Open No. 2
Dec. 28th, 1857

To Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Dear Sir,

Will you be so good as to send me your speech on the President's message, and the Senate here? And I will be under many obligations to you to look for any documents which you may send me. Could you be directed to install county, send Senator to make a speech upon education?

Yours Truly,

[Signature]

F. W. Allen
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Dec 29th 1857
W. M. Albam

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...and question of danger is known, where in your well. We have serious...
LaGrange, Ky. Nov 28, 1857

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Sir,

Will you please forward to me a copy of the Patent Office Report on Mechanics for last year if you have one to spare?

& oblige

John D. Babcock
John D. Babcock
Galesburg,
Knox Co., Ill.
Dec 27, 57

Wants paid off,
Mechanical Report
of last year.
Rochester N.Y., Dec. 26, 1857

Hon. J. Q. Dugnal.

Dear Sir,

If not too much trouble, I should feel much obliged to you for one or two copies of your last speech on the Kansas Question. I have not seen a perfect copy, and am anxious to get one.

Very Respectfully,

Henry M. Bidon
Belleview House
Cincinnati, Dec. 28, '37

Hon. A. L. Douglas

Dr. Sir,

Please pardon
the liberty I take in addressing you,
by an old Pioneer of '79 to the
West, and my father Rev. John W. Browne, a member of the Convention
that framed the Constitution of Ohio in
1802. I feel a very deep interest
in everything which may be done to make Kansas a free
State. I rejoice in the fact that you
have taken and bid you good
speed and triumphant success.
I should be greatly obliged by copies of your
speeches and other documents you may have
for distribution. Very truly yours,

[Signature]
L. H. Browne

a Rover

Cincinnati

280th 28, 1859

Conspicuus, you

upon Course
Williamson County, Illinois
December 25th, 1857

Dear Sir,

Permit me to trouble you with a request that you will send to me any books or documents published by Congress for distribution, any such books will be very thankfully received and Benson with gratitude. Direct to Marion, Williamson County, Illinois.

Yours Truly,

Your's, A. Douglas Z. Wilson, A. Caslanger.
W. I. Caplinger
Manor Ill
Dec. 28/54
Wants Public Does

Sir,

Will you have the kindness to forward me a copy of the Agricultural report for the year 1856. By doing this you will much oblige.

Yours,


Hon. S. A. Danaless.
Cordially,

Concord, N.H.,
Dec. 28, 57.

Wm. Agricultural
Report.
Sr. Stonington Co., Oct. 28, 1837
Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Washington, D.C.

My dear Sir,

I would like very much to receive from you, your speeches during the recent Congress.

Very respectfully,
Your political admirer,

Thomas Blake
North Stonington
New London County
Connecticut
Mt. Charleston
Montana City
Dec. 28, 1857.

Wants Greenup Speech, during the session.
Canton O. Dec 28th 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

Will you be so good as to send me two or three copies of your recent speech on the "Leavenworth Constitution". By so doing you will greatly oblige.

Yours truly,

W. Cock

Address: Canton Ohio.
A. Cocke
Canton Ohio
Dec 29 51

Wants copies
of speech.
Mansfield, Ohio
December 28th, 1857

"Hon. Stephen A. Douglas,
My Dear Sir,

It will certainly not be out of place for me to inform you that the whole mass of our people in Ohio, of all the States and you have taken as the Republican Constitution your Cause meets not only the almost unanimous approval of the Democracy of Ohio but our people of all parties. When you first introduced "The Kansas Nebraska Bill," in the Senate in 1854 I and one of the few here who contended at the stump and every place that the Bill was right and the only way to get rid finally of this everlasting Negro question, and now to get all our people say "Douglas is right after all" and "read right in the book" owing my real good. It is simply to tell a man like you to stand firm. I know you never back just pursue the same course understood, views you have taken and the American People will elect you their next President.

I this day send you one of my films"
which has already placed your name at its most
friends, and in a few weeks we intend to hold
a County Convention and ordain a Democratic
Editor to do the same. This will go for
you, much as perfect. Much, I have frequently
thought of sending you the Anti-Stalwart and
other Democratic books, but I expect you get to
read them all in Washington about as soon as I
do. I should be truly happy to need
some of your recent speeches for pamphlets for
distribution.

Wishing you success, and with many prayers
for your good health, I am with sentiments of
highest respect,

Very Truly Yours,
James E. Cox
Jan 8- Coy
Mansfield Ohio
Dec 28, 1837
Gratulatory.
Want Speeches.
Sir, O. Dec. 28th 1857

Hon. S. Douglas,

Dr. Sir, I was strongly opposed to your course in the repeal of the No Compromise. I am as warmly in favor of your present course in favor of popular rights, fully expressed. Please furnish me some copies of that speech that will do more to immortalize you than any thing you ever did before. I have read it! I wish to preserve it myself and give it to others for preservation. Please also send me some of those valuable scientific works which it is your privilege to send to your friends. My motto is Principis non homines. Do wrong I suppose you, do right and I sustain you. Party has no charms for me. You will remember to have been introduced to me come of 6th Broadway in 1845 by our mutual friend J. G. B. M.D. I am in Ch. H. M. Mayor of N.Y.

Very respectfully yours,

[Signature]

Cincinnati Ohio.
Maine
Hutchins, Dec. 28, 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Dear Sir,

I should like to have some of your speeches on the Kansas question, as the democratic press in this vicinity does not publish them. All of the Democrats in this vicinity sustain you in the position that you have taken on the question. I have been mum on the question.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

To Hon. S. A. Douglas,
U. S. At.
Washington
J. B. Delano
Ketucky, Mo.
Dec. 28, 1857
Want Speech.
Nashville Tenn., Dec. 28th, 1857


My dear Sir,

I cannot but express my warm and decided approbation of your whole course on the Kansas question. I have admired your boldness, energy, and democracy. I may say in bringing forward and carrying through that Bill, and more than all admire your fearlessness in daring to be a consistent democrat. That is an honest one even though you stand arrayed against a democratically administration.

Your position is a proud and noble one, indeed and the great giant of democracy has never stood in a better light with me.

I am proud to sustain you, and though my support is mere nothing, still I give it all my heart and how can honest democrat, as part of your Kansas bill, one who voted for James Buchanan, can be otherwise than for your now I cannot conceive, Nor and without supporters in this state even though the papers are against you. But I fear you put little faith in southern support after the shameful manner in which they treated you at Cincinnati, but remember Tennessee is also a northern state one of
Mississippi Valley States and, and in that great valley the heart and strength of the nation lies your strength. The opinion of the people is not always reflected by their delegates as you know well enough. Look at Tennessee, for instance, nor by the press, the Nashville Union, for example. It all know what Mr. Jackson thought of you and his opinion is gospel with us democrats.

For the present I have the honor to subscribe myself your friend

A. Douglas, Democrat

P.S. Please send your speech on Kansas affairs add direct to A. L. D.
A.D.

Nashville, Tenn.
Lec. 28/57.
for a speech

W
Fuller City
Dec. 28'58. I'll
Stick to your principles
10 to 1. bygones.

Hulton City "Whiteside Co." Ill.
Love 28' '59.
For S't. Douglas Edg.
Washington City.

D'o Sir,
As my wish that you stick
to your principles. Mr. Hume
will find that he is in a great error
Our Post-Master here is supposed
to be a Democrat but seems to
take no interest in the Present
Administration. I think there is
about 10 to 1 for you in this town.

I remain Yours for 1860,
D. F. Durga.
West Newburg, December 28, 1857

Dear Sir,

I have seen various extracts from your speech on the Kansas question, but have been unable to obtain an authentic copy of the whole. If you would favor me with a copy, I would be greatly obliged. Your petition is regarded with favor by conservative men of all parties in this section, and I expect now, by the aid of your efforts, an honorable settlement of the Kansas matter.

Yours truly,

W. N. E.

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Washington, D.C.
W. L. Curry.
West Amboy
Mass.
Nov 28, 1857.
Wants Speech.
Pittsfield, N.H.
Dec. 28, 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Dear Sir:

Will you send me a copy of your recent speech in the Senate on the Leavenworth Constitution—also a copy of Gov. Walker’s letter of resignation to the Secretary of State, and the Secretary’s reply, if you have them at hand, and much oblige,

Your humbly serv’t,

J. L. Foster
Henry Gaines
No 200 Vine St
Cincinnati, Ohio
Dec 28/57

Graduate I want Speech of President from you

Cincinnati Dec 28 1857

Hon. Stephen A Douglas
Dear Sir,

Will you do me the favor to make me a copy of your speech on the Kansas Question if not too much trouble. You would oblige me by sending a copy of President’s Message. You can only upon its publication be sure that the country meets with great favor among the young men in the Democratic party. It is a leader of acknowledged talent who has the courage to take the responsibility upon himself and carry out bold measures as our esteemed President to the country.

Respectfully,

Henry Gaines
No 200 Vine St
Knightstown
Henry Co., Ind.
December 28, 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

Although a stranger to you personally, but not politically, I have been a democrat all my life and have voted the ticket for 30 years, and I hope in God my life may be spared to vote for you at the next presidential election, as the Great Champion of the people governing themselves in the States and Territories.

Your course on the LeConton Constitution is approved by all classes and parties of the people, except some of the dependents of government patronage and their catspaws, go on, the people
NB you could carry Indiana
This day by one hundred thousand
majority against any other man

Any favors will be
thankfully received

F. L. G.
are with you and will sustain you against all opposition let it come from who it may, great God what a change! what a change has come over the Republicans since last year. They say now you might and they were wrong in their opposition to you in regard to the great doctrine of popular Sovereignty in the Territories, and they are now ready to sustain you, and say that you are the greatest man in the United States. The fact is everybody is hollering hurray for Douglas. Some still try to sustain old Buck for fear of dividing the party, but they all say that you are right. you need not be surprised if at our 8th of January Convention, the
The administration would be endorsed in general terms there is an effort making for that purpose, and if it may succeed, and I may vote for it as many others will to keep peace in the party, but I assure you that it is not the sentiments of one Democrat in twenty who could or would sustain old Brodie in regard to his Kansas policy as recommended in his message, I say again go on for you are winning golden opinions from all classes, I would like to get some of your speeches for distribution.

Yours Respectfully

J. L. Goble
J. F. Godbe

Kingswood
Deer 23/51

After ye Come
Indiana which now gine ye
100 000 nor any boz else

Sergeant Knapply re?
Rock Island
Dec. 28th, 1857

P. S. Messrs. others
application to
See of War enclosed
Their co-operation asked

Hon. J. A. Douglas
Washington

Rock Island
Dec. 28th, 1857

Hon. J. A. Douglas

Dr. Sir,

We the undersigned, your staunch friends, representing the wishes of the city and town of Rock Island, both Democrats and Republicans, beg leave to transmit to you the enclosed application to the Sec. of War for that portion of Rock Island included in our city limits.

We have made the application to the Sec. of War, supposing that the Island is yet under his control. But depend on you to inform us of the
Proper proceeding, show this not to be right.

I most respectfully urge our joint on your attention. I trust you may be able to carry this, to us most desirable object.

If deemed advisable, the city would send one of her representation to Washington. In this respect we will be guided by your advice.

Yours respectfully,

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]
Gimwell, Iowa, Dec. 28/57

Hon. S. A. Douglas,  
U. S. Senate

Dr. Sir:

Since the passage of the "Nebraska Bill," I have appreciated your course as a politician frequently and adversely, and I may add honestly. With the same spirit it is now in my heart I commend you. My influence you might not have been aware of, any more than the eye in a foal was aware that a fly disturbed on his lid, to justice, to justice, and to one who has the credit for influence with the public. I wish to announce myself your hearty supporter, and to inform you that all parties have an interest for you; except a few, perhaps in each city and town. At this time I am a subscriber to more than 20 papers, and there is not one which does not mention yourself at first and second. I pray you do not for

the people. My friends in St. [illegible] and there is that opinion that if you make no concession it will be your ruin.
U.S. Senate is now in session. 

Being one of the oldest Members of the State Senate of this State at the opening of the session I shall introduce a resolution in your support. That you may feel that you are not alone and that many know who are for an alternative as against the President,

Senator Jones Spencer is not with you in voting. Will you explain to me confidentially just how he does stand, if he joins the "Free," and named the others invite them to resign.

I will thank you to supply me in express to Jones at L. A. Russell, late Senator.

The Sympathy of Senator Estes to late Senator of the House. I am greatly honor you know.

You may remember 30.01.04. and then was in Washington in 1880 and three years ago last home we had been named convert in the Constitution of the, and the letter from the Vermont of an early day would and yourself and make the future for you might find acting together in the spirit of the Fathers of the Republic. L. W. B. Steinbe.

J. B. Prentice
Grinnell, Iowa.
Dec 29 1857.
L. Grinnell.
Political.
Char Genesee
Moscow, Hillsdale Co. Ills.
Dec 28/57.

"You are right.
Don't yield an inch.

Wants all your speeches & a line from you.

W

Moscow Hillsdale County
State of Mich Dec 28, 1857

Hon Stephen A. Douglas
Esq.

You are right. The
Democracy of Michigan will answer
You - don't yield an inch.
Send me all your speeches.
I want a line from you. It
will gratify me very much.

My Respects & Regards
Chas Genesee
Tygan Ohio
Office Secretary

Honorable Douglas
Carlin

The democracy here have been inestimable at the bright prospect which in regard to the great time opening out of the Kansas Reconstruction Constitution—

For a time we had some apprehension, fearing the odds were against you. The people however are with you to a man and will endure anything almost to prove the deshonor of their country which the success of the Compromise would involve.

Light them to the death. The whole northwest will take the responsibility.

Never was a public man more fully heartily and universally sustained than you are now. The warmest felicitations.

The word contempt is the only one which expresses my notion of the present President. Dear Mr. Gresham, never man always was a decent man. Long live now the editor of the Republican newspaper of this village.

Respectfully,

B. L. Gresham
Mr. Graham  
Editor Weekly Sentinel  
Sogan, Ohio,  
Dec. 28 1857.  

The Democracy  
with you—  
rights them to the  
death, the whole  
North West will  
later the disposi-