Thomas Francis Meagher.

This distinguished orator has recently been the object of much favorable comment with his eloquence and learning. He delivered a lecture at Metropolitan Hall, in Chicago, on Thursday evening last, which, in point of interest and literary value, was much more meritorious and truthful tribute to the Irish people.

"He is an orator, born, even as poets are born. He's the orator of the unconquered race. His every word is full of power, and his every thought capable of creating a tide that will surge over the ocean."

The article in the Times, speaking of Mr. Meagher as one of the ablest and most eloquent public speakers, well merited and truthful tribute to the great orator of the Irish people.

A striking instance of the influence of oratory is seen in the case of the young Irish orator, who has so recently made his mark in the political world. His eloquence has been the touchstone of his success, and he has been able to inspire his audience with a vision of the future of the Irish race. The orator's task is not only to persuade, but to inspire, and Mr. Meagher has accomplished both.

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In connection with the above, we learn with much pleasure, that Mr. Meagher, through the solicitation of the Rev. Mr. O'Hara, has promised to visit Woodstock on the Fourth of July, and that he has engaged twenty passenger cars on the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway, with Judge Douglass, and a number of other eminent citizens of Chicago. Some four or five military companies have also promised an invitation tendered them by the Rev. Mr. O'Hara. Mr. Meagher is expected to arrive at Woodstock on the same occasion.

Should there be too many, there is every probability that they will, the citizens of Woodstock, and Judge Douglass, and a number of other eminent citizens of Chicago.

Since the above was written, the Rev. Mr. O'Hara called at our office to inform us that a fact that four military companies would be in attendance at the celebration, as well as a large number of other citizens of Chicago, have consented to visit Woodstock on the Fourth of July, and that he has engaged twenty passenger cars on the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway, with Judge Douglass, and a number of other eminent citizens of Chicago.

We hope the citizens of Woodstock will take hold of this matter earnestly, and endeavor to make the celebration a grand one, as well as to have it join in the festivities of the occasion. The dinner will be provided entirely by Mr. O'Hara, and will be served up in Woodstock, in the immediate vicinity of Woodstock.

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We throw out these hints, that our citizens may act in the matter, as they see fit.
We believe this pleasant assignment for humble Antipodes, who hitherto have not enjoyed the benefit of any other native music, that our country has yielded to the literary and moral demands of the age, and has published a collection of pieces in prose and verse, which will be read and appreciated by all who love the noble art of poetry.

**Phœnix.**

We search for the dead, and find the living; the buried, and the living. We search the earth and the heavens, and find the dead; the earth and the heavens, the living. We search for the dead, and find the living; the buried, and the living. We search the earth and the heavens, and find the dead; the earth and the heavens, the living. We search for the dead, and find the living; the buried, and the living. We search the earth and the heavens, and find the dead; the earth and the heavens, the living.

**Poetry in Hobart.**

There is poetry in Hobart, but it will not do. Shirk and noise the thing in the world more than the motion of a lady, a lady. Shirk and noise the thing in the world more than the motion of a lady, a lady. Shirk and noise the thing in the world more than the motion of a lady, a lady. Shirk and noise the thing in the world more than the motion of a lady, a lady. Shirk and noise the thing in the world more than the motion of a lady, a lady.
Zollicoffer June 24th 1851

Hon. W. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

The Woodstock.

I am now on the 4 of July. and if so I would like to know Mr. H. Butler and Capt. Wilson of Libertyville.

and what few Democrats.

We have in this mean County of Lake would like to see you and our Democratic Friends of Chicago at Woodstock on that Day. Please let me know as soon as you can yours truly,

Charles O. Walley

Direct
Barrington Station
Book 60
Mr. Charles Walter
Barrington Station
Cook Co
Illinois

The above card was received in 1857.

Charles S. Phillips
Resident Farmer
To be addressed.
In the fall.
Madison, Wisconsin
June 24th, 1857.

Lyman C. Draper, Madison, Wisconsin,
June 24th, 1857.

Hon. S. J. Douglas,
My Dear Sir:

I take the liberty of sending to you a late No. of the weekly Madison Argus Democrat, containing what seems to me to be an exceeding able review of the Dred Scott case, by Judge A. W. Arrington, recently a District or Circuit Judge in Texas, better known as the author of several very clever literary works given to the public under the pen-name of Charles Summerfield. Judge Arrington has lately located among us to practice law, and I feel deeply honored that a man of his ability and worth should remain permanently...
in the Great North We are that
this noble issue is clear and
in fighting the follies
just now to prevail in
the political action of our
people.

May I call your attention
to Judge Amington's Review?
Should it please you, would
it be pleasing and convenient
for you to judge Amington's
to write a few lines to him
in that effect?

In behalf of our State Historical
Society I send you the 2 Reports
of the Society of Gen. Smith's
Hist. of W.Va., 1st and 2d, all
that have been published. A 3d
improved vol. of that Society's
Collection will soon go to press upon you.

I am now closing.

Though I am devoting my
time mostly to literary pursuits,

yet permit me to say that
I am not indifferent to those mat-
ters relating to the best interest of our country. I am an humble
faithful member of the
Democratic party – I have
served as a Democratic editor. I
still use my pen influence in
all important elections.

In the last year the 1st of our State
Democratic Central Committee,

and H. H. Co. Smith, is Chairman.

Although we were overcome
in this State last fall, we have
the satisfaction of knowing that
we polled nearly 20,000 more
democratic votes than ever
before. Have just returned
from a journey in the eastern
Northern part of our State.
Real confident with a good
ticket this fall, we shall re-
Dean the Belle.

You have many warm and devoted friends in Wisconsin, Mr. Baur, Judge Daines, Hon. Geo. B. Smith, E. A. Calkins, and hosts of others. We all hope you may live to see you occupy the highest place in the sight of our people. I at all events shall feel it a pleasure to work for the end.

I shall almost venture to present my respectful regards to your lady. In 1848, I boarded at the same boarding house with her father's family, as the name of the keeper of the boarding house I have forgotten—It was, however, on the Potomac above the President's House, Col. S. H. Laughlin, a partner in the firm of Druce & Co., and the former agent of the government, I was residing there. I formed some acquaintance with Mr. Co., which I have since the tables cultivated by correspondence. Shall I take the liberty to do so to gratify the feelings of my heart to do so?
Geo. June 24, 1847

Hon. J. A. Douglas,

Sir: In closed,

I send you a petition handed me yesterday with a request to forward to you, from personal information, I judge the facts to be about as stated by Mr. Beardsby, which, at Philadelphia, he premaud these three two months since I had ought, to have repaired but he has not done so.

I know Thomas H. Moody to be a good Democrat of recent standing and one that would give general satisfaction. The office has been in a bad way for the last two years. The interest of the public and particularly, the interest of the Democratic party demand this appointment. The petitioners, request that if the appointment is made that all communications be directed to Mr. Moody at this office which I presume is not necessary.

Respectfully yours,

Wm. H. Arthur
Genesee Co.
H. M. Arthur.
Petition about the Post Office.
Not being satisfied with the present incumbent of our Post Office at Sharon White's County, We petition for a change inasmuch as William Beard is the present P. Master has sold his interest in business here and moved out of town leaving the Post Office to be tended by persons not under oath or bonds or in our judgement in any way responsible for the faithful performance of said duties. And besides these said persons have moved the office to their residence contrary to our wishes. We now petition that Thomas W. Scott be appointed that the business of the office may be done at its former stand.

Jacob W. Scott
Jacob Workman
Joseph Armstrong
C. W. Neel's

George Roos
Samuel Lodge

John Roberts
John W. Buskirk

L. Chaffin
Lawrence Buskirk

W. Croswic
John C. Townley
William Whited
Adam Whited
Josiah Ballen
Samuel Cain
James Thorne
J. H. Kempster
John Kempster
M. J. Kempster
Frederick Wight
Gabrielian Franklin
John, H. Townley
Dadie Halse
Woolsey B. Moore
Win. T. Crosson, Bailiff
Executor of Edward and Matthew
Chicago June 21[st] 1854

Mr. Charles Pine
Pundion Ill

Dear Sir,

I want to get my friend Mr. James Aiken in as Post Master of Mendota - in the place of D. D. Guiles - who is not from representation - a good democrat - in fact I have heard from good authority - that he did not vote at the last presidential election - and lean'd more in favor of Fremont - then for the party - which employ he was under - Aiken is a first-rate fellow - and keeps the eating house at the Depot - Can you find out from some of your friends at Mendota - the facts - and if things are as represented you can do
I had a conversation with Mr. Price, and he asked me if I would not write to you concerning the matter. If you will attend to this you will most confer a favour on yours.

Am. Daniel
Bap. 1808

answer at your earliest convenience
Chicago June 4th

Mr. J. Daniels

about the Post Office at Mendota

recommending

James Atkens
Dear Sir,

I have been disappointed in my application to Col. Black for an appointment in the New York C.
Custom House as I suppose to my surprise the Senate that he has determined to have the appointments to the C.
Custom House for obvious reasons.
I have been vacillating between two opinions. I find my income will not be sufficient for the support of my family with out some aid from some individual efforts except in some work when I can make work with economy. This my encires that again I state here to the best of my
preparation flourishing C.

My determination
would be proposed can get an opportunity there that could arise from time in engaging the attention of a party of men.

Is not consideration to those the same circumstances. Therefore, if you would and were by procuring a situation in the Custom House. I can you are in 

and Mary the amount the place to 

be a benefit and to the 

Europe in possession of the other great naval command any thing that must force the hand of the country to 

you. If you can procure in this up I must hold some bag to bring to Chicago for aga. I think my three sons help go good fortune to unda a purpose 

important citizens to make it 

tongue. If young ladies not a
Litchfield Conn.
June 24th
Wm. BRISTOW.
Saint Louis, Mo.
24th June 57

Dear Sir,

As you have been informed by Mr. LaFollette I came to this city this morning to effect an arrangement with the publishers of the Republican to print 20,000 copies of your late speech delivered at Springfield.

Accordingly I have made the following arrangement:

To print, fold, stitch with edge, cut (without cover) 16 octavo pages, small 16th letter for $14.50.00—shall box and send to A. C. Dickinson, Springfield who will make the necessary arrangement to circulate the same.

I have directed that the publishers draw upon you at Chicago for the amount. The title will be "LaFollette v. Walker"
Very Respectfully,

G.D. Prentiss

Mr. I.H. Douglas
Chicago
St. Louis.
June 24th 1849.
Yrs. Tristr.
J. D. Preston.
Omaha City, Nebraska, Jan 24th

Hon. J. R. Douglas
Dear Sir,

Soon after my arrival here, I received a letter from Capt. Diller dated Washington, May 17th, in which he informed me that he had an interview with Mr. Hendricks in relation to Col. Gilmore's case, as per agreement the evening that he was here at your House in Chicago. Capt. Diller writes me that all will be right. He also received a letter from John A. Baker, Esq., the Register of the Land Office at this place who is now in Washington, in which he informs us that the whole matter is explained to the Department so that Col. Gilmore now stands far better than ever. Now one word in relation to Hon. B.B. Chapman. He has through his friends endeavored to impress Col. Gilmore that you sought this
The prospects of this Territory are of very high importance. The country is developing west with the Oregonians, and probably before 1845 will form another star in the bright galaxy of States. If Col. Gillomace goes there as an emigration agent, he will carry his job so far as he should be able to. He received a letter from his family a few days since, in which he was informed of the critical moment in which you requested to the request to obtain an appointment to the Philippian Army in the Navy. The conclusion of Mr. Douglas is undoubtedly a wise one of gratitude against our God, that I pray that I may have to pay dues at least the interest. The views present as today that the W. D. Richardson had decided the appointment if you go to the Territory. This was a great disappointment to us. However, that the Administration will give us some good men. The men a very pleasant social gathering the last evening of the year. Mr. Ben Black, he has been accused with the name in the letter of the Territory, and is well pleased, and
his reception here. I must bring my
hasty thought to a close.

I remain Truly Yours

J. N. Buck

P.S. I have just been reading the Times of the 16th
in which is a synopsis of your speech at Springfield.
Your views on Utah will be hailed here with great
pleasure, here, when the books are free, we see more
of them and of their internal acts. And for one
I say I feel prouder of you than ever. God
Bless you for that speech, and may you
be strengthened and sustained in your position
by the whole people of this great confederacy.

J. N. Buck

June 8th, 1859

[Signature]
Office of Construction
June 24th, 1857.

Hon. Howell Cobb,
Secretary of the Treasury,

Sir,

The Hon. J. A. Douglas in a letter to the Department, complains that I consulted with the enemies of the Lampman lot in Springfield, Ill., and avoided the friends of that lot. I have already stated to the Department, that I desired to avoid seeing any one interested in these lots, preferring to trust to my own judgment after examining the titles, rather than listen to the arguments of interested parties, and succeeded in doing so, until after that made the report, which I had the honor to show you on the morning of my return to the City. I met Mr. Douglas about 11 o'clock on the night of my arrival, and had a long conversation with him on the subject, during which he strongly urged the Lampman lot as the most eligible. Mr. Douglas says he stayed at the same Hotel with Capt. Bowman, and refused to sign fully the injunction.
Copy of Rough Report for Springfield, Ill.

"Determined the lots affect for the site of the 50 and 60 Cents at this place. The 50 lot near the Lawrence gave me definitely the best offer, and a lot near that there appears but little to choose; they are about equally distant from the Capitol. The other lot is perhaps 2 or 3 feet higher than the other, which on the other hand is rather nearer to the business of the town. Either would make an eligible site. I have been assured that a good foundation could be obtained on the Lawrence site that 1 think in an area the street opposite the lot the lot is a little too, but the houses around are without croquet. On large 50 at no little building directly opposite the proposed lot, it is without a wall. I see that the Department were in selecting either of these lots.

I certify that the above is a true copy from the notes of Major Birman, which he took from the survey and handed to me on my leaving him that his notes in the former part have been called in question, and I then sent them. This certified immediately on his receipt before he had left the office, and before he had the letter from the author of the other report on or from Mr. Parmer.

J.M. Clark, CC.

June 20, 1858.

Passed, City of Convent
Springfield Ill. Court H. Jc

A. N. Robinson

Received a letter of Hon. L. H. Douglas, rel to selection of site.

with extract from Report the cord.

June 24th, 1837
Rock Island, June 25, 1867

Dear Sir,

By the enclosed notice you will perceive there is another vacancy, and may I hope you will immediately remind the Secretary of the Navy and Judge Bolch of their promises. There can be no excuse now and I should be very astonished if any mischance or neglect of attachment should be again postponed.

Excuse, dear sir, my anxiety, but to me it is a matter of great importance.

Very truly,

Yours,

[Signature]

Mr. Danforth

Hon. S. Douglas

U.S.

Chicago. Ill.
Rock Island
June 28th 1887
J B Danforth Jr.
Stovas June 25th 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Dear Judge,

When I here you suggested the probable appointment of Col. Zenas Hunnicut

to Utah, and of consequent necessity in his position here, which you thought

would affect me. I do not know what its duties or responsibilities are, but,

I presume I could discharge the one and I am free to stay at the present
time the other would be very acceptable, and if it did not require the duty of
the office I lost last year.

I suppose from the report to day, the necessity exists, and if you will move
the favor to write direct to the President

of the Interior and reimburse me and I will be much obliged to you.

I have been told that prior to leaving Washington, one delegation waited on

me in recommendation of me for some
suitable place, which was filled in
one of the Departments — probably the
Treasury.

If you write
Write at once to Washington about it, and it also to some other understanding what steps I need better taken to promote this object. I will try to bring it about. Please let me hear from you directed to Bay 1091 Louis P.O. as soon as possible.

Truly yours,

John Hayward.
P. O. Department
Adjut. Office
June 25, 1861

My dear Sir:

Your letter of the 18th inst. is received. A temporary commission of special agents will be sent to the line; but the Hon. Secretary does not feel willing to extend this authority to the Chiefs of Clark. I have the honor to be,

Very truly,

Horatio King

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Chicago, Ill.
June 25th 1837
Washington
Dr. John King
Lee's Crossing
To P.M. at Chicago
as America dig.
Mr. Stephen A. Douglas, Aurora, June 20, '57

Dear Sir,

Having learned that President Buchanan is determined to carry out the "rotation in office" rule, I, in common with all the Democrats in this town, feel considerable anxiety in relation to our Post Master here. We would not feel so much the removal of R. C. King the present Post Master, as we would to have such a man as I.T. Orcutt appointed his successor.

Orcutt is a clever fellow—a good judge of a horse. Can handle four or six horses with more dexterity than you or I can. But he cannot change the habits of a Post Master. Besides his mental deficiencies by the fact of his being a mail contractor. And more than all, his application is not backed by the first Democrat of Aurora, but on the contrary his only recommendation comes from four of the most violent political and bitter personal enemies. You know in this County.

Now Judge, perhaps you may remember that I have in your hands an application for an appointment in the U.S. Army. Please to consider this application as withdrawn, disposed of. And if I have any influence with you, and are entitled to any voice as a Democrat, I beg of you to do so.
that this man Orutt is not appointed Postmaster for this city. But if it becomes necessary to
remove Mr. Menz, you will please consider me an
applicant for the office. I pledge you found my
authorities by Mr. Menz to say that they were
perfectly satisfied to bring and all our po-
ditical friends here.

I cannot judge that my business keeps me
so constantly at home that I cannot have the
 honored of paying you in person. I think it to
best, B. T. Water has kindly volunteered to be the
 bearer of this, to say, what I am great haste
may have omitted to say.

Very truly yours,

B. B. Hall
D. Old Hall Jan 25/57

Dear Stephen, 

I hope this letter finds you well. In reference to the matter of the June lot, I have sent a deed to a good man to deliver a quarter of a half of July cotton. Please let me hear from you by return mail. I must oblige you many thanks.

Yours truly,

E. Young

D. Old Hall

D. Old Hall Co.
De Kalb College,
June 25th, 1867.
O P Young.

Hides upon to recommend some one to deliver on 4th of July. Victoria at DeKalb.
Copy of Petition

To the Post Master of Springfield, Ill.

As the undersigned business men of the city of Springfield respectfully protest against the removal of the Post Office from the present location on the ground that a greater number of persons who have business with the office are better accommodated where it now is.

June 28, 1867.

Names

D. A. Hoag
R. J. Ruth
R. Haynes
H. W. Nelson
H. J. Moore
Charles Ryan
A. Rayburn
W. S. Smith
W. H. Adams
E. H. Bailey
John Pritchett
S. S. Little
G. B. Coombs
H. C. Hall
Samuel C. Corning

Occupations

Furniture Dealer
Saddle Maker
Merchant
Confectioner
Drugist
Physician
Merchant Tailor
Blacksmith
Baconer
Hatter
Hardware Merchant
Blacksmith
Clothier
Clothier
Confectioner
City at Law
A petition against the removal of the present site of the Post Office at Springfield.
Chicago June 26/57

Honble. Stephen A. Douglas

Sir,

I have the honor to ask the favor of you, that you give to my mutual friend, John Maple Syr, in this city, a letter of recommendation of him to the President of the United States (or other officer) for the appointment of him to the office of "Commissioners for the Court of Claims" at Washington city.

His qualifications and fitness for the office will be acknowledged by all who know him.

Respectfully yours,

C.R. Morris
Chicago June 20th 1844

B O Morris.
Philadelphia June 26th 1857

Dear Sir,

For many years it has been the custom of the Democrats of Philadelphia to assemble on the morning of the Fourth of July in Independence Square in honor of the principles and the deed that have made the clay immortal. These meetings have a beneficial effect in advancing the cause of constitutional liberty, and in promoting good fellowship amongst the members of the Democratic party.

The committee of arrangements for the meeting to be held on the ensuing Fourth of July desiring that the occasion may be as productive of good as its predecessors have determined to invite specially your presence and co-operation, and the undersigned Committee of Invitation accordingly invite you most cordially to be present as a guest.

Yours Respectfully,

James M. Leddy
Joshua M. Claybord

C. Marshall

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Philadelphia
June 26th.

I accept the invitation to attend the Fourth of July celebration.

Benjamin Franklin
Philadelphia
July 8, 1834
Princeton Ill. June 26th, 1857

Dear Sir—When I was at your house last week, you spoke of having me print 10,000 copies of your Springfield Tract, promising, if there were any errors in it, as it appeared in the Times, to send me a corrected copy. I have not, yet, such copy and don't know whether to proceed according to the Times, or not.

I find, upon calculation, that the mere paper for 10,000 pamphlets of 16 pages will cost within a trifling fraction of $100 in the same which you named as the estimated cost of printing that number. Nevertheless, if you will inform me whether the speech, as it appears in the Times, is correctly reprinted, or not, and, if not, furnish me with a corrected copy, the 10,000 copies shall be printed and circulated in this and adjoining counties. Very Respectfully

Yours for C. N. Pine

P.S. I will presume to make the poor tender of my very best compliments to Mrs. Douglas whose kindness and courtesy while I was at your house, I shall long remember with pleasure.
Princeton Ills.
June 26th, 1841.
C. N. Pine.
Chicago June 26, 1897

Mr. J. A. Douglas

Enclosed please find

$71.44.68

Please wire for and pay

$974.68

I wish that you would let me know when you received

July 2

S. H. Kerfoot

I have several for. abstracts

which perhaps you have list

 Receipt

S. H.
Chicago June 26th
1849

S.H. Peabody.
June 26th, 1857

My dear Judge,

I am so weak and exhausted from what I regard a hopeless incurable disease that I have scarcely strength to write, and yet I feel that I ought to drop you a line. My great regret, and that which very deeply affects me, is the prospect of losing my little children without a protector. I have mentally suffered so much since the death of him who had so long made my home so cheerful and happy that life for my own sake is of but little value, but to my children it might be of great value.

I read with great interest your Springfield speech which is most clear exposition of all the questions you touched upon.

If you should come this way come and see me— I should be delighted to see you.

Oakey joins in much love to yourself and Mrs. Douglas. The little boys to young.

Make my kind regards to Mr. W. and tell him to see me soon.

Mrs. S. G. Douglas,

Your friend, Enos Read

Chicago, Ill.
Terre Haute
June 26, 1837

Dr. Ezra Reed.

Warmly
L.H.D.

Dr. Ezra Reed
April 29, 1837
Terre Haute
Boston, June 26, 1857

Mr. Sargents

for Lie

Allow me to suggest for your consideration the propriety of inserting in our platform for 1859 something to purport that the sentiment of the Democratic Party is in favor of the extension of slavery nationally.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Quincy Hancock
Boston
Bristol, June 2d, 1854.
As furnished.

[Signature]
New York
June 27, 1857

My dear Sir,

In an hour I shall leave for Fowostopoh, to take charge of the force which will be engaged in raising the vessels mired in that harbor.

It is quite possible that I may decide to pursue my profession in Russia, when my engagement with this company is concluded.

I wish you would take occasion to speak of me to the Russian Minister as the earliest convenient opportunity. He has promised to write in relation to myself, but he knows nothing of my standing in the profession in this country. Tell him what the Consul-house is to present my kindest wishes to Mrs. Douglas, and believe me to be

Very your sincere & Erst,

Honor A. Douglas

A W. Campbell

Washington D.C.
New York City January 1857.
To Campbell.
Sir,

The National Democratic Association of this City, for the purpose of counteracting the false position that the New York Herald, and other papers of the same 'kidney' desire to place you, relative to your late, short, impulsive, speech, made in Springfield, Ill., have resolved to have a large addition of the speech published and send it broad cast over the land. We have also ordered 30,000 copies of the S.C. in the 1857 Scott case. Mr. Wendell, do our printing by paying for the paper only, but we are so desperate poor that we do not know how to get them folded until we can manage the matter through you, and Mr. McNeil, of the Senate, he is one of our members, and in actions to contribute all in his power to this object.

The most painful idea connected with our poverty, is that the Administration are restricting our means, by refusing to promote those of us who have, and are still willing to contribute our labor and money, to the cause.
of Democracy. They have also removed some
good feeling. There is no hope of the opposite
and almost all the promotions are from those
who never contributed one cent to the cause.
Now what are we to do under these circum-
stances? At the close of this present year we expect to be
ranked with the Democracy further reduced. and
those old fellows who retained their power, the
Feggys and others of our party appear to be con-
trived by the old Thirty, who have been office-
ners for the last 25 years, as much as they were in
the last Administration.

I have heard from you and write relative to the
Sending

My Respectfully,

[Signature]

Hon. J. B. Douglas
Chicago

1863
Washington Jan'y

Daniel McCook
Dear Sir,

I thought you did not understand the geography of the route so well that it would give you a clear view of the two main roads which you will find on the chart. It is the route that the people living on the longuro route are very anxious of having their small sense of service to be weekly mail and the People at the upper from. With it it is thought to have it extended to the Census a distance of twelve miles which will give them a great communication with their county seat which they do not have with the present mail arrangement.

Your obedient servant,

[Signature]

John H. Grant
Banna Ilia
June 27, 1871
J. H. Scott
[Signature]
J. Harlton
Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 28th inst. is received. The change of date for the issue of the New York air line to Chicago is delayed for the reason that the Post Master General is unwilling to make a removal without the reasons for the same being stated. Please supply the deficiency.

Yours,

[Signature]

Very respectfully, yours,

[Signature]

Horatio King
First Postmaster

Hon. S. A. Douglas,
Chicago, Illinois.
Dr. Uri King.

About the delay of the \textit{aft}, of Bount agit on the Chicago & St. Paul.

Air Line Road.
The Bonham House here receipt the letter to Douglas.

Omaha City, Nebraska Territory
June 27th 1857

My judge,

I send you copies of the "Nebraska" "Omnaha Times," with article maker which please read. Before leaving Washington, I saw W.H. Wigham on the Whigs who changed their engaged in a newspaper for years as editor and publisher at Madison. This remains yours truly, J.H. Robinson, editor of Nebraska Times of the late Robertson whom you remember as a talent in that place. I said prior to the removal I learned that the Pýrman was recently engaged in starting one opposition paper to those now in business, and that various forms of Nebraska newspapers were in the hands of the first party, Nebraska Mason in that state,
denouncing you. The articles in the paper which I hand will show you that my suspicion was correct. If I am defeated you can see how it will aid. I, B. Channing, the real leaders of the party with me, I shall be able to teach through legal channels. Office holders here & Washington my trip to bring that result.

Yours truly,

B. C. Chapman.
Omaha, Nebraska
June 24, 54

M. B. Chapman
Constitution Office,  
Springfield, Ill., June 27, 1863.  
Hon. S. A. Benjamins:  

We have printed your late Springfield speech in our paper of today, and printed and are circulating 6,000 copies, in pamphlet form in this county (Champaign), according to order of Mr. Walker of Champaign, Vermillion and Piatt. We send you by today's mail a copy of paper and pamphlet. The cost for printing and sending out the latter is $70.00, $15. per thousand.

Very Respectfully,  
G erneman & Richards.

J. Gerneman.
Urbana, Ills.
June 27, 1857

Gerrard Richards

[Signature]

Eulens
Mendota
June 27th

C. W. Pine Esq.

Your note is not too well. I wish you much good fortune. I notify you that I am appointed Post Master of Mendota. Since that time Mr. MC has told me his son, and now I think it is best to your interest as then appointed R.M. who is found who will place the P.O. where we can make the most of it. I will advise you with the present incumbent for a Democratic circulation. He is entirely under the influence of J. M. Mulvihill — no use of saying more. All his patronage will come from his position. Last fall voted and worked for the opposition. I tried my self to get him Drew Dockel, Company paper. I came to his store — he would not take a thing of our side. He in the mean time taken over a quantity of the other side docket from Mulvihill. He was the editor of paper at Dyan. I send this paper to him that he coincided with him in his views. This letter was fern by Mr. Baker R.M. of Dyan.
Marquette

Mackall County

Dear J. A. Douglas,

Sir,

Some of our Boys, in the W. B. part of this County, are mounting pretty strong, about just office facilities, and in conversation with Judge Matthews, formerly of Illinois, now of Omaha, he suggested, as our Congressman, the Wy Berlack Strike, I should address you in regard to the matter - they have to go from 10 to 15 miles for mail; matter and while any other part of this County is connected with the P.O., Convenient, they are almost without, and some of the Republican and some of the Anti-Radical Republicans are strengthening, by telling them if they aren't heard it has only been elected by
June 2, 1857

Affair in the August election

Affairs before the August election

Affair that you take as an influence in obtaining this favor

Affair with the people there, and in furthering the interest of her successor.

I am truly,

Yours for the long

[Signature]

June 2, 1857
Mr. Mr. Cornick
Marietta Corn.
July 14th
The Little Giant is our choice in 1860.

I bestow.

Without notifying you personally,
you will not consider is true, by some
information I have heard to your advantage,
or the sentiments of the Log as representing their belief in 1860.

Mr. S. W. C.
Washington, June 29, 1857

Dear Sir,

I presume you have seen the Weekly State, but I am not certain that you have received a copy of the Weekly. With this letter I send you a few copies. You will perceive that it contains your speech, with our comments thereon. I hope they (the comments) will please you. I sent off an edition of 500, directed to Post-Master alone. The Weekly edition of The State ought to have a circulation of 100,000 copies, but up to this time, subscribers come in slowly. It is the cheapest paper in the South, and, if I have the assurance to say it myself - it is not for behind many of the best journals, in talent.

Our friend Harris is remaining in the city, and leaves no opportunity.
suggested by which he can come from politically.

By your wishes in certain the political

top of the day, and I am delighted

to pursue that the democratic forces

throughout the county are at publishing

Sir,

Jno. Owen

S. A. Douglas.

John P. What.
Maj. John P. Veep
State Office
Washington, D.C.

Written
Feb. 3rd 1857
Chicago June 29th 1857

Sir,

You are hereby notified that on the 9th day of June A.D. 1857 at a sale of lots of lands for taxes due the County of Cook State of Illinois for the year 1856 I purchased the following described lot: situated in the County of Cook aforesaid viz:

The block numbered nine 9/9 Sec. 19. T39 N. 14 line of Chicago with the buildings if any situated thereon owned by H. A. Douglas.

And that the time of redemption of said lot of land from said sale will expire on the 9th day of June A.D. 1859.

H. A. Douglass
Chicago

Yours etc.,

William J. Barron

Chicago
Indianapolis, June 29, 1857.

Hon. S. A. Douglas:

A controversy having arisen between Gov. Willard and myself with regard to Hon. J. B. Bright, Gov. W. charged the allegation as made by you and your friends that Bright acted treacherously towards you at the Cincinnati Convention, is denied by Mr. Bright as being without foundation and false. I asked why Mr. B. allowed such a charge to be made without publicly denying it. Gov. Willard said he would make the denial, and that he would write him a letter calling it out. We made an appointment for this morning. Gov. W. has written the letter, and Mr. Bright's answer in some shape may be expected. This information will be sufficient
to apprise you that the question of veracity is to be raised.

Mr B's answer, when made, will be addressed to Gov. Willard.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient Srvt.

Gordon Tanner.
Rochester June 29/57

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

Will you lend me a copy of your Springfield Speech? I have lost a copy which I intended to read when ready to publish the Times's synopsis in order to correct editorially any material deviations from the full which might detect.

It is my desire to be found in accord with you and your friends in our future political contests— notwithstanding any former disagreement, to which I very briefly referred in a recent personal interview. My habit is to shuck out.
frankly & candidly to utte any, what I mean— a habit which you will readily appreciate in this, it being your own. I enclose my very brief article and accompany the synopsis of your speech in to day's Union Advertiser.

Very Respectfully,

Em. Oldshue.

Isaac Bute.
R. Y.
Rochester June 19, 57.
Lasso Pratt.

Akin to copy of your speech.

Yours,

[Signature]
Ottawa
Mr. R. [illegible] Douglas
June 29 1857

I wrote you in March last with a letter enclosed from the Hon. W. W. Cushman asking if you would use your influence in procuring me to situations in Kansas or Nebraska. I expect to make that my home and would like the appointment of receiving public money at land offices now getting located. I would be very thankful for your assistance.

I can refer you to Mr. Cushman, Mr. Radich, or any of our Democratic friends also to you. May respectfully yours, Wm. Dager.
TRIAL OF REAPERS AND MOWERS.

Illinois State Ag. Society.
Office of the Corresponding Secretary,
Springfield, June 29, 1857.

I am directed by Hon. C. W. Webster, President of the Illinois State Agricultural Society, to announce that the trial of Reapers and Mowers, under the supervision of the officers of said Society, will commence at Salem, Marion County, on the 8th day of July, 1857.

Please to make the above as public as possible, by publication in the newspapers and otherwise.

SIMEON FRANCIS,
Cor. Sec. Ill. St. Ag. Soc.
Springfields.
June 29, 1887.
Invitation to attend a trial of
Reapered Wrens.
St. Nicholas Hotel
New York, Jan. 29th

My dear Judge: I have just arrived

and learned my course after a protracted
session of 5 months, I have come down
to New York to see what was going on.
My old class mate in college, John
Cochran, who by the way is a poet, has
finally got his eyes open. He now looks
like a book. I have spent nearly
a week among the leading men
of both sides. All are harmonious
and unite upon the succession of Mr.
Buchanan. His policy in relation
to Utah is known to be marked
out & dictated by yourself, for

It makes my heart glad to see this
cordial manifestation for the future
in the Empire State. I have but one
all absorbing passion & wish that is to
see you Prince of these United States,
If you are true to yourself it is sure
to come. Give Brandy 100 to
leading men of Pennsylvania, etc.
an informal gathering at the Holm House last night, a few, frankly, in cordial expression of opinion was made by the leading Democrats of the State in Ohio in your behalf. We base in prospect a glorious future. The nomination & election in Ohio opens the Convention for 1860. Its influence will be all-important. By the bye, send me a draft of resolutions that you wrote apropos in relation to Kansas. Our State Convention must speak on this subject on the 4th of May.

I have to have forgotten what I said down to write you above. It is this, I have a friend (a dear old friend) John S. Neville, former in U.S. Navy. But for some years in the Missouri custom house as assistant collector. He was the assistant of Deputy collector here. Mr. Schill will do once respond him on a letter of recommendation from you. Collector Predelka tells me there is no Neville is one of the more accomplished & trust worthy officers in the service.

He is the son of Genl Morgan Neville of Cincinnati of good family, a man of intellect & varied ability. You will oblige me by sending to Mr. Neville here a letter to Mr. Schill recommending him to the office named. So or three lines is all sufficient. How with kind regards to Mr. Douglas permit me to send you on behalf of Mrs. Wister for not coming to Chicago & making of the Mormon.

Eve 5th
Mr. T. Wister

Am. S. A. Depdty
Chicago
New York June 29.
H V Williams.

Recommend
John S Stevens
for the appointment
of deputy Collector.
Kankakee City, June 29th, 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

In regard to the Post Office affair, I have written to you so frequently, and also conversed with you equally as freely in Washington, allow me to say to you that the whole affair is turning out as I predicted to say while in Washington. That is that the present incumbent is totally unfit for the place. The people are all convinced of that fact, and I assume you that a large majority of the Democracy as the majority are in favor of my having the Office notwithstanding the effort that Longfellow backed up by Mr. Hurling and Ashley let me tell you that they don't constitute the Democracy of this community.
And I am satisfied from what I have heard that
Longfellow cannot take the
office, and under that
Circumstance I leave it for you
to conclude whether I have not
a right to expect that justice
ought to be generously bestowed
upon me in the matter.

Yours Truly,

Geo. B. Howell

Hon. S. A. Douglas
To M. Stowell
Hamburke July 1759
About the P. Office
at Hamburke
Hankahsee City June 29th 1851

Hon. S. H. Douglas

Dear Sir

Allow me to introduce to your favourable consideration Mr. A. B. Dezenburg.
Mr. Dezenburg will give you a full statement of all the facts.
Office War against me in his place.
And he can tell you what the general feeling is in regard to my being removed in the manner that I was.
And I will further say that whatever Mr. Dezenburg tells you you can rely on.

Yours Truly,

Geo. W. Stonehill
Hartford, Ct. June 29/39

Stephen A. Douglas Esq.

Dear Sir,

As I am making a collection of autographs of distinguished persons, I hope you will favor me with the liberty I take in requesting you.

I will be much obliged to you if you will return the same at your own convenience.

I can refer you to Sec. Lincoln as an acquaintance of mine, he is very well acquainted with me.

By attending to this slight request you will receive the thanks of

Edward K. Hinshel
Hartford Conn.
June 29.
Edward H. Winship.
Regret an
autographed.
Washington, June 30, 1857

Dear [Name],

Your letter in support of the location of the public buildings at
Ottawa being placed on the bills of the Department
by [Senator or Representative's name] is much in compliance with your
request as it is sincerely of

was brought to the attention of the

Major Bowman, which

led to the enclosed letter

from him to me. You

will see that you have

accomplished injustice in

your publication - and

I know that such acts

are always that should

be the case. Even that

reason I place the facts

before you.

In haste,

Your friend,

[Signature]
Hon. Howell Cobb,
Washington
June 3, 1867
[Handwritten text not legible]
In the absence of the City Council, the attempt
was made at the same time to do my duty.

I am sorry to learn that you are about to
make changes in your organization. I am
willing to go along with any decision that
may be made, but I hope that you may be
able to make changes in your organization
in your own interest. I am writing to you
in this condition. I am not aware of any
change in my situation. I am informed that
my position is not affected by the changes.

In my present situation, I am not able to
attend the meetings of the council. I am
not able to attend the meetings of the
council. I am informed that my position is
not affected by the changes. I am informed
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...endure, to última. H Moscow. man's, and the middle of Adelphi...
I am an object to be despised by the few and it is meant to them an occasion for delight with which they come to reach
The accomplishment of their tyrannical measures to exasperate
The revolt of these States. It is my opinion, indeed, that
Every State might, if it has the desire, maintain the law internal
And thereby enforce its constitution, but this is not the event of
any tenantry of any of its individuals.

I am inclined to think of some credit and the confidence of the
All the time when there is an active part of
The revolt known to the New England part of
That part of it; with his in the ascendance of that
Part of it, and in his honor to the
American States who think
The most body of the American States think
That it is the most highly important that
They or they were highly important but
I am the most of Thorough in the Fifth Congress,
We should be as a Thorough in an event of it can be considered
Asrible. I in no event, I ahere with after.
I had some
And when one is to do, I admire it that
Many of them, and But between us, if
Our are correctly reported, is not a factor of
Itrust in the power of the
Book to draw attention to
this matter. I call your attention
again, to the

I think I have the very best

My plan is already sufficiently explained

V. I wish to tell you

James A. Stewart

As I am in constant in a state of injury
and I write a few lines on the edge of

but I hope to send a sum to you

with my most sincere regards. I am

I shall write of the 27th of November,
Judge 1857

Pre;

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
U.S. Senate
Chicago
Ill.
In a letter to the St. Louis Democrat, Col. Galphin sketches the characteristics of our Great Western Plains, stretching from the frontier of Kansas and the heart of Nebraska to the Rocky Mountains, occupying a longitudinal parallelogram of less than a thousand miles in width, and extending from the Texan to the Arctic coast; with an area equal to twenty million square miles. The Missouri—

They are districts of timber, even single trees are scarce, though clad thick with nutritious grasses, and swarm with animal life. They have a slight slope from the west to the east, and abound in rivers, which serve, like the Nile, to irrigate rather than drain the neighboring surface, having few affluents, and running from west to east in shallow, broad beds, though long, flat, narrow basins. Their soil is chiefly a fine expansive mould, most wonderfully adapted for pastureage, though good farming arable land is found along the banks of the streams.

He describes the climate to be, in many respects, like Egypt, rainless, favorable to longevity, intellectual and physical development, and stimulating of a high social civilization; while storms are rare, except during the melting of snow upon the crest of the Rocky Mountains. These plains, commonly regarded as deserts, unshrinkable, he declares, swarm with animal life; and he estimates the buffalo which are their living upon them at twelve millions, and other wild animals at more than fifty millions, all of which subsist mainly upon the prairie or buffalo grass, which the dry atmosphere dries into a highly nutritious hay. A million of Indians have, until lately, subsisted altogether upon the game which they furnished, and they are capable of sustaining an immense pastoral population. Six-tenths of the food of the human family, the Colonel says, or ought thinks, t. e., animal, the result of pastoral agriculture, and as the North West is now the granary of the world, so, he maintains, will the Far West, furnish its supplies of animal food, consisting of meat, milk, butter, cheese, poultry, eggs, wool and honey. These plains, without a single abrupt mountain, timbered space, desert or lake, running smoothly out to the navigable Missouri, Mississippi, and St. Lawrence, and to the Texas coast, not a portion of whose whole sweep of surface is more than a thousand miles from the best navigation, must become the pastoral garden of the world.

They are everywhere adapted to sustain a great pastoral population. Adobe bricks for dwellings, impervious to heat or cold can be made anywhere; plaster, lime, clay and sand exist beneath nearly every more; brilliant soil is abundant, buffalo dung is scattered everywhere, and wood fuel is found plentifully by digging, for the trees are stunted by the dry atmosphere, while the roots spread out in all directions.

Mr. Galphin does not claim for these vast plains the cardinal basis of the future empire of commerce and industry; but maintains from their simple dimensions and positions, their climate, abundance of building materials, and animal life, that they are mainly adapted to be the home of millions of happy freemen, but that they will be "the pasture field of the world."
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SHEETS—From the Ontario Woolen Mills, low priced, medium, fine and super fine, Family, Mackinaw and House blankets.

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Albany F. Co., solid head Pins, a superior article of various sizes.

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ARGLING OIL,
FOR MAN AND BEAST.

I HAVE BEEN BEFORE THE PUBLIC for many years, and have always held a place in the estimation of the public.

Tucker & Co.—I received a quantity of your

I have been using for the past two years, and it gives the best of satis

My druggist, C. H. Stubbins, burnished his bottle full of it with a bit of card, and the coppers and silver were quite clean, and was so very lame that he could hardly get the street car; and he said that the applications of the Oil were entirely cured of the

I received a letter from B. W. Ross, dated Monticello, Iowa, July 25, 1856.

in all my trouble to the proctors. M. H. Tucker & Co.

Another set of the original is in his own
tures, M. H. Tucker & Co. &c. &c. Mr. Charles Baker,

My druggist, C. H. Stubbins, burnished his bottle full of it with a bit of card, and the coppers and silver were quite clean, and was so very lame that he could hardly get the street car; and he said that the applications of the Oil were entirely cured of the


and the script is beautifully lettered. It is all

in the name of the original is in his own writing over the corks, and these words are blown in

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$7.00 per Y.
Dr. Brigee June 30th 1857

Col R B. Marion

Dear Sir,

In accordance with an express wish on your part to have some definite information in relation to the probable most practicable road of a rail road made through the Mispuane Valley and up the valley of the Running Water River, I would state that the most direct and best route will be from the Point where the Big Brigue & Pacific road strikes the Platte, nearly due west, crossing the Big Pierre river in Township 92 N. R. 49 Mer. on 52 P. M. through the Sandhills point of Minnesota or what is now High, thence crossing the Missuane river at or near the mouth of the Running Water James river, or at the mouth of the Running Water. I mention these points because they are the only practicable places through the Missuane Bluffs on the Nebraska side. From Lincoln city to the Running Water the...
general Summit Level of the country is about three hundred feet and quite
rough and broken for some distance back from the river. On the Missouri
side is the Missouri Valley, about
averaging about twenty miles wide,
the exact distance by shot and
a road can be constructed for four
hundred miles at least, with little
no cutting or filling. Should a road go
by the way of Saint City, it can reach
the valley of the Arkansas. Walk up the
north side of the Missouri by one
million and a quarter then by cross
ning there and running directly west
into that valley from the fact that it
will be almost a perfect level
the entire distance, whereas by
going through Nebraska it
must encounter very heavy
cutting and filling near the
entire distance. This fact will
suggest itself to the Army Engineers
by examining a map of that part of
Nebraska. He will observe a large
number of streams having their
sources in those highlands, and
running in different directions.
The smaller Elk and Iowa Creeks, the Little Bow, the Elk and Leap Fork of the Platte, all have their sources in whole or in part in that ridge. The topographical inference would be that the whole country would be cut up and broken, such is the fact as I can gather by an actual inspection of the country. The distance from our city to the mouth of the Smokey Water is from 100 to 150 miles, more than two thirds of the distance being this rough and broken country, whereas on the Missouri side of the Missouri there is not a single ridge of 20 feet elevation above the general level the entire distance, excepting the Big Sioux at Yankton as above stated. The same will be true up the valley of the Smokey Water to the "South Fork," with the exception of about ten miles of rolling terrain from the head waters of the Smokey Water to the valley of the Sweet Water a tributary of the Platte river.

There is one other question of great importance in rail road enterprise, west of the Missouri river, to aid
Naviorine, near by a small stone, I have
}omposed the following statement
of the facts. The exact position of the spot is not known, but of
The spot was not the
Most statements, all my information
have been gathered from people
have actually gone through the
pass.
The question of the route I am inter
esting to determine. The surveying
is one of national importance. The
almost boundless valley of the Yellow
stone lies beyond, and if that valley
can be reached through the Yellowstone
Basin in the "Black Hills", by a due west road, that
vast and fertile region will be brought
within fifty miles of Chicago. This
will be the preferable point to reach the
Pacific at any point west of the State
of California. But to do so I am unfortu
nately not intended. This road will not go through
any of the passes indicated by Mr. Steffins in the report of his survey,
there is a gap between the "Black Dicks" and
the most northerly, pass laid down by the few known to come of the
Rocky Mountains. I mean as "the two
Fourteen Spring Pass", which through
the principal ridge of the Rocky
Mountains is a deep gorge. To deep
that in high wind, in the mountai
nins, the water guns both ways. I
speak upon the authority of the
men who have explored through these. As to our survey
operations, we are making out detes
ing with direct reference to the supposition
that the Rutte road will reach the
hurricane water valley, by the most
meet and direct and cheapest road. And
I am convinced from an actual inspection of that whole region of
Country that the road must cross the Big Horn River at its 72 as before indicated, then go to the southern point of Minnesota or what is to be Dakota, dropping the Missourie at or near the mouth of the James River, thence reaching the valley of the Big Horn River valley a tributary of the Missouri coming in nearly opposite the mouth of the James River. With this view we have made selections of townsites in the Big Horn and on the Nebraska side of the Missouri. I am convinced that the point at or near the mouth of the James River will be one of the most important on the Missouri River. Should the rail road cross there, it can have no rival. The James River will be navigable for steam boats at two hundred turns further for about 250 or 300 miles. This fact has been stated by the examination of men well qualified to judge. I am justified in the view of starting west and am very eager to your friend to use these present lines. When I have more leisure I will write you further.

Respectfully,

Lewis R. Thomas
Springfield, S.C.
June 30

Dear Sir,

During the time you were in Springfield, I had no opportunity of getting how to write the letter of accommodation to present to London and East Washington City as regarded the Stubbs’ estate. It was getting there before going to sea, before I left Washington. I had to draw my money in advance, in order to get home, and settle up some other business, at least on hand, which cuts me off from getting any money.
From the Departments.

In a previous point of view, my mother is in a helpless condition, and I have no other offering to appeal to except your generosity. I am sure you will remit this letter of recommendation to Mr. Jones, so that I can present it to the firm of London & Co. when I arrive in London, and also a sufficient amount of money to take care of me there when I am ordained. It will be under everlasting obligations, not only for that, but the many other favors you have so kindly granted me. At present, it is not in my power to give you anything but the kindest thanks in return for all the generous deeds you have done me. But I hope to arrange things in such a way before I leave, that the sale of my land in Cadiz may bring a sufficiency of money to repay you in the course of the following year, if not sooner. For all the kindness you have shown me, I remain your most obedient servant,

William Watley

P.S. My address is Springfield, Springfield. The firm I have reference to is London & Co.
Mr. Walters
Springfield, Ills.
Head Quarters
Washington 1st Regiment No.
By State Dn
Chicago June 20th 1837

Capt. S. H. Douglas

You are hereby Ordered to appear on Parade with your Company
The Washington Grenadier Guards
on Saturday July 14th at 8 O'clock A.M. Ammunition and
Equipped as the Law direct.
Not Fail not.

By Order
W. H. Davis Commanding

Sgt 1st
Chicago June 30th
J.R. Marshall
Adj. General
of Washington
Grenadier Guards
SPRINGFIELD, JUNE 30, 1857.

Sir:—

In behalf of the citizens of Springfield, we would respectfully solicit the honor of your presence, upon the Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence. Hoping it may be compatible with your duties to comply with our request, affording us the opportunity of meeting you on that occasion and joining in the exercises and festivities of the day.

We are respectfully yours,

JOHN W. PRIEST,
A. J. ALLEN,
THOMAS S. MATHER,
Committee of Invitation.
Springfield June 30.

Invitation to a

[Redacted]

Committee: [Redacted]

John W. Prich

A. J. Allen

Thomas J. Mathes
Washington City, D.C.
June 30, 1857.

Dear Sir,

Desiring to obtain some books delivered by you while in Congress to bind with some others, for the purpose of adding them to my library, I address this to you to request you to drop me the receipt any such as you may happen to have to hand.

Very Respectfully,

Geo. M. Fowler

Hon. L. A. Douglas

Chicago, Ill.
Washington City
June 30th 1859
George B. Corlee.

Wishes & best,
Your Speedos.
Princeton, June 30, 1857

Sir Douglas,

Dear Sir: When I was at your house last week, you made some inquiries respecting the P.O. at Mendota, saying that you thought Messrs. Reddick and Hare of Ottawa must have been mistaken in their opinion of the soundness of the present P.M. After getting home, I read the accompanying letter from Mr. Daniels in Chicago, where and I wrote to Mr. Ott, (the only prominent, live democrat in Mendota), on the subject, and answered as you may see by his letter herein enclosed. I send both letters to you without worship to interfere with matters outside of my own count, but feel constrained to say that Mr. Ott's statements are entirely worthy of credit, and that his wishes are worthy of respect. Respectfully, C. S. Rowe
Princeton Ills.
June 30th
C. A. Find about
the Post Office
at Mounda.
Stoddard, June 30, 1857.

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas,
My Dear Sir,
The Hon. Aba P. Cate was nominated the 10th of June, as the Democratic candidate for the office of Governor of New Hampshire. When the day of battle comes I intend to be in the midst, fighting for Democracy and conservatism. Therefore, I wish to obtain the rough Globe & Appendix for the 1st and 2d Sessions of the 34th Congress. Knowing that you ardently desire to witness the triumph of Democratic principles everywhere, and to contribute all in your power to effect such a result, I embrace this opportunity to solicit from you the favor of lending me the books above named. Should you see fit to grant it, I shall be truly grateful. Please direct to Stoddard, New Hampshire.

Very truly and sincerely yours,

Columbus J. Reed.

Hon. S. A. Douglas.
New York & Erie Rail Road
WESTERN FREIGHT & PASSENGER OFFICE.
48 Dearborn St. opposite Tremont House.

Chicago June 30th 1857

Mr. Douglas

Dear Sir,

At the request of Mr. Rhoads, I take the liberty of asking a favor which if consistent I hope you will grant.

I have a brother in law who has served eleven years in the U.S. Navy and eight years in the Custom House in New York with an unimpeachable character and I believe has ever enjoyed the confidence of his superior officers. He is an accomplished gentleman, an ardent friend, and with all good Democrat.

His position during the first four years in the Custom House has been that of asst. Cashier and being peculiarly fitted for the place he is desirous of retaining it. The probability of the present Collector making many indiscriminate changes renders it necessary that some influence be used in his retention.

A letter from you to the Secy. of the Treasury requesting the Collector to retain Mr. Neville as asst. Cashier, I have no doubt will fortify him in his position and confer on my self, a personal obligation. Mr. Neville is the son of the late Morgan Neville of Cincinnati who was somewhat prominent in the support of Mr. Jackson's administration.

Yours very respectfully,

A.F. Smith
Chicago June 20, 1865
J. F. Smith