Hermusin
May 26 "1867

Dear Judge,

I do not think it best to appoint W. H. Bache as Post Master at Magnolia, as I hear he drinks too much Whisky. He is a good Democrat as we both but it will not answer to act with my brother.

Sincerely yours,

E. B. Am

Hon. A. A. Douglas
Chicago
E. B. Ames
Derefin Oct
Litchfield Conn. May 26, 1839

Hon. A. J. Douglas

My Dear Sir,

You may be surprised at the application I have about to make to you, but your preferences of Remanjo, appear to me so sincere that I have resolved to solicit your influence at the proper department to secure for me an appointment in the Custom House. Circumstances have made me to press now you. My affairs, with mine children to support, require that I should make personal efforts for their support, although I have decided to invest all we have in the best I fear, after what I have experienced in Chicago I should find great difficulty in securing employment for myself. If you would not think it dishonorable of me to Mr. Buchanan & Mr. Cats in conjunction with having my Southern friends, I am reliable informed I could go into office with Mr. Schell in July certainly. Tell you pass the liberty of putting a line saying you will do what you can for me, with my respects to Mr. Douglas. I remain your most obliging friend,

[Signature]

P.S.
P.S.

Dear Sir,

I have learned by telegraph that our noble friend, the President of the Pennsylvania Society for the Abolition of Slavery, has just died. His name will live forever as one of the greatest men who ever lived. The world has lost a benefactor, and his friends have lost a benefactor who have commended him. 

[Signature]

Mr. 912.
May 26th 1857

C. H. Douglass

Dear Sir,

You have heard that my brother Col. S. D. Douglass, Collector of the Port of Louisville, has been removed and a man appointed in his place. I have just received a letter from my brother, and he desires greatly at a cost to know the reason which has caused his brother to be removed. I have thought about the reason for no reason. My brother Douglass McClellan may not have had something to do with this.

The old Democrats of Louisville are much incensed at this. My brother thinks of visiting Washington, and his name may be of great importance for some position.

Yours truly,

C. H. Douglass
of you to write me a letter
which may be read by him
to advantage--in case the man
may be present by his friend--
I am a chance to ask you
so often to assist me and
but I can only say that if the
few shall come--one that I shall
it in my power you will not
send me backword or forget
of the many and if you have
thrown one--my deep and
family are all enjoying good
health--

Your love

B. E. Enright

My best wishes to Mrs. D.
Harrisburg May 26th 1867

My dear June,

I have just received some of the 21st return with your acceptance along with letters from some friends. When first spoken to by them of the subject he solicited to me a letter from you to him authorizing him to draw. If you left with him you a acceptance I did not see it.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

[Address]

[Signature]
Princeton Ill. May 26, 1857

Mr. Douglas

Dear Sir: — The people at Shefield are impatient for the removal of the present incumbent from the P. S. and the appointment of Joseph C. Niles who consents to take it. I wrote you concerning this not long since. I also wrote to have Holbrook at Laville removed and E. C. Watts appointed. Holbrook is too mean an abolitionist to be tolerated longer.

I write again respecting these, in obedience to the earnest request of democrats who are anxious to see white men in those offices.

I have just sent letters requesting appointments at Yorktown and Trenton, direct to Mr. Kemp, believing that you would be quite willing to be spared the trouble of attending to these small matters. Very Respectfully,

Charles W. Pine
Lecompton K.S. May 26, 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Sir,

I write to you at this time to inform you that I have come to the Territory for the purpose of making it my home in future, and that there will be a number of Appointments to be made by the General Government, and having a desire to obtain one of them and having heard you written you on the subject also having sent to you a Paper of Recommendation from many Democrats of Illinois in my favour. I am anxious to have my application properly placed before the President and if Mr. Douglas advises me of it then he will place the application before the President and have the matter stand. He will be happy to give me any of his best friends my very kind regards,

Richard Steadman.
Richard Stadden
Deecompton I.E.Y.
Red Hill May 26, 1801

To Mr. A. Douglass.

Having been appointed to the P.O. in this place under the rotation rule, and the act having halted and oscillated in its motion so much that it is difficult to say what is the guilt and what the expiation of the fault is, I am very 

Among the letters made at Washington, I am told, is that it was a Douglas man as Cincinnati, that I had no idea. I was led to you well known and supposed to be again. The fact of them meeting the change, is a sufficient reason for my asking you to interfere as far as I can. Others have justice in this matter. The petition against me are signed principally of republicans.
Know no thing more you are lacking.

All thing I am paid a know at Washington, your price

time to do so. I ask justice in the

matters avoid all your 

expense.

Yours respectfully,

A. F. Halling
Cincinnati,
May 27th, 1857.

Dear Sir:

Your kind letter was duly received. I shall not be able to visit Chicago before the middle or latter part of next month—by which time, perhaps, you will have returned. Mrs. Pugh has the "little one" to help her at home and I fear that no argument can persuade her to make a journey this summer, with it or without it. My best regards to Mrs. Douglas—and many thanks for her and your kind invitation.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
G. C. Pugh
Cincinnati
Ohio
American Hotel
Chicago, May 27, 1867

Sir,

Some days since I thought it best to address a line to you to ask the favor of your assistance or direction to a son of mine hearing your much honored name, feeling that it would without your sanction and in accordance for the purity and disinterestedness of my motives would be best referred to an old, staunch, patriotic, and reliable personal friend of yours, but I was unable to consult with whom, as an old friend, I had a conference on the above subject some time since. I have the honor to mention amongst my friends E. H. Searcy, Col. R. H. Davis, J. B. Hoyt, and a hundred other equally staunch friends of yours to whom I could refer if necessary.

Assuming it now to have been shortly and my copy remaining named off, I feel honored and obliged by a reply, apologizing for intruding on your time, with great respect,

For the Honor Old Sett.

Your Most Obd. Serv.

P. W. Waddell

Chicago, Oct. 1860
To the Honble.
Stephen A. Douglas
Chicago

May 27, 1857

[Stamp]

[Handwritten notes on the back]
La Porte City, May 27th 37

Dear Mr. Douglas,

My Dear Jude,

I succeeded as your residence yesterday to see you on some business that I considered of importance to you, but as you returned home so suddenly I could not present it. Hence I have embraced this early opportunity to address you upon the subject, for it is a matter which if any unusual must be done immediately.

Believe, C. Walker sales is a resident of this State will accept the Governorship of Wauh Territory. I have conversed with him upon the subject, and may state that he will make a personal application for the position. Yours, if
offered it will freely accept.

In my judgment a better
or more fit man for the
peculiar locality of our county
comes for Samuel—

The deal, unless pleased in
nomination less they as a
candidate for the House of
of this State can never have
been triumphantly elected less
for the fear of this withdrawing
an account of being a little
under the Constitutional age.

He is a true and ardent
friend of yours and openly I
gladly declare deereens living
in a county of Illinois for
the next Congress.

Surely upon Dr. and Mr.
related his necessary necessity of
the several of this situation.
He is a scholar of science
gentleman in every sense of

175.

The item, and is must know
are own the State & backs the
hearts of all the Democracy of
such an idea friend.

You secret must do anything
that required any secret beauty
recognized by the Party here
them to give the deal, your
influence in this matter.

He is a Democrat of the
right shift and of such de-
ated talents as will do
favor to himself, the Party
and the Appointing Power.

I think you know him
Please let me hear from
you as soon, and if you act at
immediately.

Wishing this line meet with
your approbation, I find you need
very kind to yours truly

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Sincerely,
Dear [Name],

I want to express my gratitude for your kind letter. It means a lot to me to know that you are well and that your health is improving.

I have been doing well, but I am looking forward to the day when I can return to see you all again. In the meantime, please take care of yourself and keep in touch.

Yours truly,

[Your Name]
Magnolia Putnam 600 I111
May 28, 1857

Dear Sir,

I write you to assist me in getting the appointment of Past Master at this place. The present Past Master, E.C. Morrow, is one of Wentworth's men, done nothing in the campaign, for fear of committing himself. You can get me the office if I know you will do it if become acquainted with all the facts. We shall have a death struggle for the next legislature, and all that can be done must be to secure it Democratic. I refer you to Hon. J. L. Harris, E.B. Ames Esq., J. M. Sheahan (Chicago Times).

Truly yours,

Hon. S. H. Douglas

[Signature]
Application for Past Master at Magnolia Putnam 100.00

To the Hon. J. D. Douglas

S. H. Bacon

Write me if you please, if it is not proper that I should have the office I do not wish it.

Oct. 13, 18-

Henry J. Bacon
Sauk City, Wis., May 28th, 1857

To Hon. Stephen A. Douglas,
Senator of the United States,
Quincy, Ill.

Dear Sir,

My letter to you of April 16th, accompanying a petition to the Postmaster General, will no doubt have reached you in due time.

But up to this date, I do not learn anything new in relation to the petition.

Something might have happened, preventing a proper action on the part of the Postmaster General, and to be certain about it, your Honors would oblige myself as well as all the subscribers of the petition, by informing me whether your letter of April 16th, accompanied by the petition, did come to your hands, and whether you have forwarded the petition to the Postmaster General.

I have the honor to be very respectfully, your obedient and political friend,

John R. Hotwiler
John P. Dettwiler
Sault Ste. Marie
Ontario
	Deer Park

1855
Jamestown C. May 28th 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

I presume to write to you, in the strength of our Washington City introduction, and upon the "divine right" that one human being has to communicate with another.

I want to know what is the meaning of the name "Free State Nation - al Democracy," which I begin to see in the Kansas reports? Is it more than a mere name? Or is it the incipiency of an attempt to split the democracy?

Very respectfully,

Yours,

J. H. Gilly

P.S.

As you have probably forgotten my name, I would say that I am the Editor of the Jamestown "Aurora" Democratic newspaper.
J. M. Gally
Zanesville Ohio
Post Office Department,
Appointment Office, May 28, 1857.

Sir:

Peter Minn the Postmaster at L'Etable County of Iroquois — State of Illinois has resigned in favor of John Barland.

Before submitting this case to the Postmaster General, I have to request the favor of any information you may possess, or be able conveniently to obtain, respecting it.

I have the honor to be,
Very respectfully, &c.,

Morrice King
First Assistant Postmaster General.

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Chicago, Ill.
P. M. at
E. Barable
Tenpvis Co.
Resigned.
To the Post-Master of
the United States

We, the undersigned citizens of the town of Annawan, Henry County and State of Illinois, would present the
name of John Ho Loring as a suitable person to be appointed Deputy Post-Master of this town and as in duty bound would ever pray.

Annawan May 28th 1857

Signed

James Bliss
Andrew N. Dunbar
Dietz Dume
Miles, Roach
Simeon Nease
Asak Gray
G W Marshall
(Solomon Ninemeter)
M G Dear
James Green
Harmon M. Eldred

White G. Hersey
Robert M. Willard
George Mackley
James Ripher
Simeon Wright
Ezra B. Smith
D.G. Scouring
Petition
State of Indiana

Henry Co.

To the Post Master of
the United Stated

We, the undersigned Democratic Citizens of Annawan, do humbly present
the name of John A. Davis, to
success the present incumbent of
this Post-Office. Mr. Davis is truly
qualified to discharge the duties of said Office, besides he is a
firm and devoted Democrat
(which cannot be said of B. C. Sargent);
The Office has done more to aid public
Liberty and Kindred Principles than it
has to sustain the precepts of Democratic
principles. We believe Mr. Davis would

if appointed, in a prudent manner
be much to increase the Democratic
strength and numbers to the ranks
which is much desired in this County;
And we justly say that we fully believe
that his appointment would give very
general satisfaction.

William Titus

A. R. Varner

Alexander MacKenzie

George Mackenzie

James Mackenzie

Arthur Mc Bello

William Webster

William Carter
Chicago May 9th 1857

Dear J. A. Hoyt,

Chicag.

Dear Sir,

Agar James P. J. McEly.

A citizen of Washington City, and a good man, is an applicant for a membership. It is a question of having a letter of recommendation from you. If you could give him one for that purpose, I shall be under many obligations to you. I can say in his behalf that he is a wise, educated and talented gentleman, a fluent French conversant and laborant, but during the last campaign in behalf of our party as a member of the Illinois Club at Washington City. If you consent to giving the letter, please send it to me at once.

Very Respectfully,

Your Truly,

John J. Clements.
Wyoming Stark County ills
May 29th 1839
Hon. J. A. Duglas

Dear Sir,

Please send to my address one copy of the reports of the Smithsonian Institute and also reports of the Patent Office.

Yours truly,

Thos. S. Payne.
Chas. S. Payne
Wyoming
Mark C. Dolls
General Land Office
May 29, 1857

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that in compliance with your request of the 21st inst. Chicago Cash Patents Nos. 30070 & 30078 have this day been transmitted to Rev. Schubert Clark, at Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois.

I am,

very respectfully,

Your Ob't Serv.

The Alderman,

Commissioner

Wm. S. Douglas
Chicago
Illinois
Post Office Department,
Appointment Office,
May 27, 1857

Sir:
The Postmaster General has ordered the appointment of discontinuance of the P.O. at Lowell in the County of LaSalle and State of Illinois in place of

I have the honor to be,
Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Rutusio King
First Assistant Postmaster General.

Hon. A. S. Douglas
Chicago, Ill.
Dear Sir,

Mr. Martin has discontinued P.O. at Lowell.

[Signature]
(No. 14.)

Post Office Department,
Appointment Office, May 29th, 1857.

Sirs: Application is made, by fifty citizens, to the Postmaster General, from the County of Whitesides, State of Illinois, for the removal of John C. Paddock from the Post Office at Lyndon, and appointment of John McCarman, because Mr. Paddock lives out of the town and cannot give his personal attention to the office.

Before submitting this case to the Postmaster General, I have to request the favor of any information you may possess, or be able conveniently to obtain, respecting it.

I have the honor to be,
Very respectfully, &c.,

Honor. A. Douglas
Chicago

Horatio King
First Assistant Postmaster General.

Illinois
O. M. General
about the comm-
and of the P. M.
at Lyndon
Whitcomb Co
Post Office Department,
Appointment Office, May 29, 1857.

Sir:

Wm. Manlove the Postmaster at Hickory Point
County of Monroe, State of Illinois
has resigned in favor of C. E. Ostrander.

Before submitting this case to the Postmaster General, I
have to request the favor of any information you may possess, or be able
conveniently to obtain, respecting it.

I have the honor to be,
Very respectfully, &c.,

Narciso King
First Assistant Postmaster General.

Hon. S. H. Douglas
Chicago, Ill.
Oelston, Clermont Co.
May 30, 1857.

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Sir,

On the scene of old acquaintance, at the request of many interested, allow me to address you upon a little matter of business. For six years the citizens of this village and vicinity have had their post office, bringing in weekly some sixty odd $5.00 papers, to pay its own expenses. Since the election of Mr. Buchanan, it has been discontinued. There is another office east of this, some 3 miles, doing not more than in the business which this one here did, it coming out every year in debt. It is kept by one Clark, and surrounded by a democratic community. Here they are mostly Republicans.

Here they have a village. Their village.
have none. Here the office
is insured to pay—there it
is sure not to pay. Here they
can distribute weekly some
70 papers—there not more
than 40. For what reason.
Then in this office to be put
down & kept down—while
That is sustained at the
public expense. It trust
it is not, because as persons
of all parties are getting to
believe—that, a Community
is Democratic & this Repub-
lican. They have two years
ago—petitioned the Depart-
ment, but get no answer.
I am sorry to feel it my
duty to trouble you Sir,
with this little matter,
but hope you will pardon
me & find a few moments
leisure to bring this item to
the attention of the Gen’l Office.
I’m doing to no more than

Justice will be done to the
Petitioners (Her & Helen) &
nothing will be lost to
the Democracy.

Very Truly Yours Old friend

Lm. Perkins

Formerly of Newville, N.Y.

Now of Ripley, Ohio.
May 30th, 1857

My Dear Judge,

I had intended to have been at Chicago before this, but have been detained here. I shall be up in about two weeks. I think in life you conclude to meet us before that time. I see Franklin and Therman are moving in Madison Co. I presume the best thing to do in that county is to see or learn from both Smith and Kemmery are being made to unite the Free men. I know no things. We can prevent the Union and Dem. men of the can learn what we will do. We think the Union is made. We can carry the county properly between you and me. Time is passing away. There are many other times except the Free men. Then we can hold all others as a trap we have not had for some time and cannot get on. Of course it won't do to say this aloud. I hope as well known and not appear clearly. Things are all right here. Mon is very friendly to you and I have no reason to doubt its respectability. I think we can carry the people from this district. It is necessary plan to run against Martin in my opinion. I think off everything and every body to beat him, we can beat him badly. I carry everything else.

I have heard nothing from Washington since your letter and I know nothing about their movements or plans.
I see by the papers that the Board intend to recall me out, and there will be but few of any designations, and those who wish to be recalled their places would not be desirable. I am not disappointed, much more regard to him.

Jas. Huntoon
Wife Richardson
Washington May 30th 1857

Dr. Yes

As an effort is being made to improve the building of the "Washington Library Company" and to make additions to the library, the committee appointed to solicit subscriptions beg leave to submit to you the following statement:

This company was chartered in 1814 and among its early patrons were Secretary Madison, Monroe & Adams, J. B. Calhoun, Mr. No. Crawford, and many prominent citizens of this metropolis.

The grounds and building, eligibly situated on 11th st. south of the avenue, are valued at $3500. The library consists of 7.000 volumes of standard literature, and by subscription the company is entitled to all the publications of Congress and of the Smithsonian Institution.

It is now proposed to make the following improvements, viz. To add a third story to render the rooms now occupied more attractive and commodious, to improve the exterior of the building, and to re-arrange and increase the present library.

To accomplish these objects it is estimated that $500 will be required, and to raise the-
amount it is proposed to issue stock, which has hitherto been held at $12 per share. To an increase in dividend however, to those who may wish to become stockholders, stock will be sold at present for $6 per share.

The advantages resulting from the success of the present effort are obvious to every one, and cannot well be over estimated. Our city has long suffered from the limited interest taken in this Institution, and, now that it is proposed to add to its advantages, we would appeal to you for aid, with confidence in your generous interest in the population & well-being of our city, and in your just appreciation of the advantages resulting from the circulatation of a pure literature.

Sincerely yours,

Your obedient servants,

A. L. Newton

W. J. Moore

A. C. Richards

Mr. P. Shepherd

W. W. Thompson

Chairman of Committee
Indianapolis, May 30, 1857.

Hon. S. A. Douglas:

Dear Sir,

I have already enclosed to you some articles from newspapers in this State. I shall send more from time to time. I now send a few. It is not my wish to thrust these things upon your attention. Whatever may be the merit and significance of the things sent, the motive for sending them is good.

It is proper that I should say further, that I write to you without hoping, or even desiring an answer. I can understand and appreciate your motive in maintaining the most scrupulous silence touching the internal politics of our State. If my advice could have any weight with you, I should advise what I understand to be your conduct thus far,—a strict policy of non-interference in our affairs. At the same time, it can not be amiss in me to inform you, from time to time, what falls under my own observation,—especially when its matter and purport affects your reputation.

Jesse D. Wright is here; he has been here, with short intervals of absence for about three weeks. There is trouble in his camp which demands his personal attention. But notwithstanding
ing his presence, the difficulty is growing from day to day. Two or three Democratic newspapers, and as many Democratic counties, have been read out of the party, at his instance, by his subsidized mouth-piece, the Indianapolis Sentinel. The masses of the people — I mean of the Democratic party — are aroused to a sense of the dishonor which has been brought upon them by his ridiculous ambition, and the unscrupulous conduct of his tools in carrying out his programme. He and his minions are now busy with your name. The conduct of the Cincinnati Enquirer is charged to you, and vague rumors are afloat that you are at the bottom of this new-born spirit of deadly assistance to him. It seems to be Bright's latest move to represent that you are jealous of him as a rival for the presidency, and that you are "moving heaven and earth" for his overthrow. There seems to be a double object in this. If he should fall — and he will — it will mitigate the shame of his defeat, if it is understood that he fell beneath the lance of a giant adversary. If he should maintain himself, his triumph will be enhanced by the impression that he does it in defiance of your opposition and envy, actuated by this design, and, as you are aware, by a secret feeling of malignity which none but traitors can feel, he takes every opportunity to poison the minds of such Democratic politicians as have any intercourse with him, against you.
Already it begins to leak out; and in two months from this—may sooner—you may expect his overseers and drivers, his jimp's and surveyors, to be proclaiming to our people, that you have the temerity and the
egotism to put yourself forward as the rival of Mr. Bright.

What you were pleased to say to Mr. Davis and myself at Washington, has, so far as I am concerned, been remembered and acted upon. Your advice has been followed and your counsel kept. The press has been attended to, so far as it could be done in an honorable way. A large division of it, to say the least, has been secured. The primary meetings, &c., &c., will not be forgotten or neglected. Our State and Federal courts, &c., the Masonic and Odd Fellows' Grand Lodges have been in session here for a week past; and this opportunity has been used to communicate more freely than can be done on paper, with every part of the State. That opportunity has been well improved. Bright and his minions are scared. Even thus early, true to their selfish instincts, some of the most devoted of his adherents betray a disposition to desert him. I speak now of such men as Kent—the infamous—Burnham, English, &c. &c. Some of them you may know. If they are so perturbed and agitated in the beginning, what will be the terror of their souls when the ominous climax falls upon them. Bright has had
the sympathy of our office-hunting politicians; but never of
the body of the Democracy of our State. I do not believe he has
one friend who will not desert him, when he is stripped of
patronage and power, and compelled to fall back upon his
feeble abilities, and I was about to say parents, but he has none.
As I have said before,—much to his indignation,—he has held
his golden-headed cane over the leaders of our party in this
State, and by his actions and deportment said,

"Kiss, as you please or not, the rod,
But if you don't I'll lay it on by God."

And now that the time cometh when he will be remembered only
as a public plunderer, an intrigant, and a party tyrant,
the timid souls whom he has held in vassalage by intimida-
tion will be ready at the earliest safe moment to flesh their
cowardly weapons upon the dead lion—or rather the dead
ass, whom they have mistaken for a lion.

We hope to have a first-class daily and weekly newspaper
here before long—say by the middle of August, "if bowels
flow right." We could have it now, but for the pruden-
tial scruples of the printer who is to start it. He looks
upon it in the light of a business transaction, in which
ten or twelve thousand dollars of his money are to be em-

dbarked. We have not money enough to offer him the
deficit from now till then. If such a paper is started,
I expect to have some influence over it. I intend to
direct its course. A central newspaper is our great need.
So odious has the Sentinel become,—in part from its im-
becility,—in part from its fulsome devotion to Bright,
that it could not, it seems to me, live a month, under the
rioting claus of a live paper, backed by the rising oligarchs
of our true democracy. Those who now support it would
hope—cut it off, and with the heavy debt now hanging over
it, it would fall with that distinguished rival of yours,
(jardon me for my levity) to whose fortunes it has pinned
its hopes. When I have the pleasure of sending you the first
number if ever you write it in your tablets, that
whatever the U.S. Senate may do, the days of the speculator
are numbered. I am not mistaken in the importance
of such a newspaper here. The first question that
every unbooked democrat asks me is, "Can't we have
an organ, through which to reach the country?" It is
the universal cry of the worst abused and the most
infamously betrayed democracy in the Union!

The difficulty in Indiana is not a mere personal one.
It is not a quarrel between two illiterate demagogues, as hecto-
fore. True, an effort is made by Bright to get out the impression
that it is the same old Wright vs. Bright quarrel with
which Bright has had no trouble, and by which both have
been benefitted. But it is not. New men and fighting men
have their hands in it; and their aim is to break up
the gray-grown cliques and combinations of which Bright is
the autocrat, to tear down the factitious reputation and
influence of the incompetent, selfish, and corrupt men
who have been misrepresenting our democracy and dis-
gracing our State. to put the, party on the proper grounds
teaching the financial policy of our State, and to rebuke and
kick out the plunderers who have been infecting our
camp. They are equally disquieted with the snaky strategy
of Bright, and the frothy demagoguery of Wright, and
the corruption, subserviency and bovine roaring
of that swollen hulk of beastliness—Willard. They are for the
"coming men" who are willing to seek office by honorable paths,
if at all—who can not be tempted by ambition nor bribed
with gold to betray the honor of the State for their
own selfish ends—who, above all, who have decre-
cy enough to inspire respect, and sufficient intellect and
intelligence to command attention.

But I must beg pardon for my tediousness, and close with
my best wishes for your health, and a tribute to your
patience, if you should read this part of my writing.

Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

Gordon Tanner
Saturday 30th

My dear Sir,

Mr. Monroe informed me this morning that he had met you and had had a conversation in relation to a re-organization of the Electoral Corps of the Registe—a matter of no small importance to you and the party, as I believe. I conversed with him but a moment. I would like to see you tomorrow (Sunday) and will call at your house at 12. My other engagements preclude me calling this afternoon.

Very respectfully,

Your friend,

Geo. Walker

Hon. S. H. Douglas.
Geo. Walker
Springfield
at Chicago
Indianapolis, June — 1857.

Hon. S. A. Douglas:

Dear Sir,—

Alex. Morrison, a Bright man, let me know that Bright is your enemy on one condition — namely, I infer, that you kick him out of the Senate. But Mr. says, that it is expected that Bright will compromise with you. He is understood to be almost willing to stand out of your way for the Presidency, and give you Indiana if you will aid in keeping him in his seat. So Mr. talks. He, Mr., admits that B. could not carry this or any other State against you. All this was voluntary on Mr.'s part; for I never speak of you in connection with our politics. This shows that you are figuring in our State. Of course you will feel relieved, in prospect so easy a deliverance from this man's enmity. Bright idea!

Very Respectfully Yours,

G. Tanne
Z. Zimmer
Indianapolis, Ind.