

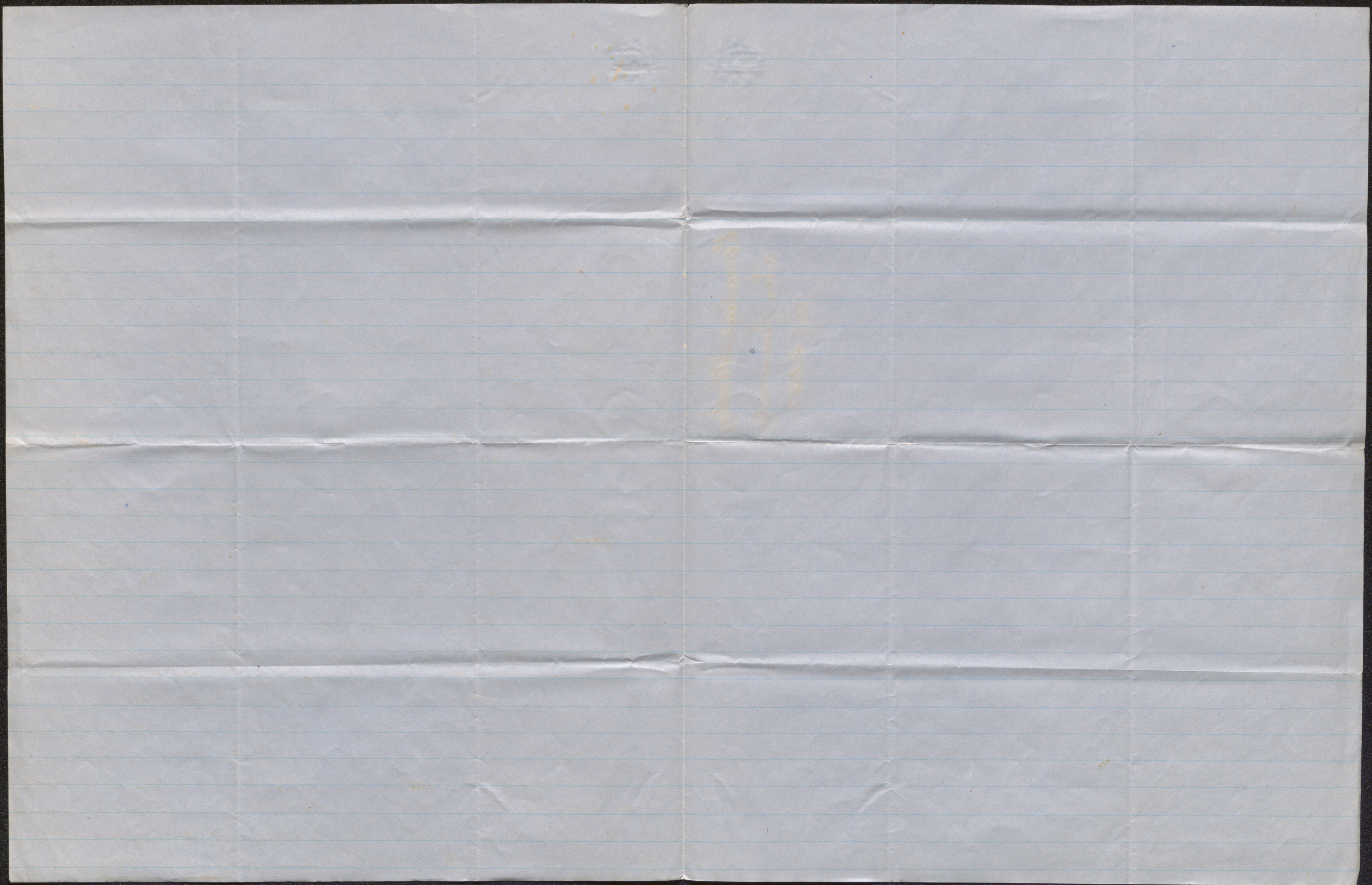
San Francisco July 4th 1858

Honorable S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir. Some few days since I had the honor of receiving a package your Speeches. I have distributed them far and wide through this State. The people seem to like them pretty well and find no fault ^{with} them after they read them the only difficulty is to get some at first take them. I took the City directory and sent two or three to every Business place and to people from the Country I sent a good many up to Sonoma where I have a son and to Columbia with directions to have them carefully circulated among the people up in their quarters. If you wish ^{I will} with pleasure, distribute as many more of them. If you think proper to forward them to me. I see Mr Thomas Fittmans name ^{on} the outside of Package. I will be much obliged to you if you let him know that I wrote him a letter several months since and I wonder why it was that he did not answer it. All I wanted him to do for ^{me} was to ~~ask~~ to look into the 2^d Vol of the Patent Office reports for the year 56. Page 287. It is the improvement in Tanning. Patented by Mr R. Gould March 11th 56. The articles he mentions there used in tanning I know their nature very well, I only wanted of him to find me the mode in which Mr Gould uses them or employs according to the processes set forth in his Application; It is the manner he uses ^{them} in tanning I wanted to know. Not that I want to be the owner of his right but only to try if it is what it is said to be, any man knows that he could not use any Patent which belongs to another without procuring a right, which no man would like to do without a trial. I think that Mr Fittmans will find much if he will look for it at the P. Office. I have the honor of subscribing, myself yours most sincerely —

Cornelius McCauley

Cornelius McCallay
San Francisco, Cal.
July 4, 1858.



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Washington D.C. July 4. 1858

Hon. S. A. Douglas
My dear Sir

Will you be kind
enough to transmit me imme-
-diately either by Express or mail
at your pleasure. 2000 of
the speech you are to deliver at
Chicago on Tuesday night next
~~to go to~~ ^{to go to California}
If so be franked let me know
who will be authorized to
do so here on your behalf.

With best wishes for success
and the full harmony of
our party being pronounced
through your effort
I am

Yours
authn?

Truly Yrs
B. D. May



Petaluma July 4th 1858

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir

Now that Congress has adjourned, you will have time to read a letter from an old personal and political friend and I hope also have time to answer it. I am as ever a Democrat, an anti-Leocompton anti-slavery Douglas Democrat. I worked hard for Mr. Buchanan in the last canvass, but will never do so again. I am for you for next President against the the world. I tell you the truth when I say that all the democrats in my section of country who are not in favor of Slavery and hold no public office are Douglas men. I could name many who know you personally. If the candidate for the Presidency in 1860 on the Democratic ticket should support Mr. Buchanan's views in relation to Kansas and Leocompton - California will go largely for the Republicans. If you should be ~~the~~ a candidate and be supported by the Republicans you will receive three-fourths if not more of all the votes cast in this state. I do not know whether such a thing could be but if it could it would be a complete "coup de etat" in my opinion. Very many Republicans are anxious to support you, because they say

you are the strangest man in the Nation that
they could send. notwithstanding they have opposed
you heartily so strenuously, now they think you have
more political honesty as well as independent political
strength than any other prominent man //

I want you to write to me and send me the
programme for the future tell me what to do, I
am perfectly at a loss. I have sustained and
defended your entire course during the late
session of Congress with all my small ability.

I recd a letter not long since from my old neigh-
-bor Robert Smith of Alton, and it would be very
agreeable to receive a line from you, and I
shall expect one =

your friend very truly,
J. W. Randle

P W Randle
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July 4. 1858.

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Laurelton O. July 5th 1858
 Hon. Stephen A Douglass
 Chicago
 Illinois

Dear Sir,

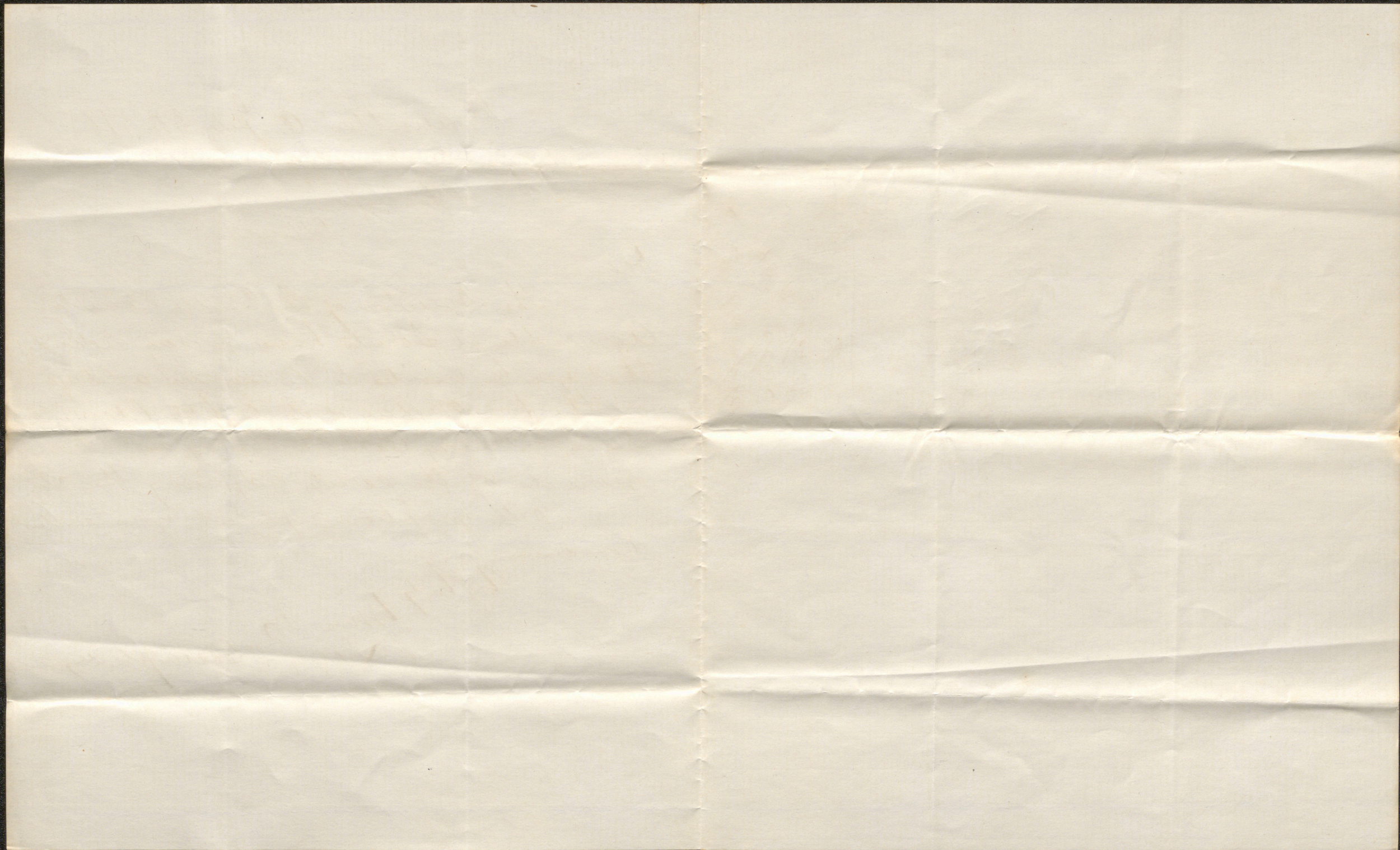
The Directors of the Butler County
 Agricultural Society have to-day ordered
 that you be invited to deliver an address
 on the fourth day of its Eighth Annual
 Fair (Friday Oct. 8th 1858,) on the
 grounds of the society adjoining this city.

Will you please reply at your earliest
 convenience

Very truly Yours
 Lewis D Campbell
 Secretary.

Received
 July 12th

L. D. Campbell
 Hamilton,
 Butler Co.
 July 5th 1858



July 3rd 1868

Hon L. Douglas

Dear Sir

I on Saturday received your exg favours, I spent the glorious fourth in perusing them I am delighted, the days of Washington and Adams have returned, the sentiments advanced are worthy of your exg, are those of a true Patriot your exg open and upright resistance to the Decrepit Constitution have won you hosts of friends at the East in all classes and parties, Democrats and Republican will alike support your exg, and if at the next Presidential term your exg should signify your consent to become a candidate I believe your election would be triumphant your exg would receive 10,000 majority in New England alone

The present Administration is universally condemned by all

at the East should you ex-
pect to receive a nomination
for the Presidential office
in that you will receive
all my support and influence
which if small may yet be
of some service //

I have the honor to be
in yours truly the servant

James H. Edward

Wm & Medford Mass
To
Hon Stephen A Douglas
Senator from Illinois
Washington DC

Francis Howard
Medford. Mass.
July 5. 1858.

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 Perry Illinois Aug 5th 58
 Senator Douglass

Sir I take it
 for granted, that all great men are
 or ought to be good men.

And since it is universally admitted
 that you are a great man and
 I for one, have no cause to doubt your
 goodness. Therefore, I shall take the
 privilege (stranger as I am), of address-
 ing you, hoping that you will at least
 read and answer

I shall not employ any useless ceremony
 but come at once to the point—

In the fall of 1855 a war broke out
 in Oregon Territory with the Indians
 Major Haines the ranking officer of
 the Regular Army in Oregon made
 a requisition upon the Governor for men
 & means to prosecute the War. The Governor
 issued a proclamation calling for men
 & means, I like thousands of others,
 asked but to know that my country

needed my means & might to aid
in her defense, this I thought I
know. because I could think of no better
channel, through which such a call could
be made. Consequently I like many
others, turned over to the use & benefit
of the Government my all my little
all inclusive of personal service —
Being actuated solely by patriotic motives
I served my Country ten months faithfully
as the muster roll of Co. D. C.
M. V. & Co. H. Battalion of Oregon ^{with} men
Rangers will show. enduring much
exposure as well as many hardships —
subsisting for weeks at a time solely
upon ~~poor~~ horse ~~steep~~ & then come back
worn down ^{till} almost, apparently lifeless
Comparatively naked. penniless and to
judge from the treatment the Government
has given us I may add Friendless
Is this right. Is it justice, how long I
ask in the name of an outraged Ameri-
can Citizen. Can a Government hope
to stand, that will pursue such a

dastardly - hurtful policy. Take adv-
antage of her Citizens Confidence and
patriotism to rob them of their property
& their services. But then it is argued
that she will pay, then why this de-
lay, a grateful ^{Country} is as prompt to rem-
unrate as her Citizens are to trust and
defend, And I think that our Country
would act upon this principle had
we not about as many seekers for
the Presidency as we have representatives
in Congress. The poor Oregonians
having no political vote or influence
have no friends & can get no attention,
I write to you because I think you are
as likely to know as any man in the
Government what actions Congress has
taken will be likely to take upon this
our Claim, My hope —
I trust you will answer this and
tell me precisely what I may expect
from the Government. Whether I may
hope for justice, for my dues, or shall
I go down the hill of life sorrowing, yea

regretting that I ever trusted or
fought for my Country, working by
days work for a support.

'God forbid!' That any American
Citizen shall ever be driven to this
extreme, 'Forbid Oh God!' That
the principles which once gained our
Independence and excited the sympathy
& admiration of the World and rendered
immortal the names of its possessors
shall now be a detriment, yea a curse
to him that Chances to possess
and practice the same.

Yours with fond regard
W^m H. Myers

N. B. Address me at Free Illinois
W^m H. Myers

Received
July 16 1858
Wm H Myers

Wm H Myers
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July 5 1858

Key Stung Ky. July 5 1838

Hon. A. A. Douglass
Sir

I send you a paper just
started in Kansas City. The Editors and
proprietors are from the office of the
Columbia Mo. Statesman. The leading
American paper of Mo. You will
see that it is neutral; and if it does
not throw off its neutrality, it will die in
a year; and if it does throw it off, it
will become American. I judge from
its supporters that it will not be in the
way of your friends to the amount of
a dollar. I do not see a single
member of the great and growing
party - great in wealth, numbers and
talent in Kansas City supporting it.
I have no hesitation in saying it does
not meet the wants of that people.
I still urge your friend to start
a paper immediately. The northern
people are filling up the place very
fast. I believe that there are full
7000 inhabitants at this moment,
and 3000 from the free States - 1200
Irishmen - 900 Germans. The balance

from Kentucky, Missouri, Maryland, Virginia,
England, Wales, France, Spain, and
all other countries.

You will remember that the most
reliable Anti-Leaughton men in
the world are Kentuckians. And that
Kansas City is Anti American and Anti-
Leaughton.

My opinion is that by next year
there will be not less than 10,000
inhabitants of the place, and that 6000
will come from the north, 2000 from

Germany, 1500. Irish. The balance
from Ky, Mo. Va. &c. &c. &c.

The people raised in the south will
emigrate to Oregon, and northern
people take their place.

Your Obedient
Servant
F. A. Rice.

J. A. Rice

Keysburg, Ky.

July 5. 1858.

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Paper in Kansas
City, Mo.)

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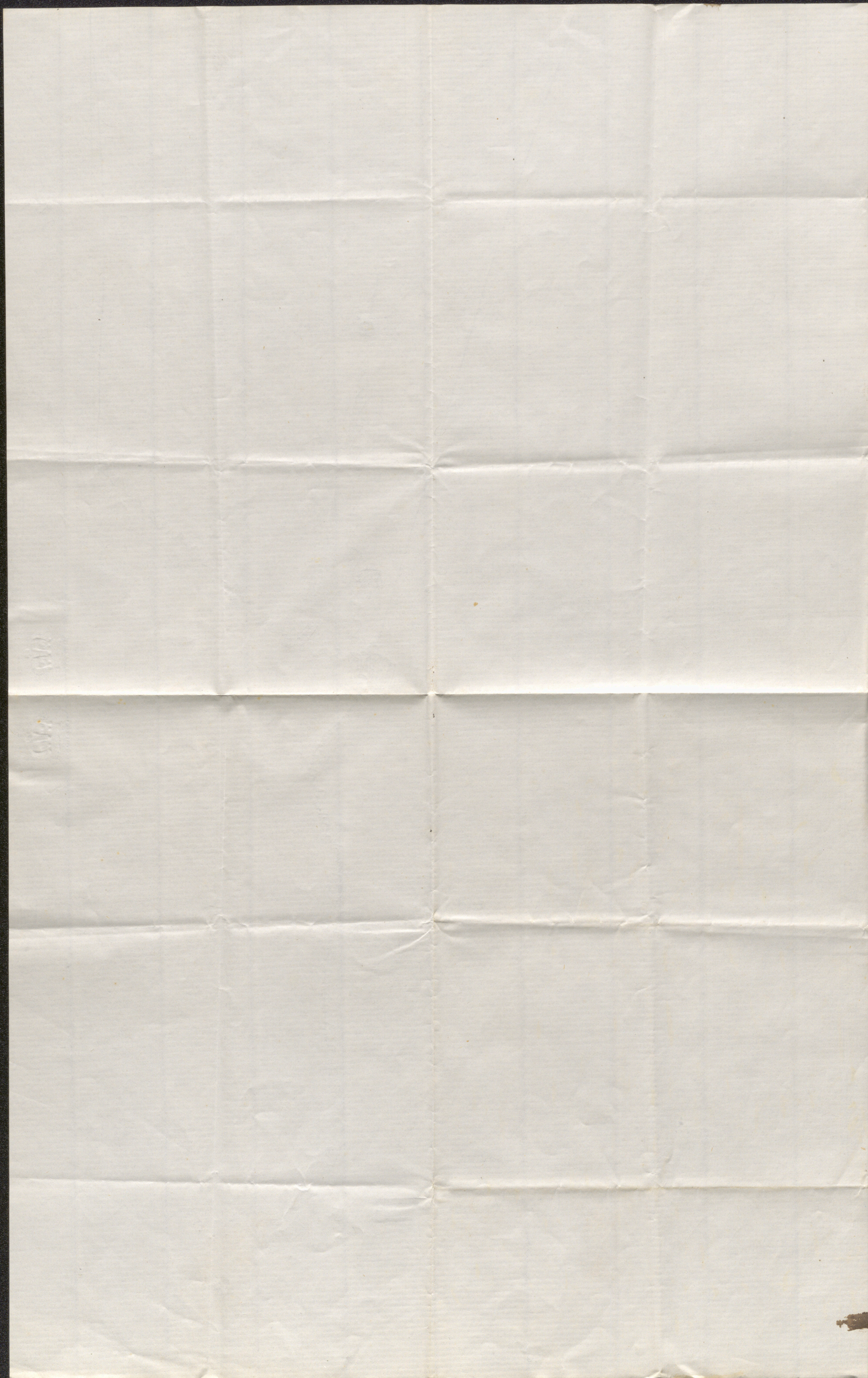
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New Boston Ills July 5th 1888.
 Hon. S. A. Douglas.

Dear Sir.

We are personally strangers, but I take the liberty to write you in regard to political matters in this portion of the State. There are but few Administration men in this (Mercer) County. The Republicans have a majority in the County, but by the aid and influence of the Reporter (an independent outspoken paper) we have been able to elect a Sheriff two years ago, and a County Judge last fall. But the Reporter has been discontinued for some ^{time} on account of hard times, and we have no organ through which we can reach the people, or I believe we could elect our Representatives from this district and Sheriff of this County. We are trying to revive the Reporter which was acknowledged to be the ablest paper in this part of the State. But there are something in the way. First, the Editor Edward Stafford Esq is a Republican, though formally a Democrat, and Editor of a Democratic paper in this State. He is however, fair and honorable, and very liberal toward his ~~young~~ associates the Democrats. Well, ^{we} can't raise means enough to buy him out nor will he start his paper up

unless we will raise enough to place
his paper on a permanent basis.
It will take about \$5000.00 to do this
and we cannot raise more at
present than \$300.00. He does not
require the money as a donation
but will refund ~~the money~~ it with
interest as soon as he can. J. E. Robinson
Must have been
the His
establishment is worth \$25000.00, but
can be bought for \$1500.00 now. Now we
wish to do that which is for the
best, and we want the advice and
aid of you Chicago folks who are
more intimately interested in politics
than we are. Now what shall we
do - buy out the Reporter and make
it a Democratic organ, or raise him
the amount he requires to revive it
himself, and trust to the independent
aid the Reporter will render us under
Stafford's management? There are
two Republican papers in this County
the Herald Record and Keithsburg Observer
and we ought to have a straight-
out organ. But we are too poor. Either
find us a man with means to buy out
Stafford, or loan us sufficient money
to do it, or help us to the \$200 to ^{make} 500 for
the revival of the concern under his
management. Do either and we will
show you the results this coming fall.
Address me at this place, or Ben Lloyd
at Hledo on this subject. Mr Lloyd is
Sheriff of this County, a democrat, and
particular friend of Stafford's. your respectfully
J. E. Robinson

Bellevue Ohio;
July 5th 1858.

Hon^{ble} S. A. Douglass,
Washington City, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I have just returned from Fremont, Sandusky Co. Ohio, where Judge Hall was to have met his constituents, that proper arrangements might be made for his re-nomination - He failed to make his appearance. After waiting two days, I left. Very sorry to say that I was the only man who, openly, dared to oppose the overgrown school-boy's nomination. I shall continue to do so, and should ^{he} get the nomination I shall, by every means in my power endeavor to defeat him.

Will visit Chicago, Ill., in a few days, but will not remain there over three or four days. Intend to see Batters.

I have just returned home after passing over considerable stretch of country. Saw, but did not speak to him; Jim Steedman.

enclosed please find a story which we desire you to read.

Yours sincerely, Thos^{rs} M. Ward,

your friends are continually encroaching - take from Buchanan the patronage of office, and like the Pillar of Books Wife, he would be found alone.

Thos. M. Ward

Bellevue,
Ohio.

July 5. 1858.

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Ottumwa Iowa
July 6th 1858.

Hon. S. A. Douglass
Chicago Ill.

Dear Sir

I have just received your
Speech Expanding the Danite, Convention
of Ill. & The D. D. Vaggabond. Dr.
Charles Lieb. Who in 1848. was Egged-
by the Boys. in Hon. James Greens Town
in Mo. & took refuge in Warsaw Ill.
and Edited a paper in support of
Genl. Taylors Election. And was
Appointed to some Clerkship in
Washington under J. Administration
& was removed for Drunkness-
& then became a brawling Dem. as
he tried to make the people believe
and Borrowed one hundred
Dolls of Hon. B. Kern. of Iowa
which he never paid. Came to Iowa
I think in 1850 or 51. Cut a Stickry Cane
in Lucas Co. Iowa & took it to
Sancarter Penn. & presented to Mr.
Buchanan. & B. made a speech over
the Cane. Lieb. Packed a Convention
in Lucas Co. in 1852. & failed to get a
nomination & bolted the Ticket. and
in 1852. moved to this Town in Wapello.
Co. and in the Spring of 1853. Bolted
the Dem. Ticket Capt. J. H. Bonney
and myself as Candidates. for the
Board of Public Works for the
State & voted the Whig Ticket

He then left this Co. & moved into VanBuren Co. in Iowa & at the first Election bolted the Seem-Ticket. Then he went to Kansas - where Gov. Pender appointed him to take the Census of Leavenworth Dist. where he refused to take any but Free State men to my certain knowledge & afterwards joined the Danite Band. He never paid a dollar in Iowa for anything & owes everybody for rents - meat - bread & whisky.

During his stay in Iowa he was in constant correspondence with Fitz Henry Warren.

You will see by the proceedings of our State Convention that we passed by the Leecompton Admⁿ as we should do as we did in our Congressional Convention. Hon. H. H. Tumble is anti-Leecompton.

We hope you may be able to carry this fault over the Administration & Blacks combined.

In order that you may know who I am - I can say to you that I have been elected some three or four times by the people of this State & last year was the Democratic Candidate for Lieutenant Governor.

was a member of the Committee on Platform & Resolutions at our State Convention on the 24th ultimo at Iowa City.

The Admⁿ has removed our post master & appointed a man who bolts the Seem-Ticket when even he wants too - all an Leecompton.

I hope you will pardon me thus trespassing upon you with this letter - I only want you to be able to show that this Hicoria Dr. Lieb never was a Democrat. but always was a Dem-say - Politically.

I think him a fit representative of the Admⁿ, since his Special Message on Leecompton -

Yours in haste

George Gillospy

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Barry
July 6th 1858. Ills.
about a land
warrant.

Barry July 6th 1858

Hon S A Douglas

I write you on the Subject of the
Land Warrant issued in favour of
J H Davis Calvin Davis & Samuel
Davis Heirs of Robert Davis dec'd
you may recollect by speaking to you
some time since relative to the
matter, at that time you stated you
had mailed it to their address at
Kinderhook. What I desire is that you
certify to the fact of sending it to
to their address, as they have made
all the Proof required by the Depart
ment, except your Statement.

As W Bennett is intrus
ted with the business, at this time
at Washington, D.C., please address
him. I will just say to you
that Old Pike is for you to assign

Black Republicans, always
excepted I intend ~~to~~ help you
to skin a few of them this fall
We should be glad to see you
down this way soon. yours Truly
A. Grubb

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