Augusta Ga
May 22, 1869

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

This will inform you that I forwarded last night by the "Adams Express," your coat & hat, as requested, and hope they will come safe to hand in due time. I also send you a copy of the "Field & Fire-side," a new paper just published in this place to which I would most respectfully solicit your patronage, being an authorized agent for the paper I should be pleased to have your name on my list. If on examination you should like it well enough to subscribe please inform me immediately and I will send it as you may desire.

Hoping to hear from you soon below me to remain Very Respectfully,
Your Ob't. Servt.
W. T. Beall
W.T Ball,
Augusta Ga.
May 22, 1859.

Political Co.

Received
July 16, 1859.
"Field and
Freindle," made
paper substitute,
repl. for.
Plymouth, Me May 22nd 1859

To Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Sir, I avail myself this opportunity of writing you a few lines which I have contemplated on some time as I suppose that you will be glad to hear from one of your friends in this state and one who was always a admirer of you and the aforenamed principals sustained by you in the late campaign and I can further more inform you that if you have more friends in this congressional district than any other man and I can inform you that in all of the meetings to appoint delegates to nominate a candidate to represent us in Congress not one dare say a word in favor of the present administration and for than the favorit of the district will not indorse it altogether at first when myself and a few of my friends contended that you were right we were denounced by some who now have come to us and say you were right but those men were some of the older whigs who have broken away.
in the democratic party for office as for my part I never have heather a health but
admonieth the health but I am afraid that
these whigs will destroy our party for they
are put in office as soon as they change into
has been the case in this state for clenyman
to be placed over for there was patronize
you may think strange if one in anything
you being a stranger but I have stood up many
and defended you as far as my humble ability
would admit and when I receive those speeches
of yours and distributed them through the country
I was told that I was not desert I would
be removed from being a friend agent I wrote
to Lincoln who is in some of the department
at washingron to send them after speeches
which he made but since that time a change
has taken place and that in your favor I
was informed by one of the delegations to
the district convention and a leading democrat
from Martinsburg which is the home of all big
and which gave fundamentals majority democrats
that the whole county was in favor of you for
the nomination at the Charleston convention and
my impression is that you will receive the
vote from this state at least I hope so since
how left washingon I have no one to
refer you to with the exception of David B. Lincoln
which I would be glad that you enquire
about me as he can inform you as I have
been here at first there was but few deputized
democrats but they have come over one at a
time and I again repeat that you are in
this district the strongest man for the presidency
in the union at least myself and my friends
Brown was to be ruled out of the party I would
be glad to hear from one who I voted place in
the office of if I hear the powers the highest
in the gift of the people and I hope that I may have
the pleasure of casting one vote for one
that I believe that can bring harmony in the demen-
party heart north and south and any speak-
and actments would be received with pleasure
was also to distribute. I think the authors no
frakers by Allen black of the house as you are
not at washington at the time I wrote for them
you must excuse me for my houlness and
inwased and hoping that I may get be able
to render you some services which would be
cheerfully complied with and remain
your very respectfully

This
Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
H.R. Rea
Plymouth, N.B.
May 22/59

Political

Answered
July 16, 1859
Speech of Feb 23, '59 sent.
Litchfield, Cor. Me.,
May 23, 1857
Hon. Stephen A. Douglas,
Dear Sir:

Will you have the kindness to send to my address a few of your Popular Sovereignty speeches. I wish to circulate them among a few democrats who are wavering between two horses. As we are about commencing a Popular Sovereignty contest it is very desirable to circulate all the suitable reading matter possible. By distributing some of your speeches I believe they will have the desired effect upon the minds of the people.

As I was a resident of
Galesburg I'll. during the last few years, and especially, during the last campaign there, doubtless I take a greater interest in the cause of true democracy than I otherwise should had I always lived in Maine.

In making the above request, I hope I am not asking too great a favor if I am, you will I trust, pardon my imprudence.

Very respectfully yours,

Wm. R. G. Estes,
Litchfield Cor.
Maine.
Portland Me May 22/59

Hon. S.A. Douglass
Chicago, Ill.

Dr. J. — Will you do me the favor to send me one or more copies of your speech made in the Senate on 23 March. I wish one for my own use, reference if you have other copies be sure I can I think place them in good hands. I am sorry to trouble you but I am unable to procure a copy here readily, though there is no lack of speeches on the other side of the question. We hope to be able to give
a good account of ourselves at our State Convention next month at which delegate on chosen to the National Convention.

There are many in this State who have followed your course with interest, admiration, I have sympathized with you in the prosecution which has assailed you and we look forward anxiously to see you enjoying the \[?

I trust you will pardon the liberty I have taken in addressing you, Sincerely,

Very Respectfully,

Your Obd. Drt,

J. S. Palmer
Phila. May 23rd

Respected Sir,

I hope you will excuse the liberty I take in addressing you but I'm making a collection of autographs that I am making and I desire very much to have yours if you will send it to Alf Ramsey Jr. care Dale Ross & Writers Phila. you will confer a great favor on the writer.

Very Respectfully yours,

Alf Ramsey Jr.
Alex. Ramsey
Philadelphia,
May 28/39,
Want autographs
Sent July 11,
1859.
Millersburg, Bourbon Co., Ky.
May 23, 1857

Hon. A. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

Not knowing any one else who can serve my purpose I write you. It is necessary for me to attempt to define the position of Parties in this State for I have no doubt you understand them fully. But will say my opinion is that Mr. Magoffin has taken an unmanageable ground, & I fear very much the chances of his success for Governor. Non-intercourse is again becoming the principle of the Democratic Party in this section of Kentucky—and feel that we now

Jay Story
Millersburg, Ky.
May 23, 1857.
made your powerful aid, and would be much obliged to you for anything you may think would be of an advantage to us in the struggle now going on.

I think I could use one or two hundred copies of the late discussion between yourself and Jefferson Davis in the Senate on the subject of intervention with great advantage in this end of our Congressional District. I would be much obliged if you would have forwarded to me at this place the above named document or anything you may think of an advantage.

Most truly,

[Signature]

[Name]
Athens, Illinois  
May 24th, 1859

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas  

Dear Sir,

My mother-in-law, Matilda McFarlane, formerly Matilda Somervay, daughter of James Somervay deceased, of the State of Virginia, has claim to certain bounty lands purchased by her father during his lifetime and located mostly in the State of Illinois which are described as follows.

S.W. 1/4 Section 1. 6 S. 6 W. in Pike County, Pittsfield, Illinois.

S.E. 1/4 Section 8. 12 N. 2 W. in Tazewell County, Monmouth, Illinois.

N.W. 1/4 Section 15. 13 N. 5 W. in Mercer County, Allegany, Illinois.
N. 17. 1/4 section 22. 1/4. 1/4. W. in
Mercer County, Illeas Illinois.
N. 17. 1/4 section 32. 2. 1/4. E. in
Shawnee County, Rushville Illinois.
S. E. 1/4 section 28. 13. N. 18. 8. E.

Marshall, Harry salmon.
James Harry Forseney, son
of James Forseney, 3rd. was sent out West by his
father to look after these lands. James Forseney died
a short time afterwards to
James. At his son went to
Pittsburgh, Illinois and
married a daughter of a
Mr. Hark, a merchant of
that place a former
from Arkansas, and after
leaving Missouri, seven months,
the died, leaving no heirs.
His将在 has arrived.

died. This was about the
year 1835 or 6. My motherlaw
was married at that time
and has laboured under
that disability to live and
look after these lands, until
now. I have no doubt they
have been sold long before
for taxes. Now did you are
not acquainted with the laws
of the State of Illinois, having
been intimately connected with
the practice of the bar in
on the Bench and I wish
you to do one the favor to
perform one of Mr. McFarell
Can accept these lands if
there is any statute of limitation
to bar his suit at of the tax
sales are any obstacles in
the ways of a Relocating.
If you will have this matter
attended to for one immediately
and write me your decision on
the subject I will be under
leaving obligations to you
and will pay whatever
reasonable expense and
trouble may be incurred.
I wish also to know the
present value of these lands
and the kind of improvements
upon them.
I am the Allamoc Real
for the Judicial District
in this State composed of
8 counties, including a
Criminal Court at Chatta-
nooga. I have held the
office for eleven years.
I am also a Douglas
Democrat and for him
for President against the
world. I was almost
by myself in this until you
repeated Mr. Lincoln and
spoke at Memphis and
New Orleans.
Since then a great change in your favour has taken place. We will elect you Harris again this year—also Hon. A. R. Smith will be returned to Congress from this District.

Hoping to hear from your room. I am any Prospects.

Yours, 

Geo. W. B. Bridges.
Geo. W. Bridges
Attty General
4 th Judicial
District of Penn

Athen, May 24,
1859.

To Write certain
information as
lands near this
field Plat, Ills.

Answered July 11,
1859.
May 24, 1859

To: Stephen A. Douglas

Sir:

If you would not think it too much trouble to oblige me by sending a number of the following works from the Patent Office, I would be greatly obliged. I have first and second volumes of the Commissioner of Patents for the years 1857, 1858, etc., & have been much interested in the agricultural, horticultural & mechanical reports.

Also, if I can obtain a copy of the Bevens Concise for 1859, and perhaps a copy of the Patent Law, I should be very much obliged. I think by the list of the patents purchased last July I should be able to obtain the improved sorts of actual wheat. It may be in my power to aid you some further than for the Relief. I have heard you of the recent visits to

Yours truly,

[signature]
I shall not forget the trouble I am giving you.

May 31st, 1824, Italy

Mrs. J. Ross

Mrs. J. Ross

Pitshanger Manor

W. Ross
May 24, 1879.

Wants Document.

Post Office Dept. of the United States.
Cincinnati, O. May 24, 1859

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas,
U. S. Senator,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: I deeply regret that I have not the privilege of presenting this letter enclosed, to you in person.

At the time it was written I fully intended to reach your city but unforeseen events have prevented.

I take the liberty, however, of sending you the medicines and the letter.

And am, very respectfully,
Your Obliged. Servant,

C. W. Roback
Cincinnati, Ohio
May 24/59

Enclose letter of introduction to...
W. Clark
Medina, Ohio,
May 25, 1859.

Thanks for book.

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas,
Dear Sir:

I have received a copy of your Report on Meteorology and Smithsonian Report for 1854-1855. Perused your report.

Permit me to express my acknowledgments for them.

Although the books were sent (as I suppose) at the request of Prof. Henry S. of Smithsonian that I am still under obligations to you for them.

Documents relating to any department of the natural history of our country are very valuable to me. I was fortunate a few days since in being able to purchase "The Pacific Rail Road."
Survey” House documents and the
map second volumes of Senate doc-
ument, also Mexican Boundary
Survey. Although these val-
uable documents often fall into
the hands of those who do not
appreciate their value, I think
eventually they get into the hands
of those who make good use
of them.

Yours obediently,

[Signature]

[Name] Clark
Frank W. Haskell

Wiscasset, Maine May 25th, 1859

Honor A. Douglas,

Sir,

I have long intended to enter the Army School at West Point and as I have no very influential friends, I would apply to you, Sir, to ask for it. I am 16 years of age and of good size. If you will get me the situation you shall never regret it, if gratitude can repay you. I ask your pardon for thus addressing you.

Respectfully yours,

Frank W. Haskell
May 26th, 1859.

Respected Sir:

I am, corresponding secretary of The Beta Delta Society, am honored to inform you of your unanimous election at the meeting of the society held on the 24th instant as an honorary member.

I am, particularly interested in the Beta Delta's role in the political history and movements of the country, whilst a very large majority approve entirely of the course and position taken by you amidst the political complications and storms threatening the ship of state; all readily respect you as a statesman, a patriot, and a firm defender of constitutional liberty.

Our society, which has been in existence about four years, is in a most flourishing condition, numbering 466 members, all persons of talent and intellect desirous of improving the mind and the library of 600 volumes, which were our means commenced with our poorest would number double this number. The society has never enjoyed an overflowing treasury, and therefore has been obliged to depend almost entirely on the contributions of its members for the replenishment of its library. The last treasurer's report indicates however a better condition than the treasury has been in for more than a year.

Laboring as we are under difficulties that would have crushed to the death many less enterprising than our noble band, we should feel highly flattered to receive the acknowledgment of the receipt of this and a few words of cheer and encouragement from one occupying so elevated a position and so well calculated to comfort us.

Your obedient servant,

To Hon. Stephen A. Douglas,
Hon. Henry Hunt Willey,
Cor. Sec. Beta Delta Soc.

P.S. The address of the society is Beta Delta society, 215, Gettysburg, Adams Co., Penn.
Mr. S. A. Douglas,

Dr. Sir,

I have a contested land case in Washington (before the general land office) in which I wish your assistance and am willing to pay you well for it if the case may be before the court of interior by this time. I have an & 800 acres (possibly 1,000 acres) to sell in Section 14 if you can possibly do anything for me. I want you to do so. Give me your answer as soon as possible. Secely was here last week and made a regular celebration speech and did not give general satisfaction. As many complained here now to quizzing so much of his stuff. He is the people of Rome come in 1857 year by year.

I am in very good health.

S. Thompson
S/B Thompson
Ketchum
May 20, 1859

Wants to employ
Judge H. in
Land case. He
Answered
January 10, 1859.
M. L. O'Phillips  
Henrietta, NY  
May 27, 1859

Henryetta, 
May 27, 1859

Dear sir: I have 
make several un 
successful efforts 
to obtain a small 
map of the city 
of Washington. 
Can you furn 
ish me with 
a copy? If so 
I shall be very 
Thankful.
Not being you will excuse the liberty I take in soliciting this favor and assuming you will very high regard favor very truly yours this
W. D. Phillips

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Washington
Sir, Stephen Douglas

Please hand me with the object reports of the 1834 and 1835

Address E. A. Horsecar

Mallia, May 29th, 1835
Chase,
Malta Station
No. 2
Rec'd May 1859,

Wants 6' 6" Dept.

Test
Press office
Hopkinsville by May 20, 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Dear Sir, At this time we are having some disturbance "in the camp" in regard to the "Congressional nomination" question. Two of the papers claiming to be of our party have gone with "opposition" on that question, and they are trying very hard to mislead some of the Democracy. The fear that if the right sort of documents are not distributed we will lose. The pamphlet you published containing your speech of 23d February, and extracts showing the position of distinguished Republicans on it, is the very thing needed. If you can, I would be glad you would send me a thousand copies of it for distribution. Would publish in my paper, but our August election requires all the space. Above all, an away no doubt, many of the people of by an attempt to oppose ours. I think your speech circulated extensively would make you thousands of warm friends.

I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you at the Charleston Convention. The Southern Kentuckians desire unanimity of action in the selection of the nominee. Respectfully submitted.

Will D. Geeney
Editor Price.
Will H. Dentey
Hopkinsville
May 30, 1859

We are in receipt of 1000
$3.00

Horses, of 23
July 2, 1859.

Answered.
July 12, 1859.
Speech was lack.

100
Bandera Texas
May 30/59

Hon Sil Douglas
Sir

If copies of some of your speeches were to be sent into this part of Texas it would, in my opinion, be of advantage to the cause of Popular Sovereignty, State Rights and the National Democratic Party.

Yours most respectfully,

Francis Fowle
Burlington, May 31, 1857

To Col. A. B. Douglass, W. T.

Dear Sir: I have this day received one copy of the Smithsonian Report for 1857 for which please accept my thanks. I think it contains much useful knowledge.

Yours truly,

[Signature]