My Dear Madam,

I take great pleasure in informing you I have this day sent you a Box [via Adams Express] containing the Resolutions recently adopted by the Common Council of New York, tendering the hospitalities of the City to your distinguished husband.

I have had them properly engrossed, attested, and framed, not only for your gratification, but also for the purpose of enabling his numerous friends to see in a durable form, this unanimous express...
In the generous and deserved sentiments entertained for Mr. Douglas by the authorities of New York,

trusting you will receive them safely, I am

Very Respectfully, Yours

Chas. M. Baker

Mrs. S. A. Douglas
Washington D.C.
Springfield, O. Feb. 3d 1859

Hon. S. P. Douglas

Dear Mr. Lincoln:

I have heard that an effort is to be made to bring upon the President to effect a change in the post-office in this city. When in Washington, Gen. Brown gave assurance that nothing should be done until my conviction expired, four years will expire in July next. But I was reappointed and confirmed by the Senate in July 1856 making one year from July next. If they would they will declare the matter open from
July 25th: If you could reach the
President through one of his friends, I
want to be obliged to ask that nothing
be done. I want to stay in the post
office, if possible, until after your
nomination. Then they may do as they
please. No documents have been
written by your friends, a small
list of which I gave you. Believing
my very dear friend, when I say that
eight-tenths of the Democracy in this
neighborhood are Douglas men, I
have no doubt the delegations from
Ohio will go for you. With Ohio's
strength in New York, a good start
will be made.

Regards to Mr. Lowery.

Yours, Wm. C. Boggs
Albuquerque New Mexico Feb 3rd 1859

Gentlemen

A proposition is before Congress to organize Arizona, and it seems to be the opinion of the people of that part of the country that some thing should be done for the people of that region of country. They appear to have been deprived for a long time of all justice or civil rights. and have, as far as I can understand, no representation in the Senate of the Territorial Legislature. If it should not be organized into a Territory justice requiring their votes for the people that are treated so fraudulently.
Just at hand with an additional Judge. I will be frank to say that it is in my judicial district thatalthough the seat of justice of some kind within the contemplated law of the Territory is distant from this place 260 miles. I am perfectly willing to go to the capital there, provided it would result in any good. But really such are the hostile feelings of the people there that I should have great difficulty in getting along. Indeed the President of the last in power was assailed.

St. Bede is his soul is strong, speaks in the most unreserved manner of his recent rejection.
To the Hon. J A. Douglass,

Dear Sir,

I trust that this note will not be considered as an intrusion upon your time, but simply to solicit your autograph for one who is among your most ardent admirers, and who desires to see you honored for the services you have rendered to your country.

Very Respectfully,

Heath Brent

Alexandria Va. Feb 10th
Washington Dec. 3, 59

Dear Sir,

I have just learned that you are sick and unable to be in the Senate to day. Judge J. A. Smith is competent to carry the House bills with the aid of your vote. Is it too much to ask that you will in this emergency send a request to come out to be for a full vote?

I am truly your

[Signature]

[Address]
A. Dunn
Washington
Feb. 8
D.C.

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Senator.
Feb. 3.
Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Brown regret not being able to attend the party.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Brown regret exceedingly they cannot accept the polite invitation of Mrs. Douglas for this evening. February the 3rd.
Mr. Douglas

Dear Sir,

Will you have the kindness to lend me the speeches which have been, and may be delivered by yourself and other prominent members of your party.

I am sir,

Yours with great respect,

Fred. Chase.
Lowell July 3 1857

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

Hoping in the certainty of all events, to bear the same name with yourself, I am frequently asked if I am any relation of yours. I generally answer that I suspect I am a very little something like second or third cousin. This answers the purpose and stops any further inquiry.

Now my dear sir, the inquiry is so frequently made, and your name has become so prominent through the country, as a Congress man, a statesman, and even as a candidate for the presidency, that I feel somewhat solicitous to know, whether we really are any blood relation to each other or not; as I have been telling my inquiring friends rather jocosely than otherwise.

My grand father whose name was Samuel lived ever since I can remember, in the town of Littleton N.H. and died there in 1828 at the great age of 96 years. — My father whose name was Samuel also, was born in Brookline in the lower part of the State in 1766, was married there.
and soon with his father moved to Sawtelle, where I was born in 1801, in 1814 he moved back to Brookline, where I left home in 1815. in about two years after I left home, the move to Welles about ten miles distant where I died in 1841, at the age of 75 years, when I left home I went into Massachusetts where I have resided ever since in Boston and vicinity until April 1827 when I came to Lowell where I have now resided about thirty-two years. Now then, my grand father had two brothers either of which I never knew, having never seen them but have heard my father speak of his uncle, and used to call one name Joseph, and I think the other name Absam and that they when they were young men went into the state of Vermont and settled. I think I remember hearing my father speak of hearing of the death of his uncle Joseph when I was some fifteen years old the other one died I think much later I have the impression before I was born. Knowing as I was a Vermont boy having taken your birth in that state, it has occurred to me that you might be a descendant of one of these my grand fathers Brothers, or my great-uncle — if on reception you find the connection to exist as I have supposed it might, and can find time and will take the trouble to communicate the facts to me your humble servant, you will greatly gratify an enquiring mind and enable me to answer the inquiries of my friends with more definiteness. I spell my name Douglas, and think it ought to be pronounced with the D long as in Duke, and the accent on the last syllable carrying out a hissing sound on the S.

It is reported here that you intend visiting the N.E. states with your native place at the close of Congress or sooner. I hope you will not fail of doing me the honor of being my guest while you stay in Lowell, and your good lady to, or any other member of your family that you should be pleased to bring with you, understanding it may prove that we are of no blood connection, the secrecy of the name, and the character of the race ought to prove an affinity strong enough to adhere them, whenever they approximate each other.

I want to say something to you respecting the political state of the country; but have not time now, and if I had I fear I should exhaust your patience in its perusal, I will therefore subscribe myself your well wishing friend (if not a cousin)

Yours

Erasmus Douglass

I hope you will reply soon if it is your pleasure so to do.
Mr. W. Hartman
Bridgefield
McHenry Co.
Feb.s.

acting Pat. office
Report
and speed

From
Bridgefield, McHenry County, Ill., February 27th

Hon. Sir. Please send me one of those Patent office, Mechanical Reporters and by so doing you will much oblige your unworthy friend.

Beza W. Hartman
Cincinnati Feb 3rd 1849

Dear Judge,

I have recently understood with much pleasure, that a sketch of your life & other incidents connected therewith, has been published in Pampllett form. If so will you confer the favor of sending me a Copy. For years gone by & from boyhood I have stood faithfully & with pride, the true friend whose destiny from his talents & perseverance will I trust elevate him to that position, the highest & most honorable in the gift of the people. In whose hands the Democratic party, the Union is bound to be safe; if it only knew where I could get a Copy I would not trouble you. I remain as ever truly,

Your sincere friend

J. H. Keenan
J. A. Keenan
Cincinnati
Feb 3. This
asking a sketch
of your life
and Feb 16
She the # of the London County Colchester February 3rd 1889
Hon. Stewart Douglas
Dear Sir,
By seeing your name in the papers I am much for the next President with hopes for the same and hearing from you by Mr. J.M. Seafield who told me that he look ten with you and speaking so highly of you I take the priviledge of ask of you if there is one of the agricultural Book of the last on last Edition in the hottest of sun that you could send me for which I will much oblige you for.
As Mr. Dean has sent large numbers to his friends in his district for which he got 16 votes for his nomination.
Yours truly
James R. Lamb
Jas. B. Lamb
New London
Conn.
Feb. 3
Ashportosis
"Clinton County Journal"

De Witt, Iowa, Feby 3, '39

Hon. S. A. Douglas:
Washington City

Dear Sir:

Please send to the Clinton County Journal," De Witt, Iowa, the Public Documents, Speeches, Reports, &c., of His Congress, and we will be forever obliged,

Here is no one in this Congress from Iowa, to whom we can apply.

We remain, as ever,

Your private and political friends and humble servants,

Lawrence J. Donnell.
Lorraine F. O'Neill
De Witt
Feb. 3, 1901
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Hon. Senator Douglas

Dear Sir,

You will confer a great favor upon the son of an old friend, Dr. William Law of Racoon Ills. If you will take the trouble to procure and send me a copy of the Boundary Commissioners report of the surveys of the Gulf of California and Colorado River.

I am going to Arizona and any document relative to that country you may have the kindness to send me will be highly appreciated by me.

Very respectfully,

Richard D. Law

Hulliby

Jan. 26th 1857
Feb 3d 59

Dr.

Upon consideration of your relations to Hitch, I thought my request yesterday was not indelicate and I hope now have it. No eloquence can carry the result and it might inflect your relations.

Yrs,

Mr. McClary

John L. Stephens
J. B. Mapes
N. Y.

S. S.

[Address autograph]

[Sent.

[Handwritten text]

JUDGE DUGLASTON
Dean Sir

A lady wishes your autograph to know how your name is pronounced whether Duglaston or Duglast on the words by face. I am sorry to trouble you but you will know a young man does with pleasure anything of this kind.

You may perhaps record me as a friend of Mr. Perkins who died soon after you left Havanna Bailey Southard Jnr. or Mrs. Woodruff.
Mr. J. A. Douglass  

Sir,

WILL you have the kindness to send me public documents as often as you print documents to your constituency at home? In fact, will you have the kindness to send me all that will interest a true Douglass or a Jackson Democrat, by so doing I can enlarge our party very fast and help very much for 1866. I think, in making you long life and political advancement to the highest point of earthly fame and renown you shall have my humble influence, and labor to accomplish that great object.

I must to remain, most respectfully yours,

W. T. Ordway
Com. I. Ordinary
West Newbury
Feb. 3.
Send speeches
Stanton N. Y. July 9th 59

To Hon. S. J. Douglas
Washington City DC

Sir,

Not having the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with you and not being one of your immediate constituents, I feel somewhat backwards in making any request of you what ever or of asking you to contribute beyond your own state. Yet I would take it as a great favor if you could mail to me at Condiment House some of your speeches, reports, and other matters pertaining to the dolemon you defend. For which I will ever feel great full.

Respectfully,
W. F. Shively
To Deerfield Mass
Feb 20 1859
Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Dear Sir

Allow me as a member of the good old Democratic Party, which proudly represent, to congratulate you on your triumphful return to the Senate, and grant you may stay there till 1860, when we hope to elect you to the President's chair. Yes Sir, you have many friends here in the old Baza State that will lead no stone unturned to secure your nomination at the Charleston Convention, which is equivalent to an election. Your course for the year past is endorsed by a large majority of the Party here, and your nomination at Charleston would bring back to the Democratic
a large number of them that left the party during the administration of your father. Below I give you a list of Democratic name to which I would like to have your kind cooperation.

J. B. Tate
D. T. Arms
J. B. Clark
Wm. Anderson
C. B. DeCleitar
C. J. Arms
J. H. Byrd
J. D. Sprout
J. H. Mansfield
Henry Green
James B. Boddie
David J. Smith

Yours with respect,
David J. Smith
Sand J. Smith
So. Deerfield
Maus.
Feb. 3, 1859
Political
Encloses Bert
Dunlap
Answered
Aurora, Dearborn County, Indiana
February 3rd, 1859
Hon S. A. Douglas
Dear Sir,

Send me your Speech on the death of Thomas L. Harris of Illinois, and you will oblige,

Yours etc.

Robert J. Merrill
Roth J. Yerill
Aurora
Sharon Co.
Feb 3. Ind.
ashing Harris
Entogies
sent Feb 11
Feb. 3.
Mr. and Mrs. Thompson's
Regrets.

Mr. & Mrs. J. Thompson's compliments to Mr. & Mrs. Douglas and regret they cannot accept their kind invitation for this evening.

Thursday Morning, Feb. 3rd.
Feb. 3, 1859

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy's regret not being able to attend party.

Mr. Tracy presents his compliments to Judge and Mrs. Douglas, and very much regrets that he is unexpectedly prevented from visiting them this evening as intended. Mr. Tracy regrets exceedingly that the state of his health, will deprive him of the honor & the pleasure of accepting their polite invitation. Thursday, Feb. 3.
Des Moines Ia.  Feb 5th 1857

Mr. S. A. Douglas

Now that you are through with your electioneering contest in which you have stood firm and fought manfully for the faith delivered to us by our Democratic fathers, permit me to say to you that I am one of your friends in this state. (even to the contrary notwithstanding). I had a grand festival in this city in honor of your election. If you are sending out any Phil. Buckner's, you may find friends here that would feel grateful to you for such favors. If you wish I will send you a list of good names.

Please let me hear from you as you know that I have never heard from you with many letters nor unperturbed for official Patronage but as a Democrat I have always been with you. Truly yours

Giles H. Turner

P.S. I am glad Hodges is elected give him my best respects. Old Greene has got a Congressman of lost
Giles R. Finer
De Moines
Iowa
1859
Personal

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Carbondale, Rich Island Co., Illinois
July 18, 1859

Mr. S. A. Douglass,

You are engaged in propagating plants, and other forms of garden products, suitable to this climate and land. Some help from the patent office is sometimes difficult in obtaining them without the aid of some friends or the aid of a friend who has helped in obtaining them. I have the liberty of soliciting your aid, knowing your interest in the promotion of agriculture in this State.

Some kinds of fruit, fruit or ornamental tree, cutting of fruit or ornamental tree, or garden seeds that might adapt to the climate may be cultivated would be greatly appreciated. Any of these products destined to my brother farmers. I hereby solicited a copy of the last agricultural report.

Your assistance would greatly improve.

Yours truly,

John A. Williamson.

Note: This friend of mine, Mr. Williamson, is one of the first men of our State and one of your foremost friends in the field of agriculture and any favor you may extend to him will be considered personal to me, as well as a favor to a friend of yours. I am, therefore, with high respect,[@] esteem,

Mrs. Marshall Jr.
John A. William

C. Cordova
Rock Island

July 3

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