Lyon Manor,
July 8, 1839.

Dear Sir,

I have taken this liberty to solicit your autograph, as I am aware that you are daily prized by hand request but at present I am presenting my collection to an Alexander Lewis. And hoping you may be one who commends such letters as this I have sent this hand to address you should you find it convenient to honor me with an autograph I장on the trouble the favor will be Americanized fully by.

Most respectfully,

Your servant,

Mr. E. Parker.

To Mr. Stephen A. Douglas.
Feb. 8, 1837

Mrs. Walter Burnham
Lowell, Mass.

In relation to Mrs. Capt. John Mood

Answered April 1

Lowell, Feb. 8th, 1837

Mrs. Stephen A. Douglas

Sir,

Boston, me you interesting upon your time, to inquire respecting a Mr. Capt. John Mood late of New Orleans, purporting to be a second cousin of yours: she is ill and destitute of dependant upon charity, and has been stopping with me near two months. Letters have been written to her friends in Alabama, but no answer received.

If you know anything of her friends, please communicate to me at your earliest convenience, as I am about joining my husband, who is stopping in Boston, also. I might prevent a want to public charity.

If you should wish for a reference concerning my position here, you may refer to Wm. E. Knowl.

Your respectfully,

Mrs. Walter Burnham
Davenport, Iowa  Feb. 6, 1859

To Sir

I have for a few carded seeds —
big cabbage large yellow sweet Dutch,
cauliflower late, Katie baker, white, solid,
cucumber early Russian, early long green, early
eggplant early long parakeet, brown, Smith, early, white
lettuce early white cabbage, watermelon long Island,
pea, bean stock, early dwarf, Bishop's dwarf
pepper, sweet Mountain if. Now have the above
seeds for distribution or any other to send me
they will be very thankfully received. I would
also like the Patent Office Reports both to the
Agricultural & Mechanical Arts Co.

Respectfully yours,

D. Dill?
Mary O. Emery
Bradford, Mass.
Feb. 8.

[Underlined: Asking autograph]

[Underlined: Sent Feb. 11]

Bradford, Feb. 8, 1871

[Writing]

To Mr. Douglas,

Will you be so very kind as to send your autograph to an admirer of Noble
men and noble deeds?

[Signature]

Mary O. Emery

[Address]

Bradford, Mass.

[Writing]

To Mr. A. Douglas.
Amar da Aguas 8 Feb 1859

Hon. S. J. Douglas

Dear Sir:

Allow me again to call your attention to the Bill from the Court of Claims for the relief of Jane Smith. I am interested as counsel in this matter and you once kindly promised to do all you could properly to help the Bill. It would be of great favor to me personally, if you can give this matter your attention to have the bill passed this Winter.

Will you write me a word or two

I cannot close this letter without expressing to you my deep heartfelt respect in your success.

You are most to be pitied.
Please present my regards to Mrs. Douglas.

I have much to say to you as an old friend, but you can imagine all

with due care, for your continued health & happiness

May me now and ever

Yours ever a friend

J. My Howll
Dear Sir,

Emboldened by past favors I take the liberty of writing to you to request that you will, if convenient, send me a copy of the message and documents, for which I shall be most truly grateful.

Yours truly,

E. C. Sewitt

P.S. Please direct all correspondence to the care of Rev. E. C. Sewitt, Providence, R.I.
Carrie H. Ordway
Bradford
Feb. 8, Mass.
Autograph
Sent Feb. 10

Bradford. Feb 8th 39

Mr. Douglass

Will you please send me your autograph?

Your doing your will greatly oblige your admiring friend
Carrie H. Ordway

To

Hon. S. A. Douglass
Mass.
J. Robinson
Concord N.H.
Feb. 10th 59

 Concord Feb. 8, 1859.
Hon. Robert Smith
M. & C. Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 5th inst. is received. I am much obliged for your kind offices in our behalf. I think with you in regard to the position of Judge Douglas. Was a member of the congressional Convention that nominated him. Spoke and prepared and reported the Resolutions passed at that Convention. I know that a vast majority of that Convention would gladly have gone for endorsing fully Judge D. Also at our State Convention of which I was a member, the same feeling generally obtained, but it
was desired the safer policy not to do it. We cling on the bar of an election and could not afford to lose even a few men by any indiscipline. So well does Judge D. stand with the democracy here, and so anxious are a large portion of the opposition to see and hear him that he would do us inestimable good and greatly promote his own interests by coming, even as late as you suggest, the 2d or 3d of March. Should he leave Washington as soon as the 2d, he could reach here in person to spend those days with us - the last of the week preceding an election. Am informed of every day and many times a day, by men from all parts of the State, "is Mr. Douglas coming? Will I could answer positively in the affirmative.

I have seen Mr. Douglas at his house and heard him frequently in the Senate Chamber. Always liked him. Very respectfully,

Your Friend &c.,

Joseph Robinson.
Worthington Armstrong Co Pa

February 5/59

Mr Stephen A Douglas

Dear Sir, if you please:

I feel truly thankful for the favours I received from you last winter and rejoice that you are to take part in the council of this Nation for six years to come.

Mr Douglas if you please I would like to have a share of those Congressional Documents that has been a great many published if you can send me a piece copies it will be received thankfully.

First there has been 8 or 4 or more:

1. Geological Surveys
2. Boundary Surveys a number of them
3. Railroad to the Pacific 8 or 10 surveys
4. Miscellaneous Effect under the War Department
5. Naval Effect under the Navy Department

This is not a tax in this section of country that has got any of the above unless I have searched for them they are not to be found here.

If you can do any thing for me it will be received thankfully. If you have anything that you wish to have circulated in this section I will do it with pleasure.

Yours Old Servant

Samuel Scott
I. Scott  
Washington  
Armeling Co.  
Feb 8.  
Aching don't  
Send specks


Dear Sir,

I write these few lines to ask you if you can possibly make it convenient to lecture one night next week for the benefit of my Church, as it is greatly in need of funds. I thought I given a series of lectures I might be enabled to raise the required amount you will please state your price. I would also add that the people of Philadelphia would very much pleased to hear you. Please answer this soon.

Remain your friend

James A. S. Seneca
A. James Selden
A. James Selden to the care of J. D.
Ladd No. 34 Broad St.
Rural Retreat, Illinois, February 8th, 58

Mr. N. H. Douglas, Sir:

Please to forward me from the Patent Office some of the following named seeds for the garden: Sugar beet, Dwarf Mammoth tea, some good variety of beans, some good lettuce, and some cabbage. And oblige yours respectfully,

[Signature]

Rural Retreat, Volusia County, Illinois.
W. N. Thomas
Rural Route
Wabash, Ill.

shipper
Maryville, Missouri

Mar. 8th, 1859

Mr. S. M. Douglas

Dear Sir

I take the liberty of writing to ask your permission to use your name as reference upon a professional card. I have located here as Attorney at Law, & your name will greatly assist. Yours Respectfully,

H. L. Warren

P.S. I refer also to Col. Richardson, Gov. Mattoon, J. M. Morris, H. R. and my father, Col. Warren of Quincy Ills.
Mr. Market
Ft. Leavenworth
Feb 9th 1838
Hon S.R. Douglas

Drp! Will you please send me Commander Page's report of the expedition sent up the Rio Sedà Platte. Your attention will oblige me.

My Respectful,
Mr. Donnell
Wm. Somers
New Market
Bk. Ind.

Ashck dtr.
Washington Davies Co. Ind. July 4th, 1859

Mr. Douglas

Dear Sir,

You will confer a great benefit on me if you will procure a register of the soldiers of 1812, 1813, and forward it to me. I do not know of any place that I could get one, unless I could at Washington City.

I know that you are troubled with too many of the like applications, but I very much need it, and it will not only be a benefit conferred on me, but also on many of the old soldiers and their heirs.

Whatever cost it may be to you, the amount shall be immediately forwarded to your address, and the greatest acknowledgements shall be ever due from your devoted friend,

John S. Feayng

Address, Washington Davies Co. Ind.
Dr. Sickles
Washington
Feb. 9, D.C.
Introducing
H. R. Rootbridge
of N. Y.

My dear Sir,

Permit me to make
you acquainted with a noble
friend, Gen. B. Rootbridge &
Mr. Clark of the House.
He is a true man — of noble
intelligence and heart, and
regarded with the pulsates of
the State of N. Y. I wish much
the happiness of Washington.

Cordially yours to
your request, I remain my

Wm. S. B. Douglass
Shelto.
New Madrid

Srn. Stephen A. Douglas

My dear Sir,

I propose establishing a political paper in the town of New Madrid. Its purpose will be to advance its popularity in its political principles. It will be devoted to Whig rights, popular sovereignty, the Constitution intact, and Stephen Urkle Douglas for the next presidency. It will be our endeavor to conduct this paper so to give it an extensive circulation throughout the Southern and Western States, to render it a leading journal in this State. The known ability of the gentlemen who will preside over the political department will of itself be sufficient to further its aims. It will be
under the Editorial charge of D. O'Reilly, formerly Editor of the Virginian Republican, one of the most caustic and polished writers of the age. It is the purpose of the Editor to make Douglas speeches through the States of Missouri, Ill. Ky., Ind. Ill., etc., for the purpose of conveying for his paper. Can the Constitutions be "Some Ideas" of a great patriot and statesman? Can our greatly contribute to the permanent establishment of this journal? Obtain for me two or two hundred subscribers in the C.T. of Washington, and commended it to your friends in Chicago and the districts of Ill. It will be "called the Democratic Prancer."

With unbounded admiration,
Your friend,

D. O'Reilly,

New Madrid, Mo.
J. T. Gray
Dr. O. B. Young
New Madrid
Feb. 7th, 1859. Mo.
Intend starting
a paper
Twenty-Fourth Leg. Co. 1st Feb 3rd 1859
Hon. L. Douglas

Hon. Sir, as tending an

The debate in the Senate there appeared to be a diversity of opinions between yourself & Tubbs of Indiana and

To the subject, you made some strong charges against

Past Masters in Illinois. These statements, I guess to be true

in addition to another of the same kind, but I am

Petty well pleased & I am, so I have had something to do with them for forty years past. In this field a letter I wrote to a man of note, a minister of the same kind, eight years in that work. This was the first political campaign and then

for Governor of Pennsylvania. I have carried hundreds of bushels of paper and documents that the one that lay when

directed to ascend [illegible] for another instance at one time, there was a large amount directed to individuals of paper

opposed to the Past Masters at that place. I speak from knowledge, as I distributed the mails of the office a

large show of the time when no one else to do it. Some time after Election 1 took the Remain and fed my

Horses. Then I went in a bare room to get corn and to feed with than I took a large cask full of mostly

of paper. I put my hand in and pulled out a

bundle of them, and there was the long paper that

I had taken out the next day and placed in the

offices while I start then arriving at them in saying

the Past Master I said to bring the last paper the

paper to your office regular to be weighed and

some times I let them get coal first, this never

yet coal until after election. I had him called on

d several times known by those that the paper was done to it. The mail came full and regular. I replied

The mail came as regular as I did that is over a week. I cannot the mail through the cane.
of Lieutenants Samuel Wagner and P. J. Peay, the Two Hundred Miles over a Week.

The foregoing is one of a number of the same kind.

The Hon. John A. Grant sent me the commission of

Port Morden, after that this honor of that Barney forty

a commission for the same after the Time Amos

Veradil sent me and with instructions for a

Presidential Battle he put in the hand a letter that I

returned the commission to him, refusing
to take the letter - I am a Democrat and have been

and have never for more than a half a century and

well and here attorn to what I have written two years

make any use of above as you think fit.

I am an invalid from wounds received in defence

of Mathews in the late war on the 11th of October

1814. I have not used my four years pension since

during my discharge, with which I am still

without an application for it is filled in the

Pension Office with an application sent to Captain

Bennet from Trumbull to day before your House

I am now an invalid. Supported by Charity and an old

Billion, co: with some Wages and the Rent and

Two.

I remain, Most

Respectfully yours, J. Knapp
East Salisbury Mass Feb 9. 54

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Dear Sir,

Will you send me a copy of the "Report of the Seat of the Nation." I shall remit whatever the expense is, and you will much oblige an humble member of this fraternity which adheres to the Union, W. Constitution, and the People's sovereignty. "Vox populi, vox Dei."

Very truly yours,

E. Ladd

A Massachusetts Schoolmaster
E. Ladd
Eastablishing
Mass.

Feb. 11

asking this
A CARD.

Some ten years ago, in the discharge of a duty to myself, I incurred the enmity of Mr. John P. Heiss. I will not refer to the particulars of the difficulty, but he has ever since vindictively improved every opportunity to abuse and injure me. The neglect with which I have hitherto treated his unkind assaults, has goaded him to another attack, and it is in reference to this that I desire to mention the following particulars:

The "Dictionary of Congress," which he condemns in his paper of February 4th, has not yet been published, and the proof copy which he has in his possession must have been obtained in an irregular manner.

The work contains between four and five thousand biographical sketches, and yet the critic condemns it because of one single error which he has discovered, and which, with others of a purely typographical character, would of course have been and will be corrected in the regular edition of the work. The book contains seven hundred pages, and yet when the critic has quoted nine lines as a fair specimen of the volume, he would have his readers believe that he has given an impartial opinion of the work.

So far as the value of my "Dictionary of Congress" is concerned, it is enough for me to know that hundreds of the leading men of the country have supplied me with information in regard to their public lives, and that of the many who have seen the proof copies, Mr. Heiss is the only man who has yet pronounced it a useless affair. I ask nothing more for the book than that it shall stand upon its own merits. It has cost me much labor and much money, and if, after trying to serve my country, and doing what I could in an unexceptionable if not a useful way to obtain an honest livelihood, the private revenge of an enemy shall have the power to prejudice my interests as an author, in the eyes of the American Congress and the public at large, I can only submit in silence.

CHARLES LANMAN.

Georgetown, D. C., February 9, 1859.

P. S. Those gentlemen in Congress who have supplied me with information, can judge for themselves as to the general correctness of my statements so far as they are concerned.
Dear Sir,

I hope you will not consider me out of place when I write to you to lend me the Congressional Globe or some other thing else that might relate to my journey and have not been meddling in politics since the last election. I did the best to my ability to serve our cause, living for some time very liberal before friends thought I would take the liberty to send an answer to the excise act.

And remain yours,

[Signature]

Greenvile, Sept. 27th
Feb'y 9th 1839

To the Rev.
Alexander Douglass
Dear Sir,

Please have the kindness to send to me your autograph.

I am collecting those of the most distinguished persons of this country, and I rely on yours, of course, and oblige you.

Anti-Slavery friend and admirer

J. A. Millard Jr.

Address
J. A. Millard Jr.

Troy, New York.
J. A. Millard Jr.
Deq.
Feb. 7

Autograph

Sent Feb. 11
C. G. Miller

Ottawa

Feb 9, 59

Dear Sir,

In writing you to meet old settlers

LaSalle County

Received Feb. 14

Ottawa, Feb. 9th, 1859

Hon. L. A. Douglas

You have no doubt seen by the press that we have called a meeting of the old settlers of LaSalle Co. to meet at the Wardy House in LaSalle on the 23rd of Feb. next in order to organize an old settlers society of LaSalle Co.

although we do not especially claim you as a settler of LaSalle Co. but by your position and eminence as a future State Senator be with the State have an equal claim on your citizenship be therefore on behalf of said committee hereby give you a cordial invitation to meet with us on that occasion if your duties at Washington will admit of it. Nothing would afford us more pleasure than to meet you on that occasion and have you as one of the pioneers of our infant State and one whom we have always felt proud.
In behalf of the committee I have the honor to transmit cordial good wishes to you.

While I remain

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Office of Udolpho Wolfe,
22 Beaver Street
New York, July 2, 1859

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Dr. Sir,

Accompanying this letter, you will receive a book, which contains an historical account of the removal of the remains of the President Monroe from this City to the Cemetery near Richmond, Virginia, where they now repose. I caused this book to be compiled as you will perceive from the accompanying copy at my own expense, with a design (which I am now carrying out) of distributing it gratuitously.

The 2nd Regiment National Guard of the City, and the Military of Virginia, and the Civil Authorities of New York and Virginia,
will be the recipients of it.

On the 22d inst. the book will be presented to the 7th Regiment of this City by Col. Mr. De Roton, a native of Virginia who is at present residing in this City. He will present it, as the sole wish of Gen. Weir, who was designated and invited to be present in this City on the 22d and Officer in person in the ceremony of a formal presentation of the book to the 7th Regiment, in the presence of official duties and sickness together, prevented Gen. Weir from accepting the invitation, but he has intimated that he will present the memorial of a Nation's love to a Nation's friend and benefactor over his hallowed remains of his grave.

On the 4th in the City, a day equally celebrated for the birth of God to freedom, and for the death of the illustrious patriot, whose sword in the field and whose patriotism and wisdom in the Cabinet, helped to perfect the liberty which an overruled Providence so kindly bestowed upon the Nation, I am looking around me for another worthy patriot who would make him a worthy recipient of such a memento.

My dear Sir, when I sent you that I recognize in your public Career a patriotism which embraces our whole Country, which blends, not to accentuate...
a section, but which marks the good of our Country and the whole Country in the Chief and of his exalted position! I beg you to accept this book as a tribute which I owe to your public service, in behalf of the glorious Union under which we so happily live.

Jan.

dear sir,

very faithfully and truly.

From, very respectfully,

[Signature]
7th Reg. N.Y.S.T. National Guard.

Head Quarters, Jan 20th 1859.

The honor of your presence is solicited at the presentation to the Regiment of the
Wolfe Testimonial,
at the La Farge House on Tuesday
22nd February next at 7½ o'clock P.M.

Lt. Col. Levett
Capt. Price
Capt. Nevis

R. S. V. P.

Please bring this indiscreetly.
New York July 9, 1839

Hon. L. A. Douglas
Resident Jpi,

As the first half year's interest on the note given me as Trustee for
Susan A. Harris for $10,000 dated July 7, 1838
and due July last, I will draw for it
at sight for $7,500 the one week from this
day unless I hear from you prior to that
time suggesting some other mode of payment,
or as you offer 10 per cent for the use
of the money and at the note calls for
only 71, I presume you will not object to
paying the Attorney, fees for preparing the
papers for it, I will add that amount to
the draft unless I hear from you as above.

To 6. 6 Per cent interest on Note of $10,000
from July 7, 1838 to Aug. 7, 1839 x 71.
150. 00

"paid David H. Hill, Attorney
Very Truy
Your obt. serv.
Jas. L. Woodward
64 Reade St.
Jan. 2. Woodrow
23 Reade St.
Feb. 9. N. Y.
Interruption
Mrs. Harris note
Washington, D.C.  
Feb. 9, 1859

Dear Sir,

I desire that you will honor me with an interview at your home or committee room for the purposes of a political nature. I will bring with me a letter of introduction from a few of your personal friends, from the fact that I have a few questions to ask you relative to your own affairs which you would not be likely to answer unless I did so. I am a resident of New York State—a friend of politics and otherwise to you. We must be better acquainted and I will establish that fact and then have your confidence.

R. B. Boddie
534, 12th St.
At Mrs. Barnes.
W. T. R. O.