

Ashby Mass. Mch 26 1838

Hon Sir

Will you please send me
your last great speech upon Leconpton
I oblige
Yours

C H Goulding

C. J. Goulding
Ashby, Mass.
March 26/58.

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Scottville Maconpin County Ill.
May 27. 1858

Honorable Sir.

We would be glad if
you would send us each the Agricultural
Patent Office Report for this Session
Sent to Scottville P.O. Maconpin Co. Ill.

Yours Respectfully

{ Isaac Naylor
Joseph P. Butcher
Chas. Dougherty

(Sent each. Agricult. June 9/58.)

Grace Mayhew
Scottsville
N.C.

Hon. S. A. Douglas
U.S. Senr
Washington City D.C.
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J. B. Newcomb
Elgin, Ill.
March 27, 1858,

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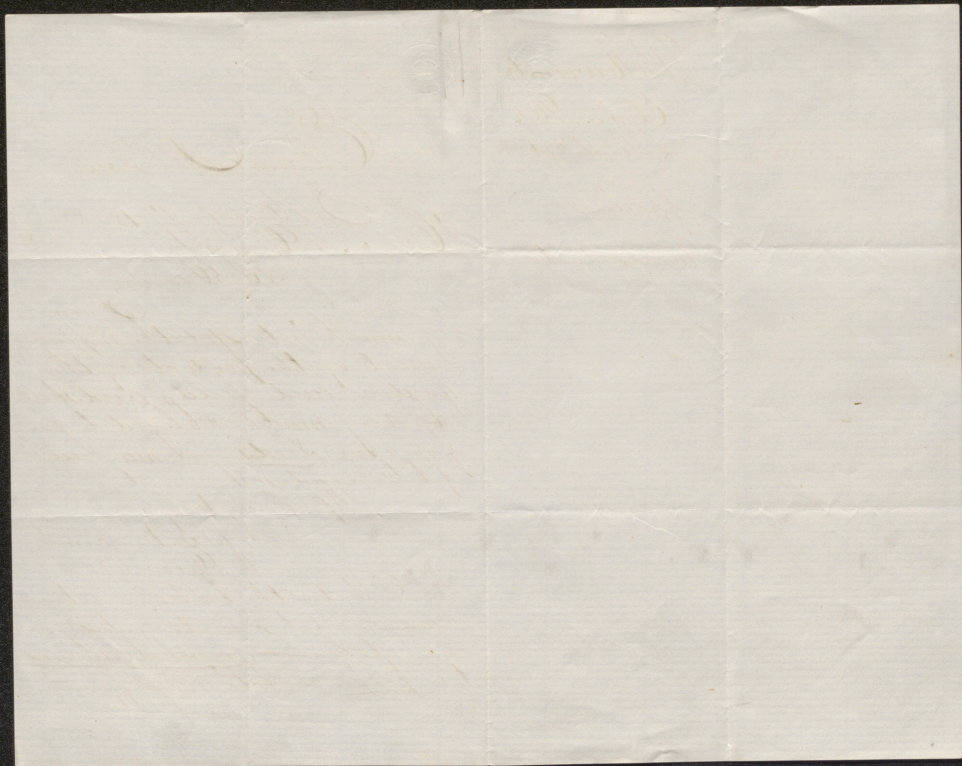
Elgin, Illinois
March 27, 1858
Hon. J. A. Douglas

My Dear Sir, I am
very much interested in the improve-
ment of the products of the
garden and field, and shall
be very much obliged to you
for any Seeds you may see
fit to send me.

Yours, very truly

J. B. Newcomb.
Grawser 33,

P.S. It does the heart of every true
man good to know the course you
have taken — you shall succeed
the people are with you.
J. B. N.



Thetford Vt March 27th 59.

Hon S A Douglass

Dear Sir

feeling a deep

deep interest in the debates that have passed
in the Senate of the U.S. I wish to ask
a favor of you will you send me a copy of
the Speeches that you have made in the Senate
upon the admission of Kansas & also a
copy of your report upon that subject

I have been a firm adherent of the doctrine
is that you have advocated from first till
last the democrats of this country are all
with you almost without exception

If you will send the speeches you will
greatly oblige your firm adherent.

I most Obedt Servant

P. S. Palmer

P.S direct to P. S. Palmer Thetford Vt

P. S. Palmer
Shelford
Vt.
March 27/58.

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Winona, March 27th /58

Hon. S. A. Douglass

Dear Sir

Please send me some seeds
and the Patent office reports of '54 & '55
both agricultural and mechanical—
and such public documents as are
available to constituents. I learn that
you are confined by sickness to your
room I hope you will soon recover and
resume your duties in the cause of
freedom in the cause of right, in the cause
of truth. may this be your highest aim
while battling for your country.

What do you think about Kansas and the
mormon war. Please express your
mind freely to an old settler of Illinois
I shall stop in Winona for a few months
you may address me here

Yours respectfully

A. H. Plantz

A H Planty
Cunona
Min.

March 27/58.

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off Rep. L
Seedo. Lc

Canton Stark Co. Ohio March 27th 1868.

Dear Sir

I take the liberty to ask you to send me a copy of your report on the Lecompton Constitution if you can. and any other documents you wish to send me will be thankfully received. A proper distribution of proper documents in this locality would have a salutary effect in preparing public opinion for the campaign of 1868. I have not received a Patent Office Report for '67, if you can supply me I will be thankful to you.

Is there any probability that the Lecompton Constitution will pass the House. The Lecompton men here claim that it will pass by five or six majority, and the Anti claim it will be defeated by fifteen.

Yours Respectfully
A. Pontius

Wm. Stephen A. Douglas

A Pontine
Canton Ohio.
March 27/58.

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David Royse
Safayette, Ind.
March 27/58.

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Lord,
Safayette March 27, 1858

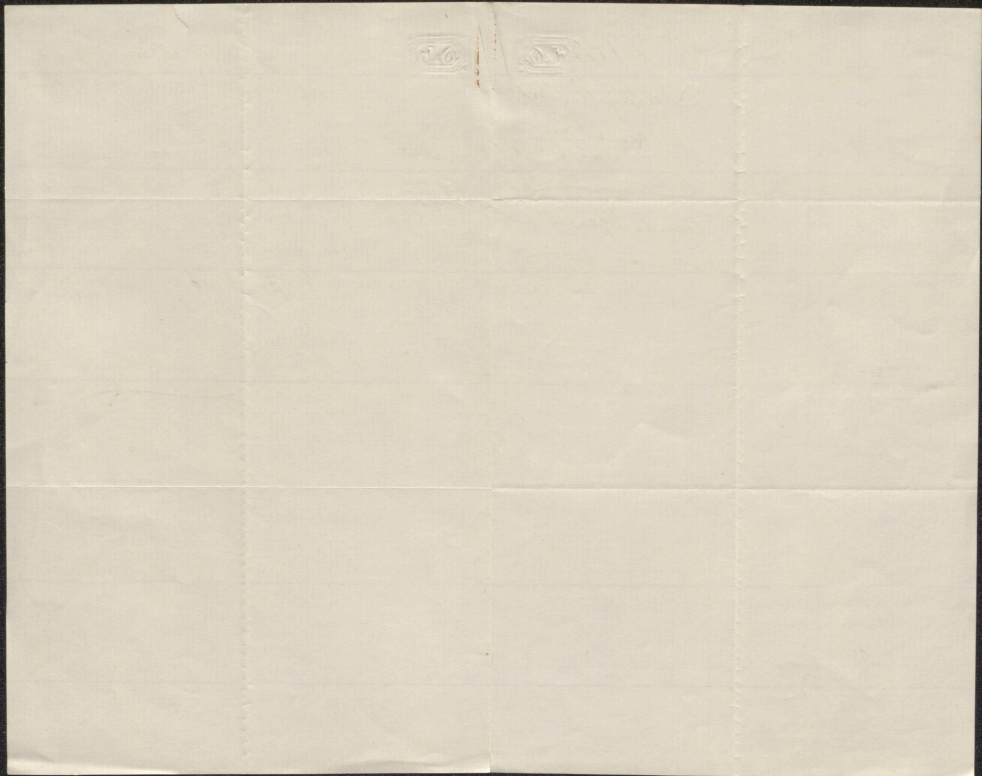
Hon Stephen A. Douglass

Dear Sir

I shall feel under obligations to you
if you will please send me a copy
of your recent speech on the "Secession"
measure

Yours truly,

David Royse



March 27th / 54

Cardington Morrow and Ohio

Hon.

Stephen A. Duggs

My Dear Sir I have been a voter under this Government for 34 years My first vote was cast for Gen Jackson in 1824 again in 28 & 32 for Bancroft in 36 & 40 for Polk in 44 for Gen Cass in 48 for Gen Pierce in 52 for Fremont in 56 and from the above Record I think my Democracy will not be questioned (and further from 1824 to this time have been an active working Democrat) (and as yet have never asked a office at the hands of the Democratic Party) and I yet expect to work and act with my old friends the Democrats and my motto has been the Union for ever no North No South East or West but the Union for ever I have fought Liberalism Antislaveryism Whigism Know Nothingism Black Republicanism Proscription & intolerance in all its shapes and windings and still have my hands up to fight on to ever I when the Kansas bill first passed the Senate its provisions met with my entire approval I thought it to be the best thing the just rights of the North and the South demanded and further it was calculated to settle the strife of the North and the South about the Slavery Question by referring it to the People of the States and Territories where it belonged

and further the Great Principles of Self Government and Popular Sovereignty was so clearly set forth - thus giving to the Settlers of Kansas all their just rights in accordance with the Spirit & Letter of our Government and the God

of Nature Designed and bequeathed to man
in fact I had say but hoping some of our
Great Statesmen would bring forward some
suitable measure for the settlement of the above
question that it might be localised and
the halls of Congress be freed from its vexation.

When the bill came out Myself

Henry Brambark and Jos Stinchcomb were
the only Democrats in this country who
dared to stake their Political Reputation
and defend the bill (Thank God a change
took place within one year not one would
be found who opposed it) but hard was that
struggle about (by Sabaruth Means) we all
took the stump we met our Enemies Every where
in the State by the fire side on the stump
and where ever they could be found and
arrived as we were with the Principles of Truth
and just and Equal Rights and the Great
Principles of Popular Sovereignty we put
our Enemies to flight we discussed the merits
and demerits of the Fugitive Slave bill with
the Principles of Self Government and Popular
Sovereignty untill there was not a resting
Place left for our ~~Enemies~~ Enemies - at this
Great sacrifice was this victory obtained
I do not night and day Late and Early
Every where at home and abroad at the
sacrifice of time and money to establish
the Great Principle - and again when the
Cincinnati Platform was laid through
the delegates from the different States
reaffirming the doctrine of Popular Sovereignty
and indorsing the Fugitive Slave bill giving to the

People of Kansas their just rights to govern
themselves to be left free to form their own
Government and in their own way subject
only to the Constitution of the U.S.
I confess I felt proud that I belonged
to the Democratic Party and was a
critic of the Government - but immediately
our opponents seized on the Democrats and
the Government and not mean to let the
People govern themselves that there would
be Government interference to make Kansas
a slave state - we all denied and
Every where said that the People
should be left free to form their own
Government without the interference of any
other Power and when the People were
left free to act should frame a
Constitution and submit it to the People
and they adopt Kansas should come
into the Union under it upon an
Equal footing with the other States
whether their Constitution was Pro
Slavery or anti Slavery so they were
satisfied that Power under heaven
had the right to say why do you do so
and upon this Principle alone ~~the~~
James Buchanan never my mate
and without such a Phelps I am
sure he could never have been
President of the Republic - (and here
let me say that the day has gone by
when Pallickman can tamper with
the rights of the People and Mark you
my words let the man be who he may who
has aided Calhoun in poisoning the people

Sound and fraud upon the People of New
York will be held responsible to his Country
for his Conduct (Gibbs and the Mine
of Chicanery will no longer do the People
will receive their own wrongs in good
time and ~~the~~ I have been very sorry to
see such a wrong so generally upheld
by so many members it bears do them
no good it only serves to lower the
minds of the National Democracy at
the North who has stood up and fought
manfully side by side with the South
for their Constitutional Rights

Now Sir in conclusion let me
say to you Go on fearlessly stand at
your Post yield not an inch of Ground
let your banners be unfurled and to the breeze
and as there is a God that Rules and Reigns
high the victory is yours and let me say
to you that from my travels and Personal
Experience and observation your hands will
be upheld by thirty nine out of every one
hundred of the Democracy of the North and
a large majority of Laboring Class of the South
Basing in mind all the time that it is better
to be right than President (still better to
be both) Now Sir you will ^{confer} a Great favor
upon me by sending me your 2 Speeches on
the Lecompton fraud and any other Documents
you may have at hand - I want them to lay
up for future reference - for the last 4 years since
our District has been misrepresented by John
Sherman I have had no opportunity to get such
documents ^{except} through other days
Yours in haste
(You will find the Liberator I take)

C. S. Salisbury
Cardington
Morrow Co., Ohio,
March 27. /58.

Old Democrat
- active Soc -
Sanitary

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House of Representatives,

Hon Stephen A Douglas

Washington March 27th 1858

Chairman Committee on Territories

Sir

I desire to call your attention to the subject of the boundary line between Oregon & Washington Territory and to which I am informed your attention has been called by my predecessor Hon J P Anderson.

Oregon has by her constitution as a state, included that portion of Washington Territory lying between the 46th parallel and the Snake river as a part of the state of Oregon.

The Constitution however in express terms refers the matter of the boundary line between Oregon and Washington to Congress.

and as the Representative of Washington Territory, I with respectful request that Oregon by her act of Admission, be provided with a boundary that shall respect the present jurisdiction of Washington Territory.

I am, Sir, very respectfully
Yours most obed^t
Isaac Stevens

(Turn over)

Extract from the Constitution of the State of Oregon

Article XVI Boundaries

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But the Congress of the United States in providing for the admission of this State into the Union may make the said northern Boundary conform to the act creating the Territory of Washington

Hon. J. J. Stevens.
Washington City
March 27, 1858.

Call attention
to Boundary
Line between
Oregon
L.
Washington
Territories.

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C C Swift
Silver Creek
Chataugue Co. N.Y.
March 27/58

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Silver Creek
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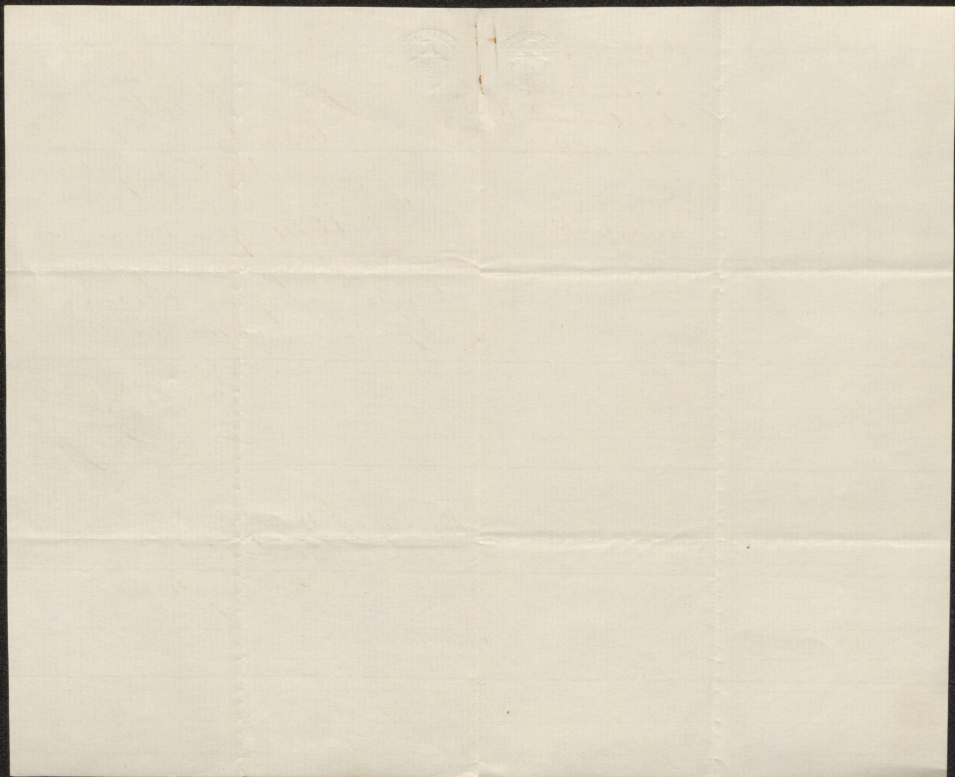
Sir

Will you oblige me
by sending me a few
copies of your closing
Speech on Kansas.

Yours Obt. Servt.,

C. C. Swift

Wm^o S. A. Douglas
Senate
Washington



Jas. Sylla.
 Elgin, Ill.
 Hancock Co.
 March 27/58.

Wants Speech
 Smithsonian Report

Elgin, Kane Co, Illinois,
 Mar. 27, 1858.

Hon. J. A. Douglass -

Sir - Will you
 gratify a friend of your policy
 by sending me your late Sen-
 ate Speech if published?

My profession sir, is that
 of teaching - and hence I am very
 grateful for any means of ac-
 quiring knowledge. Will it be
 your pleasure to put my name
 on the list with those to whom
 you send the Reports and Pub-
 lications of the Smithsonian In-
 stitute, of which you are a
 member?

Most Respectfully yours
 James Sylla, A. B.,
 Elgin Academy, Elgin, Kane Co.
 Illinois.



H. O. Wagoner
(Colored man)
Chicago, Ill.
March 27/58.

Well written
letter - asking
speech.

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Chicago, Mar 27/58
Hon S. A. Douglas,-
I am desirous -
though a Colored Man, and old
"typo" - of reading your late speech
in the Senate of Ill. And in
order to have it pure and un-
adulterated from its Great Author,
I have taken the liberty thus respect-
fully to ask you if you would
Condescend to favor me with a Copy.
Colored Man as I am, I trust I
shall never so far forget myself, as not
to pay the highest respect and just regard to distin-
guished talents, however much I may have regarded
them as my Enemy
Your obt servant
H. O. Wagoner

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICE OF THE
CHIEF OF BUREAU
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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S C Wingard
Pittsburg, Pa
March 27/58.

Rev L. well
distributed package
of "Report" sent him
wants same
of Speech of '72.

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Pittsburg, Mo. 27. 1858-
Hon J. A. Douglas,
Sen. A.,

I recd through the
P.O. a package of your great report,
and have distributed them judiciously
the people receive them gladly
and they are read fast upon the
waters to return to -

You have doubtless heard
of our meeting here this week - It
was the largest public meeting ever
held in this city - and it was a drin-
ocratic meeting too. The people are
all with us. The Sup. S. officers are
against us. This is the whole story told.

If you choose to send me some ^{copies} of your
last speech I shall make good use of
them - Wishing the moral success to you and
sound Democratic principles I am

Very respectfully yours
S. C. Wingard

