

Boston, March 13. 1860.

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Will you have
the kindness to send me two
copies of your recent speech
in Reply to Lincoln

Yours truly, Sam

Chas. J. Adams

No. 9 State St.

Atty at Law.

Charles I. Adams
attorney at law
No 9. State St. Boston
March 13-1860

asks for two copies of
reply to Seward.

East Whately Mass March 13th 1860

Hon Stephen A Douglass

Washington D.C. Dear Sir

I need your fresh relation to invasion of States for which I thank you. I have the pleasure of Meeting you a number of times in Illinois during your last ~~national~~ Campaign, and I have been Ambitious since to secure a seat in the Charleston Convention as a delegate from my District, which was at that ^(District) Convention granted me. I now I wish to cast my vote in the right direction for President of these U.S. I have no hesitancy at all in the matter. I am fully convinced we can not elect any man to that position unless he is your friend & heartily endorsed by you. I fear we may be beaten with any Candidate even with your endorsement aside from yourself, I know there is much enthusiasm in this State for you among the Democrats, as in all the Eastern & Northern States, but how far the present Administration will influence the votes of our delegation I do not know. The Massachusetts delegation would have been instructed to cast their vote for Stephen A Douglass by a large Majority had the question been voted upon, ~~that Mass is our~~

Choice ~~man~~. Now I am no politician but
having always voted the Democratic ticket,
and consequently always in the minority in
my own State, and ~~at~~ believing it more im-
portant than even that we nominate a the
man at Charleston who can be elected; and
as everything seems to hang on the action
of that Convention; I desire your advice as
to what course to pursue, I intend to stop at
Washington a day or two on my way to
Charleston I should be pleased to see
you there. I do not wish advise as to what on
the whole is best, but how to accomplish
a certain thing ~~which~~ I think is best.
Hoping you may find time to gratify me
in my request

I remain Yr friend & Servt

Joshua Ellis

Ever Wholly

Yrs

Josiah allis
East Whately, Mass.^{ts}
March 13-1860

Delegate to Charleston.
Wishes instruction &c. Will
call on Judge D. on his
way to Convention.

Ans March 25/60.

Covington Mo Nov 13th 1860

To the Honorable Stephen A Douglas

Honored sir

you will please excuse for taking the liberty of addressing but it is going to be trying times here this summer the republicans have commenced the campaign here already and I want to be prepared for them as soon as possible therefore I hope your honour will be so kind as to send me all the debates and democratic speeches delivered in Congress also some public documents I want them to give to my Democratic friends also all the spare newspapers you can send I have been living here alone Democrat for fourteen years but I have one more good Democrat living here now Doctor Van Buren him and myself constitutes the whole of the Democracy of this burgh but we have a good many in the town the Honorable Ezra Miller P M Janesville he is now in Washington if you should happen to be acquainted with him he will tell you what kind of a Democrat I am

your very humble servant

J B Collins Deft
P M

J. B. Collins. P.M.

Cooksville, Wisconsin

March 13-1860

asks for speckles, &
pub. doct. for campaign.

Private
Confidential

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Surveyors Office 27. 29 Pine St -
Custom House, N.Y. March 13/10

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Dear Sir,

I take the liberty of addressing myself to you, as a N.Y. Democrat, in favor of your principles, and a strong supporter of you, at the Chautauque Convention for the nomination of President of the United States. I was told this morning if I would persist in advocating your cause, that I would get my head cut off, well let Mr Cobb or his agent Mr Guthrie do so. I care nothing about it, I am a freeman, and as such, I have a right to choose between evil & good. This same Mr Guthrie agent of the Treasury Department, whose office is to see,

that the revenue is properly collected
and that laws and regulations
of the treasury department properly
come out, instead of attending to
this, he is trying to make Capital
just for his namesake Antonio, of
Kentucky, now the music is changed,
he is for Cobb of Georgia, well
may Mr Cobb say, well done thou
good and faithful servant.
I have been a warm admirer of
my friend Hon H. A. Wise, but he has
no chance at Charleston, we have
two sets of Delegates, in all the
Congressional Districts of the State
you will find dependence on the Wood
Delegation, the Syracuse Delegation
I think will go for you, I am
a member of the Empire Club
of the City of Brooklyn, we
are nearly all in favor of
Douglas, we go to Charleston

with our delegates, there is strong
betting in and around the Customs
house, on who will get the
nomination, your friends tell
freely, yesterday the offer to
bet two to one that you would
be the next nominee of the
Charleston Convention, there is
some betting that Dickinson of N.Y.
+ Stephens of Georgia will be
the attendance bears witness
thus, one betting, that, Douglas
of Ill. + Hammond of S. C.
will be the next P. O. & J. P.

The excitement is still increasing
I would like you would write
me, you will find in me a
friend and a true Democrat.
Very Respectfully your Obt.
Sert-

How
S. A. Douglas &
Washington
D.C.

Oliver L. Potter
308. Pacific St.
Brooklyn
N.Y.



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308 Pacific St. Brooklyn
New York March 13 1860

Political - New York
Delegates - Empire Club of
N. accompanies delegates to
Charleston.

Harpers Ferry Va
March 13th 60

Hon S. A. Douglas
Dear Sir

allow me
a mechanic, the privilege of
addressing you with a few lines,
which I have long since
desired to do,

Two years ago
myself and two others in this
town, Harpers Ferry stood alone
battling for you against the
administration democrats, it
now gives me pleasure to say
to you, that we can ^{now} boast
of having a majority out of
four hundred democrats, good
Douglas men, the immortal three
above alluded to, have been
waiting in their jail for you
why sir two years ago the 8th
day of this month, March my
better half presented me with
a noble boy, who ^{now} has your name
Stephen Douglas Earnshaw, and when

This was known the anti Douglas
men denounced me as a free soiler
but now they are the ~~say~~ some
kind of free soilers themselves
if to ~~sustain~~ you is free soiling
then I want to be one

I hope that
you ^{will} pardon me for thus trespass-
ing upon your time

Very Respectfully
Jc Jc Jc
Thos. J. Barnshaw

Thos. J. Earnshaw
Harper's Ferry, Va.
March 13 - 1860

On the 8th March 1858, a
son was born to him, &
he was named
Stephen Douglas Earnshaw

Wm. D. Douglass

W. D. Douglass

Wm. D. Douglass

END



Wilkes Barre, Pa March 13. 1860

Dr. Sir.

Permit an old friend of yours to ask of you a favor. When I say an old friend, I perhaps had better in a measure qualify it somewhat. - My acquaintance personally dates only from 1852, when I met you at our Mass meeting at Milwaukee, which I doubt not you will remember well, as you visited that city in company with Genl Cap. Gov Dodge, Senator Dodge of Iowa & Senator Weller, of California. - At that time Sir, I was then a resident & working Democrat, am so still, and do hope Sir, to have the pleasure of casting a vote this fall for Stephen A. Douglas for President.

If I am any judge of the signs, I have no doubt but I shall be so gratified. -

The favor which I wished to ask of you Sir, is this. I am engaged in assisting the Hon E. B. Chase of this place & Speaker of the House of Representatives of this State, in compiling a Book, on the Slavery question, for the Campaign this fall, and we are very much in want of the Appendix to the Congressional Globe, containing the debates

on the Kansas Nebraska Bill, and we cannot get along very well without it especially as we wish to give you Closing speech entire upon that subject.

If you could consistently do me the favor to send me that volume, I can assure you, that it will be highly prized by me, and I trust will be of some service in the Campaign this fall.

The prospect permit me also to add look favorable for you so far as the delegates are from this State. I think I can assure you, that, at least one half of them are for you, and probably more.

Please let me have a line from you, if not too much trouble.

To
Hon. S. A. Douglas
U. S. Senate.

Yours truly
John E. Force

P. S. If you cannot send the Appendix entire, please send your speech upon that occasion.

John E. Force
Milkebarre, Pa.
March 13-1860

Requesting Hon. E. B. Chase to
Compile a campaign book on
the slavery question.

asks for the volume,
appendix to Congrs. Globe, containing
debates on Kansas, Nebraska
Bill, or if that not possible,
send speeches ~~on that of~~
Judge D. on that occasion.

Ans March 18/60

[Mar 13, 1860]

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

As I
am getting a collection
of autographs, I think
it in no way complete
without yours would ^{you} there-
fore please send it as soon
as convenient.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
H. L. Haines.
No. 1716 Green St.
Philada.
Pa.

March 13th 1860

H. L. Haines
2017 1/6 Green St. Phila.

March 13 - 1860

asking for Autograph.

Peterborough, N.H. —
March 13, 1860.

Hon. S. A. Douglas,
Dear Sir —

Will you be so kind as to send me copies of your pamphlets on "Popular Sovereignty" issued last Autumn & Winter, together with Judge Black's replies and the pamphlets of the "Southern Inquirer", & greatly oblige me. It is a question in which all American freemen are, or ought to be, interested, & I should be glad to read the whole discussion in an authentic form. I should return it no small favor, to receive also your speeches delivered this winter.

Very respectfully yours,
R. B. Hatch.

R. B. Hatch

Peterboro'. New Hampshire

March 13. 1860

asking for article on
Pop. Sov. in Harper, & Judge
Black, reply &c.
also, speeches.

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New York

March 13, 1860.

Dear Sir:

The Connecticut Democratic State Committee say they have written you, inviting you to visit Connecticut and address the people previous to the State Election, but that you have made no reply to their invitation.

Under existing circumstances, I think their letter should be answered. I have said to them that if their letter had reached you, you certainly would have replied. It was no doubt signed by Alfred E. Burr, Chairman of the State Com. Hartford Conn.

Very Res. & truly Yrs,
J. Holbrook.

Yours

S. A. Bayles.

J. Halbrook
New York City
March 13 - 1860

Urging that Judge D.
would answer the letter
of the Ch. Comm^{ty} State
Central Committee, asking
him to visit Conn^{ty}.

RECORD.

Sold by
Clark & Son,
68 Dock St.
Phila.

Pittsburg Mar 13th

Douglass Literary Society, Head Quarters

Hon Stephen A Douglass

I have been
appointed a committee to confer with you to
ascertain if you would allow your name to
be used in the above manner, if you have
no objections we intend to form a Society with
the above name and therefore I await your
reply

Yours Respectfully.

Jay T Howard

Hon Stephen A Douglass R.S.S.

Jay T. Howard

Pittsburg, Pa.

March 13th 1860

wishes to know if Judge
D. has any objection to
the use of his name, by
the "Douglas Literary Society."

Ans March 18th 1860.

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Canandaigua 13 March 1860

Hon S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir

Allow me to call your attention to the Bill recently introduced by Hon Alfred Ely to remove the U.S. Circuit Court from this village to Rochester. At the request of many of your Friends in this vicinity I write this letter and we all trust, that, the Bill will meet with your strong and determined opposition.

My Wife has this moment come into my office & sends her respects to yourself and Mrs Douglas. She adds, that she trusts and expects you will be our next President. I say Amen. You have and are gaining hosts of Friends in this State.

Please remember me kindly to Mrs D.
I remain now as ever your sincere
Friend Vc Vc
J. M. Howitt



J. M. Maxwell
Canandaigua, New York.
March 13-1860

asking Judge D. to oppose
the Bill introduced in March
by Hon. Alfred Ely, "to remove
the U.S. Circuit Court
from Canandaigua to Rochester".

New-Haven 13th March 1860

Dear Sir

Take the liberty to
introduce to you by this note, Dr.
L. A. Thomas, the Post master
of New-Haven, who goes to
Washington, to invite some one
or more of the leading Demo-
cratic Statesmen in Congress,
to visit Connecticut, & favour
us with Campaign addresses
during the spirited canvass
now going on - preparatory
to our State election. I have
indulged the hope all along
that you might be persuaded
to comply with our wishes,
& Dr Thomas' wish

is for the purchase of renewing
to you personally, an invitation
from the Democracy, which I last
week communicated to you by
letter. I sincerely hope that
you may find it convenient
to favor us in this respect before
our state campaign closes.

With great respects
and your obedient
servant
W. L. Garrison

The Honorable

Stephen A. Douglas
U. S. Senator
Washington

R. I. Ingersoll

New Haven, Conn^{tt}.

March 13 - 1860

Introducing Dr. L. A. Thomas
P. M. at New Haven, who
visits Washⁿ to obtain
the presence in Conn^{tt} of
Judge D., & other prominent
Democrats, &c.

10,916

1865

Bethlehem Iowa Mar 13
Hon S. A. Douglas
Please send
me two copies of
your Speech on
the bill to protect
the States and Territ-
ories against invasion
&c And any other
documents that
might be of use to
the Democracy of
this western country
in the coming
campaigns And
if any remuneration
is necessary to procure
them it shall be forth-
coming Address J Jones
Bethlehem Wayne Co
Iowa Yours Truly J Jones

G. Jones

Bethlehem, Wayne Co. Iowa

March 13 - 1860

asks for two copies of speech
on "Invasion of States"; & other
speeches.

10,917

Belfast Nis Mch 13/60

My dear Sir

I have just been informed by a friend that your reply to Seward & Trumbull can be obtained from the printer at 50 cts per hundred, but cannot learn what printer to address. I therefore take the liberty to ask you to forward them to me. I can make good use of them. Enclosed please find the price of two hundred.

I am truly your friend
B O'Connor

B. O'Connor

Beloit, Rock Co. Wisem.ⁿ

March 13 - 1860

Enclose's 1st. wherein
to purchase from Printer
200 copies of Judge D's
reply to Seward &c.



H. V. Brown

Deloit, Wash. D. C.

June 15 - 1885

Dear Mr. Brown

I have just received

the copy of the

report of the

My dear Sir

I have just received

the copy of the

report of the

committee on

the subject of

the proposed

amendment to

the constitution

of the State

and I am glad

to hear that

it has been

accepted by

the people.

I am, Sir, very

truly yours,

H. V. Brown

Lowell March 13th

Mr Douglas

Dr Sir

I am a poor man, but I have the right of every freeman in this great and glorious country that is to vote for the man that I think will look out for the country's good and that right I mean to take.

One year ago I was a Black Republican, but now thank the Lord I see the error of my ways and am trying to make up for it.

And to try and atone for
my past errors I have got
about thirty of my republican
friends to vote for you if
not the straight ticket.
Although I have never seen
you yet your sentiments
are such as to make me
like you very much and so
I work for you, and if I
~~may~~ be allowed to express
my opinion you will carry
Howell by a large majority
And who else shall I vote
for. If you'll take the trouble
to write to me I will vote
for whoever you say.
Hoping to hear from you I
remain Your Truly C't
Servant Robt. Sharns

P.S. If you take the trouble
to write to me please address

Robt. Stearns
Lowell
Mass

Robert Stearns
Lowell, Mass is
March 13-1860
has a Black Republican,
but now he is busy of his
friends as for Esty. S.
I will write for any one
Esty. S. writes.
Albany.



Baltimore March 15th 1860

Hon. Stephen A. Douglass

My Dear Sir

Will you have the kindness to send me about one hundred copies of your speech in reply to Seward & Sumner, delivered in the Senate of the U. S. Feb. 29th 1860. I would like to have them immediately as I think I can use them to a very good and profitable purpose at this time; I would like to be furnished if I could with all your letters & speeches relative to the great question Popular Sovereignty. Tomorrow we meet in convention to elect two delegates to represent the Ed Congressional District in the Charleston Convention, I think you will be informed that the Hon. William Byrd & Col. Barville Mansbury will be chosen if so it will be a Douglass triumph.

Yours With sentiments of High Esteem

Milton N. Taylor

14th Arguith St. Balt.



Milton N. Taylor

Baltimore, Md.

March 13 1860

asks for 100 copies of
Speech in reply to Seward
& Sumner; & also all
articles illustrating doctrine
of pop. sov.



Independence March 13^a/60
Hon S. A. Douglas
Sir

Will you be pleased
to instruct your Secretary to send
in answer to Sewall
me copies of your speech also
that of Hon J Davis for distribution.
I am endeavouring to raise money
to send to the National Central
Committee for the purpose of
sending us documents during
the Campaign, — I see some
persons are endeavouring to raise
the belief that the Delegates from Iowa
are not instructed to vote for you
as our standard bearer, they indeed
must have strange delusions.
No man could have received the
appointment, if he or his friends had
not pledged themselves for you
Yours truly & fraternally
S Bayard Thomas

J. Bayard Thomas

Independence. Iowa

March 13-1860

asking for copies of
reply to Seward, &
Leff. Davis' speech.
for distribution



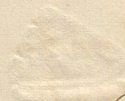
Hon. J. A. Douglas

[Mar. 13, 1860]

Dear Sir,

I sent you a communication a few days since from New York. I intended to have mailed it from here but forgot to put it in the P.O. here and did not discover my oversight until I reached W. Va.

Abe Lincoln enlightened us Nash Saturday evening on the "nigger" question. I have given it a hasty review in to day's "Farmer" which I have cut out and enclose with this. I presume his speech ^{there} contains the same points that he advanced in the contest with you. If you have any copies of your speech in reply to him will you do me the favor to forward some. Our prospects in this State are brightening every day and as the time of battle draws near we feel more



Confident of victory.

Very Respectfully Yours
Frederick Thompson

Bridgport Conn
March 13th 1860

^{to}
Frederick W. Thompson
Bridgeport, Conn't.

March 13 - 1860

an article in "Farmer" in
reply to abe Lincoln's address
in Bridgeport.

asks for Judge D's
speeches in reply to abe L.
in Illinois canvass.

Raymond M. Mack 1869
Cumberland Gap

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

Will you

please send me a few
of your speeches on pro-
tecting States from in-
vasion —

Very Resp^{ly} yours

Wm Wither

Ira Witham
Raymond, Maine
March 13 - 1860

asking for speech on
"Invasion of States."

