University of Va. February 3rd 1860

Respected Sir.

Will you be kind as to send me your late speech on the Invasion Question: as if you have any speech on the right of the Federal Government to take the land of a State without its consent. Apparently no such right exist but it has been decided by some whose opinions must respect that under certain circumstances such a power would exist. In bounteining as I do a higher appreciation of your ability your opinion on the above question would be most valued. Indulging the hope that you will give this note a notice some day respectfully

Lincoln
Merrimack,
University of Va.

Feb. 3, 1860.

Speech L.
Wright Corner, Ind. Feb. 3d 1860

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Sir. In this portion of the State of Indiana, you have many zealous friends, some of whom I think are over zealous in their support of you for the Presidency. They denounce old men who have ever been members of the Democratic party, and tell them, that Douglas does not want their support. And many other denunciatory expressions daily fall from the lips of young men, who in 1857 were members of the Know-Nothing party, and are now phylites to the Democratic faith. Do they speak by authority from you? When they tell these Democrats that, "you do not want their support?" If they do, I assure you that hundreds of men in Southwestern Indiana, who have ever voted the Democratic ticket, will in 1860 do otherwise. Should you be the nominee of the Charleston Convention.

A satisfactory answer to the only question asked in this note, will have a great tendency to reconcile the turbulent, political, elements in this vicinity.

Yours truly, C. Johnston

N.B. Public documents will be thankfully received and used to the best advantage to promote the principles of the Democratic party. C. J.

Chadwick Knights Corner Dearborn County Indiana
C. Johnston
Wright's Corners
Round Top Co. Post
Feb 8, 1860

Petition
Wants order
of Seals for distribution.
La Grange, Texas,
Feb'y 3, 1860

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

My dear Sir,

In your letter of Dec. 7th, you were pleased to express a desire that I might again become connected with the political forces of the country. I have an idea of visiting Austin, Texas, in a few weeks, with that view; and if you could find time to give me a few letters to your friends in that State, or in any other way facilitate my object, you would confer a great favor.

The Democratic opposition to you is moderating in this region very perceptibly since your appearance in the Senate, and especially since the disclaimers of Senators Lane, Davis and others, and your late speech on the Harper's Ferry outrage. All parties begin to acknowledge the probability, if not necessity, of your nomination, and there are thousands of the so-called Southern Opposition who never gave a Democratic vote in their lives who
I cordially desire an opportunity to give you their suffrages. You will not be surprised, then, when I express the belief that if you receive the Charleston nomination you will carry even Mississippi by an unprecedented majority. And so of all the Southern States, probably.

With best wishes for your health and happiness, I remain,

Very truly yours,

J. P. B. Pryor,
Sacramento,
California.
I. P. Pryor
La Barre, Pennsylvania
Feb. 3, 1850

I am about to return to Texas
[and] send a letter
of introduction to Judge D's
friends in that state.

And to Austin, Sep.
March 25th.

March 25/60.
Office of The American Telegraph Company
Winchendon, Worcester Co. Feb. 3d. 1860

Hon. S. A. Douglas M. C.

Dear Sir,

I have established a Reading Room in connection with my Telegraph Office and would be greatly obliged should you feel disposed to forward me with any Congressional documents at your disposal during the session; we wish to hear and weigh arguments advanced on both sides and find life for ourselves.

Very truly, yours,

Silas Raymond,
Telegraph Operator.

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Sirs,

Wingendon
Mary
Feb 3, 1860

I have established a reading room. I want speakers.
Hartford, Feb 3, 1860

Mr. S. A. Douglas
Mr. D. B. Bierd

In January, 1858, you were kind enough to send me your name as a subscriber for a copy of a work on our Green Mountain History which I then had in press. The disastrous revolutions in our financial affairs, and the enforced pause after completed a suspension of its publication.

The times being now more prosperous, I have just issued the work, as you will perceive by the enclosed circular.

Should you fail authorized how to aid its circulation by sending a copy to the one I am of the price named, I will guarantee its delivery to your
address in Washington without further cost to you.

Very Respectfully,

Henry Sherman.

P.S.

If you prefer I can send it to me bound in leather, as $3.50.
Henry Shinner
Hartford, Con.
Feb'y 3. 1860.

Wishes Judge 10
to renew his labors
to his books

And I comple[se]
with
Wricksville, Ohio, February 6th, 1860.

Mr. Stephen A. Douglas, Esq.

Excuse the liberty I have presumed to take in addressing you. You have always been a favorite of mine, although not being personally acquainted with you, I have had acquaintance with you from reputation and highly appreciate that acquaintance. I had the honor of seeing you as you passed through this place in the fall of '59 on your way to Columbus. I have read many of your speeches and must say that I have to read the speeches of the little giants. Sir, in addition to the above, I ask a favor of you. I want you to send me your speech that you made a few days ago in the U.S. Senate and oblige if you have any other good ones delivered in the Senate, I will be happy to receive them. With this request, I resign, hoping you will grant my request. I remain yours obediently,

C. F. Simmons

P.S. If you receive the nomination at the Charleston Convention (which I hope you will) I will repay these favors.
[Feb. 3, 1860]

Hon S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir:

Any speeches or political Doc. from you would be greatly needed. There seems to be an increasing demand for them in this section. What our Democratic State Convention, which is soon to meet, will do may as yet be a matter of some uncertainty. It is believed the Federal patronage will be thrown in the scale at our Convention, but in any event with the right inscription on our banner we shall have an abiding faith in the campaign of 1860. When we hope to put to route the worship of the brazen-mounted Idol of sectional fanaticism.

Yours truly,

J. H. Wangen

Sherman, Fairfield Co., Conn.

Feb. 3rd, 1860
J. Hunter
Sherman,
Count.
July 3, 1860
Speeches.
Springfield, Ohio, 
Feb 3, 1861,

Hon. S. A. Douglas
U. S. Senator,

Sir,

Wishing to obtain the "Message and Documents for 1858-9," and knowing your liberality in distributing Public Documents, I have taken the freedom of writing to you for them, hoping you may have some that you could spare me. Trusting you will excuse this intrusion upon your time, I am

Yours Truly,

J. W. Wilkinson
J.W. Wilkinson
Springfield, Ohio
July 3, 1860.

As for Mephit & Co.
J. H. WILKINSON,
Attorney and Counsellor at Law,
SPRINGFIELD, O.

Notary Public and Insurance Agent.

Will practice in all the Courts of Ohio, and in the U. S. District Court. Collections made throughout the United States and Territories. Land titles examined; Estates settled; Deeds, Mortgages, and other writings carefully drawn and Depositions taken. Business before the Departments at Washington city promptly attended to.
Phila. Feb. 28 60

Hon. J. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

I will be greatly indebted to you for a copy of your last speech.

Yours Respectfully,

F.B. Woodruff

531 Market St.

Phila.
W.B. Woodruff,
Philadelphia,
Feb 3rd, 1860.

Speeches.