Portland, Illinois
April 29th 1858.

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Dear Sir,

Please send me the three volumes of the Patent Office Report (Mechanically) for the year 1856; and believe,

Yours Truly,

Henry W. Arnold.

Sent May 4/58.
Henry McBrinn
Portland
April 29, 1858.

Wants Date. Off Rep.

Sent May 4, 1858.
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The objects of this Club are to create a powerful moral interest among the great mass of the people, by which to counteract the corrupt influences of the government patronage and party dictation, to be exerted by Club agents and members in all future Congressional, State, and Presidential elections, and by such means to change the balance of political power in Congress, between the Free and Slave States, now held by foreigners, to the hands of American Citizens.

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The objects of this Club are further designed in uniting the whole country in the national organization of the American Republican party, under entire issues, preeminently designed in preserving peace, in averting war, and in establishing a new era in the progress of our country, upon a broad, deep and lasting foundation, free from all foreign influences, foreign invasions, all geographical lines of division, all religious intolerance, all secret political action, all sectional strife and every element of disunion.

The American Republican party, under its new issues and national organization will be the great national party of our country, that will elect all future Presidents, Governors, Legislators, Senators, Members of Congress, and all other officers of our State and National Governments in the gift of the American people.

It will shape the destinies of our country, direct the policy of our government, control the financial and revenue affairs of Congress, impart the principles of civil liberty and the influences of Christianity throughout the land, and govern the action of the American people in all future Congressional, State and Presidential elections.

It will unite the National Republicans of the North, the National Americans of the South, the National Whigs of the East, the National Democrats of the West and the conservative and union men of the whole country in bonds of peace and international union.

It will be national in extent, and national in character. Republican in principle, Patriotic in issues, Democratic in measures, comprehensive in interest, constitutional in laws, liberal in legislation, profound in wisdom, gigantic in power, irresistible in progress, sound in policy, and independent in action.

Only one General Agent will be appointed in any one city or town.

Wholesale price of Club Stock to General Agents only $10.00 for 100 Shares— and on every dollar invested at the price we will sell Club Members at One dollar per share. They will drive a clear profit of 500 per cent. on each share. In fact, the money that is invested will bear the same interest in a half year that the money that is invested will bear the same interest in a half year that it would bear in a year at 6 per cent. Interest. See next page.
AGENTS’ COMMISSIONS.

The General Agency of this Club shall not interfere with any other regular business, professional or official duties, and it is warranted to pay a commission of $1,000 to $5,000 for each year, depending on the population, and on the number of extra copies of Club Instructions and Club shares sold to Sub Agents and Club members, each year and on the price they choose to demand over and above the cost.

The General Agency is in large cities, can be made to pay from $5,000 to $10,000 the first year. In small towns and cities, from $1,000 to $5,000, depending on the price charged by Sub Agents and Club members on admission for extra copies of the Club Instructions.

No Club Stock will be sold at any price except to the General Agents, but all Sub Agents and Club Members by the General Agents approved, will be authorized to sell Club shares on commission, to other Sub Agents and Club Members by whom appointed, and they will receive 25 per cent. in cash, for each share sold, in addition to the profits on extra copies of the Club Instructions, by them reprinted for their own use and benefit.

The only capital required by Sub Agents and Club members is one dollar for each share of Club Stock and a small expense for re-printing extra copies of the Instructions for their own use.

No stock or extra copies of the Club Instructions can be bought or obtained on any price except the General Agents, Sub Agents or Club members, and no one can be admitted as a Club Member or appoint other members until he has paid the General Agent, Sub Agent or Club member, for one share of the Club Stock, or for an extra copy of the Club Instructions.

The sale shall be made as soon as the stock is sold, and the money so obtained will be applied by the Agents and members for their own use and benefit. The subscription books will be kept open for ten years, or until a majority of the legal voters in every town, city and State of the Union are united in support of the new issues of the American Republican Party.

Every dollar received by the General Agents, Sub Agents and Club Members in payment of subscriptions to the Club Stock or from the sale of extra copies of the Club Instructions, will be applied and appropriated by the Agents and Club Members themselves, for their own use and benefit, as a compensation for their services, and in defraying the expenses attending the Club organization, independent of all directors or stockholders.

The Agents and members of this Club will be bound by no secret oaths or obligations whatever, beyond a voluntary and united agreement to support the first known of the Club and the national organization of the American Republican Party, and to oppose all candidates for Congress that oppose the passage of those bills at the present session.

Gentlemen receiving this circular in any town, city or State of the Union, disposed to secure the General Agency of this Club, will be furnished with a copy of the Club Instructions upon giving one dollar by mail, fully explaining all the other new issues of the American Republican Party, and all the ways and means by which they can secure the above commissions in a great work of Publication and international union by addressing:

Benjamin Balch,

Merrimack House, Newburyport, Mass.

CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT AND PAYMENT.

No payments of the General Agents are required for ten days beyond one dollar for a copy of the Club Instructions, in order that they may judge for themselves of the value of the Agency before paying the price of the full amount, and it is further enjoined that every General Agent will be given to the applicant who is disposed to pay for the largest number of Club Shares within ten days after the receipt of this circular, and they can sell the rest of their stock and extra copies of this Instructions to Sub Agents and Club Members taking one share each, at par or at any price they choose to demand, and the price received for the shares shall add more than the share, then paid, being paid, being the number of shares taken at of extra copies of Club Instructions by them reprinted any sold, the money will be the property and commissions of the Agents, Sub Agents and Club members.

APPROPRIATION OF CLUB RECEIPTS.

The fund derived from the General Agents of this Club will be appropriated in defraying the cost of Publishing the American Republican Party Manual and in defraying the expenses attending the national organization of this Club throughout the Union.

This work is designed as a National Platform of the American Republican Party, and a National Standard of the American people in all future Congressional, State and Presidential elections, based on the Constitution of the United States and the Republican principles of government established by the Declaration of American Independence.

This is the most valuable and authentic work of Publications and International Union ever presented to the American people. Every General Agent of this Club will be furnished with a copy free of charge. It will contain a large subscription and ready cash sale of 100,000 copies at 50 cents per copy.
Benj Balck
Morrenach House
Newbury Port
Maj
Red Apr 1792
Curiously crazy
Scheme of Banking,
Rail R to Pacific
& politics


The amount of specie in the banks of the large cities, has so increased of late that it is a burden upon their hands, and yet it continues to accumulate, from California and other sources, as do also deposits. It was seldom if ever that so much available cash was at hand, and so little demand. The usual inquiry is, where is the money to come from to carry on business?—now it is reversed—where is the business to demand this capital? No new enterprises are started, and the old ones are allowed to drag slowly along; but this cannot always be so. Business and money will find their level, though we cannot see signs of a reaction to lift us from our present stagnation and depression for months to come.

Curious Facts in Regard to Railroads. The Virginia and Tennessee Railroad is 204 miles in length, and it cost about $7,000,000. In 1850 the taxable value of the land in the counties through which it passes, as taken from the census, was $25,949,647; and in 1856 the state assessment makes it $59,917,229! or an increase in six years of $33,968,581.

Here are now over $138,000,000 of Specie in Ohio Banks which, if employed in the Construction of the Central Rail Road to the Pacific, would lead to the discovery of New Mineral Wealth, and increase the Value of lands Ten Fold.

Why then Postpone it till Dooms Day?

These facts cannot be denied and show the fallacy of Senator Wilson's arguments & Speech in favor of a Postponement of the Pacific Rail Road Bill till December 11th.

The Postponement of this great question until next Dec. will be equivalent to a Postponement until 1860. The People will Stand no Such "Damn'd Nonsense". It will Result in the Organization of a New Party, and in a Certain defeat of every Member of Congress next November who opposes the Passage of a Monetary Resolution at the present session of Balch's Bill, as a National Substitute for all other, and as the Basis of a Sound, Permanent & Uniform Currency.
The aggregate wealth of our country is over $12,000,000,000 or more than twice the entire debt of Great Britain. The country is now at peace, yet our own debts and the cost of a railroad to the Pacific will double the value of all other railroad stocks, lands and property in forty centuries, leaving remaining burdens.

Henry Wilson is a scabby old fool; it wants to have off this bill till 1866 and make Boston the capital of it.

Let every Western man know that the Whigs have told him down.

The cost of the railroad to the Pacific, whether it is $20,000,000 or $30,000,000, is a trifling sum compared to the deficiency in the National Treasury. The national wealth and national resources of this country, if properly turned to account, will become the greatest bond and national duty to our country, as the power of Missionary and Educational institutions to combat the spread of illiteracy and darkness. Among the first men of the West is sustaining the honor of our country, the credit of our government and is creating a perpetual bond of peace and international union between the Atlantic and Pacific States, by an Independent Republic, established in the Pacific States.

Every man in Congress that opposes the adoption of the National Banking Law at the present session is the constitutional basis of government and is a traitor to the Pacific. It is a sound National Currency. It is the best Republican spirit to his country and all its states. If any national debt, it should be paid off from within and not from the People. It is the basis of the Pacific States, and the leading spirit of the Atlantic States, and the leading bond of the States. Should a President be elected in any future election, for the Leaders of the Atlantic to the States of the Pacific, in all future elections.
Boston April 29, 38

Mr. Stephen Douglas

Will you please with your speech on the expansion of slavery your humane servant.

W. D. Emery

Care Peter Coleman

Boston

Mass
Camp Bement
Boston, Mass.,
April 29/58.

Wm. P. Bement

Wm. P. Bement
For W. Bracken
Rock Island, Ill.
April 29th

Introducing

J. M. Crawford
of [illegible]

State of Illinois
Rock Island, 29th April, 1858

To J. W. Bracken,

The bearer of this letter
Crawford begs a young lawyer of Davenport, Iowa, is at Washington on behalf of
the Vice President, Claimants to the
Island of Rock Island. Any
attention shown to him will
be most gratefully remembered
by James W. Crawford.

Joseph W. Bracken.
Office of Emery's Journal of Agriculture.

EMERY & CO. Publishers, 204 Lake Street,
Chicago, Ill. Apr. 29, 1858

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Dear Sir: Every friend of Agricultural progress is necessarily gratified at the announcement of the passage of the Morrills School bill by the House. I am confident you need not be told how earnestly it, does in the Senate is looked for — how eagerly, or almost impatiently we watch for some token to tell us of this manner in which it is regarded by that body.

I need not tell you of its effect upon the interests of the West. I have no doubt it will receive all the attention you can consistently give it. It is a matter I honestly believe will reward its supporters in the future with the popular sympathy and suffrage, for it will appeal directly to the hearts of the population of this Rural District.

I shall be very thankful for any indications of its prospects in the Senate.

Most Respectfully, Chas. H. Bradfords
Char l. Bragdon,
Chicago, Ills,
April 29th 1885

Wants support
for Morrill
School Bill
before Congress.
New York April 29 1858

To S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

Through my friend Mr. Webster I sent you an application for consulate at Guayaquil, Equador. If you can inform me of what has been the result, or if there is anything wanting in the application, if names of proper and good men or merchants of New York, Cincinnati or Louisville, I shall be much obliged for the same. I am, however, known to the Hon. First Class.

Yours most respectfully,

P.B. D. Cook

Please excuse this seeming intrusion upon your time by one whose interest is affected.
D. B. I. Cooke
New York
April 29, 1888

Sent three telegraph application for Councilship at Guayaquil,
Ecuador for his brother to want to know; sent 10.
U. Labrinple
Morristown, N.Y.
April 29/58.

Political

Morris Town, N.J. Apr. 29, 1838

Dear sir,

My acknowledgments are due for the copy of your speech on the Roman, Justinus, which you were kind enough to send me some time since. I read them all with interest and pleasure. The arguments are unanswerable, and the force of them will tell among the masses at the coming elections. Those who set up for "leaders" have not, as almost all Americans, English, mean, but I am certain that I live that the masses are the other way. To my surprise one Democratic paper published in this town, with some influence I know not
told "Carver" and was then to the English scheme. I feel confident than an amount of good men can not be defeated. I happen to be in this strong Democratic District, I cannot set that I should have induced Mr. Brown to vote as he recently has of the policy of fully committing liberty. I have invested my influence against the whole thing. If he finally votes for the English bill, he will lose his confidence. All parties in the District are placed himself in a very unenviable position. My apology for hemming in the men whom I saw in Washington and to one a month since he turned from and came to both than to much of his work to himself, or to any other man or town. On whom I count, having been led off to the English.

W. J. A. Douglas

Open this letter
Mr. S. A. Douglas.

Dear Sir,

I have received and read your powerful argument of the 22d last. If it is your desire to have it printed in the German, I offer you to prepare the translation, placing the manuscript at your disposition to be used at any time and anywhere for execution. There are not many writers among us capable of doing full justice to your work, and I do not like to see it patched up and mangled as usual on such occasions. As I apprehended from the start, Mr. Hofer is maintaining a pitiful position oscillating like a pendulum between straight forward anti-Republicanism and the desire not to be driven by any means from the old camp. With high regard,

Your obedient servant

Washington 29th April 1858. M. Groot
Magna Græcæ,
Washington City
April 27, 1838,

Offer to translate into German, the
Judge, Speech political.

WD
Dover, Ill Apr 30 1855

Mr. Stephen A. Douglas

Sir,

I wish to inform you that the Post office was taken from me as there has been no complaint of one at all. Any constituents are afraid to do it, as a man in my situation. The mandate is, it is unsanctioned for the office and must be tended to at once. He is a young man and has no place of residence, heart and will place the and is intending to leave near soon. I'm perfectly satisfied with the removal of the office if it had been done before. But the Supported John C. Fremont. These are the facts of the case and those are the circumstances of our men. Dover they said. Get some good Democrat for me. The people would win Selkirk. These lines wrote to a confidential friend. Send it confidentially.

To the Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Yours Truly

Answer this soon and obliged. W.B. Harford

Your friends
W. B. Hartford
Illinois, Ill.
April 29, 1858

Wants to know
why he is removed
No.

A Fremont
men appointed

Remover on
engineering at Depot.
for neglect of duty

Upon recommendation
of Mr. M. at Princeton
Illinois.

All is right.

Writer informs
interference for election
May 17, 1858
Washington City,
May 4, 1858.

Sir,

Judge Douglas finds himself precluded by pressing engagements, and has therefore requested me to reply to your letter of 29 ultimo.

He desires me to say that you have chosen a striking and noble incident in the life of General Jackson—one full of dignity and honor to that illustrious patriot, as well as of moral to his fellow citizens—his appearance before, and submission to the fire imposed by Judge Talia at New Orleans in 1815; and that he cannot
doubt but that if the artistic execution of the engraving equal the conception of the subject, as explained in your communication, the finished work will meet with just and general commendation.

Judge Douglas would have me add that, for the purposes of the explanatory memoir, or key, you propose compiling as an accompaniment, he accedes to your request, made at the suggestion, or you state, of his friend, Genl' H. O'B. Butler of Ky. and Col. Maundelle White of New Orleans, so far as touching hereafter a copy of his Speech on Resuming the fine imposed upon Gen. Jackson...
by Judge Hall in 1816", and informing you that you will find on pages 162-163, "Wheeler's Biographical and Political History of Congress. Title: a fair detail of the occasion when he, Judge Douglas, felt himself highly honored by the invitation of General Jackson with best wishes for the speedy and successful completion of your undertaking.

Respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Madrion Catts.

C. G. Hedenborg, Esq.
No 24, Logan Square,
Philadelphia.
Philada. 22 Logan Square
29th April 1838

Honble. Stephen A. Douglass
Member of Congress
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir,

Having determined to illustrate one of the most striking incidents in the life of the most remarkable man of his age, Gen. Andrew Jackson before Judge Domenick A. Hall at New Orleans in 1818, as he appeared before the Civil Authority, which, from its maladministration, he had been obliged to offend, he profanated in a manner so signal, as to return to it greater strength and sanctity, than the folly of its object, and its agents had taken away.

The Sublime humility of the material General - the defender of his country's honor - fresh from the field of battle, and victorious in arms, who not only submitted himself to, but protected the aside.
an activity will form the important feature in the painting.

During the past twelve months I have succeeded in collecting
the likenesses of some forty gentlemen
of distinction, Col. Pinckney, who was
with Genl. Jackson at New Orleans during
his gallant defence of that city, and
who afterward witnessed the scene alluded to.
Some of whom are Geo. Barret, Cooper-
Adair, Gaine, Col. Robert Butler, A P Hayne,
Pitts, Elliott, St. Lagues, Hinds, Commodore
Patterson, Majors Chotard, Planché, Dr. Burtin, Capt. Baker, R R Calhoun, Manuel White,
Mr. B,Bruce, Col. Wade Hampton. For Colonne
Chat Harvey, Palmy, Sir Lawrence, Col. John
Hendry, Gen. De Vries, Commodore Edward Living-
low, John Reid, Hon. L. Dunneau, and
John R Greer. The said 30 States, besides
the M. Raymond & Co. The distinguished Genl. John Dick
and the W. D. Leck Lodge, Commodore R. Hall.

The oil painting after it shall
have been completed will be sent to London
for engraving in the highest style of the Art
on Steel 32 x 42 inches.

A book of some three hun-
dred pages will be published containing
sketches of the likenesses of the different gentlemen
represented in the picture. Some hundred

pages will be devoted to extracts from
speeches made in Congress relating to the
anniversary of the late Mr. Calmenson in Judge Hall.

My friend Mr. W. Altt-,
ling of Charleston, K.S. informed me you made
a most magnificent speech on that occasion,
and Col. Mansour White of New Orleans said
to me but a month since that Mr. Dick
was greatly admired in the speech, and was very
much pleased with it. I am therefore
very anxious to obtain a copy of the same
in pamphlet form, and if you can help
me with it, you will confer a very great
favor — my reason for writing is that I shall have all speeches
so made on this occasion of sufficient
importance to collect, bound up, and I also
ask as an act of favor having on your
part your aid in printing on the title page.

Yours very

C. W. Hedenberg.
April 29, 1858,

About to get up a fine engraving of Gen'l Jackson submitting to the fine by Judge Hale in 1815 after the Battle of New Orleans. I want a copy of Judge Douglas' speech on the remission of the fine in Congress.

See copy of reply within.
Kankakee City Ill 29th Apr 1858

Hon S A Douglass

Sir,

You may be pleased to learn that the Demo. are at work in this dark corner of Republicanism. At our late Charter Election we achieved a splendid victory. Defeating our techill by 142 Majority. This was the first complete victory we ever had in this town since it was organized, and I might also add that we made it a strictly party test, putting no men in nomination who were not out & out democrats.

Your old friend Geo. Stowell went over to the Rpt and accepted a nomination from them. But was the worst Bet man on their list. The Cast 310 Demo. votes in the town, almost 100 more than the whole Co in 1856. Stowell is now figuring with The Coote & Dept Lieb for the Po in this place. However I am inclined to think they regard him to back for their Base purposes.

Still I should be sorry to see Douglass removed from the office as it would afford the Walters an opportunity of gaining into existence a Scompton split of the party in this Co. At this time there is not a Demo in the Co who does not endorse your views on Scompton. And I am happy to inform you that we are fast gaining over those who split off from us in 1854 & 1856. Therefore I am

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of the utmost importance that our P.C remain just as it now stands, with a view to the end I am pursuing. Longfellow, to go down to Springfield & soft daily. Cook & Lie. How will he be ended? I am unable to say. Longfellow, is worth as in any other of the world, and would resign tomorrow if he thought he could benefit the party by so doing. But I believe the appointment of a Le Compte man in this Town would very naturally injure our prospects in the Cn. At our late election, we also gained 4 superintendents in the County. Now we are hardly sufficient to be able to re-elect our County this fall. Nevertheless, we do not wish to reduce the ass.

Whelming Rife Radicals, to such an extent as to prevent the election of our entire delegation from this assembly district. This can and must be done. Therefore, with a view to the accomplishment of this end, I send the names (on a separate slip of paper) of a few individuals in this Cn. to whom I desire you will facilitate I push & equest or any other means you may think will best promote the object. The first three named on the list are French Republicans. And they control more than one half of the French votes in this district. If we can gain them over, I should have no doubt whatever as to this assembly district. The one on the list are French Democrats, control all the French votes in the Town where they live.

But the great bulk of the French votes in the Cn. reside at Kensington, &c.

The all feel the importance of our next fall election, and the party on this plan are prepared to do the true whole duty. Notwithstanding the Administration & the State.

I dare not surpass at your present position with the Administration. And you will assist to I expect, my friends to you in this election in the person of D.C. Sibly, while residing from your House to the Capitol. However, I shall be at the right Administration, &c. at our next election.

It is amusing to see how the Democracy in old Federal New England cling to the Administration. I am in some degree taken up with a Federal paternity in all they can hope to obtain, and the State Government & policies. I will not lecture on this subject but what these means would be prejudicial to your interests. Had the exceptional policy of this Administration succeeded, we should have been defeated in every single instance. N. State, and I strongly believe that our declaration from us do not regard the matters in the same light. In competent may be spot for the deviation, but in the language of the parable, it is still the same. And besides from the point of view of the if.
office holders and office duties. I do not believe these are ten persons who in the free State who constantly favors the Administration policy of forcing incompetent upon the people of Kansas against their consent. I know this remark and expression of your honor and try to be explained for exacting so long upon your patience.

You O.K. Scott.

J. Hurling.

PS. In the event we should have any trouble with our P.O. affairs, Can you rely upon A.T. Bell, King, or is he also pledged with the Administration to assist in the organization of the Demo party in this State?

J.B.

July 29, 1858.
A. H. Hill
Harville
Mo.
April 29/58.

Want Speech.

Kapokhini Mass. Apr. 29/58.

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

If you would take the pains of sending me your speech on the Kansas question, I should be very much obliged, as consider it an able thing, as have seen a part report it.

I am one of your friends.

Your friend,

Hon. S. A. Douglas

A. H. Hill
June 29/58

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Washington City

This afternoon received your able speech on Secession for which please accept my warmest and best thanks. Am sorry to occupy your very precious time but after asking our immediate representatives they have been unable to obtain me the report on the Crimean war by Lieut. McCalland. Can you do so, would be under great obligations. 

I remain
Your's truly

Thos. W. Larsen

April 29/58
Box 456
Philadelphia Post Office
Penna.
Sirs,

I have the satisfaction to acknowledge the receipt of a package of your reports on the Kansas matter. I have addressed them by mail to the men in the various townships as wise in my judgment make the best use of them. Whatever comes from your office in the shape of reports or dinners, is eagerly bought for and read by our friends, both Democrats and Republicans. In this the 10th congressional district, represented by Josephine Smith, I may safely say there are not 300 Buchanan men outside of Republic county, and in Republic the mass is with you. The majority of the Democratic party, the Whigs, will stand no chance at all for re-election.

There are aware that most of the Editors in this State are either Pro-\*Father, or Advocates for offices of some sort under the general government.
The Constitution is not, with the New and
old views. The party of the people is
preserved. The Ohio Constitution is the
voice of the Country in the State, and your
may take it as the true index of its future
treatment.

The Fifth amendment
is amended, as by the democracy in
the instances here and its great
reform. It would seem to have
been right to assume it as possible.
The member to the Constitution of
the Country organizations, as can be
heard on a preliminary delegation to
Chesapeake in 1880. The entire for the
West must be to invite them, so to make
them known.

The look chiefly to secure to acquire
the government from the high
federal doctrines that never gave
its administration. Ohio has always been
open in the great battle zone here
waging firmly as the "300" closed
by Lincoln on the 15th. So long
as you maintain these principles that
are in reality, the life of democracy
Southern Ohio is not uncertain

for "ins" not anti-slavery sentiment, but
they are maintained with you that the Constitution
in the United States is capable of self-government
and will not yield the doctrine that "formats
serve than fight nor is from the amount
of the government."

The efforts of Lysagel and
the Lawrence coteries, to advance the
principles of the democracy, to the country
only lesson to estimate time, and
increase their activity against the
manipulations of the taxers.

And all the Democrats
may can and they will be used
but a menace. People of Nation are
standing thus assist to the, James
Abraham, Deans, Marshall, etc., etc. The
control is earnest.

Frankly yours truly

Ralph Leete

To: Simeon Douglas

See Valley, W. E. Ford

Fourth month

Ohio
Ralph Leete

Realtan,
Lawrence Co., Ohio

April 29/58

Political
Sir,

Stephen M. Douglas, Esq.

Permit me to introduce to your favorable notice, J. A. Graupner, Esq., a young lawyer of Charleston, S.C., who is in business at Washington relating to the preemption claims to the island of Rocholana, and any services rendered, or attention shown, will be most gratefully remembered.

Yours, etc.,

Rockolana April 29th, 1858

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Dear Sir,
Jacob Norris
Rock Island, Ill.
April 29/58
Introducing
J. N. Crawford
Providence April 29, 1848

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Dear Sir,

I was pleased to receive from you a copy of your speech of the 22d March last, and have again perused it with much satisfaction. I hope your efforts will yet produce the reformation in Congress of the doctrine for which the President contended so strenuously, and it seems true to injure the interests of the Democratic party and the country.

I was particularly pleased with your views respecting the lawful and the revolutionary modes of changing a State Constitution. Yours is the doctrine contended for by the so-called laws of order party in this state in 1842, and which had the support of all the Jeffersonian Republicans, with few exceptions and finally triumphed.

Your views respecting Kansas affairs are, I think, true, those alone upon which the Democratic party of this state can even hope to make a respectable appearance at the ballot box. The efforts of the office holders in this state of those who hoped to become office holders, seemed the election of a Convention...
...whole, by a semi-endorsement of the President views, with other causes, paralyzed the Democratic party, here that in our recent elections scarcely three times a third of our vote was shown. The smallness of the vote is the attributed in fact. The dissatisfaction with the course of Senator, sitting in presiding the removal of our government apparatus and in the appointment of some new ones where claims on the party do not seem to be generally recognized, II.

I think it extremely doubtful whether the party will come to any thing like a stand on the subject. I have no question that it can only receive notice by the party adopting your views, and maintaining you in your course.

Will you do me the favor to present my respects to Mrs. Douglas. I am glad to hear that she has been completely restored to health.

Yours very Respectfully.

John L. O'Brien.

Senate of the U.S.
Washington D.C.
Josiah Pitman
Providence, R.I.
April 29, 1858

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Wants Speeches.

Stewartville, Warren Co, New York
April 29th 1858

Hon. U.S. Douglas

Dear Sir,

I shall feel myself under a lasting obligation to you if you will do me the favor to send me a copy of one or two of your late speeches on the Reenactment Constitution.

Yours Truly,

George T. Price
Lynchburg, Va., April 29, 1858.

Honor. S. A. Douglas,

Dear Sir: Please favor me with two or three copies of your speeches against the Lecompton Constitution, together with your report as Majority of the Committee on Territorial in the Senate. As such as you may, send please with the frank and blank the most backing blank.

I am happy to state that a great reaction is taking place throughout Virginia in favor of your course on Kansas Aff airs, and I look for the time (shortly, too) when the vindication of your views will meet with a hearty welcome from every Southern State.

Any document you may in kindness deign me able to duly authenticate by one of your warm friends.

And obtrude rent.

E. Albin Schaffer.