FROM THE ARMY.

FT. VVASKOPAM, June 9, '48.

Sir.-You are aware of the causes vyhich impelled us to leave the Valley for this place. Rebellion's horrid crest had been raised against the innocent and defenceless Dr. VVhitman, his family, and those vvho sojourned with him. Hence, the tocsin of alarm and the sound of martial music called us hither to chastise a blood-thirsty foe, who had so recently murdered our friends and destroyed their property. The war, being protracted beyond our expectations, has NECESSARILY deprived us of the privilege of joining our fellow-citizens at the usual precincts, (although ardently desirous to do so,) for the purpose of expressing, at the ballot-box, our preferences for those vyhom we consider honest, CAPABLE and WILLING to discharge the responsible duties of the offices to vyhich they respectively aspire .--In this isolated situation, however, the volunteers, detailed for the protection of this post, determined to hold an election, and accordingly they assembled under the umbrageous boughs of a Columbia Pinnis Duglacious, (inside the fort,) upon the pinnacle of vyhich was to be seen the "stars and stripes," proudly and triumphantly flickering in the breeze, where they pro-ceeded to the transaction of business by appointing three judges of election, who also appointed two clerks. After the appropriate oath was administered to the officers thus appointed, the patriotic and praise-worthy defenders of our country then proceeded, by ballot, to the choice of Representatives and Sheriff, and also to vote for and against the amendment of the 6th section of the Organic Law, vyhich resulted as follows:

For Representa	tives.	For Sheriff,					
Snook,	31	Brown,	18				
Curry,	28	Hanner,	10				
Whitcomb,	25	Holmes,	3				
Berry,	4	Amending the Organic	Law.				
McCarver,	18	Prohibit,	27				
		Regulate,	8				

It is with no little degree of pride that we are enabled to say, the election was closed to the satisfaction of all concerned—nothing having occurred to mar our peace and good feeling upon this important occasion.

The returns of our election accompanies this imperfect sketch, which will be disposed of as you may deem expedient.

I have the honor to be, sir,
Yours with respect. J. F.

GEO. L. CURRY, ESQR.

Saturday Morning, June 10.—Mr. Davidson, the bearer of despatches from Head-Quarters for this fort and the upper country, arrived here last evening, and departed this morning for VVaiilatpu. I have no news of interest to communicate—a cessation of hostilities having, as is supposed, taken place—consequently, we are hourly expecting the arrival of the main army, homeward bound. At all events, NECESSITY will compell them to this course, as we have no flour.—Faith and beef will not satisfy the boys much longer. This, with our election returns, I forward you by the boat which arrived this morning with the Catholic Missionaries.

J. F.

Marshal Grouchy.—Among the news received by the steamer vyhich arrived on the 4th inst., is the intelligence of the decease of Marshal Grouchy, one of Napoleon's generals, vyho died lately at St. Etienne, on the Loire, in France. He was born in Paris, Oct. 28, 1766, and consequently vvas nearly 82 years old. Although he passed through and bore a part in the eventful times, yet he never obtained great celebrity as a general, and since the battle of Waterloo the censure of military men, together with French people generally, has been justly or vvrongfully resting upon him. At that memorable conflict Marshal Grouchy had charge of 32,000 men, and was stationed to vvatch and frustrate Field Marshal Blucher, the "drunken hussar," in efforts to bring the Russian troops into the field against Napoleon. From some cause Blutcher was enabled to elude the evolutions of Grouchy, and brought his troops into action. He lost all respect in France, and at his funeral none attended but officers on duty.—Neal's Gaz.

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OREGON CITY, SATURDAY JUNE 17, 1848.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY.—VVe append the official returns of the election in this county, by precincts, for Representatives, Sheriff, and one of the amendments to the "Organic Law." The official returns from Columbia Slough, having come in since our last issue, it makes some slight alteration in the respective totals—without, however, changing the general result:

Representati	ive	s.	0	reg	on Cit	y.	M	olal	la.	SI	ou	gh.	T	otal.
Lovejoy,														166
Curry, .														166
Snook, .														146
McCarver,					112			16	÷		3			131
Robb, .														
Rogers,														96
Sheriff:														
Holmes,					164			5		4	16			185
Brown,														
Amendment														
Prohibit,								10			16			239
Regulate,														
					omn i									

CLACKAMAS CIRCUIT COURT.—This court adjourns today, after a session of six days, in which much important business has been transacted. In the case of the Territory against Stanfield, indited for larceny, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty. In the Chancery suit, McLoughlin against Bell and others, for trespass, after the very able argument of counsel on both sides, the court over-ruled the demurrer to the complainant's bill. This decision was an extremely interesting one replete as it was with information upon laws generally and certain portions of our Organic Law in particular, the full and definite meaning of which had heretofore perhaps been somewhat obscure.

Waskopam.

We cannot close viithout remarking that the ability of the members of the Oregon Bar, generally, is morthy of particular notice. There are fourteen names upon the "Attorney's Roll" of this court, and we candidly say that, for talent and ability, we think the bar of Oregon, in proportion to its numbers, will not suffer in comparison with any elsewhere. With such a bar, and such able men upon the bench as Judges Lancaster and Skinner, the administration of the laws must surely secure the ends of justice.

THE "MT. HELEN."—A passenger vyho came on this craft from "Milwaukie," a few days since, speaks in the highest terms of her performance of the trip from that place to this City, and has been troubled with visions of steamboats ever since. He, with ourself, wishes Messrs. Truesdell and Kellogg the most abundant success. By the by, speaking of "Milwaukie," we will have something to say about that flourishing little place at the earliest opportunity. Numbers of places are springing up along our water courses—embryo towns and cities, hereafter to be famous in trade and commerce—vyhich are worthy of remark. Truly, Oregon is full of the signs of her future greatness and prosperity.