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Roseburg Aug 16, 1860

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I had quite a time with our friend Deady. It seems that he and I cannot agree in anything any more except to disagree and be friends at the same time. Deady told me of your telling him that I blamed him for my resignation of the Clerkship. I told him that you had probably got my conversation wrong, that you were partly right and partly wrong. I then told him that I had censured him for not fulfilling his promise to appoint me Clerk of his present Court in case he should get the Judgeship.

I told him that I would not have accepted it, it would not pay me &c but I would like to have had the compliment of having it offend. It would have set him and me both right and would have cost him nothing. The Judge was considerably plagued. He confessed the promise. And further said that you urged him to appoint me. Thank you Beggs. Your friendship is worth more to me than that of many, very many Deadys.

Other things I would like to write about But for want of time must bid you Adieu for the present.

Ever Yours

Jas. M. Fyle

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