New-York, Sept 20th 1849.

By Telegraph from Newburgh

To E Cornell
New York

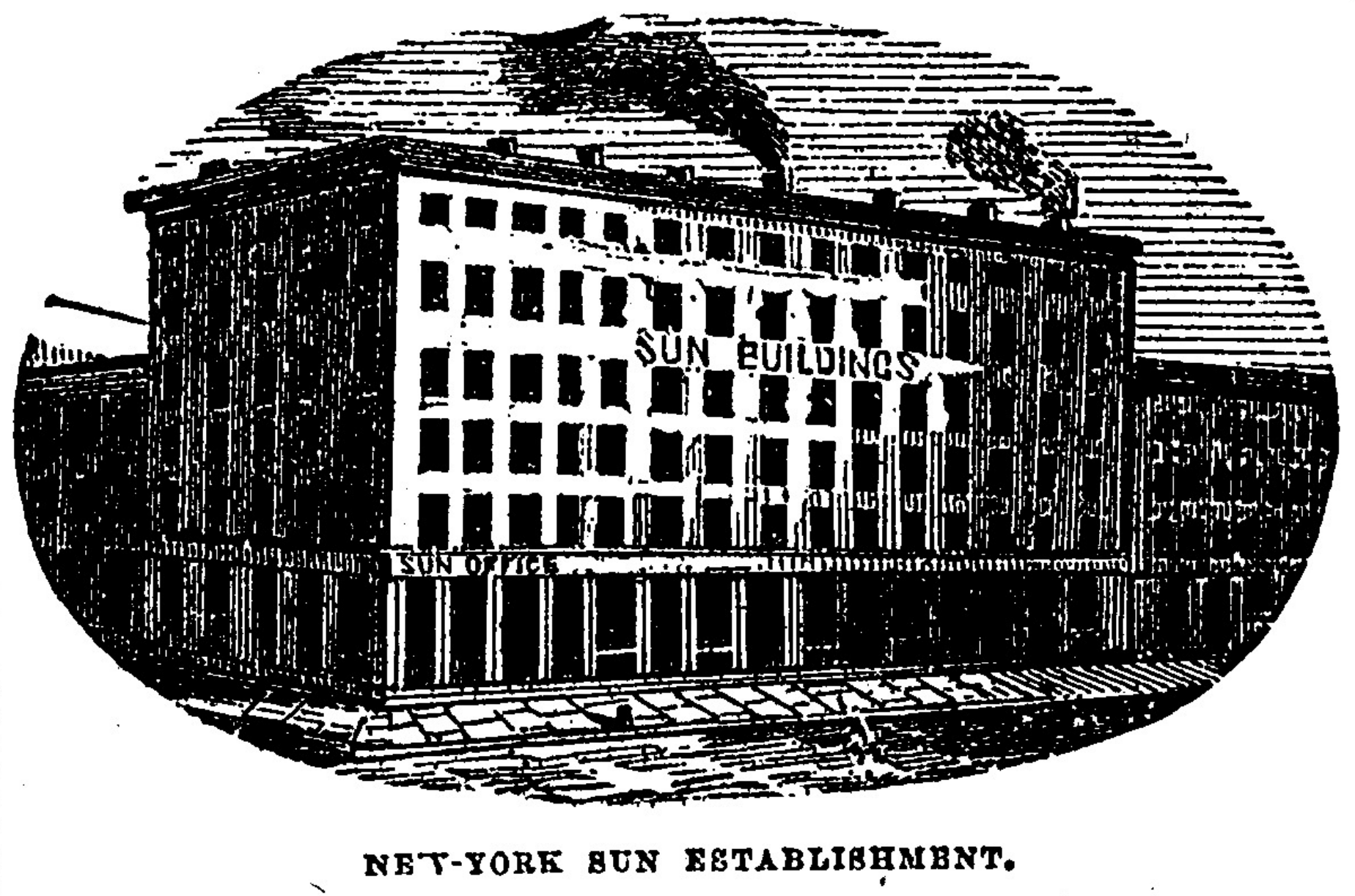
Mr Allen & myself have had the ~~line~~ Coldspring & Po Keepsie line measured — It is 26 miles — as we wish to close the contract immediately — Please make papers & send them to ~~Mr~~ J J Morell Newburgh by steamboat this P.M when ~~the~~ balance due on the patent will be paid

Jas M Rankin

Beach Brothers
20 Sept 1849

The New-York Sun.

This is by far the most popular daily newspaper ever issued. It has a list of OVER FIFTY THOUSAND REGULAR SUBSCRIBERS, all of whom are supplied at their residences with a copy of the paper, every morning by daylight, the distribution alone giving employment to over one hundred and fifty individuals. To print this enormous number of papers requires the constant operation, day and night, of two gigantic printing machines, driven by steam power, and attended by about twenty-five persons. The actual cost of the MACHINERY used in printing this paper, amounts to forty thousand dollars.



NEW-YORK SUN ESTABLISHMENT.
Location, corner of Fulton and Nassau Streets.
MOSES S. BEACH AND ALFRED E. BEACH, Proprietors.

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Office of the New-York Sun, 20th Sept 1849.

— Cornell Esq

Dr Sir; Can we make an arrangement with the N.Y. & Erie and Erie & Mich. Tel. lines for the transmission of news messages from the various stations on the line (or from Cincinnatti and the intermediate stations, only) the whole not to exceed say 1500 words per week? and if so, at about what rate per Annum, per Quarter or per Month?

Our purpose would be to employ correspondents at the various stations, each to forward any news he might have. For the transmission we propose to pay a specified sum for 1500 words per week or less having the privilege of going beyond the limit on payment for the surplus in the same proportion.

An early reply will oblige
Yours truly
Beach Brothers

Zanesville 20 Sept 1849

Dear Sir

In the turning of the wheel of fortune, I think we will at last draw some prizes, after having been favoured with so many blanks - The prospect on Wades line is now highly flattering, and unless the charm is broken by some untoward circumstance soon, we will realise all our most sanguine expectations - I went with Wade to Columbus, Tuesday - I do not think we can do much there, but there is a capital feeling towards us, and we may get them in for some stock -

I saw J W Andrews (Smiths Lawyer) and learn that there is no probability of getting a trial in October - Andrews says he sent all the papers to Smith last winter, and has been waiting for Smith to get the depositions of Kendall and others; but he entirely neglects to do it, and even if the depositions should be read immediately, the Pirates could get a postponement to give them time to take testimony on their side.

The pirates say as soon we take business between this city and Cincinnati or Columbus they will apply for injunction to stop us - bah - like to see them do it -

I came with Wade last night to Newark, had a talk with A J Smith, a Banker, Broker, Shaver &c, he had taken $1000 in Stock, and this morning subscribed for one thousand dollars more -

The Cashr of the Mt Vernon Bank has gone with Wade to Wheeling, with a view of trading Bank Stock for wire, and letting Wade have to the wire to the amt of three thousand dollars - Wade may have to put some money with it to make it go, and has got the money with him he intended to send you, and may have to use it at Wheeling: but if he does, he will send you as much immediately on his return to Mt Vernon - Wade will write you from Wheeling -

Kent & Co have paid the second five hundred, which I think secures the fulfilment of contract on their part -

I can send you $1000 the 20th if they pay as they say they will -

The attachment for connecting circuits which I sent you, is a mighty nice thing= The more I reflect on it, the better I think of it– you can connect your side lines, with N.Y. and let them have their turn in the Main circuit, and still work them as side lines independently for their local business– When circuit comes up from N.Y. to Sy, & Sa has sent & recd, all his coms, he can instantly attach Auburn line and give circuit to all the offices on that line, and, when they have sent and recd all business to offs on Main line Sa can detach side line, and let them do their local business, we will in this way have all the advantages of a way and a through line combined, for the Side lines– Instead of the short strip of mettal on the side of the ivory block to which your Neighbors circuits are attached, I would prefer a platina point, such as we now use in the relays– I will make one or two as soon as I get home and send you one for Sa office–

Yours truly

J J Speed

Mr E. Cornell

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Mr. E. Cornell
N.Y. & Erie Tel office
New York City

J J Speed
20 Sept 1849
Wells will pay —
I will send $1000

New York Sept 15th/49

Dear Sir—

On my arrival to the city I found your favor of the 7th inst on subject of My Old. Pittsfield Office &c &c.

On a full investigation of our situation respecting the Ct & Vt ~~Line~~ Telegraph I am convinced that the Trustees are the only legitimate depositories of power and the only persons who can act legally for the aſsociated subcribers to the stock of that Association — Are yourself Power & Walker —

The Conn. & Vt Telegraph Co. who organized under the Charter of Ct. is a legal organization — but are not vested with any property as the property of the Telegraph has not paſsed legally into the poſsesion of said Company, and cannot until the aſsociation have performed their contract with me and received an aſsignment of the patent &c, When that organization took place I expected a prompt settlement of the busineſs and that the organization would have been legalized by the proper aſsignment of Patent and transfer of property, But that has not been done and there appears to be no prospect of its being speedily ~~settled~~ attended to — I therefore see no way to close the matter up other than by the action of the Trustees

I have received a letter from the Pattentees demanding payment for the Patent or security for the payment in some reasonable future time

I would therefore suggest that the Trustees call a meeting of subcribers at the earliest practical moment ~~at to~~ consider the subject and to determine what way the subject is to be disposed of And those who do not pay up must be disposed of either by prosecuting them for payment or by notifying of the forfeiture of the sums already paid

Such being the situation of affairs and the necessity of the case I leave the subject of the Pittsfield office in your hands as also all other offices and affairs connected with the Line

You had better see if Walker ~~would~~ will co-operate as a Trustee with you - Also if Power ~~if he~~ will - and if not get him him to resign so that you and Walker can fill the vacancy - The Directors made an appointment of Trustees for the filling of the vacancy when they last met - But the question of legality ~~arises~~ comes up in this appointment as in the other acts of the Directors as far as they have assumed to interfere with the property of the Association You must therefore treat it as a nulity and try to get the Board filled up as provided by Articles of Association previous to the election of Directors

Shall send a copy of this to the Directors so that they will be informed of the progress of events

I hope through the agency of a meeting of Stockholders to get the meeting so arranged as to secure the ~~sufficiency~~ efficiency of a Line of Telegraph through your towns

Yours Respectfully
E Cornell

S. S. Russell
Pittsfield Mass

New-York, Sept 21 1849.

By Telegraph from Buff

To E Cornell

Your Envelopes are just the right size — I will send sample of blanks today

J. Haviland

Office of the New-York, Albany and Buffalo Telegraph Co.,
16 WALL STREET, (Up Stairs.)

TARIFF OF PRICES FROM NEW-YORK, (For Fifteen Words and every additional Five.)

TO	15	5
Carmel, ...	0.27	0.10
Po'keepsie,..		
Hudson,.....		
Troy, ...	0.37	0.15
Albany, ...		
Schenectady.		
Little Falls ..		
Utica, ...		
Rome, ...		
Syracuse,....	0.52	0.20
Auburn, ...		
Geneva.		
Canandaigua,		
Rochester,...		
Batavia, ...		
Buffalo.		

This Line also connects directly with the following Places.

Ithaca,
Springport,
Elmira,
Binghamton,
Owego,
Oswego,
Lockport,
Chippawa,
Niagara Falls,
Queenston,
St. Catharines,
Hamilton,
Toronto,
Dundas,
Woodstock,
London,
Bennington,
Manchester,
Rutland,
Castleton,
Whitehall,
Schagticoke,
Union Village,
Cambridge,
Salem,
Granville,
Do. Corners,
Poultney,
Orwell,
Middlebury,
Vergennes,
Burlington,
St. Albans,
St. Johns,
Montreal,
Three Rivers,
Berthier,
Cornwall,
Quebec,
Prescott,
Brockville,
Kingston,
Belleville,
Coburg,
Port Hope,
Oshawa,
Erie,
Ashtabula,
Fredonia,
Painsville,
Cleveland,
Elyria,
Sandusky
Milan.
Akron,
Massilon,
New Lisbon,
Wellsville,
Toledo,
Monroe,
Detroit,
Ypsilanti,
Ann Arbor,
Jackson,
Albion,
Marshall,
Battle Creek,
Kalamazoo,
Niles,
South Bend,
Michigan City,
Chicago,
Southport,
Racine,
Milwaukie,
Chillicothe,
LaFayette,
Marshall,
Memphis,
Peora,
Galena,
Columbus,
Dayton,
Cincinnati,
Louisville,
St Louis,
Pittsburgh,
Zanesville,
Wheeling,
Alton,

TO THE TELEGRAPHING PUBLIC.

It is for your own interest, as well as our convenience, that communications be PLAINLY WRITTEN. The cause of most all mistakes is traced to bad copy. ORDERS for money and all important business communications must be written with ink and signed by a responsible person. Give FULL ADDRESS, name, street and number, to ensure prompt delivery, and your own address under your signature, if you expect an answer. Use NO FIGURES, except date; they cost more, and are more unsafe than words. PREPAY always, and if you wish to pay for your answer, say so under your address. We cannot always send your communication immediately—every office has its opportunity in regular order, and your communication will be sent as soon as possible. Any complaint addressed to me at Utica shall be promptly investigated.

SAMUEL PORTER, Superintendent N. Y. Alb. and Buf. Company.

New-York, Sept 21st 1849.

By Telegraph from

To E Cornell

Dr Sir

Mr C B Chase of Oswego wishes me to ask you "if you have sent him any money". If not, "~~are you~~ do you intend to send it?

Mervine

Buffalo Sept 21st 1849

Dear Sir Enclosed please find a specimen of the blank heading which we think very good

Messrs Jewett & Thomas propose to furnish 50 reams printed in the required form for $3.00 per ream – unruled – & an extra charge of 2/– per ream for ruling. The stock is excellent & the printing good – better than they are using in the Boston line at $4.00 per ream. The estimate is very low & I doubt if it can be done for that price in your city in a style equal to the specimen.

They put the paper at cost & set a low price on the press work to induce a continuance of patronage.

Did you say the envelopes could be delivered according to the specimen with seal for $1.00 per thousand?

Please telegraph me if you deem advisable to look farther in your city although I scarcely think any reduction to be obtained there would pay for your trouble in looking

Respectfully yours

J. Haviland

E. Cornell Esqr

Dear Sir I was very sorry to learn that you were ill, and should have called last night, but was told that McKinney & Butcher were there.

I Ship'd the Zincs on the U.S. Mail Steamer Southerner yesterday. She sails to day. Please send me Invoice to forward with the Bill of Lading- and as I had to get 4$ from your Office to pay the Cartage to the Ship, you will have to add it to the bill.

Yours truly

J. S. Beebe

22 Sept 1847

E Cornell Esq

My Dear Brother Sept 23 1844

Our correspondence has mysteriously ceased of late. but this I hope will be the means of renewing it again. M.B. told me to write to you to send me a Relay as good a one as could be got up I cannot depend upon mine he says it is a miserable thing I am of course no judge. I think that I shall like Tellegraphing. if I have good instruments. I wish you would come and see us. I could now appricia some instructions in regard to Electricity M B is very sick I feel quite uneasy about him but hope for the best he never had so hard a time he has worked in a swamp some but perhaps he would have been sick had he not. - I hope to make a good Opporator soon have no ideas of trying to do the business unless I can learn to do it right I have seen enough to know that a poor opporator is a great source of anoyance. Our boys are both broken. leged boys a great misfortune I assure you they have not climbed about worse than your boys or any other but are more careless or unfortunate. I must say that I felt provoked at Orson to fall so foolishly after knowing what a broken limb was. but it all helps to make up a life time; your Sister Phebe as ever

Chester Wood

Ezra Cornell Esq
Ithaca

Cleveland 25th Sept 1849

Dear Sir

I am just back from Zanesville — Came all the way on the line & stopped at every place on the canal. I am delighted with our prospects on the Zanesville line — it will give us four times the business that I anticipated — the towns are thick, one every ten or fifteen miles — and a vast deal of business done at most of them — I believe we will get more business from the Zanesville line than all we get between here & Detroit including our Detroit business —

I will get at least $1000 in addition to the $8000 paid by Kent & Co — so you may set me down as good, on this line —

Kent & Co will build the Wheeling connection by the time we get through to Zanesville —

I now think that I will go to St Louis and attend the great Rail Road & Telegraph convention to be held there the last of October

If a line of Tel should ever be built from St Louis to the Pacific, I want a chance in, and mean to have it — It would not be a bad connection for our Eastern lines; but aside from any considerations of that sort, I can make some capital at St Louis by attending that convention, as we want the St Louis merchants to work it towards our line that Lee is at—

R H Hyde, our repairer, telegraphed me at Janesville that he was very sick, near Erie — I have sent from Erie to learn how he is; but have not yet heard — if he is very sick I will go and see him, but if not, I will take first boat home —

My connection of circuits has not diminished any in my estimation, and I will put it in practice as soon as I get home — I feel a little anxious to learn your opinion of it, as I really am mightily tickled with it, and consider it a very nice little affair —

I think our prospects were never brighter, and I mean to push ahead as fast as possible —

Yours truly,

J J Speed Jr

Mr E Cornell
Ithaca

J. J. Speed
28 Sept 1849

New-York, 26 Sept 1849.

By Telegraph from Binghamton

To E Cornell

A man this P m

Offerd me forty dollars
a month to act as
clerk for him &
He desires me to begin
immediately — will you
release me? & surely
you remember what you
said when I agreed to
come & operate which was
that if any thing better
offerd I should be at lib
~~[illegible]~~ liberty to quit I must
answer in the morning &
will you answer yes or
no tonight

J. F. Rn

New-York, 26 Septr **1849.**

The following communication has been received at this Office by Telegraph, from Portland

E. Cornell

Allen says he has made the payment you acknowledge Please deposit it to my credit in Seventh Ward Bank. I have written him that when payment is made in full to me, I will make the assignment What is the whole price of the Line, as per your agreement with him.

F. O. J. Smith

Rec'd Sept 30

New York Septr 26. 1849

Mr A. B. Cornell
Cleveland
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D. Sir,

We ship to your address this day. 64 Bundles Wire, weighing 4855 1/2 lbs, by order of Mr E. Cornell,

Very Respy
Yr Obt St,
Thomas & Co

Mr E. Cornell

Dr Sir

We have been waiting ever since I saw you in New York for some move towards getting the wires to Rondout and having an office established here agreeable to your promise and there has no person been here no move made toward starting the poles and we really begin to think that we are to deceived in the matter all round and be without an office here at all. It places me in a very unpleasant position after representing to the subscribers what you wrote and said to me on the subject and as I solicited the subscriptions for you they attach the whole to me I do really hope that you will see to this at once. let measures be taken to have the office Established here as this is a season of the year that we require the use of the Wires more than any other place write and let me Know what we may expect

Yours truly
in haste
Thomas Cornell

Rondout Sept 27. 1849

Humphreysville Sept 28th 1849.

Mr Cornell

Dr Sr

I have now waited sometime to hear from you but nothing seems to come from any one to relieve me from the suspense that I am now in. As regards what is owing me by the Conn & Vt Tel co I am waiting very patiently to receive; because I begin to think that it is about time for me to hear from it. I presume there must be some dificulty with your line or else it would have been settled long before. It is a paltry sum to you but to me it is a great amount & situated as I am it is needed very much. If you will be so kind as to look to it I shall feel very much obliged

Respect Yours.
E. M. Tomlinson

To E Cornell Esqr

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E Cornell Esqr
Ithaca
N. Y.

E. M. Tomlinson
28 Sept 49

N.Y. September 24th 1849.

Dear Sir

Your Telegraphic despatch of the 19 inst, requesting my services at Cold-Springs was received in due time, but I am sorry to say circumstances would not admit of my going at that time, or at the present-

I made an engagement with Mr Makepeace of the N.Y. & Buffalo Line (Office in Wall St) for a short period, My time will probably expire in this Office next week.

If you then feel at liberty to give me a situation on your Line, I would be very happy to accept of it-

Respectfully

John E. Dunn Jun

To. Mr E. Cornell.
5 Hanover St N.Y.

J S Beebe
29 Sept 49

Mr E Connell
Bocobel

Mr Connell
D^r Sir

I cannot settle my bills to night unless you will let me have $5. If you will do it, I will try to get along without calling on you for the futures, and I think I can.

Yours truly
J. S. Beebe
29 Sept 1849

1849

Oswego Sept 29th

Dear Sir

I wrote you from West Lexington but not hearing from you and thinking that you might not of recieved it I write you again to inform you that my expenses while staying in New York were five dollars as you proposed paying them I should be glad to hear from you soon

Yours resp

E. Cornell. A. B. Chase.

Answered this letter Oct 2. 1849
and sent 5$

I hereby appoint Ezra Cornell Esq my Proxy giving him full power to Vote for me and in my name on my stock in the New York and Erie Telegraph Association at the meeting to be held at Ithaca on the first day of October next for Organisation and other purposes

Given under my hand & seal this 29 day of Sept 1849 in the City of New York

W S, Alton

New York Sept 29/49

E Cornell Esq

Dr Sir

Above I hand you Proxy advice of which I send by Telegraph to day which will I think give you sufficient power to Vote

This should have been sent earlier but I have been absent from the City nearly all summer Please give me a little information about the line &c at your Earliest convenience

Yours &c

W S, Alton

I am at 33 Park Row
next door to Lovejoys Hotel

(Duplicate)

N. Y. & E. Tel. Co.

1849.	To E St John	Dr.
Sept. 29.	To services from April 25, to Sept. 29, inclusive at $275.00 per year	$118.12

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1849. April 30 to May 12.	By 12 days lost time from being burned at Montrose	$10.56
May 30.	By cash	1.00
June 18 "	do	10.00
June 29 "	do	2.00
July 14 "	do	8.84
Aug 25 ~	do	10.50
Sept. 29 ~	do	29.69
		$72.59

To the Trustees or Directors of N. Y. & E. Tel. Co.

Gentlemen— I have deducted, as you see, the time lost from the effects of being burned, whilst in legitimate service of your company; and, in addition to that, my expenses caused by that accident, amounted, in all, to $13.25. which in the aggregate, is to me a loss of $23.81— a pretty bad scald. The beneficiary societies of which I am a member, (or was then) refused me a benefit for that time lost; and though I have debited myself with it, yet, in justice I now feel I am entitled to be paid that sum. I know not the practice in such cases, and I now leave the matter in your hands, but should feel very thankful if you would reimburse me the whole sum, $23.81, as it would much assist me. Truly yours, Most respectfully, E. St. John

P. S. — During the month of August one dollar was either lost from my pocket in the street or it was taken from the drawer in my absence by some one entering the office from the window by climbing on the roof of the lean-to immediately under the window; I think I ought not to lose it. There are also due for communications 98¢ which if hereafter paid into the office as I have debited myself with the several sums of 40¢, 48¢ and 10¢.

E. St. John

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N. Y. & E. Tel. Co. in
a/c
E. St. John, Devries,

ansd Nov 19. at 2a
Recd Oct 2. 49 at V.

Cincinnati 30th Sept. 1849.

My Dear friend A. V. B. Cornell

Your kind letter of — inst was duly received at McDonough and I have my apologies to make for not calling on you when I returned east but when you have a wife & baby that you have not seen for three or four months you will fully appreciate my humble excuses - but you will say I might have called when I returned - ah! there's the rub but you must know that I had been gone so long that it was absolutely necessary that I should be making tracks for the "far west" and consequently I hastened on as fast as I could. After talking with the Col. we concluded that if we could get a line through from here to St Louis it would give the Pirates a harder knock than to go by the way of Maumee and we can probably get as *much* if not *more* stock taken to go this way than by that, and if we can get enough we will build both ways and that will hit them harder yet. I am in hopes to raise $5000 in this place right among their head quarters but may not raise a dime but I see no good reason why we should not get something out of them. They have got the rocks here but the thing is to get into their pockets and draw them forth. It requires a mighty nice adjustment of a mans ideas to make them believe all you wish them to. but there's nothing like trying and I'm in for a trial at anyrate. It seems as though I could make somebody believe there is money to be made out of the operation. and if I can succeed in that "I am in town". Wade is "doing it up brown" I am exceedingly glad of it. Wade is a good fellow and I am glad to see him doing well. Palmer I hear has gone to Toledo. Give him my best respects & also Buell. I hear also that Stebbins is coming to this place. Wade I suppose will come and if he does and takes charge of the office and matters & things in general he will "knock them endways" to use a common phrase. Billy Speed is going to the new office in Buffalo that is a good office and located in the very best place in the city considering where the other offices are. But Cleveland will be the place after all. I consider that the best office in the western country or will be, as soon as the present plans are carried out. Not only that but it is such a pleasant place to live in. I hope you will remain there. What do you think of the Co's. new connection? I think the thing will work but I have not given it sufficient examination to satisfy myself fully. I want you to consider the rest of this letter confidential. and I am confident you will for if I thought you would not I would not write it. but you are a friend of mine & I should wish you to do the same by me were we to change our positions. It was all told me in confidence therefore I shall only give you the substance withholding names. those you will have to guess. which you will readily do when I tell you I have only been to Buffalo & Detroit & The Bee Boys did not say a word nor did C. nor H. Oe but the amount of it is this that there is a feeling of opposition to you along the line as I was told. that things were not done right in your ofs that you was as cross as thunder & short & snappish to them and very overbearing, My informant would not say it was so but that it was a complaint of others & hinted as much as that it was one of the reasons of S. K leaving. Now I dont believe a word of it myself nor did not then but I replied that more had been put upon you than any other Operator on the line to my certain knowledge when I was in the ofs. and they could not expect you could pay much attention to courtesy or useless and foolishly lengthened out complaints & enquiries abt ~~SK~~ Sheads &c: but I thought I would see how matters stood at headquarters so I took occasion to say something in your favor to the Colo he replied that you was the best opr he ever saw and not only that but you managed yr ofs and bus admirably & tt you hd got the pirates skins off & got them on the fence drying. My opinion is just this that head quarters will be movd to V. & sm 1 wants to go tr. & tr is a little jealousy at work for fear sm 1 else will h a little more influence with Colo S. than he. But keep cool. say not a word ~~&~~ stick to V. ofs And Believe me as ever

Truly your friend

John J. S. Lee

Kps to Smith

Write me at Terre Haute Ia shall be there in about 2 or 3 weeks

E. Correll

Please send
me. one half barrell
mackerel immediately
and obleege
Yours
E.B.C

Pittsfield Oct 1. 1849

Friend Cornell

Sir

Yours of 15 of Sept were duley rec^d also the one enquiring about the Ridingson Estate which I will attend to soon. I have procurid Mr Powers Resignation and Mr Walker will probably serve longe-nough to settle the concerne if it can be done soon althoug I have not yet got a definite answer from him. relative to Mr Tylers stock it was not due until today I shall call on him tomorrow and if I am fortunate enough to get it I shall be under the necessity of useing it for paying some debts or the property of the Co will be attached further I want to place an operator at Bridgeport by so doing we can have the Montreall & Troy buisness. and Mr Tyler (from intimations I have had from him) will make that a condition of his paying. further we cannot collect any more funds unless it is done could you settle with Thayer there would be some collections to be made at Adams and other places we can get something by compromise or otherwise perhapps we had better give Waterbury a Station after getting the most we can of them

without giving them the stock and let it
go for stock, that will have to be issued where
the money has been used for collections &c. we wish
you to make up your mind what course
to take to settle this bad concern and we
will cooperate with you in anything that is
reasonable. Please write us and give us
your views. in the mean time I remain

Yours &c

Ezra Cornell Esq

S L Russell

S L Russell
1 Oct 49

Beach Brothers
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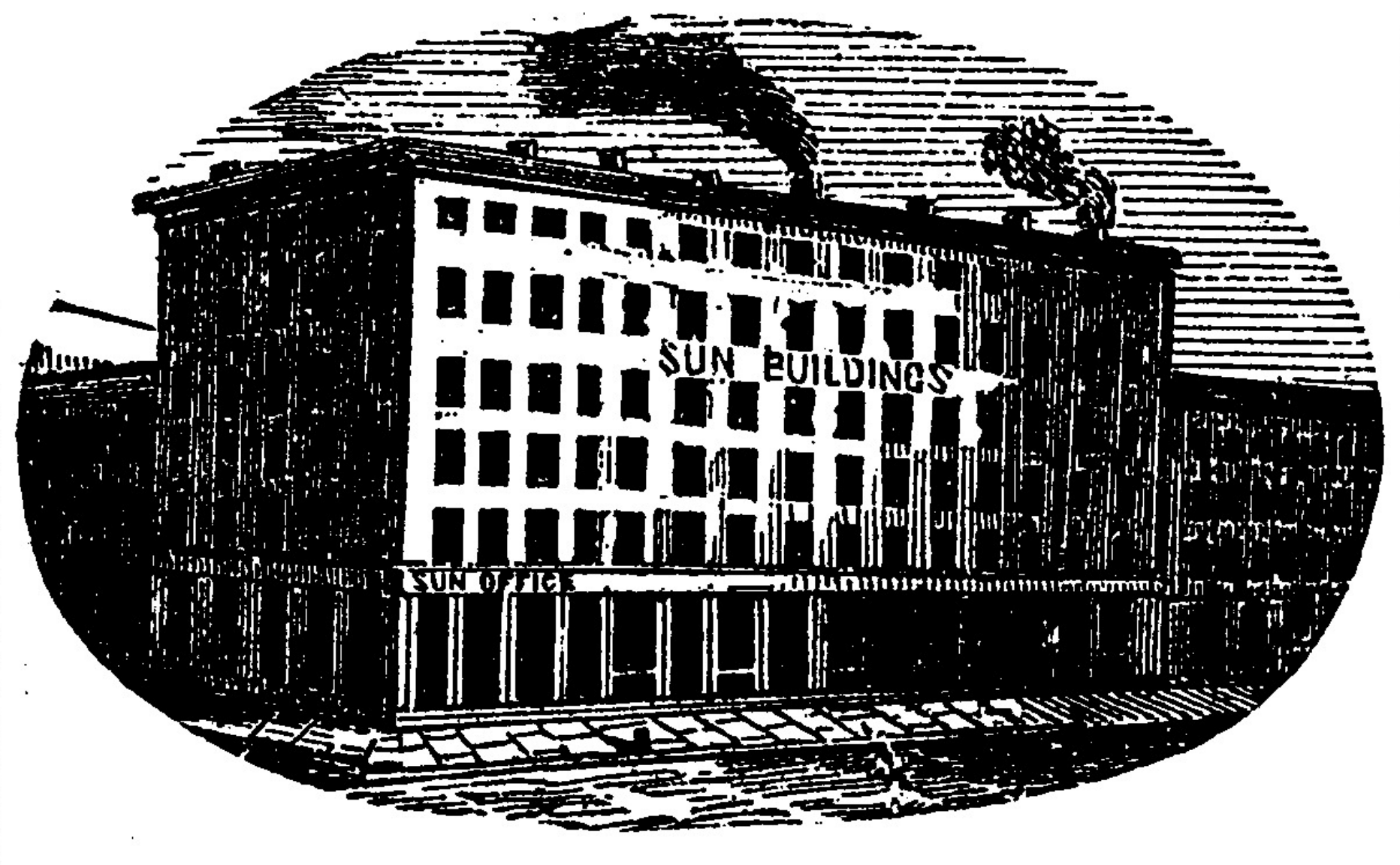

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— Cornell Esqr

We find so much difficulty in arranging with other lines, that we have concluded to abandon the idea of a general telegraphic arrangement spoken of to you by our M. S. B., and shall not therefore (for the present, certainly) wish to enter into the proposed arrangement with you

Yours truly
Beach Brothers

Greenwich Oct 1st 1845

E Cornell Esqr

Dr Sir

You are earnestly requested to be present at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Troy & Whitehall Telegraph Co to be holden at the house of John Gile in the Village of Salem on Wednesday the 10th inst at 10 O'Clock A.M. — as business of importance will be presented for your consideration

John T Masters Prest

October 1*st*, 1849.

Telegraph from Binghamton to Utica.

As it is important to every business man, as well as to a social community, that each Town and Village should be connected by Telegraph, I propose to construct a line ot Telegraph from Binghamton to Utica, passing through ***Chenango Forks, Greene, Oxford, Norwich, Sherburne, Hamilton, Oriskany*** and ***Clinton***, provided a sufficient amount of Stock is taken to defray the expense, which is fixed at **$150** per mile, (including the patent.) The line to be constructed with a substantial Iron wire, perfect insulators, thirty poles per mile, together with all necessary Registers, Magnets, Batteries, &c., for operating the whole line complete, and to be in perfect working order within four months after the whole amount of Stock shall have been subscribed. In order to forward the enterprise, it is desired that the citizens of your place should take an amount of Stock equal to $, which will secure to them a station. The shares agreeable to the articles of association and agreement, are divided into **$50** each. The payments will be called in by monthly instalments, not exceeding **$15** on a share.

D. T. TILLOTSON, of Ithaca.

Cayuga Oct. 1st 1849

Mr. D. T. Tillotson

Dear Sir

I rec'd Your note on Saturday evening - $50. inclosed is the best I can do at present - I fear I am going to be short for some time to come, but will at all times do the best I can when called on - Mr. Webster & Henry have both said to me objections were made, at Seneca Falls, to paying on grounds which You can probably better explain than any body else - Therefore if You can come down soon & see them, it may be well - I do not see how I can go to Ithaca at present - Henry supposes his engagement at Seneca Falls is at an end, & is willing to take charge of the office here at as low a rate as it can be done by any one for the present -

Pleas say whether You can come down the latter part of this week or soon -

Respectfully
Your friend
M. Hutchinson

D. F. Tillotson Esq.
~~Ithaca~~
N. York

M. Hutchinson
Oct. 7. 49

Detroit 2 Oct. 1849

Dear Sir

Yours of the 25th recd this morning - you say I was to send you funds by the 22d. That is a mistake - I was to write to Wade and request him to do so if he could but the time was too short for my letter to reach him & for him to get the funds - I was to send you $1000 on the 20th of this month, if Kent & Co pay it at Zanesville, as I have every reason to suppose they will - Wade has no doubt remitted you funds before this, as he promised to do so in a few days after I saw him - The truth is, you were a little to close to the shore, and we did not have time to help you ~~but~~ off; but if you borrowed the money, we can help you to pay it -

I was mistaken about the price of envelopes at Ben & if you can buy them for one dollar please do so and we will send you [illegible] for the amts

I do not blame you for not understanding my draft - In the first place it was an imperfect description, and secondly your notes were too near maturity to justify your *thinking* much of any thing but the way to pay them - It is generally safe to say of all *new* things, "it won't work" as 99 out of 100 fail, and consequently the man who invariably condemns the whole family, will be right almost all the time - My scheme *does* *work*, and works *admirably* - I now have it up here and we can break and close either, & both circuits at the same time, & with the same adjustment we use on the single circuit - When the lines are in good order we can write from Chicago to N.Y. and not touch a single relay on the line - It is a very beautiful thing, & *you* will have to own it, but I will say no more until you *see* the trap at work -

I would like to be at St Louis at their great R Road convention on the 16th, as I think I could induce the St Louis merchants to aid us in getting through to Mo; but if you and Smith are coming *here* I must be at home, and it will be useless for me to go to St Louis unless I can remain a week or more and get subscriptions taken -

Your purchase of the 600 tons of iron was a good one: but you do not say when it will be shipped, I fear that we will not receive it before the close of navigation - We want 175 miles for Zanesville line immediately -

I really wish Smith would settle the question of Stock in this Lake line: but I think he will find it a hard job to satisfy our Directors that he is entitled to half the stock, as long as the O'Reilly line is getting half the business -

The errors you mention, I will try and trace out - I have said a great deal to our boys about making mistakes, and try to make them as careful as possible; but there are no men living who are not liable to error, & where a com, is rewritten & recopied so many times, a blunder will sometimes happen - Did Faxton pay the $4000? or is it only a claim for that amt? If we are liable for errors, Telegraphing is a dangerous business, and there is the more necessity for avoiding as far as possible all rewriting -

Wood has been very sick - He is now better, but still unable to sit up much - It will be two or three weeks, before he can do any thing - Mr Hyde is also sick near Erie, with billious fever. The fact is, this is a hard country to live in - nothing but a cast iron man can kick up more than half the time

Yours truly J. J. Speed

J J Speed
Oct 21/47

Franklin Oct 4 1849

Mr. Cornell

Dr Sir

The Telegraph does not seem to work here I went on to part of the way to Newton Falls yesterday and found out that it worked from N. F on to Beaver And yesterday we got communications from you but did not seem to be able to get any thing back and this morning I have put up my battery but cannot do any thing can not get even a local circuit. Every thing however appears to be in order. The reason that you cannot get East may be that in Ravenna the lines pass close to the trees and in this wet weather ~~it may~~ the leaves may act as a conductor and in another place the line got out of the socket and some one put it on top of the cap.

In great haste as the stage is here

I subscribe myself
Yours truly
Geo W Kelly

Recd 5.

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Mr. C. Cornell
Telegraph Office
Cleveland

Geo W. Mills
Franklin Oct 4. 49

Telegraph Office
Fredonia Oct 4/49

Friend C V

I thaught I would write you a few lines in relation to business after Line has been down for a length of time. I should think it was best for the interest of the 2 Companies which are interested at this place that after you had done your business with Bufo to do business with us next on this account. It serves to get our business through sometimes a day sooner. Whereas it does not matter in particular or at least not as much whether A's business goes first or waits as I have had too of late. You must know that I don't break for the purpose of breaking to interrupt the Line but I speak of these things for the interest of the Co's. Enough at present and regard the above as you ~~[illegible]~~ feel disposed

Yours &c C H

Recd Sept 5.

Painesville Oct. 4th/64

Mr Lovell

Dear Sir

I have now been in this office about three weeks in which time I ought to have been so as to have taken it and should had I have had an opportunity of learning; I do not wish to find fault ~~until~~ when I can avoid it. this week I have not done any ~~thing~~ at all; last week I sent one communication ~~to~~ day I came in & tried to send one Mr Freeman said I should not send ~~it~~ any & should not come to the instrument I told him how it was and what you had said He said he did not care a ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ darn about you & you could help yourself if you could therefore I shall not do any ~~thing~~ more till I hear from you. Mr Wakefield told me I had better let you know how it was as He knows himself how it has been with me as He has been in the office often since I have been here

Yours Truly
C. M. Crainy