

## Appendix B: Biographies of Select Dawson Correspondents

Last name	First - middle name	Written from	Brief biographical note
Allen	William	Washington, DC, Columbus, & Chillicothe, OH	(b. 1803-d. 1879) Attorney from Ohio; Democrat; UC Congressman (1832-1834); US Senator (1839-1847); Governor of Ohio (1874-1876)
Barry	William Taylor	Washington, DC	(b. 1784-d. 1835) Attorney from Kentucky; Democratic Republican; US Congressman (1810-1811), US Senator (1814-1816), Kentucky House of Representatives (1817-1821); Lieutenant-Governor (1820-1824); Postmaster General (1829-1835)
Beardsley	Samuel	Washington, DC	(b. 1790-d. 1860) Attorney from New York; Jacksonian Democrat; US Congressman (1831-1836; 1843-1844); New York State Attorney General (1836-1838); Associate, New York Supreme Court (1844-1847)
Benton	Thomas Hart	Washington, DC, St. Louis, & Boonville, MO	(b. 1782-d. 1858) Attorney from Missouri; Democratic Republican (later Jacksonian and Democrat); US Senator (1821-1851); US Congressman (1853-1855)
Blair	Francis Preston	Washington, DC	(b. 1791-d. 1876) Journalist and politician from Kentucky and Washington, DC; Editor of the Jacksonian Democratic paper, the <i>Washington Globe</i> (1830-1845); member of Jackson's informal group of advisers, the "Kitchen Cabinet"
Cambreleg	Churchill Caldom	Washington, DC	(b. 1786-d. 1862) Mercantile businessman from New York; Republican and Jacksonian; US Congressman (1821-1839); appointed US Minister to Russia by President Van Buren (1840-1841); member of the State Constitutional Convention (1846)
Cass	Lewis	Washington, DC	(b. 1782-d. 1866) a Senator from Michigan; Democrat; State Representative (1806); US Marshal for the District of Ohio (1807-1812); Secretary of War (1831-1836); Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to France (1836-1842); US Senator (1845-1848); President pro tempore of the Senate during the Thirty-third Congress; appointed Secretary of State by President James Buchanan (1857-1860)
Clay	Henry		(b. 1777-d. 1852) Attorney, Senator and Representative from Kentucky; Democratic Republican, National Republican, Whig; State Representative (1803); US Senator (1806-1807; 1810-1814; 1831-1842; 1849-1852); US Congressman (1808-1809; 1815-1821; 1823-1825); Speaker of the House of Representatives; appointed one of the commissioners to negotiate the treaty of peace with Great Britain in 1814; appointed Secretary of State by President John Quincy Adams (1825-1829); unsuccessful presidential candidate of the Democratic Republican Party (1824), of the National Republican Party (1832), and of the Whig Party (1844)

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Donelson	Andrew Jackson	Hermitage	(b. 1799-d. 1871) Diplomat from Tennessee; Andrew Jackson's private secretary (1829-1837)
Ewing	William Lee Davidson	Washington, DC	(b. 1795-d. 1846) Attorney and Senator from Illinois; Jacksonian; State Representative (1830, 1838-1840), State Senator (1832-1834); acting Lieutenant Governor (1833); Governor of Illinois in 1834 for only fifteen days; appointed US Senator (1835-1837)
Ewing	James	Columbus	(b. 1736-d. 1806) Republican and Anti-Constitutionalist from Pennsylvania; Pennsylvania General Assembly (1784-1785); Vice President of Pennsylvania (1782-1784)
Findlay	James	Washington, DC	(b. 1770-d. 1835) Attorney from Cincinnati; Jacksonian; Mayor of Cincinnati (1805-1806; 1810-1811), served in the War of 1812 as colonel of the Second Ohio Volunteer Infantry; US Congressman (1825-1833)
Gilpin	Henry Dilworth	Philadelphia	(b. 1801-d. 1860) Attorney from Pennsylvania; Jacksonian Democrat; Solicitor of the Treasury Department (1837-1840); Attorney General of the US (1840-1841); presented the US side of the <i>Amistad</i> case in the US Supreme Court
Green	Duff	Washington, DC & Louisville	(b. 1791-d. 1875) Journalist and politician from Kentucky and Missouri; edited the <i>St Louis Enquirer</i> and <i>The United States Telegraph</i> of Washington, DC, which became a principal organ of the Jacksonians (though it, and Green, later switched in favor of John C. Calhoun); served in Jackson's first term as a member of the informal "Kitchen Cabinet;" later edited the paper <i>The Reformation</i> (1835-1838), in favor of free trade, states' rights, and the idea of "Manifest Destiny"
Hammond	Charles	Columbus	(b. 1779-d. 1840) Attorney and journalist from Ohio; Served Ohio Senate and Ohio House of Representatives (1813-1822); reporter for the Ohio Supreme Court (1823-1838); Well known for his position defending Ohio in the US Supreme Court case, <i>Osborn v. Bank of the United States</i> (1824); Editor of the Ohio <i>Federalist</i> (1812-1818); Editor of the Cincinnati <i>Gazette</i> (1826-1840); anti-Jacksonian politically
Harrison	William Henry	Washington, DC, Richmond, North Bend, OH, & Cleves	(b. 1773-d. 1841) Representative and Senator from Ohio; Whig and 9th President of the United States; secretary of the Northwest Territory (1798-1799); Territorial Governor of Indiana (1801-1813); Major General in the War of 1812; US Congressman (1816-1819); State Senator (1819-1821); US Senator (1825-1828); Minister to Colombia (1828-1829); Committee on Military Affairs (Nineteenth and Twentieth Congresses); President of the United States (1841)
Hatch	William S.	Cincinnati	State Senator for Ohio (1841-1842; 1850-1851; 1858-1860), from Cincinnati
Hayward	Elijah	Washington, DC	(b. 1786-d. 1864) State Senator for Ohio (1825-1830), from Cincinnati; Appointed Land Commissioner under Jackson (1830-1835)

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Hill	Isaac	Washington, DC	(b. 1789-d. 1851) Journalist and politician from New Hampshire; Jacksonian, Democrat; for twenty years edited the <i>New Hampshire Patriot</i> ; State Senator (1820-1823, 1827-1828); State house Representative (1826); Second Comptroller of the US Treasury (1829-1830); US Senator (1831-1836); Governor of New Hampshire (1836-1839); US Subtreasurer (1840-1841); returned to newspaper publishing (1840-1847)
Jackson	Andrew	Hermitage & Washington, DC	(b. 1767-d. 1845) Attorney, Representative and Senator from Tennessee and 7th President of the United States; Democratic Republican and later Democrat; Congressman (1796-1797); US Senator (1797-1798; 1823-1825); Judge of the State Supreme Court of Tennessee (1798-1804); served in the Army in the Creek War of 1813 and the Battle of New Orleans in January 1815; served as Governor of the new territory of Florida (1821); President of the United States (1829-1837)
Jackson, Jr.	Andrew	Hermitage	(b. 1808-d. 1865) Andrew Jackson's adopted son; nephew of his wife Rachel; assumed management of the Hermitage estate when Jackson was elected President
Johnson	Richard Mentor	Washington, DC	(b. 1780-d. 1850) Attorney from Kentucky; Democratic Republican and Jacksonian; State Representative (1804-1806, 1819; US Congressman (1807-1819, 1829-1837); commissioned colonel of Kentucky Volunteers and commanded a regiment in engagements against the British in lower Canada in 1813; US Senator (1819-1829); was chosen Vice President of the United States by the Senate on February 8, 1837, no candidate having received a majority of the electoral vote, and served under President Martin Van Buren (1837-1841)
Kellogg	Miner K.	Hermitage	(b. 1814-d. 1889) Portraitist and painter from Indiana and Cincinnati; most famous sitters were Andrew Jackson and Martin Van Buren
Kendall	Amos	Cincinnati	(b. 1789-d. 1869) Journalist and politician; editor of both the <i>Argus of Western America</i> , the organ of Kentucky progressivism, and the <i>Washington Globe</i> , the organ for the Jackson Administration; served as Postmaster General in the cabinets of Jackson and Van Buren and was an influential intellectual figure in both administrations; helped to found Gallaudet University for the deaf in Washington, DC
Laughlin	Samuel H.	Nashville	(b. 1796-d. 1850), Editor of the <i>Nashville Union</i> (1832-1837); Tennessee State Senator (1840-1843); and Recorder of the US General Land Office (1845-1850)
Lewis	William Berkeley	Washington, DC & Nashville	(b. 1784-d. 1866) Major and quartermaster under Jackson in the 1813 Creek Indian war; became trusted adviser and friend to Jackson during his presidency; member of Jackson's "Kitchen Cabinet" during his first term.

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Livingston	Edward	New York	(b. 1764-d. 1836) Attorney from New York and Louisiana; Jacksonian; US Congressman from New York (1795-1801); US District Attorney (1801-1803); Mayor of New York City (1801-1803); moved to New Orleans, LA, in 1804; author of a legal code for Louisiana; served at the Battle of New Orleans; Congressman from Louisiana (1823-1829); US Senator (1829-1831), Secretary of State in the Cabinet of President Andrew Jackson (1831-1833); Minister Plenipotentiary to France (1833-1835)
Lucas	Robert	Friendly Grove, OH	(b. 1781-d. 1853) Military commander and politician from Ohio; State Senator (1814-1822, 1824-1828, 1829-1830); State Representative (1831-1832); Governor of Ohio (1832-1836); Governor of Iowa Territory (1838-1841)
Lytle	Robert	Washington, DC & Columbus	(B. 1804-d. 1839) Attorney from Cincinnati; Jacksonian; State Representative (1828-1829); US Congressman (1833-1835); Surveyor General of public lands in the Northwest Territory (1836); major general of Ohio Militia (1838)
Medary	Samuel	Columbus	(b. 1801-d. 1864) Journalist and politician from Ohio; Jacksonian Democrat; Owned and edited the pro-Jackson newspaper the <i>Ohio Sun</i> in 1828; State Representative (1834-1836); State Senator (1836-1838); Published and edited the Democratic <i>Ohio Statesman</i> (1838-1857); important spokesperson for the Democratic Party in Ohio.
Moore	Thomas Patrick	Washington, DC	(b. 1797-d. 1853) Military commander and politician from Kentucky; Jacksonian; served in War of 1812; State Representative (1819-1820); US Congressman (1823-1829); appointed by President Jackson as Minister Plenipotentiary to New Grenada (1829-1833); appointed lieutenant colonel of the Third US Dragoons in the war with Mexico (1847-1848); delegate to the Kentucky constitutional convention (1849 and 1850)
Morris	Thomas	Washington, DC	(b. 1776-d. 1844) Attorney from Ohio; Jacksonian Democrat; State Representative (1806-1808, 1810, 1820-1821); State Senator (1813-1815, 1821-1823, 1825-1829, 1831-1833); US Senator (1833-1839); unsuccessful candidate for Vice President of the United States on the Liberty ticket in 1844
Niles	John Milton	Washington, DC	(b. 1787-d. 1856) Attorney and Senator from Connecticut; Jacksonian Democrat; Edited the <i>Hartford Weekly Times</i> in 1817; associate Judge of Hartford County Court (1821-1826); State Representative (1826); appointed and subsequently elected US Senator (1835-1839; 1843-1849); Postmaster General (1840 and 1841)
Overton	John	Nashville	(b. 1766-d. 1833) Attorney, banker and close friend and adviser to Jackson from Tennessee; Judge, Superior Court of Tennessee and Tennessee Supreme Court of Errors and Appeals (1804-1810, 1811-1816); served as partner with Jackson in business, legal and political dealings and was considered a member of the family

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Polk	James Knox	Washington, DC & Columbia, TN	(b. 1795-d. 1849) Attorney, Representative from Tennessee and 11th President of the United States; Jacksonian, Democrat; Chief Clerk of the State Senate (1821-1823); State Representative (1823-1825); US Congressman (1825-1839); Speaker of the House of Representatives (Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Congresses); Governor of Tennessee (1839-1841); President of the United States (1845-1849)
Price	William	Columbus	(b. 1824-d. 1886) Representative from Wisconsin; Wisconsin State Assembly (1851-1852); State Senator (1857, 1870, 1878-1881); President of the Senate (1879); Collector of Internal Revenue (1863-1865)
Rives	William Cabell	Castle Hill, VA	(b. 1793-d. 1868) Representative and Senator from Virginia; Jacksonian; State Representative (1817-1820); Minister to France (1829-1832); chairman, Committee on Naval Affairs (Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Congresses); chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations (Twenty-seventh Congress); member of the House of Representatives from Virginia in the Second Confederate Congress
Shelby	Isaac	Nashville	(b. 1750-d. 1826) 1st and 5th Governor of Kentucky (1792-1796, 1812-1816); Democratic Republican; served in the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812; founded the Kentucky Society for the Promotion of Useful Knowledge (1787)
Tappan	Benjamin	Columbus	(b. 1773-d. 1857) Attorney and Senator from Ohio; Democrat; State Senator (1803-1805); served in the War of 1812; Judge of the fifth Ohio Circuit Court of Common Pleas (1816-1823); US District Judge of Ohio 1833; US Senator (1839-1845)
Van Buren	Martin	Washington, DC, & Lindenwald, Kinderhook, NY	(b. 1782-d. 1862) Attorney from New York; Democratic Republican, Crawford Republican, Jacksonian; State Senator (1813-1820); Attorney General of New York (1816-1819); US Senator (1821-1828); Governor of New York (1829); Secretary of State (1829-1831); Vice President (1833-1837); President of the United States (1837-1841)
Van Ness	John Peter	Washington, DC	(b. 1770-d. 1846) Representative from New York (1801-1803), major of militia in the District of Columbia; President of the second council of Washington, DC (1803); promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel commandant of the first legion of militia (1805), brigadier general (1811), major general (1813); Alderman of the city of Washington (1829); Mayor (1830-1834); first President of the National Metropolitan Bank (1814-1846)
Woodbury	Levi	Washington, DC	(b. 1789-d. 1851) Attorney from New Hampshire; Jacksonian Democrat; Governor of New Hampshire (1823-1824); State Representative (1825), and served as Speaker; US Senator (1825-1831; 1841-1845); Secretary of the Navy (1831-1834), Secretary of the Treasury (1834-1841); Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States (1845-1851)