

Secretary's Office
Salem, May 23d, 1863.

Dear Bush,

I received yours this evening by Gen. Lovejoy. I wrote you by Thursday's mail about their House Journal. Likewise to Hamilton. Upon unpacking I found that I did not have the H.S. copy of the House Journal. I have the original in the bound volume only. It might have been left in Hamilton's Office. It is very strange that you have not received my letter. I wish now that I had sent it by Capt. Moshier, but I thought the mail most reliable. I shall trust to private hand after this. The journal must be in Hamilton's office.

I am sorry you make bets on certain majorities. It is not a good plan. Although I believe that you will win and have a thousand to spare. There is great enthusiasm in the Country above this point in favor of Lane. I am doubtful whether Skinner will get a County in the Territory unless indeed it be Washington or Yamhill.

I shall be down before election although you should not be the least concerned about the Barlow's talk. Gribble's precinct has not changed; I am sure, in its strong democratic love.

Enclosed you will please find a copy of the Writ of Election issued to the Sheriff of Clackamas &c &c, which (as I understand Demont has resigned & it may be difficult or doubtful about getting the information properly to the electors) I think it would be judicious to publish in you next issue - charging the same to the Executive Department.

It is possible that Lovejoy may get the Coroner - whose duty it is - to serve the writ. At any rate it would be best to publish the writ as the executive is not supposed to know of the vacancy in the office of Sheriff.

By last week's mail I wrote to Gen. Hamilton to get a definite statement of the condition of the several appropriations for this Territory. Like your own it may have been miscarried. It embarrasses me much, as it was my intention in case he did not give me the desired information or a reasonable excuse, to ask the information of the Treasury Department per next mail. I have already reported that no funds have come into my possession.

Wont you write by the "Oregon" whether Judge Pratt is at home and will remain for a time - also whether my letter has come to hand, then I can judge whether Hamilton gets his.

At the Holman House this evening at the supper table Casey Goor offered to bet that Barlow would lose his bet with you. Indeed the people below are much mistaken about this canvas, that is our opponents are. You may set this County down at voting of 400 majority for Lane.

do not bet any more on certain majorities. Three fourths of Benton County will go for Lane.

If Hovey of Marysville, who goes down tomorrow, starts up before the Oregon, write so that I may know whether you get H.S. copy of the House Journal.

Yours always Sincerely

Geo. L. Curry

Secretary's Office,
Helen, May 23^d, 1873.

Dear Butk,

I received yours this evening by Sen. Levey. I wrote you by Thursday's mail about the House Journal. Like wire to Hamilton. Upon unpacking I found that I did not have the M.S. Copy of the House Journal. I have the original in the bound volume only. It must have been left in Hamilton's Office. It is very strange that you have not received my letter. I wish now that I had sent it by Capt. Moshier, but I thought the mail most reliable. I shall trust to private hand after this. The journal must be in Hamilton's Office.

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I shall be down before election although

You should not be the least concerned about the Parlow's talk - Grizzle's presence has ~~not~~ not changed, I am sure, in its strong democratic love.

Enclosed you will please find a copy of the writ of election issued to the Sheriff of Clatsop & c. - which (as I understand) Belmont has resigned (it may be difficult or doubtful about getting the information properly to the electors) I think it would be judicious to publish in your next issue - changing the name to the Election Department.

It is possible that Sawyer may get the Coroner - whose duty it is - to serve the writ. At any rate it would be best to publish the writ as the Executive is not supposed to know of the vacancy in the office of Sheriff.

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At the Holman House this evening at the supper table, Percy Seers offered to bet that Parlow would lose his bet with you - Indeed the people below are much mistaken about this cause, that is our opponents, you may set this County down at rising of less majority for Lane. Still do not bet any more on certain majorities. Three fourths of Clatsop County will go for Lane.

If Hooley of Clatsop Co. Mansville, comes who goes down tomorrow, starts up before the Oregon, write to that I may know whether you get N.S. Copy of the Worcester Journal.

Yours always Sincerely
G. S. Curry