

Cleveland Nov. 30. 1859

Hon. S. A. Douglass

My dear Sir

I beg leave to offer
my sincere congratulations, upon
the improved state of your health,
and that of Mrs Douglass; and to
thank you for a copy of your very
able pamphlet, upon the subject
of popular sovereignty.

I am with great respect

Very truly yours
S. J. Andrews

S. J. Andrews,
Cleveland,

Nov. 30. Ohio.

Friendly
Answered Dec. 7.



GORDON L. FORD,
Attorney and Counsellor at Law,

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Nos. 23 & 25 WALL STREET,

New York, *30 Nov* — 1859

Sir:

Can you oblige me with a copy of each
 of the pamphlets issued by you, upon the subject of Popular
 Sovereignty in the Territories?

Very resp^{ly}
 Gordon L. Ford

Hon

Stephen A. Douglass

G. L. Ford,
Nos 23 & 25 Wall Street
Nov. 30. N. Y.
Friendly-Speeches

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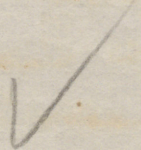
GORDON T. FORD

Oliver Jones
Aberdeen

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Nov. 30.

Notifies you he has
purchased "The Conservative"

Answered Dec. 14.



Aberdeen Ship Nov 30/57

Dear Sir

I have
this day purchased the
Conservative of this place
one of the most influential
papers in the Section &
we have our first sheet
ready I have purchased
it for my circle of friends
of mine and as good for
- actual printer of this
place (Mr. Currie), the
department will be con-
- sidered by Mr. Shrimpton
of Aberdeen & other firms
- as we intend going to
work right & wish all the

documents you can spare
us for this Section
of the ~~Constitution~~
men in this Section ~~are~~
with us & ~~will~~ ^{will} be with
us in the next Campaign
and I have been ^{you} within
all of your addresses as you
ought to know & at the Club
this hour I will be ~~present~~
pushing as the wheels
of paper you to each
Native American ~~man~~ ^{man}
Congress ~~comes~~ from this ~~and~~
who is opposed to you to
will say to ^{you} us one time
that I ~~will~~ ^{will} the only ~~strongest~~
man in the country ~~but~~
now I am happy to say we
have ~~any~~ ^{many} ~~admirers~~ ^{admirers} of them
Yours Truly
Oliver Jones

Delhi, Hamilton Co. O.

Nov. 30, 1859.

Hon. S. A. Douglas.

Sir— Although a stranger to you, you are by no means one to me, for I have watched and admired your public course since the passage of the Kansas-Nebraska Act; and I then said in a letter to Murray McConnell, of Jacksonville, Ills., although the storm raged with violence, the principles you upheld would in after years become the settled policy of the people of the country—the same as our admirable Sub-Treasury system which first met with such bitter hostility. What I said to Mr. McConnell then, is already now taking place. The Cincinnati Commercial, the leading Republican ^{paper} of this State, concedes this point in its issue of the 26th Sept. last. It says:

"The Republican leaders commit a great error in indorsing the statement made by Douglas of the line of division

between the Democratic and Republican camps, in combatting the doctrine of popular sovereignty as in itself a humbug and heresy. It is a doctrine that in its true coloring and form will be acceptable to the people and triumphant in the nation xxx As we have nothing to fear from error in the moral world so long as truth is left free to combat it, so we have nothing to fear from slavery in the Territories, or elsewhere, so long as the people are free to do with it as they will."

I now look around and see the Democracy of the whole North and Northwest on your side. I do not take the past elections as a test of those principles - but without them emblazoned on our banners we would have made no show at all in the field; as it was, we had not only to fight against the Black-Republicans, but against the Black-Democrats of the ultra Southern school.

Chase said in Cincinnati after the election (I have his reported speech before me):

"Douglas came into Ohio; he spoke at Columbus, here, and at Wooster. Everywhere he was followed by eager crowds who pressed upon him to hear his doctrines. This was indeed an advantage to us; it led the people to inquire into the nature of his popular sovereignty. They examined it - they weighed it and measured it, and with tremendous voice pronounced it wanting."

Now let us look at the official vote of the counties named by Mr Chase in which you spoke, and compare it with the vote of the previous year for Supreme Judge:

	Governor 1859.	Judge 1858.
(Dennison, R. Ranney, D.)	(Peck, R. Bartley, D.)	
Wayne..	2944	3285
Hamilton	13288	14178
Franklin	3762	4634

These figures give the lie to Mr. Chase's direct. Instead of your presence being an "adv-

vantage" to the Republicans they were the losers wherever you appeared.

I would be obliged to you if you would from time to time during the winter send me such political documents as you may have for circulation, as I am desirous of becoming conversant with all the matters entering into the approaching Presidential campaign.

Very Respectfully

F. W. Murray

Wm. Murray
Bellevue
Nov. 30. Chgo.
Chicago -
Sincerely

John J. Simpson
Hollidaysburg
Pa

Nov. 30.

Asking Vol 2^d Mexican
Boundary Survey.

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Hollidaysburg Pa
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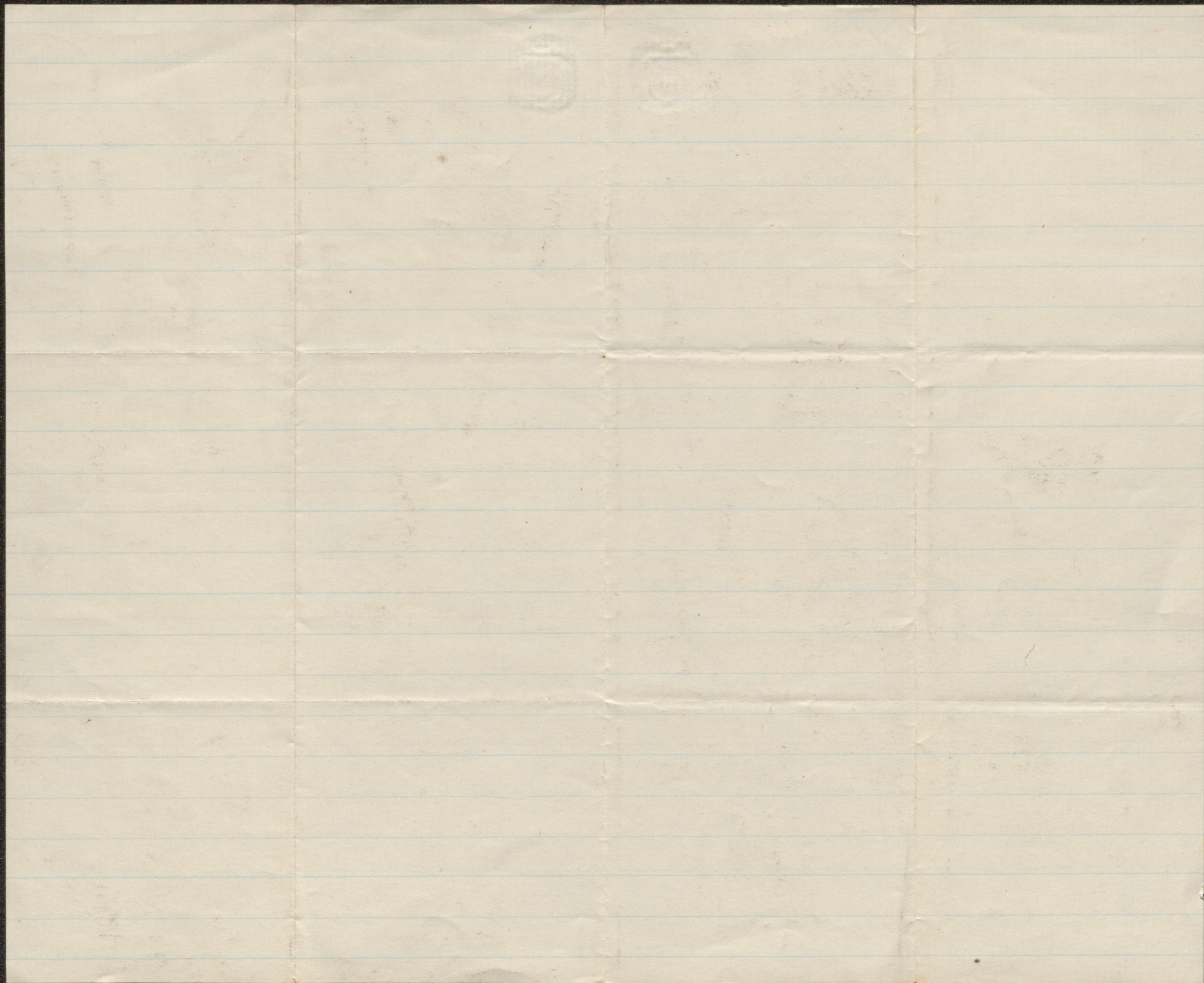
Am. S. A. Mingle,
Scribner

You would greatly oblige, by
sending me Vol. 2^d
"Mexican Boundary
Survey" by Capt Emory.
I wish it particularly
to complete the set.

I am delighted to
learn that you are
convalescent, and hope
you soon will be able
to prosecute your
labors.

Very Your friend,

John J. Simpson



Confederation of free
Monty Nov 30th 1857

Hand. L. A. Douglas
Wm L. Washington
Or Sir

I am exceedingly
obliged to you for the paper rec^d this
morning. Your reply and answer
to Judge Black. These documents I
had the pleasure of reading some
few weeks since, and most cordially
indorse the sentiments therein contained.
Your arguments are full and
conclusive (I think), and I believe
will become acceptable to the
people and the policy of the
South. // Mr. Forsyth's Member from
Mobile made a splendid speech
in the ~~Senate~~ House yesterday
in defence of your position &
Popular Sovereignty. // As soon as
published I will send you a
copy. I shall be pleased to receive

from you at any time such
Articles for circulation from you
as may tend to enlighten the
people upon your position in
regard to Popular Sovereignty in
the Territories and tend to
your future Political Advancement.

It is a source of
all your friends here to learn
that your health ~~is~~ also
that of Mrs. D. is now
regarded as improving and
that ere long you both
may be entirely restored.

In very great haste
I am truly

Yours frd
W A Smith

The Senate passed a resolution last week
to bring up the Senatorial Election to-
day. It reached the House, and the
Congress was further postponed.

Fitzpatrick Yancy & Gov Winston are
the Contenders. Gov. Fitzpatrick is the
strongest in the contest, and his
opponents are for putting it off -
hoping for (as Mr McCawber would
say) ~~that~~ something might turn
up -

The result will be Fitzpatrick elected
and the defeat of Yancy &
Winston. The Winston faction how-
ever; I think sympathize with
F. - and will favor you as to
his Claims. Gov. W. has no sympathy
with his enemies, and would
(I have no doubt) prefer F.
to Y.

You may be assured however
that F. will be returned to the
Senate - I regard as one of
your friends -

W. A. Smyth
Montgomery
Mo. 30. Ala.

Friendly
Answered Dec. 7. 37



Wm Bolding
Weaponville
Iowa
Decr 1859.

Political



Massonville Iowa
Hon S A Douglas

Dear Sir

I hope by the time this comes
to hand that you will be
found well & Able to Battle
with your Enemies in fact
it does seem that Both the
Enemies of the Democracy &
a portion of them also is doing
all in their power to Destroy
the principles that you are
advocating. Well Battle on
fight for your Common Country
if your Doctrines fall
with it must come the pillory
of this Government I see no
Chance for this Government
to stand as the these
several views as
entertained by Both parties

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I would like to see this ~~very~~
Question out of Congressional
action, and let the people
settle it for themselves they
are able to settle these diff:
culties without paying men
\$8 pr day to do it for them
The Country demands the
time & Talents of her good
men to be devoted to a
better purpose the Home
Lys are crying to you for
homes for Land to Cultivate
The God of Nature made it
for them & They should
have it, now friend Douglas
use your Talents in a passif
ic way try to quell all
this excitement & have
the Country once more
assured that we have
good men enough to
save the Country

I have always been a
Sound Popular Sovereign
mty man, and believe
that this was the true object
of the establishment of this Gov
ernment that the Government
should be in the hands of the
people, Our Fore Fathers &
Conclude believed that we
were Capable of Self Govern
ment and to that end the
Government was established
go on then on your err
and of Mercy rather
the Laurels from the brow
of the Tree of Liberty &
ere long the people will
Plat a Crown for you
that will be as lasting as the
principles you have fought
for then go on

Cy 1866
W B Bolding

J. W. Gray
Cleveland, Ohio
Decr. 1859

Introducing Mr & Mrs
L. W. Weston of
Ill.

Plain Dealer Office,

Cleveland, Dec 2 1859

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[m.d.]

Dear Sir

The Messrs Mr & Mrs
L W Weston of Tonica Illinois
are on a Social visit to Washington
They are particular friends of
mine & only call to pay their
respects to yourself & Lady

Respectfully

Your friend

Saml A Douglass

J W Gray

Dec. 1859
m.d.

Wayne Griswold
Circleville
Dec. 1859

My dear Sir

Circleville Dec.

Dear Sir. Your letter was
gladly received. I was pleased to
hear from you. I would not
trespass upon your valuable time
by writing again at present were
it not for the deep anxiety I feel
for the success of the democratic party
believing as I do that the very sal-
vation of the union depends on the
triumph of the democracy in the
and that the party will be utterly
defeated with all that can be
done unless you are nominated
at Charleston. Therefore you will
permit me to make a few sug-
gestions, humble as they
may be. I think now that the North
west will be united at Charleston
for you unless there should be some
great cheat in the instance.

It strikes me that much depends
upon your Illinois convention
that their acts will have great
weight upon the delegates of the
nation as well as upon the people.

To make them proceedings the
more effective, in my humble
opinion they ought to send out
with their proceedings a concise
address giving a short biograph-
ical sketch, a detail of the great
measures and principles you
have moved and defended
before the country, your uniform
and entire devotion to the union
and the constitution, and
prominent your life struggle
against the abolitionists, and the
bitter hatred with which they have
followed you for twenty years.

Your friends would like this
to send to every delegate in
the union as far as they are
chosen. Your nomination is
equivalent to an election, and
that will soon be in the hands
of a few hundred delegates, and
a few pointed inquiries placed in
the hands of each would have a
great effect.

The first cry at Charleston
from every rotten anti-republican
howler will be to try to get up the
impression that your friends are

not sound. Every pet will be
sent there to produce an effect.
If any of these rascals go from
Ohio I shall have them secured
in my pocket such as Gould
Johnson, Merrill & Morton.
But your friends who are
thousands & are spread
over in advance, large num-
bers will go to Charleston, and
they should pass through the
South as soon as they can
on four routes from Cairo in
the route and Washington and
all the way they should speak out
clearly, quiet but decisive that
the North will stand by the union
and the laws but to do anything
we must have you nominated.

That you and your friends are
the true old-fashioned democracy
who will, as they ever have stood
by all the rights of the South, as
well as the North.

Your friends ought to have a
perfect understanding, and a
concert of action before they go
to Charleston, so as to be prepared
to meet the intrigues that your

enemies will correct for this
occasion, we shall have
a most excellent delegation
from Ohio. I shall go to

Columbus upon day in ad-
vance of our State Convention
to see the friends as they come
in, we shall elect four able
Douglas Democrats at that con-
vention, and if you think
of anything we ought to do, to ad-
vance the great cause of democ-
racy, that is your nomination
upon our suggestions if
I am left to judge what is best
I shall add what I can to the
Douglas hall

Every step from this time to the
Charleston Convention ought to be so taken
that we will have no regrets, on that any
thing should be left undone. Your
friends must not fail for the people
demand your nomination, and
for a name. I am ready to work for
this great end with me second and
would from Charleston that you are
the nominee for 1860. You will please
excuse my lengthy letter and perhaps promise
time but there is so much to be done that
I would rather have you than to have it
written by me. Most truly yours
Wm. L. Garrison

Kansas City Mo

Hon S. A. Douglas Sir

By referring to your list of correspondence you will find I have been located at Lexington Mo. Leane & Co. Ills. Recently however I have emigrated to the interior of the Territory of Kansas. I am here on business and find upon looking over the Illinois Items that you had a most glorious triumph over Black Republicanism and the powers of the administration, and you may depend it was gratifying to me to see Illinois was redeemed. I live at a remote part of the Territory consequently am not well posted in matters which have transpired lately. You will therefore oblige me very much by sending me any information which you may think proper. I am living on the New York Land. These are very fine lands the Best in the Territory. I shall speak of them more fully during the next session of congress.

My address is J. A. Hart
Cofachiqui
Allen & K. T.

and shall be much pleased to receive
communications of any kind from your Hon^{or}
Very respectfully yours

Hon^{or}
" J. A. Douglas
N. S. C.

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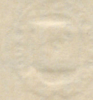
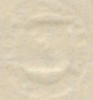
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New Oregon Iowa
Hon S. A. Douglass
Washington City
Dear Sir

Would you be so
kind as to send me
a Map of Central
America that was
printed for distribution
& oblige Your
humble servant

J. L. Lawver



[Faint, illegible handwritten text visible through the paper, likely bleed-through from the reverse side.]

[Dec. 1859]

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Dear Sir

Please send me
your "Autograph," together with some original
Sentiment

Yours &c
Wm Martin
Rodney
Mississippi

10^m, of Martin
Rodney
Dec. 37 Miami
Autograph

[Dec. 1859]

Office National agriculturist
 Pittsburgh Pa
 Hon Stephen A Douglass
 Dear Sir

Although my paper
 is published in this ~~State~~ I circulate
 extensively in the west & south.

Having at one time resided in
 your State I have an advantage of an
 acquaintance and send to a large por-
 tion of the western & north western parts
 of that State

I would be under
 great obligations for public documents
 either for this or previous years

Any favors will be duly re-
 -ciprocat~~ed~~ by one of your nearly
 political friends - who stuck to
 you at "Como", "Erie" and other
 parts of your own State in the darkest
 part of your polite career
 Yours &c D. D. Wright

J. T. Wright,
Editor of "National
Agriculturist" -
Pittsburg, Pa
Decr 1859.

An old political
friend - Solicits
public documents

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