Platte City
Feb 28th 1856

Hon. & Ct. Douglas

Dear Sir:

I am happy to learn that you are once more in your seat in the Senate.

I trust that you have entirely recovered your health and vigor.

Some time since I read it stated in the "Sentinel" that you had declined being a candidate for the nomination for the Presidency by the Democratic Convention, if this be true, and as there is no chance for the nomination of a Southern man, and therefore no other for our friend Hunter.
I feel a & will take no interest in the matter, be good enough to let me know whether in any event you will permit your name to be used before the Convention, your answer will be received in confidence and only used by myself for my own direction, but State Convention meets in April and the Delegates to the Lincolns worth Convention will then be appointed. I wish to have the right men appointed and the interest I will take in the matter will depend on your answer.

Yourself out of the way, there will be Pierce & Buchanan to choose between.

I would prefer Jane Pierce to Mr. Buchanan, but will not put myself to any extraordinary trouble about it, I think better of Jane Pierce however more than I have heretofore done.

I always had confidence in his integrity & capacity, but thought that he was not in time & a reconciliator.

If the question does not embarrass you in the least do not answer.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
To D. R. Atchison
Platte City, Mo
Feb 25/56

Political
New S. A. Douglas

Dr. Sir,

Not choosing to correspond with our representative from this district, I have taken the liberty to enclose the within petition for change of mail route to your address. I am not a native at Edington. The proposed change of mail will menace my locality but will be of great advantage to this community without a doubt. We have been many times this season without a mail owing to the length of the route and owing to it, commencing at Meserick on the Nerus River at Moulton, from which place there is hardly ever a letter or paper brought by this mail. You will benefit this community to greatly your friends by using your influence in having this route extended.

Very Respectfully,

John O. Senior.

E. Burriell.
E. Russell Jr.
Chicago, Ill.
February 28/56

Encloses a Petition in Relation to a Mulatto

Sent Petition to Mr. Cten
March 28/56

Res

From A. Bosley

[Signature]

[Seal]
Strictly confidential

Alta House

Jul 28-1866

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Further consideration of the

motion eminently justifies any

further nominating the

Southern States and the new

Tories & the Abolishing in the North states

all of whom under a different

government would have come

agreed. The danger

now is that the old Tory State may

again in reverse with the new

Southern in Abolishing. I think the danger

momentum to consider it we must pursue a

development of strength in the lead of
"Republians", in short. — My dear —

in almost all probability of success. Necessity the chillsomest, will recall a
the constitution in favor. Fillmore's
Army is sufficient to make our cause
make the new U.S. as adaptive to
make the Kansas-Nebraska with
hasten as early as possible. It be
same time to let the agitation come
from the chillsomest in the U.S. I

you are my own. I need add
be restoring a stimulation.

Great is acting in good parts round
you. I did not take the letter to
Philadelphia especially with Chidell
no, he talked eight other than there.
though he does not know that he should, 

I advised you. Peculiarly friends
me manifesting a protest in every
let Broadhead to write up. Please in

Not regard.

My attempts at regard to figures
the preceding, I fear Mr. Buchanan
influence there is too strong for frank.

I am undertaking every move way
to reconcile the hardiest letters in the
state, and three assistance.
the state to give my product
The chillsomeness of it yule must know
that the future is cloud against them
unless their state is redeemed in at least
unless they can substantially show that they

reduced with the meekness fully — exclusion
in the Union — how this is the Crime of
entrepreneur between the states that hand.
But there is one more personal feeling he be.
The question of which in the regular hand
is in fact entrusted and will be directed
of my ancestors are trusted. Only their

the majority of the hard delegation one
for you — and a majority of the battle art
are robbed the same way. Why should
If I will judge the opportune moment to decide the controversy as to candidates, shall we resume ourselves in our old position at the head of the Whigs and have the control of the future for the Whigs? This proceeding would make us the agents of the Whig convention.

How I am led to believe that a majority of both houses and both delegations can be had for you, and when the fact is ascertained and a communication opened between them can they avail the opportunity to execute both at Cincinnati? Without at first, when by bluntly agreeing to cast the vote of the state for the man whom each prefers every thing can be accomplished, and the prejudices of hostile organizations be nullified by the absence of another. The presence of a commotion of kindred interest—

It seems to me that this thing...
Feb. 28, 1862

Can be done and I write to assure you that I am looking at it in any way - cautiously endeavoring that I am for you but estimating that y R. will not take such a step. Why the right friends of that cause whatever may be their order others will undoubtedly surround their purposes, I write and you will be told. The idea is lasting that I shall know the matter. I find that the Wright has been gone and is friendly and knows that the soft delegation can be yet for you. Know of the state and who gets her one from money has just returned from Washington. When money filled there in you should know as presently intimate with the delegation that I expect to sign and in an effective document.
Man: he will go into the subject for which
I am writing and labor earnestly.

I intend to see [blank] today or tomorrow.

On the whole I am much encouraged
with the result of the conference on the
arrangement, but shall keep guarded so
that you may know when obstacles are
entrenched. It may be advisable
to get [blank] to recover the State to
have several interviews. But of that
I shall determine after further interviews
with prominent leaders of both

It is [blank] desirable that I should
be considered as "a friend of Peace"
but not personally hostile to you." I
do not know [blank]

Mr. [blank]

B. J. [blank]
Copy.
Department of the Interior,
Office Indian Affairs,
February 28, 1866.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the reference from your office of the letter of Governor Orman of the 17th instant, relative to some legal provision for an increase of his salary as Governor of Minnesota, to an amount equal to that which he has heretofore received as Governor and Ex Officio Superintendent of Indian Affairs.

In the act organizing the Territory of Minnesota, it was provided that the duties of the Superintendent of Indian Affairs within that Territory should devolve upon the Governor, and that his compensation therefor should be at the rate of $1,000 per annum, in addition to his salary as Governor, of $1,500.

An impression seems to have existed in the mind of Governor
Governor, that in the act of July 8th, 1822, it was provided that, in the exercise of the discretion vested in the President, of appointing the two offices, his salary of $8000, should not be affected thereby. Since also, was the inspection of this office at the time the subject of my report of January 25th was under consideration; but, upon a careful examination of the want of Congressional proceedings, it was ascertained, that, when the act referred to was before Congress, an amendment to that effect was passed the Senate, but was disagreed to in the House; that it was referred to a Committee of Conference of the two Houses, and, not being included in the report of that Committee, it consequently failed.

It will thus be perceived, that as soon as Governor Comman is relieved from the duties of his Superintendency by Superintendant Abbotsmann, which it is expected, under instructions herefore issued, will be at an early date, his salary as Superintendant of Indian Affairs will cease. And, as his connection with the Indian Department will then terminate, I do not conceive that this office can properly take any action upon the subject of an increase of his salary as Governor of Minnesota, but I would respectfully recommend that the facts herein related be communicated to the Department of State.

The letter of Governor Comman is herewith returned; and, as a letter from him of the same date and subject, has been addressed to this office, I take this occasion to say that I have to say replied thereon, and informed him of the nature of this report.

Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

(Signed) G. H. Shawneeney Commissioner

Hon. Robert M. Cleveland
Secretary of the Interior.
Copy
Executive Office M. T.
St. Paul, February 11, 1866.

Dear Sir,

I have received the notice of the Transfer of the Indian Territory Superintendency now located at Milwaukee Wisconsin to St. Paul. And I assure you it will be in full accordance with my own wishes on the subject. I had expressed myself to that effect to Colonel Marchman but I was under the impression that the Amendment of the Indian Appropriation Bill fixed my salary at two thousand five hundred dollars, the same as with both the positions but after a careful examination I cannot find it. I trust that if such an amendment did not pass, you will in accordance with your views as expressed to me, recommend to the Committees on Indian Affairs in the two Houses to do me justice in the premises.
I cannot live on fifteen hundred dollars per annum in this city.

I know this was overlooked for I firmly believed such a law was in existence. I said long since to you, that if my salary was the same I should be glad to get clear of any and all connection with Indian affairs. But now especially now, when our population has more than quadrupled in two or three years. The Executive duties are daily becoming more onerous, and the present legislature is taking steps for being admitted into the Union as a State. May I hope that you will call the attention of the proper committees to this matter for me— and will you oblige me with an early reply.

I am your friend

(signed) H. A. Durmam
Hon. Robert W. Cleland
Secretary of the Interior,
Washington City.
Greensburg Indiana  
Feb. 28th 1856.

Dear S. A. Douglas:  
Please send me any public documents that may be useful in the coming political canvass. Our Representative from this district is a favorite of mine and I am opposed in political favors.  

Your most obedient  
Old Line  

Geo. H. Scott
Geo H. Lord
Greensburg Ind
Oct 25 1856

Read Documents

Sent
To the Hon. Senate & House of Representatives of the U.S.

The undersigned your memorialist respectfully represents that by a Concurrent Resolution of the two Houses of the Legislative Assemblies of Kansas Territory (to be found on page 768 of the Statutes of Kansas) he was appointed to copy the laws of said Territory, to make marginal notes and index etc. to said laws, and that subsequently by a law enacted by said Legislative Assembly (to be found on page 477 of the Statutes of Kansas) he was appointed and required to superintend the printing of said laws, to correct the proof sheets, typographical and clerical errors etc. and in accordance with said resolution and law, the undersigned did proceed to the discharge of the duties imposed on him by said Legislative Assembly, that he has at great expense himself completed said laws and now respectfully asks renumeration for his services.

The undersigned would further state that he is employed by said Legislative Assembly as an Assistant Clerk to the House and that his account therfor (which is here-with appended) was certified to be correct by the Committee of Accounts of the House and attested by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House.

Your memorialist would further represent that he has submitted his account for services rendered to the Hon. Mr. Whittlesey, First Comptroller of the Treasury, and that Mr. Whittlesey has signified to your memorialist that he is not authorized to audit said account as no authority to audit
and little aid accounts is embraced in the orig-
inal act and that your memorialist will have to
look to Congress for relief.

Therefore the undersigned moves simply that a bill for
his relief may be passed by your honorable body, and
as in deep sorrow will ever pray, &c.

Samuel A. Lowe.
Memorial of Samuel A. Lowe, praying compensation for services in copying and superintending the laws of Kansas under the direction of the Legislature thereof.

1856 Feb 28. Referred to the Com. on Territories.

[End of document on page 3]
New York, Feb. 28, 1854.

My dear Sir,

I see by the newspaper that the Senate lately ordered for the use of its members, I suppose, two thousand copies of a map of Central America. I would not trouble you with my request for one if I were personally acquainted with either of the senators from this State, but as I am not, and you are a public man in whom the country at large has a stake, I venture to ask a copy at your hand.

Sincerely congratulating you upon the recovery of your health, and hoping it may not again be in danger, I remain

With great respect,

Your most humble servant,

C. C. Waller.

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

U. S. Senate.
C. P. Miller
New York, Feb 27th

Prants Map of Central America
Strictly Confidential

Mr. Frink
Feb'y 19, 1856

Dear Sir,

Today I had an interview with Schell. I prevailed on him not to withdraw. New York money and his not being in the convention. He can dictate the nominee at the polls. The Democratic candidate, he can assume his old position as the first choice. The Confederacy have a controlling influence in the government and the Democratic party. He can open up to the hosts of honor and of profit to his constituents. He can destroy the feebleness of organization of the democrats within her limits. &c. &c. &c.

S. H. Armstrong
and the will agree to call them the same men. By so agreeing, they would be an occasion for the Congress to decide which was the better party delegate. Pinto in the Congress would be afraid of the group of men in New York would fly throughout the Union, carrying joy and confidence away there. That the main effect of the act would itself give as the policy at the polls. De La Salle - That the hands ought well agree to the decision they had made. The costs had been remodelled. New old here. And that some the costs had doubled. By their resolutions, proclaimed. Then nowhere in the field. The and down with many the kindred to collateral considerations. The admitted. That the object was of the first importance. That he believed it would be a mighty work but as was to be expected.

suggested difficulties - admitted. Knowing that energy might possibly encompass the thing. Finding future habits of Pierce I returned to the fact that the Union would be Pierce death. death. The law is and seem clearly. The is friendly to give at any rate and so I think it. The entire hard delegation - The suggested that the new men must be seen and asked me whether I intended to go and see him. I replied that in relation to that I should be governed to a great extent by his advice. The suggested the necessity of getting money to agree. I returned the reply that I felt convinced that Chase would agree. The humor is considerate what I had said and I am to call again tomorrow. I think that by enduring an understanding can be effected by which both delegations
will agree that the vote of New York shall be cast for you as the Convention. This will secure the amendment for the next election. Shaw and Brooks of freight, these leading tools have kept down so low as to misapprehend, I could not see them after I had receiv'd the remitt. I shall write to know to what length he great object now is to get.

The leading hands do oft intercommune—meaning with each other—I pray

Go up and see Dekemnom but at present I think it would be well for me to have an as everyday some don't have a man of standing such a man myself can control Dekemnom—I now have New Yorkers to read them as you must show them a future of promise. Tell that I can get both side's now and have gone here to work for you. But I repeat it is important to get Dekemnom.
to"I am leading hard in communicating with the north. I find that the consideration which I presented to them and which I have so hurriedly and imperfectly sketched to you has staggered both hard and soft. And I am confident that the clear understanding can be had if those and all doubt about the decision. But here must be industry. Can you not set some body in Brohin to address me. What in Brohin man of Brohin can you get to come here and act with me? I say in Brohin because his location would weigh with Brohin — Bracy, Hales, Pinelands — and beg to see that Pierce cannot succeed. He can bring the north into line. Can you reach him? As I understand the armament.
Allmás has attracted to his subject. The most of the business men here who had been talking favorably to Buchanan.

I have started one or two of the most influential ward party politicians here to work for me. My correspondence with Buchanan leading friends at Columbus in my state with I think may make them both come suddenly enough for I know that above all things they desire to get for the successful crown. I have put that post at the head.

You perhaps may imagine how I do the different things of which I have been speaking without openly asking in your behalf. To the I know early enough. I put the matter on the footing that I am only looking for success that to attain it I rechannel any water.
New York, Oct 29/56

Political Matters
Dear S. A. Douglas
Washington City

Sir,

Not having filed my newspaper copy of your speech before the Senate on the Nebraska-Kansas bill, I being frequently in want of information in points therein discussed, I beg you will do me the favor to send me a copy of it. If convenient half a dozen copies for distribution. 

I am one of your constituents and perhaps taking undue liberty in making this request, but your noble efforts to restore and maintain the constitutional rights of the South have caused a vast majority of your people to look upon you as one of ourselves.

My address is Panama, Cuba.

Respectfully,

Alfred Tredman
Alfred Hudson
Cherry Chase Mfg
Oct 29/36

Wants Silos & Speeches

Sent Speeches once
Kansas Report
Harrisburg Feb. 29, 1856

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Sir,

I address a letter to you about a week since asking of you a favor to send me a Copy of the Explorations and Surveys for a Rail-Road from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean. Perhaps you have not had time to attend to it. You will greatly oblige me by forwarding a Copy of the above to my address.

Yours Very Truly
Aug. Shellenberger
Aug. Shellinggerer
Hornburg Pnt
Feb 29 1856

Ruts Cape of the Survey of
the Np. Pacific Rail. Rd.