Whitehall Aug 27 /48

E. Cornell

Dr Sir

After you left Troy I went up the line till I met Finch & found out about how much wire we wanted according to the delivery before & ordered one ton sent to Constoky but find that the man had put it oftener than he was orderd & it now overruns so that we shall not use all of it

We are getting along finely Chat was two miles north of Cambridge last night Finch was at Granville Corners Wednesday morn So that you see they will get together Tuesday or wednesday at furthest.

When I came back from the north Bronson had an extra hand to carry ladder he thought it to hard for one to do yet this is easier than climbing I am sorry he is to much of a Gentleman for a telegraph man for he is a good hearted fellow & willing to do any thing that is not work

Parker came on yesterday & I set him to work with the boys he is not really needed but I thought he had better stay there till I heared from you. He would like to go on west if you are willing

I telegraph Place to send 6 registers as you ordered but have not heard from him I put the one that you brought at Union Village for fear that the others would not get on in time and as they had been humored so far I thought it best to carry it out, The operator has just gone to learn,

Now as to my being here. I sent my carpet bag last monday by stage & I took my own conveyance namely shanks horses to Granville & when I got back to Union Village found that no carpet bag had been there the agent wrote to this place but could not hear a word from it - So I started last night came on here found it - aristocratic boots & all but did not find it in time for packet & consequently will have to stay till next boat when I shall start on line & as soon tuesday will have matters arranged so I can get to Troy to meet you & Allen who is in Troy waiting for me as he writes, Murray has not yet returned I suppose Finch will soon send as soon as he gets here to pay some bills I will leave it for you as you may want him to get it at Poultney

E. Comitts

Holmes

E. Holmes
27 Aug 1848

Erie Sunday 27 Aug't '48

My dear Sir

When I left you I went to Toledo and opened our office there - I think it will be one of the best offices on our line, and even while the Pirates carry me will get more than half the business - the office will pay three or four dollars per day - and when the other office is closed it will pay nearly twice that amt.

I then came to Sandusky City & Cleveland, found that our line worked hard between Cleveland & Buffalo - tried to get some copy - tried to borrow some of Mr. Hamilton's line - all a dead - none to be had - flap worthless not in blank - none can be procured but on Sept. I came up on our line, found one third of the copy opp. the man waiting for miles on the tracks - took to the fence & to O'Reilly's hole - down in the stone yards, in the way of road crossings - boys swinging on a school house, whistling over it over - and on the whole I made up my mind that if a wire was pulled through the country and the two ends attached to a Register it will work <u>some</u>. I at once concluded that I would stay here on this

end of the line until I can get it in some shape so as to work, and work as it should — Mr. Jackson & King have got the poles up to within fifteen miles of this place, and will get through to Buffalo in two weeks. I have had men out all along the line, and got it up off the ground, and in a dry day it will work tolerably well — when it rains we will be down again; but every day comes light mixed, and if we should have good weather two weeks, we will be ready for rain — I am going to use all the iron cups we have, and then put the glass tubes intended for the iron cups (and of which we have more quite one thousand) into a peppermint block, and use those. I have got some peppermint something & and can make a far better cake than the glass tubes, and as good as the iron cups — as long as it lasts, & they will last as long as the poles are — I can make enough of all sorts to complete the line, and we do nothing else until it is in apple pie order — I will be hard up for funds, as many poles are to be got, and those on the ground not paid for yet — all you can, & tell the boys to hold on to every dollar they can get

until we can get through - The line will soon furnish us with funds if we can do the business as it should be done, but it is almost easily as it has been for some weeks past - I should dislike to have Wilson's offer for $100. pay at Earl Scotts, at Detroit and due the 8th Sept, protested - If it is possible I wish you would protest it - I probably will not be at home until after that time - I think that H.P. Baldwin will pay $50, and the balance $50 I may get home from Jackson is on the Toledo & St Louis route, whether he will do any thing is doubtful I hope I think he will, I saw the Toledo people yesterday, and two thousand can be had there I have from Lafayette and Logansport, and they say they will do the clean thing - If I could go on that route with Jackson I could get the stock taken in those cities to Lay Fayette, but this time must be made right, if all things else go undone, and it shall be -

Yours truly

J. Johnson Jr

Mr. D. T. Fellows
E & M Tel office
Detroit
Mich

Forward to Mr. T.
if not at Det
J. H. S.

Aug 29 1878

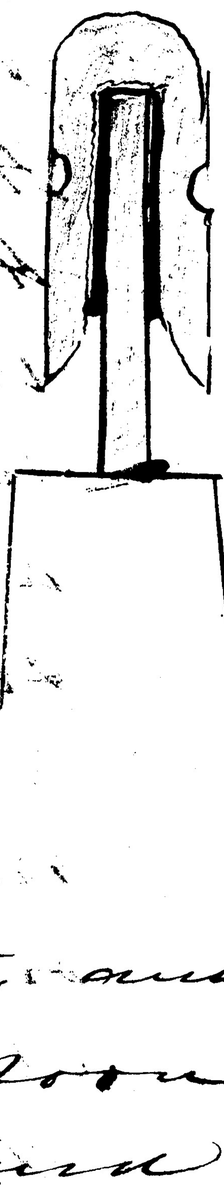
Glass

Erie 27 Augt 1848

Dear Sir

I came from Fredonia here, and found our line in miserable order nearly all the way. One third of the caps are off. They were only set on the pins, in the first place, and many of them loose, the pins being too small to fill the holes, no rag or white lead was used to fasten them on, and it is not strange that so many should have got off. I found my men 44 miles West of here last night. They will have the holes all up to this place by Tuesday night of this week, and to Buffalo in two weeks. Then we can place when the posts are not delivered, but I think I can get them on by the time they are wanted, or at any rate so that the men can fast them up as the time may be with from Buffalo. The posts will also be up between Maumee and Lower Sandusky in a few days so that the whole line will be complete except from Maumee to Swanton 12 miles, and as soon as the men get done on this one I will have that finished from Maumee West. As I wrote you from Fredonia, I have concluded to lee

a little independent, and if the glass blowers won't furnish us with caps, I will do better, by using such as we have. I now have here 150 of of the Iron caps, and will receive today or tomorrow two barrels of the glass, not used on the West and. How many tubes there are in the two bbls I do not know; but there are probably near or quite one thousand. I went into the country yesterday and hunted until I found some Pepperage trees, which I got cut and taken to a saw mill, and by tomorrow noon I will have forty sticks of 3" & 5" Scantling, 12 feet long, to work into caps. I will not try to bit in the small dies as I at first intended, but use only the glass tubes, thus



I think the Pepperage sticks, or coon to the glass, will be but little inferior to your iron caps, at any rate it will make a fair substitute, and last as long as the holes.

Yesterday the kiln worked tolerably well, and better than I should suppose it ought to work in its present condition. Our business is increasing, and if we were in a situation to distil promptly, and as it should be done, we would soon be in funds. It shall be done, and

if I do nothing else this season, I am determined to have this Lake line right - We have struggled hard to get it, and are largely interested in its results, besides reputation, and it shall "go off" better than any other line in this Country, your N.Y. & Erie includes.

I think I will have to open an office at Westfield, and at Conneaut, if I do, I will get some aid at both places -

You may if you please tell me how my Pittsburgh cups did work, but they will be all on before I can get your answer. Can you see the small dies for any purpose? There are several bushels of them, which I will send you if you want them -

I will remain here, if need be, all this week, and perhaps longer. I wish you would let Place or Burritt to send two instruments to Buffalo, one for Westfield & one for Conneaut. I also want some Platinum. As soon as I get this line done, and the body finished for, we will pay back for advances; but you know I have my hands full to provide the ways & means to do that, without sending money East -

Yours truly

J J Speed Jr

W. S.

Mr. E. Cornell
Troy
New York

Pittsburgh
Stamp 18

Buffalo August 17th 1848

My Dear Father.

Your letter of the 13th inst written at Rochester came to hand day before yesterday and I improve my earliest leisure moments in answering it I am sorry I did not see you when you returned from Fredonia but as I was expecting you would remain here a day with us, and therefore was not on the lookout for you. however I did go to the Western but you had not been there and I did not think of going to the depot I wish the Line was in as good an order as you represent it but I fear you did not inspect it closely enough. for when I first came here I went out on the Line ten miles and we counted well toward a hundred caps broken or entirely off in that ten miles in one place there were 15 out of 17 off immediately in succession, so I think you must have been mistaken as there has been none put on since I was out. Allen sent a man out on the Line as per your order from Cleveland who went half way to Fredonia and did exactly nothing. for the simple reason that he was not instructed what to do. Allen told him he wanted him to go half way and put up the wire. well he went half way and found that the wire was not on the ground and as a matter of course did nothing— I was here when he returned and asked if he found not bushes touching the wire. "Yes" said he "but none of them were large enough or low hard enough against the wire to hurt it. but there were a great many bars so touching the wire" — then Allen said they did not hurt the working of the Line at all. I told him that was all which ailed the Line and that was the man was sent out for. and I presume the other

men who were dispatched at the same time and on the same business between here and Cleveland did about as much good We have had very dry weather for the past week until last night and it has worked very well but last night we had a heavy rain and it continues till now nearly noon and I dont know how much longer it will. and so far this morning I have been able to get no body beyond Erie although I can hear Painsville and Cleveland call me but they can not get my answer. ~~a~~ Even Erie can not get them. - Cleveland did not hear from Detroit at all yesterday and I am perfectly sick of such work. There has been several instances where men have left coms at Chicago and Milwaukie for ~~this~~ place and start themselves about the same time I get here before the coms. did so you see there is very great carelessness some where, when the Line is whole through it takes two and some times three days to get any answer from Chicago or Milwaukie or even any place west of Detroit. If Smiths Durham bill was here and was going to run to Chicago in opposition to our Line I should rather for safety bet on the bill. but we do every thing we can here and so does Cleveland but the trouble is west There was coms which we received here on Tuesday pm that were left in Chicago office on Saturday pm to go to N.Y. and the man who left it was here when it came. so I paid him the amount he paid at Ch for his message to be transmitted and I have sent back to make an enquiry where the delay was with this one and probably it is the same place where others are detain

ed if we can find where that is. The offices west of Detroit seem to do just as they please and do it when they please and there is not head or tail to the business. The "Superintendent" is the man to have the charge of the working the Line and see that it is done right & if it is not so have it done so, but how can we expect ones to when he knows nothing about the things at all. in which I think Haviland was the man to assume that responsibility or at least the person who has charge of the "head office. but he seems to have no sense of the business whatever. It is true that on great hinderance to the ~~Line~~ business of the state in which the Line is out that is not all. There is a gross neglect of business west of Detroit and I am not satisfied that every thing is done promptly in Det. at least that has not yet been proven and I have seen many things which report decidedly against them. If every body tried to do their part as much as Cleveland & I do there would not be so much difficulty. on monday morning last we commenced doing business a little after seven and got through with Cleveland at quarter past twelve at night. tuesday morning ~~we got~~ Morgan & I got up upon five oclock & went out & fixed the wire on a pole and worked hard till breakfast time when we came over here and worked till 12½ hrs and I went without my dinner both days. yesterday we got in earlier than common ~~than~~ e and got through at the very reasonable hour for us half past ten. on Saturday last our whole business amounted to ~~our~~ $70. on Monday our cash for comp. recd here was $27.50 and for special Reports $3. I do not recollect the amt on tuesday

but the No of cars was 86. our cash for yesterday was $17.94 and I dont suppose half of the business for which our cars were reached destination under two or three days. as it was mostly for Ch. & Mil. and We have no business for those points out which ~~also~~ is very unportant as people can not afford to send so far about small things. and If We could do it right our business would double immediately We have three or four complaints every day. but the best we can do is to do our duty & try to have the rest. I refund to all those who are not satisfied or rather to those to whom we are no benefit as I do not believe in keeping a mans money if we do nothing but disappoint him. My opinion is simply this. that before the Line can ~~work~~ do business successfully there has got to be a practical head man, and he to be on the Line and keep track of the business all the time. If you could be ~~at~~ in the Detroit office or ~~Evans~~ Alfred or Dillotson (if they could operate) and see to ~~it~~ have things done right all the time nothing more would be wanted but to put the Line in order. but Dillotson can tell nothing about whether business is done promptly or correct or to advantage now. and by some means or other Heard seems to be as inactive as one of the most unimportant office on the Line. Please write me soon and give your idea on the subject. I have had my hands full since Allen left and it is busy times for me but

I can do it if any body could. We have had more business every day since he has been gone than we ever had before in one day. — The New Girl him I think gives us all the business now. We greatest portion of it at any rate. On Tuesday morning Prof Morse in company with Henry O'Reilly past through this city on their way to Louisville to attend that Suit. I did not see either of them but I think Porter had some advice from the Prof. — How is Jordew and progressing? and what is the prospect? Steens formerly of the Auburn office and lately from the Kingston office called on me Monday evening on his way to K. You know he has been home on account of ill health some time past. also Mr Dakers of the Montreal office was here on Friday last. I want to change my boarding house this week and in order to do so I have got to have something to settle up at the present place. which will be between $15 and twenty dollars. and as I let Daniel have some money to get home with & have had to spend in other ways I have about $5. left. — Who is to pay my expenses here? If it is to be paid by the L. as I suppose, this office can furnish me please with immediately and particularly on this subject — Simon Hill has money.

God bye.

Yours affectionately

A. B. Cornell

E. B. Cornell

P.S. You will probably hear of the marriage of Mr Allen soon. — Very rainy and I do not get Cleveland yet. 1½ P.M. bad day for Telegraphing. Uncle J Dunham was quite sick yesterday. he did not know what the matter was & was in the office but part of the day

A.R.C.

Mr Cornell
Ithaca
Feb 1848

Buffalo Aug 27th 1848

My Dear Father.

Your very kind and highly interesting letter of the 20th inst written at Union Village on your way to Montreal and Quebec was duly received, and would have been answered before this had it not been for two circumstances namely - first - it was received too late to write you and have a letter reach Montreal before you returned from there and secondly. If I had written you immediately at Troy you would have received the letter no earlier than you will this one, and as I had very little time to write during the week I thought it best to delay replying to your letter until now. - Your letter fully explains all points and I am much obliged to you for it and shall be kept when it is and gratify the curiosity no one as I treat all other matters concerning your private business and not relating to others. I am well aware that Mr Spuds time would be far more valuable at constructing auxilliary lines to the Erie & Michigan and New York and Erie lines than if employed on the E & M line as I think that as far as the regulation &c of accounts and the managing of the business of the line goes Tillotson is quite equal to him or very nearly so and then as he is no operator he would not be more useful than I in that respect and upon looking the matter over thoroughly I do not know of any one on the line capable of managing or rather controling the operating part of the business - and I see no way in which the thing could be better arranged immediately - however if there were a practable man obtainable I think there would be a great difference in the business of the line - provided he were a suitable one and would manage things judiciously The only reason why the Mon

trial Line
is superior to many and indeed most others is that it has an able and popular superintendant. one who has the confidence of his operators. I think were they to dispense with a Supt on that Line it would soon run down so as to be very poor affairs because the business is such that if it is badly done will soon die and there is none too much now.— The business of our Line is daily increasing. I think we have done more business during the two weeks past than during any other three since the Line has been opened and when we get so as to be able to work directly with Detroit we shall have enough to keep the Line between here and there fully occupied. I would give you the daily rets. &c for the past week had the book been footed up— but for some reason or other (and I can assign no other reason than negligence) Morgan has not footed up the book for the last eighteen days. which you know as well as I do should be done every night or else before business commences the following morning, and that is a pretty fair specimen of the way he manages. if the office was in my whole charge I would not be responsible for it if he were to conduct as he does and I think it wrong for him to conduct as he does. but I suppose when Tillotson comes this way he will see to it— the average number of cons each day during the past week has been 65, the smallest day was 32 and the largest 120. The former being a day when we were blown down and the latter a day after we were down and did not send a con till after three o'clock in the afternoon.— on friday— I sent 76 cons without taking my hand from the key and received thirty immediately after— do you not think that a pretty good number for one time?— I think the business of this office at present belonging to this Line will amount to $40 if not $45

then come to close up the other line and put this line in good order I think it will double very soon. — Some days we have paid the N.York Line as much as $20 and over — as many as six nights since Allen has been absent we have been in till just twelve oclock at night and I hardly know how he will stand it when he gets back as he has declared he would not remain here after nine oclock. he is getting very unpopular here as well as on the Line — he is now on good terms with the N.York boys and consequently they on that account give the opposition Line more business than they other wise would. — Since Porter has been on that line he has greatly improved it. & they have adopted the rule of closing at 9 P.M. under any circumstances — — — The mail is now closing and I must cut this short — — Please inform me by Telegraph if you think you will be home next Saturday and Sunday — If so I do not know but I will go home on friday evening and stay till ~~friday~~ monday as we do not have to hay base on the Rail Road to the bridge — — Please write me soon & often —

Your affectionate Son

A. B. Cornell

E. Cornell Esq Dear

New-York, Albany and Buffalo Telegraph.

Buffalo Office, No. 14 Exchange Street, up-stairs.

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By Telegraph from Westfield

Buffalo, Aug. 28 1848

o'clock, 4 M.

To A. B. Cornell

Buffalo

I have settled with L all O. K. where is Reed and what is he doing how does the line work and how is business I hope to leave here tomorrow —

E. Cornell

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Erie and Michigan Telegraph Line,

FROM BUFFALO TO MILWAUKEE.

Office in Merchants' Exchange, up Stairs.

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Buffalo, Aug 28 1848, o'clock, M.

By Telegraph from

To

Enclosed you have memoranda of our last weeks business — It looks fair in itself but we had a stormy time getting it here — on Wed & Thurs — the line was in very bad order, part of the time it was entirely down and part of the time it worked so very badly as to make the transmission next to an impossibility — The cause of the large receipts on Friday was owing to the accumulation of business on the two days previous — I sanguinely hope to see this line in more perfect order for I have no doubt but that it would improve our business at least 25% — And when we have to rewrite so many times between

here of Milwaukie mistakes must occur — but some of the boys west of Detroit are very careless — We almost daily have complaints of the non receipt of coms — Our Col Spud was here a day or two this week and I "stuck the facts" into him as far as I could — He has quite a number of men between here and Cleaveland repairing the line, and we live in hopes of better times = It almost enough to wear out the patience of Job to go through such a business as our last fortnight's one has been = but we have made out to get through with it straight I believe = I do not care how much business I have to do, if there is only some shape to it. but when it comes without "form & void" tis provoking = I think along and myself have made out to maintain the dignity of the office during Mr. Allen's absence — I have been quite unwell for the last week with Neuralgic pains in my face & neck but am now much better —

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Buffalo, _____ 1848, o'clock, M.

By Telegraph from _____

To _____

Alonzo has not been in the best health & spirits for the last two weeks — he has had a very bad cold accompanied with a bad cough — I presume he has informed you of it — He had had to be confined very closely, and the two together make him look quite ill — He is too ambitious. he would do all the work inside and out if he could — Your machine cracked here last week as soon as Mr Avent we shall put it up and make other improvements about the office — Have you ordered some fixings — When can you send some Knobs. Mr Avent and I do ask the NY office — If it is to be some time before

there will be any made at the glass factory
would it not be good policy to borrow some
if possible of some of the Eastern offices = You
recollect when you was on board Steamer
London that Mr Dascomb called to see you
in regard to a bill of posts he furnished for
this end of the line = He is growing importunate
for his pay = I met at his house on Friday
and he says we owe him 60 or 70 dolls — He says
he delivered all the posts he agreed to do. but
I cant find them — he says they have been stolen.
perhaps so & perhaps not = I think it would
be best to pay him for about half the amount
he claims. and leave the balance to be paid
when the posts are put up. and then we

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By Telegraph from _____

To _____

~~Hadt~~ be able to judge correctly of the amount due him — Please advise me in regard to it — You are probably aware that we have an office open at Toledo, the receipts there thus far have been very good — Milan & Toledo are two ~~about~~ as good business offices for profit as there is on the line

— When I commenced this letter I intended to say but a few words. but I had so much to say that I found my blank full ere I was aware — I expected to have heard from you ere this — Excuse Evident haste

I believe me
Most Respectfully Yr
E G Morgan

Binghamton August 29 1848

Mr Place

Dear Sir, I have just received a letter from Mr Barnes who says he has all the instruments contracted for that he wants at present he says at some future period he will give you a contract

He says likewise that Professor Morse and Mr Rendell are in the place and he has to meet them in Court on the 23d

I should judge by that that Mr Morse is down upon him with hot brick. I hardly think he had better make any more Contracts for instruments at present untill he finds out wether he can use them or not

We are progressing slow with the line the digging is very hard and the ground very dry

I leave for Honesdale in the morning

Respectfully yours C. A. Cornell

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New York Aug 29th 1848

Mr E Cornell

Dr Sir

Your Case has been examined in the Patent Office and returned to us for decision they have declared it to embrace two inventions. What is your pleasure in the Matter?

Yours Respectfully

Kingsley & Pierson

Kingsley & Prysson
Patent Agts
29 Aug 1868

Binghampton August 29 1848

My Dear Sister

It is with much pleasure that I have learned (By Telegraph) that you are gradually recovering your health and that all the rest of our friends at Ithaca are in the enjoyment of that inestimable blessing

Since we arrived here John Bristle has been quite sick he had a violent attact of the Coloramabus and diarrhea. we immediately called a Homepathic Dr who administered some of his little baby pills and other fixings, not however without effect, for they checked the complaint in a short time but he was so weak for 2 days that he could scarcely stand and looked as if he had had a long fit of sickness he was taken with the complaint last wednesday night about 1 O.K and has gon on the work again to day. I think it was brot on by Eating to freely of whortleberries which we had for tea that Evening

The information in Mr Minors letter I was glad to get and I will send it back with this as it is necessary for Egra to see it I start for Honesdale in the morning

Bet Ezra when you see him that I have received of D. P. St John $115. and the balance of the first instalment will be collected in a few days I bet John have $100 which he will use to pay board and probably pay some to the men who got poles

Respectfully Yours

E. B. Cornell

Mr E. Cornell

Southport Aug. 29. 48.

Dear Sir

Yours of 19th was today rec'd. at this place — I get along slow — There is a vast deal what to accomplish, and I am like many others. can do in theory, but when called upon to practice, do but little,

As regards your suggestions about business hours, I trust we shall have no operators, on the line, who will neglect their business or desire to sleep because the hour is g. if they do there is no way to correct it. The reason I had for adopting regular hours, was that the public should not blame us for what they might think neglignce — for instance a person comes in after 9 o'clock P.M. and requires a despatch to be sent immediately, or that night, we are not in circuit, when we are there is a large amount of business on hand that should have its turn in preference, and his cannot be sent till next morning — then when he calls and scolds us, we have the right excuse for what his loss might be.

I think after one passing over the line there will be none who will close their office (till they have closed up their business) for the purpose of attending a dance or a political party, if so it is hoped they will enjoy it. —

Yesterday at Racine I asked the operator if he needed a Messenger boy (at $4. per month,) he said he did, I told him I supposed there was not so much business at his station that it required a Messenger — he then said, Who will deliver them? I shan't — that ended the discourse, —

after a while we will see what will be best —

I find that office has been extravagant in charges for repair of line — his hands are to delicate and I think I have plans to correct it after a while —

This line is in pretty bad order and I think Col. Pratt's idea of having about 4 men on the 800 miles will have to be adopted and save money by it — I have not heard from him since I left Detroit — he never writes me — I resume he is in as much trouble as he wants — When any thing occurs, that is of interest (in my opinion) I will write again —

Very truly yr
D. B. Tillotson

P.S. This office is paying very little I guess — have not got out statement but will get through tomorrow and proceed to Chicago —

D. B. Tillotson
Aug 29 1867

Aug 30, 1848

Mr G Cornell Dear sir
I Contracted With Mr Holmes as your
Agent to furnish Telegraphic Poles from
Granville Corners to the bank of Poultney
at 33 1/2 Cents apiece which Contract is Completed
the number of Poles amount as near as I
have counted to 200 poles as I have been
to take Considerable expense in doing it and
advanced some money in doing the Job
you Will do me a great favor to forward
the money to me as quick as is Convenient
and Oblige Yours David B Lewis
Wells Vt August 30th 1848
NB I believe the poles Will be wel respected

Further more I am at this time in White
Hall I also understand from Mr Marsh that you
are expecting at this place next 5 this afternoon
but my business is such that I Cannot stay
I Would Like Well to see you personally
please Write and Let me know what to depend on
If you Write please direct your letter
to David B Lewis Wells Vt Rutland County

David B. Lewis
Poles —
Troy & Whitehall

Mt Pleasant
Saratoga Aug 30/48

Mr E Connell
Dr Sir

We have Recd no reply in answer to your telegraph communication in relation to Cops being sent to Milwaukie & Buffalo we did not know the you wished them sent at this late day please let us know and we will now make them immediately

Yours &c
Granger & Co

Sept 11. 1848
Ordered 5 Gross
Capt to Mr D Wilson
Milwaukee

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Granger & Co
30 Aug 1848

Worthington 30th August 1848

E. Cornell Esq.

Dr Rollin Wheeler Acct

1848 July 30th	To 831 Telegraph Caps	@ 11¢	$83.00

Recd payment

Rollin Wheeler

Dear Sir

Yours is this moment received containing amt your bill Eighty three dollars, — for which I am extremely obliged. —

Your most Obdt Servt

Rollin Wheeler

E. Cornell Esq.

Ithaca N.Y.

Rollin Wheeler
Rect for $83-
30 Aug 1848

Dr Offs. 30th Augt. '48

Mr Tillotson,

Geo: Jas: has been to Rut & returned to R. yesterday or before: when he will be at home or how he gets along we do not know. ~~When~~ your letter to him dated 24th at Milwaukee is rec'd. It was handed to me last night, I opened it, & intended to send it to Geo Jas last night, I was told at the P. Off:, it would not go till to night — I brought it back, have no letter to Geo: Jas:, & shall send both mine & yours this afternoon — I have concluded it will be best for me to say a few words to you at Ch: —

Geo: Jas: wrote to me to go as far as yo:, & help the Clerks make out their assets. I went to yo:, & back in 3 days, talk'd the thing up, as well as I could, spending only 10/. — You ought to have taught me something about the assets, & perhaps I was wrong, not to have ask'd something more about them. — If I thought any thing however, it was that when you returned, you would have every thing as straight as a hair, so that I should understand the whole at a glance — When I went to yo:, I found there was something to think of, & some proper plan to fall on, & which should be uniform, & understood by all the Clerks — as, the returns of a number of the Offices, which I had something to do with, were brought up to include the 5th July, it was natural to conclude, that the next week must commence with the 6th — & so I instructed the Clerks — Yesterday Haviland told me, you had instructed him, that the first weekly returns must commence with ~~the~~ & include the 5th July — this will cause some little trouble, but we can get along with it — the line is out of order, very frequently — the Boys seem to be doing as well as they can, & I hope for better times — Geo: Jas: Foot man Taylor, has not yet got to K.S. — He has a hard one no doubt in

climbing

in climbing the polls. When at Zo. I saw Mr Wood - we came back in part together - He is geting a hand rail road Car made, for him to ride on the rail road, when seeing to the line - a Letter from him to Jno: Jas: came here last night, dated yesterday at 10. O'Clk at A.C., says that the ~~about setting off to Zo.~~ line from Zo. Niles is in bad order, having been there, & returned in order to get more tools - that he then had every tool necessary, in a one horse Waggon, which he then, was about putting on a freight train Car - bound for Zo., where he is to get a Horse at 4/. ~~$~~ day, & intends going on ~~the~~ west, ~~& intends~~ to do it up right. —

~~I Tell: also~~ Wood says the line from K.S. to Zo., is all right, except a few poles, which he will move hereafter. The line from here, to the Woolen factory, 4 M. West A.V., is good. Taylor took from A.V. 2½ doz Glass Caps, some days ago, & set off west - I Tell: to K.S. last night, asking K.S., to tell Taylor, when he saw him, to get on the Car, & follow & overtake, & help Wood - for myself I know it was best to do so. The Boys then, last night Tell: to Zo., to know if they had seen Wood - he was, in the Offe - I then Tell: to Wood, & told him what I had requested K.S. to do - he said O.K.

I am in hopes that if Taylor overtakes wood, they will do something - you will see them as you return - they ought to go to Ann; before they return. — When you get here, I hope you will have something for me to do - If I had the means, I would be right off home - & if it was best, when you got things ready for me to work, I would come back. - If however those who play, are more sure to get money, than those who work, I may be yet be well off. — Give my best respects W. H. Hyde

very respectfully

Jno: Jas: Speed