Nashville, Tennessee, April 14, 1860

Bob Douglas you are safe in your party right now. Very hard but you got them. The Nashville African and American is down on you. This makes you strong with the other party. The marshal at this place is against you. You will get a better rate in time.

Than any man ever got. I am a good lawyer. I want to be paid. Andy Johnson want to do. I believe you ask Bob Hadden Jones. I make Andy Johnson want to. I am don't say talking about this. You will find out from them that I have standing above them. People.

My call for President

White

Harrigan. There is no chance for Bell.

Clark

Tuggle

Scott

Alderson

When in Texas I am.
Anonymous
Nashville, Tennessee
April 14, 1860
Political
Port Huron, April 14th, 1860.

Dear Sir,

I have known you long politically, & I have done you some service in time to make your personal acquaintance, but I have not had the pleasure of seeing you since. However, permit me to say how much I am to be able to tender you a double pleasure to be able to tender you a double pleasure to a gentleman of the Convention of the great Republic of the Union. I am for your first and last for the President & I expect little influence. I was once made for you not long since when I was a Delegate from my County (Chihcah) to the State Convention. That met in Baltimore City to lend illugies to abolitionists. I am your friend because I am a political opponent. Were it the last word then, I would write you, when you refused to be for the President, upon the conduct of the President, and to the President I mean. The only free of the Democrats of my section that left his party and defended you, and maintained that you were wrong to that the cause would grow it, and I am pleased to say that a great many were under gone a change, & thank God I have to testify that this County is for you absolutely, to the nomination for the Presidency. I have been induced to write these few lines to express to you my sincere & best wishes for your health, to know the pleasure of knowing your interest is well & politically.
I remain your faithful friend and student.

L. W. Grinn
First Session, Maryland
Abilene, April 14, 1863

Friend - Delegate &
State Convention, Adams
County, for Wm. L.

G. M. McCraine
Ex-Chief of the Court for Charleroi
County, Ill.
Washington, May 14, 1865

Mr. Thomas H. Dody

I am happy to know you have returned from your European tour, and I hope to hear from you again soon. I have heard that you are interested in the development of the West and I believe it is a promising field for future development. If you would like to visit my property in Missouri, I would be happy to show you around.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Washington, May 14, 1865

[Stamp]
Cambridge April 14
1860

My dear Sir,

My name William

Among sights of Boston, go to Washington for a few days recreation.

I take the liberty of introducing him
to you, and shall be greatly
obliged for any attention you
may have in his paper

Honor to return to him during
Mr. 
his visit. Mr. Henry is a gentleman
for whom I have the sincerest
personal regard, and whom
I am sure you will be grateful

To know,

With the kindest regards

To Mrs. Douglas,

I am, my dear Sir,

Ever heartily yours,

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas C. B. Fellows,
Hon. J. A. Douglas

J. Winthrop Chanler.

214 Second Avenue
Fine Bluff Arkansas April 14th 1860

Dear Stephen A. Douglas

Sincerely,

I am a Total Stranger to you, and perhaps you will Command this Letter by an Apology for thus Obtaining upon your Valuable Time. I have no other Motive in addressing you than to express my high admiration for your Family, and in my opinion, National Political Cause in the Senate for the last two years or more. No man in the Nation has been so much obscure as yourself, and that too by that portion of your fellow Citizens for whom you have been Battling. The Charleston Convention nice Noise came off in a Damp, and there is but little Doubt, from present Appearance, the Entire South will oppose your nomination. These are composed of men in this State who Think your Positions are Right, but they are afraid to say so. You will in all Probability be Crushed, the Administration and the South Combined. Never do the Work of Destruction. But if you are crushed you will have the satisfaction of knowing your are Right, and it is better to be Right than President as Mr. Clay once said.
Our State Convention is intended for the best, but some of the delegates are individually in favor of you.

Therefore the honor to be done must

Abel B. Green
Mr. P. Grace Esq.
Pine Bluff, Arkansas
April 14, 1868

The South, for whom Judge D. has so long fought, will crush him at Charleston. The people are in his favor but are afraid to speak. Complimentary Vc.
D. H. Hayfield

Memphis, Tennessee

April 14, 1860

The people in the South are enthusiastically for Judge D. The Tennessee delegation will adopt Judge D as their second choice.

[Signature]

M. J. R. Howse

Hon. S. D. Hayfield

Dear Sir:

I write you from Davenport, Iowa. I have visited some states, and am now on my way to the Convention. From the best information I have been able to obtain, I am of the opinion that you will receive the nomination. The South will not subordinate the holding of the Administration for the next four years, and will not forego a certainty of your election for an uncertainty with any other candidate. They are satisfied that you are the only candidate who can carry the southern states to Davis in an election. I find that the people of the South are entirely in your favor, and if their votes are counted, you will receive the nomination.
The Member of Congress, who are opposed to your nomination, are not an obstacle of the wishes of the State. And I hope they will not attend the canvass, and endeavor to control the action of the Southern Delegate.

The Delegate of the State idea is, if in your favor, at least whoever their vote will nominate you, and I am informed that only one of the Delegates is opposed to you. If I know such a good many of the Delegates from different States and they were stand by you to the death, and knew more than once another a man determined to leave nothing undone to secure your nomination! May success crown the united efforts of you. Devoted friend,

Yours Very Respectfully. S.S.

[Signature]

Tel. 1860
To Stephen A. Douglas.

My dear Sir,

I have not written to you because Clancy has written the same thing, and you can not have any time to waste. But my poor labors have been with you, and my heart has been in them. Things look far better here than
That hoped. But all this Clancy must have told you and will tell you again by and by, and in a few days.

Jarvis now to say that having seen Andrew Forest today, he being a Delegate and thought against it, I have become convinced that he is so sound for you as any man of his party, and containing nature can be. He is above all things an honest man, if the man of a. Savage lyke, who cannot lie: and his vote idea seems to be that announcing his preference in advance might strengthen the Lord Boltis with the Southern vote.

My Kindest regards to Mrs. Douglas, Mrs. Call, and all your amiable
family, Clarence & self start for Charleston next Monday
and will visit you on our
way. For your sake and
still more for the Country's
sake, may a wise judgment
at Charleston select you
as the standard bearer of
our party!

Very truly faithfully

Charles Hallpine
Chas G. Hulme
New York City
April 14, 1860

Political - favorable - Andre
Hermit sound re. M.
He is in M. on Tuesday. Re.
W. Kemmel
Chairman Committee on
Baltimore, Maryland
April 14, 1860

Is not Benton mistaken
in recording (page 744, 1863)
the idea of an intimation
for the Militia Provision
for the late New Mexico
Riots?

Back April 14, 1860
Hon. S. Douglass
Mr. S. Douglass

Dear Sir,

On Thursday afternoon, in the very first
session of Congress, and information from
Washington, a memorandum of a new
charge against old and the Authority for,
which the second appears of the very first
importance — It is this — On page 1444
of Vol. II Benton's thirty years you are recorded
among the ages, or as those motion to apply
the Militia provisions to State and New-
Mexico — But as Benton is often
inaccurate, or inaccurate, or always not
entirely correct, you are recorded
among the ages on what State
is in the same motion — As I have no
other authority than, and deeming the
I have the honor to inform you of the

matter of some importance. I have the

Honor to inform you of it.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

Chairman, [Name], Organizers
Baltimore County
Pittsfield, Mass. April 14, 1860

Hun I. A. Douglas to

 hun sir,

Send a vote
for Mr. Chatillon as an Delegate to
Charleston. I must know when it could be
 certain to reach here. I would thank you
to send it to Mr. Spen or Mr. Logan
or some one of our delegation & ask them
to please deliver it to Mr. Logan or some
from St. Louis. I introduced him to them when in Washington last week
for a day. I and every effort to see you
but it bring this day the Central Committee
met thinking to leave by 3 o'clock to
for NY. I was not successful and

Meeting Alton Wednesday Evening. I took
train up to UP. room at the National
and introduced him so that they might know each other. If you find your friends not hold firm and not flinch I think success is certain without you on the Standard. I fear the Republican vote will fail for next few years. I do believe Trumbull will try to get the Civil War delay admitted. God be with you unless you succeed. With many hearty wishes that you may be in perfect health.

Yours Truly

Robert F. [signature]
Geo W. Laflin
Pittsfield, Mass.
April 14, 1860

Encloses letter for delegate
Chas. H. N. to be for-
warded -- if he is at his
trash.

Friendly etc.
With Salutations Spring Park
April 14th 1860

Hon S. A. Langholt

Dear Sir as one of your old and more admiring I take the liberty of again asking you to favor Campaign. St and especially those between you & Lincoln in the St. Campaign. You have many friends now in Georgia, the I hope @ Penna. and only hear about the facts I do not claim her by my name but you will find me in the event of your nomination which is certain for you to have support and like flowing properly and are all apprised, my Flag is ready the moment the nomination is announced. The motto is Democracy all over

Respectfully
Y. A. McCann
S. K. McCann
White Sulphur Springs, Va.
April 14, 1860

ask, for debate with
Lincoln in Illinois
campaign. I. will
be carried forJudge D.
if nominated.
Missouri's choice is Douglas. From all parts of the State we hear that the people are for him. A majority of the delegates lately appointed at Jefferson City, as stated yesterday, prefer him to any other man, and will not be slow in showing this preference. And in the event of his nomination, he will sweep the State like a tornado.

The Democratic party may triumph in the coming contest with any candidate who may be brought forward as their standard-bearer; but with Douglas victory is inevitable. His nomination at Charleston would be hailed with the loudest acclaim in every part of the country, and the shout would never be suffered to die away from the prairies, and hills, and cities, until his election, already a matter of no dispute, were recorded as an event of history.

This is no idle talk. Nothing could be more manifest to an observer of what is going on throughout the Union, than the fact that the selection of Douglas as a candidate for the Presidency by the National Democratic Convention, would cast utter dismay upon the ranks of the combined opposition. Their leaders, if they do not acknowledge this in a public way, confess it unmistakably in their secret movements and machinations. In the defeat of Douglas at Charleston lies their prospect of taking the government from the Democratic party—a prospect without that dim enough.

Delegates to the Charleston Convention

The following is a correct list of the Delegates and their Alternates, appointed by the Democratic State Convention, to attend the Democratic Convention, to be held on the 23d, at Charleston:

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We had the pleasure yesterday of a call from Mr. Haldeman, of Kansas, who is now on his way to Charleston in company with some of the delegates elected from Kansas to the Charleston Convention. Mr. Haldeman will be recollected as the Democratic candidate for Congress, who by his merits and popularity ran considerably ahead of his ticket.
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CHAINS.

We would call the attention of miners, lumbermen, builders, steamboatmen, and others using the above articles, to our home made chains.

CHAINS.
Mr. McLouth
St. Louis, Missouri
April 14, 1860

Enclosing articles in regard to Judge D's popularity in Missouri.

Saint Louis, Mo.
April 14th, 1860.

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Washington City

Dear Sir,

I beg leave to send to you the enclosed.

Very Respectfully,

Mr. McLouth
April 14, 1863

To Mr. Stephen A. Douglas

Please send me your speech delivered in the U.S. Senate in reply to Senator Seward, of New York, on the 29 of Feb.

And also, Senator Cheatham of South Carolina, delivered in the resolution of Senator Davis of Mississippi, on this communication and you will confer a favor on a young Douglas Democrat.

To Lord Chatham, Thos. McKeirnan
April 14, 1860

Mr. S. R. Douglas,
Dear Sir,

I was somewhat surprised at an article that appeared in the Chicago Times of the 13th of last month, stating that you are in favor of the right to hold slaves in Kansas or any territory, regardless of law. Many good Democrats have left our ranks and gone over to the enemy, and now I ask you to declare your opinion on the matter whether you believe that if this is the fact I will many shall have to stay away from the polls in November, many will go to the Southern wings of the Democracy, carry the day in Charleston, believing as many of us that our gallant leader of the Kansas Nebraska Act is entitled to a seat in the White House. Holding as we do free territory for white men and free soil make it free. But if any more such resolutions appear in our faithful organ as the one referred to above, I am sure alarmed that many and best men in old Vermilion will leave us to carry the banners of democracy alone.
The Black Republican acts are at war here. We can't get none of our African friends to come to us. We have some who can defend our cause. If they will join up, we can make up our cause.

But they have been acting. Their overseer at the slave train went out there to change the man's name. The Negroes in all of Pennsylvania, that I have written to Mr. Millard Fillmore, are working to prohibit slavery and to get out of the United States. I have written to him from counties right to the land of the free state, that Congress cannot do what they want. I have written that they cannot make such legislation as more than they ever did before. Following the law, as I do, I have no more opportunities to know. Being one of my children, he was taken by the teachers of the republican party. Without term, the law was applied to the workings of the counties.

Free state! About a local law to prohibit slavery in the territory can have the argument as law made by the commonwealth. Congress can make it.

A congress cannot be over done. The time why not again talk you for an answer. With your letter you are not voted for. Many, many years and you are not the man I supposed you to be. If you wanted to share that compromise to Pacific Ocean you have never done it yet. In other words, I can't go up to you any longer. But I am working as I have at the time when I sent you the gallant serenade of the 1st of May, and you send a private answer. If you send a private answer of the things stated in the letter.Dear, a private reason. I request you not to keep my letter as private matter.

A. C. Missouri

Post Office, Frankfort on the yPos.

Being aware that signatures of my name have sent to good sense documents by all good Republicans. I tell my name Missouri and the Missouri. You can see you will satisfy in your mind of no exception.

A. C. Missouri
Please send me some Speaker and No Committee report on the John Brown case also the printing Committee report.

C. H. Bair, Esq.

Wash. D.C. Resident, 8th
Pittsburgh, April 4th 1840

[Handwritten address to a person named Stephen A. Douglas, possibly a recipient or a fellow participant of the meeting.]

I have been instructed by that personable gentleman to address you to ask you the privilege for the use of your home. By complying with this request, you would confer a great favor upon the Society and also to your numerous friends.

Yours obediently,

[Signatures of the Society members, including John King, Samuel R. Moore, and Samuel C. Blackman, among others.]
To the officers continued.

Gen. J. Livensperger, Treasurer.

J. D. Lucas, Clerk.

Hon. J. D. H. Moton, Attorney.

J. P. Moyle, Postmaster.

Stephen, Clerk.

J. P. Land, Clerk.

Peter, Clerk.

T. L. Murray, Clerk.

J. B. Langdon, Clerk.

J. P.

You will please communicate to the Governor, &c., the importance of the matter, in the shape of a memorial to your excellency, from the citizens of the town of Peter, &c.
I. D. Murray Esq
Consp. Secretary
Pittsburgh, Pa.
April 14th, 1860

asking permission to name their Literary Society after A. Douglas.
A. J. Palmer, actg. P.M.
Keville, Jackson Co., Mich.
April 14, 1860

Asks for campaign speeches etc.
[Speech of May 15, 1860 read]

Mr. S. A. Douglas

SIR:

You will do a fellow Democrat a great favor by sending to my address as many pub &c. speeches & reports of committee that will of services in the coming campaign as you can consistently with your other duties. The N. Y. Tribune is better authority than the Bible among a class of people here. No report in a Democratic paper is good for anything as evidence and as I am in a place where I have to say something a little evidence that they cannot get.
around will do me a good deal of good

Respect Yours,

A.F. Palmer
Acting R.M.

Frederick M
Saint Nicholas House, NY
April 14th, 1860.

Dear Judge,

Grasse Port Washington a few days ago

Since 8 o'clock I have walked to see you, but for a despatch which made it necessary that I should go on. I write now to say that I have lately become connected with my Father-in-law, Mr. John C. Washington of N.C. My brother M. T. tv. Pghan of this city is an enterprise of great magnitude which makes it necessary we should have certain facilities extended to us by the various rail-road lines. And the most important in the chain is the Great Central Rail-2 of M. Mr. Corning, who presides at whose course will have great weight and influence with the other roads. I have felt that it was very desirable that we should be properly introduced to Mr. Corning, and that he should understand that he has gentlemen is person

Who are reliable in every respect. Knowing that you will take pleasure in promoting our views,

I would suggest that you see Mr. Corning who is now in Washington and write to Charleston with him to let them know that we are. This is all the work we have no doubt that the merit of our enterprise will commend itself favourably. If you desire it you may been
Of the high character I distinguish having gratified of Col Washington who is a perfect character 720, from 1203 to 2304, Dr. Long, S.C., from N.C. My brother is known by Rudder Mason, Nooter & Mottley by the whole of the House of the Representatives in the House of Congress.

I am very glad you wrote, and I request a letter of introduction to some of the most conspicuous of my political friends here.

I am most grateful to you.

With the more I see, the more I am satisfied. I come now here and have been at Charleston on the 28th of Oct last.

With kind regards to Mr. Douglas & Col. Mr. Collett, same as your friend

Mr. L. Beall

Mrs. S. P. Beall

Washington
Mr. L. Preston Esq.
St. Nicholas Hotel, N.Y.
april 14, 1860

asking Judge S. to
tell E. Loring who Mr. P
is &c., and also send
news of introduction to
prominent political friends
in New York. &c.
Jefferson Co. Mo
Nov. 24th, 1850
A. Douglas
My Dear Sir

In my last I predicted that if our Convention did not meet the delegates to Charleston "you would get a fair proportion of the delegates from Mo."

The struggle is on.
No instruction was given yet great efforts were made we succeeded in getting 10 out of 18 delegates for you. As far as I can be helped upon, Judge Boulton, who you know was here at work against your plan.
passed as in his absence was brought to hear of personal view, to have the moral consolation to know that all of the Benton Wing of Democracy in the Convention was for you, and a shout up for you manfully adown one who have been a resident of Mo and at the Captive for 28 years an so profess to sincere feeling of the belonging of this nation that he said that if not 3/4 of the Democracy are for your final choice with an earnest desire that you may receive the nomination

Which in my opinion is a certain guarantee that you will if you like be President of the United States

remain

your friend

Thos D. Price
Thomas L. Price
Jefferson City, Missouri
April 14, 1860

In regard to the Convention, and the delegate to Charleston.
April 14th, 1865

Mr. J. A. Douglas

My Dear Sir,

I am again to visit West Point in June next in company with my son, and it occurs to me as a just appreciation in some degree of my effort in recommending you to the Secretary of War to the United States. I have just written to the Secretary of War.

I do not know the nature of your relations with the Army, but if they are not unpleasant, I should be glad by you if you would communicate to him for that appointment in care. In short, he is just to tell one from Illinois.

We are beginning to look hopefully towards the results of the election, and in expectation that the wisdom of the democratic may come to lie in consequence. Then, twice as you and the democracy of the State West, and...

Farewell,

[Signature]

Mrs. W. Richardson
Geo. H. Richmond  
Near Rushville, Shelby Co.  
Illinois - April 14, 1860  

Wishes to be appointed one of the Visitors to the Mount P. Academy next Spring, and asks the Judge's aid to accede with his object.
Gaines Station, Genesee Co, Michigan, April 14th, 1840

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

We are in Mich

A republican cursed community that we had a seat in the present Congress for one member but the Black Republicans have stolen that seat; for that reason it is very necessary to look to other States for public documents. I will send you a list of names of sound reliable Democrats in this Village. If any Democratic documents we may receive through your influence will be thankfully read.

Edward East
Mr. B. Young
Stephen Brown
P. Bonnell
I. A. Pethicane

Yours Respectfully,

G.B. Runyan, P.M.
G. B. Runyan, B.M.

James station, June 20th,

Michigan

April 14, 1860

Kindly name of Democrats (within) to whom documents should be sent.

[Signature]
Mary, April 17, 1860

Mr. A. Douglas

Wishing you

and your wife the best of luck from New York. I shall not be able to come to Washington. I have no confident that New York will be just right there; I have been much talk about Com.  [Ambiguous text]

[Further text is difficult to decipher due to handwriting quality]
Dear [Name],

When the ground is wholesome enough for plowing, I'll have more of the west and north west. We'll have more set up on the tenth of May. There's no reason to be worried long as you agree with me that we'll be all right. You won't find me far from the Lord. Clear Head lives close to me. I can help you by the help of my knowledge. 

Yours truly,

[Signature]
New York, Saturday April 14, 1860

Dear Judge.

The book is finished. That is it is in type, I will re-issued in a few days. It is not what I expected it, yet nevertheless, I have put into the limited space at my hand service, as much as was possible. The Chapters on the Campaigns of 1858 are not what I originally wrote, nor are they what they ought to be; I had four Chapters on that subject, covering 300 pages. You will only reading them that they have been condensed of many important things omitted. Had there been no possibility of your election nomination I must have written the naked truth in all its deformities, but during the campaign I omitted everything calculated to provoke controversy, and substitute the writer's Filib that Deception has been forgotten. I will take my original matter home, and during the summer write a complete history of deception in and Illinois politics; I intend to set it up as the "Lombardia"
The administration, facing the Rück in his last hours to prepare for his final return to the states, found he departs for another life. I will issue this book, if you are nominated just after your election, and show the Charleston Convention play the foul in nominating some one to be beaten, I may issue it in July. I was so exasperated at the end that I had to put in your speech an affirmation of states, I therefore volunteered and defended without comment. I could not get any of your replies to talk in or the letter to sign in. They will all be in the next book.

After my experience in this, I think I could write a good telling both of the celebration. You will see in the preface that I have acquired you of all responsibility for the contents.

Please hire a messenger for me. If you to remember the matter I mentioned about a new partner. The Times is now paying pretty well, but we need have had a later of capital. We have gone on an credit. I have borrowed money to pay some losses, and am now paying one my handsomely, but have no capital to pay off our debt. What I want is this partner who can put in the $10,000 so he can have a half clear of all debts. I am in a paying concern, I who will attend to the business; or a partner who will put that amount in for political ends. I purpose I let me employ a business man. I will want to act. He is of no use in the concern, except that his name gives us credit, and is perhaps one of the best men because that I have had dealings with. If you can hunt up such a man for me, please write to me. We do not want Echites or want some of a man of substance.

Wishing preferring all success at Charleston

I am yours truly,

J. W. Shenan

P.S. Be kind enough to say to Mr. Catts that I am extremely obliged to him for his courtesy.

To structure a letter doubtly which I thought him so much.

J.W.
S. W. Sheahan

New York, April 24, 1860

In regard to publication of the life of Judge S. We're going to publish a history of the Decompton fraud.

Makes a partner with a capital of 20,000. etc. to pay off old debt of the Paper, etc.
To S. A. Douglass

Dear Sir,

I know you will excuse me for a short and, in manner, an oracular note. A long letter giving reasons might receive attention, but a short one will recommend itself at least by its brevity. — Impress upon all your friends at Charleston the imperative necessity of being firm, quiet, and conciliatory; a kind of masterly inactivity or at least impassive firmness. I am just on my way from one end of my circuit to another. I have had an interview with one of the delegates hence to Charleston and while he concurs in Hunter, as my first choice you will be the second. You can see the necessity of impassive and conciliatory firmness until the near Shall rise.

Yours, etc.,

Thos. G. Thompson.
Geo. M. Thompson
Fairmont, Virginia
April 14, 1860

Arriving at Edgcomb's
friends at Charleston
should be firm and
impartial.
Youngstown, April 14th, 1860

Mr. Stephen A. Douglas,

Dear Sir,

You much excuse me for troubling your honor, it is for my Pension. With the government has been so kind in giving me, it was in 1849, and this pension was for life. But in 1857, there have altered the law, and I, two doctors, to look again and see if I would not be able to do work. So there make my pension from 96, 00. to 70 some Dollars. You honor no very well that a man can live huckle on 96 in a year, two Dollars in week not quiet, and at present 70, you will then unther than my pension, stands. I am always unther doctors hand, for one year, I have not make one cent and a small family and house Rent to pay. I am an old Soldier 3 times in the Service of my adopted Country and always a Democrat, and you my inquiry to Col. Samuel Black or Col. J. W. Geary, or any of my officers in the 1st or 2nd Regiment of Pa. Voltigeurs; if I did not the service what little Pension I got. Now I can get all, I have to go to the poor house, or Starve. I am telling you the truth as a honorable Soldier. Because I know that our government sent me how a poor servant with a pension of 70 Dollars he to get true. I have sent a few lines to honorable Bugler, but no answer I received, and my friends here told me not to give you the matter in hand, so I took the liberty. Please give me my 8. 96 Dollars Back again. I am your honor your obedient servant,

T. Van. Swartwout

Youngstown, Westmoreland County, Pa.
Y. Van Swartborn
Youngtown, Westmoreland Co.
Penn. April 14, 1860

an old soldier; read at one time 96% parannyum; this has been reduced to 70% not enough; wishes to get back the 96% work aid. Physician could not answer his letter.
Providence, April 14, 1860.

Dear Sir:

I have not found time to write to you since our election. The result realized my anticipations; and I may add that in this quarter it has very much strengthened the demand for your nomination. With you for our candidate, andeward on the other side, we can give quite as good an account of ourselves in November. With any body else we shall find it very hard work, and the Chances will be against us.

We have had some difficulty with our Charleston delegation. Several delegates found it impossible to leave home, and there has been some figuring to get in friends of the administration, but I think the guns are spiked. They will not probably be more than one of the Administration that is in the list, and he was elected by the Convention. Hon. Charles S. Francis is one of the substitutes; I think he is in Washington. You had better see him.

I am looking for your hooks to go up in a few days, and have more
faith in your nomination than I had three weeks ago. It cannot
be that the party is wholly demoralized.

Yours truly

Elihu Root.
Clement Webster
Providence, Rhode Island
April 14, 1860

In regard to Rhode Island election, if the delegates to Charleston
Sir Frayne will vote for Douglas, but for no other Democrat.

[Signature]
Hendrick B. Wright
Millburn, Pa.
April 14, 1860

In regard to platform at Charleston, S.C.

Wilkes Barre, Pa. April 14, 1860

My dear sir,

There cannot now be any reasonable doubt of your nomination, particularly of the choice from Missouri and Arkansas. In view of this I write you next to call your attention to the question of a platform. This must be well considered before your budget is committed to your party, who will have your care, particularly in change, at Charleston.

As far as regards myself, I do not care much about platform they find you are sound, they will not sit up, that I care in some as an abstraction. It does not matter a fig what they say.
About Congregational Independents as to the Senate, to say on your election is concerned. Your nomination is equivalent to an election if the majority of the House that Cohen is innumerable and the Congress.

My view is that runs would be to decide the Cincinnati platform, and from Head Scott or a code to the National party as such. I think this is all your Southern friends would demand and they testify the South needs had moved be of course to the Souths from purely by personal contact with me when in Washington a few months since.

But the South must not be in the North, in Charleston, or to a line of loyalty and in that...

Dear Mr. Wright,

Your truly,

[Signature]

H. S. A. Douglass

Ms. Lincoln

Washington

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