Wabash Dec 22 / 13

Dear Sir

Your favor of 12th was Received today enclosing ten dollars for dificits of Sept, Said letter affords perfect Satisfaction. It was received as you will perceive from Caption of letter, too late for Report. I detained Report some time, anticipating answer from you but failed getting yours, until the present date, I then mailed Report as you have it - deducting $16.72 for Sept - Deficit. My Receipts added up $53,16 expenses $30.45, adding 16.72. making $47.17 leaving a balance of eight dollars and one cent. as you will percive in Report. The ten dollars I remit you, The Balance $14,00

I will remit you in few days. I had made use of the money & failed getting it in time to Mail with Report. I wrote you letter stating reason for not remitting. I regret much that you have been unable to visit this place; am anxious to see you. I ~~[illegible]~~ regret the small receipts for Month of Sept. but I have another & better Instrument, & feel pleased to think that hereafter things will glide along more smoothly & with less difficulty on my part. Please find $10. enclosed

Respectfully Yours
E. Cornell Esqr.s A. J. Crawford

P.S. I assumed the responsibility of moving Offs before hearing from you, but felt satisfied of your opinion as the move was for my convenience & the benefit of the Company

Yours &c
A. J. C

E. C.

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~~Chicago~~, Oregon Dec 26th 1853.

~~By Telegraph from~~ .....

To E. Connell

Dear Sir I would like to hear from you soon as possible I have been getting percaing for my farm and have run ashore for the want of funds and I feel anxious to get through with my busines here so that I can be ready to do something providing I can get something to do I shall wait with patience to hear from you and hope

I will not have to wait long Send me as much as you can conviniently spare as my funds on hand is less than two dollars therefore you can judge what my wants are

Please set me to work as soon as you can if my ~~services~~ is wanted and if not please inform me so that I can look for something else to do

Yours truly

R. F. Talkman

Binghamton Dec 29th 83

E Cornell

Dear Sir

I address you at Ithaca, in order to receive an early reply. I have sent my men west to put the line in order and they report that it is down very badly, between Bath and Dansville there are twelve or fourteen miles so badly down, that it is going to cost considerable to put it up — What do you think of our taking down this section for you; As it is a section that you do not intend to maintain. I have thought you would have no objection to our taking it down & coiling it up — As for that we will take it down from Jefferson to Portage if you like —

the heavy winds have prostrated nearly one third of the poles west of Portage if my accounts from there are right — We shall only repair it now so as to secure the wire & then thoroughly repair it in the Spring — Please let me hear from you on this subject before you again leave home —

I received a letter the other day from Geo Shepard Tillotson has placed a little boy over the Delaware Div and Geo will not submit to his dictation, as he knows nothing materially of Ideyrophing — Geo has concluded to quit the line & wishes you to make him an offer to go on to the Belfontain road line which you have been building — I suffer it to say that since he was married he has been as steady and as attentive to business as any man I ever saw — He has given the best of satisfaction & can Get the best of recommendations from W H Power who has used him a little both day and night — He is reported to be the most prompt night ops on the A R line — Make him an offer and see what he will do — Address him at Deposit —

I have received no passes yet, but you will procure them before you leave N Y —

Does Chester sanction our proceedings at the late meeting? — and what does Butterfield say in regard to this line.

Yours very truly
P A Hopkins

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success [in raising subscriptions for the O.S.&S.] but others have think that Richmond & Dayton can raise the $8000 required. — I am told that the Editor of the Richmond Palladium is a spirited man, & one who would take hold of the matter nightly, if he were written to on the subject. Dr. Van Tuyl says he believes $5000 can be obtained there, judging by what he heard when in Richmond a short time ago.

Command me, if I can do any thing for you in this or any other matters; and

I am, yours sincerely,

W. J. Deland.

P.S. Is Dayton office worthy of a Messenger?

Private

Sandusky, Jan. 12. 1853.

Ex Connell, Esq.

Dr Sir, You inquire about the matter, (You having supposed that Mr Delano was some friendly man of wealth who sustained me in early days,) I enclose you a copy of one of his letters, showing that he could not have paid me what he owed me for wordy advance to bring his & his wife to a home in Dayton, (as he told me his wages were insufficient to support him & his family economical;) till some time in 1848 — by monthly instalments."

When reverses overtook me in the fall of 1850, this same Mr William S. Delano was about the first, as he had been the most industrious, in trying to villify and assail my integrity — & this, too, after I have done what I have done to secure for each creditor, as far as

in my power, (as will be fully in accompanying circular. A)

I enclose you a letter from Strong, written by Reid about his (Reid's) distresses just before he came into the Telegraph business. But enough of such persons!

Booth will accept, if elected. I wrote Badeau, for him to show to Wright. I trust the Board will order the fraudulent stock in Wilson's hands to be cancelled at once. It is due to justice & to the stockholders. Patterson & myself & creditors. Let us make square work as we go.

I saw Catton here. Reports Illinois & Mississippi stock will not be sold till about May 1st will send me par-ticulars. Let us keep our own counsels close day nothing as yet to any one but Speed, Yours U. S. G.

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LUSES' POWER PRESS

By Telegraph from .....

Dated 185

Received at Covington, ...

To Mr E Cornell Cr. C. H. S

Dr Sir

I came to this Office on the 6th instant & found things in pretty bad order there are some little accounts here that are unsettled such as livery bills & Rent & other little items that have not been paid ~~I do not know~~ I do not know how far back it has been since they were last settled from what I have heard I think the Office rent has not been paid for 2 or 3 months back but have not ascertained how long since it was last settled the Livery man says there is 4 or 5

J. O. Moore
Covington Ind
Decr. 1853

dollars that is unpaid that comes to him I wish to know what I shall do with them they insist upon me paying it & what shall I do the receipts for this month will not exceed 30 dollars probably 27 or 28 Expenditures will amount to 6 or 7 dollars cant use paper in the instrument but can get along without it Will you or Mr Speed be down this way soon I shall not stay here over 2 months if there was plenty of business I should stay if you can give me a situation in a repeating Office as assistant I should like to have it at the same as I get here I came from Logansport Office here. Was there 1 month alone Please answer to what I shall do with things here. Yours &c.

~~[illegible]~~ J. O. Moore

Operator. Covington. Ind

Answer - immediately & Oblige
Dec. 28. 1853 J. O. M.

1853 [?]

The amt money borrowed at Utica was $8.000 which amt was furnished equally by five men

5 $8.000

$1.600 for each, half to be p^d in Cash & half in Stock, of O.S.& I Tel. Co at $4. per share and Ill & Miss at $2.60 per share.

Each person is therefore entitled to Cash	$800.00
212 Shares of Ill & Miss stock at 2.60	551.20
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E. Cornell
Z Reports for
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when will you
be back

J. D. Carter

Ottawa 14

Cornell

I get from R & R R Co 30 dolls per mile from Chicago to Penn 40 fm Penn to Indiantown + 1 hundred dolls per mile from Indiantown to R I.

Come down J. D. Caton

Cornell
J=

Glad you are back I ma[illegible]
arrangements with R. I. R. R. at my
figures but Have to wait for
the money about a year = we
are at work at Sine & shall
Have it this early in act I also
made arrangements with RR from
Joliet to Alton & am to build from
Bloomington to Alton this fall if
possible = indeed I cant winter
the old Sine below J= I shall
want to use funds my soon =
I have great difficulty getting poles
Shipd fm Greenbay = If I
can get all shipd down I
think I could spare som[illegible]
I would like to see you.

these are small 2 1 feet po[illegible]
at R, R, depot designed to go
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& Steel are my agts to hire
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J. D. Caton

Defiance O Jan 2nd 1854

E Cornell. Dear Sir.

I have the pleasure of submitting my rept for Dec. showing for over a small balance in favor of the T.S. The receipts have exceeded those of any previous month during the past year. while the expenses have been ~~during~~ considerably less. both results having been obtained by an improved condition of the line. and the improved condition of the line being the result of the repairs made by Wm Dicks, and a continued frozen and freezing state of the ground and weather.

The labors of Wm Dicks while last over this part of the line were quite satisfactory. and I feel somewhat confident that we shall enjoy a working line without interruption till Spring. when probably it will be in much the same condition as last Season.

By next Spring. the work on the R Road will have been sufficiently advanced to permit of putting the wire on that route. The road runs through heavy timbered land for 4/5ths of the distance between Antwerp and Toledo. or at least to Swanton. It is now nearly or quite all cut out. and considerable progress is made in grading. Oak poles can be obtained at almost any point

on the line. I have prepared a small diagram showing pretty correctly the relative positions of the R Road line, and Canal along which the wire now runs. I believe the Road is not yet located between Defiance & Toledo but it will not be far from the Canal. The greatest distance between the Canal & R Road between Ft Wayne & Toledo is 5 miles. as shown where it passes the Junction. and varying from that to one mile. The distance between Defiance and Toledo on the R R. Line is 5 miles less than on the present Telegraph route. according to the Estimate of the Engineers: this will make quite an item in expense of rebuilding. Antwerp and Texas are the terminii of my Beat at present. the distance 52 miles. Mr Stedman. Member of Board of Public Works in this State, told me some time since. that Cedar poles could be obtained at Toledo at a cost not exceeding that of procuring them from the woods. that is. oak or hickory poles. I dont know how nearly correct the statement is. but if it approaches the truth it would perhaps be well to inquire into the matter.

John Ross Esq Toledo is President of the Road at present and is the man to negotiate with in reference to the line. Should you arrange to rebuild the line next season. I should be glad of a job at the business. as I suppose we shall have to suspend

other operating during the time. And how about the Office then will it be at the Depot? as I conclude we shall have to do R Road business. If I could get the agency. or the Station agent Offs at the Depot. and keep the Teleg. Offs there how would that work? The Depot is but a little distance from the present business part of the Town. It will be necessary to have some other business in connection with the Offs. at the present Salary. in order to make it pay. I pay board & Offs rent. now by clerking in a Book Store. I have been called on by the Collector of taxes in Paulding Co. for taxes on the part of the line running through that County. amounting to $16. 25¢. They threaten if it is not paid soon. I did not have the funds to spare and have not paid it yet. Mr Speed said he would send the money the first of this Month. I let Mr Hicks have 15 dollars when he was through here last month. in order to help him through before the ground froze. and which has not yet been refunded. I supposed Mr Speed was the man to look to for that and despatched to him in relation to it. I recd 20 dollars from Mr Swain. Cincinnati Office. for balance due on Nov acct. Not having had occasion for the use of those Waterproof Garments since receiving your letter I have not made the purchase. I will place the balance of $4.65¢ to next months recpt. I shall be happy to hear from you soon.

Respectfly Yours J A Strong

Burlington Vt Jany 2nd 1856

Dear Sir

Yours with the papers enclosed is received. In reply would say that I have sent to Mr Chester a form for taking depositions with a request to take the depositions of the gentlemen you mentioned in N. Y. State. I shall endeavor to see Mr Rice myself. If you could send me thirty or forty dollars, it would be sufficient or nearly so to cover disbursements at this term, as I shall necessarily be at some expense in taking testimony &c

Truly Yours
J. B. Englesby

E. Cornell Esq.

Sent $30 by Mail Jany 20. 1856
E C

Office of the N. Y. & Western Telegraph Company.

New York, Jan. 3, 1854

SIR:

You are hereby notified that your Subscription to the Capitol Stock of the NEW YORK & WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY, will be payable as follows, to wit:

The first instalment of twenty-five per cent on the 15th January inst.

The second instalment of twenty-five per cent on the 15th February next.

The third instalment of twenty-five per cent on the 15th March next.

The fourth and last instalment of twenty-five per cent on the 15th of April next, at the office of the Company at Corning, N. Y., and that Mr. GEO. W. SKINNER is authorised to receive the same for and on account of said Company. By order of the Board of DIRECTORS.

E Cornell Treasurer.

Corning Jany 3. 1854

My Dear Mary Ann

I left home yesterday at 10 A M, Emma was first rate, she did not cry when you left she was unwilling that I should go away, and asked when mama would come home,

I saw Geo J Pumpelly, and explained to him about the section of land 33 miles south of Ch He said if on looking at it I thought it a good speculation, he would furnish me the money to pay for it, and divide the profits with me that could be made by the purchase I stoped here to get out the notices for Skinner, and shall go on this Eve, Hope you will have a good time, Write me after you get home,

Yours E. C.

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STATE SENTINEL JOB ROOMS, INDIANAPOLIS.

Cambridge City, Jany 4 1854.

The following Message was received from

Dated, 1854.

To Mr Cornell

Dr Sir

Please send the livery man his money enclosed is his bill the balance left I would like to have you send to Mr Kline of the Mansion House for board please not fail as I am going away on Tomorrow

Yours truly

J. W. Carpenter

Cleveland Jan 5 1854
5 3/4 A.M.

My Dear Mary Ann,

At this oblivious hour, while your Spirit is roving in the land of dreams, I will pen you a few lines of facts that will not probably be observed in that shadowy realm.

I left Corning Tuesday Evening at 5,40 in "day express west" which by the time it reaches this point of its journey is so far out run by "old Time" as to be converted into a "night express" despite the Supts instructions,

Night express as it now is "de facto" I was on board, and by it conveyed to dreamland by the meridian of night, or by noon "over the left" as the Joker might say.

So train for the west, untill 9 A.M. tomorrow, the "Crimea war" that the Turks are waging against civilization & progress on the borders of the black sea, a few miles above her, stops the engine untill the "track is cleard" and the R.R.Co. dont venture upon that dangerous ground in the night, so I took lodgings & breakfast at the Soder House

Wednesday morning at 9 A M the train came thundering along from Buffalo, with 4 cars crowded with passengers, and there was enough waiting at D & V to fill 2 more cars, which were added to the train, making six in all containing 326 passengers as I counted them, I found a young wife belonging to a gentleman in Cleveland, who had been to Boston visiting her friends the 4 months past, She had a boy with her 5 yrs old, that was fat and plump and full as heavy as Emma, The mother had become well worn out by the care of him from N.Y. and I aided her in carrying him much of the way from D & V. Under any protection said she got over the transmission very well, and she said she did not know how she should have got along without it, She thought I was a pretty good and kindly Brau, Arriving here she said she thanked me a thousand times, and so I left her to seek her home and make her husband happy—

Arriving at Cleveland 2 hours after the night train had left for Indianapolis I put up at the Franklin, after tea

I went to the office, where I rec'd an invitation from Mr Tubbs to go to the "Grand Concert of Madame Sontag" who was to appear for the first time on the Cleveland "boards" — I accepted. the house was crouded, and the audience gave marked evidence of their satisfaction,
The pieces were, Italian, or French excepting, "Home Sweet Home" which was so distorted by artistic skill that it made me nervous,

Breakfast is ready & I must close abruptly

Yours.

E C

memo in E C's hand giving the origins of the Cornell - Speed 1846 partnership - the Tel. business - as well as the origins of the Erie & Michigan - Incomplete

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Written at a later date
Perhaps after the break between C. & S. - 1854

P. D

from Carroll Dut Copy

I wrote to J. J. Speed in 1846, on the subject of engaging with him in the Telegraph business, suggesting to him how he could obtain a contract for right of Morse Patent from Amos Kendall & F. O. J. Smith who had the control of it.

I gave him the data upon which to form an opinion about the prospective profits of the enterprise & thus suggested to him,

I next met Speed at Ithaca and had a conversation with him on the subject of my letter and the prospects for our making money out of the undertaking, if he would take hold of it and manage it with his ordinary ability and that I would render such aids as I could consistently with my situation as the Supt of the N.Y. Albany & Buffalo R.R. Co.

That I could aid in planning business and in making purchases of material in N.Y. in which way I would render all the services I could,

Speed accepted the proposition to engage in the business, and divide the profits equally between us, he devoting his personal services to the business, and I to did what I could in obtaining contracts, planning business and making purchases of material in N.Y. & C.

Speed repaired to N. York Early in November 1846. to obtain a contract for & from the right to use the Patent on a line from Buffalo to Milwaukie via Cleveland, Detroit & Chicago, and a few days later I rec'd a letter from him announcing his success in getting a contract in the words of the following Extract,

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ALBANY, January 5 1854.

By Telegraph from Rutland

To E. Cornell.

I have leased the Line from Rutland to Boston and am fitting it up. It is already in fair working order & improving daily. Shall be happy to arrange for Western business if fair tariffs

Yours truly

O.A Dodge

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ALBANY, Jany 5th **1854.**

By Telegraph from Burlington

To E Cornell

I will put in Connecta at Rutland if through business will warrant it. We ought to get about 50 cts from Troy to Boston

O A Dodge

Ithaca Jan 8th 1854

My Dear Husband

I received your letter written at Corning on my arrival home and found in it a request for me to write you when I returned and for that reason I have seated myself, thus far to comply with your request, you will recollect the day we went down the lake it was quite windy, the lake was rough and most of the ladies were sick but I am too much of a sailor to get sick at trifles so that I weathered the gale without any difficulty, arrived at Springport they run the boat as far in the ice as they could and the passengers had to go a shore on the ice, I could imagine that it was a pretty fair representation of the landing of the pilgrims, we were landed near a new cottage and we found very comfortable quarters in the parlor until the stage from Auburn arrived then we crowded in, nine in the inside and five on the outside and had a very comfortable sleigh-ride to Auburn, arrived at Au in time for the cars and without dinner waited an hour and three quarters

for the cars, and got to Syracuse about half past four found Norman at the depot waiting our arrival with an invitation for us to go to Mr Spencers to tea but we were as hungry as woolves and we went to the Syracuse House and got some dinner and then we went with N.B. to Mr S. to tea, I stayed all night and Alonso Ellen and Merrit returned to the Sy house for the night, the weding went off the next morning at ten in good order, N.B. and lady and A.B and lady left the guests surrounding the table at about twenty minuets to eleven for the cars we stayed to Mr Spencers until about ten that evening when M.L. Cordelia and myself left and took up our quarters at the Syhouse until seven the next morning, when we took seats in the cars for cayuga, arrived there, took seats in the stage for Springport, found that the south wind had blown the ice away so that the boat was at the dock, went on board had an excellent dinner with Captain Goodrich and a very pleasant sail up the lake arrived home wednesday evening, found them all O.K.

I dont know what else to say that would interest you except that I want very much to hear from you and learn how yous got acrofs the isthmus, it is late and I must close with much love Ever Yours Mary Ann Cornell

Chicago Jany 8. 1854

My Dear Mary Ann

I arrived here last evening and expected to have found Col Speed here but he had not got up from his Job yet. He will probably be up tomorrow evening, when we shall both go up to Wisconsin probably to Janesville - Madison & Milwaukie to attend to some business —

I think I shall go 33 miles south on Ill Central RR tomorrow to look at a section of land, which if as good as I suppose it is, Pumpelly will furnish the money to purchase, and divide the profit with me when sold,

The weather is pleasant but verry cold, about as it was at Ia when I left home, no snow on the ground here,

I have not heard from Albian since I came here, have called Al repeatedly but get no ans —

I want to here from the wedding verry much and shall expect to find a letter from you on the subject when I get back to Indianapolis

I think Promptly will furnish me funds to purchase 4 or 5 thousand acres of land if I can find locations that bid fair for good speculations, and if so, it will make a nice little cheat anchor for you to hold by, in case I must with a ship wreck before I rack "grandhorn" with the Clipper ship "Telegraph" I like for your sake, and the sake of our helpless babes, to set as many such nest eggs, as I can, even though they are some time in hatching.

Land that is of good quality, and location on any of the Railroads leading from this city, and not more than 50 miles off must verry soon be as valuable as the choicest lands about Ithaca, and to buy such at $2.50 per acre now must inevitably be a safe speculation, This vision, may end in vapor, so I will drop the subject, till I see the land, and see if I can get it, if I like it,

I dont know what else to write so I shall have to stop,

I wish Carra had some of the fine Quails, we get here in great abundance, My meats to day have been, Venison, Prairie Chicken & quail,

Yours Respectfully
E Cornell

Mary Ann.

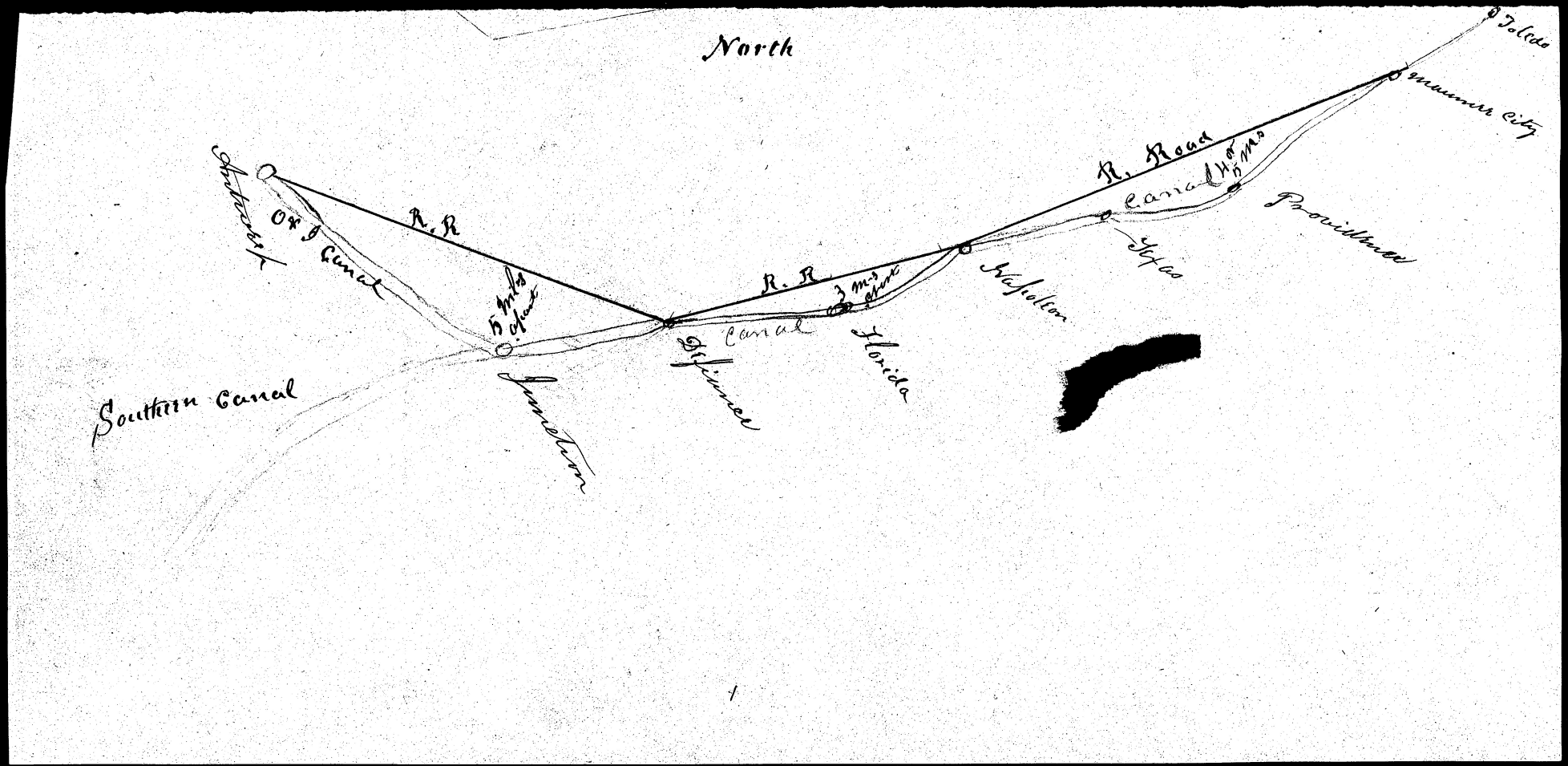
Richmond. Jany. 9th 1854

E. Cornelle Esqr.

Yours of 6th. recd. yesterday, Do not remember the day Mr. Carpenter came to Richmond & informed me of the break. Think it was 19th, or 20th.

When line is down west, we experience great difficulty in sending to C. from the fact that some office East of N. has his G.W. on about one half of the time. I have accused D. of it, but he denies it. I am not able to determine who it is. At any rate, it is a serious inconvenience, & I sent out East, once last month supposing line was down, & having some important mess. to forward. It must be D. although he denies it. M. has complained of the same difficulty. I have knowned the Circuit to be entirely gone for four hours when along it came again & no one could tell what had been matter. In confirmation of my suspicions I have heard C. ask D. often if he had his G.W. on, when C. found some difficulty & getting M.N. or W. & circuit has returned with C. calling some office west of D. as though the fact of C. calling remind, who ever it was has G.W. on of the fact & he suddenly took it off. These are the facts, and they are a great inconvenience to this office, Whether it can be rendered I do not know. In my report of last month, I intended to send 5 letter stamps, with cash remittance, Two of them did not go. Will send them enclosed in this

Respectfully: N. S. Leeds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Attica Jany 10th 1854

Mr Cornell

Indianapolis

Dear Sir

In answer to Your of the 6th I would say I have Not Recd any Rent on the Covington Office Since the 1st of May and there would be due up to the 1st of this Month 8 Mo Rent at $50 per annum would be $33.28/100

Yours With Respect
A. C. Porter

Sent order to Attica Ofs to pay the above $33.28 - Jany 20. 1854
E. Cornell

25.00
8.33

Brantford 10 Jany 1864.

Dear Brother

Enclosed I send you a letter recvd from A. B. Dubois in which he claims due him from me $110.00 which probably is about right and that he will take for that amt $70.00 and balance his books.

I have just invested what money I have at command in a Business which I shall receive nothing from under nine or ten months and consequently am not able at present to take the advantage of his liberal offer and if you will be kind enough to advance that amt to him for me and take a receipt in full of all demands I will remit you the same with interest during the current year without fail=

He asks for nothing but his just due and had I recd the letter one month previous containing the liberal statement he has made I should have remitted him that amt at once But now the way I am situated I could not spare that sum from my business without running the risk of sacrificing five times that amt and I do not feel safe in doing it= With kind regards to all

I remain Most Affectionately Your Brother
E. Cornell Athens N. Y. Jno H. Cornell

J. H. Correll
Brantford C W
Jan 10. 1854





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By Telegraph from

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Received at Attica,

~~To~~ C. Cornell

Dear Sir:

Herewith I send you twenty four dollars and twenty eight cents $24.28. My note to you few days sine will, I hope, ~~will~~ explain satisfactorily the cause of the delay

Yours &c

C. W. Bateman

C. W. Batman
Jany 11, 1853

P. S. I have before me bill from Livery Stable — amount two dollars — for going out on line, contracted short time before Winder left. W. says it is all right Shall I pay it

C. W. B.

E. W. Brownell
Piqua 11 Jan 54

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To Mr Carnell

Please find enclosed twelve dollars & forty three cents — — $12.43

Balance for Dec.

Have been quite sick for over a week which accounts for this delay.

Mr Lawder who attended office not knowing how send the report.

The number of Poles re-set since May is about 15 I think no new ones have been put in as

yet, We have been troubled very much by having not Main Bat at Dayton or if there is one there 'tis quite useless, as we have to do all business with C. circuit which causes much delay in the transmission of our business. Sometimes we have been without a circuit as long as six hours.

I think by putting good but at D. & Keeping it up our business could be done much more satisfactorily & expediously but as whether it would pay. I suppose you know more about that than I.

How is Lawder getting along at Muncie & have heard nothing from him since he left.

Yrs

E. H. Prownell

Mr E Cornell

Binghamton Jan 11th 1854

E Cornell

Dear Sir

I received two or three letters from you, when you were about leaving for the west, & among them the proposition you made to Mr Butterfield, but you said not a word about the passes for my men for this year. And I am now, near the middle of the month, entirely without a single pass on which to send a man over any part of the road. I have written to Mr Ramsdell, but get no reply whatever. If I am obliged to pay R R fare I suppose the Co will consider themselves on equal ground with us, so far as violating the contract of the lease is concerned - For Mr Foster

& Co. understood that all the men were to have free passage on the road at all times — Please let me know in regard to this immediately, as I suppose it slipped your mind. It being the understanding between us that you would get the passes for me — I cannot do with less than three double passes & ought to have more —

I think the proposition you make to the N.Y.A. & Bu Co is a good one for both parties, and I am sure they will save at least a thousand dollars by accepting it — If they do not hold too strongly to the idea of a consolidation, I feel confident they will accept it —

But as yet I have not heard a word from them on the subject - It may take them six months to consider it as it does most other subjects now a days - I am afraid that Butterfield's interest in that House line is too strong to bode any good to the C° he is President of - They have not even answered yet to my proposition to remain here this year coming -

Our Dear accounts were better than for Nov - & the line keeps up good between Jefferson & Newburg - I have two parties of men putting up the wire between Bath and Perrysburg & they report that the poles are down badly, but not much wire gone. Will soon

have it up off the ground
Please write soon about
passes —

Yours Truly

P. A. Hopkins

P. S.

Are you to be here to
see to paying the bal
of the debts after the first of
Feby?

H

P. A. Hopkins
Jan 11. 1884

Fort Wayne Ind. Jany. 11. 1854

E Cornell Esqr,

Sir

Your letter of 6. is at hand we recend the despatch on the 7th of May last from E G. Howe Esqr of Hartford, the only one we recend from here that month and paid Mr. Smith $1.75. when it was paid in Harford by Mr Howe and there charged to us $1.25 was the price paid there, which we learn for through despatches is the correct charge, so you will perceive we paid it twice. when it was recend here, we were not aware it was paid for by Mr Howe, Please send us back the letter Mr Smith inclosed you, as there is an

acknowledgement by bearer
in that letter

respectfully

Allen Hamett & Co

Covington January 12th 54

Mr. Speed Dr Sir

This statement is from the first to the 12th= I received message from you monday last stateing I charged too much salary I did not know the agreements that I started away on but it may be I said would come for twenty dollars per month. but I shall not stay here for that—as I see from all appearances that the rest that has been here has got twenty five & why should I stay here for $20. I think you could ~~as well~~ give me twenty five as well as twenty I have ~~been~~ used ~~as much~~ economy as I much as I could avoid I have an offer to go to Terre Haute for a little more salary I did not expect to remain here long at least= but Mr. Tuttle the man that was here before will take this Office & if you want to give him 20 you can do as you'l wish I suppose he is as good Operator as I= I heard from him this afternoon saying he would come here tomorrow evening expect to get a letter from him this evning he is at Chambersburgh Indiana. Mr. S this is not a good instrument here as far as I can judge= I have not received a message by paper since I have been here I hope it will not ~~vex~~ you on my leaving here I start for Terre Haute tomorrow ~~eve~~ morng. Mr. T. will be here tomorrow eve= a man just came & told me If there is anything wrong in the matter I should like to ~~hear~~ hear from you at once

I still remain Yours &c 73

Hudson O. Moore

I have written to you before about matters & things. how this office stands but I shall leave it with things settled I Suppose you thought it useless to write to me but it makes no differe to me I like to do all I can to keep every thing O.K. No more at Present 73

Ind Moore

If you write me direct letter to Terre Haute I should like to hear from you very much=

Wm

O K.
Ind

Author
Courtesy
Lewis-1874

Ithaca Jan'y 12.th 1854.

My Dear Father, Yours of the 8th came to hand last evening, and as you request I enclose two circulars addressed by you to the Stockholders N Y & Erie. one of which I hope is what you wish. I also enclose you some papers from Mr Collier and Mr Philips.

We arrived at home in safety on monday evening, and Norman took his new wife home immediately. She appears to be a very pleasant woman and I hope she will make him a good wife.

Mr Gauntlett told me that the Fall Creek people had a meeting according to the notice, and that they were pretty noisy, but did not know exactly what they wanted to do. and after talking the matter over a little they finally concluded to give you $100. for a title to their lot. and requested him to see you and have the matter arranged, Gauntlett said you told him you would do this, Please write me at once if you will give them the documents in receipt of the $100. that I may report to them.

I dont hear anything from the Auburn people yet. did not have an opportunity to see Howe when in Auburn, I am afraid they are in a bad way.

The Baptist Church was burned to the ground last night about midnight, nothing saved, and the insurance had expired on the first of this month.

A tax had bun levied on the per onnus and partly collected to pay for a renewal of the insurance but Isaac Earl who had the matter in charge had neglected it, and they are in a bad fix. Nothing certain is known as to the origin of the fire, there are various stories. the most probable one that I have heard is, that it commenced in the lamp and oil room, under the stairs in the front hall, owing to the carelessness of the Sexton, the fire having just been seen in that vicinity.

I will arange the taxes but shall want funds as soon as you can spare any. Hope you will not be bothered in getting that line finished and working.

Saw W P Orr in the street this evening. he is home for a few days. I dont think of anything further and will close as it is nearly bedtime,

All as well as usual. Let me hear from you often.

Very affectionately Yours

A. B. Cornell

Mr Ezra Cornell
Indianapolis
Indiana.