Ward's Theatre
Cincinnati, Ohio
Sept. 9th 1859
Hon. Stephen D. Appleton
Sir or Madam,

After our
trip, I shall attend an invitation for some of our friends to visit our theatre tonight after the opera. I am anxious to see Antioch.

I of course can readily understand what that will be somber and solemn, but allow me to say it will be a great gratification to your many friends if you enter but a moment, that they may behold you. I congratulate you.

I had the extreme pleasure of making your acquaintance and receiving a visit from you at the theatre in Chicago a year or more ago which event will one of the
Soldiers of fortune, a second

triumph upon your courage and

pursue. Always bow I will labor

in the honor of a great farmer

of your noble degree with your

present.

I have the pleasure to

remind your

[Signature]

Manager of

[Signature]
Woods Theatre
Cincinnati, Ohio.
Sept 9th, 1859.

J. A. Ebster,
(Manager)
invites you
to attend them
theatre.
Office of The Editor,
Washington, D.C.,
Sept. 25, 1859.

Hans and Son's: I see that many of the political journals apologized for the non-publication of your paper on 'The Dividing Line between Local and Federal Authority' in the plea that all the articles in Harper's Monthly are copyrighted. Yet I see that The Statesman at Washington is publishing the article. If you, or the proprietor of the magazine, will give me permission, I would be happy to publish it in The Citizen.

With highest regard and esteem, dear Sir,
I am, your truly,
Charles Howard Foster
Editor of The Citizen.

Wm. R. & J. Douglas,
Washington, D.C.
Sept 9 1857

Dear Mr. Hartley,

I return

from Lorcnitho. The

letter from Judge

you were to kind as send

Douglas Blankenig

The Colonel accord

for allowing me the

perusal of it. I am

much gratified by

the allusion it inten-

ing to myself. I further
If you should be writing to friends [1844] one of the Douglas, I beg you will present them my best regards. The speeches of the most brilliant. I have not been at home long enough. I never was able to keep up with him. He is most likely to be our next candidate for the presidency. The he made his first experience of the
last twelve years

in our politics, is not

of a nature, I fear,

to justify any such

prediction. I look

to the coming demo-

cratic National Con-

vention for settling

everything. Whoever

receives its nomina-
tion for the Presiden-

ty will
well, I trust, be
triumpantly cast-
amed by the entire
democratic party.
"The little Giant"
Mr. Lincoln
He should be the
man, he will have
however
my support, his
humble, to the full
extent of my ability.
my regards to
the Colonel, and
believe me very
sincerely yours,

Mrs. H. Seymour
Mansfield, O. Sept 9th 1857.

Honorable S. A. Douglas

Sir,

At the urgent solicitation of several leading and prominent democrats of this place (which solicitation is in exact accordance with my own feelings and predilections, as well as my sense of duty and interest for the democratic party, and justice to the man who has the ability, integrity, and correct national principle at heart, to properly control and quiet it in its future march to victory and conquest over its enemies consolidated by the bonds of hatred) I write you for the purpose of ascertaining if you can come to this place this fall before our October election and make us a democratic speech.

We are anxious that you should speak here if you can possibly do so, on the very spot (as the Whigs would say) where the Whigs and afterwards the Black Republicans hung President Jackson, and then claimed him an effigy; and where
The Fancy and Roman Bar in Filly
in one Walker Square for your ad-
scire, and introduction of the Kansas
Nebraska bill.

Here are some of our leading
pollutions in this place who are
apposed to your. I hope you will
be glad to have you speak
here, as I am well persuaded that
one of those who are apposed to
you will be a delegate to the
Charleston Convention from the
district, and it will be almost
impossible to prevent his being a
delgigate to that body if he has
a strong desire to go there, while
I am well satisfied he has.

We desire to get the thing in
such a shape that there will
be no difficulty in instructing
him, so to what he shall do.

The popular tide is turning
now your favor, but the office
holders in general (any last Master)
except one done what was in this
paper for the last 9 or 10 months
is put your claim. But they are

beginning to come in a little.
Come and deliver us
an address in this place if it
is in your power to do. Let you
own time, so as to give us sufficient
notice. If you write a salutation
from a number of leading democrats
in this place, so as a reply to their
letter of invitation, I will be
published, write me to that effect,
and I will get it up and send it
to you.

Write me immediately
on the receipt of this letter.

Yours confidentially,

John Schrack

P.S. Please send me a copy of the paper
items containing your article on Popular
sovereignty which was taken from Harper's
Magazine as last month going to
a democratic meeting and am
contented one in a convenient
form for political purposes.

I believe it is published in
the Times of Aug. 15th 1859.
Mansfield, Ohio
Sept 9th, 1859

James Grange.

Wants you to address the people of that place before the Deister election.

Remember to send him copy of your speech from Harper in Chicago Comet.
To Mr. J. R. Douglas

By Telegraph from

To Sir,

You will greatly oblige me if you will prompt the new letter for Associated Press by furnishing, if convenient, after your arrival here, a prompt full account of the points of your forthcoming speech. I desire to dispatch it to New York as early as possible.

Cul Sept 9

[Signature]

Reply J. F. Stevens after

NY Press, Aged Press

Union Telegraph Office
Virginia Sep. 9th 1859

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Dear Sir,

The canvass for Congress in this District is open, & seeing several aspirants named for the nomination of the Democratic Party. And amongst them the name of Cnl. M. M. McConnell having been that the Democracy of old Morgan has instructed for him. I write you to know if you think it will do to give him the nomination in view of his antecedents. No, not, having held an officer under Rush of the Democratic Adams, he, one being the Democratic Candidate for Congress Can't. Murry. Carry this weight & be elected. If there is any doubt,
of his Election. Would it be best to risk running him with the Democrats when we have a sure thing in another? I say that I have confidence in McConnell, Democracy & Szech. I had as much confidence in his success before the people of this state before the people of this state had a Candidate. Judge Woodrow will oppose him & I fear will beat him. We cannot afford to lose a member of Congress in this state and I hope we will not. I hope you will reply to this as soon as you receive it and give me your views, our Co. Convention comes off on the 17th, but and we would like to know your wishes before that time if you feel free to give them. Yours Truly

W.T. Thompson
Fairmont Lake
Near Albany, Oregon
Sept 9th, 1857.

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

I have written to you before tending the case of Mrs. Buckon at Copco. He being second to reply, I thought it best for her sake to send to you the enclosed letters written to me, and which explain them selves. I can not understand, and can not write, it is on your hand to understand all of the letters addressed to you.

I have long regarded the native administration as utterly unsuitable of help. The best men of the democratic faction of Oregon have sold themselves to the devil, and a majority of them have sold themselves to go Lander during ten years. I have regarded as a great slip, a shallow dom - age, and the very prince of hell. Of the democrats who have not sold themselves to either the devil or So, and unfaithfully remaining for the
highest and best lot. Then there are others who, like myself, are indulging against hope that they may get some of the political offices for you. In the chief magistrate of the state has been the ablest politician, but I tremble for the republic of this country. Yet I fear that the time has come when any man capable of governing wisely and really able to direct the affairs of state will be out of place. The position of the chief executive can be maintained for the chief magistrate.

P.S. I return to you the president of the judiciary, that when I first saw the second person of my state, he had, as far as I know, been the ablest man and greatest in all his judgments and deeds. And it was not long until I personally informed him that he was quit of the place, and that he had consented to act. I am sure that I am right in sending him to you. And yet consider the man if fairly dealt with. I would do so. But I am leaving the rest to your judgment.
J. Z. Trenton
Grummond Lake
Sept. 9, 1858
Backenstop's Case

Contains
two enclosures
from Sarah S.
Backenstop.
July 24, 1858
Sept. 9, 1858
(see 1856 file)
Baltimore
Sept. 10, 1859

Judge Douglas,
City clerk,

The last Hicks, brought to your membranes faithful friends in this City and vicinity, you very able and lucid papers on the "territorial question" or vestiges popular sovereignty in the territories. I have been more by your writings, as near as my heart, and so far as I have been able to get at their judgment in the premises, it is that your views are not only consistent in the principle up above, but are able maintained, but that your position offers the only safe solution to a vexed perplexing question of emotion and induced by the Democratic Party at large. Must effectually put a stop to the agitation of the question of slavery in Congress, this nation remaining and uniting our beloved country. That we are gaining fit
The more daily news can be received, the more the importance of the situation becomes apparent. Your views are rapidly being dispelled. The intelligence is thought you do not hesitate to say that your availability for 1861 is becoming more and more apparent.

The free of your co-operation is making itself felt, but it looks as if I had hopes. The proceedings of the House will show that, at the right time—the last week of the last session—when the demand for the Kagelius paper, "Baltimore's 1st Liberty Dispatch," has made its appeal to the public, I have transmitted it to you. I pray you to see that it is given a place. I have no time to write a letter to you in a clear and pleasant manner. I send you my love and wishes for your health and happiness.

Your truly,

[Signature]
Baltimore, Md.,
Sept. 10th, 1859.
Mr. Payne,
Complements upon your Harper's article.
My Dear Sir,

With this I enclose you a brief reply to Mr. Scott's statement, in regard to the debate of Feb. 23. He is taking exception to regard to the main fact—that the debate was arranged between you and myself, to give you an opportunity of explaining your position. They were pointing no arrangement—nothing akin to it. My object—no bringing on the debate—was, first, to show the Southern people a fact—of the existence of which I had no doubt—to wit—that most, if indeed not all the Northern Democratic Senators agreed with you; and while some of them were quite willing to see the demurring against—me in the North so as they were very reluctant to take upon themselves to assail you before a Northern audience. The truth is, to give you having made an arrangement with me I might appear to declare any opinion from you to my
Hence - I shall begin and do still deplore that other Northern Congressmen for the protection of the South, and out of ill-will espouse themselves with the North on the same platform as I think the same of his once so eloquently long indulged.

The same article in Harper's or "Popular Appeal" was of course attached to an article, I think the same issue of the small of a bad cause.

One point to me made itself evident - if we, on our part, have the least justice in the Union that is, that the best marks of proof of the Government, or we be equal to the same issue as for the protection of any other property. The present interest don't to himself that the law from now on the same discriminates against the property is detrimental to say equally and is virtually saying to say that while we are an effort to beat the birth of government equally with our neighbors for an act of self-equal benefit,

protection under the Government. Much as I hope the South of the two could to take this as my other desired position in the underground I am for Greek now known.

The truth will demand of Congress a platform of principle declaring that it's for the truth, for the truth in the case always and the high duty to the same protection that is given to any other cause. Very other theory of property has a failing to be but - the will enter into the government, the truth will demand of Congress that it shall continue to be the people on their line. We think, thinking of Congress, whose every contract, as it may done to tap us for the subject of truth. We will as an effort on the government, even those all the authority.

We have been faithful to be done to hence, since loyal to the Government, but I am confined to the demand that if it should be the other time then common to equal right, under the Confederacy. I do not say that you are such of that.
as than other Northern Statesmen -- I say to you as I have said to others, that I would as soon trust you as any of them.

Some of you are willing to grant us that full measure of justice which is our due under the Constitution and I hope on shall all be demanded together if an insult to take life.

With sentiments of cordial personal friendship and with the highest regards for the President, in all things save for the principles we all stand for.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

A. H. Brown

John A. Douglas

Albert S. Brown

Sept. 10th 1858
Canton Ohio, Sept 10\textsuperscript{th} 1859.

I. D. Brown.

wants you to
make a speech
for them.

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Canton Ohio, Sept 10, 1859.


Dear Sir:

Having seen it announced, that you have kindly consented to address the Democracy at Wooster on the 16\textsuperscript{th} inst.,.preparing us to urge you on behalf of the Democracy of these parts. If circumstances admit of it, to be with us here on the 17\textsuperscript{th} inst. at least in the afternoon or evening.

As you are doubtless aware, Messrs. Brainey & Dennis, will have a debate on that day before a mass meeting of both parties. We expect a large gathering, & should you be able to be present, & address the people, after this debate is over, we are satisfied the results would be very important.
To the Democracy as well as to yourself personally.

The delegate from the District we hope & expect will be for you; your presence however, on that occasion, we doubt that would make it certain beyond contingency; & moreover an impulse would be given to your friends here; contributing no little to that important result so much desired in 1860.

Permit us, therefore, dear Sir, by an early & favorable answer, to return the satisfaction of announcing to the Democracy that you will be with us on the occasion, & address them publicly.

Meanwhile we are

Very truly yours,

S. Wood
J. D. Brown
La Crosse, Wis.,
10th Sept 1859.
J & Bryant.
Santo Speeches.

La Crosse Nov. 10th Sept 1859

Dear Sir,

Will you send me some of your speeches for distribution in this County.

Jno. [illegible]

J. & J. Bryant

To Hon. Genl. [illegible]
Mansfield this  
Sept 10th 1859.

To Sir:

Invocation to
pick their terms
and address
them.

Mansfield 0  
Sep 10 1859

Hon S. H. Douglas
Chicago

Dr Sir

Nehemiah Hickey

Washburn, that you at the
request of your friend in
this County, for the purposes of
winding you, if profitable to
visit this place and among
the people in that Country
of some times within the next
week. As you more conveniently
to assist the Democracy of
Wisconsin in 1856 I shall travel.
it not suit you engagement

to meet your friends her

on the 15th or about that time?

The Democracy of Ohio especially

of this region of the State, fel

very anxious to hear the

man who has just fought so

for successfully defend

the just principles of Popular

Conservatism against the coming

of secession, North & South.

It is unnecessary for me to say

that the largest gathering

of "the Democrats" ever given

that in Central Ohio will

greet you. The charming &

charming mess want to hear

the Champion of their rights.

I hope you will consent to

come at such time as may

suit your convenience.

Very Respectfully,

R. D. Carter
Hor S. S. Douglas:

Dear Sir:—We of Minnesota want help. The enemy have come in upon us like a flood.” Now, Colfax, Mr. K. Blair and Carl Schurz are here, teaching their Republican heresies. The Republicans are moving heaven and earth to carry the State. There is not a man in the Union could say and desire to counteract their false teachings and theories, and their effect, than yourself.

I know not what action the State central committee have taken with reference to inviting speakers from abroad to “come in and help us,” as I was too ill to attend the last meeting of the committee. I presume, however, they have formally invited you to aid us in the canvass. I hope you can do so. The election in October is an important one to the democracy of Minnesota. It will determine the future prosperity of parties in this State for the next ten years. We must have speakers from abroad to talk to our people, or we are defeated. I hope you will consent to “come up to the help of the Lord against the” corrupt adherents of Digger.

I have taken the liberty to address you, because I was the first editor in Minnesota to take sides with you on Secession—I have been a “true slave man” for years—and have fought man
battles in your defense, both in Kansas, latter and Indiana. Therefore, I feel like taking a liberty which under other circumstances, courtesy would forbid. Leave, then, and help us. And in the doing you will certainly be the going which will be manifest in the our state convention to appoint delegates to Charleston.

Yours,

C. W. Colton.

Hon. S. T. Douglas
Chicago, Ill., 3
C. W. Cotton.
Monroe
Monroe Co.
Minnesota

Sept 10th 1859.

Wants you to
Come and help
Them at their
Electors.
Ohio Law College
Cleveland 10 Sep 1857

How I A. Douglas.

I am engaged in preparing a book of legal maxims. Will you give me permission to select a few from your

maxims that are clear in connection with the

work assigned? Will you please forward me

some of your later writings so that I may more

fully have your permission.

Very respectfully,

[Signature]

WILLIAM P. Edgerton
Prof. Oratory & Eloquence

and
date
Ohio Law College
Cleveland Ohio
Sept 10th 1859
Mr. Edgarson
Professor Rhetoric

is preparing a
book on Rhetoric
Drawing and asks
permission to
use extracts from
your speeches and
also wishes you
to lend him
a copy of speech.
West Union Sept 10th 1857

Hon. S. A. Douglass

Sir,

Permit me to introduce to you the bearer Anderson Hale Publisher of the "Fayette County Review" formerly an independent Republican paper but is coming upon our platform.

Our State Central Com. have appointed Barbecues in each Judicial District in the state the one for this district to be at this place on the 5th Oct. next. And it is the wish of the Democracy that you be present and address the people upon the issues of the day. The com. have not as yet furnished us with any details of the plan of operations nor who are expected to be the speakers. They have left the plan of the canvass in this district to me as member of the State Executive Com. and from the fact that they have not advised the further. I take it for granted they expect me to procure speakers so I hope you will not fail to favor us with your presence on that occasion.

Yours Respt.

W. McLintock
Member State Ex. Com.
W. J. Comman St.
Boston September 16th, 1859

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Sir,

I am one of those unsuccessful
lawyers whom you often hear of
for spending much of their time, labor
for the Cause of the Party and neglect
other pursuits, but now get rewarded.
I have every reason to believe judg-
ing from the spirit manifested at
our [Democratic] Ward meeting that
you will be nominated for President
and ultimately elected. This is Ben,
and I take precedence of the fact
to remind you to put my name on
in your accession to honor. O'Kane
shall be an applicant for some office within
your gift; and none shall labor more
faithfully for your elevation than
your humble Servt., Bernard O'Kane.
Boston No. 13.
Common Street.
Sept 16th 1859.
Bernard O'Kane.

Thank you to
get him an
office if you
are successful
I promise to
write for you
at interim.

WM
Mr. Sumner. Go. Ohio Sept 16th, 1847

How I do compas dear friend,

We hear you have gone, not

Spoke twice in our plot,

Are you not coming by way of

Cleveland. On your return?

We are anxious to meet you

Then from this region, and see

You, and see you in person.

We are circulating your

copied from the "Harpers,"

Is the most conclusive

document on nonintervention

By Congress, that ever has
been presented to the Peop- 

It shows the track of all

earlier, the document will be

preserved for future reference, but I

will not detain you with long stories.

We all will yours of Sarpy
Aiken Summit, Ohio,
Sept 11th 1859.
A. Sawyer.

Would you come to Cleveland
that the people of his region may come
and meet you.
Gainesville, Cooke County
Sep 17th 1859

My dear S. A. Douglas,
Washington City

24th

My dear Judge,

Presuming upon our old acquaintance,
I take this liberty of addressing you,
as I am desirous of having some
business transacted at Washington,
a statement of which I here will
inclose. I wish you to place the
business in proper hands so that I
can have it attended to if it is
only necessary to apply to the
proper department; or that an
agent should be made to pro-
te the claims I am at a
loss myself to determine & desire
that you will assist me as far
as you can consistently in regard
to your business if you should
lend over the business to any
person where some prompt & I shall
person who will attend to it who
shall be remunerated fully.
I removed to Texas in the spring of 1875 on account of my health. I have not as yet formed any acquaintance with the new delegation at Washington. I had formed a slight acquaintance with the latter when I was at Washington in 1872. I was not surprised that the result of the recent gubernatorial election is pure democratic victory and firmly contrary to the character of Texas politics. I feel that they are undoubtedly affected by the radical and anti-slavery idea of emancipating the African slave trade. This idea was voted for by a large majority of the people. Everyone knows that this will be incorporated into the principles of the Democratic party. South, no other issue was made as far as the people were concerned. I hope the people will stand for the same as I have for the Relief Society. I have taken the liberty of writing you.

Stiles J. Carpenter
Greensville Court Co.
Texas.
September 11th, 1859.
Stiles J. Carpenter,
Enclosing transcripts
papers regarding
a mortgage claim which
is to make your
place in Jasper
lands to be attended
to.
New York, Sept. 11, 1839

Dear Dougby,

I am pleased with your Ohio speeches as everybody is here. You have done place your game well; you have made one mustache from this but you must not make any. You will not of you act your own judgment, you will be advised by your friends all over the country.
own judgment. You are better able to judge this than I. Your friends have
sent all over the country, they advise accordingly to their locality.
Allow me to make one suggestion that is for God's sake don't do any thing or
day any thing calculated to weaken you in the North. Since the North is
you are bound to have the South with you in this instance. Young men from all parts.

of the county I have come to the conclusion that you can't be beaten.
Indeed your friends induce you to take some ground that will weaken
you in the North. You have nearly all of the free states for you now
those not for you will lie the feeling of the South is so well lie that no other
man can be elected but yourself. Therefore you must
have the North for you.
Every thing is working
well here in Connecticut
I think of you this
way on your
return it would be
well let me say
again to you act your
own judgment don't
take my advice nor no
one else's word's in accordance
with your own wishes
I have got a first rate thing
in my name and she shall
make a good deal of money out of
it shall lie in Chicago tent at the month
Yours truly
Tho. Kyle
Jacksonville Sept 15th 1859

Dear Sir: Enclosed please find $75 being the amount I borrowed of you last winter while in Washington. You will perhaps recollect it. Please accept of many thanks for your kind favor and believe me truly yours

E. W. Reading

P.S. The Democracy in this region of country is growing rapidly, and will be fully ripe by 1860.
Dear Madam,

At the 23rd of February, I received your letter.

E. H. Hemstock,
31st December 1839.