M. C. & O. R.R.

Jan 15. 1850

Package by mail received
Acknowledge. Do not see how I can be expected
to keep the accounts after the 1st of Feb
[illegible] - I have very little time
for details to anything, except the
[illegible] of the business with which I am
charged. I can do to keep the daily
receipts & to keep the books & collect
what is due. I will be unable to
attend to any other duties & will be
the consequence of the separation of the
I have been trying some three or
four days to get fitted for selling mens
report - and taking daily rects. by the time
and it is about all I can do. Glad I better
get at the ledger & will see the
circumstances

M L Wood

Montrose Jany 15 = 1857

Mr Connell

Dr Sir I have obtained the signatures of the following stockholders to the N.Y. & Erie Telegraph association in this place, to the Release or transfer You sent me to wit, Benj^m S Bentley - Harvey Tyler - J.T. Richards D.D. Warner - Fred^k Bailey - Wm Jessup - M. C. Tyler S.S. Mufford - H.J. Webb. Leonard Seale - Isaac L Post & Bentley & Read - Abel Tunell - I.N. Bullard and Benj Sayre -

Henry Drinker - Caleb Cannalt & Wm J. Tunell refuse to sign it untill they have the certificates of Stock & If You think best to forward the certificates for all of them to me I will Deliver them & git up their receipts & obtain their Signatures & forward You the paper - There were 3 other Subscribers to stock here who have sold their Receipts to some of the above Gentlemen & consequently their names are of no importance -

Your letter of Jany 6^th was received & in relation to My Charges - I belive them to be right & just & that I can convince You they are so & If we are to differ in relation to it we had better git together & have a talk about it - I have endeavoured to the Extent of My ability to advance the interest of the line - If I have not been of any advantage to it I hope You will charge it to the account of my ignorance & not willfulness -

I gave You notice of my desire that You

would obtain some other person here to take charge of the instruments & line after the first of Jany – I have heard nothing from Gov on the subject & I have kept on as usual & on the 13th sent a man to mend up – he went over more than half the line between here & H. & found nothing the matter Expenses were Six Dollars which I have paid & unless I hear from Gov or some different bargain is made I think I shall not send again – The expenses may have been high – I know they are high, but that I am in fault about it I dont believe can be made to appear If Gov could I would much prefer Govs coming over here but if Gov cannot & will let me know when I can meet Gov at B.R. I will try and meet Gov there

Very Respectfully Govs
Charles L Brown

COMMUNICATIONS CONFIDENTIAL.

SPEED'S
ERIE AND MICHIGAN TELEGRAPH LINE.

PAINESVILLE, O.

Communications must be Pre-paid.

Write plainly—give full address—use no figures.

Painesville, Ohio 14th 1857 7 o'clock, A. M.

By ~~Telegraph~~ Mail from Painesville

To Friend A. B. Gurnell

Cleveland

In Communication with

Communications for the Canadas, and to other stations, East, South and West, will receive prompt attention.

Buffalo, Batavia,
Rochester,
Canandaigua,
Geneva, Auburn,
Syracuse, Utica,
Rome,
Schenectady,
Albany, Troy,
Hudson,
New-York,
New Haven,
Norwich,
Springfield,
Boston, Bangor,
Calais, St. Johns,
Toronto, Montreal,
Quebec,
Philadelphia,
Baltimore,
Washington,
Pittsburg,
Cincinnati,
Columbus,
Springfield,
Fredonia, Erie,
Conneaut,
Cleveland, Milan,
Sandusky,
Lower Sandusky,
Maumee, Toledo,
Monroe, Detroit,
Ypsilanti,
Ann Arbor,
Jackson, Albion,
Marshall,
Battle Creek,
Kalamazoo, Niles,
South Bend,
Michigan City,
Chicago,
Waukegan,
Southport, Racine,
Milwaukee,
Rockford, Morris,
Ottawa, Peru,
Galena, Dubuque,
Springfield,
Jacksonville,
Quincy, Hannibal,
Bloomington,
Bloomingdale,
Alton, St. Louis,
Janesville,
Waukesha,
White Water,
Madison,
Sinclairville,
Warren, Pike,
Nunda, Dansville,
Jefferson, Ithaca,
Owego,
Binghampton,
Montrose,
Honesdale,
Middletown,
Goshen, Newburg.

I am here in the
office happy as a clam
at high water hope you are
enjoying the same blessing.
I have not moved the
office to Cleveland I shall stay
I must talk with Gurnell
about it & he wishes me
to remain & tells him he
would pay the rent of the
room as I wish to have
it & you can remove
the things & pick it up
when you can & move.
Yours truly

Dear Miss Hall

Yesterday I received a letter from Miss Hall

We were so very disappointed I could not leave. Would be very much pleased to [illegible] I should very [illegible] The Miss a very fine time as the [illegible] is much more than you could have the Ladies wished to see you also [illegible] you will to a party this evening [illegible] expect you going tomorrow to Mrs Gilbert's. How you called up May, Miss Lucia she has been in Cleveland if not you have called I am sorry to [illegible] I have [illegible] evening will be all right Mrs Higley wishes me to write a few words to you. Mrs Cornell was thought her was there [illegible] was so one to [illegible] time (was I suppose you all this Higley [illegible] if there is a letter [illegible] is in Cleveland She will [illegible] if you will [illegible] I wish you to write [illegible] tell me what you think of it [illegible] I hope you will [illegible] you & Miss Lucia soon

Owego Jan 16th 1850.

Dear Sir—

I have now been in this office one week & during that time have received only 84¢ except $2.00 that I borrowed of Mr A. Munger. I am out of wood & almost every thing else — Most of the Furniture in the office belongs to Jerome Munger & he wants it — The Chairs, table, Stove-pipe & Desk all belong to him & it will leave me rather destitute when he takes them. If the office was moved into the Depot there are probably a number of things that we should not want that we should have to have if we remain here. I am very sure there would be a very large increase of Business if it were in the Depot.

There are a number of Bills standing out against the Co. here for Horse hire &c

One was brought in to me saturday of $13.75 & there is another of some $10.00 both for Horse hire. Mr Townsend whose bill is $3.00 for putting up partition in office says he must have it this week. I would also like a little money to pay my own expenses Board &c. What shall I do? Will you please see to it soon as possible & let me have as much as possible The Boys here have got into the Habit of coming up here so much ~~Much~~ to loaf there is no such thing as keeping them out. In my humble opinion we would do a great deal better in the Depot How soon do you think you will be up this way? Please answer by telegraph or mail at your earliest convenience & oblige

Yours respectfully & Truly
Luther G. Tillotson

Pittsfield 16th Janry 1850

Mr Cornell

Sir I sent you in Sept-
last a statement of my demand against
the telegraph Company but have not
heard any thing from you in relation
to the matter. I am anxious to
have at least a settlement with the
Company even if I can get no money
from them at present. As I stated at
that time I do not wish to take any
measures to increase the embarrassment
of the Company and indeed I do not
know that I could if I wished but
I want something in tangible form to
balance my demand. The balance as
you know is something over $193.00
Please let me hear from you upon the
subject immediately upon recpt of this
and oblige

Yours Respfy S. M. Olds

Ezra Cornell
Ithaca N.Y.

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MASS. FIELD
JAN
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Mass

Mr Ezra Cornell
Ithaca
N.Y.

J. A. Allen
16 January 1852

Buffalo January 16/50

Dear Sir

Several days since a merchant in this City Enquired of me if Mr Cornell intended to have a telegraph Station at Gowanda (formerly Lodi) I replied that I thought such was not your intention for the reason that many of the prominent points on the N.Y. & Erie telegraph line had manifested so much indifference that I presumed you had in consequence of other and more important engagements abandoned the idea of establishing anymore offices in Western New York. The Gentleman says many citizens of Lodi are willing to subscribe liberally to the stock of your company if they can have an office at their place. I would advise you to write immediately to Ralph Plumb Esq at Gowanda and from him something definite may be elicited

I made no doubt that if suitable representation of the business of the New York & Erie Co be made to him that several thousand dollars of the stock will be immediately taken.

Very Respectfully Yours

Grant Morgan

F. E. Cornell Esq
President of N.Y. & E. Telegraph Co.

New York January 16. 1850

E Cornell Esq

Dr Sir —

I rec'd yours favor of the 2nd instant, but my absence from the City and other business has delayed my answering it until this time — I regret your want of success in collecting the amount due to me from you, but in order to close up my own business I prefer to take your notes payable on your presses at four & six months from the 1st of January — I enclose you account — I have added the interest up to June 1st 1850 Eleven months — showing a balance in my favour of forty three hundred & eighty two 20/100 dollars as I am Treasurer of our Company, and am responsible to them for any deficiency I must request you to put into my hands the security you offered — I therefore prefer that you give me three notes bearing the same date viz —

1 Note at six Months for $1460
1 " " " 5 " 1462.20
1 " " " 6 " 1460.
4382.20

Very Respectfully Yours
Charles Ellet

Wallcommall Jany. 18th 1851.

E. Connell Esq.

Mr. Calvin Battie furnished about 60 poles for Mr. Allen and has never been paid for the same.—

He wished me to write you on the subject & solicit the payment of the same.—

I have forgotten the exact number, but it is not far from 60 @ 40 cts. per pole.—

Ruby Yours

J. C. Norton

Dear Sir

Ithaca Jany 20. 50

The following is a copy of letter I rec'd last evening. Perhaps you may desire to correspond with Eddy on the subject. I have never heard from Ch. N. Howland in answer to the one I sent him.

O. F. T.

"Dear Sir"

"Bangor Jany 14 1850"

"In answer to yours of the 2. I would say that I do not intend to pay the eight hundred doll. I proposed for the interest named in the Ithaca & Palmyra Telegraph.

Yours Very Resp.

dj. Jas. Eddy"

O. F. Tillotson Esq
Ithaca N.Y.

Sir Luther says his business at Otego is completely nothing. I hope it is not through malice on his part. He thinks if the office was at the Depot, business would be better, of that you must be the judge. Humphrey hailed me yesterday and said there was a great fuling existing over the whole line by the Stockholders against you for not having the Scrip issued and he thought very much to the injury of the line, I told him I knew nothing about the matter. Why not have the Scrip issued? Your answer may be to mind your own business if so I shall not be offended as I mean it for the good of all. Very truly &c

O. F. Tillotson

Buffalo June 24th 1837

E Comstock Esq

Ottawa Ill

Dear Sir

Herewith we hand you Statements of Thos Rice & Shipped Summer 1849 subs expected

The whole of which Shipped from Buffalo & Evanston has been Returned as Defective " " You may remember I have advised me & Ship Some to Detroit. Some & Chicago & Some to Erie which may explain for any yr may have Monthly Sent.

Also Some Flour was Shipped up has afterwards sent back Some and Returns Specs agent here

Yours Respectfully

Wells & Thurber

Nov 16	~~Wire Marked A B C coal to Detroit~~					"
" 17	"	"	A B C	"	Detroit	9108
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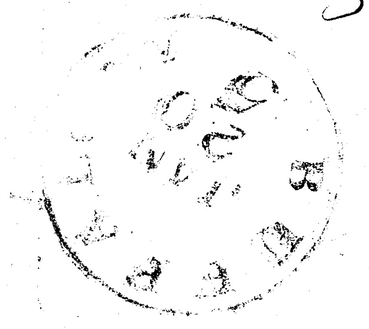
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Stiles & Hudson
20 Jan 1857

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Mr

E Cornell Esq
Messrs Handfield & Co



Dansville Jan 21 1850

E Carroll & C
Ithaca

Gent

There is a balance
due me on the freight on your Telegraph
Wire of $66.34 by adding interest for one
year — I wrote you a long time
since on this subject, asking you to
send me the balance — You then requested
me to send you a bill of the same — I done
so & have not heard from you since —
Will you please send me a Draft
for the balance —

I really hope you will not
ask me to wait longer on this as
it is cash paid out by me —

You know quite a quantity of
Wire left here — What must be done
with it, —

Respectfully
Yours &c
Wm Welch

Offer to buy one
Share Stock Ithaca
Cash Jan 28. 1850
E C

Mun. Utrecht
21 Jan. 1830

Miss

Office

Jas. E. Comstock

JAN 22

Athens Jany 21 1837

S L Russell Esq

Dear Sir

Your of the 3d of January came to hand in my absence - hence the delay in answering it

The best terms upon which I will settle that suit, is by his paying fifty cents for the poles & releasing me & my brother from any supposed claim for same. We do not acknowledge that we are in any way liable for any subscription for which we may have signed but if the thing is to be settled the whole must be.

The poles are worth $1.00 a piece and we are willing to lose one half the value in order to effect a compromise

Yours Truly
L C Thorpe

Sing Sing Prison
July 21 50

E Connell Esq
Dear Sir

I rec'd yours and made due enquiry as to taking stock in the telegraphic

I think there is no doubt the 20 shares could be taken here, for there are promises to take 13 without much trouble - do that & you can get the balance taken. think you can rely on the 20 being taken at this place

Truly Yours,

Chas L Porter

Auburn Janry 22d 1850.

E Cornell..

Sir, Do you want an Operator in the Ithaca Telegraph Office? I heard that you were in want of one, and if you would give me a chance, I would tend it cheap. I wish to get a situation in an Office, and if it is in your power to give me one I would take it at a reasonable salary. I have had an offer to learn a trade, but my object, at present, is to obtain larger wages than I could get, by learning a trade, as I am in want of money.

Yours Respy
Chas. A Caulkins.

To E Cornell Esqr. Ithaca.

Newburgh Jany 23d 1850

Ezra Cornell Esqr

My Dear Sir

Your suit with Mr Bronson has been noticed for trial for the first Monday of February but I do not think it will be tried as there are so many causes of earlier date. I will go out to Goshen on the first day of the term and see how it stands and then communicate with you if you will write or send me word when you will there be. The Court sets on the first Monday of Feby. By the way as we Lawyers are always poor and are at some expense in these matters I would be obliged if you could make it convenient to send me $10.

I am truly yours

John J. Monell

Binghamton, Jan 25, 1850

Dear Sir

Mr Douglass Boardman, in a letter to me, dated the 14th Jan. at Ithaca, says - that when you were last there, my account was looked over, that my charges were considered fair and reasonable, and my labor satisfactory. He also stated that the Trustees had no means coming into their hands, that the whole business was in your hands - acting as President, Director, Treasurer, Secretary &c. Under these circumstances I again appeal to you to forward the amount due me, which is $17.32. I am much in want of it, having contracted debts for clothing while in the employ of the Company, which I am daily urged to pay. Surely I have waited a sufficient length of time for my pay, and I have put off my creditors under the promise and expectation of receiving this money, until I am ashamed to meet them in the streets. Have the kindness to let me hear from you by return of mail, and you will greatly oblige,

Yours Respectfully
W H Cooke

E. Cornell, Esq.
Att'y at Law
Ithaca

Geo H Cook
25 Jan. 1856

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Wyandotte

E. Bennett Esq







Cleveland O. 26th Jan 1850

My Dear Father,

It has been my intention for some time to write you but I have kept putting it off from time to time for some cause or other, but principally because business is and has been so dull and such a monotony in everything that I have not thought I should be able to write anything that would be interesting to you. business on our line I should think is nearly as good as in August last but that is small. Jackson line does not do enough business on its whole length to more than pay Expenses there. Then it is down a great deal between New Castle and Pittsburgh. The Kent line is doing much better but I think it hardly pays expenses. It works my mill, or rather it has worked most admirably until about a week ago since that it has worked a little hard. I have the greatest confidence that after the first of April next, that it will pay well the grain through Wades line has not worked beyond Newton for three weeks. We now have two men between here and Mansfield Examining every connection and every hole to see if we cannot discover a ground wire, which I think there must be and that two placed there on purpose

Wade was here on monday last and staid part of one day. He was very busy and I had but little time to talk with him. His agent at Zanesville telegraphed him last week that he had sent Wells & Co $500, to your credit, which they have undoubtedly received ere this. The bad success he has met with in working the line has put his collections back very much. A. J. Smith Cashier of the State Bank branch at Newark owes him $700. now due. which he says he will pay the moment the line goes off. I have this moment received and answered your com about the notes. You sent me blank orders or checks as you chose to term them (as you will see enclosed) on the Franklin bank of Zanesville. Your note of $500 is at the Farmers branch bank at Mansfield which they are to take out in telegraphing. & the balance you are to pay with interest at the end of two years, to be renewed every four months or at a longer time if the bank will allow it. Therefore you want to send a promissory note in favor of J M Rhodes Cashier (or the bank I suppose it does not matter which), with time date & amount blank for Wade to fill after consulting the bank. You better send it to me at once if not already sent as I can get it to Wade or the Col with greater

dispatch and surety.

Col T telegraphed Wade today he would be in Cincinnati a week from monday next. — My health was never better —

Most Truly

Your affectionate Son

A. P. Stevens

O. Stevens Esq

New York

Milwaukee Jan 28th 1850

Mr E, Connell

Dear sir

I would like to have you forward me the account of all the materials sent forward to Wisconsin to Gen Wilson and myself also of all ~~the~~ monies accepted from him and from me and let me know the balance due you and what for, accompany the account with dates, 5 machines that was sent last from L, Burritt & son I have not the bill the Glass cases Bought of Granger & co was 30 boxes 60 prs they have sent me the bill I shall pay for them soon $240 I have sent you $500,00 and paid D, Rack draft of $151 for 3 instruments got by Wilson or balance due ~~Rack~~ at that time, I have a hard time out here but I stick fast and forspell a little I mean to pay you all that is due you for advances made for Wisconsin lines as soon as possible I have a strong opposition and they have curtailed my stock & Collections perhaps $5000,00 and yet they have no wire on their lines I have 364 miles of wire on and working I sent Rack 200$ City funds the 3d of Jan for 6 instruments he Jel Rig

were ready, the 12th he wrote they ~~were~~ that they were shipped he Feb the 5th that they were shipped I am sorry I depended on him at all he never lives up to his contracts I have been damaged more than 100$ because they have not arrived yet I have to go west and take up two instruments that are wanted for Hazlegreen & Galena the wire has been clear through more than 2 weeks I have got in debt a little in spite of all my efforts but I will soon come out all the money collected has been well laid out, no Person to squander the cash, and leave the debts unpaid, there has been 5 of the pretended agents of O Reiley against me last fall and until lately they have left for a short time at least and some that took up stock by misrepresentations will not come at all without they want a stacked Jacket, I met Col Speed in Chicago on the 18th inst we made certain arrangements for connecting [redacted] my lines with C & N.W. line I am truly obliged to you for your assistance in sending me wire & machines Platt Iron & Co

I was very much troubled last fall for want of wire I had to dismiss a part of my hands in the best of weather and when I could have got money if I could have had wire to put on while money was plenty, now it is very scarce ~~They~~ I ordered J Thomas & Co to send a certain amount of wire by the 20th oct they would send a little almost every week some Duplicates as low as 15 60 lbs short pieces but the freight was moderate for that that come in any kind of season Just at the close of navigation when it had to be shipped by rail road &c they sent 25 tons of wire some of it No 10 — 17 & 12 I have paid for all I have used of there is about 19 tons left in ~~at~~ Milwaukee I shall use it as soon as I can pay for it & shall want it all in the spring thus I say that you may know the facts and not feel that I have or shall trespass upon your recomends the freights were nearly double and it has been no small disappointment to me to wait for wire until they served others nearer and came home to pay such high freights Yours truly S. M. Hotchkiss

If you are in possession of any information that will assist me in repelling the pirates let me have it it is that old contract good for any thing that Amos Kendall made with H. G. Reiley connecting the Atlantic & Mississippi with the great Lakes can patentees get an injunction ag'in Ill & Wis. served on the pirates please write me a special letter that shall assist me to bluff the pirates off and help me in taking stock I have helped the E. & M. line a mush and shall build more brooks that run into the Eastern rivers and helps all lines out I do hope that all lines will be kept up and made as reliable as possible I have scribble by a poor light but I guess you can read it my respects to Edward

S. W. Peckham

S. W. Peckham
Albany
Sept 1857

Middletown Jan 28th 1850

Mr Carnell

Sir

I Wish to inquire the Reason that the Directors of the N.Y.V.E. Telegraph Co do not issue the Scrip to the Stock holders & also the prospect of a Dividend being made for the Year just now Ending as we all had Encouragement that a large per centage would be Realized on our investment — a little information that can be Relied on would be Quite Satisfactory to many small Stock holders in this place I have only Eight Shares & do not wish to purchase more unless it is all right & will pay amply on the investment. Your Early attention will Greatly oblige Your Obt Servt

Elisha P. Mueller

Newyork January 28/50

E. Bonnell Esq

Dear Sir - I was in the hope of seeing you here when I returned east - & have a definite time to meet - ing you & Mr Ward for a full adjustment of our affairs, agreed on.

Failing in this, allow me to suggest, that I desire you to make out an account current in detail of the amounts subscribed by each person, & account based on subscription by each person on the N. Y & Sui line, and also on the Bridgeport & Birmingham line, & also the actual expenditures made on each line by you, in detail - that our settlement may be facilitated & made understandingly - I want details - so that hereafter I may not be led into any errors in treating with any persons, in your absence.

I also want a copy of each con- ~~tract~~ made by you under my authority & account of all moneys received, & when & of whom, under each contract - as

also of all moneys due for lines contracted by you.

Have the contract time specified for this settlement, that I may be prepared to settle with Mr Kendall justly, & understandingly

Hope to hear any letters or papers be absent - & admonish Stand to bring all his - as not to have nothing to uncertainty -

Yours truly
W. J. Smith

Pittsfield Jan 29, 1850

Friend Cornell

I wrote Thayer the other day and asked him for his best terms on which he would settle with you saying, to him if they were any thing like reasonable you would accede to them I have enclosed to you his answer he has sent to me today for certificates of stock for one or two gentlemen in Adams saying they had sold them and wished for the certificates by returne mail so you see he is preparing the way to show the Court you have not fulfilled your contract the Trustees have no stock to convey by certificates nor can they have until you convey it to them if you wish to avoid a judgment you must come on here and attend to it I think you may best him if you can contrive to make him a tender of certificates of stock

Ezra Cornell Esq

yours &c
S L Russell

Ithaca Jan 29. 1852

Dear Alonzo

Enclosed I send you a note as near right as I can understand you from your Telegraphic despatch.

I have wasted several days time trying to understand about the blunder that under the athens usclusp- I presume this is all and has time enough from now to 25 Feb.

all Well at home

Yours Respectfully
E Cornell

A. B. C.

Montreal 29th Jany 1850

Dear Brother

I intended to have written you several days ago but have deferred it from day to day hoping to get this Stock all Sold and paid for — You told me last fall to sell at 25 dis. I have Sold Ten Shares at 20 dis. and have an offer for the balance (18 shares) of 30 dis. which I think best to accept since receiving your Com saying "Sell the Stock for what you think best" — They have expended more than their receipts — the year just end the wire still down across the Rapids and their mast very frail and cannot stand up long — I think they are determined to pay you nothing further and it was a fortunate circumstance that I begged the £500 out of Whitney last Summer by promising to become responsible for it if the other directors would not allow it. At the annual meeting they censured him, but could get nothing back from me —

I believe they are now about as much in debt as the 3 per Cent which they divided last winter — We will not give up our claim upon them but you will do better to not depend upon it — It is only unfortunate that you did not take more stock for your pay although I am not certain that I could dispose of more at 50 dis. —

I have sometime since written you that I would take the whole of the DeWitt farm at Cost ~~[illegible]~~ and you may deed it over, as I have instructed him, as soon as you see fit. I have been cramped for funds here in consequence of borrowing last fall to take as much home as possible; & getting married too — And I shall want to use as much of the proceeds of your stock as the amount of the note I hold against you (exceeds the amt you have pd on the farm). The balance I will remit to Wells Rice as you request — I have transferred the Ten shares but do not get the money as I was promised at the time of transfer —

The Byron Line is nearly completed and is 110 miles long — built by Whitney & Torrey — they are bound by the Company to procure the right of connection — If you will see how cheap you can get it from Smith I will see for how much I can sell it to them & share profits with you —

You can state to Smith that it is a very small affair & runs through the wilderness - there is not so much as a common road opened between here & Bytown & in Summer can only be travelled (on the route of the Line) on foot - They do not intend to pay over 40 per mile if so much & it is now really no object to Smith, since the opposition Lines are springing up so rapidly - If you do anything get Smith to deed it to you immediately - Torrey has requested me to get it. —
The Montreal Co. is still in good repute the stock continues at about par. —
If you have time I would like to know what you have been doing the last year. I have quite lost track of you — and your business - do the Telegraph stock which you hold paying anything and do you value it at par. —

[redacted]

Yours with affectionate regards
A. S. Wood

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$1860.24

Postmaster
U.S. Mail

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Cornelius Logan
Texas
Smithville
Bastrop Co

Dear Sir — Towanda Jan. 29. 1850.

You may think it strange that I have not given an account of myself before this, but when I tell you that my Telegraphic operations have been altogether uncertain till quite recently you will not be surprised that I have remained silent — I now have $2000 — subscribed & have agreed to construct a line of Tel. from this place to Owego, a distance of 76 miles — I am determining to drive it through as soon as possible — The result of the Ithaca & Elmira line has been a perfect damper upon Telegraph Stocks in this vicinity — I have thot of going to Elmira to ascertain what could be done there in the way of getting Subscriptions I think the Rail Road Co ought to do something towards supporting a line of Tel. on the line of their Road — I can afford to pay a liberal amt. in Stock for the Patent of this line — Please let me hear from you immediately, Meantime —

I am Very Respectfy,
Your Obt. Servt.
F. F. Allen

F. E. Gould

Honesdale, Jany. 29th. 1850.

Mr. E. Cowell,

Dear Sir:

Mr. Beardslee has declined taking the Reports, until some permanent arrangement can be made, so that he can get them at an early hour in the evening and regularly.

There should be a certain specified hour when reports might be expected - as it is now, you know that they come along just as it happens, and sometimes not at all.

Will you give this subject immediate attention?

Beardslee intended to have got off a slip Monday to commence with, but none came Saturday night and he was disappointed. Last evening it came too late for any use, as he wishes to print his bulletins over night.

Yours Respectfully

M. Wheeler.



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