

D. B. Cornell
Nov 3. 61

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Belvidere Nov 3rd '61

Dear Brother

I have neglected writing to you for some time, and have been wishing to enlist in the service of our country but cannot get matters in shape to suit me and don't think I shall do so. I have not bought a farm yet. have been too busy to go and look at the land 30 miles from here that I wanted to see. there is several good pieces of barren land from 3 to 5 miles south of here for sale cheap and I am not sure but it would be as well for me to locate upon some of that as to pay a greater price for prairie land. there are good crops of grain & hay raised upon such land and crops have been more sure on it than on prairie lands

#6.800-'14

I have taken this place for another year, have got all the stubble ground plowed and have sown 8 acres & I shall commence gathering my corn this week, my wheat yielded only about 13 bushels per acre. oats 30 bu, — wheat was of an inferior quality as is most of the wheat in this section ^{my} corn is good and it is thought that it will turn out 35 to 40 bushels per acre

we are in usual good health and are enjoying a fair share of the comforts and a few of the luxuries of life among which is an abundance of hickory nuts which have been more plenty here this fall than was ever known before. I have got about 7½ bushels the proceeds of 2½ days gathering.

Respectfully
E. Cornell Esq. }
Ithaca N.Y. } D. B. Cornell

M. B. Wood
Nov 3. 1861

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Dear Ezra

Your letter of
20th ult is rec^d and you
must have rec^d one from
me about the same date
I have paid Newark
Machine Co as I wrote
you and have written
to W. T. Davis that the
amount he sent you
does not agree with
that on our books and
If he would make out
a statement of items so
I can see where the dif
ference exists I would
send him a check on
Johnson for the amt^t
I wrote Osborn some

time ago asking him for the directors of our school district to make a deed of half an acre for the district on which the school house stands. There has accumulated in the town treasury over \$50, for to build a fence & coal & back house for this district but they cant get a dollar to lay out till they can exhibit a deed for the lot.

He does not give answer whether he will do it or not. Robinson has left & I have let the premises again to Harring for the same rent. The cattle are mostly all taken out

and I am taking in sheep. Have about 300 now & more engaged.

Dr McConaugh has left as I think I wrote you Capt Stewart writes that we owe him one hundred dollars and wants to know what we will do about it.

Wagner is about to sue for the bal. of his a/c I am trying to scratch up money enough when the time comes to pay the taxes. The rates are published and they are pretty high. The whole tax this year to come will be a little short of \$300. Phebe has a

hired girl to do the work
while she works at
clothes for the children
of the Soldiers that have
gone to the war, I take
the clothes in the little
waggon to the children
all I can get the women
to make all over the
neighborhood. I think
this will make good
winter business for me.
I have sold one cask of oil
for 50¢ per gal. Nothing
new from any quarter as
I hear.

Yours truly
M. B. Wood

Pittsburgh, Novr. 3^d. 1861.

E. Cornell, Esq.

Dear Sir.

Nearly a year has passed since I left Cashington and the employment of the Cornelian Oil Works and that Company of which you were the President still owes me on my wages the sum of \$11⁷/₈ besides interest according to Mr. Wood's own statement. I wrote several letters lately in regard to this matter to Mr. Wood without receiving any reply.

I therefore apply to you for the last time in this matter in the expectation that you will at least let me know whether you intend to pay me at all and when you will be able to do so. I need the money badly and in case I should not get any reply to this letter I shall be obliged to let the law take this small affair in its hands. Maybe that things have been so arranged by the late Cornelian Oil Company, that it will

be impossible for me to recover any thing,
but I have some curiosity to learn how
far gentlemen in high social standing may
regard their word as binding, I may learn
some facts beneficial to me for future ac-
tions.

Yours truly
Joseph Waynell
care of F. Kellermann
Box 38

J. Waynell
Nov 3. 61

(Copy)

New York 7th Nov. 1861

My Dear Delafield.

I hear there is a vacancy or likely to be one in Col. D. E. Egan's Regt. (53) New York Vols. This Regt. wear breeches & such like nonsense & I am told with a single company of French men - the rest Americans - claim a French organization. Now this is all wrong, and in my poor opinion the St. Col. vacancy ought to be filled by an American and I want to see Capt. Chester (G. F. Chester) promoted to the vacancy. He was with my command at Bull Run and did not run away - I know he is brave and intelligent and worthy of a St. Colonelcy - I don't know Gen. Morgan or Capt. Hellhouse to speak for Capt. Chester - So do & therefore speak for me & say that if Capt. G. F. Chester now of 53rd late of 71st Regt. is promoted to the St. Colonelcy I will endorse him.

I saw Gen Scott yesterday and
was pleased to see him as well as he
appeared to be.

Yours truly,
Dan. Tyler.

Dr. J. J. Tyler
Nov 16. 63

Orest Home Nov 7 / 61

Mr E Cornell }
Ithaca }

Dear Sir I
hope that you will pardon me
for not answering your letter in
due season, as to day is the first
that I have been able to do so
since I received it.

I am very sorry to inform you
that I have been Sick and under
the Doctors care. Consequently I
have not got your Birds quite finished
But I am now Convalescent
and I am in hopes to be able to
to go to work at them before many
days

Yours Respectfully

James M Haight

Emilie Pearson

Nov 9. 61

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Dear cousin

I intended to have written to you as soon as I got home but I have been so busy that I have hardly had time to do anything for myself, I staid to Roberts one week and then he came and brought me home we stoped to Georges and stgyed one night and then come on and made Camie a short visit I found our folks well and wondering what had become of me father said he should have started in pursuit of me if I had not come just as I did

and some of the rest were
talking about dividing
what things I left to home

I guess they were sorry I came back
I have not got my dress made
yet but am going at it soon

I have got my skirt fixed real
nice, has Frank got back from
Oregon yet tell him to write to me
and tell me all about it, I wonder
if you are having pleasant weather
yet it is somewhat muddy
and rainy just now here
but we have had some very
fine weather since I came home
business seems to be rather dull
in DeKuyler this fall the merchants
have not got any new goods yet
and I don't know as they are
going to I have had to do a
considerable fixing over for

for people and I expect
when they get their old
clothes fixed up I shan't have
anything to do, folks make a great
time about my growing so fast
while I was gone but I tell them
I had nothing to hinder me
for I did not have much to do
and when they make me work
to hard I am just going slack
again so you had better look
out I suppose Emma would
not like to see me coming
maybe she likes dress-makers
better by this time how does
Perry get along enlisting men
I would like to hear from you
all very much there have quite
a number of the boys around
about here, enlisted within several
weeks father says tell Eva he

he would like to have
him write to him once in
a while if he does not answer
his letters he says his fingers
are so stiff that he cannot
write his letters always do them a
sight of good and we would
all like to see you ~~out~~ here
very much I have not seen
the lost journal yet ~~but~~ don't
know whether you are going
to Albany yet I tried to get it
out of the office last week
before they did but they got the
start of me please give my
love to E. B. folks tell Maria
to write to me and I will
be very much obliged and I would
very much like to have a letter
from you as soon as convenient
my pen acts so mean that I
don't believe you can read this
for I can't hardly so I will bid
you good bye and try and do
better next time yours, Eunice

Eliza Gompkins Co N. Y. Nov 10, 186.

My Dear Uncle
and all the other dear ones-

I am thoroughly ashamed for not having answered
your kind letter of now nearly one year ago - but my
business and numerous cares have hardly shown me the
time to do it. Since Father died I have managed his homestead
farm of 200 acres till last April, my sister Emily has bought,
Jonathan Dunham has done it and I have been in my
father-in-law store in this little village two miles away.
Just prior to Father's death he built a second new house on
the farm in which Mother's family now lives, Emily
occupying the farm house. Mother's family consists of herself
and unmarried daughters Caroline & Condelia. Mother
keeps very well is very active and works a great deal. She is
now 71 years old. Caroline's health is very poor. Our family is
much scattered. Elmina, who was Mrs. Bristol's dead also Lydia
and Harriet - the last of whom was J. Dunham's first wife.
Mary Ann who is Mrs. Cornell & her family, who are very wealthy,
live in Ithaca N. Y. and are farmers. Orion lives in Montreal, Canada
has 2 children - is Dept. of telegraph - Merritt is married no children
- lives at Ithaca 6 miles from here is in forwarding & Commission
business. Emily who is Mrs. Dunham lives on our farm
has one child - lost one - Norman is married - is making
sack at Syracuse 50 miles from here, on large scale, has
2 little children. I married Olive Gaulty have one dear
little boy, Merritt L. 2 years old - lost our eldest, little Arthur

a dear little yellow 1 year old. He are none of us very stout. I have had a chronic diarrhoea several years - it is some better now.

We were pained to hear of your misfortunes by fire and loss of health. Such things seem to come all to Gether. We hope you are recovering and are again in comfortable quarters. It has now been many years since we heard from Uncle Philips folks - at last accounts they were farming near a place called Southport in Southern Wisconsin or Northern Illinois. I don't see it on our maps. Aunt Shepherd's family was large and all grew up to be respectable but Paul he ran away. The other children are farmers in Northern Penn. and Western Ohio - except Sam - he is a minister and physician in New York City. About 7 years ago Uncle John turned up - an old man nearly 75, in Central Mich. not far from Albion where Aunt Sarah Gay and her children live. She was quite deaf but well at last account. He had had his second wife in Western Penn & I believe 9 children by her, who were in Penn. He had just started new on 20 or 25 acres of land with his third wife & had got to I think the 4th child by her - 9 by his first wife makes 22 in all! I give you full report of him - but poor old man! He has lived to see & feel the error of his earlier days in leaving his first family. The three families never knew, 7 years ago, that he had any other but itself - but now he confesses the wrong to them all & feels it all. His first

NOV. 10, 1861

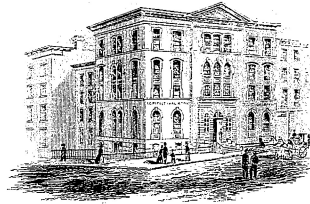
Children have grown up to be the best of people - are all fine farmers and tradesmen - I understood they had offered to do for Uncle and that he was to visit them for the first time since their estrangement this fall, on the very spots he left them, where they are wealthy and enjoying what he left them with increase. His wife and one daughter Polly of the first are dead. The children have all grown up to think Uncle John alone in fault but Mother hardly thinks him so entirely. I know but little of the Gays. One of them was shot in the Kansas war. The rest are thrifty. We have never heard of Uncle Luke's family. I think a son of his lived in St Louis Mo. years ago. Aunt Anna Carley & Uncle George and all of their numerous children are well & of and well the last we heard of them at Hastings Oregon Co N. Y. 75 miles N. E. of us. Uncle Nicholas Jacks were fanner but on an improving woody farm in Pottawamie.

Mother sends much love to her dear brother & his family and sincerely wishes that she might again meet with him & with them and enjoy their acquaintance and society. I hope she may.

your loving nephew
Otho E. Wood.

Copy of Olin Hood's letters

STATE OF NEW YORK.



(Agricultural Rooms.)

Albany, Nov 13th 1861

Wm Ezra Cornell

Sir

I regret you could

not be with us about meeting -

The train is not quite ready -

Dr Fitch's article, the engraving &c

is the delay - but it will be out

soon -

As to the - I suppose a statement
verbal, as to what has been done,
and the result, will be sufficient

No arrangement has been made
for printing blanks for statistics -

Our printer will not admit of it

now -

Yours Truly

T. S. Johnson

1 Barracks No 3
Elmira Nov 10th 1861
O Cornell Esq

Dear Sir & Friend

The Box Containing
Rubber Blankets is received for which
please accept for Your Self and
Others who contributed towards them
the warmest thanks of my self and
Command.

I thought of suggesting to
the good Ladies of Athaca the idea of
making their contributions direct to
the Companies that have gone out
from their midst, in as much as
the number is sufficient to make good
use of all they will feel able to con-
tribute. The things most needed are
under clothes Socks Mittens or gloves.

I take pleasure in Congratulating
You upon Your Election.

Very Respectfully Yours
Capt William Henry

61-Canal st N.Y. Nov-18th 1861

E Cornell Esqr

Dear sir I write
to ask how you would like to take an
English venture with me, I inclose
my circular & would say that the
prospect of doing a fair & paying busi-
-ness through the agency with Exhibitors
is good, and I am connecting with
it a kind of patent agency that seems
to me to promise large comparative
returns. I am offered a number of
what I esteem very good inventions
and which in the aggregate ought
to realize from ~~20,000~~^{\$} 50,000^{\$}

These I can have for one half
the proceeds of the sale in Europe
by securing them abroad & I can
get others at the same rate.

Now I need more money than
I have at control and offer to
you to put my entire services

and the net income from
all I may do till november
1862 doing the best I can honestly
in furtherance of this project
against \$2,500, cash advanced to aid in
the expenses properly & necessarily incurred
in carrying out the plan - & to
give you one half such net proceeds,

& to make you in a measure more
secure I will give you my personal
obligation to refund your money with
interest in case your share of the
proceeds ^{do not make so much} ~~needed~~, so if I deal
honestly with you you can hardly
lose by the venture & I think you
will win,

I presume there are
plenty here that would gladly take
hold with ~~me~~ but I prefer an honor-
able acquaintance, I lost nearly all
I had in the Coal Oil business but the
new factory at Meadville is doing
better, I shall need about \$750,
at once \$750th by first of Jan'y &

balance in march or when I am
ready to leave for the Exhibition.
With these means I can secure six or
seven patents abroad and prepare
to exhibit the machines,

I shall not charge in account of
expenses any thing for my time or
living during the year.

Respectfully

Joseph E. Holmes

An early reply will be gratifying
as I wish to send abroad by the steamer
of next week Wednesday

Attaca Nov 20. 1861

Dear Sir

I have not rec^d from you yet any copy of the proposition finally made to Wilcox & Osburn for the exchange of Coal property for their Brooklyn lots.

I have however rec^d a letter from Wilcox dated Nov 14, 61 - accepting the proposition, a copy of which I herewith enclose to you.

I understood, generally that we were to exchange with them on the basis of our getting the cost of coal property, that is the amt we paid out and the interest on the same, and take their plot of 5 acres in payment at \$200. per lot, and balance in lots from the other plot at

\$250, per lot, upon this basis
the table would stand as follows

E. H. Chester 15th 80 East \$3,750
 Interest 2 1/2 years - 721.88
 1st installment to build 937.50
 Interest 2 1/2 years - 164.09
 2nd installment 562.50
 Interest 2 1/2 years - 91.88 = \$6,228.83

G. F. Chester 1/80 East 1,000.00
 Interest 2 1/2 years - 192.50
 1st installment to build 250.00
 Interest 2 1/2 years - 43.75
 2nd installment 150.00
 Interest 2 1/2 years - 24.50 = 1,660.75
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E. Cornell 1/80 East 4,350.00
 Interest 2 1/2 years - 866.25
 1st installment to build 1,125.00
 Interest 2 1/2 years - 196.88
 2nd installment 675.00
 Interest 2 1/2 years - 110.25 = 7,473.38
\$10,361.96

The above to be paid for north,
 5th 80th (all of the 5th 80th) \$250, \$11,400.
 15th 80th lot from small plot 250 - 3,938.34
\$15,338.34
 fractional balance = 3.61

You will perceive by the above that instead of the above 72nd lot they only offer lots as follows

5th lot (all of 5th 80th lot) \$250 = \$11,400
 7th lot from other that \$250, \$11,750.
\$13,150

Cost of Real property - \$15,361.96
\$2,211.96

Leaving a balance unprovided
 for of \$2,211.96,

Again Wilson claims "the lots
 and all the assets belonging to
 the Cornell are his" but does
 not say who is to pay the debts of
 the company, I understand
 the assets are and above
 the real estate are to apply
 to payment of debts first, and
 if debts are not thus paid, the
 balance of debts to be paid
 by assignment on the stock
 holders,

Please look into this matter
 and inform me by return mail
 what proposition you make
 him, so I can answer him

his letter. If you say it is
right to accede to his proposition
as per his letter of 14th inst. and
loose the thousand dollars or
more. I can do it, and feel
the loss as little as any of those
in interest, but don't know of
any propriety of M + Q having
it.

Yours Respectfully,
E. Corvill

E. W. Chester Esq
N.Y.

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OFFICE, Erie Railroad Depot.

TO THE PUBLIC.

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L. G. TILLOTSON, Sur'r.

Nov 9 1861.
Received at M. by Telegraph from Albion
To D. Cornell
Schaca

Winter term

Commences December 5th

The Continuation of Present

term - No vacation until

Christmas 25th

Bradbury

Binghamton Nov 20th 1861

Mr E C Small
Sir

Enclosed I return
the papers as you made them
out, note for \$500, one year
& assignment of stock 22 shares
also the Certificate of stock
three in number - Please
send the currency by express
as the cost will be much
less than a draft. For all of
which, I am very thankful
& trust you may never find
your confidence misplaced
in me.

Yours Truly
P A Hopkins

Copy to E. W. Chester.

Ithaca Nov 20, 1861

Dear Sir

I have not rec^d from you yet any copy of the proposition finally made to Wilcox & Osburn for the exchange of the coal property for their Brooklyn lots.

I have however rec^d a letter from Wilcox dated Nov 14, 61 accepting the proposition, a copy of which I herewith enclose you.

I understood generally that we were to exchange with them on the basis of our getting the cost of the coal property, that is the amount we paid out, and the interest on the same; and take the plot of 5 acres in payment at \$200. per lot, and balance in lots from the other plot at \$250. per lot. Upon this basis the trade would stand as follows.

E. W. Chester 8/80 Cost ~~\$3750~~

Interest 2 1/2 years -	721.88	
1 st Installment to build	937.50	
Interest 2 1/2 years -	164.07	
2 nd Installment	562.50	
Interest 2 1/2 years -	91.88	<u>\$6,227.83</u>

G. F. Chester 4/80 Cost \$1000.00

Interest 2 1/2 years -	192.50	
1 st Installment to build	250.00	
Interest 2 1/2 years -	43.75	
2 nd Installment	150.00	
Interest 2 1/2 years -	24.50	<u>\$1,660.75</u>

[Over]

E. Cornell	16/80	}	Cost \$4,500
M. B. Hood	2/80		
Interest	2 1/2 years -		866.25
1 st Installment to build			1,125.00
Interest	2 1/2 years -		186.88
2 nd Installment			675.00
Interest	2 1/2 years -		110.25
			<u>7,473.38</u>
			\$15,361.96

The above to be paid for with

57 lots (all of the 5 Acs) \$200 per lot \$11,400

15 7/16 lots from small plot \$250 each 3,958.34 \$15,358.34

3.62

You will perceive by Wilcox letter that instead of the above, 72 7/16 lots they only offer lots as follows

57 lots (all of the 5 Acs) \$200 \$11,400

7 " from other plots \$250 each 1,750 \$13,150.00

Cost of Coal Property as above 15,361.96
leaving a balance unpaid of = \$2,211.96

Again Wilcox claims "the land, and all the assets belonging to the Cornellian Oil Co" but does not say who is to pay the debts of the company. I understand the assets over and above the real estate are to apply to the payment of the debts first, and if the debts are not thus paid the balance of debts to be paid by assessment on the stockholders.

Please look into this matter, and inform me by return mail what proposition you made him, so I can answer his letter.

If you say it is right to accede to his proposition as per his letter of 14th inst, and lose the thousand

dollars or more. I can do it and feel the loss
as little as any of those in interest, but don't
know of any propriety of M & O having it

Yours Respectfully
E. Cornell

E. W. Chester Esq. N.Y.

Copy of Memo supposed to be made by Wilcox

E. W. Chester & Ezra Cornell agree to sell to
Messrs Wilcox & Osburn all their interest in the
Cornelian Oil, Co, and all their interest in the
lands held by Ezra Cornell for the said Company,
for 57 lots of land in Brooklyn lying in one tract
and seven lots in a tract containing 16 lots
to be of average value with the others, of the 16
mutual conveyances to be made as soon as
practicable,

Copy

N.Y. Nov 7, 1861

Mr Wilcox

I believe the annexed is according to our
talk last night, varying only in making a whole
lot of what strictly calculated would be a frac-
tion, but a fraction considerably more than
half. As to paying anything to Cornell, I
can't undertake it & so informed him last nig-
ht. I know of no authority for running us in
debt, and it seems strange to me, if the rent
does not pay any debt which he would be
authorized upon any principle to incur.
But as you and Mr O. knows more about
that than I do. I must leave it for you
and him to settle it

Yours.
E. W. Chester

Cashocton Nov 25th 1861

Dear Ezra

Your letter of 10th inst, is at hand and I am much pleased to learn that some progress is being made in disposing of the property here. I went to the clerks office and got a description of the land which agrees with the amount of land set forth in the tax receipts. It appears that the North East quarter of Bedford T.P. was run out as military land and is all included as section (1) one. There should be $6\frac{1}{4}$ sections making 4000 acres, but it is run off into (40) lots containing 100 acres each.

The description would run thus.

Being a part of the military survey, known and described as Lot 80, (19) Nineteen containing 10 acres, Lot (20) containing (40) acres &c. all in section (1) one, in Township No 5. North of Range No. 8 West. in the County of Cashocton & State of O. The diagrams I send you will enable you to get up the description in proper shape

A son of Mr Wilcox was here last week and took a memorandum of the amount of grain & brick, oil & all the personal property on hand with estimate value of same together with the debts & credits on book.

He seemed to be well pleased with the condition of things here and I think they intend to close in with your offer. I have paid all the debts except Wagener \$117, W. T. Davis \$60, Harbaugh \$31, & the Cooper Butler \$8, I have not heard from Davis yet, and cant see why he dont send a statement of his account. We have but little oil on hand, say 100 gallon in all, I think we can get 50¢ for it here this winter, I charged the amount paid Newark Machine Co. to your account, also amount paid Wheeler for draft. I have paid all the money on debts that I have so far collected from the farm and \$18.50 of the dividend money of the passed year. If I could dispose of the grain and oil on hand & collect the ballance due on pasturing I could pay all the debts & taxes, except your apc and mine which you must provide

for in the exchange of property.
Your ac^t against me will about
ballance mine against the Co. and
I want you to so arrange it that
we can square all up in the spring
I have examined all the documents
relating to interest on telegraph
bonds and find nothing paid from
Dec^r. 1860 to Feb. 1861. You must have col-
lected it with yours and forgot to account
for it. I have made a mem. of it in our
account so we can settle it at some future
time. The winter is upon us in good
earnest. Snow has fallen for 3 days steady
& freezing all the time & sleds are in general
use. Edgar has commenced his school and
all concerned seem to be well pleased.
The winter term at Albion seminary
commences I think the first Thursday
in Dec. I think it will be a pleasant
change for the boys to go there one or two
terms. I have but one scholarship \$8.1644
which is transferable. I enclose an order
for the use of this to Benjamin goats
for one term, and I think you can get
one of Geo. Robertson pretty cheap for Perry.
Money seems to be very plenty in the

W. B. Wood
25th Apr 61

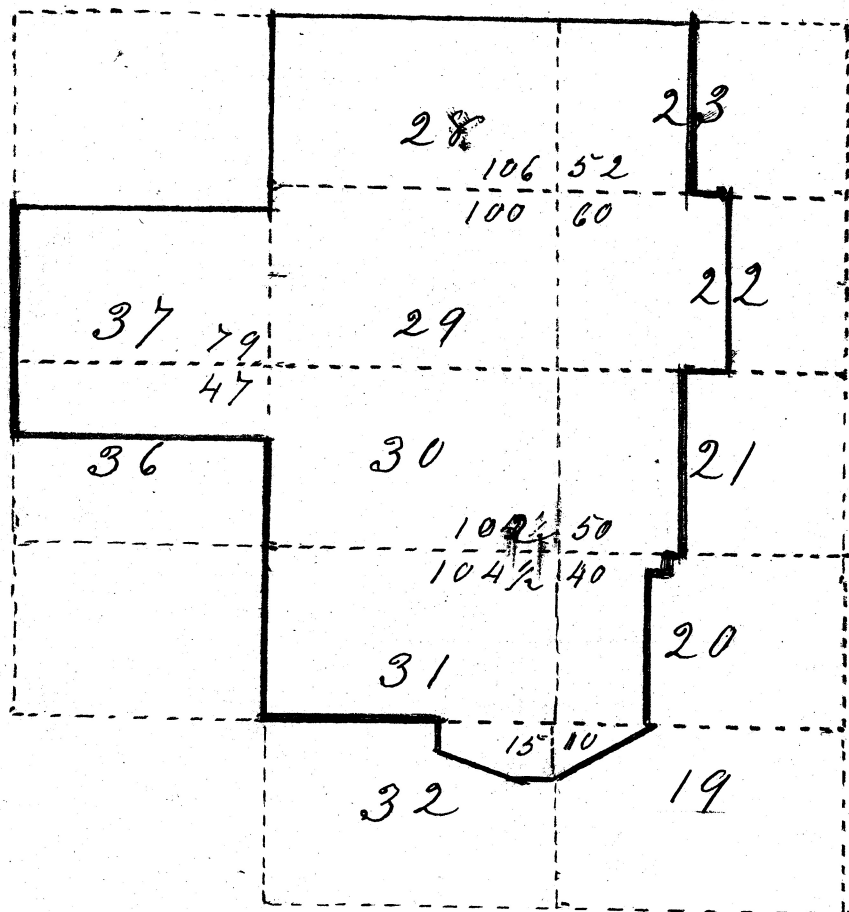
hands of stock dealers and purchasers of produce, but the farmers still are not satisfied with the low price offered by those who have money, Cattle fat $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents, Hogs fat $2\frac{3}{4}$ cents per lb. Corn 25¢ Wheat 75¢ also I am pleased to hear of the release from prison our cousins J. W. & E. E. Cornell and the helping hand you gave them to effect their release I could wish the whole rebel army could be so pleasantly & effectually disposed of. I have not a word of complaint against the administration, for they seem to comprehend the magnitude & extent of the work before them & are preparing on a gigantic scale to meet all contingencies, This is right & I am not the man to say stop till the last vestige of force in arms against the Union, is swept away. Our family & neighbors condemn the removal of Fremont pretty roundly, but I tell them the president has all the facts of the case & knows better what to do than we should. There has ten full companies gone from this Co. a large majority Democrats Jack Montgomery among them. They have called me out in public with others on the stump to urge forward the good work. Glad to hear from Uncle Miller but sorry to hear of Rebecca's ill health

E Cornell Esq

Respectfully M. B. Wood

North

North



South

South

Tompkins

The County of Tompkins has been shorn of some of her laurels, at the hands of the Census Marshalls. The gross errors that are known to exist in the returns of one of the three deputy Marshalls, that collected the statistics, ~~the~~ of which the U.S. Census of 1860 for ~~this County~~ is composed, leads us to suspect that like errors exist in portions of his reports not so readily detected. We must however submit to the official figures, as unpleasant as submission is, until they can be corrected by a future census.

The Census of 1860, ^{enumerates} ~~states~~ our population ~~to~~ as follows. Ithaca 6,852, Newfield 2,920 Dryden 4,992 Lansing 3,289, Groton 3,581 Ulysses 3,356, Caroline 2,360 - Enfield 1,953 Danby 2,261. - Making a total of 31,534, an increase of 18 during the last 5 years -

This same Census shows the increase in ^{the population of the} seven towns of our County, excluding Ithaca & Danby to have been ~~11~~ 39% since 1855. The same relative increase in Ithaca & Danby, would make the present population of our County ~~34,953~~ ^{32,084} - which I have no doubt is near the mark, for the crowded houses and increasing rents of Ithaca ~~is~~ ^{is} proof that our population has not fallen off - but I will continue the use of the figures of the Census of 1860. The County contains 204,935 Acres of improved land 63,340 Acres unimproved land, making a total 268,325 Acres.

The estimated cash value of farms in the County is \$11,945,329. Value farming implements & Machinery \$379,968 value of live stock \$1,526,395, making a total of \$13,851,692.

The Census having robbed us of 22,254 Acres of land since 1855, without any change in the limits of our county, seeks to reconcile us to the loss by increasing the estimated cash value of what remains \$289,275 over the estimate of the Census of 1855,

thus bringing our farms to an average of \$44.50 per acre which is more than they would sell for on a long credit,

This want of accuracy in census taking resulting from the incompetency of the deputy marshals, or their inadaptation to that peculiar duty, is very perplexing, and I trust that our Legislature may, ~~may~~ soon be made to appreciate the importance, of not only adopting such precautions as will prevent errors in our State Census soon again to be taken, but inaugurate the policy of collecting our Agricultural and industrial statistics annually =

3) The season, as a whole may be regarded as a prosperous one, though our excess of rain in haying and harvest season, interfered materially with the securing of crops in the best condition, much hay was housed in bad order, some corn was injured by caking in a wet state or moulded in the shocks, and one fourth the crop of buckwheat was lost before it could be got dry enough to thrash.

The average temperature of the ~~season~~ year taken at an altitude of about 250 feet above the level of Cayuga

	as follows,			Highest	Lowest
	7 A.M.	+ 12 M.	9 P.M.	12 M.	12 M.
January	26.3°	32.2°	28°	58°	9°
February	23.	32.2	26.2	61	8
March	32.	45.	37	71	22
April	37.2	49	41	68	29
May	65	69.2	60	84	48
June	64	76.3	64	88	59
July	65.2	80.2	67	91	64
August	65.	80.	67.1	95	66
September	56.2	69.	59.	86	48
October	50.	60	52.3	70	46
November	41.2	47.	42.	50	20
December	27.	31.3	27.5	44	13

The temperature of our corn growing area, June, July & August, ^{were} some what warmer than the ~~those~~ corresponding months of 1859, and except from the June frosts that proved so injurious to the crop of ~~1859~~ of that year. See the comparison below.

	7 A.M.	12 M.	9 P.M.
June, July, Aug } 1859	61.8°	73.3°	65°
June, July, Aug } 1860	64.7°	78.8°	66°
difference in favor of 1860 }	2.9°	5.5°	1°

Sept^r 1860 Averaged 3° warmer than the same month in 1859, and our first frost the 10th of Sept did not injure the corn, our killing frost occurred on the 29th of Sept, when the corn crop was well out of the way of frost. These few degrees of additional warmth in the summer of 1860 over that of the previous year, proved most beneficial to the corn crop which proved to be a full average crop.

Crops of 1859

Prior to this year our report of crops have been estimates based upon the best data at hand, but after all was mere guess work. We now have the aid of the U. S. Census, taken the past summer, giving the statistics of the Crops of 1859, also the statistics of the Crops of 1860, taken by our ~~Agricultural Society~~ ^{Farmers Club} through the subdivision of the County by School districts, in each of which a blank with appropriate questions was placed in the hands of a competent individual who canvassed his district, and readily obtained the desired information, with great accuracy.

A brief comparison between the Estimates we made in our ^{report} of 1859 of the crops of that year, and the Census returns for the same which we now have at hand, shows that ^{at} best, such estimates are wide of the mark, and furnishes additional proof of the importance of an annual collection of Agricultural Statistics, See below the comparison.

	<u>Estimate</u>	-	<u>Census</u>	<u>Over Estimate</u>	<u>Under Estimate</u>
Wheat	150,000 Bush		193,216 Bus.	—	43,216 Bus.
Rye	10,000 "		61,029 "	—	51,029 Bus.
Corn	350,000 "		349,527 "	.473 Bush	—
Barley	50,000 "		122,426 "	—	72,426 "
Oats	1,500,000 "		881,869 "	618,131 "	—
Buck Wheat	125,000 "		165,339 "	—	40,339 "
Potatoes	No Estimate		6,416 "	—	6,416
Patatoes	2,250,000 "		205,000 "	45,000 "	—
Butter	1,500,000 lbs		1,644,398 lbs	—	144,398 lbs
Hay	30,000 Tons		49,036 Tons	—	19,036 tons

Crops of 1860

The Crops of 1860 as ascertained by our carefully collected statistics, are as follows =

Wheat. The large annual losses that our farmers have sustained in their wheat crops by the ravages of the midge during the last fifteen years, has induced many to abandon its culture wholly, while others have

5) scarcely more than produced enough for their own bread, This scourge however is wearing away and wheat is being more generally cultivated, The damage to our winter wheat crop has probably not exceeded five per cent, and the spring wheat which suffered the most, has not I am confident been diminished in quantity more than ten per cent by the same cause, The aggregate of the crop is as follows represented by towns =

	Spring Wheat			Winter Wheat		
	Acres Sown	Bushels Harvested	Bushels per Acre	Acres Sown	Bushels Harvested	Bushels per Acre
Ithaca	2419	6.931	16.4	1.064	16.941	15.9
Acworth	2.623	37.695	14.3	741	8.338	11.2
Dryden	1.659	22.118	13.3	355	5.450	15.3
Laurens	807	10.920	13.5	1.736	28.472	16.4
Groton	709	9.425	13.2	213	3.559	16.7
Albany	329	5.676	17.2	1876	28.826	15.3
Caroline	701	8.308	11.8	248	3.154	12.7
Enfield	1.202	19.670	16.3	850	13.355	15.7
Danby	998	13.236	13.2	253	3.360	13.3
Total	9.449	134.069	14.2	7.336	111.453	15.

Rye, has never been a favorite crop with our farmers, it is generally sown on land that is thought unfit for wheat, or prepared for sowing out of season for wheat, thus perhaps we have the cause of the average product per acre falling below that of wheat, The Crop of the County, is represented, by 3.908 Acres sown, 55.604 Bushels harvested, making an average of 14.2 Bushels per acre,

Oats, are esteemed by our farmers, as a crop involving less risk, from accident of season, or injury from the ravages of insects than any other, ~~crops~~ and though it is regarded by most farmers as an exhausting crop to the soil, and an unfavorable crop to seed with, it is nevertheless a popular crop, and more acres are sown with oats than of any other grain, in our county,

6) The table below will exhibit the Oat and Barley crops, by towns

	Oats			Barley		
	Acre Sown	Bushels Harvested	Average bushels to Acre	Acre Sown	Bushels Harvested	Average bushels to Acre
Ithaca	1,946	87,742	45.	439	12,784	29.1
Brofield	2,950	93,274	31.2	277	5,305	19.1
Dryden	4,413	161,571	36.6	696	16,593	23.8
Lausling	6,018	222,843	36.8	884	24,120	27.2
Groton	2,602	99,537	34.4	387	10,853	28.
Ulysses	2,396	114,123	40.1	850	20,904	24.5
Caroline	2,736	87,950	32.1	138	3,068	22.1
Enfield	2,556	100,599	39.2	639	17,020	26.6
Danby	2,034	63,378	31.1	295	5,844	19.8
	27,651	1,030,016	37.2	4,605	116,491	25.3

Corn, Our surest and most profitable ^{grain} crop, has been favored with an average, favorable season, the crop was very well grown, and generally placed in the shock before the killing frosts of the latter part of September. Much difficulty however was experienced in getting the corn dry enough to crib in good order, owing to the excess of wet weather in November, and a portion of the crop was injured through that cause. The following exhibit presents the result of the crop in tabular form.

	Total Corn Crop			
	Acre Planted	Acre Harvested	Bushels Harvested	Average bushels to Acre
Ithaca	1299	344	61,765	46.7
Brofield	1419	367	50,742	35.8
Dryden	2244	596	76,605	34.1
Lausling	2476	697	104,992	42.4
Groton	1473	363	47,766	32.4
Ulysses	1834	601	79,470	43.3
Caroline	1320	400	40,476	30.6
Enfield	1349	369	42,042	31.1
Danby	891	298	26,424	29.6
Total	14,035	4,035	530,282	37.7

7/ The influence of temperature upon the growth of indian corn is strikingly illustrated in the above table, the greater the altitude of the town above the level of Cayuga Lake, and hence the ^{lower} ~~higher~~ degree of temperature, the less average bushels of corn per acre are produced.

Ithaca laying at the south extremity of the Lake, and lapsing down a couple of miles upon either side, of it, and hills not exceeding 500 feet above the level of its waters, produces an average of 46.7 Bush of Corn per acre, or 9 Bush per acre above the average of the County, Lansing laying upon the East side of the Lake, embracing two miles of its shore, and stretching back to the North East until the hills acquire an altitude of about 700 feet, produces 42.4 Bush ^{per acre} ~~per acre~~ or 4.7 Bush per acre above the average, while ^{Lyons} ~~Lyons~~ laying directly east of Lansing, from 6 to 10 miles from the lake, and whose hills forms the summit between the waters flowing North into Cayuga County, and South to Fall Creek, with an average altitude of 1000 feet above the Cayuga, the average crop is 32.4 Bush per acre, or 10 Bush per acre below that of Lansing, or 5.3 Bush below the average of the County.

Ulysses. laying on the west shore of the Cayuga and extending back about 8 miles toward the Seneca has a slight advantage in altitude over its neighbor of the opposite side of the Lake, which tells upon its Corn crops to the advantage of 9/10 ~~per~~ Bush per acre

Ulysses having 5.6 Bush per acre above the average of the County, Thomas. Enfield, laying South of Ulysses upon the high lands between the Cayuga & Seneca, gives only 31.1 Bush per acre, or 6.6 Bush below the average,

Danby, which gives the smallest average of any town in the County, 8.1 Bush per acre below the average lays South of Ithaca and embraces the dividing summit between the waters flowing north into the Cayuga and those flowing south to the Susquehanna.

Dryden & Newfield are similarly situated, one having the valley of the inlet of the Cayuga, and the other

8/ The gully of Fall creek, - Caroline which stands next to the lowest, has the dividing hills between the northern & southern waters, -

Buckwheat, This crop encountered few obstacles while growing, but sustained heavy losses from the long continued wet weather after it was cut, which prevented an opportunity to thrash it in good order. The aggregate of the crop was 8,520 Aers. Sown, and 148,248 Bus harvested, an average of 17.4 Bus per acre. Peas. This crop is represented by 389 Aers sown and 7401 Bus harvested, an average of 19 Bus per acre. We see very few samples that are free from the pea bug. Beans have been cultivated in small patches of $\frac{1}{8}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ acre, each, to the aggregate in the County of ~~8~~ 83. Aers. producing 1770 Bus averaging 21 Bus per acre.

Potatoes, are also cultivated in small parcels, it is a rare occurrence to find a farmer that has planted an acre, of potatoes, they are mainly cultivated to supply the farmer's family, and the market demand of our village population, very few if any are sent out of the County for a market, and much less than formerly are they used by the farmer, for early feeding to his porkers.

The crop of 1860 suffered more by rot than those of the year or two previous, ~~probably~~ Our reports shows that fully one fourth of the crop was thus lost. The aggregate of the crop for the County was, 2,040 Aers. planted 156,486 Bus sown potatoes harvested, an average of 76 Bus per acre.

Roots, of the other varieties, like potatoes, are cultivated in small parcels, scarcely an acre upon any one farm. The aggregate of those reported are 98 Aers planted, and 15,590 Bus turnips - 3.137 Bus Beets & 20,030 Bus Carrots, harvested, an average of 395 Bus per acre.

Hay, has been perhaps a full average crop, though not as well secured as desirable the excess of rain during the hay harvest caused much to go into the barn in bad order.

9) The following tabular statement, exhibits the returns for this crop

	Acre ^s of Meadow	Tons of Hay	Aver. Tons per Acre	Bu ^s of Grass
Itasca	2.918	4.665	1.60	572
Knifield	4.216	6.201	1.47	578
Dryden	9.463	13.768	1.45	765
Laurens	4.098	6.268	1.52	1,429
Groton	5.829	9.312	1.58	304
Ulysses	3.012	4.241	1.40	875
Caroline	6.038	7.592	1.25	418
Enfield	3.062	4.411	1.44	1,294
Danby	3.652	5.704	1.56	241
Total	42.288	62.162	1.47	6,476

Hungarian Grass, does not seem to find that favor with our farmers. That its large yields of excellent hay and nutritive seed, would seem likely to secure, its requiring annual seeding, is one great objection to it, and the sand and grit that encase its stalks near the ground, resulting from its annual seeding, dulls the scythe or knives of the mowing machine, so rapidly as to render its harvest very perplexing. I think it is not likely to get a permanent foot hold in our county.

Millet, of all varieties are liable to the above objections, and are regarded with general disfavor. Flax is not extensively cultivated, though we have several Oil Mills, the proprietors of which hold out encouragement, for an increased quantity of seed. The crop is reported at 117 Acres sown, 129,065 lbs of straw and 914 Bu^s of seed.

Hops, are scarcely known in the county, the town of Danby, reports 3 acres, producing 1217 lbs - the balance of all reported in the county is 40 lbs, several towns not giving a single hop =

10/ Tobacco, has defiled 82 Acres of the soil of our Community, and 124,322 lbs of the filthy stuff is thus added to the quantity that annually contaminates the atmosphere that we are compelled to breathe.

Fruit. The crop of fruit has been generally, good, favored with reasonable weather, and an unusual exemption from the depredations ^{of its} entomological enemies. The peach and the plum have both contributed abundantly to the generous harvest.

The aggregate crop of the County foots up as follows omitting the large amount consumed by the families of the producers, which was not taken into the account in the report,

Apples 349,213 Bbs and 7,705 Bbls Cider = Peaches 11,271 Bbs - Sold for \$9,014 = Pears 2664 Bbs - Sold for \$2,087 = Dried apples 13,282 Bbs = Peaches dried - 848 Bbs = Grapes \$3,922. The grapes represented as sold for the above sum does not embrace the entire crop, as several of our citizens pressed the juice from their grapes, and made wine to the extent of about 7,000 Gallons = Wine has been made from other fruits to a considerable extent, but we have no reliable statement of the amount.

There are preparations making in the vicinity of Ithaca for extending the grape culture, for the purpose of manufacturing wine, and if the enterprise is not checked by some unforeseen cause, our ~~future reports~~ wine will become a prominent feature in our future report -

The following table showing the number of fruit trees planted in each town ^{during the year} exhibits our progress in this department

	No. of Apples trees Planted	Pear Trees	Peach trees	Cherry Trees	Grape vines
Ithaca	965	1,222	649	255	1281
Acworth	3,531	1,141	828	1091	336
Dryden	3,434	766	283	781	230
Laurens	3,260	1,380	1,021	445	602
Groton	1,433	177	94	351	73
Ulysses	1,164	642	204	244	482
Caroline	1,630	300	202	800	236
Enfield	1,156	656	143	380	141
Danby	1,319	479	61	358	213
	17,892	6,763	3,485	4,705	3,594

11. Dairying, of our County mainly consists of butter making, a few cheeses are made in each town but cheese making has not attracted the attention of many of our farmers. The following tabular Exhibit, presents the amount of dairy products -

	No. Cows	Pounds of Milk	Lbs. Cheese Made	Lbs. Butter Made	Average per Cow
Ithaca	850	104,958	520	123	
Brofield	1,353	148,958	777	111	
Dryden	2,539	444,010	41,449	131	
Lansing	1,665	195,790	5,901	119	
Groton	2,778	369,312	34,152	132	
Ulysses	1,017	119,688	7,264	121	
Caroline	1,648	233,518	4,590	143	
Enfield	904	106,460	360	118	
Danby	1,047	127,162	4,672	123	
	14,810	1,849,145	100,085	128	

In making the above average, I have assumed that two lbs of Cheese is equal to one lb of butter, thus reducing the entire product to an equivalent of butter. ~~This result, showing a gradual increase in the average product.~~

The Census returns of 1845, shows an average of 102 lbs of butter per cow, in our County, 1850, was 109 lbs per cow. 1855 was 113 lbs per cow. 1860 was 117 lbs per cow. Our statistics shows an average of 128 lbs per cow, this difference 11 lbs per cow between the U.S. Census and our own returns, is accounted for as follows, the Census represents the crop of 1859, which was shortened by, the injury done to our pastures by large swarms of grasshoppers, and a deficiency of rain. Whereas the crop of pasture in 1860 was abundant, and the butter crop of that year, which is, represented in our report, was a fair average crop. This steady increase in the products of our dairies, is the most gratifying evidence of the improvements of the cattle of our county, and especially of the adaptation of the Short Horn Cows to dairy purposes - over.

13. of sales, to exceed the number of colts raised, but this should not be taken as evidence of the diminution of our stock of horses, as many of the animals sold were retained in the county. The following table exhibits the location of this interest.

	Number Colts Raised	No Horses On hand	No Horses Sold	Average Price of Sale	Aggregate value of Horses Sold
Athaca	45	728	102	\$96.70	\$9,864
Arwfield	101	972	190	94.11	17,882
Dryden	141	1,612	146	96.00	14,010
Lansing	127	1,239	154	96.33	14,835
Groton	90	1,068	135	88.26	11,916
Ulysses	45	841	87	116.82	10,164
Caroline	108	764	152	83.22	12,650
Enfield	55	810	98	107.34	10,520
Danby	94	633	68	93.44	6,354
	806	8,667	1,132	\$95.85	108,200

There is nothing that we are aware of in the breed or improvement of the horses of Ulysses and Enfield that has caused the high average prices for which they have sold.

It is probably to be attributed to the large number of colts raised, and a larger proportion of mature aged horses among those sold =

Mules, are scarcely known in the county. There was one small Jack brought into the county in 1858, but he found very few patrons, and I have heard of only 4 colts of his get, and our entire stock is reported at 7, head valued at \$360.

mules

Cattle. The improvement in the cattle of our county, though gradual is nevertheless prominent as is manifest, by the increasing products of our dairies which has advanced full 25 per cent within the last fifteen years,

The following table exhibits the different grades of cattle, with their increase and diminution =

	No of Oxen	No of Cows	No of Other Cattle heads Calves	No of Calves set in 1860	No cattle sold for beef	No cattle slaughtered on farm
Atasca	109	1,037	979	421	303	156
Newfield	317	1,397	1,311	701	306	130
Dryden	346	3,648	1,759	1,031	555	423
Lansing	101	1,740	1,301	840	479	210
Groton	71	2,905	813	634	381	323
Ulysses	193	,952	1,088	440	376	146
Caroline	218	1,700	1,116	644	316	118
Enfield	185	966	923	442	255	123
Danby	210	1,019	674	484	209	136
	1,751	15,346	9,964	5,637	3,080	1,765

The number of cattle represented in the four left hand columns, is 32,698 head, from which deduct those slaughtered and sold for beef, 4,845, and we have 27,853 head as the number to be carried through the winter.

The improved breeds of cattle in our County are the Short Horns and Devons. We have several small herds of each that are thorough bred, numbering about 100 head of the former, and 50 head of the latter breed.

15 Sheep - ~~Our~~ flocks have been undergoing a change during the last few years, and the fine wool and delicate constitution formerly, have given place to more size and vigor, the fleece that is shown by the census of 1850 to average under three pounds per head, has now acquired an additional pound, for details see the table below.

	No Sheep to Land last Spring	No Sheep to Land Raised	No Sheep on Land	No fleeces	Average weight of fleeces	Total lbs Wool
Ithaca	3164	1297	1415	3046	4 lbs	12,250
Keenfield	3714	1,963	2,233	3,523	3.10 ^{oz}	12,759
Dryden	8,215	3,821	3,144	7,964	3.15	31,253
Lewisburg	8,458	2,862	2,331	8,102	3.15	31,738
Groton	3,909	1,963	1,862	3,679	3.14	14,357
Ulysses	4,199	1,337	1,487	3,784	3.13	14,100
Caroline	4,770	2,678	2,530	4,190	3.15	16,592
Enfield	3,971	1,945	1,540	3,981	3.12	15,009
Daubeny	1,791	1,473	1,172	2,487	3.14	9,633
	42,191	19,339	17,764	40,756	3.14	157,691

The aggregate number of sheep in our county is some \$50,000 less than it was ten years ago. Our farmers who keep sheep, have discovered their interest in the coarser woolled varieties, that supply early lambs, and good carcasses for market.

Poultry. The estimated product of eggs in the county, was \$37,397 - and the value of the poultry wintered over is \$40,780, The value of poultry marketed is estimated at \$60,000. The value of poultry sent to market was less than that of the year previous, the crop of 1859 having been largely increased by the excessive swarms of grasshoppers of that year.

The estimates in our returns of poultry are far below the actual value, as is apparent by comparison with ~~with~~ accounts actually

16) Kept by several persons, of the products of their hives=

Bees, the number of bees has been reduced materially by the large exportation to California a year since, but we still find an aggregate of 7,843 swarms from which 99,453 lbs of honey and 3,761 lbs of wax was produced,

The bee culture has elicited very little attention thus far, and improved hives, and other improvements in their treatment are scarcely known in this County. The superstitions of older times in regard to this industrious insect are still cherished among us.

The Farm, our farmers are expending their surplus accumulations more freely for farm improvements, since the reaction in western investments, and more underdraining, permanent fencing, and more substantial and better farm buildings, are the result. There were 48 new dwellings ~~and~~ erected in the County during the year exclusive of those in villages at an expense \$75,522, and 233 new barns costing \$53,793.

The character and location of the improvements in drainage, and permanent fences, are exhibited in the table below

	Rods of Tile drain	Rods of Stone drain	Rods of Board drain	Rods of open ditch	Rods Fill Wall	Rods half wall
Ithaca	321	2439	344	474	271	752
Newfield	106	2249	47	443	1375	68
Dryden	11	5522	241	1571	146	626
Lanesing	471	9192	276	1795	1643	1200
Groton	151	2165	23	611	254	323
Ulysses	2384	7892	247	1289	580	152
Caroline		1040	140	416	276	538
Enfield		3425		498	837	
Danby		2417		269	536	372
	3,438	36,341	1,318	7,364	5,918	7,031

Here we have an exhibit of 150 miles of drainage, the ~~Artificial~~ results of which is so marked, that it will undoubtedly stimulate others to make similar improvements, and thus the good work will progress, untill the stagnant poisons of vegetation are quietly drawn from the soil through subterranean passages, unobserved and unoffending, leaving the scars of Mother Earth to heal over, and her face to brighten, with more luxuriant and abundant harvests.

Our farm population are evidently progressing in every thing that makes them better farmers and better Citizens, the chain of ignorance that bound them to the car of Superstition and prejudice has been sundered, and light has broke in upon their minds, the sneer at book farming no longer curls the lip, of conceited ignorance, while boasting that he farms it, as his father and grand father did be fore him.

The Society, ^{Mont} The Tompkins County Ag^y Society, is in a prosperous, and flourishing condition, and several Town Societies, existing in our County are deserving the same remarks, but as they will undoubtedly be reported by their respective Officers, I will pass them over with the simple expression of my best wishes for their prosperity and usefulness.

The Ithaca Farmers Club, has entered upon the third year of its existence with encouraging prospects of future usefulness, Its Library has been augmented by donations, and other means to the number of 800 volumes, of agricultural Horticultural and other useful books, in addition to which the Club takes the, Country Gentleman And Agriculturist, The Horticulturist, The Rural New Yorker, The Ohio Farmer, Scientific American & Genesee Farmer

18/ and several other periodicals of the day which are accessible to members and visitors to its reading room, during the year, and bound up and added to its library at the end of the year. The club has also several hundred specimens, of grains, seeds, and other articles of interest to agriculture, or to science upon its shelves.

The Club meets on Friday evening of each week, for discussion, and the interchange of ideas on the various topics of passing interest.

The following is the list of Officers for the year 1861. Ezra Cornell, President, Thos. P. St John Vice Pres., John, Giles, Wm. S. Mitchell, Joseph Kellogg, Aaron Praman, Walter C. Curran & Knell Hangerford, Directors, Norman Crittenden Recording Secy. Ezra Cornell Cor. Secy & Walter P. Williams, Treasurer =

Hoping the partial success we have had in our efforts to collect accurate Agricultural Statistics, in our county, will enable us to pursue the task in future with more knowledge of the elements requisite to success, and that the manifest usefulness of such information will encourage others to undertake a like enterprise in other Counties of our State, I respectfully submit the above, with assurances that no effort shall be wanting on my part, to make the future collections of Statistics in this County, more perfect, and useful than those hereby presented.

Ezra Cornell
Pres't I. F. Club