Office of the Erie & Mich. Telegraph Co.
Milwaukie ~~CHICAGO, ILL.~~

Jany 23 65

Dear Sir

Your favors from Troy came duly to hand. As you have doubtless been informed the line from here to Chicago is now under full operation + works as near perfection as we could wish. The business prospects to, are good + two registers will be needed at Chicago as soon as the line is completed from Detroit to this city if there is the increase of business which may be reasonably anticipated. The tariff under which we are now working is 25 cts for 10 words + 2 cts adl. Yesterday there was sent from, + received at this office 38 communications amounting to $16.62

The citizens seem to manifest a great interest in the line + some few of the leading men have had occasion to test it + that satisfactorily to them + to ourselves. I understand the line is progressing from Detroit west + that it is worked from that city to Jackson with the 10 cups + the acid with which I first started it. The main battery on this section consists of 17 cups at Chicago + 8 here, but on hearing your proposition of using only 8 to 2 1/5 miles I immediately took out all of mine + Col. Speed says he will take his out to if it will answer

Yours Respectfully
J. Haviland

E. Kennedy Esq

J. Haviland
Jan 23-48

Ithaca Jan 24th 1848

Mr E Connell

Dr Sir

As you have failed in getting the corner building I am left in the dark respecting my situation in the spring which time is drawing near at hand - my object in writing at this time is to inquire what your calculations are (if any) respecting the putting up of a building for me suitable to do busineps in - where it will be and when it will be done &c

Please answer this as soon a convenant

Yours &c

Nelson Gallmadge

E Connell Esq

N Talmadge
24 Jan 48

FORWARDED

E Cornell Esq

~~Gray~~

Burlington
Vt

TROY N.Y.
28
JAN
10 cts.

ITHACA

W E. Connell

New York Jany 14 1848

Esq

We Telegraphed to you Saturday & since which time, we are not informed of your whereabouts

We will draw your attention to your Note due 31 Jan for $898.75. & 1/4 Neg $655. & 1/4 Neg 561.46. for which we have about $100— in hand to pay, your attention will oblige! The one we Telegraphed to you about is English & first rate quality! Mess Thomas & C would like to know weather you would like it before it is stored as they will be compelled to do about the Middle of the week!

We have shipped 900 Qr. No. 11. & they will ship as fast as possible, we will advise McParlin of shipt & presume he has your instructions to further the shipments!

The Notes to be signed for Secured to you will send them as soon as possible as per Memorandum as Yrs!

Yours Respectfully

Wallace & Day!

My Dear Brother Albion Jan 28 1848

According to my Almanac you are indebted to me one letter but as M.B. has been writing and kindly offers me a chance the temptation is too strong for me to resist I rec'd a letter from A.B.C. a few days ago and it is to him I ought to write, but I just want to brag to you a little about the baby, and that would be of no use as you would have to be here to be convinced that she was the nicest little darling in the wohamie State or the Empire either. I see by the Chronicle that you are to build six snug little cottages at the Falls next summer and I think I would like to go and live in one of them if M.B. joins you a Telegraphing.

W.R. Robertson and family were up here friday and went to visit Mumbletty's School in Homer, he has got up quite an interest about here and I hope it will do good as there is need enough of it. George B. attends the Seminary at Albion yet he is getting a good education and would like to get in some good business next summer, our friends and acquaintances are well, and the baby sends good night Your Affectionate sister Phebe

I think there is no use of sending half a sheet and that half written over so I will write on for- I can fill this side with as important matter as I did the other although I may have no baby's to put in, And first I have narrowed down my business at home so as to take up none of my time and I am devoting all my time to the prosecution of the line of Telegraph and shall continue to do so until my services are no longer wanted, I have given the people of Albion encouragment to have an office there and if you do not object I will buy a register and put there at my own expense subject to the rules of the line and if the line goes into the hands of the President and Directors if it is thought best to discontinue it I can dispose of it at some institution or take it on a side line some where without much loss. I have furnished myself with funds to bear my expences while traveling and have applyed all the money I have received to getting up the work, The owner of the farm here wants I should buy it back again and not move the family away. The lease runs until a year from next march and I can let them stay here another season unless as we are acquainted with the place could know what we can do I think we shall not make a shift, We have a good stock of provision on hand but little to spare and grain of all kinds rather scarce and money the same, Our banks are doing no business scarcely and we are drying up fast as to the one thing needful

Your Dear Mort,

Buffalo Jan 25 1848

Dear Brother

I have just returned from Ithaca and found yours with $250 enclosed in reference to wire all the wire that is here is 13000 lbs No 8 and 10000 lbs No 9 and about 800 lbs Galvanized wire there has no No 11 been received here yet and according to your letters none of this is to go west I shall keep on soldering untill I hear from you on the subject I have before me a letter from Speed Stateing that he will want 16 Tons of No 9 wire or if it is smaller it will take less in proportion I want you should write me whether this last lot should be sent to Detroit or not it is No 9 I have payed Mr Parker $200 and he says there is still due $180.47 cts, the first lot of wire is in very small Coils we have throwed out some 3 or 4 hundred lbs that the peices are from 15 feet to 30 feet long only. it is a great bother to solder that heavy wire when the Coils are so small Bent J. Burdick gets along very well with it I think I shall keep him at soldering and get some one else putting it up

I have red letters from some of those men west of Cleveland who furnished poles stateing that they Cannot get along with out some money if they Can have some 15 or 20 dollars from that how writen they will go on and furnish the ballance of poles

I wrote you while at Ithaca that I wanted some money to use at home I should have had it before I left there but did not get it I have to send money from here. I mention it so that you can send me some funds to use on my own account

After advising with Mr Parker and other business men of this City I have come to the Conclusion that we had better have our office down on the wharf Mr P says by all means have it there as that is the place where the bond of trade meets Every day during the summer and they will use our line if it is there in preference to any other what do you think Mr Allen is here ready for anything that is for him to do. as soon as we fix on a location for the office he will go to fitting it up, I shall write to Speed today and give him what information I can on the subject of the wire You will please answer this on its receipt Respectfully yours E. B. Cornell

D. E. Cornell Esq Burlington Vt

E B Cornell
25 Jan 68

E. Cornell Esq
Telegraph Office Burlington
Vt

Burlington Jan. 25. 1848

E. Cornell Esq

We have been looking for you from day today: but thinking it quite probable that this line will reach you at Middlebury or Vergennes I send it. They are in a muss at Fergennes about an Operator & no Office is ready or can be just now If they had not acted rather foolishly (by a portion of the Stockholders recommending for an Operator one whom some of those who recommended him thought ought not to be appointed Others Stockholders were decidedly opposed to - on very good grounds too indeed) they might have had one ready before now. But they all preferred to keep at bitts & spoils about it, till I wrote a pretty plain letter about the case to the Stockholders as a body. This brought about a meeting I learn & a withdrawal of the lawyer who counseled it (not to do the duties exactly himself but to hire some one else to do them): but they did not vote a recommendation for one. I could perhaps go down to morrow & select an Office & talk with them, perhaps things could be got into shape forthwith: but I cannot well do so. I write this that so far as it comes in your way you may soothe the waves if any exist; by afterwards [illegible]

that the matter will be satisfactorily fixed in a few days — that some other officer are not open yet & can not be for a few days &c.

By the bye there is Mary's: Can she go to Manchester for a few days or 6 weeks or both long enough to effect an operator a start? I do not know of any register for either Orrell or Manchester. There is one here which will do for 6 weeks.

I should have written to you on this matter of the register some days ago had I but the least thought that my letter could reach you

There is a stack of letters here for you

A great many cases of cholera for cases here. I do hope we shall be able to write through to Troy before Saturday night. Nine all collected here & I believe Scoville goes to St Albans tomorrow to begin collecting there. I suppose one is up South from here to some 12 to 14 miles from this place & today Holmes began to work north.

In great haste — so you must read it if you can, yours truly

Geo. H. Benedict

Chipmans Pt. 25th Sept 1848

E Connelly Esqr

Dear Sir. Your favor of the 21st is rec'd I would say that at this that there can be no difficulty in putting a Bridge across the Lake a few Rods South of the Point at a place called the High Rock some 100 feet above the Lake with very high ground opposite, It is only 66 Rods across the Lake, There would be no difficulty in Elevating the Rail 150 feet or more if you wish, There is two very high Points thus nearly opposite Each other on on Each side of the Lake that could be had if wanted, The place above discribed could be used for a Bridge and Carried high Enough to clear the Masts of any of our Sloops, It is the place where the great Ogdensburg & Rail Road should Cross the Lake instead of stopping at Plattsburgh & intersect with the Road at Brandon, taking in all the business on the East side of the Lake in its Course, If this was properly represented at Boston it would be done

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990 feet

very respectfully
Your obt Servt
E Mehipmans

P.S. I would refer you to Mr Griffin who has Examined the place

W. Chipman
25 Jan 48

Chipman Pt.
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W Chipman
P.M.

E Cornell Esq
Burlington
Vt

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Albion Jan, 25th 1848

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Dear brother E—

I received your favor from White Hall of the 11th inst and am glad to hear of your good health and the success of the line which you have been building there, My spirits have taken a new impulse for the delegation from Ithaca has just arrived with seven registers and I feel now in hopes I can put the line in opration to Kalamazoo in a few days and with less trouble than I anticipated Holman has not reformed nor is there any prospect of his doing so. He has been at Ann Arbour and Jackson and his conduct has been such as to disgust every man he has had any thing to do with and the stockholders and operators on the line complain of his overbearing selfish tyranical extravigant notions in keeping the circuit for hours without trying the line and making every thing bend to his will and they are calling on me loudly for his discharge, While Haviland was here I had no trouble but as he left Holman steps forward and informs the editors that he is superintendant of the line and gets them to puff him up good and strong I have been to A Arbour and find he has drawn money from the subscribers of considerable amount and in

fitting up the office while I was away he created a debt of near three hundred dollars. I have paid it all up and shall go to Jackson and see what he has done as soon as I can fetch round. He is now in Detroit and I see no other way to get along and give satisfaction but to dismiss him immediately I had some contention with him on the tariff of prices and instead of 25 cents for 15 words 40 miles as he had prepared I reduced it to 5 and increased with the distance. I consulted Mr Collett of Ypsi. & Maynard of A.A. with some other influential subscribers and drew up the form of which Holman says he sent you a copy. I have got four young men engaged in learning to write on the register and they all promise well for the business their names are Cook. Rowley. Lapham & Mosley. Mr Wade has also learned to write understandingly and in another week he will be able to manage the office at Jackson. You will want to know what I have done with the late arrival I have placed Northop at A. Arbour. Hoyt at Marshall and sent Hyde with three instruments to Mich. City to report himself to Speed & Tillotson of whom I have heard nothing from since Haviland left. You boast of the instruments as being good but Holman condems them in rounded terms as being rough and miserabley finished

I agree with you in their quality for we have caused them to work good and strong 80 miles with only 10 cups battery which I think could not be done with a poor instrument We have been using the iron cops this side of Jackson and as I did not understand that Asphaltum was better to cement the glass than plaster we have used the latter. I put the first together myself and to all appearance they set as tight as though they were imbedded in stone. I shall keep a good watch and see that the exposure to the weather does not cause them to relax and get loose, We have to grind the small glasses which will cost some 50 cent per hundred, You wish me to give you a statement of the amount collected in Mich, the amount due and also how much will probably be paid. I have not the subscription lists and never had them and cannot tell with any degree of accuracy and can only guess at the collection from the amount I have received which is about five thousand dollars. I believe there was about fourteen thousand subscribed in this state and I should think two thirds of it would be paid in, I consulted "Howard last week in regard to delinquent subscribers who refuse to pay and whether it is best to prosecute "He is very much against it if we can avoid it. "He says to get into a quarrel among ourselves will forward O'Reilly's plans and retard our own, I think myself that we

should not gain much for those who refuse are able men and could trail out and carry up a suit at law in our courts for years and I dread undertaking such a task, I think we can get money enough to put the line in operation if we had the wire but to raise money to send to buy it can't be done at present, There is one qestion arose here which caused us to take sides and I find myself alone on one side all the rest against me, It relates to collecting the subscription and those who have paid half offer to give their notes for the ballance payable in sixty days. It is argued that this must not be for we issue a receipt for the amount of stock which we cannot forfeit if we fail to collect the note, This is true I admit, but I go for taking notes on the ground that we have to incur some expence in fitting up offices in evry place where there would be notes taken and we could use these instead of bank notes and at the end of sixty days we should have the work up and clear of any liability and I have ordered this to be done to a certain extent but untill I can get some one to agree with me I shall not push it far. I shall be able to operate at Marshall day after tomorrow with common luck, My health is good as usual

Respectfully Yours M B Wood

E. Connell,

M. B. Wood Esq

Office of the
Montreal Telegraph Co.
Montreal Jan 24. 1848

Dear Sir Arthur

I have been expecting
to see you in Montreal or at least to
hear something about what our
as yet entirely unadvised of your
late movements -
There is now a very great call
for Telegraph Stock and I have
no doubt if you can come in
time that you can get the whole
of yours taken at once - Such
is the opinion of one of our
principal men here who is anxious
to see you "the first man" -
We declared a dividend of
five per Cent to the first of July
which is paid; and when the
shares of our Stock has (at
this moment) been transferred
which was bought at a premium
of 5 per Ct
Now is your time as business
is falling off materially now our line.
If you are not coming immediately let me know when
you will be here -

I wish you would let me know who is to have this office upon your line — Ole arrived in Buffalo on the evening of the 25th to take Charge of the Bus as you are no doubt aware. He informs me that Fatten has an idea of purchasing the Dr with Jarvis if Speed does not take it & I hope he will be able to get it as I think it would be a fine spot for him — Price Thomas

Where is Alonzo and what do you intend doing with him and how does Mr. S. get on with you?

I have abandoned the idea of going home until navigation opens in the Spring —

If you write instead of coming yourself let us know what you have done and are doing upon your route — I think our Co will not interfere with you in any way — My friend Mr Young was ineligible for a director but Mr Shaw is re-elected Speed & Mr Blaps a director —

You can now Cross the River upon the ice — That house which Buckus left here we have not used he is not well both for the business — I do not know where he is —

We have no sleighing here worth speaking of but a thick Snowstorm and appearance of more

Mr Whitney sends his respects and says he hopes you will be here tomorrow I will enclose a report of the B.A.O. Telegraph Co's Quo - Ours was not published

Write me 4 or 5 pages again if you do not come in at once -

Yrs Obt. with the best regards

E. Connell Esq
Burlington
Vt.

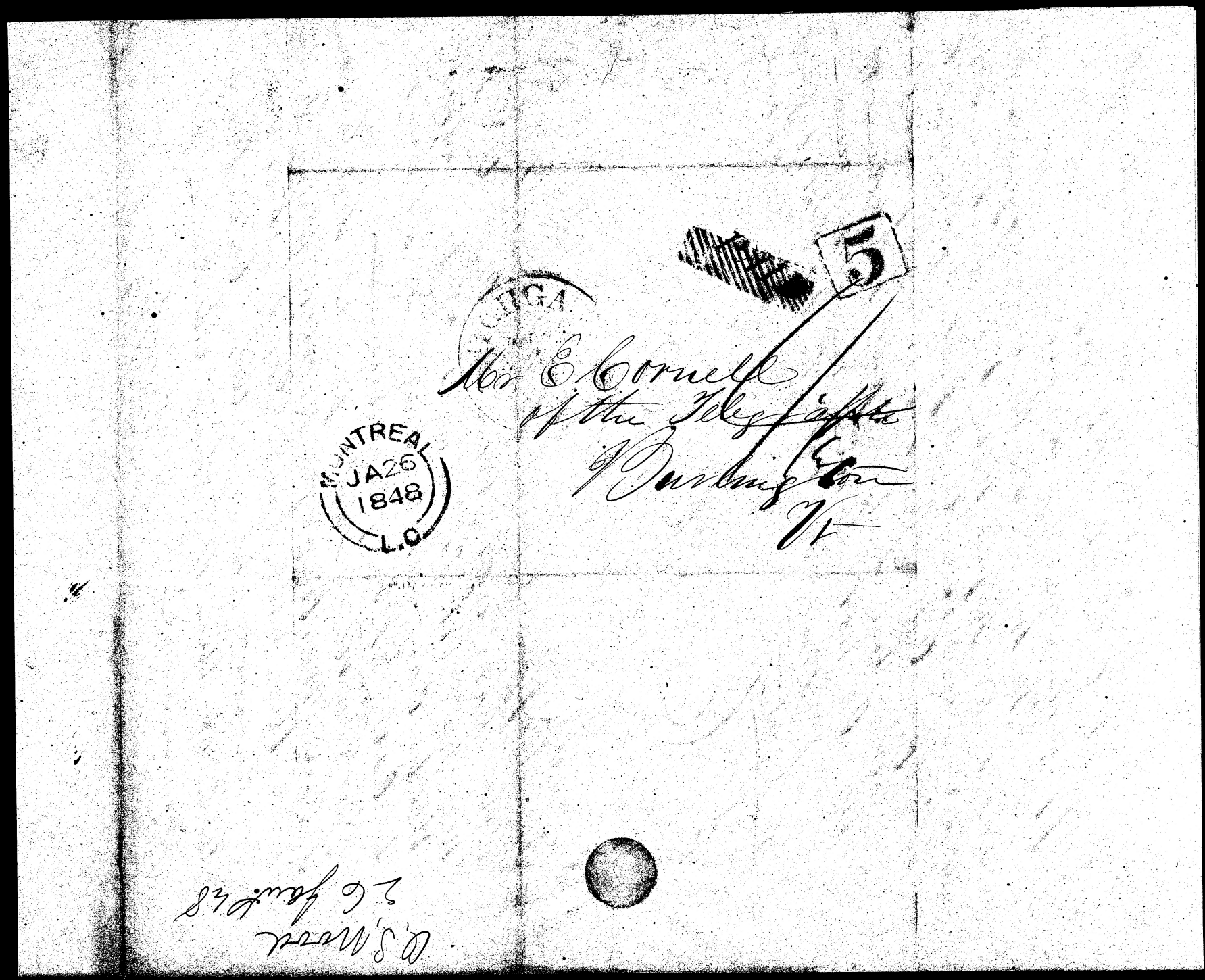
O. S. Wood

One P.S.

The Broker who is to buy ours & Rec you has just been in and tells me he bot 25 shares of our stock yesterday at 5 and 30 shares to-day at 5½ premium —

Mr Cutter says please buy 6 for "I am waiting for money from him to settle with Pole Contractors & wish to know when he will be in Montreal And if the St Johns Station is provided"

O. S. W.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Mr E. Cornell
of the Telegraphe
Burlington
Vt

Buffalo Jan 26 48

Dear Brother

Mr Parker has just read bills of laden of 190 bundles of wire probably about 9 tons bills does not say what no the wire has not yet arrived. we shall probably have to pay about 12/ per day and find them I have been trying to get teems to take it by the Don but they want $50 per ton Mr Allen & my self have been to look at a room in the Merchants Exchange building down on the wharf it is a good room and in the most business part of the city and the rent is $50 per year with the privelage of 6 years I think it is altogather the we Can get we can take possesion immediately and the rent to Commence on the first of April next the man that owns the building is President of the N.Y. & Erie Railroad and is very much in favour of a Telegraph line on that road and will do all he Can for us and probably will take Stock in that line, he is now a Stockholder to the amt of $600 in the N.Y. & Buffalo but never has sent a Com on the line in Consequence of his disgust at its management, he is rich and will go all his length for the opposition line let me hear from you often

Respectfully Your C B Cornell

Dr C Cornell Burlington

Office Troy 26th Jany 1848

My Dear Father

Here I am again bothering you with another letter, this has been a very disagreeable day and our line has worked very badly and I have done a very hard days work and come to put up my receipts I find that we have done a very small days business only about three fifths the usual amount. Your line works as fine as silk and I think it would even if it were exceedingly wet, but this Line is a perfect nuisance and I think that Mr F was very unwise to put up the iron wire as he did. I find by experience that it is about as necessary to have good insulation as to have good wire.

Today I received a circular from Messrs B & French Pres. &c which I will enclose to you. I think for my part that Prof Morse will not make much out of punctuating in that way That is your opinion of it.

Enclosed I send you a copy of a communication I say Newyork and Attica

this afternoon from Mr Smith to the President. I did not know but you would like to see and thought I would send you a copy. I my letter of last night I sent you a con I received from Mr Smith and the answer. Mr Bull is no better today. he has got rid of his fever but still he is very feble and cannot bear to eat any thing. he is confined almost to his room. He is not able to walk or exercise any of any consequence. If I write too often you must say so. I write every evening in order to let you know precisely how every thing stands here. They get no circuit beyond Whitehall as yet ~~[illegible]~~ half past seven.

I have no more time. Please write often.

With Affectionate Regard
I remain Your Son
H. L. Powell

E Powell
Burlington

Dodt. J. P. Graves Esq.

Del. Ofice Melbourne Dec. 8. 44.

Sir

I have rec'd from Mr Hanson Smith his bill for Transportation charges against the Comp'y. amounting to Two hundred & sixteen 20/100 dollars, which please account to him for on a/c his Subscription to the Stock in the Eliz. M. & Del. Comp'y. Value Rec'd. and oblig'd.

$216. 20/100

S. T. Tillotson Agt.
Eliz. M. & Del. Co.

Middlebury Dec 27. 1838

Mr W. I Alton
City Ny

Dr Sir Yours of 10th inst reached me this day in which you Say - "We advanced two hundred & fifty dollars, for which by our agreement we are to loose one half of" - in the above sentance you refer to the other agreement, there was also a verbal agreement made in reference to the ballance, do you recollect anything about that, if not apply to Mr Norton and see what his recollections are on the subject, Please answer at Burlington

Respectfully Yours
E. Cornell

Copy of letter to
W. L. Alton
Ed James

Keeseville 27 Jun 1848

E. Cornell Esq.

Sir

Yours 17th. was duly receiv'd I have conferr'd with some of our business men and find them, pretty much, a little stupid —

The state of the money market perhaps has something to do with the present feeling, the stringency calls upon the entire resources of business men, and leaves nothing over, for investment even in a very desirable object. — When the Road and Canada line shall have been completed & its convenience and importance (as an thoroughfare) brought home to our citizens, and others, on this shore of the Lake, and money affairs become somewhat easier, I have no doubt the branch line may in your purpose be carried into operation without any great effort — at present business men are enquiring how they may raise means to pay their notes — If at any time I can render any aid in the matter I shall be glad to do it for personally

I should be in favour of its accomplishment at as early a day as possible more especially if Penny is to be a Penny in my stock —

My Respectfully
Yours Ob Svt
A. Thompson

A Thompson
Kerrysville
27 Jan 1848

Cornelius Eagan
Telegraph office
Baltimore Md

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Troy Jan 27 – 1848

To Mr E Cornell

Dear sir i feel anxious to se you ~~atta~~ what i shall do ~~i dont know~~ i am now out of money and had none not a cent in some time being placed in that situation for some time i wish you would send me some ~~change~~ to help me along till i se you and have a settlement beng out of money and bumps to is very bad i makes me very unhappy at present ~~bare~~. if in mind if you please, ~~no~~ Mr Wright has not been here he keeps a calling on me for the pay for cutting the last wine he Coulton his Bill is twenty one dollars i believe

Yours &c
E & R Brayton

Buffalo and Canada Junction Telegraph Company,

No. 14 Exchange Street.....Up Stairs.

Buffalo, January 27 1848.

By Telegraph from Telegraph Office

Mr E. Corwell Esqr

Dear Sir I received your letter from Whitehall last week, & agreeably to its instructions I started forthwith for this city, where I now find myself ready for any orders you may have give.

Yesterday Elijah myself made inquiry as to the best location for an Office. terms of Rent &c & we found a room in the Merchants Exchange which will make the best kind of an office. with but little labor too. We can get the two rooms on a lease of two years, with the privilege to remain 5 if we choose. at $50 per annum. The rooms are plenty large enough, entirely seperate from the others in the building that is- they are so situated as be accessible without passing through any others.

with Fire proof Shutters — Steel Locks & all the advantages of any thing we can find. In my opinion this is decidedly the best location we can get — I believe Elijah wrote to you yesterday in reference to this & I will not say any more as it is unnecessary.

I should like to have you get up some plans for the Books of the office and also instruct me how to proceed with getting Blanks — Stationary &c — &c — I dont know how many & where the offices are will be & probably you have some way that you can get books for all cheaper than for me to order just one or two books —

I am ready to do any thing you shall suggest — & rather work under instructions than otherwise.

As regards the Tariff — the O'Reilly line have established the following rates — for 10 words to any place this side of Cleveland 25 — each additional word 2 cts — 10 words to Cleveland 25 cts & additional words each 2 cts — & beyond this 3 cts additional —

I think we had better establish the same rates of the N.Y. & Bro Co — 10 words to Erie or this side 25 cts — and

to Cleveland 15 words 25 cts write 10 cts for every additional 5 words— you will please inform me as to this.

About Blanks Communication Books. you will please give me directions as soon as practicable.

I am very much pleased with the idea of having our office as above mentioned, as we shall be in the immediate vicinity of more than three quarters of the business men of the city. tho there is a general state of feeling of hostility towards the N.Y.A.L. Bu Co I think we may safely calculate on a large proportion of the Buffalo N.Y. business.

The termination of the N.Y. & Erie R.R will also probably be here, and we shall have the influence & support of the Directors of this Road—

I will write you more fully as we proceed with operations here— I would like very much to see you this way on your return home, as I understand you are to do so soon—

Yours very Respectfully
W. Dallin

C. Cornell Esq
Burlington Vt

Auburn January 28. 1848

E Borrell Esq

Dear Sir

I have your favor of the 19th Inst.
I should be pleased to have a Telegraph established
on the route you propose. but regret to have
occasion to add that I do not believe that
funds could be raised in this country for even
Ten miles. Our people have quite as much
as they can do to pay their Rail Road debts &
many of them cannot do it

I am Sir

Yours Respt

Sl. Nevell

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MALONE
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E Correll Esq
of the Telegraph office.
Burlington
N.Y.

S.C. Ward
Malone 28 Jan 48

Canton Jany 28 — 1848

E. Cornell Esq

Dr Sir:

Ihave rec'd yours of 17th inst.

It is too soon to get up stock for a Telegraph line upon our county. At Oyst. they now have communication with South & North, by means of the Buffalo & Rochester line.

When our Railroad shall be completed — in about 2 years — then we shall want a telegraph along side

Very Resp yours

Jno. Leslie Rapelly

E. Cornell Esq
Telegraph Agent
~~West~~
Burlington
Vt.



John Leslie Russell
28 Jan 45
Canton



Office Roy 2d Jany 1862

My Dear Father

I was in the Roy House this PM and one of the clerks asked where you were now— I told him that you were north, he then handed me a letter (which I will enclose) and said it had been there several days and did not know whether it was to remain there until you returned or not, I told them that they ought to have given it to you, upon opening it I find it to be from Chilicothe and I should think you might to have had it long ere this. probably If I had not been pressed to have been there it never have laid until you returned. I am still confined very closely in the office Mr Buell does not seem to gain much although he is a little better. he was not so from today, yesterday he was much worse, I do not believe that he will be on his feet again under two or three weeks, I do think even I think

I shall have something of a frigh
ght. If this is not good practice for me
I do not know what you would set me
at. It is considerable of a responsibility
but I bear it like a hero.

Otis has
now got fairly settled in Buffalo. the
Line works badly and I have not had
a chance to speak with him yet.

Dreaming of Henry at K. Aunt Sara's brothe
in Law) has been west to Ottawa and has
brought Mrs Sage down with him and ~~they~~
stopped here this evening in their way to New
York and Aunt Sara goes down with them
tomorrow morning to make a short visit
with her sister —

Mr Pinkham got in
today evening —
there was a man came
in yesterday morning — enquiring for you
and presented a bill of $17.7 — for making
reels and wages for you. I believe his
name is B Case — You must remember
him when you come down —

Have you
found out who goes to Montreal yet? Now
more time — Please write soon Yours Affectly
A. P. Bonnell

E Bonnell Esqr

Ithaca Jan 29 1868

Fred Connell I sent this day your
machean to the Care of the telegraph office
and hope that it will come safe to your
I want you to use this one in the buffalo
office for I think that it is just the finest
one ever got up and I think that you
will say the same of it have you heard
from your brother yet do you want any
more instruments or do you know how
many they wants. Let me that I can
make some calculations about them
will you please inform me and oblige
A friend I am making a Relay to suit
with ink instead of the Point the Relay
will do All the writing itself and it will
work Good as when I get it done I
will Rite you again I am making it
for a man at Spring Port

Please Rite me

Darwin Page

Daniel Place
Jan 29 1878

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Mr Elys line is in opperation from here to
Sandusky City they use Morses instr and are doing
all they can to interfere with our line
how long before you will be out this way and
where is Mr Holmes [illegible] E B C.

E B Carroll
14 Jan 54



Buffalo Jan 30 1848

Dear brother

There was about 6 tons of wire arrived yesterday. that with the lot that was already here will make about 11 tons. the exact quantity I do not know as the cars got in late last night and I could not see the wire or the bill. The Steamer States leaves here for Detroit Mon or Tuesday and I shall Shipp what wire there is here calculated to go west I dont think we can get it insured with out paying an extroydarary price if at all. but there is no other way to send the wire as the Costom officer will not allow it to go through Canada and it will be impossible to send it by teems on this side owing to the State of the roads a teem could not take over 8 or 10 hundred therefor on consulting Parker and others I think it best to send it by the steamer and run the risk it will cost from 25 to 30 dollars per ton I am sorry the amt sufficient to send west is not here I may think best to send some that is intended to use here I shall see how near we can make up the ammount

Yours respectfully

J B Cornell

I saw McKay in reference to the wire you spoke
of he had promised it to some men in Canada
we have got all the wire ordered that is intended for to
go on the line here there is about Enough to go to Silverrock
how soon can we have some more
I never have heard anything of those glasses you ordered
back from Detroit

E.B.

E. B. Corruk
30 Jan 1878

Burlington Jan'y 31. 1848—

Dear Sir I am making the preliminary arrangements for building a line of Telegraph from Rutland to Boston, and would be glad to obtain the right to erect the poles on the line of your road, and get such other facilities of the Corporation over which you preside as the interest of your Stockholders will justify. And should also be happy to secure such aid and countenance from yourself and your Board of Directors as you may deem the enterprise merits—

Very Respectfully
your obt Sv
E. Cornell

T Hollett Esq
President &c

Copy of letter
to Judge Follett

Burlington Janry. 31. 1848

Dear Sir:

I received a letter from day or two since from O.B. Coleman enclosing a Tariff of charges for Erie & Michigan Tel. from Detroit to Kalamazoo graded from 25 cents down to 5 cents for a Comn. of 15 words, this will never do, there is no Telegraph Co. can do Telegraph business at 5 cents for Comn. Past Office prices, if such prices were adopted on the line for any Stations they would absorb the time of the Line and you could never find an opportunity to communicate between the extreme points.

The Buffalo & N.Y. Co. established the rate of 15 cents for 15 words between their nearest office, but soon found it necessary to alter it to 25 cents for 15 words and now don't send any Comn. for less than 25 cents, no does any other Company.

It will not do to charge less than 15 cts. for 15 words between your nearest Stations and I question the propriety of putting it less than 20 cts.

I should say without further reflection on the subject that from Detroit to all

offices this side of Jackson 20 cts. for 15 words.
Jackson to Kalamazoo 25 cts. Kalamazoo to
Michigan City 50 cts. Michigan City to Chicago.
35 cts. Southport & Racine 40 cts. and Milwaukie
45 cents Buffalo to Detroit 45 cts. Buffalo to
Chicago 50 cts Buffalo to Milwaukie 60 cents
New York to Detroit 75 cts. N.Y. to Chicago
& Milwaukie 1.00. After the Line is built
from N.Y. to Dunkirk on Line N.Y. and Erie
Rail road.

This may not all be judicious I have not
the leisure time to give the subject much
thought, but throwen out such ideas as
will aid you in getting a fair tariff for
the Line and the public, the above rates
are lower than those ch^d on any eastern
Line.

Yours Respectfully,

Copy of letter
Signed
Thurston
Wood
Publishers
Monroeville
Ohio