

May 21st 1860

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Deady made a bet with me that Douglass would never get over eighty votes out of the 303. Old Bill Martin bet with me that he never would get one-third of the votes in Convention. I hope we may yet force him down the throats of these bummers of old Lane. Deady seldom speaks well of an anti-Lane man, while he is the constant apologist of the Lane bummers of every hue and often their enologist. He is getting to be the poorest property Lane ever purchased from us. Dr. Wells thinks him the best bargain Lane has ever got out of us, but I do not regard Joseph as having made such an extraordinary purchase in the Judge at \$2500 per annum through life.

Tichenor, Barr and Martin in this neck of woods will make a good force in the coming legislature and I think we can elect them.

It is asserted out here that our ticket in Marion is likely to go under! Deady even talks about the chances of the independent or Lane ticket in Marion County, as though it had a show of success.

I start up the valley tomorrow and shall go in to Douglass County, hoping yet to fix up matters for the election of the independent ticket in Douglass.

Oh! Did the County Committee in Marion County put a man on the State Central Committee? Have the other counties attended to that matter?

Deady says the new Co. committee, elected at the Lane - Barnum meeting the other day, will place a man on the State Central Committee for Marion County.

I wish to be in a condition to control the organization, if we choose to do it. I do not suppose that you will be able to get a letter to me prior to the election, but I would like to know what Sheil's chances are in Marion and Polk.

The above rambling, discursive scrawl has been written at intervals from the 18th inst. 'till today.

Regards to Eggs.

Yours

Drew

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It is asserted out here that our ticket in Maine is likely to go under! Deady even talks about the chances of the independent or Lane ticket in Maine County, as though it had a show of

success!

I start up the Valley tomorrow and shall go in to Douglas County, hoping yet to fix up matters for the election of the independent ticket in Douglas.

Oh! Did the County Committee in Main County put a man on the State Central Committee? Have the other Counties attended to that matter?

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Regards to Biggs.

Yours
Drew