

Portland Apl 25th. 1860

Dear Bush

I was disappointed yesterday in not being able to send you the enclosed. That "Prince of Bumpers" Russell has been quite docile since his return from Salem. Everybody got the right story from Me. The Creation was very much alarmed for fear you would have something of it in the last paper. Gummason got here last night from The Dalles. Wasco is, of course, all right now - Gummason did & is doing everything right.

Vic has from the start been giving Nes. Particular fits. He has directed everything in the rightway without any aid from Vic. You are doubtless appraised by this time that "Sheep Thompson," did his utmost against Nes. in Wasco revived the old standers about his not being eligible for the U.S.S. in congress of being a deserter & a foreigner & c & c. Gummason drid him up for the time being Thompson is at the mercy of Capt. Ingalls - as, if the Capt. went to withdraw his patronage from Thompson he would be ruined.

Nes ought not to pitch into Thompson now - but he ought to visit Vancouve. for more reasons than one. Ingalls will do anything in his power to serve Nes. Williams (Senator from Multnomah) lives in close proximity to the Fort & has hay & other produce to sell. Cuntux? If Nes cannot go to Vancouver tell him by all means to write to Ingalls, relative to both the above matters. It is quite refreshing to observe how many "Nesmith Men" are to be met about him lately. What this county convention will do is more than I can tell - The Lane men dont know what to do -

Yours & c

The Major