

Deer Creek Nov 24th 1854

Dear Dush

I prepared the enclosed calender to send you last week but missed the mail. Court will adjourn here tomorrow. We have had a large Docket. Now engaged in the trial of George F Wall for murder. Logan has been here during the term. He has been beastly drunk and gambling since the first day. We meet every day nothing has passed between us, but when I am not about he flourishes his revolver and says that he will shoot me on the bench, that he came out here to shoot Drew and myself. The other day he made a large . The table had to be reset. He says he is going to Scottsburg, to attend, if so no one can tell when he will get to Salem. Pratt is electioneering. He made no headway in Jackson County, but is making some here. Bill Martin has come out for him and written to Lane that he must withdraw for Pratt. This is entre nous.

Dr. Wells and some twenty other of the citizens of Umpqua along the line of the Scottsburg road have filed bill asking that Jesse Applegate Lt Withers and the contractors on a portion of the road be enjoined until they can learn the result of an appeal they have taken to the Secretary of War. Chapman is attorney. They charge Applegate with all sorts of derelictions of duty. I shall take the bill with me to Scottsburg and pass upon the application there.

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Dear Branta Nov 24th 1854

Dear Bush

I prepared the enclosed Calender to send you last week but missed the mail. Boat will arrive here to morrow. We have had a large Gocket. Now engaged in the trial of George F. Neal for murder. Logan has been here during the term. He has been heavily drunk and gambling since the first day. We met every day nothing has passed between us, but when I am not about he flourishes his revolver and says that he will shoot me on the bench, that he came over here to shoot Drew and myself. The other day he made a large deposit of guano all over the bed and room then spewed on the floor, it leaked through on to the dinner table just about the time dinner was served up. The table had to be reset. He says he is going to Scottsburg, to attend, if so no one can tell when he will get to Salem. Pratt is electioneering. He made no headway in Jackson County, but is making some here. Bill Martin has come out

for him and written to Logan that he must withdraw for Pratt. This is extra news.

Dr Wells and some twenty other of the citizens of Unpqua along the line of the Scottsburg road have filed bill asking that Jeph Applegate St. Withers and the contractors on a portion of the road be enjoined until they can learn the result of an appeal they have taken to the Secretary of War. Chapman is attorney. They charge Applegate with all sorts of duplications of duty. I shall take the bill with me to Scottsburg and pass upon the application there.
Sincerely
S. G. B. G.