Phil May 18 1858:

SIR: I am directed by

I have noticed from

time to time in the papers that great

pressure has been agitated the Banknote

law and I for one am desirous that

it should be as promptly by Mr. Giddings

as not desist it for myself personally

but for the thousands with are suffering

through these great revolutions and who will

never be able to use again in help them

at some relief from your New York and

you use your influence to bring it about

the session there is great unrest in our

fear City at this time and trade is more

depressed now than in April and I

fear if there is not relief extended then it

will be for worse. In Sept when there will be a great

depreciation in Real Personal

by using your personal influence in this

time will have the thanks of many Maryland

Yours Respectfully,

Wm. C. Allen
Mr. Douglas
Dr. Sir

Will you please send me your two specks on Lecompton? I oblige.

Yours Respectfully
P. Cardy

Andover
Mass
Licking Co., Ohio.
New Way, May 18th 1856

Mr. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

I hope you will pardon my intrusion, you may think it out of the way, but at this time not being an immediate constant of yours, but I hope I trust the paper may not be far distant when I may be. But to the point, I wish if you have any copy of your speech delivered in any of the 4 or 5 weeks ago (that you can spare), that you would have the kindness to send me some for distribution in this section of the country.

I have seen but a part of the speech, that I wish you to send me, in the course of that speech you made an allusion to the course of the Washington Union. Wherein you stated that it had read you out of the Democratic party every other day for two or three months. Therefore during this period of congress I have been furnished abundantly with documents & papers by my friend S. S. Cooper, anti Lewis of that. But those that I have received since you know where!!! are not quite as interesting to me and my friends as we would wish, anything from you will be thankfully received from your friend & well wisher.
R. Critchett
New Way, Ohio.
From Hon. Mrs. A. T. Totten during the second year of her residence in this city, come came safely testify to his honesty, firmness, and sound worth. Temperate, truthful, and honorable, he possesses the esteem, and is qualified confidence of all who know him, and in any position involving trust and responsibility. He would be a valuable acquisition.

J. R. Fitzgerald.

Cleveland, 14
February 18, 1858.
H Todd Gilmer
Gilmer, Ill.

Gilmer Lake Co., Ill.
May 18th, 1858

Mr. Douglas Sir:

Please send me the Patent Office report for 1857 on Mechanics and you will confer a favor on your humble servant.

L. H. Todd

Adress

L H Todd Gilmer
Lake Co., Ill.

(Meachanics, May 22nd, 1858)
Concord, N.H.,
May 18, 1838,

Hon. S.C. Douglass
Sir,

Please send me a copy of your speech of the 29th, N.H., and very much obliged,

Yours...

William H. Goodwin
[No text on the page]

Wm. L. Goodwin
Concord, N.H.
Whereas we cordially adhere and will ever adhere, by carry out the great principle of self-government as enunciated in the Kansas-Nebraska Act and reiterated in President Buchanan's inaugural address, that the people of each State and Territory shall be left perfectly free to regulate their own domestic institutions, according to their own will subject only to the Constitution of the United States.

And whereas the National Convention of the Democratic party, held at Cincinnati in June 1856, incorporated the above great principle as an integral part of the Democratic creed and declared that we, as Democrats, recognize the right of the people of all the Territories, including Kansas and Nebraska, acting through the legally and fairly expressed will of a majority of actual residents, and whenever the number of their inhabitants justifies it, to form a constitution, with or without domestic slavery, and be admitted into the Union upon terms of perfect equality with the other States.
And whereas further we consider these principles to embody the true doctrine of policy of the General Government in regard to the organization and future admission of Territories as States of this Union, and that it needs only to be distinctly and explicitly reaffirmed to gain the united support of the Democracy of the Nation, therefore

We it Resolved, that in pursuance of the principle laid down in the extracts above cited, the Territory shall henceafter be

Kar. S. A. Douglas

I send you this in accordance with an agreement I made with Mr. Corrady, I have the honor to be

A. M.}

S. W. M. P.
Orrin Hotchkiss

May 18

Mr. S. A. Douglas Esq.

Sir,

In response to your request, I have procured from the Register of the United States Patent Office a list of patents issued for the year 1856. If you desire a list for 1857, please communicate with me.

Orrin Hotchkiss
Mayfield near Hampton
May 18th

Dear Sir,

I received and have read with gratification your speech delivered in the Senate on 22nd March. If not inconvenient, please forward to me a dozen copies for distribution among your old adherents here who like myself wish to cate you with confidence and warmth. Though differing from you, I give deference to the Kansas juez. I am at present in Hampton, Va.

With highest respect yet truly

Horace S. Douglas

[Signature]
Baker's Lee
Hampton, Va.
Claysville, Miss., May 13, '58

Mr. N. A. Douglas

Sir: I received the speeches you sent me in the course of mail for which please accept my sincere thanks. My own opinion is that if we of the South knew how things have been carried on in Kansas we would denounce the course of our members at Washington. I find that as far as the speeches that you sent me have been read, they have changed the minds of the people materially.

If there is anything going on in Congress of importance you would confer a large favor on me by sending me some documents containing the true state of affairs.

Yours sincerely,

A. McCulloch
A. McAllister
Claysville
Miss.
John W. Macy

Andover, Mass.

Andover, May 18/38

To the Hon. S. A. Douglas

Sir,

Will you oblige me by sending your two speeches on the
Secession Constitution.

Respectfully,

John W. Macy

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Washington

D. C.
Dear Sir,

The Young Men's Christian Union of this City, have been pleased under lasting obligation to you for document in past times, but will ask one more favor of you at this time in shape of document, we have in our library the 1st Vol of the "Pacific Rail Road Survey" and would like the remainder of them, if consistent with your views to send them to us, also "Emory's Report". Our library is free to every one, who wishes to take them out, this is different from any other one in the State, the library is small, and we feel anxious to increase this. Any kindness you can show to this institution in this way, will be thankfully received.

Mayor Rodman has just been elected President of the Union.

Providence
May 18, 1858

John C. Douglas
Actuary.

To:

Mr. C. Marshall.

(Washington, D.C.)
To Mr. Marshall
Providence 1829.
Calvin Philpco,  
Mendota, Ill.,  
May 18, 1858.

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Baptist Minister  
devised of establishing  
Institution at  
Kaneohe, Ill.  
To buy the  
Mormon Temple  
from the Socialists.  

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Navarre, Illinois Co. - May 18, 1858.

Hon. J. A. Douglas - I beg to permit me to introduce myself to you in order - I am a Baptist clergyman living at Mendota, Illinois Co., Ill. I have never dipped into the troubled waters of party politics. I read - I think soundly - I love my country north and south, east and west - I love the family of man. I at the commencement of the great struggle in 1848, in relation to the repeal of the Missouri Compromise. Since, I honestly accused you in the wrong, but after duly weighing arguments, pro and con, I adopted your views, in the subject. At that time before you took the bold - the noble stand in direct opposition to the democratic party - I felt deeply impressed to write urging you to take the course you did take, but I neglected to do it. As a Baptist - and Baptist minister - I am ashamed of the abuse of the denomination offered you. Instead of a grateful recognition of your generous offer, I felt right at last.
Your generosity after war explains why you have become a literary and music lover, as well as a cooking out the wishes of your family. I am not usually a frequenter here. I am charmed with the beauty of the natural scenery of the place. I was born in New York state. I have traveled extensively over the United States, but never saw a place for healthfulness and beauty that equalled this. I wish for the benefit of this place in surrounding region and country to start an institution here, filling but little whatever below. (If any) the institute or all the land. The French socialist are living and splendid building constructed not this. I have personal interest in the matter of any account. I will lend your influence and aid and will do to give the institution when duly organized. The name of the Douglas institute I will go east, west, north, and south to solicit funds ... I ask two pounds of you. Will you not be offended at the liberty.
Dear Mr. Lincoln,

I am trust that no doubt will be received with surprise; for no doubt, you have long since forgotten my author. But having been learned in the adjoining County to that in which stood the cotage of your youth and long since been, not only a resident of the South, but also one of the strongest advocates of the school I was proud to own as a champion in the path to which I have the honor of belonging, I who I hoped to see at some time not far distant, standing at the head of our Republican Government, I am impelled to hope you this interloper you need not suspect that I am so presumptuous as to thank you, or for a moment doubt your fidelity. But I feel it my duty both to yourself & the party to ask of you such document as may enable me to explain away the base of suspicion, which I must say is being handled up in the bosoms of your strongest Southern friends. They see your name with those with whom they have never seen
of before. The Kansas bill your honor has
incurred the attention of all Northerners both
the ignorant & ill the cause. Consequently the
point at issue is what
will hang the highest interests of the south
& our collateral prosperity & the Union
With hope I'll be honored with a line
from you. I OWE MY DEBT & Respectfully. Your obedient

B. P. Bell M. & P.
Mont. Cauchita. Tex.
Kingsville, Ohio

Tinnsville, O. May 18th,

Dear Sir,

I should be very happy to receive a copy of the U.S. Coast Survey Report. Will you, Sir, be so kind as to send me a copy, if you have one that you can dispose of, and if you have not any of your surveys or other documents will be acceptable.

Yours truly,

Parker White
Kingsville, Ohio

Hon. J. D. Bangs
U.S. S. Washington
D. C.
Indianapolis May 18, 1858

I have heard that the Buchanan forces in Illinois are likely to organize to nominate a separate ticket, and in view of our future intentions and of the present attitude of affairs, many of us think we ought to follow their lead — to let things alone here if you & your friends and let alone in Illinois, and to nominate a Douglas State ticket, hoping to lead him if they let up a ticket to your ticket in Illinois. I do not desire you to connive at all multiplicity of tickets. Let this be just thrown in Illinois; in which case unless you are content to have no tickets, you would do well to let us here in Iowa know a very early, as if of his own suggestion.

I am writing to know just continuance upon the West of this mulish Utah opposition, and exasperation of the terms of repeated speeches from high quarter. We made firm up English's note looked for the advance of the
Sincerely yours, [signature]

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[handwritten note]

[signature]
Canal Commissioners Office
Harrisburg May 18 1868

Dear Sir,

I am collecting together the autographs of the present Congress. Will you please favor me with yours very respectfully your obt. servt.

Simon Cameron Wilson

To
Hon. S. A. Douglas
U. S. Senate

(Inde)