Buffalo Dec 18 47

Dear Brother

. The difficulty made by the men at Silver Creek under Mr Burdick has not yet been settled the circumstances are these, when the men got to S. Creek their fortnights pay was due & in consequence of delay of funds I could not pay them, but told them that the money would be here in a few days when they should have their pay, as near as I could learn they were advised by their Councilors to sue the employer and attach the poles which they did & of them consequently 8 attachments were issued and I suppose 8 judgments obtained &c in order to make all the cost possible, well as soon as I got funds I left with Mr B $100 told him to arrange the matter the best way he could in order to finish setting the poles. (for which he was then contracting) while I went west to provide for the other two Gangs who I feared would be in hot water if I remained to settle the difficulty myself, Burdick accordingly paid over to the Constable $60 (the amt due the men being about $40) with the priveledge of going on and finish setting the poles, that being all the money he could spare until my return the Constable Claiming some 80 od dollars

When I came back the poles had been sold on the Execution (some 118 poles) I asked the Constable if they brot Enough to pay the Execution he said not and declined telling me any thing about it unless I would settle the matter I told him I came for that purpose but as he had got to the length of his rope I thought I should let the matter rest and give a chance for investigation as I thought the whole proceedings were illegal in the first place the poles were attached before they were Executed by the ~~Court~~ Mr Lamphere the man who got the poles forbid the Constable medling with them, in the ~~first~~ place the Summons was issued against you and neither you nor my self (acting as your agent) had any legal notice of the proceedings what ever therefore I leave the whole matter for your further advise had the Cost been but a reasonable amt I ~~should~~ would have settled it at wones, but the way they managed it the amt of Cost was more than the judgement, I want you to write me on the subject that I may know what to do for it will be necessary to have the matter settled some how before the writ is put up, in reference to Glasses there is none on the line Except what has been sent to Detroit

Mr Fish says he Cant work by the day putting up
wire short of $300 per day is it best to give it
I under stand by Parties that steps have been
ordered back from Detroit to Buffalo I think it is
uncertain whether they Can be got back by water
this winter, there should be Some men immediately
so that we Could be preparing as I understand by
Mr Holmes that they want a good deal of fitting
How shall I manage about praying for the poles
that are not put up. there is over a hundred miles
that will be Covered in Snow in all probability so.
that I Cant See them to Count them, ~~had I better~~
will it not be best to draw them a line saying that
we Cant get at them to Count until we put them up
in the Spring and at the same time give them the
privelege of furnishing a nother lot of the same amt
at a given Sum, to be left - between Each that is
now on the ground to be payed for when put up or
at Some given time (what think you) I think you had
better Come up here and go over the line and make
Some arangements about the offices and See some of
the principle men at the different places where they want
Stations in order to Check the prejudices that are arising
from the gases of the other Company, I find these prejudices
are gaining ground very fast to our disadvantage as
they progress with their line they have got their wire
up as far East as Erie you will please answer this at Erie

Yours Respectfully

C Bonnell

E. B. Cornell
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Cornell Esqr
Telegraph Office
Troy N.Y.

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Boston, December 18, 1847

Mr. F. O. J. Smith

Bought of New England Glass Company.

Small Box # 54	8 9 doz. Telegraph Blocks	@ 2 $ gross	$ 14,83
per Rail Road			

BOSTON
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Mr. E. Cornell,

Troy, N.Y.

Jos Howe
21 Dec 75

Quebec Dec 18th 1847

E Lonnell Esq

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 2d inst
I rec'd the 13th I del'd the letter to Dr Kinlin
he called a meeting of the Directors
immediately but did not succeed in
getting them together until yesterday:
I send you their answer, I am in receipt
of your letter of the 2d inst, and in reply
am directed to inform you the Directors
decline to comply with the request therein
contained - I remain, &c &c W. Kinlin -
Dr K tells me he thinks you should
pay the Job Contracts yourself & not delay
any longer expecting to get money from
the Govt - he says it is not right that
the Job Contractors should suffer for
the faults of the Directors - There is nothing
new here I am every day dunned
by more or less of the Contractors there
has been two waiting all the week for
the decision - I was quite certain
they would comply with your request at
once - I was told they would by three

of the directors providing they had that amount of funds in bank. I enquired at the Bank they told me there was but about ½ that amt yet paid in. Mr Gething's the Cashier who is Treasurer to the Assn told me they would be obliged to sue the share holders to make them pay up their instalment that is now due - Please inform me if the Troy line will soon be in operation. No Snow at all here, Ferry boats still crossing. I have written this in a hurry fearing to be too late for the mail - I did not receive Mr K's letter until 3 o'clock the mail leaves at four

Pleas not delay informing me what you intend doing with that honorable body.

I remain,
Dear Sir,
Your very Obt Servt
Isaac H. Hutton

P.S.
There is to be a General meeting of the Stockholders next month - New directors will then be chosen - I. H. H.

Since writing the above I saw
a friend of mine & told him the
way the Apos were acting: He
says advises Mr C to sue them
at once - I think that is the
best thing you can do -
I have broken the seal to write
you with this. Yours truly
J.H.6

Tower Jackson
with
J. J. Speed Jr.

Agreement

the original Inst Speed
at Chicago Dec 19. '47

Nothing found in
this, CHH.

The docket is in D.T.
Tillotson's hand

Chicago 19 June 47

Dear Sir

Here I am yet, with my leg stretched out on a pillow: but it has improved much for the last three days, three fourths better, and if I am careful, and do not hurt it, I think I can on my legs again in a few days- The swelling has gone down very much, and it is in all respects much better-

Tillotson has finished the line to Littleport- Jackson has not got quite down between here and there, will finish in day or two, I suppose he must have finished by last night- I expect Averill came here with the instruments every day, but do not know as they have been used at Detroit, He will come on with them as soon as he gets them, and fix up the office here, and at Milwaukee.

Tillotson will go to Middlebury to assist in getting up the line there, and if we had the wire, I would state hope to have all complete before 1st July: but as near as I can find out, there is about 21 tons of wire at Detroit

or has been used, at Detroit, since the line was in operation to Kalamazoo, which will reach about 126 miles, or ten miles this side of Kalamazoo. leaving 90 miles to Michigan City; and about 5 miles this side of the City, to be billed, which will require near 16 tons of wire. I have written to Parkin, and Haviland, for a statement of the wire used at Buffalo, and Detroit, but have not yet got any. but from all I can learn respecting the wire, the above is not far from right. Now the question is, how are we to get the wire to bill the goods?

It will cost say $30 per ton to cart it from Buffalo to Detroit, which is only $5. per ton more than the charges on the last 15 tons used at Detroit. I do not suppose it to be possible for you to send the wire to Buffalo, and put it up by teams over the R Road to Kalamazoo, and cause to M, City, so as to finish the line by 1st July. unless you have already sent the wire out. but it is best to get it up soon as we can, and have it up as soon as possible after it arrives.

We need here two more barrels of glasses, by Express. charges $8 per 100 lbs. which have to be carried back

to Kalamazoo - Los in cutting cuts alone of more than $200: but sure on the wire is possible, and we will complete the line any how, and figure up the loss when we get it done -

As to the prospects on the Buffalo end, I am in the dark - No chance of getting it done this winter. I hear, but O.R. will finish his, and by stirring the controversy with him may be settled and we take his line - Since I have been cooped up here, I have seen spooks and hobgoblins every day, when I get out, I hope to drive them away.

The fact that it takes men a months to get an answer from the East, shows the importance of our line when done, and the golden harvest which I hope, and believe, we will reap in the end, will be some compensation for the vexation and delay in starting

Yours truly

J J Speed

Copy

L. Conrad Esq

Del Office Milwaukee Dec 20 49

Dear Sir

Last night I was at Chicago, when I met Col Spaid, who has been confined to his room 4 or 5 days with a lame knee, it is now improving and he will probably get about in a week or 10 days, among other things I found he had not remitted you the balance your bill, Enclosed I send you draft for Three hundred forty dollars, which I hope will be honored— In your bill you charge $32.50 for Boxes Packing, it appears to me you ought not to have made that charge, I did not anticipate it, and have only sent about two thirds of it, if I had not done you justice, he will accept it hereafter—

Please acknowledge receipt. You did not the other day direct your letter to me at "National Hotel" Detroit,

Very Respectfully &c

D. S. Tallcotson Esq.

Agt W. D. L. Co

E. Carew Esqr

Office No 10 Wall Street
New York Dec 20/47

Dr Sir

Agreeable to your instructions I send Kingsley & Pierson Twenty five Bills a/c the United States which request you will present at Washington and have been for sometime; but that on account of the great press of business in that department of the Patent Office it must be some time before your turn will come, and that they will give you the earliest information as to the result of your application

Truly yrs
Leonard Jarvis

Chicago 20 Dec 1847

My dear Sir

I send you <u>special</u> power by Mr Walker, such as Goodenow sent me on very large. It almost cured my Eyes, and I immediately made application to the doctor to Let me go out, but he said No so decidedly, that I gave it up, and am here on my bed still: but as the Eye is certainly getting better, I will go out soon.

I send, a Letter from Auckland to night, saying that He had to start the office at Ann Arbor and Jackson, and could not come here under two or three weeks. I have written him to Let Holman get on there offices, and to come on here himself, and bring some one with him. at once - To come here even if there Offices have to be neglected, awhile. - To come on at any rate - He will do so, and soon as he gets my Letter, but that will take them a four days, and as many more for him to get here, so that he will not be here before next week - I cannot find out yet how much coin there is at Detroit. I shall here from work in a day or two -

How shall we manage to settle with Jackson? We ought to be together - Shall we meet you at Littleport, or will you come here? We ought to settle his affair before he goes to Ohio - What will you have me to do at Kilmarnock - Had you not better go to Michigan when Jackson goes - He will have two waggons, with fires, and you can go round them in the stage - Do just as you think best about all that, I am only a stranger now, and you must be cautious, and sail the boat as you think advisable

I have just received a letter from Smith from Cincinnati, Kendall - Tom Ewing and Swan & Andrews, were with him - He says "Whenever we can get a trial soonest, then I propose to concentrate our whole force, and meet the issue - believing upon it we have a righteous cause, and one of sufficient magnitude to be worth pursuing" - He says that they are hesitating to use the O&R, and he will send me the papers soon - He wants me to go to St Louis & Cincinnati, and commence suit against O&R Line - I will see our own time out of the five first - Yours truly, J L Spencer Jr

Burlington 20th Dec 1847

Ezra Comee Esq

Dear Sir

Your esteemed of the 13th. 15th & 16th Inst, are before me. and am gratified to learn. that you are in receiving. to proceed to the completion of the line, The subscriptions exhibiting considerable enthusiasm.

Complaints. abound of the bad. and rascally of the hands. and Character of timber, I trust. particular attention will given to the matter. The location of some of the posts in Shelburn. require changing. Please call upon Col' F. Fletcher. when You pass through that place.

I have nothing fav. from Ashgate. he has paid only $275. on the Cattelus subscription of $850.

Enclosed. please find

order	on	Ashgate	for	500.
"	"	Gv. Shaunston	"	500.
Check	"	Farmers Bankbuilt	"	300.
"	"	Bank of Vergenes	"	300.
"	"	" "	Middlebury	300.
"	"	" "	Whitehall	300.
"	"	" "	Manchester	500.
"	"	" "	Rutland	300 3.000.

Yours truly

H. Peck

Treasurer

I remit to day. for your order of the 13th Inst. to Isaac Co

Buffalo, Dec. 20, 1847.

Dr/
E. Cornell, Esq.
Troy,

Sir: I have been some time hoping to meet you here, but having just learn ed that you are not now expected, immediately, I take the liberty to write you, in regard to your line of Telegraph from Buffalo to Detroit.

I have three sons who are telegraph operators, and I am desirous of getting offices for them on your line, between this and Detroit. I will furnish the most entirely satisfactory references for them, both as to character and moral worth, and of capability, in the discharge of all the duties of Operators.

I am also desirous of obtaining, for myself, the place of Superintendent of this line. In my pretensions and capacity, I will refer you to Mr. Henry Wells, and Col. Jas. McKay. Any further information you may wish, in regard either to my Sons or myself, will be cheerfully furnished, if required. Please favor me with an early reply, and oblige

Yours, &c.

R. W. Hawkins.

Buffalo. Dec 21st 1847

Mr. E. Cornell,

Dear Sir

After remaining at Montreal for nearly two weeks after I had set all the Poles & not hearing from you nor any one else concluded after consulting Mr Wood that it would be best for me to return Home as the prospect was that you could not get your caps in some time & as I have before stated to you My Business at Home Demanded My presence there

After setting the poles to the Devils Isle as Directed by You I crossed over to Montreal & set what poles we had on that side which Reaches about four & a half miles I then Rebuilt a Mast for Mr Wood at St Anns. having finished not hearing from you I Left for Home on the tenth. Dec. Left Your Crobars Spades axes & other tools at Eagle Hotel, Dudaus, Montreal & one Telegraph Pole, One Horse at Dickinsons Stable to be used by Montreal & Toronto Tel Co for his keeping Left a Bugga waggon at Philips tavern Laprairie also two Tel. Ladders in Storehouse at R. R. Depo Laprairie I Started for Home with one Horse & waggon thinking it would be cheaper than

to pay Stage fare all the way it being good wheeling
when we started but it commenced thawing
& the roads became so bad I was compeled to
leave him when I got to Prescott & take the
Stage I left the waggon & Harness at the
telegraph office Prescott & sent the Horse to
Maria Town to be kept by Mr Johnson a
tavern Keeper for the Yonse of him ~~this~~ till
Called for if I Did rong it was my
Misfortune & done for want of Judgement
am now at Buffalo sitting with McKay
Shall probably return to Auburn to nights
there is 13 poles at Lapraire on my
way Home I found 9 Poles at Pachine
& sent them down on Line near the mills
Cant you cross better from one Island
to the other a Little Lower down than where
you had intended yours in haste

E. Cornell, Esqr
Troy N.Y.

A. Backus, Jr

A. Backus Jr
Dec 21 1847

Mr E. Cornell, Esqr
Troy NY

BUFFALO R.R.
DEC 21

Chicago 21 June 1847

Dear Sir

Your was read to day concerning
the money paid Jackson &c. I should like
to have your present to settle his affairs but
I suppose I may as well make up my mind
to submit to the loss and let him have
his own way. Mr Jackson is just in, and
says the wire is all ok, and the cars will
be all on tomorrow - they had 100 Gs of wire
left - I look for Haviland with the Rejisters
every day - My knee continues to get better
think I will be out next week -

I have a letter to day from Smith
he wants me to go St Louis & Vincennes; but
I cannot go until we can get our own
cars out of the fire -

Yours truly

J J Speed Jr

Mr Jackson did hurt the grapes in all the
cars we have but agree all the
dis -

Office of the Erie & Mich. Telegraph Co.
Corner of Cass Street & Jefferson Avenue,
DETROIT, MICH.

Dec 21st 1847

Dear Sir

Your favor from Ithaca came duly to hand as also several letters to Mr Speed who is still in Chicago.

You have probably found a note from me at Troy giving some information of our "little line". Since its commencement it has worked finely until today. Last night was the first cold night we have had & I fear the line is down.

I expect the wire is up today as far as Ann Arbor & I intend to send out a register to-morrow to Mr Lehman & the office will be opened some time this week.

Mr Speed is still at L. & writes me that the line is nearly ready from that city to Milwaukie & also for me to come on as soon as possible to open the station. I am only waiting for Keyt to come on with paper to start for Chicago. Mr Lehman goes with me - leaving Keyt here - a Mr Cook at Ypsilanti & Lane on at Ann Arbor. If Keyt comes there is still one more old operator needed here & then we could get on very well this winter - I suppose I shall return here as soon at least as Kalamazoo is joined with Mich. City.

Our receipts have been between 10 & 12 dollars ——

Those cops have all been sent here & I supposed wires sent out by Mr Wood who is now distributing the last arrival & 15 ten wire - but on enquiry I find as many as 18 boxes still in store & will ship them as directed if I have an opportunity. The Steamer Constitution is advertised

for Buffalo but may not on account of weather go farther than Kenton with a load of Soldiers - She will go as far as she can & at the end of her route will be the Knobs.

Mr Elys agent tells me that he can be through here before July & I think it very doubtful if the 1st of March does not come sooner than the end of their time for there is more now stretched this side Sandusky.

Yours Respectfully

E Sommers

J. Mearkand

P.S. I rather think you got into me some in sending me here according to my proposal. I did not & very likely you did not anticipate that the organization of the Co would be so far in the future as the prospect seems now to be

I ship however that that time may do better by me in the way of salary than I am now doing.

Cacun Dec 21 1843

Mr Tilton

Dr Sir

Enclosed I hand you
Mr Cochranes note for three hundred
& sixty dollars in Cuthan bank notes
to buy the face of his subscription
to day (25,)

Yours &c
J F Stevens

S. F. Heath

Dec 31. 47

Answd

Chicago 22 Jan. 1849

My dear Sir

Yours of the 20th just came. I am glad to know we got his boy: but I would not send any more last until we find out how we can get through Michigan. If we have to buy 200 casting 150 or 20 tons of wire from Buffalo, we will have all we can do to get moving and finish the line.

I cannot find out yet how much wire has been used at Detroit. Harrison writes that Wood had three sets of hands at work and was going to get the fourth set that day. They ought to get up 8 to 12 miles a day and reach Kalamazoo next week, and if they do so, it will not take over two or three weeks to finish up between Kalamazoo and Michigan City. Morris Jackson will go and aid us, and he is a capital fellow. On the whole, as there is some uncertainty about the quantity of wire need, and as there may be some delay in getting the balance (if any is lacking) I think I would not take hands from Milwaukie

If Mr Sweet will take any, or all, the shares at Milwaukie, and give his note with hal. payt. in 4 or 6 mos I would say do it by all means. As we could get the note cashed

after two or three months— or if one medal the money any time, and could do no better one could get for Smith to shoot for—

My knee is getting better every day but I am still unable to bear much weight on it— I fear that it will be some time before it will be entirely well.

Yours truly

J. J. Strickler

P. S. The New England Society have a Rubber here to night, and have sent me a ticket I suppose I will have to make them a speech

Strickler
Dec. 23. '84

Office of the
Montreal Telegraph Co
Montreal 22nd Dec 1847

My Dear Brother

Your last message of the 16th was rec'd this P.M. and I hasten to reply. You have no doubt learned ere this that the poles are all up at this end of the line and Backus Stevens and Shed started for Auburn via Ogdensburgh some 10 or 12 days since as there was nothing that they could do here after putting up a new mast for me at St Anns - they left one of their horses here for me to use if I should want but I have not seen near him yet and the other horse & the wagon they took with them as far as Moores town 8 or 10 miles from Prescott -

I saw Mr Whitney this evening and he wishes me to say to you that he wrote you fully ten days ago at Ithaca and presumes you have ere this rec'd the letter. No more stock has been taken since (Your) last heard from him & please make some allowances for the interference of our Co. as we want the management of this junction line but dont want to pay an exorbitant price for it.

Our Stock notwithstanding the worst
state of the Money Market keeps up
2½ to 3 per ct premium and difficult to
be bought at that - We Calculate to
declare a dividend next month -
I think if you are gentle with our Co. that
You can still sell to them -
You will not be able to Cross to Niew here
probably before the middle of July and
I think there will be no objections made
to your going into our Station soon.
Have You promised this Station and if
not - I wish You would send Allen here as
he is a good operator - and Your Buffalo
Station I will let You (reluctantly) have
my best operator for that place - He is
determined to live in the W States or I
could not be persuaded to part with him.
He is certainly a very Correct and faithful
man and I want to see him in a respon-
sible station. If You do not Come in here
immediately please answer these inquir-
ies I am fearful that you have agreed
with allen to go to Buffalo -
What are You going to do with Alonzo
Just hire into Ag office if so had you
not better let him Come here where
I can have an Eye over him — for
he are very desirous to know where this
line will be in operation and I will
do what I Can to aid You here,

The box of Gilt Caps that I loaned to you I am very much in want of, where are they and can I get them?

Our Caps break wretchedly but the wire stands the frosty weather nobly. I am very happy to hear of your recovery from diphtheria. My health has been miserable for 3 or 4 weeks improving now. I shall direct this to Burling-ton as you will see by a letter which I mailed a few days since to John at Troy the state of your work but I hope to see you soon or at least to hear from you. I may visit home next month after the 15th inst.

Truly your friend & Brother
O. Brook

How do you Preston Operations progress?

All Communications Strictly Confidential.

TARIFF OF PRICES.

FROM TROY TO	NUMBER OF WORDS.																
	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100
Lockport, -	$ .75	1.05	1.35	1.65	1.95	2.25	2.55	2.85	3.15	3.45	3 75	4.05	4 35	4.65	4.95	5.25	5.55	5.85
Oswego, - -	.50	.70	.90	1.10	1.30	1.50	1.70	1.90	2.10	2.30	2.50	2.70	2.90	3.10	3.30	3.50	3.70	3 90
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Saratoga, -																		
Schenectady,																		
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Hudson, - -																		

Office, Athenæum Building,

TROY, Dec 28 1847.

By Telegraph from New York

For Ellsworth

Mr Clark
is here and thys you
will come down to night
so as to be here tomorrow
morning to attend the
Sale — The Philadelphia &
will pay your expenses if
you will not come with
out

E. Evans

O. E Wood for
Tom Clark
L E Drew Jr

Ky Tel Ofs Dec 22nd 1847

Friend Connell

Your Letter of the 21st came at hand last evening. I have consulted my Father about going out there he thinks that I am allmost to young to go so far away from Home as ~~that~~ & he would like It very well if you would give me some office or as an assistant some where a little nigher Home. I thank you for your kind offer & would like to accept of It but you see that I can not under those circumstances As for my writing I think I can do it as well as a big part of the operators on this line, & as for reading ~~If~~ I can do as well as the best of them ~~If your~~ Office is ~~north~~ I can do buisness by the sound of the relay. If you can Mr Connell give me some employment some where nigher home you will oblige me & Father

Yours Respectfully

E G Fellows

To Mr Connell

P.S. Please answer this immediately & oblige Ed

New York Dec. 22. 1847

Dear Sir,

Your favor of the 18th. inst. is received and in reply beg to submit an offer for the Price of Telegraph Copper Wire

Yours Respectfully
Wm. H. Ellis
Wm. H. Woods

M. C. Cornell,
Esq.
N. Y.

No. 9. Common Iron (Wire) in bdles of 65 lbs ea. 6 cts lb. Each
— " "Telegraph" (English Standard) do — " — " — — 6¾ cts " —
— " — " — " — " — " in lengths of ¼ mile ¾ cts " —

NEW YORK
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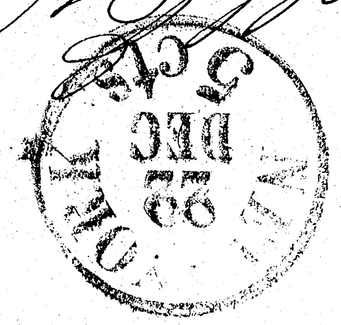
5 cts

E. Cornell Esq.
Telegraph Constructor,
Pacific Hotel,
Troy, N. Y.

Leo Hoffmeister
Dec 22nd 1847



Telegraph Office Auburn Dec 22 1847

Mr E Cornell

Sir"

At the request of Mr Gilbert, I make out and enclose to you statement of business done by the Ithaca Telegraph Office upon that line" also on the N York & N. Bu Line". I commence with December 1846. ending December 1847 making one Year. I believe the statement to be correct or nearly so. I have not given it a second examination, yet think it as I stated, all O.K.

Respectfully Yours

M. J. Luckey "Student"

Mr. Cornell

You will see that Mr Luckey a student here has done me the favor to make the statement you wished, and it is correct according to our books I have no doubt. Yours respectfully

H. C. Gilbert

Statement of Business done by the Auburn & Ithaca Telegraph Office's from December 1st 1846. to Decr. 1st 1847.

		Dolls	Cts
1846.	December.	58.	60
1847.	January.	46.	17
	February.	52.	30
	March.	52.	75
	April.	62.	65
	May.	116.	75
	June.	61.	00
	July.	59.	90
	August.	53.	10
	September.	73.	31
	October.	34.	04
	November.	71.	16
		Total	$744.73

No Clients Statement K Auburn Dec 22 - 41

To E Cornell Esq

Manchester Dec 22d 1847

Mr Comdt

Sir Mr Vandervlip has just placed in my hands a Letter from you under date of Dec 20th relating to freighting telegraph wire he says that he has sold his team & that it is not convenient for him to do it & as I am doing something in that line I would engage to get the wire along provided the price you would pay would be such as would enable me to do it without loss Mr Vandervlip says that he told your man that he would engage to do the Job at 50 cts per hundred and deliver the wire on the line from Shaftsbury to Wallingford - he also says that at that time the roads were good & at a season of the year when there would be no risk from bad weather &c -- I should think that 62½ cts per Hundred to Teston the freight from Troy & deliver on the line commencing at Shaftsbury & ending at Wallingford would be as low as ~~[illegible]~~ would be able to do it if you should want it done

at that price I would send my teams the first of next week- if possible & get it along as soon as possible in that case I would like to hear from you by Friday or Saturday mail & if I do it for you please send your orders & directions when it may be had Yours F. W. Hoyt

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