Paris March 10th, 1860

I beg to ask if there are no more full grown American Gentlemen to be found in the U.S. to fill foreign offices? If not it is time all the American ladies abroad who regard the reputation of their country, should return home, when such a man as Grund is appointed Consul to Harve, the very man who was loudest and most abusive of the Government only a
short time previous to the last election of the Pres. and using language most offensive towards the very party that has now rewarded him with that Office.

A country so forgetful to true merit and self-respect as to send such a man to fill such an Office cannot command the respect of other Countries.

Native American
"Nativ American"
Paris, France
March 10 - 1866

The app. of fair, as cruel to France, a disgrace to the country, & app. too by the men, whom he has bitterly abused.
Honor, Stephen A. Douglas, U.S. Senate

A few days since I wrote you from a copy of your speech in the Senate of the U.S. in answer to one delivered by Mr. Seward in the same body in the State of the County, on the 29th of February, 1860. In compliance with that request you send me a copy of an article delivered by me January 1, 1860, on the subject of your reply to Mr. Seward. It has been in possession of many of them to my neighbors. If you can send me a few copies of your reply to that speech I will be obliged to you. Very truly yours,

D. A. Armstrong

Elmira, Wise Mays
March 10th 1860
For the
Minister from France.
Louisville, Kentucky,
U.S. of America
March 10th 1860.

Academy of Sciences.
Paris, France.

Gentlemen,

A statement has lately made its appearance in the public prints, that M. Babinet of the Paris Observatory has advanced before your honorable body, the following proposition: "That in all rivers left to themselves, it is invariably the right bank which suffers the most friction and the most destruction. He explains this by the direction and force of the earth's rotation." And furthermore, "That his contraducors in the Academy admit that this may be true of rivers running north and south, but they deny the principles of those which run east and west, and the direction of the earth's rotation. M. Babinet contending that even here the friction of the right bank is slightly greater than that of the left."

The above announcement attracted my attention from the fact of its apparent inconsistency with the cause assigned, and its nonconformity with observations made during the last thirty years in the Western and Southern States, over an extent of country equal in superficial area to the Continent of Europe, exclusive of the seas. Now, if M. Babinet had advanced the proposition, that it was the right banks, proceeding in the direction of the earth's rotation, or in other words, the south banks of all streams running east and west, which suffer the most friction. It would have been in conformity with that which is true, with regard to all rivers running east and west on this continent, as far as, at least, as any observations have extended. But I have discovered no lateral
tending westward except from accidental causes, the streams running north and south, although I have long been aware of the lateral tendency to the south, by all streams running east and west as a general law, and have frequently made a practical use of it in indicating a reconnaissance, and in giving directions to the frontiersmen, to journey of weeks for soldiers which I had not previously examined. At first then we were very distant from the river, about the course of the Illinois River, along which I crossed for the state of Illinois in 1836, a railway across Illinois from Lake Michigan to the navigable portion of the Mississippi, a distance of 100 miles or a strait directly in that direction. Throughout the distance, the proximity of the streams to the left or north banks and consequently the feeling of the bordering of the ground on that side of course indicated the location of the action aimed.

From the terminus, the Illinois river takes a direction south to the Mississippi river, the general direction of which is also south to the bay of Mexico, a distance of about 200 miles, but neither of these rivers, on their southerly course, exhibit any decided lateral tendency to the east or west, sometimes the bluffs and bottoms or overflown lands alternate, and again confined lands of great extent are found on both sides, in their eastern and western banks or bluffs, because the bottom lands are almost uniformly on the north and the bluffs on this water, except at the outlet of streams from the bays. The same remarks apply to the tributaries of the Ohio, running north or south into that river, but all the streams flowing east-and west into these lateral tributaries have generally a more decided alternation to the south, and as the Ohio runs itself, flowing

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streams running east or west, or north or south, which
differ in greatest altitudes. If this proposition is
correctly quoted, then the question naturally arises;
how can a general hypothesis founded upon any
known law of nature satisfactorily account for
in Europe, the fact, that all rivers have a lateral tendency to
the west when they run south, and to the east
when they run north, to the south when they
run east, and to the north when they run west?

It would be unaccountable under any of the actual
observations made by military and civil engi-
ners on surfaces of streams flowing through
alluvious valleys, and their declinations of
the same, should practically confirm
the corroboration of the Charlotte proposition.

With great respect,

James M. Bucklin
Civil Engineer.
Mounting 24 March 1860

Mr. Douglass

Dear Sir,

I take the liberty to address a few lines to you by way of asking a favor of you, which I hope you will be willing to grant. I should like one of the last Agricultural Reports, as also a copy of the best Democrat Paper for the coming Campaign, as there is a few in this place that would like to take one & think you would be most likely to send the true one for the above favors will be very much obliged yours truly,

G.P. Burns

Huntington Vermont
Geo. P. Burnham

Wheaton'town, Vermont

March 10, 1860

Asks for Patent Office
Report, Agricultural, &
the next Democratic paper;

Sincerely yours.

[Signature]
"Banner Office"

Cortlandt, 11th March 1856


I received from you sometime since a copy of your "Harper's Magazine" article, as also a copy of your "Beulah to Judge Blake," and named these to a gentleman who has either lost or mislaid them, and I would esteem it a favor if you would forward me a copy of each.

The Democracy of our county are organizing for the approaching Presidential contest, and we are determined not to sleep upon our powers. The Republicans are thoroughly organized, and seem determined to make the fight a hot one, but we shall meet them, and as the firm Democracy of Southern Illinois are not in the habit of being beaten, we confidently expect next fall to be able to send up the glad shout of victory, over the combined forces of all the Congregationalists disposed to us,—Denites, Republicans, Abolitionists, Negroes and all your friends here, (and whose name is again) are all confident and hopeful. You will hear a good report from this quarter soon.

Truly your friend,

E. M. Cummings
C. W. Cummins
Carbondale, Illinois
March 10, 1860

Asks for "Markey" articles
and responds to Judge Black.
Paterson, March 10th, 1830

Hon. Sir,

I take the liberty of requesting of you, hoping that you will not be offended at me for so doing, a copy of the speeches you have delivered in this present session of Congress. And also a copy of the Constitution of the United States as I have never had the pleasure of perusing the Constitution as I would wish to do. As it is necessary for to be posted as it is called here in the coming campaign for the Presidency. Hoping to wishing with all my heart that you will be the nominee at Charleston... as for my part I am
And on humble service perform.

Fell the honor to the person of the Roman.

And now, sir, I beg to know if you have any favor to perform, if you have any favors to perform as to the situation of the Roman.

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Joseph Curran
Paternia, New Jersey
March 10, 1868

Asks for speeches &
a copy of Constitution.
To: Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Washington, D.C.

May 18, 1858

Kind Sir,

Will you please to send me a copy of your speech on "The invasion of the States," and also your rejoinder to Judge Black's reply, and oblige a New Hampshire Douglas man and your

Obed, Servt.

Henry E. Davis
Henry C. Davis
Nashua, New Hampshire
March 10, 1860

Asks for replies to
Judge Black, referred
on "Enrèm of State"
To Captian M. J. March 18th 1854

Dear Sir,

I have the liberty of asking you if you will from the Democratic Club of this Institution with your photograph. If you have one published or printed one, any likeness of yourself will be thankfully received. We take the liberty of addressing you knowing of any other way of obtaining it. Yours Respectfully

M. J. Callman

To: Captain M. J.
N. G. Eastman
Poughkeepsie, New York
March 10, 1860

ask a photograph or likeness of Judge S. for the Dem. Club of that Institution.

Photo sent
Carlisle March 10th, 1860

Sir,

Believe me, it is not from the commonplace of autograph hunting that causes me so earnestly to desire yours, but from the veneration with which a citizen of a free country looks upon her patriotic statements. This urges me again to apply to you, if you will be pleased to grant the favor, you will confer a high honor upon one of your most ardent admirers. I have the honor to be

Most Respectfully,

D. M. Eckman

Carlisle

Hon. S. A. Douglas.

Pa.
D. M. Eekman
Carlisle, Pa.
March 10, 1860

Asks for autograph.
Spring Place 10 March 1860

My dear Sir,

I should have been glad to have had a personal interview with you when I was in Washington the other day, but your Cowan into the Senate Chamber rather late, I saw my worthy friend Mr. Tolbert, and some conversation with him, he expressed of you in the highest spirit, "Say you are a sound Democrat and all is right," My friend has undergone no change as to your political course at what my friend Tolbert said only went to strengthen my political faith, he is worthy and all considered, he is a high born gentleman, quiet, bold, intellectual.

Now my dear Sir, the one thing needed is to give Circulation to your last great Speech in the United States Senate, I got one here I let the boys read it and it never failed to convince. I convinced any man that read it, I lent them out to the whole family, while I was gone from here I was appointed a delegate to the State Convention, your Speech has given you two delegates from this County, and one out,

Yours Truly,

James Edmondson
James Edmundson
Spring Place, Murray Co., Ga.
March 10-1860

Delegate to Pulaskiville Conv.
 urge the sending of Judge
\(\text{E's last appeal throughout}
\) the South.
\(\text{Is for Douglas w.o. His County.}\)
Laconia, March 10th, 1840

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Dear Judge,

I have enclosed to you the proceedings of the Desha county meeting, and though the resolution was defeated, it was by so close a vote, that your friends here regard it as a victory, under the peculiar circumstances of the case, for Desha has been regarded as the leading anti-Douglas county in the state. Every means legal and fair had been employed before hands to defeat the resolutions, as it was said, that I would offer Douglas resolutions, I wish you would please examine the resolutions, and if you have any suggestions to make touching them, or any suggestions in regard to others, please write me at once, to Laconia, as I would like to hear from you, before our state convention which meets on the
3rd of April. The delegates to the state
convention are all away for the most part
already appointed, and from what I learn
there is but little hope of instructing for
Douglas. But I have strong hopes of keeping
them from instructing against him,
and I think a portion of the delegation
can be secured for Douglas. And I think
policy would dictate that course, but if
you think it best, as will make it a
Douglas fight, out and out, I have
just seen by our papers that you resumed
Mr. [illegible] speech. I am most anxious
to it, and hope to get it by next mail.

Your friend

T.B. [illegible]
J. B. Blourney
Lacoonia, Decha Co. Arkansas
March 16th, 1860

Examine resolutions of the Senate Co. meeting rejected by close vote; the day, immediate, if any alteration is necessary, as the State Convention meet, on the 14th. shall a straight out Douglas fight be made at the Convention.

ask for reply to swear.
Dear Sir,

You once showed me the design for an engraving. Some friend had presented you, representing Yourself in attitude, Achilles, with a shield in front on which was inscribed "Popular Sovereignty." So I am about sending a Prospectus for a Campaign Paper I want Said design for my frontispiece provided you are the Nominee. I wish you would send me a copy if it is convenient to you.

Yours as ever,

J. W. Gray
J. W. Gray
Cleveland, Ohio
March 10, 186...

ask for copy of
Design for Engraving of
Judge G. W. Riddle, with
shield in front, upon
which is inscribed "Pop. 
Sovereignty," etc., to head
Campaign paper.