Recd & Ans. Dec 6 / 86 E Corell

Wilkes Barre. Luzerne Co Pa

Nov. 25. 1876.

My Friend

When I left New York on the 1st July last. I Called on You for the purpose of making some arrangements with you about paying to you a certain Amt. owed to your tenant Saml Miller; but you was absent from the City— I made you a note for the amount due from myself to Miller (viz $120—) which I enclosed to you. it falling due 6 mos from Apl. 1st (Acts 1) — I told Mr Miller when at Orland that I had arranged it with You— I have never heard from You (only through the papers) since that time, but presume you yet hold the note & have released Mr. Miller from a corresponding amount— Now if you wish to pay will you please tell me so. and I will try and send it to you. but if You are not hard up. I would like to have you wait until after the 1st of January, by so doing you would confer a favor upon me—

We are getting along finely here although the repeal of the tariff Started our underpinnings a little. but we are now going a head with a becoming looseness. We shall have Employed before another month. about 200 men making railroad Iron. this concern is owned by the Same company as the one at Danvills. and Cost the snug little Sum of two hundred thousand dollars——

I thank you Mr Connell for the interest You took in my welfare during my residence in New York city. and I should be glad to reciprocate the kindness in any way I can.

I think our Esteemed friend Polk would think that he had signed his death warrant when he approved the infamous tariff of 1846. It would do your soul good to hear his political friends here curse him — I do candidly believe that if Dallas should visit the mining districts that his person would not be secure from injury — the Election in York State completely annihilated the remnant of the "46 party in this State, And it does seem so Strange to hear Loco Focos here talk Tariff, but so it is — But a truce to Politics — I am in a hurry — and I presume you are ere this tired of reading this poor Scrawl So I will conclude. With my best wishes for your Success in business & for your health & happiness

In the Expectation of soon hearing from You

I remain Respectfully Yours

E. A. Morgan

☞ **All Communications Confidential.**

Via Telegraph from Clayton

Office No. 14 Exchange-Street, up stairs.

Buffalo, Nov 24 1846.

To Connell

why do you not
examine the office at
Cen & Sy? why go west
from Rh when you
knew all wires right-
from there to Buf and
could not work but one
wire east of Rh

J. S. Foxton

Ithaca Nov 24. 1846

E. Connell Esq

Dear Sir

Yours of the 22 is at hand — I have sent to Wood $350. to pay Stevens; should have sent more but as I informed you some time since, some of the Ithaca funds had been used in paying expenses of this line, paying Tichenor &c, and $500. is yet back not paid. The last $400. will be paid after the line is put in operation.

Can the battery & magnets be sent me immediately & shall I get registers of number at $35.

Elmira wire is all on. I have only received one cent from you by telegraph asking if money had gone forward to Ray for line, I answered that within five minutes saying "In part."

As to your offers to buy or sell I thought they were not equal; you offer to sell or buy at $500, you had spent no time (a very little) in the matter I had spent 10 Dol.

Where can I send for papers I
shall be out in a few days
Yours
James Eddy

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E. Cornell Esq
Care of E. Stevens
Telegraph Office
Auburn

Austin Nov 27. 46

Mr Carroll

Sir

I write it not to give you attention to Sirius from Albany to New York, we have not heard from Sirius to Me we ought to Hear to on to keep on mein st work, Shall I hear from you Soon,

Yours to Insts

J. S. Sutton

Flexlow
27 Nov 46

Hudson (Saturday night) Nov 28.

Dr Sir as an Item of Gossip I drop you a line to say I went over my lower Section today and found it all as correct as thunder I kept on and the farther I went South the worse I found it, while I was top of a pole at Clermont Mr Myers came up from poughkeepsie with a Sleigh a man to help him and a long ladder he tells me he left Poughkeepsie on Thursday morning and had been busy all the time since and had mended fifty two wires that he had heard the section below there was in a very bad State it is all good now to Poughkeepsie and if you have got a current of Communcation you may think yourself fortunate if not you must take it coolly till you do, if it is all right send me a newspaper by first Mail after you get this

Yours Resp

A. P. Bulloch

NB I did not know the gents name who was at Hudson So I direct to Mr Carter

APB

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Chas. "Carter

Albany

(Telegraph office)

Delevan House

H 29
N.Y.

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Ap 15 1846
Answered 5/16

New York Nov. 9th 1846

E. Cowell Esq

Dear Sir

I take the liberty of writing you a few lines mainly on private business but as it has a relation to Telegraph business hope you will not regard it an intrusion upon your time—

In a conversation with Mr Livingston a few days since he informed me that Toronto has very many Complaints (as also I do by the Toronto papers) and advised me to write to Mr Wells of Buffalo offering my services to Come up and Start the Line - And by doing so would secure a place in that Line as Superintendant of the Line or an office I done so and in a day or two received a letter from Mr McKay that a Mr Porter was to start the Line having been recommended by You.

I now write you as I am aware or presume Mr Wells will have to your advice to procure me a Situation there - I dont like to be idle and besides I am not able to be - I was in hopes from the Conversation we had some 6 weeks ago you would secure that job for me - I met to have Seen you when you was here before but had no chance but once then you was busy telling -

I received a letter from Fisher a few days Since saying if I applied in person for a Situation at the Line he thought my Chance was good what he was not I Cant tell - I dont feel able to Come to Buffalo & go to Toronto without some hopes of Situation and besides I think this a much Cheaper Route and I full Confident you Can Secure the place for me as Will do for me if Come up there - you know what I Consulin myself with But if the Company Have for Up I must Come to Up I should not want to Come for Up than the Buffalo Company keeps in Buffalo Sir &c

at first but Mr Livingston thinks they will pay more. The price is not so much an object this winter. They will not of course ask Commissioners to work for less than that Corps.

I also through Mr L. advised both the Presidents Mr Lincoln at Toronto in that line I took the liberty of writing him to you as proof of my qualifications among the men got recommendations from him - yet

If you will entrust yourself big up there I am persuaded you can secure the situation for me - by doing so you will confer an additional favour upon me your Early Reply is solicited fully in favour the matter stands and must obey - I am

Yours &c

J. C. Parke

P.S. I am persuaded the Company will Effect to hire the men L & Mr Lewis to start the line

Dec 29 1846

all well

American Eagle
Nov 30 1886

Dr Sir I went down to PR last night & this morn before Eagle arrived I saw Curtis & Chapin they say within 2½ miles S of PR they counted 18 broke. 17 of them between as many poles. below this not many brakes as far south as they can hear within 25 miles north Mayes counted 53. Cause, an accumulation of ice on wires. Curtis says I inch in diameter Chapin says it was as large as his arm when the 17 brakes were

after ice froze on, wind blew a gale no wind while ice was forming

I questioned them particularly about post moving in the ground, they said they did not move but stood firm

above is story as they give it me & shows abundant cause for the brakes

Mr Curtis says that such were the particulars as he wrote them to you of this you can judge when you compare his letter with mine

If he is correct. I cannot imagine how you got the posts so loos and crop between PR & Hd, as to cause so many brakes and so much damage to the business of the line

in a few days I shall have more data & will write again

Rush E C

T. S. Peyton Esqr

15 — Posts —	7.50
Setting	4.00
240 ft Wire Iron	24.00
Glass	5.00
Putting —	2.00
	42.00
	12.00
	60.00
Banking —	2.00
Posts —	15.00
Setting	7.50
Bracing	2.00
Glass —	50
Insulation	5.00
Putting up Wire	2.00
	29.50
240 ft Iron	24.00
Staples and Wire	2.40
	61.20
	1.00

Cornelius to
Boston Nov-30/96

Austin Nov 30/46

B. Barnett Esq

I Enclose to You Doctor Jas Von $200 to pay off the Mortgage along the Line, I am Indebted for a Lien from Mr Wade in which he Lays 2 Miles as at the Office for pay, I take him for my own Line & Adams pay all off before Jan 1st Line

Myers my Friend to first of November by Mr Bullock is to be Settled with by you & you must know what is his Due his Eaton Chops is $10. for Mem to Look after Line by my orders, One Dollar for Mem to help right the posts, & one Dollar for Solomon Postage Due, Mr Cairns $12, Eaton, Why Should both work sitting up Persons to Note.

If You cannot Get Through to me to Mr Butterfields in Lexington until Friday Morning Let me know by Telegraph and I will have him Start Home

For Louis Lake & for the Lake of the Line do not Lease it until arrangements are Made for Repairing Bridges as Lease "Agreed"

Respectfully Your J. Taylor

Flaxton
Nov 30. 46

Lord Mayor,

I have the honour to
be, Your most obedient
Humble Servant

New York Nov. 30th 1846

E Carroll Esq

Dear Sir

I wrote you yesterday on the subject of the Toronto Telegraph. Read Mr Wood thought Mr Carter told me you were in Buffalo I directed that letter there - and Mr Wa now tells me you are in Hudson & and presuming you will not immediately go to B - I write you again -

In a conversation with Mr Livingston a few days since he informed me the T. Line was nearly (as I also learn by the Toronto Papers) Completed + advised me to write to Mr Wells for a chance on that line to put it in operation and secure the birth of Superintendent on the Line or an Office - I wrote him in a day or two & received a letter from Mr McKay saying as Mr Porter was to start the line should be recommended by you & do so - [redacted] Livingston thought best to write to Mr Hamblin the President of that Company at Toronto & down so & have declined as answered yet - I took the liberty of referring him to you as testimony of my qualifications &c &c - I wish to

him Sam you when you was here but had no chance but as the you was busy talking - I am quite ill and am not content to. [redacted] besides I am not able - As you are familiar with Mr Wills [redacted] familiar with the progress of that line I wish you to entent yourself & procure a situation for me - you can frequently up there and will learn on the Effect of the jury for nothing. Tell me how it is on the B— line. I suppose the President hits the bull's eye in that Case no chance -

A letter from Fish a few days ago saying I could get a job if I applied for it he thought. Mr Livingston thru is town 3 offices that they have no Operator for - but has left the whole matter with Mr Wills -

Please write me by an early mail and tell me how the matter stands and much oblige

Yours Truly
J. D. Pauli

P.S. all well

Bro & Sis
Dec 3—

E. Connell
Supt. Mag Telegraph
for Hudson City
Ms.

My Dear Brother and Sister Thanksgiven 1846

and what How are you this Evening

are you thinkeny about. I have thought of you

much of late and when I get in a fit thinkeny of our

Ithaca friends I can hardly content my self here the

desire is so strong to jumsp in a sliegh and ride to

Ithaca. by the way Old winter is upon us with all

its howling and blowny snowny and freezny, the

snow is about four inches deep a thing almost unprecedented

in the history of this vicinity. We are getsny along

through the long winter evenny quite comfortable

M.B. sets her playny the Viol some of those good old

times you have heard so often. Arlina has visitors

and they set by the stove cracking nuts and Ellen

is at work on her new dress Orson amusny himself

with some little coons which he cut out of a

whig paper and Edgar lays on the carpet so much

for the house and the big boys are in the shop five

in number engoyny themselves eqnaly as well. they

think. our family number twelve. Father Wood is

quite smart and comfortable but within two weeks

he has failed in his reason the most that he has in

five years. he has all most lost his reason intirely

he cannot remember any thing hardly and

talks very much at random. he cannot remem-

ber the circumstances of his being here or movny

from Snyder. he knows there is something about his expecty

money but does not know what. I supose it is his pension he means

I have answered the first of March

the last letter I have been favored with from

and a chance to send it by

to the Revny Mr Mattoon I do

so hardly as I think it will

Good night. B.F. might write.

Edward is well and enjoys himself well. W.B., family were well the last we heard we have not been there since Mary was here. Mr. B. has promised to go to Appleton to spend the Holidays if nothing happens. if we go there we shall go and make Mr Barnaby, folks a visit. Sister Mary says you talk of going west in the spring if you do I hope you will like our part of the country well enough to settle with us I should think the mason business was rather dull but if you could get a good farm I think you would be quite independent we have bettered our condition by moving west and if you should do so I should hope you would very much improve yours I do not know how the climate would agree with your family but we have no more sickness on an average than we did east. If we could have a smaller family I think I could enjoy myself better. having mixed a cow is rather disagreeable but W.B. thinks he can not carry on business without it. Mrs Handy has been sick this fall and has been quite homesick poor old Lady! I feel sorry for her she lives comfortably with her son and has her share of the property which Handy left for her support. they are good to her and think a great deal of her

The men have come in from the shop and expect me to with them nonsense that I cannot write to suit me I rec a letter from Ezra a few days ago he reported all favourably and seemed to feel in good spirits by his writing. it seems a long time since we rec a good long letter from you and we want one much I wrote about three weeks ago to Mary Ann and ~~not~~ am looking anxiously for an answer.

M.B. feels sure you will be very much pleased with Kansas when you get here. they have very mild winters. must as they do in Appleton he says Kansas is much healthier than Wisconsin and he should like to live in it

You will of course discover that I have not any news to write and you say why do you not stop then but it is against my principle to send a vacant sheet and must fill this up with something. I wish Father and Mother could be persuaded to come here in the spring and make us a visit, it would be pleasant for them and I should think they could come from Ithaca here if uncle Butler and Aunt Mary could go from Utah to Illinois, Frances is with us this winter to work in the shop, he is better than he was when he was sick but not very well now all the Eastern folks have to be seasoned but Frank has not had to have as hard a time as we did, another thing there is not so many of us and another he was not so sick

Dell Maria Phebe must not come to Mich until Fanny and Ida work for the mosquitos quit here and I look like a witch all that is of Ida work is Father's

Dell always time I am very anxious to know if Mrs Sage has got her knitting work I sent it by Mr Hotchkiss folks and he promised to call on some of you.

Now I have came to the conclusion that if I lived in Ithaca I could write you a good long interesting letter, a word to the wise is sufficient. I would like have the children write how I want to see them but it is not so ordered an I will content my self with hoping that the time is not far distant when we shall be reunited. it is getting late M.B. has gone to bed the children also and you will agree with me that it is time I was. I supose you are rejoicing over your Governor gratly and I congratulate you although it does not agree with my politicks.

I remain with much regard

Your affectionate Sister Phebe

I think it was enough to [illegible]
I should think B.A. might write.

HOMAN HOTEL MICH

E. B. Connell

Ithaca N.Y.

Philadelphia Dec 1st 1845.

E. Corell Esqr.

Dear Sir.

I have this moment rec'd your much esteemed letter of the 28th ult. with a bill of lading for nine Rols of Wire. I have this moment called at the Store house No. 40 South Wharves, but the 9 Rols of wire has not arrived. I was informed at the Store house that they have rec'd four Rols of wire for me, some two weeks a go. For which reason you have not sent me a bill of lading. Please remit it to me without delay.

I have rec'd your letter of the 15th ult & a bill of lading for three Boxes of Glass Caps. Those Boxes have been rec'd at the Store house No. 40 South Wharves. You state in yours of the 15th ult that you had forwarded to me a number of Boxes of Glass Caps at points & places advised by Mr Kendall: But you do not state at what places. nor have you sent me a bill of lading authorising me to draw them.

On rec't of this please have the Kindness to write & inform me at what places you have sent me Boxes of Glass Caps & Rols of wire & how many Boxes of Glass Caps, & how many Rols of wire

& how many Clasp Caps there in each Box & how many mils of wire there are on each Reel. & find a bill of lading for all & each material that you have forward to me & when & where I can find them.

For it is impossible for me to find the materials unless you inform me where you have sent them & not will they to whome you have sent the give them to me without a bill of lading authoring me to name the same

Yours &c
A. C. Goelle

A C Gorell
1 Dec 48

Miss Myra Cox
Sup. Mus. Schools
Elmore Ave.
Quincy

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Office of the New-York, Albany & Buffalo Telegraph Co.
POST'S BUILDINGS, EXCHANGE PLACE.

Via Telegraph from Utica Dec 5th to 8. P.M.

Mr. E Cornell 1846.

Sir

We have not
heard from Buffalo
in 3 or 4 days. Would
it not be well for you
to give it your imme-
diate attention

Yr Faxton
Pres

E Cornell Esq

I must see you
next Tuesday

J. Eddy

Ithaca Dec 5. 1846

E. Cornell Esq

Sir— I am fearful that we run too much risk in going on with Binghamton line.

If we cannot have the exclusive right we must so state to the Binghamton folks & in that event they will not take the stock— Hart Buttrfield obtained the right from Patentees to build from Utica to Binghamton.

If not can we get our contract extended on condition of going immediately on with the building.

Or can we buy the exclusive right if they will not extend our present contract— From Mandeville letters I presume that the whole amount of $5000 will be raised distance 54 miles— out of this must be paid $500. to the Binghamton men & 100 or 200 to Mandeville which will leave say $4200— line will cost say 2600 for much less if an iron rail will do— leaving 1600 for you & I & Patentees.

Answer immediately as the whole matter will slip through our fingers

If you can learn that Butterfield has not yet a bona fide right from the patentees you or I had better go at once & make arrangements with Kendall & Smith —

If Butterfield has not a closed contract say to me by telegraph "B. has not contract, I will see them at once" or "B. has not contract you go & see them" — or send by telegraph one word "seven" if there is no hope of getting any terms from patentees & I would leave Mr. L. Wood here in my absence —

Yours &c
James Eddy

Col. Eddy
Santa Fe

City New York Decr 6th 1846

My Dear Alonzo

Your favour of Nov 26th I rec'd this day, and your note of 29th Nov was rec'd friday last at Schuylerville, enclosed in a letter from your mother,

On the first of those letters you among other things say Mr Orr thinks you had better Study the Latin language, and ask what I think of it, In answer I must say that I cant tell without knowing his motives or views in thus advising, My own opinion is that you had better pay very close attention to Mathematicks, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Civil engineering &c &c, with that you want to have thoroughly the English language, History, Composition, Writing, Geography, Phylosophy Chimistry, &c &c, I may not have those several branches arranged in the Order in which it would be proper to study them, but they are all important and useful, in fact are apt to be common in any kind of business ou

In your letter of 29th Ultimo you ask "Do you think I had better go in any kind of business in the Spring &c" I am afraid you would be sorry like the Son of the Eighteenman

who was taken by his Father through all the trades in London to select among the variety in that metropolis one he would be willing to learn, after going through and examining all. And returning home his Father asked him if he had seen any he would be willing to be bound an apprentice to, he said he had, on enquiry which it was. He very Coolly remarked that he should prefer to be bound an apprentice to the King,

I think I can see a desire in you to learn the "kings trade",

To be frank with you I have my doubts whether it would be for your interest to engage in the Telegraph business even were you qualified to do it properly, but you are not thus qualified, for this reason you lack age, discretion, and a knowledge of business, that is a fault now with many of our Operators, they can write well on the Telegraph and so could you very soon, but there, they must have knowledge of business in general, to make good Operators, I think you had better go to School another year at least and improve it industriously, and work enough in the garden and about home to keep your health, good and your constitution on a firm basis,

I hope I shall be able to get home

again soon when we can talk the matter over,

Yours Affectionately

E. Cornell

A. B. C.

Ezra Cornell
Dec'r 5th 1846
New York City

A. B. Cornell

Ithaca

1 41 24 81 3R

Baltimore Dec 7. 1846

Dr E. Connelli

To Stephens & Thomas

1845				
Dec 31.	To Balance Ofs Rendered	—		98.69
1846				
~~Febry 28~~	" Ruling as per Bill	—		22.75
April 11	" 4/4 ~~Bbl~~ 31 Copies Writ	40.		2.55
25	" 30 3/4 " " "	"		18.45
May 20	" 4 1/2 " 1h " "	29.		1.31
June 2	" Solder. Coal. Acid &c	—		1h.90
August 20	" 5 ~~Bbl~~ Writ Sampes	"		1.45
27	" 20 1/2 " 20 C. Writ	35		7.18
				169.18

Writ as follows to Hlaca

June 15.	1483			
25	1567	3050	— 29.	884.50
August 3		213	— "	61.77
				946 27

6 Jun 20. Note 4 Month Mon

457.62, 457.62, 915.04 31,23

Oct 3. 484. 13 415.

24. 1000. 27 521 2420 ~~Bbl~~ 29. 701.80

6 Nov 20, Cash of Writ 200.00

30 " " " " 150.00 350.00 351 80

Balance due in Cash Oct 24 ~~Bbl~~ $ 552.21

W^m E. Cornell

Dear Sir

We have been somewhat disappointed in not receiving the Account for Wire sent to Ithaca — we were satisfied the fault is not with you We have taken the Liberty to forward you a Statement of our Agency Clearing a Balance due us in all. of 1^to C & W. the last delivery of Ithaca Wire Five Hundred & ~~Fifty~~ two 21/100 Dollars — W^m Doty last remitted W^m Wood Stat. that the Balance could not be paid at present for Wire he received now we are 1^st from the Lay out of it & would suggest if agreeable to yourself to give us a Draft Note endorsed by before with Interest add — we can then turn it into Money. but would much prefer having the Cash. the difficulty in getting any other than City papers discounted is our Reason — please give this your consideration & do — something for us is this our time of need & oblige Your friends

Stephens & Thomas

Dec 7/61

Dr. C. Cornell

New York

Auburn Dec 15. 1846

My Dear Alonzo

I was quite surprised to see that you wrote so well on the telegraph with the little Chaun you have had to learn. I have no objection to your learning to thus write if you will not let it attract your attention from your studies.

It is of the utmost importance that you should improve your time to school and mature your education as fast as possible. As the time is passing rapidly, and you soon will want to leave school for other pursuits. I should be sorry to see you thus leave without a good Education.

With Parental Love and Remain your Father

E. Cornell

A.B.C

Ezra Cornell
Dec 15th 1846
Auburn N.Y.

A. B. Cornell
Ithaca

Troy N.Y. Dec 15/66

Mr Carnell

Sir.

In answer to yours respecting Mr Whalen doing the turning of both Lines I have to say that he may do it for one third the Ways we pay Irving Allis Neiter & Co it or will or not

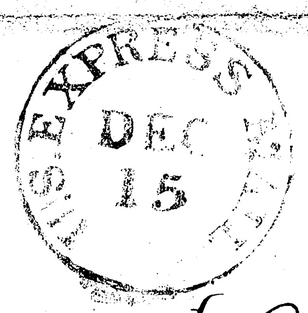
We pay Irving $400 a Year, over Mean is East Morning & opening the Line when the Cars were Shaky & out of order,

Mrs Brakys Return Room & Lyons was Cared by Some Men falling Trees onto the Wire,

Yours Truly

J. Lofton

Say to Mr Whalen I must have his answer for Nov. & Dec Pleas,



E. Cornell Esq
Auburn

Ithaca Dec 13. 1846
9 O'Clock P.M

E. Cornell Esq
Dr Sir —

I have tried in vain to get out of the office to-day long enough to make arrangements for sending you the money required to redeem half the note. I send you all I have to-night & will endeavor to send balance by mail to-morrow night directed to D. S. Wood N.Y. Enclosed you have one hundred & sixty five (165) dollars —

Yours
James Eddy

P.S. I do not know how to get away to Binghamton — Mama cannot come & I have no one to leave in office —

J. E.

Ithaca Dec 15th 1846

W E Connell Dear Sir

Will you be kinde enough to excuse me for thus addressing you? I think you will when I explain

Being out of employment about four weeks since I took a fancy to learn the Art of Telegraph writing and the general business of a Station or Office thinking perhaps that at some future day it might be of service to me and with my mind thus made up I applied to Mr Eddy your Partner in this place for instruction which he agreed to for $10 sufficient to make me Competent I accordingly Commenced Copying the Alphabet upon my own suggestion as being a good starting point in the Art I went on for several days and then got an instrument of Mr Munger upon which I practiced some time but was told it would be a disadvantage to me I then quit it hoping that Eddy would allow me to practice upon your line. He has made objections on act of Steam &c whether real or not I am not able to say I am now kept entirely in Suspence at the same time treating me very Coldly in the meantime saying nothing about instructions or my progress in the art

Suffice it to say I am now waiting his motion and if it is right that I should pay him $5 more after having paid him $5 in the out set, I will do so "I want your opinion"

Over

I had thought that you knew something of this affair If you think it not asking too much I will ask you to explain the whole matter by doing which you would relieve me very much

I am desired to keep the matter as still as possible or at least confine it to those who may be concerned and some few who are acquainted with the Circumstances of the case for instance your son Alanzo for one and your Brother E B & Your Brother E Rufus probably say something to you upon the subject Perhaps it would be well to say nothing to Eddy about it

I am out of employment and a family upon my hands and not much money & should it be in your power to assist me in getting business of any kinds which you may think competent to I shall remember you Ere long reciprocate if it should be in my power to do so

Oh Great Earth

Very Truly Yours

Oliver E Allen

Aug. Dec 17, 1846
E C

O. E Allen
Athens Decr 15
1846