

New York June 14th 1860

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Sir. Will you please send me
a copy of your last great speech in the Senate.
I have tried to get in New York but I could not, that
is why I trouble you for it. I hope you will
excuse me.

I have the honor to remain
your obedient servant

William C. Clifford.

Address

W. C. Clifford
New York City

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June 14-1860

Copy of reply to Davis.

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J. Barrett Cohen
18 Wall St.
New York City.
June 14-1860

Copy of reply to Davis;
Harper article -
Invasion of States, &c.

J. BARRETT COHEN,
JOS. W. MOSES.

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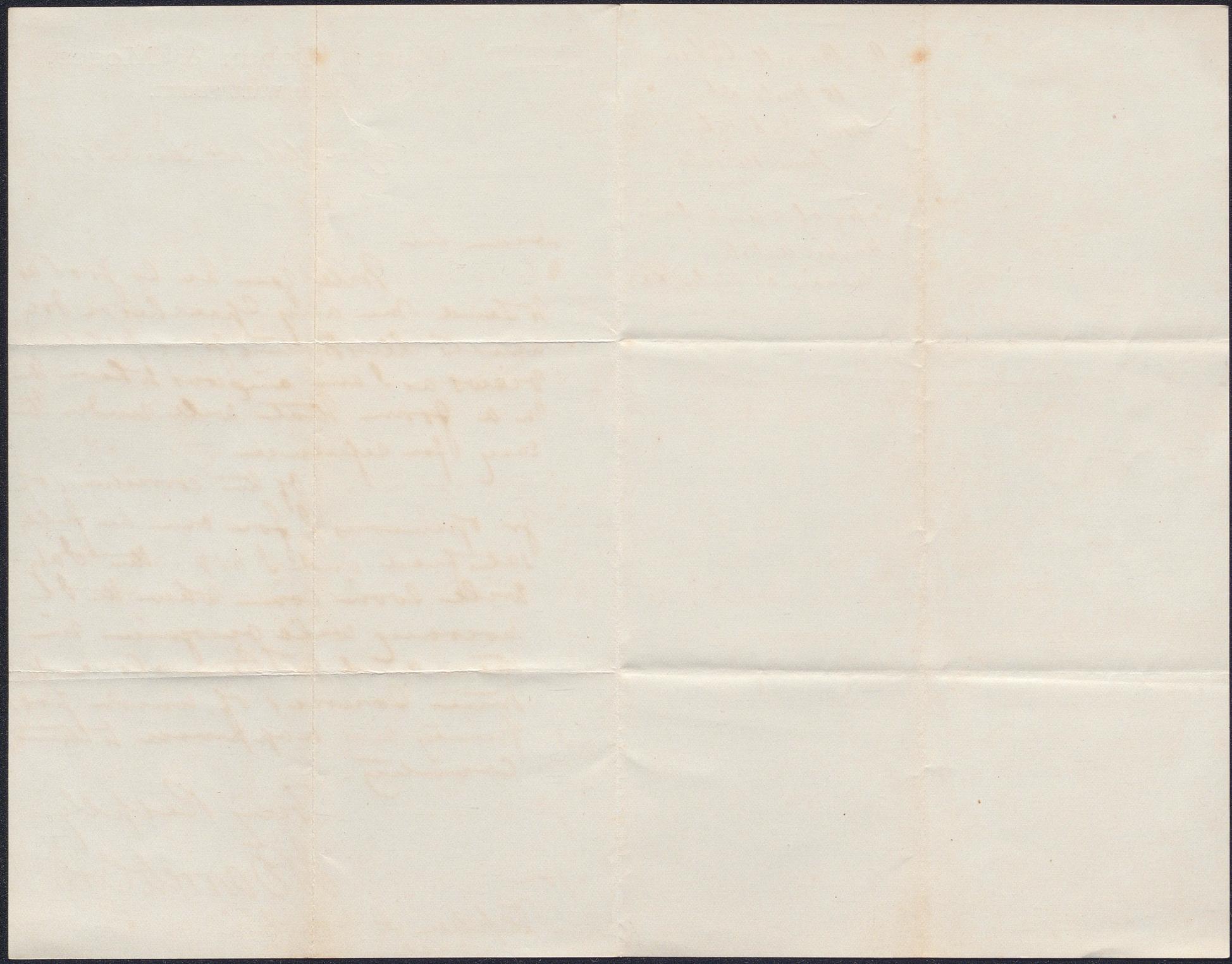
New-York, 14 June 1861

Dear Sir

Will you be so good as
to lend me any speeches or doc-
uments illustrating your political
views as I am anxious to have them
in a form that will render them
easy for reference.

Of the correctness of
your opinions I for one am fully
satisfied and I hope the day
will soon come when the Dem-
ocracy will recognise in
them and in them alone the
true sources of union pros-
perity and happiness to the
country.

Very Respectfully
Yours
J. Barrett Cohen
Stephen A. Douglas
Washington



12,857

City of Brooklyn June 14th 1860

Dear Sir

The time is at hand when to prevent this Union from wreck and at the same time secure a triumph to the Democratic party some master stroke of policy is required for a large portion of the people are bewildered upon the subject of Slavery and the Democratic party appears to them to occupy a false position. The crafty enemies of peaceful progress taking the advantage of this lack of proper information upon this subject and by arousing the prejudices that pervades the free states against Slavery as a principle they have been enabled to turn the popular feelings against the Democratic party and lift themselves into the position of patriots and reformers. And unless we devise some means to break the spell into which these pseudo philanthropists have magnetized the free states I fear our forces will be overwhelmed in November by a huge army of misguided fanatics led on by Demagogues who to serve their ambition would rend our union into shreds. To avert this threatening calamity is our duty and any and every honorable device that will aid us in the work should be adopted. I believe that God will prosper our object if we labor with befitting energy.

It is our nations wish to annex by degrees the continent and Islands of America into one great Republic and spread the blessings of civilization and liberty, and it is against this policy that the opposite party has ever been arrayed, and at this moment the mass of the people are with them because they are led to believe that it would perpetuate and increase Slavery. But this delusion once removed the people would be with us and the government be permanently Democratic. This can be accomplished for I think that the most favorable circumstances that

ever occurred present themselves for our use.

The republican leaders charge our party as being pro-slavery and the mass believe them to disabuse their minds is our duty and we have a favorable opportunity and at the same time place the opposition leaders where they belong. The Democratic party has never defended Slavery as a principle though it has shielded the institution as it existed at the formation of the confederacy and extended its protection to the pioneer in the Territories in the enjoyment of rights of recognized in the States yet it has ever opposed the Slave trade as piratical and the present administration has vigorously prosecuted those who have dared to practice the trade while it has religiously observed the constitutional obligations to the slave holder. Proving that our party is not pro-slavery but (honorable observing the spirit of contracts entered into with those of different views) the most practical and formidable enemy the institution has to encounter. For the safety of our Union the people should know this and steps taken to spread that knowledge before it is too late.

The Island of Cuba is the great market for African and Cooley slaves and will continue so, so long as it remains under Spanish rule, which is a great temptation to our merchants and sailors, and a vast expense to our government to guard the coast capture the rebels and return the Africans to their native soil. To destroy this market, remove the temptation and render this marine police unnecessary is the step that must be taken which is the abstraction of that Island. Cuba once a member of this confederacy, the slave trade is destroyed and as the white population aided with new inventions of labor saving machinery flows southward the institution will gradually die out which is the only peaceful or

practical method of removing it. And this has ever been the policy of the Democratic party without making any pretence to special philanthropy.

But the time has come when it is necessary that the Democracy should put forth its claims as the real humanitarians and only practical political progressives. Let us raise the standard of opposition to the slave trade which is a puny fightful proportion, to accomplish which Cuba must be purchased that this traffic may be broken up.

This view forcibly presented to the people by the Democratic party would quicken their understanding win the sympathies of the benevolent and strip the mask from those Demagogues who have blinded the people with their sophistry.

I think that if the convention at Baltimore can see the question in this light and impress it into their platform the death knell of the Republican party will have been sounded and the victory of the Democracy rendered certain.

As a Democrat wishing our party success I have taken the liberty of addressing you asking your attention to the proposition and if meeting with favor you will make much use of it as in your judgment will serve our cause.

Yours with great respect
John B. Davis

To U.S. Senator

Stephen A. Douglas

June 14/60

J. B. Davis

Brooklyn

N.Y.

Politics

1860

Prestwich June 14th 1856

Dear Sir

I have expected I should write to you & take the liberty of addressing you and hope the w^{ch} best I make of you will meet with favour. I was for seven years a resident of Galena Ill^d, where I took an active part in the politics of both the City of Galena and the County of Jo Daviess. I was one of the Committee appointed to make arrangements for your Reception in 1854 when you addressed the Convention in the year of the Decastth October. We no longer as all Good Persons of that State know belong to you, and allow me to say that I trust you are increasing these feelings here if possible more & in account of the following stand taken by you on the 1st of November.

The request I have to make is that you will send me all the documents papers, speeches &c necessary to put me in full view to and that better enable me to work during the coming campaign.

I make this request hoping with all my soul
that you will be the next Standard-bearer of the Democratic
Party, and Standard-bearer in the approaching Presidential
Campaign.

Without you I can
ask you that few men would brought
us over the drinking and gambling classes
when ever I lived there. And for the prop
of this association, I will inform you the following
leading Democrats of Galena namely

B. B. Howard, Dickie Jackson, Daniel Van
Horn, McFerrin, Nicholas Coulter, Major Shrock,
or George M. Mohel, as a proof of how
I acted there allow me to assure you that
I run a stamp ticket for Supervisor in
the fourth ward against anti-slavery Stevenson
and ex Mayor Adams both of whom we
Cincinnati had piled nearly as much
votes as both together.

If you get the nomination from the
Whig Union Convention which I sincerely
hope you will do by every interested
interests, and country shall be devoted
to your success. As long I was still
a resident of Ill.

I am ever your truly
Hon Alpha A. Rydis

J. L. Pease
Owner of Court in Hamilton's Block

L. L. Dease

Cornel Court & Hamilton
States-

Brooklyn, N. Y.

June 14, 1860

Complimentary &c.
and asks for
"Campaign documents."



June 14/60 ^{12,860}
T. H. H. Hood
Baptist
Biblical advice

Baltimore June 14th 1860
Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Washington D.C.

My dear Sir

Since 1852, I

have been an enthusiastic
admirer of yourself, and on
all occasions have advocated
your pre-eminent claims to
the highest honors of the Re-
public.

Premising this, and stating
further that I am not a
"politician" from the convic-
tion that the trade of such
is inconsistent with patriotism,
as politics go now a days, I
venture to make an appeal
to you.

It is evident to every ob-

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servant man that the day
of "Conventions" has gone
by, that the Democratic
party, is thoroughly disorga-
nized, and will soon be
as dead as its old enemy
the Whig party, and that
a man with the nerve of
Jackson and the sagacity of
Madison will soon be needed
at the head of affairs.

The Man we have in you,
the Hour has not yet come.
Let me then ask you to
convert your present enemies
into friends, to rebuke the
interested plotters who hung
around you and clamor in
your name, and, by a present
act of patriotic self denial,
serve your Country, and

answer yourself for her
service at her hour of sorest
need. That will not be until
after the lapse of another
Presidential term.

For these reasons, let me,
a stranger to you personally,
but a friend and partisan
who can be relied on, for,
though I shall work and vote
for you, whether nominated
by the so called Democratic
Convention now, or by the
People in 1864, I shall never
have a favor to ask of you,
after the election, beg you
to instruct your friends to
withdraw your name from the
Baltimore Convention.

You will thus rebuke the
slanders of your enemies, nice

yourself of a swarm of
interested parasites who call
themselves your friends,
the sectional Republican
party will be defeated, to
gather new strength for a
deadlier struggle in 1864, and
you, recognized by all con-
servative men as the "Patriot"
self-denying statesman of
1860 will, as the candidate of
the People, not of a corrupt
conglomerate styled the "Demo-
cratic party" in 1864, ride into
office on a tide of public
enthusiasm such as never
was granted Andrew Jackson.

Most Respectfully

Your friend

& obt. Servt

Thos Fitz Lloyd

Pawtucket June 14, 1860.

Hon Stephen A. Douglas -
of the U.S. Senate.

My Dear Sir:

Although reluctant to occupy one moment of your time I cannot let the present opportunity pass without expressing my thanks for your able, triumphant and unanswerable speech of the 15th & 16th. ult. I have carefully read it twice, and it is the most conclusive and perfect vindication of the true democratic doctrine as endorsed by the whole democratic ^{part} North & South. Every true democrat for this alone, owes you a thousand thanks.

But, pardon me for one word of advice. Do not under any circumstances nor for the sake of any man, or body of men, withdraw your name from the Baltimore Convention. Should you do this the traitors of the party here, Cushing, Whitney, Butler & Leland will destroy all our hopes of political salvation, and with the seceders, perhaps destroy the Union itself.

We had a glorious meeting in the old Cradle of Liberty, & the speech of Hon. Mr. Johnson more than met the expectations of the people. The building was crammed to its utmost capacity - & the doctrine of non intervention met with a most hearty response in that vast audience. (I had the honor to be one of the Vice Presidents & a good opportunity to hear & see) Also a pleasant chat with Mr. Johnson, in regard to the difference between his name, & my own.

I need not tell you, as I have on another occasion, that there is a diabolical conspiracy among the office holders in Massachusetts, to defeat, if possible, your nomination. But let me beg of you again not to withdraw your name, and should it so happen, which may be the good sense of the party emphatically forbid, that you do not receive the nomination, still I say as there is proof enough enough that in that case it will be in defiance of all right & justice to the party ^{& yourself} you will owe it alike to the party & to yourself to allow yourself to be in the hands of your friends an independent Candidate - and in that case you will be triumphantly elected.

It so happens that I am a member of the Democratic State Committee, of Massachusetts. -

The other day, we had a meeting to consult about calling a State Convention to get an expression of the party. This was voted down - Then I introduced some resolves, about which I had previously conferred with Mr. Bailey, of the Boston Herald, (and on these a motion was subsequently made for a yea & nay vote.

After the meeting, as it was voted not to publish the proceedings, I made an effort to obtain of the Secy. a copy of this vote, or a copy to the record, but was refused by Mr. Foley, the Secy. and one of Genl. Motley's subs in the Custom House. The treachery & fraud is of the most unblushing and despicable character, & sue to relate President Buchanan is thus trying to destroy the very party by which he was placed in his lofty position.

With the hope ^{for} the right, & that the Almighty will still guide & protect you, I remain, My Dear Sir,
most respectfully
Yours, John Gould Gardner.

P.S.

I have just rec'd; and read,
a "Letter from the Hon. Wm. H.
Griswold, in reply to the Speech
of Hon B. F. Butter", which I should
hope may be useful to that gentleman
in his hours of affliction, after
having betrayed the Democracy
of the state, who made him their
Candidate for Gov'r - an honor
I am quite certain, he will
not again receive.

Most respt'ly Yours D. G.

Please excuse haste with which
I wrote.

Johnson Larimer
Patucket, May 25
June 14, 1830

Political - The Capt. &
officer however will
do every & very duty
tuck to prevent his
& nomination.
Rep. that Angle will
not withdraw etc.

Pro. Jones
Madisonville
Ohio

Requests You to
favor him with a
Toast to be read
at a celebration
on the 4th of July



June 14. 1860 12, 1862

Madisonville. Ohio
4 miles East of Cincinnati

Dear S A Douglas

Dear sir altho not
persally acquainted with
you I am politcally I have
voted the Democrat ticket
from my earliest time of
voting having voted for
Genl Jackson the first
time he was a candidate
and have voted for every
Democrat President down
to James Buchanan and
hope to live to vote for
your Honor, if nominated
if not for the slavery of
the Baltimore convention
be he whom he may
involved I send you a ticket
of invitation to attend the
coming Anniversary of the

4th of July at our Tavern
and if you can not
come favor us with a
Speech and it will be duly
Respected to on the day
and the whole Proceeding
duly published and a copy
Forwarded to you

Gen. W. H. Lytle of Cincinnati
is Selected as orator of the
day

I have two Sons in the
Registers office at Washington
Namely Charles J. James &
Jefferson James

to whom I send Invitations
to attend our Celebration
Should you be at the office
Please call on them
Your Friend personally
& Politically

John James

12,859

St Marys June 14th/60

Hon S. A. Douglas

Dear friend

after Presenting my

Best Respects to You, I will say
that I have Just enclosed
the resignation of Daniel Long^{dyng},
Post Master at St Marys Ills.
to Hon J. A. Morris, requesting
the appointment of our good
Citizen Parley Belknap as
Post Master at St Marys in
Hancock County Ills. in his
Place - Will You Please to
co-operate with him & see that
no other change is made
& P. Belknap appointed - ever
Your friend in haste E. W. Dorney

E.W. Downer
St. Marys
Ill.
P.O. / Business

12, 863

Raleigh June 14. 1860:

My Dear Sir:

Pardon me for troubling you. You have no better friend, than I am, in this country. No one can more anxiously desire your nomination & election. I should be perfectly willing to talk you without any platform. I certainly would neither desire, nor submit to, a platform which would embarrass you or defeat our North Western friends. - But would it not be prudent, under all the circumstances, for your friends to accept the Tennessee resolution? - I know the fact that it would satisfy some of our Delegates who otherwise might not be. & there are in our State some who might not support you, if circumcised, without this or some such resolution. Besides, its adoption, may bring Tennessee, Kentucky & Virginia to you.

I beg, however, that you will regard what I have said merely as a suggestion made for the consideration of our North Western friends. -

You have bee-

you all question gained strength
steadily and rapidly in this State, since
the Charleston Convention adjourned.
Seven out of ten of our Electors have
already publicly declared for you &
the other will support you, if now-
mated, with zeal. -

I hope for the best. I send
you a copy of the "Standard" con-
taining an extract from a speech I
made before a Democratic Convention
of this County composed of upwards
of two hundred delegates - Resolutions
introduced by Mr. Holden, endorsing
you passed that body unanimously.

With sentiments of high
regard I am Your friend & Ob. S. W.

A. Miller

Rev. S. A. Douglas. -

H. W. Miller
Raleigh
N.C.



Providence June 14th 60-

Honored dear Sir -

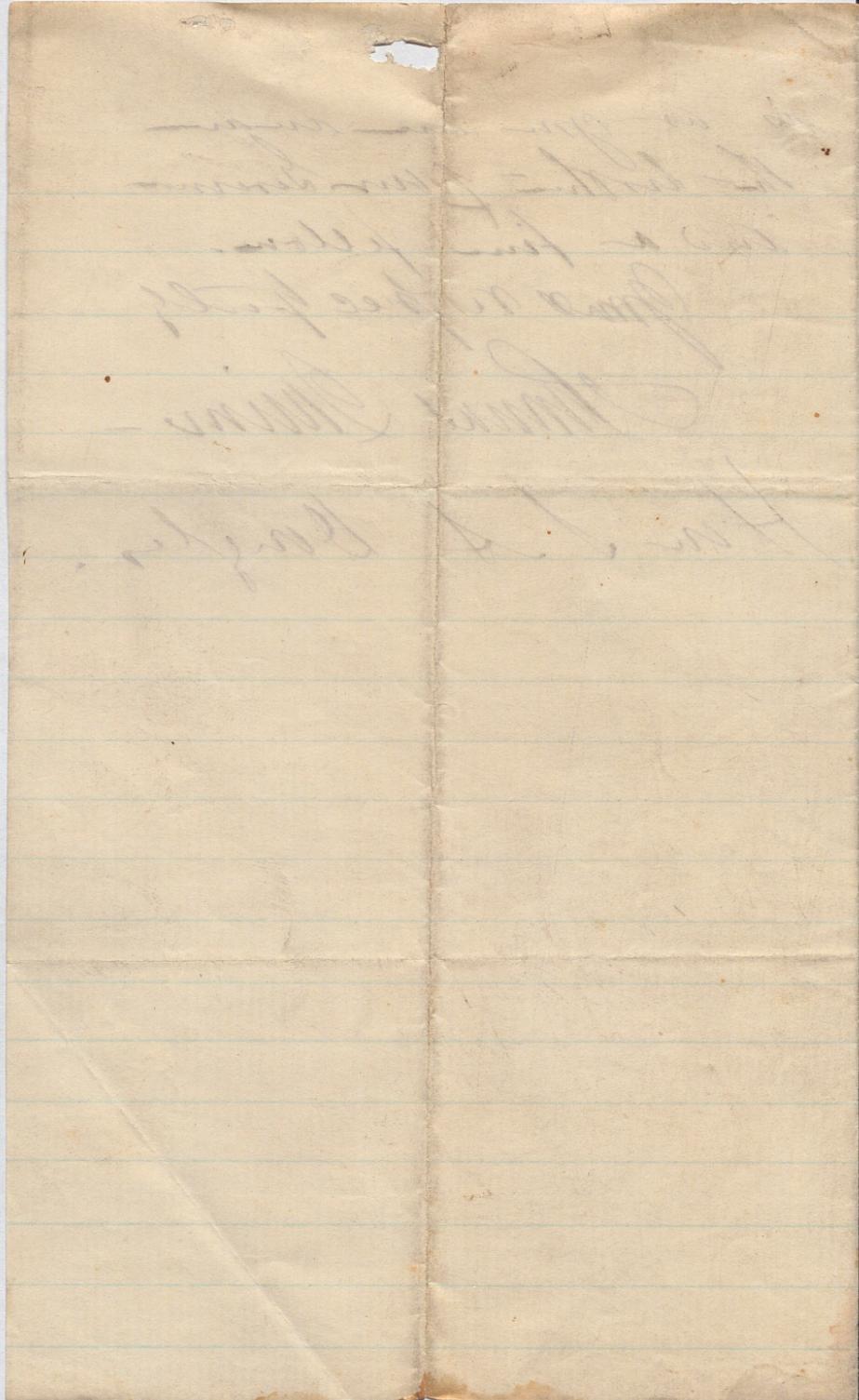
I wrote you previous
to the - Charleston Convention
upon a subject, which
you may recall to mind.
We have established the
paper to which I then
alluded and called
is the "Adopted Citizen".
In the event of your
nomination, a thing I am
eagerly desirous, we can
carry Rhode Island and
~~the~~ throughout respectfully,
whilst your influence
and patronage - the
Revere Brass Foundry

is as you are aware
the brother of our Governor
and a fine fellow.

Yours respectfully

Thomas Mann

Hon J. S. Douglas.



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CIRCULAR OF THE HESPERIAN AGENCY,
LOCATED AT

RICHLAND CENTER, (County Seat) RICHLAND COUNTY, WISCONSIN

HAVING reliable Correspondents and Agents in all parts of WISCONSIN, IOWA, MINNESOTA, KANSAS AND NEBRASKA, I am prepared to select the best, and buy and sell, LANDS; make Collections, and promptly remit the same. I have a large amount of Lands of my own, both Wild and Partially Improved, which I will sell at reasonable rates; I am also the Agent for the Sale of a large amount of

LANDS IN THE WEST,

Both Prairie and Timbered, Wild and Improved; also, some good MILL PRIVILEGES.

I HAVE been engaged in business in this County four years, and never traded on Borrowed Capital, but will safely Invest Money, for those desiring, in LANDS OR FIRST MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE, drawing 12 per cent. interest, payable annually. WILL PAY TAXES in the States and Territories, LOAN MONEY, (to be secured by First Mortgages,) DISCOUNT NOTES, PAY INTEREST ON STATE LANDS, BUY AND SELL, OR LOCATE, LAND WARRANTS, &c.

Address,

ALBERT J. STRAIGHT.

REFERENCES, BY PERMISSION.

ATHENS, ATHENS COUNTY, OHIO, August 3rd, 1858.

WE, the undersigned, citizens of Athens County, Ohio, hereby certify that we have been acquainted, in former years, with ALBERT J. STRAIGHT, at present a resident of Richland County, Wisconsin. We have no hesitation in saying that he sustained a good character in every respect — was considered honest, and safe to be trusted in any situation. We consider him a man of good business qualifications.

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Richland Center, Wis., June 14th, 1860.

Hon S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir.

Excuse me

for thus addressing you, but you may rely upon my honor and integrity and that all that may pass between us shall ever be held religiously confidential on my part and hope it will ever be so on yours — but to the point — my business is such as the card on this sheet indicates and I claim to be a young man of the strictest honor. Now sir I think that your nomination for the presidency is certain and should you get the nomination I certainly hope you will be elected this fall.

Now dear sir I make you the following proposition - To wit. If you will furnish me a printing press Imperial No. 6 size 46 in by 29 $\frac{1}{2}$ with type and materials all of good quality and new as much as will be necessary to print a good paper and for circulars and posters and have the kindness to present them to me then will I immediately remove to either St Louis or Little Rock Arkansas and print a weekly newspaper and advocate your cause in the very strongest manner possible. Some friends have urged me strongly in both places to commence business there. I expect to start a land and exchange office in one of those places and also to publish a paper advertising my lands and other property which shall be published weekly at 50 cents per annum and perhaps even for 25cts.

Every subscriber for one year or one who pays an equivalent to one years subscription shall be entitled to an advertisement in each paper of five lines or less free of charge but not continued only at the option of the publisher but new advertisements admitted each week and any over five lines will be inserted by paying a very moderate charge and advertisements can also be published by the month or year by paying for the same one page nor more during the campaign will be devoted to politics and it will contain some miscellaneous reading correspondence, prices current, markets and everything that will be attractive or interesting it will have a circulation in every state and every county in the union as it will be sought for reading, inquiry, advertising politics and all such matters.

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Richland Center, Wis., 186 .

I will publish whatever you may wish me to during the campaign as editorial or otherwise that will not bring prosecutions upon myself but you might rely on my fidelity & none should know our bargain except ourselves and should you be elected then in consideration of my services I should expect you to give me about one section congress land or \$80000 ~~\$18,000~~ money or below on one some office worth \$1000 but should you not be elected then I should only keep the press and printing materials. With such help as I shall have will be the best organ in the U.S. to secure your election as it

will be sent every where even though
it were sent free as I have the means
to back the undertaking and
will not commence anything
that will go down before it should.
I have information from several
states that it is just the paper
for the times and the wants of
the people and that nearly every
one with whom they have conversed
signified their willingness to sub-
scribe for it and also to send advertise-
ments but nothing was said of you
or any one else but should I sup-
port you it will give additional
interest to the paper. I would like
to commence its publication just
as soon as a press could be got to
either of those places that suits you
best. I have the means, education and
ability I think to manage it just
right and I will have the right
kind of assistants with me.

but will never betray the trust
you may see fit to repose in me.
If you wish to inform me soon you
can telegraph to Amazonia or
Muscooda with directions to mail
to me and I will get it the same
day otherwise it might be by mail
three or four days. Please send
me two or three copies of your life
and as many public documents
and speeches as you can and I
will distribute them to your
best advantage. Let me hear from
you and hear what you propose
immediately and as soon as you
are nominated I will have the
country flooded with prospectuses
for subscriptions and I will send
the paper and elect you now
remember if you are elected
then your name is immortalized
if not it will never again be as high
as at present. Yours. Albert P. Straight.

Let me hear from you immediately
that I may know what you propose.
Perhaps you may have some printing
press on hand that will do if so
let me know and I will immediately
make out a bill of materials and
send them to you and you can
get them and send them to me
for I wish to commence as soon as
possible and I will elect you preside-
nt of these U.S. for I will work
with the energy that must win &
come out triumphant & victorious.
I will do all in my power for you
for I know if a man is brought
out and is not elected it is hardly
possible ever in the future to
elect him no matter how worthy.
I pray for your nomination.

Your Obedt Servt
Albert J. Straight.

June 14/60

A. J. Straight
Highland Centre
Wis

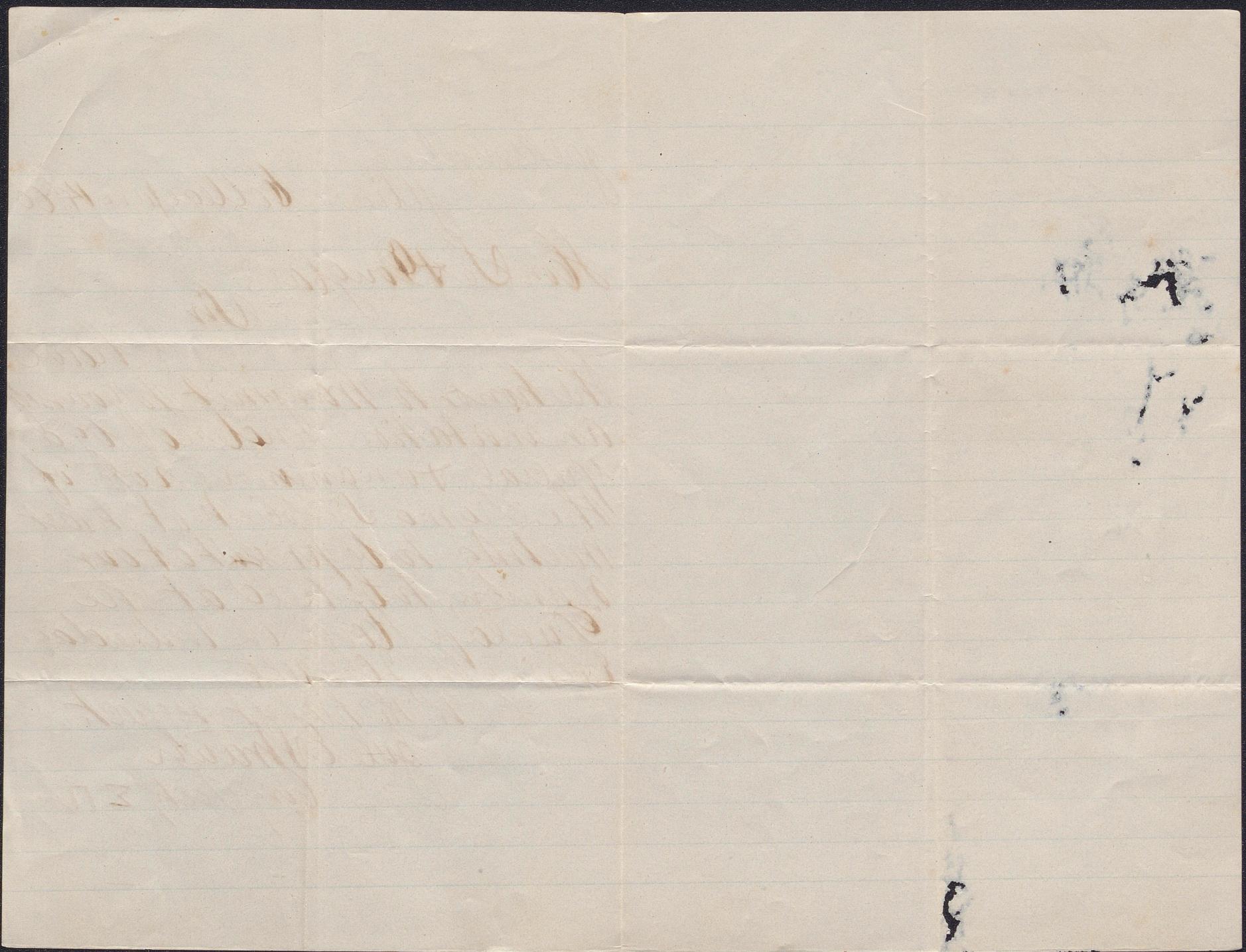
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J. E. Straun
Jacksonville
Ills
Invitation to
attend Reunion of
Coll society

Jacksonville Ills
Illinois College June 14th 60
Hon S. A. Douglas Sir

I have
the honor to transmit to yourself
an invitation, tendered by a
special & unanimous vote of
the Sigma Pi Society at its last
Meeting, to be present at our
Reunion, to be held at the
"Dunlap House" on Wednesday
Evening the 20th ult.
With highest respect
Jule E. Straun
Cor'g Secy Σ P Socy



12,866

West Chester June 14/60

Mr S. A. Douglas
Dear Sir -

If you have an
extra copy of your speech on
the Davis Resolution, I would
be pleased to receive it.

Respectfully yours
Amrold Stickland
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June 14, 1860

A. Throckmorton
West Chester

~~Speech~~

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If I have not been, my
dear Miss Douglas, to offer
you in person, my affectionate
sympathy in your recent and
bereavement - it is because I have
learned from experience, how
impossible it is, to accept words
of consolation, for a sorrow
that cannot be consoled. - limited
sympathy, for the - your
affliction would be already
lightened, for the cruel
blow that fell upon you,
struck at the same time
a responsive cord in the
hearts; not of your friends
only, but of all our people -
from north to south - and
from east to west - but alas!

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the mother's grief knows neither
consolation, nor sympathy,
God alone, gives her the
strength to live through this
horrible suffering, and the
great physician Time, alone
can bring a balm for her
wounded heart - we who
love you, dear friend, can but
partake your sorrow - we grieve
that we can do no more -

When you will be more
composed, we hope you will
permit us to press your hand
once more before leaving Washington

I am happy to say that Adeline
thanks to judicious treatment,
and most careful nursing, has
quite recovered her health, and
we hope soon to see her as

robust as formerly -
My two daughters join me
in the expression of the most
tender friendship and sym-
pathy for you and your dear
Mother - present us also
I pray you - the "Souvenir" of
Judge Douglas -

Your friend
Sarah Gorke

14 June 1860

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