Saratoga Springs, N.Y.
Nov. 7, 1858.

Hon. S. A. Border.

Gentlemen,

The result of the late elections in the northern states has satisfied a large portion of the Democratic party that the Buchanan policy on the Kansas question was erroneous or unwise, and that yours was correct. The administration is responsible for the causes result in Delaware and New York. Had he heeded your suggestion, he might have corrected these two states to-day, as among his fervent supporters. I early foresew and predicted the state of things which the Democratic party deplores.

The present paper, however, is written to you at this time, is more in reference to the future than the past.

I established a newspaper at the place in 1844, (Saratoga Republican) to oppose the tide of sectional which began to develop itself and finally culminated in 1848. That paper is now in the hands of a federal officer. Under the law passed last spring in doubt of the wisdom of this administration, the editor and proprietor are in even heavier bonds.
cable instrument for doing the duty work of the present administration.
I propose to establish another paper here, as soon as I can secure
the necessary arrangements, as the year of the democracy and there will
be free from the embarrassment soon
imposed upon federal patronage and
power in a paper which will not be
able to be forgotten, but instead thereof
will be extended to support for
the anti-Cassian, a representative
ten years. This belief is our mis
chance, the real democratic heart
roid of the state. There can be no
control about the point to which
the Democratic Current is tending.
Demand will, in all probability, be
the black Republican. Candidates
in 1860 can without a candidate
in a union-holding state as his
opponent, there is great danger that
this frontier will carry an excessive
of the electoral vote. Present seen
to be in plain terms, that in any
opinion (and this is almost certain)
that the only democratic talk
be elected by the popular vote
1860 is Stephen A. Douglas. He
could have carried Indiana, least
they, by 50,000 majority. Out
side of a few federal officers Whistler
and others defendant, not one other
is in fifty approval of the Democratic
on Whiskey, towards Illinois.

So believing, so I shall act. I shall
 misses to start about the 15th Janu
that I am in your honor full
for, democratic band not even experts
I refer you to Judge Woodland and
Mr. B. S. Kirk of the State, Hon. John Laxin
in U. S. service, and almost
every one else from the state.

Any advice or encouragement
that you may think best
to give to me in the interest of the
moment, will be thankfully con
sidered. Can confidentially depend
all this.

Compliments and 1860

S. H. Comely
Cairo Nov 7th 1858,

Dear Judge,

We have met the Enemy and they are ours. Amongst your many friends I feel that no one is more rejoiced than your old humble servant, and now by the way how would it do to Elect two Senators in place of one, we may not have the Legislature two years from this. We have Tennessee as a president, I see that Isaac Holland the Doorkeeper to the Senate is dead. Would I stand any chance to fill his place? I am doing nothing here, and would like to make a little to help pay expenses, tell me what you think about it, and I will be governed accordingly.

Present my Best Respect to Mrs. Douglas and except your self my best wishes,

S.S. Hacker
Mr. J. J. Hacker,  
Cairo, Ill.  
Answered Nov. 9.
Washington Nov 7th 1858

Dear Judge,

It is understood in this city, that the election in Illinois, is over, and that the Douglas Democracy have Majorities of Five in Each Branch of the Legislature, making two on joint ballot, with a small Majority for the State ticket, good enough. The only regret is, that the Majority in the House is so small. We have lost Illinois, Marshall, Putnam and Monroe. St. Clair, Edgar, and the 36th Dist in the House by the action of the Danites, the vote polled by that faction in those counties, last to the Democracy Seven Members, but do it is we have a sufficient Working Majority in Each House.

I had 14,000 of the News debate printed, and hope but to all the Southern Bank and Post office in the Southern States, and we have sent a large number from Jefferson Davis, last, which I obtained from Mr. Callan. J.T. Brown, by permitting me to use his "Frank", is covering himself with glory in the Circulation of your Speech in the South, to which I hope you will not object.

Now sir do you want the Post and P. Offices in
The Northern States supplye of 20, I see, have to get about 6000 more prattce molasses in at 2000.

The Eastern Super ginnyy is the blysly of it.

It is understood in this city that Mr. Ror is of the Richmond State, is going into the States office with Mr. Rice. I supose that the minds of Mr. Rice, in this city are so far, that this movement will have a tendency to secure your attachment for each other. I have been here this morning and conversed with him on this delicate subject. And suppose that nothing should be done in the States, if Mr. Rice should come to this city. That would bind in the least to give the security of Mr. Rice, any cause of complaint, until you have been fully consider and assisted on the subject, I give Judge Earle and Mr. Farnet an assurance that Rich would be the fact, that your interest were identicall, and that there was no necessity of any applications on the subject.

 kin. Respectfully,

James McCLELLAN

Hon. Mr. Douglas

Chicago Ills.
Jeffersonville, Ind. Nov. 7, 1838

Vil. Permit me to congratulate you on your recent triumph over ultra-sectionalism, excluding Northerners, Abolitionists, and Southern Nullification, or disunionism, for these combined forces you have to meet, headed by the most bitter Northern physiognomy, and of the administration, for the want of bullfrogs, democracy falsely so called, it should be declared.

I also congratulate the Country, as the evidence developed in the popular demonstration of the People of an independent Government by the people, shielded by the doctrine of non-intervention, when the war is prevented, failure, as it has been in the sovereign State of Illinois, is the first gun. As a prelude to the great battle in 1860, by the Illinois, advanced guard, the combined forces have been made to retreat, they must, by the call of the outposts to their City, till leave no gap that their despises may pass. Hence I hope your first move. When you reach Washington, will see to introduce a resolution in the Senate, the House having its own in effecting the restriction in the Emancipation bill. In regard to the House, when she is required to have a thousand, before she can be considered, in seven years, as her people may require this future, hereafter, a population equal to one Representative for all other Territories that may, some time.
or wish to be admitted. Resolving on the same plan, that all constitutions adopted there after, by the people of any territory, in accordance with the requirements carrying with it the evidence of the will of the people. The question of slavery or no slavery, raised in each constitution, is not a legitimate question for extraneous intervention, but the constitutional right of the people forming such constitution.

Incorporate. That sentiment, submit it and give the parties up to it. hold your hands. That agency, the Battle for 1860 square and plain before the American people do not let your recent struggle blow off as tho' it settled the matter. It is now for you to bring it up in the National Council. and draw an expression, wherefore the people are entitled to their right of self government in their sovereign capacities respectively, wherein that right is lodged, in trust, with them.

If the Republicans vote with you they have not. their friends. Provide principle of the administration vote with you they throw back the only living principle of right in the conference hall. Which is danger cannot be put until the number 93, thousand vote. The field is now opened. Don't miss the duty. The duties of popular sovereignty the people's right of self government. will, triumphant, and make the issue now. It strikes me that should be the Congress adopted. This matter is the time. The next Congress will be to date to commit parties. different men there. In 3d and 4th Resolves, you may set to the whole principle of the Country's wide scope. Claiming a concurrent vote of the Lower House.

The ultra north and ultra south would rather meet the Devil than to be driven to the issue. But drive them. Note well. the position. Don't lose effectually your absolute grant. Dear Mr. Sillars.
Mrs. W. H. Enders of [ address ]

Dear Sir,

I have just received a notice from your firm that you are in the process of closing your business due to financial difficulties. I am extremely distressed to hear this news, as I have been a loyal customer of your firm for many years. I have always appreciated the quality of your goods and the excellent service you have provided.

I hope that you will be able to find a way to weather this storm and continue to serve your customers. If there is anything I can do to assist you, please do not hesitate to let me know.

With warmest regards,

[Your Name]

[Address]
our integrity to you, until in 1860 the people of the whole Union shall bring in a verdict of approval upon your course, by elevating you to the presidency of the United States.

Our Democracy have determined to have a "Douglas Festival," here on Saturday night, Nov. 15th. In their behalf I write you a most cordial invitation to be present with us on that occasion. I am not sure that you might not to accept your presence. But you will confer a great favor on us by availing this opportunity to the publication of which you never objected.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

W. H. Herndon

[Signature]

L. H. Herndon
Toledo, Ohio  
April 7, 1817

Dear Judge,

I have meditated for the past two weeks on the subject of running for President in 1860. I am the candidate, but I have withheld my name until I can get your opinion as to the propriety of announcing it. I know of my name appearing as a candidate, the people will at once be biased against your opinions, and, although I do not think I shall say anything that will injure you, you will be held accountable for its publication. If known, you deem it advisable, I will go on.

If you have the time, write me fully of the actual difference between the President and yourself on the question of popular sovereignty — as to whether you believe the people can enter into the formation of a State Constitution, through their departmental legislatures, control the question of slavery. If so, you will do so. In my judgment, no man can be elected to the Presidency if he denies that the people have full power over the subject of slavery, at every time after the organization of a territorial government. The people of all the Northern
Jealous and undutiful daughters grieve to know that the people of the Territory have the same right to legislate for themselves that the people of the States have. Any denial of that power will be fatal to the liberty of the men who made it.

We had an enormous meeting here last night to inquire into your brilliant triumphs and thank the brave men for their earnest pent up into their shouting expressed from the meeting. It was the largest, most enthusiastic meeting ever held here, and certain a dissenting voice you were welcome to. The President, the second speaker was yours. God be with you! The meeting closed at eleven o'clock with nine thousand cheering cheers for Douglas.

I am told that there is a prominent citizen and Union leader off the going on to get you out. The Charleston Convention was quite stinging, but it appealed for me to go into that subject in a letter written letter. If you could have a couple more hands with you, I should give me a thousand or so of them—why, you ought not to go into that until you are ready to go into it, and can get the union men why you ought not to tell it unless you can make the right sound. But once...
Monmouth Nov 8 1858

Dear S. H. Douglas,

My dear Sir,

The great battle is fought and the victory is won. Many of us, captains, have fallen but many have risen to the line of duty and at our post, standing in the common defense of our general, rallying and encouraging the brave and free who have done so gloriously and so gallantly stood by the right and thus sustained you, them in the most important hour and moments control ever known to this nation, a contest involving at once the dearest rights of freemen as Legislators and as citizens, a contest in which from this first act effort has been made to crush the freedom of speech, the freedom of thought, and a thing far more painful is the thought that this much unnatural crusade against you and against the Democratic party has been set on foot and carried on by a man
who now holds the highest and most
honorable official station that can be
confided on mortal man, and this to
by democratic votes, secured by the vote
and by the democratic party. But if my
dear sir I feel, and I doubt that good
also, that the more fierce, the more
powerful,
the objecting, the more glorious the fight.

A decisive blow of victory ought to
depose that it has been our privilege to
fight this great battle against the con-
spired efforts of all opposition, the vision
of this being has been assigned a part of
the distinguished honor, for that it has been
to triumph over the combined enemies of
popular government. And I feel at times
of joy through the heart of this great
movement. And it has been to achieve the
most
brilliant victory, and to establish

The record of this nation, and it has been
our lead and supported, by
powerful
and effective efforts by your faithful
and your leading faithful, to the consti-

tution and the union, to establish firmly and
I trust forever the great principles of

popular government, upon which alone
this nation can exist for any considerable
time.
But my strength fails me, and I must
close. I have not been able to leave my
home since Wednesday, after I saw you
at Rensae and am now scarcely able to
sit up and with all my affection,
I have just received a letter from my old
brother, expressing that my principal
opposing to whom I had given the control of
the executive department had absconded
leaving with him the exact to the immense
dollars. This leaves me rather to it in
the midst of my rejoicing, and I hope for
that I shall be able soon to attend to
my personal affairs, and if I can have
your good health, which I am sure I can
forth, I shall give time by writing and pursu-
ance. My best regards to Mrs. Douglas
and if you can find time write as it
would. Cheer up in my Congratula-
tions.

With cordially yours,

[Signature]

[Date]
Jas. M. Davidson
Monmouth
Ill.
Levislton Ills, Nov. 8, 1857.

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Dear Sir,

This is to acknowledge the receipt of your (private) letter in a request I shall make to the Editors of the Chicago Journal for the position of only representative during the ensuing session of our Ills. Legislature.

Telegraphic reports from Springfield justify me in tendering you congratulations for the glorious result in Ills. Please remember to Mrs. Douglas their humble servant.

Thinks the "Court" at Washington (now her post of Feb. last) will
be compelled, ingloriously, to "have sin its harms"—as we
suckers say.

Very Truly,
Your Ob. Sht.

J. M. Davidson
January 8th, 1858

Dear Sir:

It is with emotions of pride and gratitude that it affords you at this time, for the signal victory of the Democracy in the late contest in this state, against one of the most formidable and damnable combinations ever got up in this state, to think of the influence of all the combined forces that could be brought to bear on the Democratic party, and that you, my good old friend, was the object of their malign intentions, but against all as one of the greatest victories ever achieved in a political contest, I assure my good friend, when you were here on the last trip I was pleased of the result, but truth and patriotism prevailed and our beloved state is once more secure again, wishing you all the success which is suitable.
Clinton Co. Nov. 8, 1858

Sir:

The telegraphic announcement of your success in the late struggle in Illinois has given high and general satisfaction in this section of the South. You have fought the great battle fearlessly and manfully and honor you for it whilst we uphold the gallant democracy of Illinois, more especially when we have seen the whole power of the administration disgracefully, tyrannically and meanly exerted to defeat and crush you and to elect over you a black hearted Republican and vile enemy to the South.

And now Sir, though a stranger yet a warm admirer, let me venture to make a suggestion to you, I hope it will be among your first acts, when you return to the Senate, to take a high stand and make a bold movement in behalf of southern territorial acquisition. We must have Cuba, Central America and northern Mexico. This is a question of right and of the highest vitality to the South, and we must have it as slave Territory. Such a movement on your part will carry with it the universal approval of the southern people, a high toned and bold announcement of your advocacy of this southern and rightful policy will hurl the wavering, corrupt and fickle administration to the dogs. There is everything to gain in espousing such a policy and nothing to lose. Let New England go to the
devils, is there no way to kick her out of the Union, at
least let us unite the North and the West. Already
the telegraph announced to us another proclamation
against emigration to Spanish and with it, that
the President is opposed to acquiring that territory.
all this in entire conflict with the letter and spirit
of the Cincinnati Resolutions. What are we to think
of Mr. Buchanan? Has the party gone crazy, or he
is in his dotage, or in the hands of very bad men, which
is no better.

In conclusion let me say to you, in event
future majority of the Southern people have warmly
sympathized with you and rejoice in your great
victory, they will look to your movements in the
Senate with great interest. Remember that the South
will go as a unit in 1860. You have the game in your
own hands.

With great Respect,
Edward DeBary
Edward Delaney
Clinton
Louisiana
Nov 8th, 1858
Political; territorial acquisitions; Cuba, Mexico etc.
Camden Mills, Dec 8, 1836

To Mr. Douglass

My dear friend,

Permit me to congratulate you upon the glorious issue of the late elections. Truth and justice is mighty and will prevail. This verdict of the people must be a great cause of satisfaction to you, as well as to the whole country. I hope to live to the 4th of March, 1861, that I may have the pleasure of seeing James Buchanan (the present incumbent of the White House) hand over the lease to you.

My best wishes for your welfare and that of your family.

I remain as ever,

Your ever faithful,

[Signature]
New Orleans Mar 8th

How S. A. Doughtys
Dear SIR

I am 50 yrs of age, have
been largely engaged in Commerce since 16 yrs
old. Duke succeeded through life. During the
long time I have continued to keep an eye upon
the various political changes & policy of the
Nations of the World. Abroad or at home.

I have for the last 2 years
generally voted with the Whig party &
more recently with the American Party
when that party existed. I have always
been a Union Patriot, a great lover
of our own Country that we should
all be proud of. I have been a
great miser & muggle among the
people have made it a rule
for upwards of 20 years to visit
the most of the States in the Union
in early

over
I have just returned from this annual Tour. I am fresh from among the people of nearly all the states except the Northwestern States; for, during these tours, I miss much with the people. Commercial agricultural, political, etc., etc., concert to the object for which I write this letter. The people with one regard to party are opposed to the farmer, plan of nominations, candidates for President.

The people are in favor of an election but they would prefer that you were a candidate outside of the Convention. I beg you to allow your friends to run you without regard to party nominations. We beg you not to allow your name to go into the contemplated Convention at Charleston unless you are positive that you are

WILL GET THE NOMINATION. With the people of all parties are at this moment most violently opposed to the former Convention. In your letter, we can carry the state for you against any opposition that may come from any of our present friends if they choose to support you. We are all in a high state of excitement; we are yourself and your twenty-one opponents in the state, in need of conflict with Lincoln. Still, I should be happy to hear from you. I beg to remark in conclusion that under no circumstances should whatever use I am offered to be a Patriot. Consequently make to run my county friends and the people help Buffalo.

Your much the higher regards.

Joseph D. Fuller.
J. D. Mueller
Mrs. O.
Answered

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Lynn Map. Nov. 3, '58
Hon. Stephen A. Douglas,
Chicago, Ill.

Dr. Cii,

We have just received through an exciting election in this State, but the party that has offered you in your State has triumphed here, and was expected, but your success in your State has been watched with a great interest here. You have carried your State gallantly, and your friends are rejoicing here in the N.E. as far as they discern it. I have been a Douglas Man since your stand for People's Rights in the Senate, and the doctrine of Self-governments, I have been deprecates this fall, in taking part in our
Concerning Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Clay, because I have expressed my confidence in the course you have pursued. I have always noted the democratic ticket, have been always in the organization of the party for 30 years, and all I except for Mr. Buchanan's elections, still that did not satisfy the office holders. But now you will have plenty of friends after the battle has been fought.

We have confidence in the democracy of the unions, that they will place you at the head of the Government in 1860. We have a Balance in Oregon and many other good men in this State who will rally around you when the time comes.

Massachusetts will send delegates to the next National Convention in 1860, who will sustain the gallant Douglas, who has fought so long and well in Illinois. I wish your noble heart some of your speeches and public documents of your having to Maine, we have no democrat in Congress to help us in furnishing capital to fight the enemy.

Yours Truly,

Joseph Haines
Mar. Urbana, Dec. 8
1858,

Hon. A. S. Longfellow

Allow me,

Among the thousands of others, to congratulate you upon your glorious triumph which you have achieved. I feel proud of the event — I was satisfied from the beginning that the people could not do otherwise than return you. For now clear your destiny in your own hands — according to my notion, only the President or Vice President will be an answer.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Peterburg Nov. 8, 1858

My dear Judge

The news at length confirms our best wishes and shows that you have achieved a triumph greater than that with which any statesman ever was honored. I rejoice deeply in your success and congratulate yourself and the country on the auspicious event. Go forward then in the same path you have travelled, in the highest of all civil stations that awaits you.

My own health is so fuble that I employ my friend Capt. Wright on this occasion as an amanuensis. It is barely possible I may rally up and survive for a season but at this time, but at I seem growing weaker daily. The great cause of my present extreme prostration seems a derangement of my digestive organs.

Give my love to Mr. Douglas and believe one as ever

Hon. A. Douglas. Your sincere and devoted friend

Chicago Ill.

M. L. Harris.
No
Farmington Ohio Nov. 8, 1858

Hon. V. A. Dorenlap

Dr. Sir

In doubt the great victory you have achieved in the recent contest, you have been engaged in over the combined hosts of the enemies of Popular Sovereignty wherein, not only was your personal natural enemies of the Democracy of democratic principles, but also the whole force which the Administration could bring to bear against you, has called for the congratulations of your warmest friend and admirer, not only from those who occupy high positions in society but also from the honest masses from whom all power emanates, and to whom all, holding political power, should look for support. Will it would it have been for James Buchanan, had he looked to the will of the people, not to a few office holders, whose position...
least to high. The like is the circumstance on the other side, they know but little of what is going on in the church below. Had he adhered to the principles laid down in the Cincinnati Platform, upon which the battle of Iowa fought and won over the dark minions of Republicanism, we should have little else to do, but have folded our arms, and quietly enjoyed the good of our labors. But through the influence of somewise counsellors a different policy was pursued, the influence of which has completely overthrown the Democracy in all the Northern States, except the Saltator-state of Illinois. The news from which has completely reversed my political situation, for all the others go by this board—Illinois. Yes, and I am content. Buchanan and his evil advisers are embattled, and the Great Champion and
No. 8. A. D. Stetke
Farmington
Ohio.

Answered No. 11
Dear Sir,

St. Louis, Nov. 81.

Allow me to congratulate you when the glorious result of your recent unprecedented contest in Illinois - it was not a contest however that was confined alone to Illinois. It involved the whole Democracy of the Nation as well as the Conservative Principles of our Government. This Nation owe you a debt of gratitude which it will repay.

You are no doubt overwhelmed with congratulations from all parts of the Country, but while I desire to mingle my own...
With the thousands that are now pouring 
in upon you, I desire to add a single 
suggestion for your President's 
Consideration. It is that you 
must need a right to have quiet 
recreation. What need is there for you to 
going to Washington at the Convenince of 
the Delegation? I can neither see or anticipate any 
such necessity. The 
people of your own 
state will feel, grant you indulgence. 
My suggestion is that you recall your 
eering, find rest by the making a short visit 

there as this season of the year is too much more 
agreeable than at the latter 
that I think you cannot 
fail to be greatly benefit 
by the change. 
You see I am acting a 
woman's part in that I 
am quite sure of myself if I must you will 
accept my suggestion 
here is yet another but 
the to be fought from the want our General in full 

With my kindest regards, 

Remain with you, 

[Signature]

[Handwritten notes]

[Signature] [Krum]
New Orleans La Nov 8th 37

Dear Stephen A. Douglas

Glory be Pani on High!!! for your success in the cause of Democracy in your State. Permit an old Louisiana Democrat to sincerely congratulate you, and your inimitable energy and firmness, in the defense of your Democratic principles. May God bless and sustain you and every Democrat and every true Southerner in this State (Federal office I will make some exceptions) who most earnestly desires your success. Your kind thought as wide as my own heart felt thanks for your exciting for the defeat of Black Republican Party which you have in my opinion effectually succeeded. The South, every Where has sung with you - almost unanimously inspection of any previous predictions of Party. Your friends in this city will make a joyous celebration in time in honor of your success.

With the highest consideration,

 Permit me to subscribe

Henry C. Langdon

I send you a copy of the New Orleans Bee. Consider the high character of that paper, and the ultra-Democratic, and then democratic, heretofore, I think it reflects the feeling of the whole State.

N. O. C.
Nov 8th, 59

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Ow fir

I write you to congratulate you upon your great achievement in the political struggle that was all so warm in Illinois during this present campaign. You have done nobly more than any man has been able to do—With all the opposition of the Republican party arrayed against you on the one side and the whole power of the Administration on the other. You have nobly triumphed—it is a triumph of principle that you should have the opposition of the Republicans is nothing but what might be expected.
but that you should have the
opposition of President Buchanan
with all the power of the admin-
istration is my humble opinion a
discreditation of the platform
of principles laid down in the
Cincinnati platform on which
Mr. Buchanan was elected
—the great principles of popular
sovereignty, no man ever came
into power with a better chance
of carrying out those principles
than Mr. Buchanan and
no man ever made a greater
mistake than he did in relation
to that famous Lecompton Consti-
tution. I saw that your position
was the true and only consistent
one which could be pursued consistently
with the principles of the Democratic party
as declared in their platform.
I so conducted myself at the time
and have so continued to do
but I am the only Democrat
in this county of Madison
that dared to say so. Consequently
I have been denounced all
this summer as being the
only Douglas Man in the
county but I do consider
and so do they that I have
triumphed—the Democratic
party of this state have
almost 32 men undertaken
to carry Mr. Buchanan through
this struggle but they have failed
and so in every northern state
the elections have all gone to
show that the people do not
approve of the course of the
administration on that subject.
I consider your treatment a
terrible treatment of principle— I see
in the Washington Union to day
saying that a portion of
of democats elected to your
Legislature are opposed to your
Election to the Senate—that
they will defeat you and
Lincoln both and later the
Third Man—I would very
much like to hear from
you on that subject—
go a head you will hor
the nation with you

Now as to myself
I am as you are a stranger to you
I am fifty five years old
and and always voted the
democratic ticket without an
exception I notice with great
appreciation for Mr Buchanan
I am a practicing Physician
in the Village of Hamilton
Madison County State of New York
I shall be pleased to have
you remember me and
write me

Yours Truly
Birdsey Lewis M.D.
New York 30th Street
Nov. 8th 1858.

My dear Sir,

You will I trust, pardon a stranger for congratulating you upon your success. But while I claim myself a stranger to you, in a personal sense, permit me to say, you are not by any means, a stranger to me politically. For nearly forty years I have been an active and undeviating Democrat, and have observed the political movements of every prominent politician in the Union, have approved of none more than your independent, honest, and patriotic course in regard to the Sumter Bond, and let me assure you that the honest and patriotic majority of our Nation, applauds your course.

After a long life of devotion to Democratic principles, and an untried elevation in the last President—ial Canva—after having fully met every demand of Party organization in this County, primarily as well as personally—after having at my own expense preceded twice to Pennsylvania, to aid in carrying the State for Mr. Buchanan, after having introduced my personal friend, Mr. N. Peckly Johnson to the en elevated Union Clubs of this City, and proceeding...
On my own account to Boston, to obtain information. The earliest influence of Mr. Paul Chase in connection with Mr. Johnson, for the purpose of carrying that State for Mr. Buchanan, often seemed to me in the present administration, bold or at time the impression of my friends. Only one who can successfully accomplish the object. I make a few suggestions of the Democratic Party organized on a different course from that pursued by the administration and I therefore continued the course of prosecution organized against you and other honest and patriotic members of the Democratic Party, who would not violate their conscience by approving of the abject policy of the President or regard to the incompetent President.

However, it has only rendered me more determined, and, therefore, fell upon the Committee, to control and direct the Democratic platform for this quarter. A Douglas Club is now in course of organization, and it is intended shall be under the guidance of this Executive Committee, so that no precipitate action shall occur to such your honored prospects, or injure the official position of your friends, who are I assure you numerous.

Looking upon your trial as the only road from the disreputable parts of the Democratic Party can expand the party through the country. The only one who can successfully accomplish the object, I make a few suggestions of the Democratic Party organized on a different course from that pursued by the administration and I therefore continued the course of prosecution organized against you and other honest and patriotic members of the Democratic Party, who would not violate their conscience by approving of the abject policy of the President or regard to the incompetent President.

You will readily perceive the difficulty I have experienced in this instruction, but believe me I have been actuated by no other motive than the benefit of one who has proved himself an able and reliable supporter of the True Democratic principles, and a faithful, old, honest and capable advocate of Jeffersonian principles. In existing of the injustice which actuates me, please me to collect your advice and counsel, whatever and whenever you shall think best and proper, you can command my services at all times. - Let me now as my organization are complete, you shall be officially informed.
Thereof, and every movement made known to you, may the Father of all good, grant you health and strength, for the sake of our Republic and the prosperity of the Democratic Party.

I have the honor to be,

Your most obedient

Henry Sibbenard

Post Office Station A.

Mr. Stephen A. Douglas

(Sea Lehnard)

May 1855

New York
Springfield Nov. 8th 1858

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Chicago,

My dear Sir,

Permit a warm to

Ani Henry Clay Wiip of the deepest edge to congratulate you on your recent triumph over abolitionism. Black Republicanism, I the proud patronage of the General Government, now was there a more just and munificent debate given by a free people to the combinations of all the powers that be, my God grant you long life, health and strength of body to continue to battle for the true principles of the Government.

On the 3rd day of September last my birthday I made this prediction viz that you would have a majority in the Legislature of the Union, and that in 1860 a free and patriotic people would elevate you to the highest office in their gift. This prediction I wrote down to file for with my papers and confidently looks forward to its fulfillment.

In a few days I presume you will leave for Washington, at the seat of sin.
I should think your old Uncle would always die with the rolling hoop, share the old gent's fare as much as you can, you can afford to be magnanimous; a majority of the people of Illinois will soon justify you.

I was sorry to see from the Chicago Times, that Mrs. Douglas was ill. I sincerely hope the this of her health is restored, or that she is at least convalescent. With my best wishes for the pro-health of yourself and Mrs. Douglas.

I am very truly,

Your friend,

[Signature]

Washington B. Moore
To The Hon. Stephen J. Douglas
In behalf of the Democracy of
The Township of Sparta, Sussex Co.
New Jersey, I congratulate you
on your success in Illinois. You
in a former letter, personated Young
Norman (Douglas) in the Old Play —
"alone with hunches Bow and your
full of arrows you howed about
the Enemy and marked the Road
they took", until "an arrow from
your Bow on the prairies of Illinois
(though the ballot box) pierced their
chiefs — our county of Sussex the
Barnes Co of Democracy of this
State, has contributed in full to the
majority in Electing Jos. John R. Biggs
and the Alfred of Agnew and Wilk.
Wright of the Saddle and Bridge.
Believing and trusting Young Normans'
sireness and bravery will be fully
Crowned in 1860. — Subscribe myself
Your friend

B. B. Morris
Sparta
Nov. 8, 58
Buffalo Nov 8 1858

My dear Sir,

You have been, and sincerely, the administrator of the whole country. This man ever fought more gallantly or won a greater victory. With this sympathy not only, but with the whole force of an administration you have helped to bring in to power, directed against you, like the hard ed, you faced the common enemy and stood him off at your feet.

I am not of politics and hoped I may have the good sense to keep out from often, but my sympathies have been with you throughout. Other content and I now tender to you my heart and sincere congratulations.

By this mail I send you
an article out from the Buffalo Mining
Schaff, a black silk, printed, by Mr. Brown, a man whom I believe you
know personally, and who is himself
the author and writer of the article.
It will be more to the interest of the
reader, or the writer, than simply a
letter.

Please let me know
where you will be in Buffalo. You
will be sorry if you do not join us
for a lottery meeting.

Sincerely yours,

W. M. Rogers

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Hartford, Nov. 8, 1858

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Chicago, Ill.

With the compliments of the Publisher of the Hartford Daily Post
Very respectfully,

J. Scipio
Decatur Nov 8 (58

To Mr. A. Douglas

Sir,

 Permit me, Sir, in this moment of felicity to congratulate you with heartfelt soul, in your timely chat inducements by the true sovereigns of Ill, and the probable ultimate extinction of Black Republicanism in this State a happy result for which we owe you a debt of gratitude, which we hope to be able to pay in 50 or 60 at farthest. I shall commence arming myself for that battle from this hour; and assistance you can render me without diminishing yourself too much will be gladly received. I mean in the way of documents, I should be much pleased to receive a line from you, my kind regards to your Esteemed Lady.

Yours truly, G. A. Smith.
Lincoln Ills. Nov 8th 1858.

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Sirs: For some long time I have been curious as to the results in this Representative district—All right—Lincoln and his republi- can friends are still in power—I am not sure if I have seen your letter yet—This year ago it cost a Republican vote $80 to $125 to obtain it—now it goes 20 Democratic votes—We are all right judge—call on our friends—Campbell is elected by our 100 majority—"Billy" Walker can stay at home, or pay his own way—he is bound upon the ball—his manual labor, personal popularity and family influence in Mason County, aided by the labors
of S. C. Ports, the Bank Sheriffs office.
Bob Safford is getting money in
Logan together with Lineweis and Leinen.
From their eloquence in Logan county,
could not have been. He had
so many honest respectable boys
who did not know this before
a negro that equal-

Repeat, all right, all right,
judge. We will go with you
at Springfield when you come
from the public.

W. T. Myott

FS.

I am a candidate for
for Reilly of the Senate. What
is Geo. M. Fuller? I want
his support. I don’t ask you to intercede,
for me, as I am sure you would not
feel disposed to express any rate
preference among your friends, but
this much I will say, that I
am very anxious of an election.
I have many years spent,
advancing this district. We have increased,
and I am now often requested
for further operating, but none of this
in return.

W.