Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

I am often finding myself in want of proof to bolster our position in the section of the country I beg the favor of you, to send me all the documents you can consistently. & oblige

G. A. Bishby
Head Quarters Chicago Highland Guard

Chicago March 8th 1839

Honor A. Douglas

Sir, having connected with our Assembly a Library and Reading Room and wishing to add to our list the Congressional Reports I have been instructed to write to you requesting you to send them to us and by so doing you will confer a lasting favor on us.

I am yours with much respect,

C. H. Bremner

Secy.

Oct. 8th 1867.
D. B. Brenner
Chicago
March 3, M.E.
Landing doors for Highland Yard.
March 5th, 1857.
Mount Carroll, Carroll County, Illinois,
Hon. Stephen A. Douglas, Senator,

If you have the privilege or disposition to send me the Patent Office reports on patents & Machinery, for the year 1858 if they are ready for delivery, if not, those of 1857, I will do what I will be under obligations to you.

I remain your friend,

John B. Christian.
Mr. B. Foley

Sen. J.

Mar. 6.

Asks you to address
his constituents
immediately

Answered Mar. 27, 1839

No. of Reps

March 3, 1839

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Sir:

A great desire is felt by the Democracy of my District to see and hear you on the political topics of the day during the coming session of Congress, and they desire also that you will thus give them an opportunity to congratulate you in person on your recent brilliant triumph in Illinois.

In their behalf I request that will designate some day, as early as will suit your convenience, to comply with their wishes. I
think I may safely promise you a large, enthusiastic and appreciative audience—such an audience as will exceed in numbers and at least equal in intelligence any that you have addressed during your long and brilliant political career.

Very Respectfully

Joe B. Foley

Please send me a few hundred of your speeches, to be distributed among your friends who are very desirous to read them.

Addressee: Greensburg, Ind.
Nov. S. A. Douglass
Dear Sir,

It is with some hesitation that I address you, after an absence of 30
many years from your personal knowledge and acquain
ances. As I have been absent from Illinois since fifty-two, from forty-two to fifty-two, I was
acquainted with you. My first introduction was
at "Aldora" in "Fulton County" when Brownin
and yourself were there, and afterwards in various
places in Fulton and the adjoining counties and
especially in Lewiston—nor I presume the
electing scenes through which you have passed
in the last few years have in all probability
eased me from your memory—I am
rejoiced to know that Illinois has ever
more shown herself true to the "Union"
and "Old Fulton" was not left behind and that
yourself. This favorite, has been returned to the
Senate of U.S. in spite of disunion and
factions, and I feel as much rejoiced, as though
I had fought shoulder to shoulder with my old friends and fellow laborers in the cause of Democracy. L.M. Ross, L.M. Ross, E.J. Wagner and Evans, &c., and my heart is deep in interest in welfare of this State, at my family and good yet (let's speak them how this summer) I know the above gentlemen were all my friends and we all volunteered to enter the fight against Brown. The first time you were a candidate for Congress from many friends in California who greatly desire to see you elected to the Senate. But Mr. Moderate and his friends claim that you are opposed to the Administration and the regulars organize Democratic party. The same men two years ago were causing you for a Demagogue, character, and northern braggart, and every friend of Mr. B. votes against the resolution in the legislature of 33 endorsing you as the principles of the Kansas bill. The same faction in 34 and 35, when they found they could not rule in Convention the next session, formed separate organizations both in the State and County Conventions, and each time we beat them badly. The last time they combined with the Republicans. The party you fought in 80 and done all they could to defeat the regular Democratic ticket, and in many cases they nominated the same candidates as the Reps. and then attempted to steal your popularity to make it own, styled themselves "Uncle Tom Democrats," and proclaimed in the stump and other places that you were against the regular Democratic party," and the only Rep. Paper in one County raise your name for President and Nordmark for Vice-President, and many other Rep. Papers throughout the State and kept them there until the news from 33s, like them what have you was making in their ranks. When they bailed them down these things were done and in the face of your Chicago Speech, which could not effect the Border States, let us more compactly read them out of the party. By this time they have taken their position and Democrats regulars refused them admission into Can and...
and I see that those Chief met the same fate at Washington, his friends still claim that Brodick and yourself stand on the same political ground and platform, while your friends claim that he is a Rep. as his acts and votes will show, and that he is not recognized by you as a true Democrat and as this matter will have a great influence on the next as well as the election of 60.

I desire to know from you, if you endorse the use made of your name here in the last Congress, and of how Mr. B. and yourself stand politically, as there are many Illini in this County and I believe I have never seen one that is a Brodick man or Anti-Douglas—and it would work a great injury to you, to have it known that you were this political friend—I desire this information for my own gratification, particularly but will make a public use of it, if you will permit—

Yours Respectfully

Hon. J. A. Douglas

S. B. Hopkins

WASHINGTON D.C.

[Signature]

[Address]
Eaton, March 3d, 1859.

Mr. S. A. Douglas,

Dear Sir:

Permit me to return you my thanks, for your kindness in sending me the speeches you lately delivered in the Cities of New Orleans, Philadelphia and Baltimore. They have enabled me to meet successfully several gentlemen who have misrepresented your position upon the question of the power of the people in the Territories upon the question of Slavery. They have asserted that in those speeches, you advocated opinions strongly differing from those you Enunciated in Mr. W. P. and that in consequence, you had traveled beyond the Democratic Party, and in fact, beyond the Constitution. These speeches, considerable fulfilling from any such contradictions, and give me the assurance that time and investigation
I'll but more conclusively prove the solid foundation upon which you stand.
Below you will find a list of names of citizens of our county—leading citizens—to whom, it
would be good policy to send a copy of your
Tracts, or any other document calculated
to place your "beetles in curia" before the
people.

Talbot County, Md.

Eastern District

Harrison Austin Esq. (W) Luther M. Jones Esq. (W)
Daniel Boyd (D) Joseph Rainey (W)
Edward Boyd Jr. (W) Ann Graham (W)
Henry C. Tidswell (W) Richard Thomas (W)
Hugh Shewar (W) William H. Groome (W)
Alexander Maitley (W) Percy Groome (W)
Harry Hightower (W) "The S. Haywood (W)
Walter Hightower (W) Oren W. Stewart (W)
Jas. V. B. Wright (W) Samuel Hollingsworth (W)
Cornelius Shewar (W) John Docker (W)
Jos. P. Martin (W) "Ezra E. Martin (W)
Asa E. Clark (W) "W. M. Parcell (W)
E. P. Dawson (W) "S. M. Davis (W)
M. M. Dawson (W) "H. C. Mackey (W)
Joe. Grace (W) "Grace (W)
Caleb M. Emory (W) "Barley (W)

[Signature]

[Signature]
Canonsburg, Mar. 3, 1859.

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas,

Dear Sir,

Will you please send me a copy of your speech on the war with Mexico, delivered Feb. 1st 1845? And any other of your speeches on that war, if you have them at hand, and if it is convenient to send them. Also any of your speeches delivered this Session would be very thankfully received; or other political documents.

Respectfully Yours,

J. D. Jewell,

I am dear Sir,

At Home, S. B. - March 3, 1859


Mr. Lincoln

Any important information you can give me will be thankfully received.

S. M. Lincoln

My dear Sir,

Being a Democrat and a Farmer by profession, I feel exceedingly dissatisfied with Mr. Buchanan's bill of the Agricultural College land bill.

It will not only leave him free up, or nearly so, throughout the Eastern, Northern, and Western western States, but is a nation of farmers and they as a class have never received governmental aid. While most every other branch of American industry has.

The justness of this land bill cannot be questioned. I have not seen the bill in its entirety, but will continue to say, there is not an argument to sustain it.

The small amount of money we
from public lands. While the unoccupied public domain is almost bound up
the great object of the appropriation is so important. This being conceded by
every intelligent community, will render Mr. Buchanan of all men the
most unpopular.

This may be regarded and is of
but little importance to him as a
man. But the whole Democratic
party must suffer, after trying as
they have against blunder Kansas
and other susceptible to an amount
beyond human endurance.

But this is the unkindlest of all.

It is true Mr. Buchanan has been
playing a losing game, for a long time;
and in this unfortunate case to
democracy, he has turned against his
friends, and plainly shows his disregard of
them.

The New York State Agricultural College
is regarded as the most important
enterprise that was engaged
the attention of the people of this
State. The building is rising up
it is under help, but the people
would regard governmental aid, as though
it was given to them individually.
The course you have found
in regard to Kansas, and popular sovereignty
has met with the approbation of
about all of the American people;
and your policy is regarded in
this region with almost universal
approbation.

I believe that there is but one
mind in our party who must be the
right President.

Any information at any time that
you may wish, I will most cheerfully
give you to the extent of my knowledge.
If not inconvenient I
will oblige you by sending me two of
the last years of the patent office reports.
I have written this in much haste.
J. B. Buysse
N. Y.
March 3.
Thanking you for speech

Mr. 7

Judgment Douglas

Dear Sir,

I desire to use your speeches and autograph

for which I am very much obliged.

Yours truly,

M. B. R."
Kendalville March 3/57

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Dr. Sir

The undersigned having been appointed a committee for the purpose of procuring aspeck

to deliver an agricultural address at this place at a fair to be held some time in October next. And as it seems to be the desire of a very large number of our citizens that you would address us we send you this note hoping you will signify your intentions to do so. Our agricultural society embraces the Tenth Congressional District of Indiana (our base) and we hope to have a large gathering. We would say that our village is easy of access by rail and within a few hours ride of...
Chicago - We feel confident that the people in Mpls would turn out to hear you, and we have no doubt there would be at least 10,000. If you should conduct will you be so kind as to direct your answer this note to Mr. B. Drummond Kendallville Noble County Ind. If you should not accept our invitation we should be under the necessity of inviting some other one. We therefore ask an answer to this note at your earliest convenience.

We remain most

Ralph, yours
J.W. Sprout
J.H. Mitchell

Committee
My dear Sir,

Do me the favor to send me a full report of the debate in the House of the 23rd. of July. Your friends urge the occasion with great interest, and all can be in the opinion that, attacked as you were, by a number of my formidable opponents, you fully sustained yourself, in your position.

Prior to the late election in your state, I could not refrain from addressing you a line to express the sincere interest, which is common with the quiet people of the vicinity. On receiving your, I felt it the result.

From formerly being felt would be one or two of your measures, which I thought at the time wholly unnecessary, and likely to become a vexation in the minds of the people, I must say were made than those

announced. My respect and very
almost utterly paralyzed, and a portion of the country on the very verge of becoming obliterated! Is it true that Southern statesmen are basking in the sunshine and the Southern army may be restored from the East that never to invade them? It is with our Southern friends to speak. This is the greatest quarrel that is raging in this country. All the confusion of their schemes must come. I cannot think that there is a plan of operation. They will write in cutting the throats of their own brethren at the North.

It is a matter of the interest of the North, but let the South and the North be the North, to the South, as the South is the North. Our interests, our lives.

When I began this, I never meant to request you to read me a copy of the debate of the 7th of all. Yes, with the highest what...
Benjamin Patten
Philad. July 3
Pattison

[Signature]

W. D.

F. R. P.
24th Inst.

[Signature]
Rock Island Ills
March 31st 1837
Hon. I. A. Douglas

Dear Sir from
I have advised of your request to come to you concerning a pension that I sent all the necessary affidavits for and the rejected them on the ground that I was inlisted 4 months after I was wounded in this I died But by, as set to due to poor condition
by J. A. Smith Capt. REGT
See the papers in pension Office You, dear Sir if you will, my claim I will decide on with you or if you can't try to get a special act for my benefit
I hav done all that the Rules requrs and I wuld like that you sir wuld see my papers and put the hole matter be for the asseset and get of your friends to put it before the house for I am in goate say of help Due your for old Saldier and Democrat I think nothing more my papers was made out last apanel I was Discharged 15 of December 1837 East Florida from Z. Hayler's Regt. Dear Sir if you will Lett that you can for I will be your at yours with respect to your & self John Thompson
Petersburg, Va
March 3rd, 1859

My dear and noble friend, Very
unexpectedly I have got out of
money at this place. I have
ordered my checks from home to
be sent to Washington, they
are by this time on the way.
I therefore request a loan of
($100) one hundred dollars until
I arrive in Washington which
will be just as soon as I receive
the money. When I will also pay
you ($300) which you so
kindly loaned me in 57.

You have many friends
in this place all of whom hope
and believe that you will be the
President of our Republic in 60 it
is destiny, it cannot be otherwise.

Your old friend
Hon S. A. Douglas
Geo. Wallen
Ed. Walton
Peterburs
May 8
Ask[ed] 250 $
Private

Sir,

Indiarapohs March 3, 1859

I am prompt to post you as to some facts to be acted upon in your direction. Except my brief way, I am P. W. [W. T.] W. [W. T.] Talbot] was appointed over my head, through the agency of Millard and Tamaraz, whom I had hoped from a natural allegiance, we will oppose integrity to the people. The poor Devil made $300 by his treachery. Talbot, then, was elected at his discretion, I could not keep them own (so his) council, but let it out that he ([I had Miller $2000, as the first]; I think before he [I was confirmed by this Senate I lost him $1000. This disclosure was made twice in three, by way of informing to suggestions made by my friends, in different person to the effect that if I had paid half as much as Talbot did I would have been appointed. Among other considerations Grizz was succeeded by Millard and Tamaraz, then. Talbots, & the Walpole, that if in our time money was twice as near as Talbot did I would have been appointed. In this they found him by taking up and in disturbances to commotion, a Walpole.
Albert J. has brought the $10 at $3.33 and will be very much improved if honored upon, yet I wish it to be. West will have his hands on it. Manyagger that you vote against her removal, but an agreement. It will identify with your a number of slaveowners of a description, who will remove more to your advantage. I do you to be.

I oblige you both personally and being bound for political object, that Robeson County has its interest pressed, and your agent shall be introduced and enter your committee here in, for Roderick. Best you ought to both advance to Tallyhola, Tennesse. There you will address a note to the Sec. for Tennesse, to give me notice to be there. He will come to see me here. My orders to hold true to use letters to be really at 3 to Tennesse at 5 to go 3 & 4 in the same section. Think it will be quite shortly before people.

Our mutual friend thinks you have your service, my great and liberal assistance of late. In honor of my law, when he sets out for it, he is twice as leaning on a course. I have other friends, whom I think Dr. M. W. McK.
W. W. Wick
Indianapolis
March 3
Political