

Dover 24th June 10. 58

Hon S A Douglas

Dear Sir

I am collecting the
autographs of distinguished persons
and it would give me great pleasure
to receive yours to place with my collection.

respectfully yours

David H. Barnes

David H Barnes
Lower N.Y.

June
Butto, 10th 1858

Honorable Sir

Please send me a
copy of the Pacific Railroad
Charter, and the Executive
Documents for 1857 & 58
and Oblige

Yours

Friend and

I Servt
Joseph C Booth

No 83 Penn Avenue

Butto Nod

Hon S A Douglass WY 8

John C Booth
Baltimore
Md

252) It is
a small
shrub

about 1 m tall, young
shoots with dense white
hairs all the way to
the base of old hairs
and leaves
about 10 cm.
Young shoots with
white hairs with

John Brown
Young & Son
Mass.

Stone Th 10 1858

Dear Sir as I watched your political coars
 for 10 years past the time has Ben when I thought
 you was a going to Destroy american Liberty But the
 last end of the race you have came out right
 the republican now have came over to your side
 and maintain the principal with all energy to
 maintain and carry out the right of Kansas to form
 her own constitution in their own way american
 Liberty will be maintained let what will come
 you have the advantage of all men in
 congress or the us senat to make a popular
 party Justice to your Honor as the great republican
 party have taken your track & will continue for it
 with great power the republicans in this country have
 given the advantage you have to make a speech that
 the Black republicans have stifted in to your feet
 tracks & are now maintaining to the utmost of their
 power the very doctrine that you have labored so
 much to bring it in to use territorial sovereignty
 the great republican that now declare them selves
 the Jefferson Democracy of the nation are Backing
 you up and will do so with greater power than you have
 But little more to do to carry the nation who ever
 oppose a resolution in congress that a constitution
 of a new is not republican if it does not give a
 full right of Suffrage to every man that 21 years
 of age a white male should enjoy this privilege
 this is the poor mans right they are the most numerous
 numerous they will carry all at the north some-
 thing on this point will make a talkanted man
 popular at once all men will goit there is one
 popular point in a amendment to the constitution
 that every man may vote for the President direct
 all men would Back it up

the republican party have expected Senator
Seward of N.Y. would take some measure of this
kind Some man may get the start of him as
some man will make the move within a few years
every man feels that in Justice he has a right to
vote for the president him self congress will be soon
partitioned from the people within a few years as there
is much talk among the people on this subject
the north have the power and they know it if you
take the advantage you may improve your will
carry the north to a State the republican are
powerful and every democrat that is left will stand
By you so that there will be but one party if
the republicans do as some state rear you to the
chair as the whigs did Zack Taylor I wish you
Send me your speech if you do make one
or have done so Buchanan with his party
in congress will fall By the ballot Box or the state
there is many hear that voted for him or the
electoral ticket that say they would take
his head off if it want for the Law Slavery
has got to either with or without the shedding
of Blood american Liberty has been troden under
foot the stamp speaker in Kansas is disliked
by all if they make it a Slave State the next
congress will make it a free one the democrats
boast in some of their papers the battle is fought
But 3 years will tell another story fear not But
go a head you are of ape

Givers with respect John J Brown
Direct to Foleterwill Po Office Livingston
pave me with some important Mich
papers Z Chandlers speech I have not had
I wish it

a word from a private citizen well do you
no harm

1858

Sandusky & in Co, Ill June 10

Hon, G. W. Douglas

Can you

Send me the surveys of the
Pacific Rail Road route I re-
ceived the Book you sent
me, for which I am much
obliged

the Survey of the Pacific
Road I should prize for
the amount of information
also for the highly finished
engravings

Yours truly

J. J. Cummings

P. S. Mrs, C, sends her regards
to Hon, G. W. Douglas & family

J. J. C,

J. Cummings
Sunbury. Ills.

Thos H. Hanham

Phil. Pa.

Phil - June 10. 1844.

Hon Stephen A. Douglas.

Dear Sir.

In acknowledging
the receipt of six speeches
I beg of you to accept
many thanks from
yours very resptfully
Thos H. Hanham

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Mr. & M^r Drayton & Hobart. 10th June 1858
Washington C

My Dear J——
This day, I have had a full and frank communication with G. W. D. D. on the past, present, and future — We have talked over the situation deliberately, and finally — now in a spirit of frankness and candor, we find the President — the Army, how the people stand in Virginia — and if we issue or affirm our MS., we do not fear the result —

We have a singular deposit here. It is, that the Editor of the "Daily" after his very cowardly and thieving, advised by you personally, has been taken by you to your house to stand trial. I like Mr. Bright, now do I, to ask if this is true, or to "say" unto

private troubles; what I can say, that I
think, the former alludes to, is a very long-
eves one - and an' ingrate. I was
the Comd. of his first long Committee with
the Eng. and the Gov. as I found
out by "disturb'd" - I had prefer-
red to get him out - I however have
no final thoughts to make - Dr.
Quinton - Dr. Bris understanding the
no - I do understand him -

Will you have time to look over
my project? - When will you come
Washington? - Perhaps I may visit
Washington next week

'Strictly Private'

The President wishes to see him - that
such being, to effect such kind business
the administration - Dr. Rogers wants
to see him also at this time - After
Congress adjourns, Mrs. Bell will visit
by Daughter and may see the
President, of the Gov. I know, there

will be "Plan talk" - I have told him
that it is understood, the administration
will be pleased to see you. broken down
now if John McIntosh is to take your
place - he was exceedingly indignant
at the long Diffusion - //

By Philip
Staats

Isaac Parker

Mo A Parker

Richmond. Va

June 10/58.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK

Office of Gwynne & Day's Bank Note Register,

NO. 12 WALL STREET.

New York, June 10th 1858

Hon Stephen H Douglass
Honored Sir

I have not the presumption to suppose that you will remember the promise you have made to me. I have had the honor of meeting you several times, once upon the opening of the Ohio & Mississ R R. and another on the completion of Illinois Central. You were kind enough to say that you would transmit me any document I desired. Would it be asking too much to request a copy of the last U. S. Census and such other documents as you can spare. Statistics as to Agriculture, Mechanics &c. are of importance to me. I only ask for information not office which too many under the present administration appeal for in vain.

Truly Yours

Sent Rep on Finance.

Augustus Rawlings
12 Wall St
N.Y.

Augustus Maury's
New York
no



Key's Bay Ky. June 10. 1838
Hon. D. A. Douglas.
U.S.S.

Sir

I thank you for the
speech you sent me.

The citizens of Kansas City will not be
satisfied ~~without~~ a Douglas party at
that place. It will go well; the free
labor men will support it, and they
seem to be in the majority in the place.
I see that the free labor men that
emigrated to the place from Douglas men
when they got there, if your friends can
send 100,000 emigrating to the state, if they
are free labor men, it will redound to
your benefit, for they, as before observed,
turn Douglas men. I see the Mississ.
Eldridge have got back to the place, they
and they are great and good men, but
of free labor principles, but will
support you & have no doubt, I see
almost all the emigration to Mo. is free
labor men, but as before observed,
will only help you. If you have a
friend in Washington who can find it
convenient, request him for me to send
you see third page

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Messrs Balis & Nickels, Samuel J. Platt 8y
Messrs A. P. Miller & Co., Chas. McCally 28
J. A. Gregory 2y, J. C. McCoay 2y
T. H. West 2y, Messrs A. Hannond
Thos. M. James 2y, John Mims 5r, J. Riddleburger 8y
John Mims 3r, Dr. Norton
Messy Hatchet to Lindsay & Co.
Messrs F. B. Hale & Bros., Thos West 2y
Messrs Frame & Cornwall
Wm. Mace 2y, Barney McLean 2y
Messy Epson & Erkel, Wm. Barnes 2y
Frank Foster 2y, E. D. Van Horn 2y
G. W. Dyer 2y, Isaac Coffman 2y
E. M. Sloan 2y, Dr. J. F. Gingrapher
George P. Breyfogel 2y⁶ or 8, Joseph Kiser 2y
James Taylor 2y, Joseph Gorham 2y
Messrs Gray & Co. Joseph Gorham 2y
Messrs Mc Donald & Kline
Dr. M. Gorham 2y, Rev. Mr. Chapman
Elbridge Howard, Rev. L. T. Perry
Union Hotel, Rev. Mr. Dillington
Messrs J. West & Co. Rev. Mr. Thomas
Messy Snow & Sippman
H. Bradley 2y, Rev. Mr. Moore
Loring Cary 2y

Young & Sprague on the Pacific railroad
and on the admission of Kansas to
the following gentlemen of Kansas City
and vicinity.

Robt. L. Lawrence 2^{ey}. 2
H. B. Benton 2^{ey}. 4
Sen. G. B. Wood —
Mrs. J. Garber 2^{ey}
L. S. Ballou 2^{ey}
S. W. Benton 2^{ey}. 4
Dr. J. S. Bass 2
Wingate & Borrow 2^{ey}
Robt. Charley 2^{ey}
Franklin Conant 2^{ey}. 4
George F. Irwin 2^{ey}. 6
Dr. Louis Dehorter —
A. S. Calborno 2^{ey}
Henry L. Raist 2^{ey}.
Mrs. H. Leichty 2^{ey}
Dr. E. S. Ralph —
S. M. Atkinson 2^{ey}. 6
Judge Coffman.
Mr. J. Payne 2^{ey}
Dr. J. M. Ridge —
Dr. Joseph Hendon —
Dr. John P. Jones —
J. L. Gray 2^{ey}.

Dr. William Houghs
P. B. Causey 2^{ey}
T. N. Skeggs 2^{ey}
A. S. Loring 2^{ey}
K. Coats 2^{ey}. 5
Thos. A. Russell 2^{ey}
J. W. Johnson 2^{ey}
G. W. Atkinson 2^{ey}
Gilson B. Thomas 2^{ey}
A. Arbour 2^{ey}. 3
Dr. J. B. Lester —
Dr. G. M. B. Maughan
Jackson Smith 2^{ey}. 3
Thos. Chancellor 2^{ey}
R. G. Stevens 2^{ey}
Dr. A. B. Mussey 2^{ey}
P. S. Brown 2^{ey}
Hampton S. Boone 2^{ey}
Burrard Knapp 2^{ey}
L. Kunis 2^{ey}. 5
George Goodwin 2^{ey}
George W. See 2^{ey}
Dr. McBeland 2^{ey}
L. Shana 2

- S^t H. Ward 2^y
 Missis Hollard & Fairman. John Johnson 2^y ⁴
 Messrs. Mc. Garry Ranson & Capt. Wm Gillis
 Michael Smith 2^y 20. Dr. Tracy -
 Edward Masuch. Esq. Esquire & House
 L. H. Rockel 2^y 10. Thos. Smart 2^y
 Col. Milton Mc Gee 3. James Horne 2^y 2
 Allen Mc Gee 2^y Judge Ball
 Mahillon Mc Gee 2^y Rev. E. S. Fury
 John Campbell 2^y James Hickman 2^y
 John S Campbell 2^y 3. Robt. Holmes 2^y.
 Wm Campbell 2^y 3. J. P. Howe 2^y
 A. Gilham 2^y 3. L. W. Summers 2^y
 Thompson Misdaniel 2^y 3. L. W. Summers 2^y
 J. B. Ferguson 2^y 3. Gen. Lykins
 J. M. Staples 2^y Dr. Hopkins
 J. T. ~~Adk~~ 2^y A. W. Hinning 2^y
 R. D. Wilson 2^y 6. Messrs. Saxon and Crowell
 Misses Weston & Foster & Messrs. L & J. Rothschild
 Messrs. J. W. Boylston & S. L. Pittman 2^y
 J. S. Chick 2^y 3. L. S. Payne 2^y
 W. M. Northup 2^y 3. Wm Mulky 2^y
 Ed. Sheldon 2^y 2. J. C. Atkins 2^y
 James Corbin 2^y Dr. L. W. Findall
 Thos. Conlow 2^y.
 Moses Roberts 2^y 6. G. W. Banton 2^y
 Henry Ritter 2^y 3. J. Anderson 2^y
 John Ritter 2^y 3. P. P. Pryor 2^y
 Stephen Ritter 2^y Dr. J. F. Gaughoppe.

Mr. Fogel 2
Mr. Gold 2
Mr. Good 2
Miss Bunker to Graham 2
John Hough 2y 6
Louis B. Scott 2y 6
Mr Avery 2y 2
Thos. Wilson 2y
Christopher Cole 2y
Rev. John H. Luther.
Henry Keymer 2y
Chas. S. Manta 2y
Joseph E. Egan 2y
J. Schrager 2y
P. W. Chalk 2y
J. W. Falk 2y
A. L. Nickem 2y
Mr. Grew House
W. F. Lewis 2y
Mr. Hedges.
Keokuk House
Mr. Lipstrap 3
John Mc Neal 2y
Mumford Bailey 2y 2
W. Mc Leavel 2y
P. M. Cheatum 2y
Benjamin Cheatum 2y
John Richardson 2y 6.

I have indicated by figures annexed the
number of each speech that should be
sent to each man. When I think it
necessary to send more than one of each
kind. These publick houses should be
remembered. I enclose a step or
two from the various papers which will
instructe to your friends pretty much
what I have before written to you.
As before observed your friends
may send one hundred thousand
emigrants to Mo. who will do well
you have no idea of the undeveloped
resources of Mo.

I am most
respectfully

Your obedient
servt
F A Rice

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Kansas Territory—Our first Trip—the
Country—Incidents, etc.

Although we have been three years in

Kansas City, we made our first visit to the

Territory on Friday of last week, and al-

though it may be an old thing, yet as our

impressions are fresh, we cannot forego

giving them to our readers. We left at

four o'clock in the morning by Rutledge-

s's Express line, and by the time the

sun was above the green slopes of the

prairies we were in, to us, an unexplored

country. The route up the south side of

the Kansas presents a landscape of such

peculiar features, that no description short

of the painter's pencil can do it justice.—

We have, in our time, seen a great deal of

country—mountain, forest and prairie—

but our eyes never before rested on so

beautiful a land as this, as far West as

Lawrence—the extent which our visit em-

braced. It is a misnomer to call it a "new

country"—for these vast undulating mead-

ows, glowing with the richly colored flow-

ers indigenous to the prairie, the beauti-

ful groves of native trees skirting the de-

pressions, and relieving the abrupt lines

of the horizon, present a landscape more

beautiful than the oldest civilization, with

its cultivated fields, parks and woodlands.

The view at once awakens in the imagi-

nation the romance of Oriental lands, and

palm trees, groves of orange, pomegranate

and fig, and the aroma of spices, become

almost palpable to the sense. Then the

vast herds of cattle and mules, feeding far

and near, the white tents and wagon cov-

ers of the emigrant and the far traveled

trains of the Santa Fe traders, with the

dusky Mexican teamsters, requires but a

small stretch of the imagination to trans-

form them into the caravans of Bagdad

and the Moslem merchants of the east, in

their traverse of the pastoral lands of Pal-

estine and the plains of Arabia. But

while it is pleasant thus to transform them

into that poetic character, it is much more

gratifying to an American to know that

they are part of that resistless army of con-

querors known as American Emigration,

and that the generous soil upon which

they are encamped, will soon teem with

the rich products of agriculture, and be

vocal with the hum of industry and pro-

gress.

We saw on our route many fields of

wheat and oats, which promise a yield

far in advance of the best lands in the

North-west; and every where, dotting the

prairies in all directions, is to be seen the

rich black soil turned over, and receiving

the corn for the season's crop. We were

surprised at the number, while passing

through the Shawnee lands, when we re-

flected that it was but a few weeks since

they were open to settlement by the white

man. It will not be three years until two-

thirds of these lands will be under culti-

vation, and a large and thrifty agricultur-

al population be seeking a market at our

doors. The present season will demon-

strate one fact of paramount importance

to all of us—that the lands of Kansas are

better adapted to wheat growing than the

best lands of the Middle and North-west

States of the Union. Last year the crops

of wheat were limited in number, but the

yield was so large that many settlers have

turned their attention almost exclusively

to wheat, and the number of acres sown is

much larger than we had anticipated.—

The prospects are such as to warrant us

in saying that the lands of Kansas have

been demonstrated to be the best wheat

lands of the continent. When this fact is

understood, the immense emigration

which, for many years, has been pouring

into the North-west, will be turned in this

direction, and a powerful and populous

State will grow up by magic—for the be-

st class of emigrants, the wheat raisers

of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois,

Michigan and Wisconsin, will not emigrate

to a country where wheat is not the staple.

Friday afternoon we were at Lawrence,

celebrated in the history of the last few

years, more than any other locality, save

Sebastopol. It is beautifully situated up-

on an elevated prairie, washed by the

quiet waters of the Kansas on one side,

and flanked by an eminence which the

people call Mt. Oread—a name rather mu-

gical than appropriate, in our estimation.

Majesty's Government, and that the officers who have been guilty of these outrages shall be held properly responsible for their conduct, and that where pecuniary losses have been sustained, the interested parties shall receive just consideration.

From the Santa Fe Gazette, May 17.

The Storm on the Plains.

The Independence mail reached here on the 27th ultimo, four days later than usual, in charge of Owen Gilchrist, conductor. Our citizens were greatly relieved from the suspense and anxiety under which they had rested on account of this delay. Various surmises were made as to the cause, until finally the general belief settled down upon one or two reasons—the Mormons and Indians had wiped out the mail party, or it had been detained by high water, the latter of which proved to be correct.

Two passengers, whose names we have not learned, came out in the mail coach; and in company with it, but in private conveyances, Col. James L. Collins, Leo. Smith, and F. Chavez and lady.

We learn from Col. Collins, that the trip across the plains was the most disagreeable and tedious he has ever experienced. On the 7th, between Turkey Creek and the Little Arkansas, they encountered one of the heaviest storms he had ever seen, the windows of heaven seeming to be opched, and the rain to descend in a perfect sheet. In a short time the prairie was a lake of water one or two feet deep, and the streams and gullies raging rivers. The party were detained here four days on account of the high water, and had it not been for the protection from the rain, hail and snow which fell in such relentless fury, offered by a grove of timber on the banks of the little Arkansas, they would have lost all their animals by stampede. At Chuves Creek they were detained by high water for one day; and at Cow Creek for three days. They met some eight or ten trains, consisting in all of from 60 to 75 wagons, en route for the States, in a deplorable condition, all their oxen having been stampeded by the fierceness of the storm. There were about 1300 altogether, some of which had frozen to death, and others had been taken by the Kiowa Indians, some 500 in number, who were encamped a short distance down the Arkansas. These Indians refused to give up the cattle, some of the fattest of which had been killed by them and eaten. The trains were thus left perfectly helpless, and the men forced to burn the yokes, and in some instances their wagons, to keep from perishing. The ingoing mail would have lost every mule by stampede had it not got into a train corral, which protected the animals from the storm, and thus saved them. The mules of the outcoming mail made a slight stampede at Cow Creek, but no loss was sustained. The sufferings must have been intense, both to animals and men, who were on the plains during the storm, and the loss heavy to many a trader.

Col. Collins likewise informs us that they met a number of Indians on the plains, near the Arkansas. Parties ranging in number from 200 to 500 of the Kiowas, Arapahoes, Cheyennes and Comanches were met, none of whom manifested a hostile spirit.

LIABILITY OF LAWYERS.—A case has just been decided in our Supreme Court, which makes lawyers liable to their clients for any loss they may sustain by oversight or negligence on the part of the lawyer.—The case, as we understand it, is about this. A firm in St. Louis sent to a firm here, a debt of about \$1,000 to collect or secure. The lawyer not being able to get the money, at once took a mortgage on a piece of land belonging to the debtor.—The debtor had already confessed judgment in favor of another party. From some oversight the lawyer did not learn of the judgment by confession. The debtor, meanwhile, made way with his other effects, out of which the money might have been made, and the land was sold under the judgment confessed, for the benefit of the first creditor. The St. Louis creditors then brought suit against the lawyer for the amount of the debt, and got judgment in the Circuit Court. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court and the judgment was affirmed, so that the lawyer will have to pay the debt.—*Independence Messenger.*

INDEPENDENCE JOCKEY CLUB.—Races over the frontier course will commence on Tuesday, May 25th, with a match race for \$2000, mile heats.

Wednesday, May 26th—Jockey Club, purse \$100 for all ages, club weight, mile heats.

Thursday, May 27th—Jockey Club, purse \$200, for all ages, club weight, two mile heats.

Friday, May 28th—Sweepstake for all ages, club weights, \$25 entrance, mile heats—3 or more to make a race with \$25 added by the proprietor. Same day, Friday—a trotting race, mile heats, 3 in five to harness, \$25 entrance—now 7 entries.

Fine sport is anticipated during the week.

From Kansas.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 13, 1858.

This city, pleasantly located on the right bank of the Missouri, and only half a mile below its confluence with the Kansas or "Kaw" as it is here designated, is decidedly the most noticeable and remarkable instance of the progress of this section south of Leavenworth City.

Five years ago hardly known to any gazetteer, and in 1855 containing a population of only about 600, it now far outstrips all the older towns of the immediate section, not excepting even Independence.

Here the Missouri departs from its southerly course, wending its way for a distance nearly due east, and its current sweeping along the southern shore has formed a deep and permanent channel, thus securing to Kansas City the great desideratum of a good landing.

The swift current and innumerable shoals of the Kansas river rendering it impracticable for the purposes of navigation during the greater part of the year, the bulk of merchandise going to points along its course is here disembarked and forwarded overland to its destination.

Kansas City has likewise attracted to itself already a great portion of the trade with New Mexico and the Indian country adjacent, and its inhabitants are sanguine that eventually all the trade of that vast region must concentrate here. As it is the nearest point where the great Santa Fe thoroughfare strikes the river, such a result is not unlikely. That its facilities and advantages as a commercial point are no mean ones, its present importance

clearly indicates. In three years its population has increased more than ten fold, now numbering from six to seven thousand souls, and covering four square miles of area. Beside being the terminus of the Pacific Railroad of Missouri, now in operation from St. Louis to Jefferson City and being vigorously prosecuted beyond that point, it is known as a favorite starting point for the great Pacific road. Mr. Benton was known to have strongly advocated its location at this point, and the "Green" amendment to the bill which the Senate recently postponed looked to a similar result in making the mouth of the Kansas its *point d'appui*.

Pending the action of Congress upon this great question, the Chamber of Commerce of Kansas City, have memorialized the General government in a pamphlet of sixteen pages, clearly and setting forth the peculiar advantages of their route to the Pacific, and remonstrating against the wholesale declaration of the Hon. Jeff. Davis, while Secretary of the War Department, that the route was impracticable. This assertion of Ex-Secretary is refuted by the evidence of Lieut. Beal, Col. Fremont, and others, in a comprehensive and conclusive manner.

The City is scattered over the hills rising from the river, and is eminently healthy, as is all the adjacent country. It stretches along the road for some distance in the direction of Westport, which is four miles distant. The Levee, the nucleus of the town, skirts the river for half a mile, and is quite well and compactly built. On the opposite shore of the Missouri is a little village called Haerlem, to which a steam ferry-boat is constantly plying. Further up stream on the West bank of the Missouri, is Wyandotte, a town of some considerable notoriety in the annals of the Territory of Kansas, but affording little else of interest to the traveler.

Heavy excavations have been made, and extensive grading is going forward in Kansas City for the attainment of easy access between the river and other portions of the town and country, which will, when completed, secure an eligible and uniform site.

ARIZONA—A STAGE LINE FROM KANSAS CITY.—We notice in our exchanges that the attention of emigrants is being directed toward the Territory of Arizona.

There is no doubt of the existence of large and rich mineral deposits in this region of country. Last week we noticed the fact that a company would leave this city for Arizona the 10th of June—we now learn that an Express Company is organized, and making their arrangements to transport passengers from any of the Eastern cities direct by the way of Kansas City to Arizona. Kansas City being the head quarters of this company. Passengers will be taken out in good and comfortable spring wagons, and so arranged that passengers can sleep in them at night. The trip from this city to Arizona will be made in forty-five or fifty days.

his mockery of a court.

It was a striking scene within that castle hall—the pillars covered with pennon and device, the walls hung with arms and shields—the timid, shrinking Richard, his garments divested of their royal blazonry, and his few attendants gazing with surprise and alarm at the intruder.

Before him stood, in the pride of manliness and the full flush of conquest, the future ruler of England, his proud impulsive face grave with cares of state, clad as a warrior should be, and with a crowd of nobles and knights—whom Richard knew well, though he addressed none—gathering around him.

A pause ensued. Then Bolingbroke, bare-headed, advanced and knelt, and broke the silence, saying, "I come to show my duty to your Majesty!"

A spasm of anguish, as he looked at the armed group, not one friendly to him—of disappointment—of pride extinguished in its very birth—crossed the king's face. Then he said, "Fair cousin of Lancaster, you are right welcome!"

A. L. Biggs
Knox College
Galesburg.
H.C.

no

Dear Sir

I hope you will be able to comply with their request of the students of Knox College. Many have have expressed a strong desire to hear & see you, and this will afford you an excellent opportunity of visiting our City. The students generally favour it to obtain money to enlarge their Library, and as their last lectures were not successful—not having paid them more than sufficient to pay the lecturer's expences—they hesitated sometime before they determined to write to you. But I took the liberty (for which I hope you will pardon me) to assure them that you would not charge

them more than they reci-
-ued, so that it would not
actually ruin them in
debt, and they therefore
concluded to send for you.

Do come Sir if you
can. You must show
yourself to us this sum-
mer anyway, and this
it strikes us, will be a
Capital time to break
the ice.

We intend to fight for
you here this season, the
President to the contrary
notwithstanding. Whom we
we delight to honor, we
will honor; tho' deputation
should stare us in the
face, and it seems to us
that a visit from you at
the present time will help
to remove the ungrounded,
but nevertheless, real prej-
-udice against you.

Truly yours A. C. Lamphier

Holy College, Salisbury St.
June 10th 1858.

Hon. G. A. Douglas

Dear Sir.

"The Faculty
of Holy College" respectfully re-
quest you to lecture before them
in this city, during our com-
ing College Commencement.

"We should wish it to be on Mon-
day or Tuesday, the 21st or 22nd
of June, & would much prefer
Tuesday the 22. However if neither
of these be possible, can you give us
either of the succeeding nights?

If you can favor us, by coming,
please telegraph.

I am Sir

Your ob't Servt

S. L. Biggs
Dr. Secy of Adelphi.

See next page.

Omar T. Sage.

Prattville
W.Y.

Prattville June 10 1858

Hon G A Douglass.
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

I am sorry to trouble you so often, sir; but I had in estimation, my great interest in what you may say, in your place in the Senate, or any where else.

Can I presume upon your kindness, so far as to ask you for your speech of the 7th inst, on British aggression?

Yours very Respectfully

Omar T. Sage
Prattville
W.Y.

W. & J. Young, Boston

Admirable

admirable

Wm Wesley Woollen
Madison Ind.

Madison, Indiana
June 10. 1858.

Hon. S. A. Douglas,
Washington

Although personally a stranger to you I have concluded to address you this note in order that you may be apprised of the doings of the Democratic convention held in Seymour on yesterday to nominate a candidate for Congress in the Third Indiana district now represented by Hon. James Hughes. Democrats endorsing your course on the Kansas question were there in numbers from every County in the district except one, and nominated Hon. G. W. Carr of Jackson County as their candidate for Congress. The endorsement of ^{of George P. Day} nominated Judge Hughes for re-election. The feelings of the demo-

ocracy are aroused with indignity at the
attempt of the powers that be to foist
new tests for democracy; and we teach
them at the ballot box that popular
sovereignty is no humbug as Judge
Hughes has pronounced it to be.

I am very respectfully

Wm. Wesley Woollen!

Boston. June. 11th. 1858

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas.

Will you please send me
your Autograph by return mail, also a copy
of your last speech at Topeka Kansas.
Both of them will be highly acceptable.

My Address is

H. C. Appleton Jr.

Care of Wm. H. Potter.

Boston.

In a Box



B. H. Appleton, Jr.
Boston, Mass.

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R.R.Bolling
Paris
June 21/58, R.R.
Wants info.

Wants attention

Louisville Jan 1st
R.R.Bolling Esq June 11, 58 3
Yours with best

Came to hand this morning
Lore forward as you re-
quested the Dean for six
months to Mr. Duncan.
Thanks for your kind at-
tention.

Everlastingly & as
it was in the beginning
so will it be in the
end" always your friend
Harry & Hough
per W. Hough

The position of Douglas just
now reminds me of your case.
You got so far ahead of the board
they all commenced back & a few
with Douglass - all small candidates for the



Manchester June 11 1858
To The Hon S. A. Douglas,
Sir

Please send me your Speech
against the Lecompton Bill and
much obliged

With much respect for

Hon S. A. Douglas

B.B.Bunker
Manchester
N.H.

Sister Clearborn
Geneva.
Kane Co. Ill.
June 11. 1858.

Political—
forwarded List
of leading men to
be attended to.

Send Mr. L. D. Bolby, P.P.M.S.
June 16/58

WJ

Pay this your
Gatteman for his
list of names
Mr. Cooke San R.
Genesee Ills June 11 1858
Rev. J. A. Douglass
D. S. Dr.

At the request of
O. B. Dodson Esqr I have with care prepared
a list of the most prominent men residing
in the County to forward to you.
In doing so I have had especial care to furnish
the names of such persons as have formerly
belonged to the Democratic and Whig parties
but who abominated in 1850 and such
as I think Missionary labors would
be most likely to resort to the true Democratic
faith. Many influential men of the
Republican party now sustain you in
your course and could proper influence
be brought to bear we might hope to send
a friend of yours to the Legislature next winter.

We hope you may find it convenient to speak
in our County during the summer or fall and
I am satisfied that you would not only

be well but cordially received by the mainalt
men of all parties.

We want your advice as to who shall be put
in nomination for the Legislature. My opinion
is that some one who voted for Fremont and
now is favorable to you can be elected by
exertion and with other good men on the
ticket: and in this respect I think Judge
Wilson would aid us well if he put in nomi-
nation for Congress. He is a warm friend
and admirer of yours, advocates your cause
openly and would give strength and
character to the ticket.

Hopeing you will advise us far to the
course you would wish your friends
here to pursue.

I am with Respect

Yours etc

Luther Dearborn

P.S. If you think I can aid you in dis-
tributing documents here, any you may
send I will mail them to parties where I
think they will do good —

Elias W. Hale
Phil. P. O.

Philadelphia June 11. / 52.

Hon Stephen A. Douglas

Dear Sir.

Would you be
kind enough to enclose me a copy
of your late speech "against the
admission of Kansas under the
Leavenworth Constitution, and confer
an obligation upon,

Yours very respectfully
Elias W. Hale.

Please direct to lot 189. Phila P. Office.

all much improved

and I am well and

well

I am well

and am getting better and
will have a good time in
the long vacation for researches
and may visit the land of the
ancient Indians

and hope to see you again

all well

Yours truly John W. Hubbard

McC Harrington
Madison. Ind.^a

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Hon S A Douglas
Washington

Dear Sir

In the third congressional
dist Ind^a we have three
candidates in the field
for Congress - Hughes - Compton
Wm Dorn Repub and George
Whitfield Can Repub for
surely the contest is
to be spirited I expect
to canvass the dist for you
will you do me the favor to
send me such public
documents as relate to the
Kansas matter including the
Georgetown Constitution the
President's instructions to
Gen Walker. Walker's Speech
your own Speeches to and

including those on the
English Bill Reports of
Committees relating to the
matter this Session and
such other documents as
may be of service

We have not been able
to get here any thing
but Brights Hughes and
Pugh's Speeches

Very Respectfully

Very

H W Harrington
Jf Co Madison
Inde

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Hon. Stephen A Douglas; - Squeaw Grove
June 11th 1858
Dear Sir:

Please forward
me, Mechanical & Agricultural patent office
report, and oblige yours Respectfully

(Lent Mealt)

Samuel F. Kerus
Squeaw Grove
Illinois

Sam'l H. Kerns
Saw Grove.
H.C.

57 Liberty Street
New York June 1. 1858

Hon S. A. Douglas,

My Dear Sir,

I have partic-
ular use for a copy of the letter-
and report also I suppose of the Sec-
retary of War, communicated to the
Senate on the 8th May 1857, cover-
ing the surveys of the Patuxent
and St. Mary's rivers in Maryland.

They are accompanied by a map,
and I will thank you to have one
looked up and to send it to me.

|| I observe from telegraphic dis-
patches, that a convention of
what are called "National," or "Ad-
ministration" democrats has
been held in Illinois; and that
they have nominated John
Dougherty, of Union Co, I suppose,
and John Reynolds - a fossil
democrat of a past age, for
State offices.

This is a war note of decided
significance. || Mr Buchanan was

was nominated as a democrat & elected as such, and if he, under the lead of aspiring demagogues is resolved upon the course here clearly marked out for Illinois in that and the other states, he will have the satisfaction, if such it may be to him, of placing the party, which in an evil hour chose him as a candidate for its highest confidence and honors in a condition beyond the reach of political grace indeed as I told some of the intimate friends of the President, when recently on a visit at Washington, "past praying for."

If the President is the party & not the people, who want nothing so much as that he will discharge his duty as President under the Constitution & laws, then he may prescribe new rules & new principles in our country - he may set up a golden calf, or indulge in any "immaculate conception" and canonize them, to disbelieve in which shall be a political heresy.

and to reward a certain number
of which will be given away to the
most popular persons to hold.
Under certain circumstances the
two kinds of awards may be intermixed
and then it will be up to the
jury to decide what kind of award
or even both may be given to
any single individual or group of individuals
selected with regard to the
merit or quality of the work
done by them and to make with
the other awards intermix with
each other independently of each other
and this is intended to be done by
means of a ballot and then
the one with the largest number of points
selected as best and awarded
with a large certificate and the other
awards may be given to those who
are chosen in the same manner
thus making a good place
for the most popular persons to hold
and give away their certificates
and make others in equal numbers

I have yet to learn that any such expectation was indulged in by the people or that any such practice will be tolerated.

His administration, as it appears to me, although fortunate in the main for the first few months, has since discovered such an "alacrity in sinking" that at its present rate of progression, will when the Presidential nomination is next to be made, be in a condition to demand the charity of those who made him President, & when that charity will have ceased to be a virtue. Always weak, he now discovers a fubliness in administration so far as sound principle is involved, that were it not for the ^{alarmed} evil consequences that attend it, would be positively amusing.

His party had a majority of near ^{forty} at the commencement of the session of the present Congress and at the commencement of the next he will be met by an independent opposition majority.

of equal or greater numbers.

"Facilius dicencus avernuno,
Sed aevocare gradum,
Hoc opus, hic labor est"

He also finds it easy to descend, but
to recover his steps, there he will
find the work thru the labor

What will be the general political effect
of the course the President is now pursuing,
it is premature to attempt to anticipate,
but that the people of the United States,
will approve the principle of the exercise
of ~~the~~^{a despotic} arbitrary power of the government
to fuster a repudiated government upon
the people of a new state I do not, &
shall never believe until it is done

But as Father Ritchie used to say
now or never.

Please send me the
Report requested.

Your friend

O. S. D. Pick

I acknowledge a copy of your speech
on the Secession Constitution.

O. S. & C. Peck.

P. O. New York.

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Dear Sirs

Yours truly

John C. Peck

George Peck

O. S. & C. Peck

Friday June 11. 1858

Dear Sir

Will you be kind enough
to send me your speech and I should
like to have you send Hon. C. E. Stuart
and D. C. Broderick and other that spoke
upon the Kansas question but especially
your for I heard some reportant that
it contain expressions that others contend
it does not and should like to know the
right if our obedeant friend
H. G. Smythe

please forward at ~~thomas conway~~

H. G. Smythe Auburn
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H G Smythe
Auburn N.H.

Co

Jas S. Thomas
Northampton
Mass.

Northampton Mass June
11th 1858

Hon R. Douglass

Dear Sir

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would feel under many
obligations to you if
you will send me the
Patent Office reports for
1857 or the last issued
I need a copy of your
Speech in the US Senate
on the Pacific Rail Road
Bill. also on the report
of the Committee of
Confurrence of the
two Houses. I was
highly pleased with
your manly and firm
contention for a principle
- & when you believed that

principles. That is what
the People of your noble
State expect of her Legislators
and she will sustain
and uphold her sons
who thus manfully
stand up for the rights
of an oppressed and
abused people

I remain yours
Sir with respect

Jos F Thomas

NB
Dinner to

Northampton
Provincial
MOS

I shall put this in the
Office at Chillicothe

(Sent back June 1st/58.)

Big Woods Duxage Co Ill June 11. 1858.

To the Hon S A Douglas in the Senate of the U States
Dear Sir I acknowledge the rec^t of your late

Speech against the Admission of Kansas under
the Lecompton Constitution deliv^r the 22nd March
= my view of that Constitution Agrees with yours
exactly - It must be certainly right & proper
for the Electors of every Territory & State to choose
By Ballot their own Laws = I find their
is some of our Democrat friends dont exactly
agree with you on the Admission of Kansas
under the Lecompton Constitution = but of late
I find a great many of them thinks you
was right in not admitting it under that
Constitution - But Sir we cannot give
you up as our particular choice for our
Chief Magistrate in 1860 = We are well
aware that in some particulars we cant
all look nor think alike = But
taking all things in consideration the
Democrat party in Illinois will sustain
you = & from what I can learn & hear the
great Democratic party of the Union will
have their minds made up that if you
live until 1860 you will be nominated
and elected our Chief Magistrate by a large
majority

I tell the people that they will see into the
Lecompton Constitution & just as they could
not see for a good while in the Nebraska Act
my opinion is that it will work all right
in the end = The Nebraska Bill was thought
to be a wrong measure for while by a good
many until they began to see through
it & you will see in the end that those
that do not agree with you respecting the
Admission of Kansas under the Compromised
Constitution will ere long acknowledge
that you was right in opposing its Admission
in the Union with Constitution

I fell very kindly full to you for a copy of the
Patent Office Reports on Agriculture
rec'd by me a short time ago for 1858
& likewise for those seeds you sent me a short
time ago = I planted them the same day I
rec'd them to give them a trial

I remain your humble servt &
Well Wishes John Wayne PM
Big Woods
Ills

NB I wrote to the Honl Charles Major Commisioner
of Patent my Experience in Farming
since 1834 the time I moved to where I now
live I gave my experience particular in
Raising Corn & Wheat - as I suppose it
use for all Agriculturist to give their
Experience & as it gives the experience
of so many from the different States
I have thought for years I would write
but I have neglected it until lately
It is very gratifying indeed to me in my
declining years as I am near 70 years of
age - to look over those Patent Office
Report on Agriculture
As I find their is a great deal of informa-
tion to be obtained from them

P.S. I have almost enough now to
send Monday next at 12 M^o

John Warner
Big Woods
H.C.
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