Aurora June 3. 1886

Mr E. Cornell

Dear Sir Your favor of the
Ult. was forwarded from Ithaca & received me
here this day. I was very sorry to hear of
your illness which I was informed some
few days since, for I can into your feelings
in some degree; having such a load of
business on your mind, and unable to
attend to it; the anxiety was almost enough
I suppose to keep you sick after you was
confined one day. You will I hope recover
rapidly and if your body is relieved from
sickness, such enduring energies as yours
will carry you through almost anything.

You have heard I presume that
we are setting poles in this vicinity
(now one mile North of this village) & I hope
to have them all up by the 20th at
furthest, perhaps sooner, it depends
upon the digging. Our augurs have been
almost useless but with light bits & spoons
with 5 foot handles I have succeeded in
getting the holes down. My estimate before
commencing was, for digging & setting each
pole 20 cents, and that has covered it
so far. We have had Slate & Lime rock
& hard clay to dig through a large part
of the way. I wish to have the wire at
Ithaca by the 20th & if it were there by
the 15th I think it would be better still.

The caps we want of course as soon
as the wire & the batteries, magneto &

immediately after. Let us have as good
instruments as any line has. You
do not say what price you are to pay
for the wire. Can you not get the
same terms as you mentioned in your
letter by Bilger — 6 and 8 cents, & you
had them contracted for it on those terms
if you can get it on that time I will
of course be better than 4 & 6. Let me
hear as you find for the best & I shall be
suited.

Please mention how you find
your wooden caps. Whether it is
necessary for me to inspect them
more closely. Several of the last
lots have been delivered & shipped in
my absence on the line between them
& Auburn.

I have received $94. of the
Ithaca subscribers $268. from Spring-
port.

Please write as often as convenient —

Yours sincerely
James Eddy

Aus 7. Juni 1866

AURORA
N.Y.

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E. Cornell Esq
Care of Livingston & Wells
10 Wall St
New York

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Jan 3 1846

Ballston Spa. June 5th 1846

E. Canuk Esq.

Dr Sir

I understand from Mr. Foster that you pretty much decided to take the Mud Lake and Albany line via Troy. Now if you wish I will furnish you with the 500 poles and also build as much of the line on this End of the route as you please. You can write me at once directed to Boy't. the Care of L. R. Sargent. R.R. Supt. If you wish me to furnish the poles at your proposed 100. 40 feet long and the Balance 30 feet. you will direct me when you wish them left. and if you wish me to build any portion of the line and think my offers are too high make me what you think a liberal offer and give me full instructions when you want the 100 Long 40 foot poles left Ballston. and all other instructions you may think necessary. Answer as soon as you Receive this

Yours &c

L. R. Sargent

N.B. Commence the Troy & Saratoga line first Mud Lake

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E. Connell Esq
10 Chauncy St
Cambridge

Boston June 5/46

When you call come on there next
1/2 to Greenbush - 1 1/2 to Newport City
by Steamboat -

Jupiter has much to recommend
same here - You would see to it early -
Send me if you can by return
of Mail, the copy of Dennis's Specifi-
cations -

No Proposals have yet come
to hand by Adams - Tell them
in all cases to deliver to No 20
Washington St

Our time works to the admira-
tion of every body, to Springfield -
Should so on, on Monday to hunt up
instruments at Hartford & N. Haven -
& thence to N York.

The war between Israel & K - is
indeed aroused - Will, we to go on
The is hostilities upon us from
y Gods' building about 300 miles south -

In haste - Yours truly
F. C. J. Smith

Mr C. Connelly -

FO J Smith
5 June 66

Dear Brother

I have reach Hide Park this Saturday night after a great deal of diffiunty getting through the trees on the road in some places the limbs will have to be cut away the most of those places I have got Concent of the owners but it comes very hard, I shall have to pay Smith some Money to night after which I shall have but $5.00 & the board must be Settled as we go along the man that I hired at Poughkeepsie refused to go any farther short of 8/- per day they are good hands and I told them if they would keep on through I would give it all but those three green horns and them I did not want I payed them 5,00 and agreed to leave the balance $5.50 to Mr Ruttzes for them the latter part of next week they have a Dun bill for that amt when you Come up you can arange it; I hope you will not bother me on a/c of funds for I must settle board bills as I go along if you dont Cant Come up let me hear from you

Yours &c

C Bonnell

Hyde park Dutchess Co N.Y.

E. B. Cornell
Penn 6/46

New York June 7th 11 1846 Evening

My Dear Alonzo

Your letter of the 25th may to 31 do was rec'd this morning on my return from Albany, I have had so many letters to write to day that this of yours is delayed untill the Mail has gone so it will be one day behind a letter to Mother of the same date,

I am very glad to be able to inform you that my health has improved rapidly the past week having been in the country most of the time, and bids fair to be fully restored in a few days.

My Caps have come on sufficiently fast and are very well made so that I am satisfied with them,

The expense of getting them down here is also about what I estimated it would be 2 day 2¼ Cts each. So that posts works will enough my Posts are all under contract, and at a less price than I estimated. and about half of them delivered. So that is a saving on my estimate. My wire is costing a trifle less than estimate, my Glass caps cost estimated price, the labour is the only thing that remains in doubt, some portion of that will fall within the estimate and I think no part will exced the estimate. So on the whole I shall make as good a job of it as I calculated to. My time is now getting short to finish in 2 day 1st of July. but that I have a capital remedy for, that is I have got my time extended one month So I can proclaim "All is well"

I am glad to learn that your views coincide with mine in regard to the best way of spending money, yours however you need not lay out for books at present, as I will purchase any book for you that are serviceable to you in acquiring knowledge if you will name to me what you want, besides you will find some very useful books (now neglected I fear) on the shelves of my book case, also a tolerable good collection in your School Library, but at any time you want a book you can not find in those places and I will furnish it for you, but in hopeing let my caution you against one great error in relation to books, that is the superficial reading of them, it is the better way to read the leper numbers and read them thuroughly and be sure that you understand what the author wishes to communicate, this can rarely be accomplished by persons of your age short of two or three perusals of a book, and such a work as Dr Lardners Lectures, should be carefully read at least six times, and the last time will give more pleasure and instruction than the first will. Try it and see,

I judge from your letter that you have made a good beginning with the Plum trees but to save the fruit you will have to persevere with the smoak, your plan of smoaking may do if you see that all parts of the tree get its share, I hope you will succeed as there is no better fruit than good Plumbs.

I had a letter from Mr Eddy to day he is getting along with his job very well, I have got his coin nearly and will send his cap

soon so that he can commun butting ch his wires. It wont be long before you can send the lightning messages to this city from Ithaca Now if there was two grains of enterprise at Ithaca it would not be long before some of the water that is tumbling over the falls would be made to twirl the busy Spindle,

But Ithaca are now committing Suicide ten years ago and it has not yet recovered from the wound. I should like to see her on her legs again.

I am glad to hear that you have had a visit from Uncle Phillen Chace. I trust you all enjoyed the visit. how Soon does he return?

I am glad to learn that the bible I sent you suited,

I am glad to hear so good an opinion of the Daguerriotypes. You observe that the "light on books just as though it would talk" did you try it to see if it would talk, perhaps the clerk can will scold you had better look out and attend to the Plumb trees and take care of my thing about the premises, or you may get a scolding from that fellow. Fond as I am I could have scolded when it was torn if I had been a boy in mischief.

At any rate, you can look at the picture when you think you ought to be scolded at and learn to do better,

Uncle E.B Commenced Erecting poles at Poughkeepsie last Thursday and he got up 6 miles by Saturday (last) night. that is pretty well

Yours Affectionately

E Cornell

A.B.C

Ezra Comer 96
Jan 7th 1846
New York

Ithaca June 8. 1846

Dear Sir

I embrace the opportunity to write you by Mr Bod. Our poles are up to within 12 miles of Auburn. I wrote on the 3d from Aurora which I suppose you have received before this time. There is so much excitement now in relation to our Mexican war; and the proceedings of the State convention attract so much attention that a telegraph line would do well if in operation and I desire to work it as rapidly as can be economically, so

Shall I depend upon you wholly for batteries, instruments, magnets &c and how soon can they be got here. I expect to hear in a few days from you, & the time that I may expect the wire.

Will A. S. Mod be able to attend to the starting of the line?

Will you see Faxton or the proper person & learn on what terms an instrument can be tended in their office at Auburn by their clerk?

Unless I hear to the contrary from you I expect to set up the poles so as to carry our wire to their office in Auburn. I go down on the line again tomorrow morning. In haste, Yours truly

James Eddy

E. Cornell Esq

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P.S. What says Livingston about
an Agent there, and do you
know about the insurance agency
J. E.

E. Cornell Esq
New York

By favor of
Wm L. Wood Esq

Albany June 8th 1846

E. Cornell Esq

Dear Sir

I arrived in Town this morning by Steamboat South America all O.K. have Bought my Tools And ~~have~~ and shall Commence work in the morning with Pleasure good will. — The Polks has not come up yet they have gone up to Troy. I shall go up and See this afternoon I found about Two Cups here but no Pins What does it mean —

I left my Umbrella in the P.O. Office (it is marked I.D.P.) please take Care of it and much oblige me

Respectfully Yours

I. D. Park

J. D Paris
8 June 46

Dear Sir

I have received
your favour of the
and am glad to
find that you
have got safe
home. I
have not
time to write
more at
present

Yours truly

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Attica Sept 8th/46

E. Barnes Esq

Dear Sir Mould be
Pleased to see at Attica by first Boat and I will
try the next in County for Sheriff
I do not like your Pattern and
therefor will not use it, My Dimsons
all in the Cash & Connect & Miss Cooper
Thine Yours

Respectfully Yours
J. S. Sexton

I forgot to say to you that I left the
Note Contents with Mr Livingston, I guess
he has told you before this time, if not
you Mention it,

J. S. S

Paxton
8 June 46

Mrs Myrtle

Mr. B. Wells Esqr

Boonville Mo

My Dear Brothers Albion June 9 1846

Your very kind and acceptable letter of the 2d came to hand just as I was about to write again. I thought something must be the matter that my letter must remain so long unanswered. not that I considered it due me to expect such promptness on your part but as your feelings had prompted you to answer my previous ones immediately I expected the same. but did not anticipate the cause of the delay of so serious a nature. However unwise it appears to you we scarcely expect to hear that you are sick in N.Y. this country is so notorious for sickness. it almost makes trouble now for your safety. knowing the amount of business necessarily on your hands, and even now while we are congratulating ourselves that youare restored to health you may be prostrated on a bed of sickness. brought on by mental and bodily exertion. I know by fact experience that if the mind ever wants to be free from care it is when the body is striving to regain its strength after a total prostration, And a sick bed among strangers is a terrible thing to think of. but perhaps. your life depended on your being in the spot you were. it seems the skill of your physition under the blessing of Providence alone saved you, We are well and there is not much sickness around the country. the People were defeated in the Mill pond suits. it was caused by a fault in the indictment which was drawn up by the district attorney who was an agent for the N.Y. owners of one of the mills and

consequently under pay by the mill owners. M.M. stuck to him all the time he could. she was sattisfied he was bribed and tried to get him to do his duty for the people. but he was a snake in the grass. and they could not get a trial until he was out of office and a true man put in but before that was accomplished our old yadge who was an enemy to mill ponds was elected Governour and a new one appointed through the agency of Mill owners throughout the county and an interested man whose whole property consists of Mills. who took advantage of some trifling flaw in the indictement. and non suited them. and now they have raised the Stonier pond which covers 1000 acres and is a mile above the one here which covers about 50 acres So much for the ponds and as for the Suit in Chancery we do not hear that it is decided yet but will be by the 20th of June M.B. is indifferent about the decision and thinks it will be for his interest if it goes against the farm for surely if those ponds have got to remain as they are he could better his situation. with the means he would have. She has bargained a way the Duck Lake farm to an honest working farmer whome he thinks will pay for it. he has sent us a cow towards it and M.B has sold her. I do not understand the particulars of the trade he will write soon to B. the particulars.

Mary flatters herself that you will visit us soon but I dare not think so. I think you ought to have a relaxation from business for the flesh is weak if the mind is willing.

I sincerely wish you every success with your lightning dispatch. and shall joyfully hail the day when its happy influence is experined by us wolverines.

Our beautiful penunsular is rapidly improving and in no distant day will rival her Eastern Sisters

Mr Wade Artist has returned from the South. and with a view a residence in some other place. he speaks of Brooklyn if he should visit the City I hope you will get time to make or renew his acquaintence. for he is one of nature's noblemen. and a self-made man. an excelent artist and a gentleman, in the true sence of the term.

the wheat never looked better than at present or have cool weather very favourable for wheat and if nothing happens we shall rejoice in an abundant harvest.

Edward has left us he has gone about 25 miles west and hired out for $12 per mo. he thought perhaps it would be more healthy to get away from the pond through the summer. I have not learned his adress yet but when I do will inform you. please give me E.B.'s adress. does he have his letters sent to the City, Frank Barnard is with us he makes flower barrels (I know how to spell flower now) N.B. carries on the cooper business and finds it very good business. we have no late Ithaca news. and I have troubled you long enough. for once please accept our best wishes

P. Wood

we rec. four numbers of the Agriculturist in one package but do not rec. the May or June numbers I mention this not to give you trouble but think you said you ordered them last year and this too and we did not rec. them Last nor are not like to this. there must be some fault at the publication Office for if they were mailed we should get them

adieu.

Mrs E Clark
Lincoln
Neb

Mrs E Comell
New Boston
Ills

Clark Ellis

If Clark the Agriculturist rec.
of January pages from No 9. for which
we are very thankful the Agriculturist
for June not the rest—

Mrs Clark husband and baby visited us a few weeks ago she that
ind to be Little Harrell Barnaby. Thus the enquired much
of you and family. Mr Barnaby is doing good business on the
Ranson he has got his boys each a farm and enjoys good
health. I think it quite enough for you write and pay the
postage one way:

New York June 10. 1846

Dear Sirs

I find a lot of cops at
at Albany (Troy), at Albany with-
out any fines. the fines that com
to New York have been drawn and
held out, none over. Will you
enquire about it and see if any
have been left at the mint. If
necessary Send a messenger
up to Bleeckers to Enquire about
it, your trouble and expen-
ces in this business I shall pay
you for, and by promptness in it
you will much oblige me.

Yours in Haste

E. Corell

Messrs Sprues & Wood

E Comstock Esq
Dear Sir 1st 1846

Mr. Wm Stevens Wants

Albany June 12th 1846

Dear Sir

I heard from Mr Livingston a few days since that it might accomodate you to get the balance of my note on four months Credit — I saw Messrs Brown & Elton on the Subject — they are willing to give the time by adding [redacted] interest — but they say they cannot draw the Iron in long lengths as Stevens has — they can only give me from 2 to 4 ft. of iron in a length whereas Stevens makes me from 8 to 12 ft in a length — I related this fact to Brown and he admitted that the quality of the iron is improved by drawing in great length. and as their machinery was not at present adapted to the long lengths — he says he should not complain if I get Stevens to make it

I questioned Stevens on the Subject of time and he says he will give the four months with Interest this is the same as Brown proposes — I should want about 1500 pounds more than is allready made —

I have not received the money I wrote you that I wanted on the 10th June — I have got 3000 lbs to pay for and my labour now amounts to

about $420. per Week. I mention this that you may know about the amount of my wants

You have not informed me whether you sent the last sum of money to Squires about that I requested - also that to South to Boston to pay for Sleeps Coffee — please send me on this Account So that I may be Correct in Calculations

Yours Respectfully
C. Conrad

T. L. Foxton Esq

P.S. I Shall do nothing further about this until I hear from you

Copy

Copy to Hamilton
April 12 1870

Albany June 13th 1846

E. Comell Esq.

After looking along the banks of the River from the Bridge at Troy to the South Ferry in Albany I found a lot of Cedar Poles. They were piled up on the Dock at Greenbush and I produce on the 2nd that you spoke of Having Picked 1 Link for Monday last! They should have been distributed differently. but I shall get them on the Rail Road on Monday and be ready to Commence Running on Tuesday P. Hour. They are not smooth having been Trimed before they were Peeled. but with that exception are fine Poles. I will be able I think to Select down nice ones to meet through Troy

You will now direct enough to Complete it at the Canal Dock to Meet down on this Side the River. I did not Count them. you will Recive how many there is and how far they will Reach and direct the Hands accordingly

I Remain Yours with the Pole

about 9 1/2 this morning and moved over to West Troy stay the Night between the Two Bridges and then Come down the Whole Line the Canal and go on the Highway—

Write me what route you have decided to take from Greenbush to Hudson— the Post Road and about five miles back from the River— this is a Road running along the Hudson from the Appearance I have of it is pleasanter to it — as it will afford better facilities for distributing the Rolls. if this is a Leading between Albany & Hudson—

I Shall Want Some more of the Last of the book as I Shall have to pay Postage Stamps & Envelopes I will Make out my Estimate in time for you to Remit me the Money to pay my bill on Saturday Night I have Made the arrangement upon of — of paying 15 cts for day once in two weeks and the balance when the Job is Completed

Mr Carter Wish me to Say to you he Guarantees that your Mileage to Al-

Faxton (or so much of it as you
desired him to) this morning at
Rochester — and mailed the original
to him at Utica where he will
stop tomorrow night

With me

Respectfully Yours
L. D. Park

E. Lovell Esq

Mag. Telegraph

New York

Sirs

above you have my check for
$149— agreeable to request of Mr Cannon
per attorneys Rupp & Sons.

Respectfully yours.

J. J. Bolton

June 15th 1916

U S Tarton Co
Squires & Nova
June 25th 1846

Office of the N. M. C. & B. Y. Co
Utica June 13/66

E. Cornell Esq

Your favor of the 11. Instant
Come duly to hand & in answer
to say just stepping the wire that I deem
it of Great importance to Get the best article
that is Made & if Stephens & Thomas will
Give you a better article than B & C. you
Can better Get the Value from them!

as to drawing on Him for the
pay if it Mr Livingston told me he
thought it might be Got on 4 Months
Without Interest, if so I thought it
might be best to do it.

Since I See him I have been
west. Most of our Subscribers are Wheat
& Flour Dealers & they Look pretty blue
at this time & Cannot Meet the
Instalment as I had Supposed they would,
and perhaps it will be doing us a favour
to Let us have on time; I will advise you
further after Seeing Mr Livingston!

Agreeable to your request I Sent
Mrs Seymour Order $149. Leave you by
Express $5.00. the reason not Sent before

is absent from home, am glad to hear
you getting the work moved very briskly.
ask me to have a Lot of Indy Cork
from you at N.Y. if yes it will
astonish the Natives,
I shall soon be through the Business
as I have the promise of My Bloss Corpus Xti
week;

Respectfully Yours

J. Shelton

Paxton
16 June 46

Mr Myers