

Lebanon 9th May '83

Dear Bush

We spoke here yesterday to a large audience and with good success.

Gordon the Republican candidate for judge claimed to speak immediately after Kelly (to kill time I suppose) Smith stated to the audience that the appointment was made by the democratic speakers and by their arrangement it was his turn to speak and more over Mr. Gordon had occupied an hour and five minutes before him on the day before. Gordon got upon the stand (which was dry goodsbox) and shouted that he had the stand and that nothing but violence could remove him, he would speak. Smith said he wished no controversy with a man of his caliber and immediately gave notice that he would speak in an adjoining grove, to which he went and the crowd followed, some four hundred, leaving Gordon shouting and raving to a small audience of some twenty four men which gradually dwindled down to a balser dozen.

The democratic ticket is gaining strength in these latitudes, even above the old majorities in Linn, they say.

Kelly labors hard here but its no go. Barnum loses votes everywhere he speaks. Boice went to Corvallis to answer him on Saturday.

You can get all the local news and the proceedings of the democratic convention of Linn from Jimmy Elkins.

Your vote in Linn will be that of the party.

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Barnum's visit south will help our side.

My studhorse is still rampant.

In haste

L.F. Grover

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a small audience of some twenty five men, which gradually dwindled down to a better dozen.

The Democratic ticket is gaining strength in these latitudes, even above the old majority in Lima, they say.

Kelly later had been out its no go. Barnum loses votes every where he speaks. Bruce went to Corvallis to answer him on Saturday.

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L. F. Green