

Corvallis Sept 26th 1854

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I suppose you have learned that Pratt is in the field for Congress. Has written to Genl Lane to withdraw which he will not do of course. You recollect the story of the disinterested wife when the husband and bear fought. I met Mingo at Lafayette. He is decidedly peaceable. From all I can learn I am confirmed in my views as to the policy of putting your paper at three dollars.

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Yours in haste

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A Bush Esq
Salem, Oregon

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