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Stephen F. Chadwick (1825-1895)

Stephen F. Chadwick was admitted to the New York State Bar in 1850. He settled in Scottsburg, Oregon Territory and opened a law practice in 1851. Chadwick was a delegate at the 1857 Constitutional Convention. When Governor La Fayette Grover resigned in 1877, Chadwick succeeded him as governor and kept his position as Secretary of State. In 1878 Chadwick did not run for a second term as governor and did not continue as Secretary of State. Chadwick died in Salem, Oregon.

Letters to Bush from 1852 to 1860

Chadwick's letters focus on political campaigns, criticism of Jesse Applegate and the Whigs, political gossip and requesting a column to write his views about the Rogue River Wars, 1855-1856.