

Portland April 12 1856

A. Bush
Salem

Dear Sir

The Str. "Columbia" has just arri'd. Gen'l Wool
and Staff are among her passengers.

There is no news of importance from Port Orford,
Crescent City, or Coos Bay. The tone of public sentiment in
California in relation to our Indian War is much changed.

L.F. Carter Esq of Oregon City returned from the
atlantic States by this Str. he reports the introduction of a
Bill in Congress by Gen'l Lane for Three Million Dollars,
which there was no doubt would pass this session.

Yours truly in haste
W.H.B.

P.S. The Govn'r rec'd letter from Conoyer by which he learns
that "Convention" was Lost in the Field by a large majority.

Yours try
W.H.B.