Milford, March 14, 1858
Republican Affairs.

To Hon. Stephen A. Douglas:

My Dear Sir: Will you be so kind as to place on your list of favors, “The Milford Republican.” You will greatly oblige.

 yours truly,

John Abbott

[Signature]
Troy, March 14th 1858

Dear Sir,

My apology for writing you at this time is that I had long been any of your humble political admirer; however, since I may have been deceived in not judging some of the prominent men of the time. It gives me great pleasure to feel that you like yourself now will not either abandon your or the parties principly either for personal ease, grandeur, or grand presidential election but like the true rocks that have defence to both.

And I stand you will stand up for your own native intellect. I have no doubt indicate alike in sunshine or in storm. The great principles of political rule at times so assiduous from whatever quarter I can but the NK SHOT that he gave us a Washington when we needed a Washington in our first great struggle for political and spiritual liberty.

A Jackson in one second I am in another. Thus I will not intercede in favor of what wade. A Douglas who with equal patriotism is battling for the right know but what I wish to say is that I had traveled over some states this winter. I professed to see some thing of mine in my country having spent my winters in the south having seen all well acquainted with the generous, honest, noble people and having convinced the whole of the northern states. I will not see those in political excitement proud head to white sheet. I can say to you our that
I have never seen a more deep rooted feeling among the intelligent masses than is now clearly exhibited. They is more however rabidly of the United States. The life of the people that desirous to be united. I must support the President. Then let there be the people in the house unprejudiced, independent, that is as with you and I are not laying up your own hands who feel that if we are employed in that effort to have justice in Kansas. That the power that could you for a time will all their ground. The powder you will some but not crushed but twice. The point you ever have been with the increasing confidence of your family and the temporal conditions of the people. The President must maintain the people. Most if he thinks they are not pleased up in his acts who would have that one year ago. That James Buchanan and the southern men would stimulate resentment and breach the very truth of like unto the Republican party just as they were giving up the past. Yet they had done so. The President stood by his incurring. The South and a manfully exclaimed in acting in good faith towards the people of Kansas. The Republican party would be seen as bad. The old whip hand to today. They had all fell in with the Nebraska bill I fully asked for the help. My last claim don't every is now is called for the Senate. By rate I was lying as manfully as they ever done any other act. In the Democratic party is now done from a perfect root. It will be the consequence of the main form. We are in good faith of the principle you are content with you. I hope you will meet their file and not subject but make every man know the truth that may presume to rob so our path you are in the people are perfect. And I will be sustained to till the name of James Buchanan will be that of an other name for Partition. They may be shown a humor but they under a people. It shall be continued from fraud or violence when both are practiced. The President says that institutions are always slavery. The people have neither been sue or real nor their rights violated. They will mean all of the most reasonable representing states to show mercy as soon as we think of the other. They will be consistent in the very facts of a free honest people. But why do the southern representatives present in force to use up upon the northern wing of the party? They say slavery cannot reach their home. We all see the remnant of the holiest earthy that well as surely give them a Republic as a Nation for a president as the people in their folly. Kansas once in the union with a slavery constitution unfairly allowed. The work is done. The met is here is north and south and Addition proving or promising will appease the people he will make the democracy of the free. The Democratic party true. Though Kansas may be freed from slavery in one month yet it will speak in plain against both the President's Southern and Northern members who have taken the tyrannical act of one man for all.
I can but feel that the course of the ad-
ministration has done more to corrupt the
political morals of this country than any
other since the commencement of our nation
as explained. I read and see but one redeeming
thing about it so far, that is it has enabled John
Tyler's administration look you'll respect a
little but see the whole country as looking
as you think of it as you may. Their has
never been a man in our nation who
occupied a more responsible position than
you do today nor one that the real well
wishes of the country was more interested in
or anxious for your success at the north
how we feel for your personal popularity
or personal luck for personally you must
triumph, but shall the President succeed
in democracy will get a stab in the House of Rep
but that will be a very troublesome thing in
1860 the people will call this party not democra-
tics but a party that obey the beliefs of our men
who ever attempt to sustain themselves on a
platform erected by the one for any national
democracy will find he will be smothered by
the vote of an indignant people by the
imprudent or dishonest acts of Santo Domingo
& the hope lost that had postponed all claim
To respect by asking congress to take out of
their hands a people who they say can do as
they wish as soon as they can be forced hand over
why do they ask to admit strangers so that the
majority may act what I ask is how does this act
any now but the President let him discharge
his duty faithfully? The large majority will not
be in a state of rebellion against the minority.
Country men are startled alarmed to see how liable I was to light into acting the part of a fool requiring all pain & anxiety investigation on that great question whose stuck up made as mean of nay others attempt to another truth I voted bloc out or cold just as they think their present end will be accomplished why should not the people be alarmed others here been nothing connected with the war came across handled I just Sherwood Co has done a mail in the political coffin my house committee that will be remembered but but but I and believe you will burn this or read it by and see but I had written too long because I had not time to condense should to Marshall for any mistakes please you at any good store house of ingenuity or merit and any subject will write to you occasionally show the affairs just yet if you want any you is that the Republicans will not prove true I let Lexington for political capital my Postoffice address is post office livingtown at present I tell Clements Michigan you will please forward this I only remind you my name is a democrat not as a party but Wishing you success for your & my kind lives sake I am very respectfully yours

[Signature]
Mrs. M. Campbell

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March 4, 1868

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布洛加特
Ogdensburg March 14

To the Hon. L. B. Douglass
My Dear sir by the Telegraph Reports we learn you are sick we hope it is not so as to prevent you at this time from attending to your Senate duties that you at this time are needed at your post as they Indicating your Kansas & Nebraska Act which has turned out in the end to be a very Papular Measure I have read your Speech on the President Message & your Report in Kansas affairs there is a great deal from you at this time & I do sincerely hope you will be successful
in obtaining any measures of the Kansas affair that you are so much identified with you have suffered in times gone by Enough to satisfy any man but it seems to the Government do not understand that measure give my best respects to Mr. King tell him I have letters for him yet that you speak of Leaman or West at any Please to send me yours truly

Ann S. A. Douglas Mrs. Jordan
Burlington, Iowa, March 14, 1850

My dear sir,

I hear the facts with respect to the busting in Osceola County. They are among the first men in the state. The chairman of the county, now three times elected lieutenant of state by the democracy. He has never removed in his allegiance to his party.

The resolutions include the sentiment of 1791 of the people of this state in the adoption of the federal constitution. Meetings will be held in other counties of a similar character.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Democracy Meeting.

A meeting of the Democratic on the 4th of December was held at the Hotel House in Mary-fo in presence of a respectable audience. Mr. Mefford was chosen President, P. B. Manfield, C. A. Campbell, and R. B. Perkins, Secretaries.

The business was conducted as follows:

1. The Constitution and By-Laws of the Democratic Party were read, and adopted.

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The Democratic Brethren.

In the course of the present week we learn that the proceedings of a Democratic meeting at Parke County, Indiana, were interrupted by a mob on the even in the evening last. The resolutions condemned in appropriate terms the Kansas elections, and intim ted, or condone the course of the evil, but only the legitimate fruits of Demo cratic principles. They decline to rec ognize all that all the violence and shades in Kansas was but the irresistible force of the law. If we must adopt the term "smart compression," or, rather, the violence to legal usurpations to legitimate all the agitative evils of the situation, we must say that the Democrats have been denied to the people in certain circumstances in all the operations and the remove, therefore, the whole property of the Democratic party that claim the right to legitimate the acts of the party. Which is the better method, to attempt to procure their object, a violent attempt, or by legal processes? The former is, of course, the only one that will be adopted by the people of Kansas. The Democratic platform, for its admission—its admission of disfranchise millions—contradicts the whole policy and purpose of Kansas. The Democracy desires peace and safety, no more to be agitated than against Democracy, or what is customarily means, slavery and the Kansas slave system.

The Republican movement is thus far simply that of the people to make their laws in their own way, but the Republican movement is the establishment of a system of political rights and duties. The Republican movement is to make the franchise the right of their ability to understand it, and to make it the right of the people. The Republican movement is to establish a political authority, and to vest certain rights thereon are complied with, then, when the citizen in the commonwealth, the right to demand the passing over from Congress to those of a certain
Fincastle Va. Mar. 14, 1855

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir— I am greatly obliged to you for a copy of the minority report, on Kansas affairs, sent to The Fincastle Democrat. You would place me under many obligations if you would send me your own and good speeches from any others from either House. None of your side reach me, only as they are condensed in the newspapers. I am published and denounced as the only editor in Virginia who has fully and fearlessly endorsed you. Wise's position, and strange to say sir, that here in the great Valley of Virginia where the freedom of the press is the boast of the people, efforts are in progress to have me silenced by a mob, for pleading the rights of Popular Sovereignty in the cradle of liberty!

Douglas. The world is looking to you for for one great, even if it should be a dying effort, to restore to its primitive purity and
and Republican Glory, the doctrine of "Popular Sovereignty." May the "good" arm
for the trying occasion. I ask no secrecy for my letter, and the only claims I urge
for its confidential character, is that it may show to the world that there is at least one
man in Virginia who dares publicly to endorse the position of you. West, on Kansas.

Very respectfully,

S. D. Hopkins
Mr. E. Murphy
Albany
Mar. 14, 58
Read a speech
Political
Say there is prospect of making new
enlarging state

Albany A.M.,
March 14, 58,

My dear Sir:

I have just
waited for a copy of the
Albany Statesman, an Ameri-
can paper. No paper published
in this city containing a
speech delivered in the Senate
here a few evenings since, to
which I invite your special
attention. There are hundreds
and thousands of Democrats
and Republicans in this
State who will stick to the
American platform in this
State. The fall, and yet am
confident, could succeed in
sweeping the State by an
unparalleled majority. If the
thing is properly managed
in the beginning, it would,
therefore, you would read
this speech, and if you then have any suggestions to make, let me hear from you.

I am an American, in firmness standing with the party here, and I can assure you, that your Most of being the American Candidate for the next Presidency, at least, as far as this State is concerned, is now very good.

I am, my dear Sir, with many kind wishes, very respectfully,

M. D. Murphy

Hon. A. H. Douglas
Buffalo March 14/68

Hon J. A. Douglas Esq,

Dear Sir,

You would do me a great favor if you would send me the Minority Report of the Committee on Territory also the Dred Scott Decision and if it would not be too much trouble I would like to have you send me the Report of the Survey of the Pacific Rail Road route.

I think there is 5 Vols of it if you send please direct to Box 2513.

Much obliged.

Yours with Respect,

G. G. Newman

President Young Men's Catholic Association Buffalo
G. J. Newman
Pres. Young Men's Catholic Association
Buffalo, N.Y.
March 14, 1858.

Wants Report.
Need Scott decision.
A pac. R.R. Reports.

[Redacted Report]
March 14, 1858.
S. H. Purcell,
Houston, Harris Co., Texas,
March 14, 1858.

Inform me, election of you as a Member of the Houston Mechanics Association.

Houston, Harris Co., Texas
March 14, 1858

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that at a meeting of the Houston Mechanics Association, held on the 13th inst., you were unanimously elected an Honorary Member of that body. As soon as the proper certificates can be procured, yours shall be forwarded forthwith.

Accept my congratulations and wishes for your prosperity.

S. H. Purcell
Recording Secretary
Columbus, O., March 14, 1868

Hon. Abraham Lincoln, The Welterfield of Honest & True Democracy, Dear Sir,

In consequence of many questions put to a true Democrat as myself, I desire a favor which I hope will be granted. It is this: for you to send me a copy of your report and other reliefs of the Senate & House on this question—that is Kansas.

If it would not be asking too much, send me a copy of your speech by doing so. I remain yours for the good cause, for ever.

[Signature]

P.S. I prescribe you the modes of people one with the office holders—as live.
Jacob H. Stude
Columbus Ohio
Mar. 14/58,
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[Signature]
Post office Silver Creek Steflinson
County Illinois March 14 1838

Hon S A Douglas

Dear Sir,

I am much obliged for the President's Message and report of Secretary Interior. I presume you are well advise of the politics of this county. I am well acquainted with the democracy of the county and do not know of ten excluding Mr. Bagg who are in favour of the President's Lecompton movement in fact counting up with a Friend we could number but 15 or one of them doubtfull. All the democracy (accepting the few who no doubt are exerting office) are ready to give you a hearty support. I am myself highly gratified in the love you have taken and before I had learnt what love you would take, I told Mr. Hitlinger and some of my Democratic friends that you would pursue the same love that you have as that was the only consistent Democratic love. In looking back even as far as Gen. Jackson's administration I find I have been taken a song track all though I have at some times been almost alone. Vote of limited state bank and removal of the deposit I for a time in my own neighborhood stood alone. Those acts...
of President Jackson have been approved and
confirmed by the Democratic Party.

The Kansas Nebraska Issue for a time
was almost alone, but it soon had help and
it is claimed as part of the party platform
and the time will come when no man that
calls himself a Democrat will acknowledge
that he was in favor of forcing on any
State or Constitution against the wishes of
Majority of the People of the State.

I am in haste and send this long letter.

Very respectfully,

[Signature]

[Date]

If it is not too much to ask and it is
convincing I should be much obliged to
you for the other reports of the Senator
accompanying the Bureau telegrams. I hereby
request the service of these papers.

[Signature]
Carter Forney,
Silver Creek
Stephenson Co., Ill.
March 14, 1858.

Political.

Per received, I sent
of one, the page went,
the other.

They were sent (of)
the other two day,
home receipt.

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Boston, March 14, 1869

Dear Sir,

I am collecting autographs and I shall esteem it a great favor if you will be kind enough to allow me to have the honor of yours.

I remain your most obedient servant,

[Signature]

To Hon. Stephen Douglas,

Please to address to Boston P. Office