Dear Sir,

As a friend of our Country and its interests, I beg to call your attention, in case it should not have been turned to the subject, and nothing which the journals report of what has transpired in Congress leads me to think that it has not to the change in the relative position of the Country towards Great Britain in the event of war, since the introduction of steam as a motive power on the Ocean—England holds at present a vast majority of the Oceania Isles, and by reason of her greater naval resources, or rather her active naval armaments, may be, if it be for her interest get possession of all others she has a claim to have all the Coal deposits of the world. Now it is certain that a small fleet properly armed by reason of its position in the ocean take as references to a line of battleship like one Ohio, Pennsylvania or
Ottawa 22 June 8/58

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

(Your Kind)

Saw you the 31st ULP Enclosing a Certificate of Pardon for my Father has been read. My Father desires me to return your kindness with most sincere thanks for your influence so kindly exerted in his behalf. Father he desires me to say he shall be happy at any time to reciprocate the favor. I am also have his thanks for Public Documents. Permit me for myself to thank you for Public Documents.

Yours Respectfully,

Mr. H. Murfeso
June 8, 1858,

I acknowledge receipt of pension certificate for my father.
Laver Hawlelce
Chicago, Ill.

Richmond House
Chicago June 8th 1868

My dear Sir,

Dear Sir,

On your next visit to Chicago we shall be pleased to see you at our house. Our situation is a good one for the summer season, and our house is not surpassed by any other in point of elegance and comfort.

Yours respectfully,

[Signature]

Peter Hawlelce
RICHMOND HOUSE,

CHICAGO,

Corner of South Water Street and Michigan Avenue.

TABER, HAWK & CO.,

PROPRIETOR

M. TABER,
S. HAWK,
A. R. TABER
Shanklin, Ill. June 8th, 1858

Hon. S. A. Douglass, 

Sir,

I take the liberty of writing you, for information on 2 points. 1st., to the name of the town in Peoria County, Illinois to wit of 12 1/2 720 I have an interest in 160 acres of land in such a township in Peoria County, that was patented by the U.S. State, in 1817, to one Daniel Burnet, a soldier of the war of 1812. I do not know the name of the town.

2. Is land patented as this was subject to taxation & sale for taxes after laws of Congress or the State of Illinois?

Inc. note hereon 1st a letter.
from the General Land Office from which you will learn
decision what I meant

Respectfully yours,

A.M. Sandifer
SIR,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 1st instant, with affidavit enclosed, and in reply have to inform you that it appears from the "Military Files Records" that Capt. William Watson No. 596 is for 160 acres, issued for the services of "Daniel Bemis," a private in Company D of the 11th Regt. W. States Infantry, which was located and carried into Patent Oct. 6, 1817, in the NW 1/4, SW 1/4, NE 1/4, SE 1/4, T. 11 N., R. 7 E., Illinois.

These premises are situated in "Peoria County," of which Peoria is the County seat.

Among the papers filed in this case is a Power of Attorney from Daniel Bemis to Joseph Watson, of date Oct. 23, 1816, acknowledged before George Robinson, a Justice of the Peace of Chittenango County, Vermont. This fact identifies the party represented by you.

I enclose for your information a Certified Copy from the Records of the above mentioned Patent.
Sir,

Very respectfully,

[Signature]

A.M. Hawkins, Esq.
Starksboro, Addison Co.
Vermont.
Rock Run June 7th, 1858

Mr. S. H. Douglas,

In my anxiety at not hearing from you for several weeks, I send a package of your very excellent and readable speeches and a copy of the Post Office Report of 1856 for which please accept my sincere thanks. I have also enclosed the letter with the receipt for the parcel I have not received it; the reason I knew not. Our opinion is very hard at work. Drugg, our newly appointed Post Master, has called an Extra Convention of the County to send delegates to meet at the State Convention at Springfield. Whereas, but three or four see in attendance, and I think of the management of the post office properly, we need here our dear. I have been but among the Germans and Irish all last week, have had several good meetings and I shall keep at work until after election. I can assure you that our cause is gaining very fast, after appealing to the people your letters and resolutions on the subject of slavery will give you their hearty approval. The administration party have several foreign agents at work since the last but that as no help to them. I hate come on as I Heavy! In my last I have requested aid to blow off right edge of which I have not heard anything. Please in hope you will not hesitate in sending it for as I write by my own means we are not able to display all matters necessary. I hope you will send me about 100 to 150 dollars and some new goods for that you have sent me. I am.

[Signature]

[Handwritten date: 5/4/1]
among the people once are all read with great consideration and feeling tending to do much good. I hope I have not intruded on your valuable time. I therefore subscribe myself your most humble servant. I have wrote to you in my last that I am one of our first leading men in the Town of Rock Run. I am Justice of the peace. Do not sprain your letter. I am afraid the letter might be opened by Buchanan T., M., to prevent secrecy. I have had thought register that you had sent me a letter and that they never handed me the same, therefore I think it best not to send it, and address it to me at Freeport.

Yours for,

Thomas Hallbach
Freeport
Stephenson Co.
Ills.

[Handwritten note: Not sure of Judge's departure for the west. June 28th.]
Pittsburgh June 8/55

Col. L. A. Ingalls

Very Dear Sir,

If you will pardon this hasty note, I would say by your permission, that I would be under a great obligation, if you would find it convenient to send me Vols. VI & VII R.R. Rep. or if not possible, that of Major Everts on the "W. & T. Mexican Boundary." Please accept my thanks for receipt of your most elegant address.

I remain with the most respectful consideration, yours truly,

Milton McCullough
Ashland, Ashland Co. Ohio,
June 8, 1858.

Hon. S. H. Douglas.

The Fair of the Ashland Co. Agricultural Society will be held at this place on the 22nd, 23rd & 24th days of September next, and from a great desire existing in this section of our State to hear you, we have ventured to invite you to address on that occasion, although but a county fair, the number in attendance is very large. Hoping that a visit to this portion of the country might not be devoid of interest to yourself, and to hear from you an acceptance of this invitation,

I remain,

Yours truly,

Wm. Osborn

Sec'y.
June 8th 1858

Hon. W. A. Douglas
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to submit the following report of the Commissioner of Patents on Agriculture, and I trust will be much oblige.

Very truly your obedient servant,

[Signature]

(Received June 12th 1858)
Private Columbia May 3d

Sir, Stephen A. Douglas —

If it be in your power to put through the railroad bill,

whereby Col. Mirandah

was to be appointed to the governorship, I think the result would be

advantage to you in the state, and I am

sure it would be to your friends here.

I am writing in too great haste to explain the

reason, but as I mean to run up to Cleveland

in your 50 hours, I want in order to have the
pleasure of seeing you will replace them.

What a thing respectfully

Why do you not get your speech on your war bill?
Illinois College.
Jacksonville, Ill. 
June 8th, 1860.


Dear Sir,

The Public Documents which you so kindly sent to the Library belonging to the Sigma-Phi Society (Illinois College) have been duly and thankfully received, and the Society embraces the present method of sending to you their humble thanks for your generous donation.

Yours with respect,

Dan M. Toddall
Corresponding Secretary of Sigma-Phi Society.

To Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Washington, D.C.
Haul McFall
Jacksonville, Ill.
New York June 14, 1855

Honor Stephen A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

Having a great desire to obtain the autographs of the most distinguished men of the United States, I write to consider myself under obligations if you will endorse the enclosed order. By doing you will confer a favor on

Your Humble Servt.

Frank W. Whitney
Frank Whitney
New York.
June 5, 1838
Boston, Sat., June 9, 1838.

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Having commenced making a collection of autographs of the Eminent Men of the United States, I should be very happy to place Yours among the same.

Please answer this and oblige.

Yours,

Josephus Lyman.
Concord, N.H.,
June 4, 1885.

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to beg

To acknowledge the pleasure and distinction,
Which I have derived from the public announcement sent to me under your

Grunde. I thank you most sincerely.

I am persuaded that the wisdom

of your course upon the foregoing questions

will ultimately be made manifest to

very decision. You have been a well-versed

man in this region of the country for

some months, but it has been accomplished
Second other thought does come after this, long in you call it is coming every day.

Of course, should there be confused,
You will have the sympathy of thousands
And to your efforts to settle the whole
Subject upon the basis of popular rights
In its present form.

I am, my dear Sirs,
Very truly,
[Signature]
R. C. Barrington.
Chicago, Ill
June 9th, 1858

Dear Mr.elling,

I have the honor to mention from my return from Washington, and believe I had not
Monterrey, consequently made no complaints to
the

I am and extremely pleased that I have been able to
know better the administration intends to run and now that the Secession party is settled. Court held in Charleston. State
that they are enforced by the administration to
Defeat Dugdale.
The men possibly may fail.

Definitely, danger and position

in which they are may

actively engaged in at

this time.

Some expecting

continues about Red Top.

I am well aware that the

President has sent in cheaper

nominations, but had some

doubts. Meatwine the Senate

confirms him. I wished

again after 5:00 if he should

not resist or withdraw

then nor the least doubt

but that it would be for

the Judges interest to have

him. Any tomorrow the

old men is poor. Which

first creates so great a deal

of sympathy.

Tell me what is going

on not only in politics!
sent anything that will interest me. How are
our lazy friends got
along? I suppose Mr.
D. from at first,
resisted them of course.
Beauregard and
Murray went with him.
I returned you order
here to return that
I purchased the goods to
them from him.

My kindest regards
to old friends.

William Dries

28 Aug. 1861
Burlington, New Jersey
June 9th, '58

To the
Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Sir,

Will you please to send to me a copy of your Minority Report upon the Kansas question.

I am
Yours very respectfully
C. Van Rensselaer, Jr.

Hon. S. A. Douglas, Washington, D.C.
Please send me a few of your Compton speeches and greatly obliged.

B. Van Pelt
P. M.
Lisbon 29th June 1882

[Signature]
June 17th, 1852
Pleasant Plains

Mr. Douglas,

Dear Sir,

Will you please send me the report of the Pacific Railroad.

Yours truly,
David P. Whigam
Pleasant Plains
Saugus

Sent Coast Survey
David Whigam
Pleasant Plains
[Signature]
[Address]