Napoleon, Arkansas
June 3, 1860.

Dear S. A. Douglass - Secretary,

In my last, I told you not to expect to congratulate you upon your nomination to the presidential ticket. I should write to you again, but circumstances seem to have decided otherwise. However, I am delighted that your nomination is a final fact. The Bollinwood Convention will undoubtedly nominate you on the first, second, or third ballot.

My own State has done nothing in the way of instructing her delegates. He will send The
lame delegates back and after the close, the proceedings of our late convention. This is the history of the delegates and their proceedings, mingled with the people, to one of the fighting politicians to annihilate you, and forever anathematize you from the Democratic Party. Demolishing the old workmen. Gen. Scott, fusing the heads of the people. Scott solidifies not over the present delegates, who cost their votes for you, upon the first vote. This will be, however, when all earthly changes occur. Hunter's name, Porter's, are lost. We prefer the brave and sincere of the society, are at least for you, notwithstanding tending their misguiding leaders.

For my own part, those foolish alms for you have done people, finish men. That said

but very little latter part. My faith and confidence has never been weakened by all the combined efforts of fighting politicians to annihilate you, and forever anathematize you from the Democratic Party. Demolishing the old workmen. Gen. Scott, fusing the heads of the people. Scott solidifies not over the present delegates, who cost their votes for you, upon the first vote. This will be, however, when all earthly changes occur. Hunter's name, Porter's, are lost. We prefer the brave and sincere of the society, are at least for you, notwithstanding tending their misguiding leaders.

In defense of the doctrines of President Lincoln, Gen. Scott, fusing the heads of the people, finish men, against you. Secretly and secretly that you may defend. Stow his secret, oiling effect. Federal office. Letters are continuous, here, against you. Scott

S. H. Moore
D. H. C. Moore
Napoleon, Arkansas
June 3d 1860

Political V. C. V.
The people of Arkansas
for Judge D.
Chicago
June 2nd 1860

Mr. J. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

I know you are receiving with letters from your friends, but I am willing to believe that you will take time to read from as humble an individual as myself. Present the greatest care entailed upon man. Kept me from going to Charleston and I fear will prevent me from being at Baltimore but let me assure you that my true wish from the bottom of my heart is that you will be nominated at Baltimore if you are. I know you will be the next President of the United States and I know
will be the President of the whole People of all the States. You are the only man now of any prominence. When the Convention has done its work I am sure that my friend that can consistently say the regiment was correct. To me it is a Dead Cert that Cook is the man now that Cook is a Dead Cert in the Pres. He has no friends here and as soon as he can arrange his affairs he will leave this country for good and gone. But there is one thing I want you to mark for all time. Come amongst them are this. Woyne a man in my humble opinion is altogether the mearest of the Whole Democratic Party. Cook is excepted he is accountable for his acts. Because he has some and ought to be a man of Truth and sincerity but let me say to you that although
to take a part in our Democratic ticket last spring and pretended to wish for our success. He is in pretty6 enmity to-day and would go farther to-day than any man living in Chicago to defeat your nomination and to defeat the wishes of your friends and I ask of you to remember him from this day forward. Mark him for a Ripper and a scoundrel. There and believe the Democratic party will have some enough at Baltimore to give you the nomination. Lincoln’s nomination is looked upon as a fraud upon the Republican party and a burlesk upon the sense of the American people. Mr. Lincoln sends his best love to you. Dear wife and best wishes for your success. We know you have the affect of the people. Yours truly

David Rutherford
David Runnin
Chicago, Illinois
June 3, 1860

Political -- re.
Cook & Wayne. The
former will soon cease
for some other country.
BlueBall Ohio June 3, 1860

Seth Stevens A. Douglas

Please forward me one dozen copies of your late speech on Popular Sovereignty in reply to Mr. Davis. I will take pains to distribute them as far as they will go and it will be doing a great deal towards securing your election in Ohio.

Yours Respectfully

Address Chas. St. Woodward

BlueBall Butler Co. Ohio
Charles C. Boudward
Belle Isle, Bull Run, Va.
June 27, 1862

The dogon expires of whip
in charity.
Kingswood June 11th 1860

Mr. S. A. Douglas

Please send me a copy of your
set speech in reply to Davis and Benjamin and oblige
the same.

C. M. Brown
Kingswood Prince

County Virginia
C. M. Brown
Kingwood, Preston Co.,
virginia
June 14, 1860

Copies of replies to Davis & Benjamin.
Lancaster, 19 June 4, 1860

Dear S. T. Taylor,

I have been reading your Speech published in our late paper but can't get them until now are not taken the paper and so I take the opportunity of getting a copy of your Speech. I think they have had a good effect in our county at it if I had a line in Pamphlet's for the Union Plan the idea is if you hear it, obey your best wishes,

E. Brown
E. Brown
Lancaster, Kentucky
June 4, 1860

Copies of reply today's for distribution.
Battle Creek June 4, 1860
Hom Nuhbar C. Douglas
Dear Sir:

Please send me one or more copies of your last great speech on intervention; for there is not a copy to be had in the city. I had two copies in the Daily Globe, but they have been handed around and read and reread until worn out.

In hopes you will send the copies, that they will further the cause of democracy.

I respectfully sign myself your sincere admirer,

Geo. W. Bullis
Battle Creek
Mich.
Geo. W. Bullis
Battle Creek, Michigan
June 4, 1860

A few copies of reply to Davis.
June 4th A. D. 1869

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Dear Sir,

You will notice on the receipt of this that I am in the office with a lot of Republicans and having nothing but Republican papers to read I of course do not get a very correct account of the Democratic proceedings in Congress. I therefore write in order to have you send me some three or four copies of your last speech which you made in Congress as there are several here wanting them and requested me to write.

Yours Respectfully, W. H. Carr

I mean the speech you made along about the middle of May.
Robr. M. Carr
Salina, Henry Co. Ill.
June 4, 1866
One or four wifes
of reply to Davis.
New York, June 4, 1866.

Hon. S. A. Davenport.

Dear Sir:

I take the liberty to forward you a copy of your able speech delivered in the Senate. I think it ought to be read by every one of your friends. I have no doubt it will also be read by many who have not heard it; and I think it well worth while to have them see it.

With great respect,

Hon. S. A. Davenport.

[Signature]
To Mr. D. Chase
New York City
June 4, 1860

Copy of reply to Davis, and copies of two other speeches delivered by Judge D. during the last present session.
June 4, 1860.

Sir: Permit me, the stranger, to request that you will send me a copy of your speech upon the “Davis Resolutions.”

Very respectfully,

Hon. S. A. Douglas.

Halifax, C. H.
Y. J. Coleman Jr.
Halifax, P. N. Virginia
June 4, 1860

Copy of reply to Davis.
Flintville Iowa
June 4th 1860

Hon S. A. Douglas
My Dear Sir,

I have just received a reading from a able public document in the Senate on the 16th of May in behalf to Senator Davis. As my ability in the Chicago Times would you be so kind as to please me with a few words for distribution among my Democratic friends.

I have the honor to be yours

With Respect

Benjamin Franklin
Benton Collection
Fairfield, Iowa
June 4, 1866
Copies of reply to Harris.
Mount Olivet Alex. Co. Va.
June 4th 1860

Mr. Stephen A. Douglas

Sir,

Will you be kind enough to send me a few copies of your late speech for circulation. I would be glad if you could also supply me with any other good Democratic speeches. By so doing you will oblige one of your many friends.

Thos. B. Dawson

Alexandria Co.
Virginia.
Nrs. B. Dawson
M. Olinet, Alexandria Co. Va
June 4, 1860

 Copies of late speech for distribution, & other speeches.
House of Representatives
Monday June 4

Mr. Taylor,

What can we do about that Resolution in the Senate? I do not understand it. I am without much probability of coming to the Senate or any other place. I do not wish to have any one else call up this Motion to reconsider it in your absence. Will you be able to be in the Senate again?

Yours truly,

[Signature]

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Hon.

J. T. Hamsworth
N. of Reps.
June 4th, 1860

In regard to a motion to reconsider a resolution in the Senate.

Hon. S. C. Douglas
New York June 4th 1860.

Hon Stephen A. Douglas,

Dear Sir,

Will you do me the honor to forward to me on receipt, a copy of your late speech delivered in the Senate last month, together with a few others delivered by you at any time prior to your last. If you should comply with the above, you will confer a favor upon your warm political friend, and.

Obt, Serv.

P. Gallagher,
Sergeant At-Arms,
Board of Aldermen.

To Hon. Stephen A. Douglas.
P. Gallagher,
Sergeant at Arms
Board of Aldermen
New York City
June 4th 1860

Copy of reply to Davis.
Milligan, Nov. 4th.

Dear Sir,

At our informal meeting of our friends this morning I submitted and we discussed the programme named in my letter of October 21st. I found too much opposition to the policy and as many who were thinking it expedient still hampers the proceedings. While I appreciated the sentiments which apprised my friends pledged, that I could not enter that point indeed without the operation of some who do. I clung to sustain me I felt that it would be a hazardous movement and did not propose my proposition to a vote. I allowed myself to be persuaded on to go into the convention and thus continue.
This is but one Convention and I am enrolled on the list of its members.

Your respectful,

James Gardner

H. M. S. A. Douglas.

The proceedings, and aids in bringing out our friends in a battle, if a platform war could be maintained which was at National enemies could not continue. I still think any plan was the best. An effect, and the conduct of men to despise all of a pretense to decide peace. These will put an end to such pretenses which at the known time they will put an end to such platforms upon, and send a delegation to Richmond with Richmond, immortal to yourself and to Washington.

The telegraph will probably inform you fully of what has been done. This would involve you. I cannot write to explain why it is
Pierceville June 4th 60

Sir. As you are my first choice for the Presidency I venture to request you to send me your speeches delivered in the Senate in reply to Mr. Davis of Miss.

I could distribute several copies if I had them among your friends in the section.

You're A. Douglas
War. City.

Your Obd't Servant

Mr. Goode
Pierceville Bedord Co
Va.
John Goode P.M.
Pineville, Bedford Co.
Virginia, June 4, 1860

Copies of reply to Davis.
Judge Douglass

My conviction that you are the most deserving of the Democratic Candidate for President and the one who can command the largest vote in New Jersey — Senator Thompson to the Southern fastidious — must be my apology for addressing you.

Not having been present at our State Convention, I rely on the Opinion of others, and pro and contra, I have it from the mouths of some members of the Convention that if the battle had been opened and fought — Douglas and Anti-Douglas, there would have been a more favorable result for you.

For waiving your action, you cannot effect much change in the feelings of the delegates from the 5th Congressional District, Williamson Van Averdale, and Wright, the first
You are personally acquainted with many of our citizens and no doubt have been apprised of those upon whom you can rely. I will here only mention a single name. Your fortunate located in Montrose, Col. Morris R. Hamilton of Camden, as one of your friends.

Send a large outside delegation to Baltimore, urging the song "Doughlass Can't Come Again" and you will do more to secure the vote of our delegation than in any other way.

[Signature]

Newark
New Jersey
June 4, 1860
June 4, 1860

G.B. Halsted

Newark

St. J.

Politics

[Handwritten text not clearly transcribed]
Bellevue, June 10th, 1860

Hon. S. A. Douglas

Will you have the kindness to send me 2 or 3 copies of Speeches in Reply to Mr. Seward's Resolutions of the 12th of March, last, and also your resolution. I wish also to see Mr. B's remarks on the same.

If you should have at your disposal any public documents I should be pleased to peruse them.

Yours with respect in this great conflict,

Yazette B. Franklin
Fayette B. Hamlin
Belvidere, Boone Co. Ill.
June 4, 1860

asks for 2 or 3 copies
of reply to Davis, &
documents etc. published
by Congress.
Germantown, Ohio
June 4th 1869

My dear,
I should like a copy of your speech in the U. S. S. May 15th 1869.

Yours,

A. J. Hodder
Germantown, Ohio
A. S. Hoddin
Germantown, Ohio
June 4, 1860

Copy of reply to Davis.
Chicago, June 4th, 1860

Dear Sir,

Will you please send me a couple copies of your late speech in the N. Y. Senate. I am doing you the very much best.

Very Respectfully,

Charles C. R. Holden

Hon. A. A. Douglas
U. S. Senate
Washington D.C.
Charles, O.P. Alden
Chicago, Illinois
June 4, 1860

Two copies of reply to Paris.
Danville, Ill., Dec. 4, 1860

SIR:

My respects to Genl. B. J. St. John. Is it the Bang's Globe that has Lincoln's vote for reply to the soldiers in Mexico and oblige your freed men are looking with confidence of your nomination of Ball, more and if so we will be happy. If now other man is nominated it is you for Lincoln send to Danville I go to the State bar out.
on the 10th we are all hopeful if you get the nomination but if otherwise we do not know what to do. The fact is we are better respectfully yours N. Slaight
S. Houston,
Danville, Illinois
June 14, 1860

asks for a copy of the Congregational Globe, containing Lincoln's vote against supplies for the soldiers in Mexico.

Illinois Gen.
Dartmouth College
Hanover No. June 4, 1866.

To Hon. S. A. Douglas—

Dear Sir— I am very anxious to obtain your two last speeches, delivered in the Senate, I hope, of course, seen them in the papers of the day, but wish to preserve them in a bound volume for future reference. May I have the boldness to ask you to send the above named or any others that are exponents of the Democratic doctrines, to my address?

Very Respectfully,

Edmund J. Hoyt
Edmund S. Hoyt
Dartmouth College
Hanover, New Hampshire
June 4, 1860

Asks for the two last speakers in the Senate of
Judge D.
Washington June 6th 1860

Hon. J. S. Denny

Dr. sir,

At the request of the Hon. C. C. Ross I write to ask that you will send to Mr. R—— a few copies of your last speech.

I am respectfully,

W. R. TLeigh
D. M. L.

Petersburg, Virginia

June 4, 1860

Asks that three or four copies of reply to Davis, maybe sent to

Hon. T. E. Rivers.
Somerville, Tenn., June 30

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Dear Sir:

You will confer a great favor by sending to any address as undesignated a copy of your great speech delivered in the Senate the 16th inst.

Very Respectfully,

Jno. L. Nebbey

Somerville,
Tenn.
Mr. J. Melane

Tennessee

June 4, 1860

Copy of reply to Davis.
Feb. 4th, 1860

Mr. Stephen A. Douglas

Washington City

Dear Sir,

Allow me to congratulate one upon noble
speech in the Senate in reply to the late Mr. Jefferson Davis.
It is not only the best speech of your life, but the
most enduring of all the speeches in the Senate of the Union. It is
a most triumphant vindication of your own consistency
and straightforward course, and an unanswerable
argument in favor of Popular Sovereignty, as well as
just vindication of the Democratic party. This great
speech as a speech, may be seen as well as read, and to the
hearts of the true Democracy, the North, and even
especially to the Unbought Democracy of Iowa -
who never once hesitated in our cause - the man in the
vote of Iowa, from the opening of the Congress in
the 18th last month to the 4th of March of this same,
took your cause at our State Convention, but to allow any
man to be appointed a delegate who were in sympathy
with the late Buchanan Administration, was to give this
form and want to buy one thing and then I shall not hesitate
further in your attempt, but that is always firm and
under all circumstances, with death. Let your friends
stand firm and act long our cause their efforts.
Let them be no flattering lies to it. This will not be my
plea. Since you care to hold it, her interest to assume it by your
white hair. Steepen do. I have considered G. B. A. across the
river. In Stephens' before the meeting of the Cadetson Con-
vention, in which he says he endeavors on the political boards in the Nation of in-
can. Can you comprehend for President and Stephens for
the president and his election. Nearly all the Middle
States and the eastern North West. If
not beyond your power it maybe of course the most
inexpensive. Since you are in the profession of
Patterson's will and any argument that you think proper-
to make. Our love in every way toward the lot of our
States and in securing the consumption that we are to
interest in the West. As the truth and we are ready to make any sacrifice for another kind
great to bring about. The disease existed for the
most dangerous. Wishes for your success at Paterson
and your triumphs at theaces in Nearer.

I have clear seen the early
Your obedient servant,

Wm. Miles
Mr. Willy
Blague, Lima
June 4, 1860
Politico
Washington City
June 24th, 1860

Sir,

I have lately received from Mr. A. W. Johnson, of Detroit, Michigan, a hickory chair, with the request that I should present it to you as a token of his admiration for your career as a statesman, of his high appreciation of your fidelity to broad democratic principles, of your uniform attachment and devotion to the Constitution and the Union, of the independent and fearless advocacy of your political views, and the distinguished eloquence and abilities with which, in the Senate and from the rostrum, you have illustrated patriotism as broad and comprehensive as our whole country.

The wish of my friend would have been earlier carried into effect, but not my absence from the city prevented, and I should not deem it now properly performed, without having
express my very great personal gratification in being the medium through whose hands you received a gift which many, I trust, through-out a long lifetime be the companion of many happy hours. May it, when you seek refreshment and repose, after having toiled the heat and burden of the day, sometimes remind you of the giver, and awakon in your breast the consoling sentiment, that seated there, you are enircled by the arms of a firm and faithful friend. Remain, dear Sir,

Very respectfully, and truly,

Your Obi Servt,

J. P. Quinn M.D.

Dear Mr. Douglas,

Mr. Douglas, Sir,

Will you be kind enough to send me a copy of your late speech delivered in the Senate in reply to Mr. J. Denver and the copy of Mr. Bingham's speech in the Senate?

I will be greatly obliged to you if you will.

Yours truly,

Frank Sewage

Honora, NY

S. T. D.
Frank Sewall
Dartmouth College
Hanover, New Hamp.
June 4, 1860

Two copies of reply to
Paris; 2 two of
Benjamins speech.
(Private)

Mt. Vernon 14

Jun 4/60

Mr. Clay: From 1st in the first

I am positive you will be nominated.

I am likewise positive Lincoln will

have to elect. I. L. Alderman and

Miss: are together will a definite

candidate, but he will stand fourth.

The Bell party will elect you in

front man to Lincoln. Lincoln will

be one in the House and can not

really any help. Whether you

are nominated or not, I shall

sustain Union man to break up

the Washington conspiracy. Do not

take it amiss if I make a suggestion

that is, it is very important—of

important, the same principle, that

in the election of a vice president

back to his respect, his union

principles as well as the wealth he

can bring. That man I think is

Mr. Em: of Texas. He would greatly

add to your strength in all elec-

tions. Union will add nothing.

I want to see you cut loose

from the bogey democracy of the

South. Stave in Mr. Lincoln and

Mr. Clay, make it necessary to

the same thing. Return, Whitt a

Young Virginian, or any of their

stripe. If the northern states

have any respect for themselves
they will not be seen at Bateman.

With kind respect,

E. Smith

[Signature]
J. Smith

Mt. Vernon, Kentucky

June 4, 1860

Political, complimentary and advisory.

Houston
Million this time this 1860

Hon S A Douglas

Dear Sir: I am prompted from the political respect and admiration for your Statesmanship to address you as an humble individual by your brilliant prospects in the future and happy memories of the past to withdraw your claims from before the Baltimore Convention as candidate for President as it is dividing the Democracy in this section and it is useless for us your friends how to combat the excitement as it is overpowering here at this time and by your holding back 2 years you can by that time get the entire vote at the South as a national Democrat which I hope you will ever remain will you be pleased to send me any documents that may point to the perpetuity of the Union as I was a Union man and we have thousands that want to destroy this union and desire to combat them on great truths.

Your very Rept

M.B. Taylor
M. B. Taylor
Mill Town, Alabama
June 14, 1861

Asks Judge B. to withdraw
from the Convention, as the
Penury of Georgia and
not united to his plan.

Asks for a Speaker &
Counsel to support
the Union etc.
Quincy, Lewis Co., Ky. June 4, 1860

Hon. S. A. Douglas

My dear Sir:

Accept my thanks for past favors and permit me to ask that you will be so kind as to send me a copy of your very able speech in behalf of the Hon. Jeff. Davis on his Territorial resolutions.

The recent file of the Democrat says that "we are continuously in favor of the Hon. S. A. Douglas for the vice-presidency. The administration supporters & the White Givers shilly shally men of our party who bitterly opposed you before the meeting of the Charleston Convention and becoming as mute as mice, heretofore. Never having been actuated by principles, they are now preparing to sail with the regular breeze." Well, we will accept of the "fine leaves & two fishmen," but mark you we will never put them in the lead of the party again in Ky. Your friends are in good cheer here. With much respect [illegible] W B Thompson
Mr. R. Thompson
Dundey, Lewis Co. N.Y.
June 4, 1868

Complimentary to

The rank upfile of
the democracy in N.Y.
unmistakly for Judge

D.
Past Office
Oskaloosa Iow
June 4, 1860

To Mr. Stephen A. Douglas
Dear Sir:

Knowing no Democratic member from Iowa in either branch of our national Congress, I am constrained to apply to you for a few copies of your recent speech and a half dozen copies of the "Dred Scott" decision. The only question at issue between us and the Republicans here is that of slavery in the Territories. The latter contending that by that decision the Territorial legislature had no power over the slavery question. I am not in possession of a copy of that decision nor am I sure that there is a copy in the County. It is needless to say that we are all for popular sovereignty and its great advocate, Stephen A. Douglas—and will hail his name
- Nation at Baltimore with unbounded enthusiasm

Yours

P. J. Wellsley, Esq.

A. J. Wellsley, Jr.

Baltimore, Jan. 11, 1850

Captains Henry & Henry

of the "Widow Johnson"

Tenants
Levis College, Schenectady
New York, June 4th, 1861

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Dear Sir:

Please send me a copy of your late speech, delivered in the Senate to my address as above, and oblige an admiring

A. Van Buren

A. Van Wagen
Union College
Schenectady, New York
June 14, 1860

Copy of reply to Davis.
February 2nd, 1860.

I have read your speech on non-intervention with great care and interest and cannot refrain from expressing my thanks for it. It is surely unanswerable. As a Southern slave holder and democrat, I can find no fault with it.

It is true that I am a friend of the Union, but how can we be denounced as un-American I cannot understand. I hope justice will yet be done to my cause.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

Mr. W. J. Welch

Mr. Warfield.
Thomas E. Welch
Flippin, P.O. Caroline Co.
Virginia
June 4, 1860
Complimentary Yrs.
June 4th, 1860

Dear Sir,

I will thank you if you will send me a few copies of your late speech in the Senate of your principles & position. I have it in the Bell’s Impression, but it is in an inconvenient mode of reading and not good to preserve.

Yours respectfully,

E. Morell

Warren

Stephen A. Douglas

U.S. Senate
E. Morrill
Delaware City, Delaware
June 4, 1860

Copy of reply to Davis.
Syr. Boston

June 4, 1860

SIR:

Although a stranger to you, I have taken the liberty of addressing you on this occasion - and request you to send me a copy of your speech on Davis Resolutions. Your compliance will greatly oblige you.

Very Respectfully,

Wm. Woodfin

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Washington
Copy of reply to Davis.