Confidential

Washington, Nov. 30, 1850

Dear Bush:

I hope to hear from you next mail. I am anxious to know how you and Blain hit. Stick by till I come. All will be well.

That press left N.Y. on the 16th Oct. but in loading it, one of the inside ——, in which the machinery works was broke, and I not knowing it, it went to Oregon in this shape. You must therefore rush the press at Astoria, and have the machinist mend it. The Columbia will not probably come farther than Astoria, but at any rate have allthing ready to have it put in order. Show this latter to Russell and Blain, for I write as the —— will manage to the satisfaction of all till I come. Drive this thing ahead at all hazards, for when I come, we will give the Statesman a push that it will feel for the next 20 years. The enterprise cant fail—it will be triumphant. Go ahead, but mind and have it put right. Should the press land at Portland or Astoria, you will take it then, as I will pay the freight, as ——, to the plan of landing. Get along harmoniously till I come.

I have announced you a corespondent for the Statesman, what I forward by this mail, I will keep it up every week till I leave. Dont let any one know that I write. Mark this. Copy it, if necessary to prevent it.

The steamer Columbia will not arrive till February. ——— ——. —— ———. While I am here the Statesman shall be posted on everything. I came with a political ——— —— —— ——. The Statesman shall always have the use of it. Write gain soon. Circulate my addresses, and take care of my case.

In haste,

Saml. R. Thurston.

P.S. Now that the Press is on the way I will attend to your exchanges.