a reference to me but for your benefit in some future day - (if it is "so")

Yours &c
J W. Foster

J. W. Stout
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Philada. March 27. 1858.

Hon. S. A. Douglas.

Dear Sir

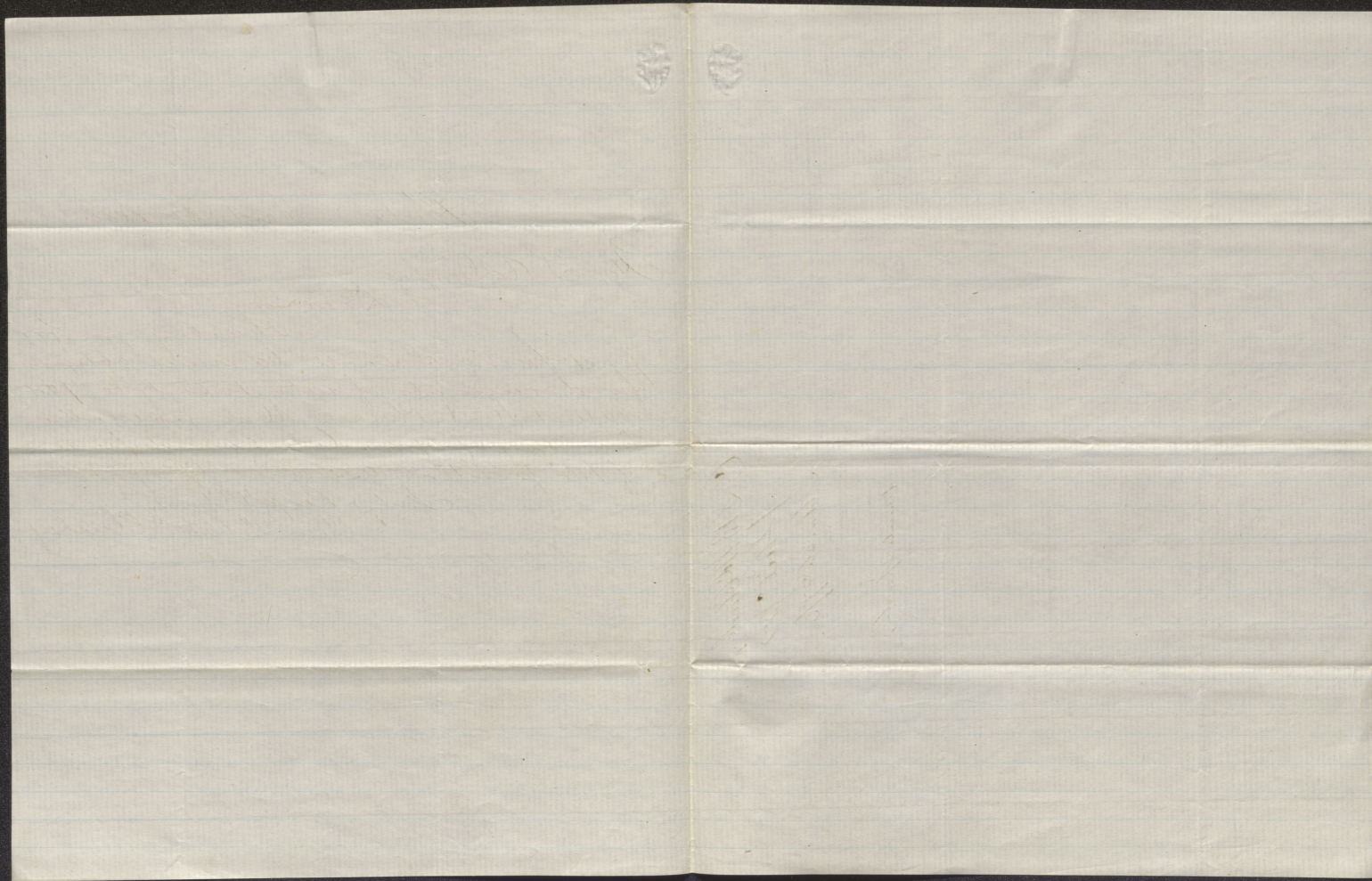
Thanking you for
past favors. I shall be much obliged
for documents of interest sent to 704
Walnut Street Philada. More especially
for a copy of your late able defence
of the position assumed by you.

Truly & Resp^{tly} Yours,

Chas. L. B. McKim

C. S. B. McCluskey
Phil. 7/50
March 27/58,

wants Speech,



Newton Jasper County Illinois, March 27th 1858
 Hon S L Douglass N H
 Sir

There will be a meeting held by the democratic party at Newton on Saturday the 30th day of April to indicate your course in opposing the admission of Slaves under the Lecompton Constitution, and resolutions will be put ~~out~~ ^{forward} accordingly. If the resolutions will ^{be} of any advantage to you I will send you a copy. The Democrats are all Anti Lecompton here and endorse your cause. Mr O'Brien State Senator who resides here, is confined to his bed from an attack of the fever. He wishes you to know that he cordially endorses your cause and wishes your good success. We need documents distributed here of the right character. When you have documents to distribute if you have not time to mail each separate you may send them in packages to me and I will direct them to distribute them to those who it will be important to reach them. If you have German Documents send them as there is a large number of Germans in our

County, I sincerely hope the Leominster
Constitution may be defeated, our representative
district will be all right, most I am sure
Being Respectfully
H. A. Conger J. A. W. W. W.

A. M. M. Gay
Newton
Jasper Co. Ill.
March 27/58.

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Circulars for
State Senators. Okem

Wants documents
in packages to
distribute

package of 50.
Speech of 22 March
Sent April 16/58.

Chicago. March 27th: 1858.

My Dear Sir;

I found during my stay in
 the City of Baltimore, that the majority of the gentlemen
 who were in favor of Le Compère & who had been
 instrumental in getting up the Buchanan meeting
 in that City, deprecated without measure the course
 of the administration in attempting to make the
 question a test of party fidelity: many of
 them were your avowed friends & declared themselves
 in favor of you as the candidate of the party, in
 1856. The only thing they particularly desired should
 be done was that you should move in the Senate,
 that notwithstanding all that had taken place
 you were still a faithful adherent of the party,
 and that the administration was able unable
 to prevent you from sustaining it when it was
 struggling to carry out the principles of the party,
 or to convert you into its support when it was
 endeavoring to prevent those principles.
 I think the feeling & sentiment I have above mentioned

as the feeling & sentiment of a large portion
of the people of Baltimore, so far as I can learn,
prevails the Council generally. //

|| This City is of course an exception - The principal
element of the Leocompton sentiment here is hostile
to you, & the Leocompton men are determined to
break up the party if it is deemed necessary to
do so in order to secure free debate. I believe Hyne
& Wentworth lead the same men with Cook
John Compston Mr. Conthy shall it can be under
them. Your friends will be able to keep the
control of the City organization - there is some
doubt as to that of the County. But I am
informed that it is the purpose of the Leocompton
men to form a separate organization if
defeated in the party organization as it now
exists - This first attempt, in such a direction,
will be made when we come to name delegates
to the Springfield Convention - These delegates will
of course be anti-Leocompton men - & if we
can manage to secure this nomination in a
regular way & deny the other side to an
open secession from the party organization

we will have secured a very large measure
of strength throughout the state; tho' it will
involve our defeat in this County; next fall.
As to that Springfield Convention, I am exceedingly
sorry it has been called to meet at this
time - It can do no possible good & may
be productive of serious injury. Its action
can not affect the mind & aim of any man
at Washington should it be seen as favorable
to you; men there are fixed. Should there however
be any difference of opinion in the convention,
and should any portion of it decide
in course disapproving the course of the
majority, will it not present an unpleasant
spectacle to your friends? Such a condition
of things I consider by no means unlikely:
of course your friends will be largely in the majority;
a portion of the convention will be men who tho'
friends of you do not desire to occupy a hostile
position to the administration; & a portion
will be men who are there for the purpose
of creating a difficulty & finding or making
a split in the party. The convention must adopt

a series of resolutions appearing for course,
and declaring that it does not recognize any
authority, except in National Conventions, &
declare articles of political faith. Women
plain & modest may be the language of such
resolutions, they must nevertheless involve the
fact, that in the opinion of the Convention
the course of the administration should be
condemned. Still not the men who come to
find or make a difficulty, cede, & however
or all this manner, will it not be heralded
throughout the Country that there is a disrup-
-tion of the party in Illinois which renders
your election & the Senate impossible, or at least
highly improbable?

If however the Convention should pass off well,
and give an impression of such sentiments
as an aim it should impress without in-
-countering the difficulties above suggested
what practical good will it do? I can

we none that will not be just as readily accomplished in a different way, or in the same way at a safer & more auspicious time.

The fate of the Secompton bill is now in doubt.

If adopted we would one platform for next fall - which should be made by a state convention.

If rejected we would another platform for next fall - which should be made by a state convention.

It is therefore important that a state convention should meet after Congress has acted upon the bill. I would therefore suggest to you, to see the Representatives from this State & all of you write at once to your friends in different parts of the State to have the convention adjourn to meet early about the last of August. It is now too late to present it meeting - but on assembling it can very readily

and without discussion by a preconcerted
plan adjourn to meet again.

I had a long conversation with Mr. Tom:
Young a few days since & urged him, if
possible, to prevent the meeting - He fully
agreed in the view I expressed to him, &
which I have him - before stated, but
thought it was too late to prevent the
meeting & that the only plan now left
to adjourn over.

I have been intending to write for upon this
subject for three or four days, but have
been so pressed by business matters that
I have not had time; & I write now
almost as much hurried as you were
when preparing your report.

My kindest regards to Maria
addie, & believe me my dear Sir
with great respect
Sincerely

Yours friend
R. L. Munnick

P.S.

If you agree with my suggestion as to the
Springfield Convention, the matter should
be attended to at once -

R T Merrick
Chicago, Ill.
March 27, 1858.

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Buffalo, N. Y.
March 27, 1858.

Hon. S. A. Douglass:

Dear Sir:—

If it is not taxing your generosity too much, I wish you would be so kind as to send me half a dozen copies of any your speeches on the Kansas Bill you may have in pamphlet form.

I have read them with much interest, and would be glad of some to circulate among my friends. Your views of popular sovereignty coincide with my own, and I think that of the masses of the voters of the Empire State. Mr. Hatch has perjured himself. A majority of the voters in this District are against him.

(Yours truly, D. S. Murray
State of Brandon, Vt.

W S Murray
Buffalo, N.Y.

March 27, 1858.

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