

At Home Mar 27th 1855

Dear Bush

Enclosed I send you a letter from Palmer to Martin. The copy was taken with Martin's permission, but he does not desire much publicity given to it until he sees you at the convention when he will give you the original if you desire it. I read it in this way. Palmer writes to Martin under the supposition that he is hostile to Lane, by praising Lane he does not expect to change Martin, but only to throw him off his guard. The suggestion in relation to Wilbur is the main purpose of the letter although thrown in casually at the close and with an apparent unconcern. Wilbur lived upwards of a year in Dayton and it is likely he didn't know his politics as he professed. Of course he is a whig. Some of his "four" preachers round here are open advocates of the Know-nothing policy and I have no doubt it is with his countenance and encouragement. I have no doubt of another thing and that is that the K. Hs are attempting to bring Wilbur forward as their candidate for Delegate. While I was at Applegates this spring he was talking about it all the time and said they would beat the Democratic candidate with him (Wilbur) whoever he might be. By the last mail a letter was received at Winchester from L. A. Rice on the same subject, urging Wilbur's name. I did not see the letter but Dan Stewart did, and told me about it. The selection would be in accordance with their practice in the States, besides Wilbur would have a plank for every ism to float upon. Anto Nebraska K. F. M Law, & Whig.

I have written Nes about our convention. He will show you. Gasley was there for Pratt, but had such poor success in his own matters that he didn't try to do much. I am afraid that since I left Salem I have departed a little from the Monroe doctrine of neutrality between the belligerents, but if I have let "the sin" be upon the head of him who provoked me to it. You and Nes seem to enjoy yourselves over the complaints of "Lady Means" about my want of reciprocity. Tell her and all others who undertake to make proselytes with their platters, that I never mix politics and porridge.

As for your "Cold dinners" you, I rid my stomach of them as soon as the laws of nature would permit, and
If you ever expect a recompense I advise you to plant your potatoes in

I will try and send those bills you enclosed to your bankrupt patrons, but I don't think there worth over two cents on the dollar, especially that one against the "Stehel Estate."

Write me a long letter and give me some news.

Yours

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A Bush Esq
Salem Oregon

At Home Mar 24th 1855

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Enclosed I send you a letter from Palmer to Martin. The copy was taken with Martin's permission, but he does not desire much publicity given to it until he sees you at the convention when he will give you the original if you desire it. I read it in this way.

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I have written A. S. about our convention. He will show you. Garby was there for Pratt, but had such poor success in his own matters that he didn't try to do much. I am afraid that since I left Salem I have departed a little from the Monroe doctrine of neutrality between the belligerents, but if I have let "the skin" be upon the head of him who provoked me to it.

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