

July
Lafayette Tey 2nd 1851

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You must excuse me for condescending to such insignificant subjects so close upon the heels of important matter, and my only plea in favor of Bro D. is that,--- "---the crushed beetle feels a pang as great as when a hero dies."

Send your valuable paper (Dr. Cohen, Cant you stave of the rent of that dentilogia of his. Do for God's sake and spare the poor pisintry of Yamhill) to Elisha Bedwell. Henry Noble did not receive his paper until the 13 No. He was going to quit. I fixed it up with him by continuing from that time. Nothing new here. The 4th of July draws near. The birth of our old mama, drink her health, and Rica's wherever you are and be assured you shall not be forgotten. Attribute the broken incoherent style of this letter as well as the execution of it to king alcohol, and your pernicious example 12 o'clock P M good night.

Yours
M P Deady

Dont you think it is a pity to send this half sheet off with nothing on it? I do. I have snored long and soundly. Got up without the head ache, the fumes of the "burning water," have silently evaporated during the night, leaving me a sadder, and a sober-er man. I spent two or three days with Col Ford when in Polk Co. He is pregnant with his own future greatness. He had just returned from Oregon City, where it appears he had made your acquaintance, and from what I could learn formed a very favorable opinion of the Ed. of the States. If you had only been from the benighted state of Missery, instead of Massa he could have placed more confidence in your democracy. He intimated to me that he knew all about the Press arrangement, from the commencement. Your election as Clerk &c. Of course I knew nothing, but listened. I staid at Nesmiths a day or two, he will help you all he can he says. The Gov staid there all night on his way up the valley whilst I was there. It appears he has joined the temperance society. I am afraid he will not bring home many scalps, to adorn his wigwam with. The venerable chairman of the printing Comt has just called for the first time since his arrival from the mines. I read him that article in the 1st No of the Statesman, in which you speak so admirably of the epicure and preference of his taste, and the "stolidity" of the

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James Ramage is waiting for this and I must quit. As ever yours

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