A Page from the Lincoln-Douglas Debates, marked by Lincoln.

On July 14, 1860, Mr. Lincoln presented to his friend, the late George R. Weber, a new volume of the debates of 1858. This book, which is now owned by Mr. John R. Weber, of Clinton, Iowa, contains many marked passages and marginal notes in the writing of Mr. Lincoln, and it is surmised that it was used by him in the preparation of a speech early in 1860. The passages marked nearly all relate to slavery. The one here reproduced is from the Ottawa speech of Aug. 21, 1858. -- J. McCann Davis.