Indianapolis, February 18

Psst.

On my Sabbaticals or, part of the War Committee of the Democrats of Indiana, after its deliberation, two closing. I state that the call was addressed to the entire democracy of Indiana, that the call when its face, was directed upon the false interpretation of the popular sovereignty, now true of the Convention of the 86th. So that all democrats are entitled to participate in its deliberations. Now has been explained. That the call was responded to by all who felt an interest in the settlement of the party creed, and whether treated as a distinct body or a conference of the elements of the old at stake in an authentic voice, and united the true party sentiment, and that those who did depart...
Welcome to it as an antithesis in the original rightfulness of the cause in Indiana, here outside of the party. If pursuing the object of purpose of the call made defective when announced, and there was an attempt to warrant the cause they had learned by it, at least by Bannerman's logic. Here were but two political dissentences with the whole decay of Revolution, and there are entirely the habitu of the men to the bulk intellect of our. Senators, we are right when the records within taking notice as an authoritative explanation of the old or as a new correction. There never, nor the same time as to the position of the Indiana dem decadency prior to the maintenance of the further of the position. Right & Fitch are dead crops in the field. It required only to be learned the manuscript.
Indianapolis, Ind.
Feb 24 /58

W. W. McCardy,
Political
Lindon Feb. 24th 1858

Mr. S. A. Douglas,

My dear Sir: Having heard considerable
of the great speech you made in Dec. 77 in regard to
the Emancipation Proposition. You will allow me greatly
by sending correct copies thereof for I do assure you
that it has gained for you a large number of
friends in my district who have always been (as
well as myself) friends of democrats. Your course in
moral affairs has been endorsed by a large number
of democrats in my district. Mr. J. Brown

If you will allow me to read your able of the argument, likewise
as from what little I have noticed in the public
press, I fully endorse your course.

Yours with respect,

Mr. Morgan

Addres:

Douglasville P.O.

Pa.
Douglasville, S.C.
Baltimore, Pa.
Mar. 24/58.
D.B. Morgan.

Pants several copies of Kansas Speech.
Breston, Penna.
Feb 24, 58.

My dear Judge Douglass

As I feel great interest in the proper settlement of the Kansas affairs, upon a fair and honest basis, and disapproving in toto of the Dekempton fraud, I trust you will deem it a sufficient excuse for me troubling you. I find that those who are anxious to force this matter through Congress are busy in their endeavor to manufacture public opinion at home, or rather to change it. Now I would like to direct it in the channel that I think is honest one & one by which alone we can hope to hold the Democratic Party together, and that is the path
you have laid down, and so nobly follow.

I find the decompositions are

bodily engaged in handing the

Special Message, the Report of Com.

 mitigation on Territories, etc., all over

the country. Now I should like to

have a little of the antidote to hand

with the same. But as I have

not the utmost confidence in our

Pact Master, knowing he would rather

suppress any things of the kind that

might come into his office, then

find out, if you will send me

some of your reports and any other

matter relating to Housing, so far as

practicable, I will address them to

put them into the hands of the right

persons.

I have had them sent me

in this way on many occasions

Cherry done up in bundles, afterwards

and addressed to me. In fact

Senator Triger is doing it this

winter to the decompositions.

Should I reach Washington

next month, as I desire, I hope I

may have the pleasure of meeting

with you. God speed you in

your good work.

Very truly yours,

A. Mendenhall

Direct to the care of

Mrs. H. Reade

N. & S. Corner 4th & Chestnut Sts.

Alexandria Mo. Feb. 24/88

Hon. A. Douglas

My dear Sir,

If you should at any time have "Document" A at disposal and need a buffalo please favor me & I can then remember it & occasionally use food for the mammoths in those parts.

Respectfully,

A. Mood

Alexandria Mo.
A. Moore
Alexandria
Va.
Feb. 24, 1858

Wants Specia, &c.
A.C. Shepard  
New York  
Feb 24/58  

Political  

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New York July 24, 1858

My dear Sir:

I had one or two former instances presented to address you on the Kansas policy of your Democratic administration, and in my humble way approved of your course in regard to the position you have assumed on that subject. Having an admiring of your political course since you have been on the political board, I have contended with deep interest every move on the board, having in view the prosperity of the Democratic Party and its policy. I hope you kindly permit me however to suggest that the scheme set forth in your recent Memorial report in that respect you adopt the policy of an enabling act which to my view is right and just as it is not a, I conceive the policy of the Democratic party in former cases and consequently not a cardinal creed of democratic principles. Also, you devote at length on the notorious charges of frauds in the late elections held in Kansas, the seem to be just also but it is the principle creed of the Republican and Judge to be adopted.
With a broad grace by leading the Democratic party in the United States by the Kansas-Nebraska Act, whether really battling the opponent of that measure, it looks to the eye of Democrats like a change of a long count and an adaptation of the Lecompton Constitution, which is a very unhappy position to espouse at the present time. Your position that the Lecompton Constitution was illegally adopted, is also to my view not even founded. I think you have formally presented a view falsely maintaining the legality of this Constitution. I think you help us see Springfield speech: that circumstance gave you a chance to change your views and fully sympathize with your views in concurrence.

Now I am seeking to allow you to join my views and objections to the admission of Kansas under the Lecompton Constitution, first, that Constitution, although (from duty) constitutionally just, is not designed to protect the voice of the people as it purports in the present election, held according to law, as a result through this Information in the Senate or their Representation in the House and its conformity and of admitably correct.

...
But after all the preservation of the Democratic party in its strength and vitality should be a point of ambition by every Democrat, and it seems to me that if the clause prohibiting the alteration of the amendment or the right to take legal measures to form and adopt a new constitution could be struck out entirely from the instrument it might so far drown with the objection to the Lecompton constitution to entitle it under the existing circumstances to the approval of the Democratic party, and from particularity if the certificate of the last election could be secured, so far as to secure the success of the New State party that they might immediately take measures to form a constitution compatible with the will of majority of the actual settlers of the State or Territory, what do you think of this view? It is certainly bad policy to endanger the unity of the Democratic organization in the Union, no Democratic Statesman can ever officiate a nationally influenced that does not reflect the voice of the nation regardless of locality. Judge I hope you are not so far compromized as to be unable to regard the vitality of this party as essential in your course in this matter. Your very truly,

A.C. Richland
Walnut Hill Feb 27, 1858

Mr. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

Being desirous of obtaining the autographs of some of the distinguished men of our country, I now address you. Hoping that you will favor my request at your earliest convenience I remain

Your Obd. Svt

William H. Chapin

Walnut Hill

Geneva, N.Y.

To

S. A. Douglas

U.S.S.
Walnut Hill
Amora, N.J.
Mr. H. Shepard,
Receipt an Autograph.
Cincinnati, Feb. 24th 1855

SIR:

I have always been an admirer of yourself and the principles which you have advocated, and was never more highly pleased with your course than when you opposed the "Perpetual Slavocracy" and when I say this I know I speak the sentiments of nine tenths of the Democrats of Hamilton County. I therefore hope you will send me a few copies of your Kansas speech and such other papers connected therewith as you may have at your disposal, and I will read and hand them to my friends, merely disseminating the principles of the Kansas and Nebraska bill, so ably and eloquently advocated by yourself.

Your friend and fellow Democrat

M. Angell

Dr. Fr.

I read with no ordinary pleasure your speech in the Senate. Since I replied to Senator Butler’s and also your letter to the Philadelphia Law Journal, both of which I commanded three letters to my feeling review that notwithstanding the strong feelings of opposition to your views and of your demise in action in the Senate which I had entertained, for ought I now cherish, I did feel a desire of peace, satisfaction and forgetful, as I wish to forget, that I ever felt otherwise than this feeling. I speak to believe the sentiment and harmonious sentiments of the Democracy in the United States. I have little expectation of your succeeding in having the secession constitution satisfied or adjusted, but for what you have done you have, as you are entitled to the heart and votes of the freemen of the North. My cousin Joel D. Mast and his brother Lee are all, as my people and many words over your acts, as an order to secure it, I wish to support your views. Some time in Oct. last wrote the ladies, Stephen A. Douglas is just as certain to be the next...
Resident, as that the law will take on the
Duty of Electing "How he feels now I know not
belong to your friends, of course under "Old Buck"
Post Master; may be somewhat stronger; you can
experience, I fear, until many, for wealth many
course had contributed much to such an end.
I will be much obliged to have your name in the
list of contributors, to write, &c. Republican, [sentence
as to who the United St. I refer you to], Patee
[Handwritten: Old 3, Mark, or P. Holbrook, N.R.]
A P. Stimson
Feb'y 24, 1858.
Political

[Unreadable text]
Newport R.I. July 24th, 1858

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Sir,

Will you have the kindness to send me a copy of the LeCompton Constitution and a copy of the Topeka Constitution, with the President's Message on the Kansas Affairs, and the speeches you and others have made on the whole matter, so far as they have been published. Our State Election is coming on soon and myself & a large number of others would like to be well posted on Kansas Affairs. By attending to this you will much oblige many Democrats, and

Yours Respectfully

Charles A. Tilley
Newport R.I.
Spartan R.I. 4-11-12

Chas A. Tilley.

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and

Aspera Contra Vittima.

Message Speeches on Kansas Affairs.
Kingston, N.Y., Feb. 24, 1838
J.R. Mattbrock.

Send me a copy of the Report on Kansas Constitution.

Kingston, February 24, 1838
Hon. Stephen A. Douglas,
Dear Sir,

If you can have any reports to the Senate on the "Kempthorne Constitution," I would like to have the other two reports which also emanate from New York Territories, but yours particularly I want.

Kempthorpe is to go with us. If refused, and made a party matter, the Senate will be unable, or too late, to make a clear decision.

Yours,

J.R. Mattbrock
West Salisbury, Feb 24 - 58

Dear Sir,

Will you please send us a few copies of your speech and Kansas affairs delivered in the United States Senate. Any other speeches would be gladly received by your friends.

E. H. Whitaker
Hamilton Dorfkin
I wish to salute Wyandot Oct. 24th 1868
Chas. H. Whitaker
Hamilt. Gurnin.

Hand Kansas Speech
and other documents.
Porto, Mass. Feb. 24th

My being to my address a copy of the "report" presented by yourself from the Committee on Territories upon the admission of Kansas under the Topeka Constitution you will confer a favor upon.

Very Respectfully yours,

Williams Philbrick

Hon. S. C. Douglas
U.S. Senate
Boston, Mass.
Feb 24th

Mr. Whitman

[Handwritten note: see copy of report]