by his own progrnent - placing myself under no obligations to follow his design if I should chuse to do otherwise,

I also wrote to Fred Moore at Boston, Explaining my general design, and informed him that I was having a design drawn here that I should not follow if any friend of the enterprise should furnish a plan that suited me better, I also hinted that it would give me great pleasure to find that Ithaca had sent out sons who ~~who~~ klaimd affection for home, and enterprise sufficient to volunteer a plan for an edifice from which the rays of light and knowledge was to eradiate to her present and future generations,

I also informed him that a committee of citizens of whom you was chosen Secretary had kindly undertaken to assist in molding the enterprise into proper shape, and who I presumed would be glad to give him any further explanations he might desire in the premises=

I have corrisponded with no other Architects, I would suggest to the Committee that it might not be unproper to for them to corrispond with all architects who hail from Ithaca, that Each may have Equal opertunity to volunteer plans if they possess the adequate enterprise, from which the committee shall be at liberty to select, and the rejected designs to be entitled a place in the library, as a memento at least of the enterprise and

business talent of the donors.
I dont know how many Gents
of the profession we have sent
out, Morrison of St Louis and
Trench of California occurs
to me at present, our builders
at Ithaca may suggest others,
Please present my regards to
the Committee

Yours Respectfully
E. Cornell

F. M Finch Esq
Secy of Com
Ithaca Ny.

P. S. Orrin S Wood Esq of Montreal
would gladly present a plan from
the architect who drew the plans
for his house, if he had the views
of the Committee for a guide.
Please furnish him address to
Montreal Canada.

Dr Witt Bruyn Savannah Geo

Resolved, That the acts of the Federal administration in suspending the writ of habeas Corpus, the arrest of citizens not subject to military law without warrant or authority — transporting them to different states — incarcerating them without charge or accusation — denying them the right of trial by a jury, of witnesses in their favor and counsel for their defense withholding from them all knowledge of their accusers and the cause of their arrest — answering their petitions for redress by repeated injury & insult — prescribing in many cases as a condition of their release test oaths — arbitrary and illegal — — — — —

In the abridgement of freedom of speech and of the press in suppressing newspapers by Military force and establishing a censorship wholly incompatible with the freedom of thought and expression of Opinion, — In the establishment of a system of espionage by a secret police, to invade the secret privacy of unsuspecting citizens In declaring martial law over the States not in rebellion and where the courts are open & unobstructed for the punishment of crime — in attempting to strike out of existance the entire value of property in slaves throughout the country

In the attempted enforcement of compensated emancipation — in the proposed taxation of laboring white men to purchase the freedom and secure the elevation of the negro — in the dismemberment of the state of Virginia erecting within her boundaries a new state without the consent of her Legislature — are all & each of them arbitrary and unconstitutional subverting the fundamental law of the land both State & federal, invading the reserved rights of the people and the

sovereignty of the States and if sanctioned, will work the destruction of the Union, establishing upon the common ruins of the liberties of the people and the sovereignty of the States a consolidated military despotism

Albion March 2nd 1863

Dear Ezra

Your letter of Feb 3d was duly rec'd and I have been all this time waiting and watching a favorable opportunity to make a satisfactory report on the topics you touched upon. I have just got rid of my plasters and believe my limbs are sound again,

As to the locality of new house, if it is not in the most fashionable part of the town, it is at least high, dry, and healthy, If it does not prove a white Elephant to us we shall be very luckey, I hope you will come and visit us and brace up against the pain felt as to locality.

I have sold the house we now occupy as you already know, and we must make the best of a bad bargain, The family at least appear to be well suited, Phebe wrote you about the boys at Kalamazoo, and we have letter from Robinson that he has asked and obtained leave to retire from the command of the convalesent camp at Nashville, and has gone to the front of the army beyond Murfreesboro to command his company The first Lieut, takes the post of Adjutant and the Cap't is sick, unable to do duty and that brings him to the command of the Co. and all are anxious to move forward on the enemy, There is but one thing that appears to annoy him, the Lincoln

postmasters steal his letters and the money we send him, Out of four letters containing money & postage stamps, but one has sliped through, It contained $10. for which he was very thankful, but the rest all come up missing. Arlina has written him every week and answered all his letters, but he has got none since the middle of Jan. We are fixing up a box of good things for him to forward by express & hope it will reach him I see by the Journal that the Legislature of N.Y. has authorised the levying of a tax on the different towns for soldiers bounty fund and I have been watching for such action by our Legislature but it dont seem to come yet. The Governor does not seem to favor it. There is much asperity and bitterness exhibeted there and the administration has been prety roughly handled in the debates on the state of the union. In my family I give the administration papers the preponderance taking four Rep. and one Dem. paper. None of these are very rabid Negrophobia, The Ithaca Journal perhaps is the most so. Your suggestion that I should take care of the copperheads in Ind. & Ill. I fear will prove too much for me. I have done all I could by word & deed to furnish men & money to the Administration to crush out this rebelion so far, and although the prospect of doing so is dark and gloomy ahead, I can not see any way plausible or

even possible but to keep on fighting.

I know that every man has his own way marked out for peace and a restoration of the political relations of the "Union as it was" or as it should be, but these ways are so conflicting that in my opinion nothing can be done better than to fight as long as we can keep an army in the field. We must not expect the South will ask for peace on any other conditions than the Independence of their Confederacy for they dont desire it and are willing to fight, and there is no alternative left for the north but to fight on and fight ever. If a majority of the people of the north get tired of the war before the end of this administration, and do not wish to turn out and fight, and will not obey the calls of the Governors I can see no other way but to bring a portion of the army here and compel them to fight somewhere, either here or go south & do it. You may say that this will bring us back to barbarism. Well, if there is not virtue enough in the people to sustain their Government they had better revert back to that condition & start again. If the "cities of the plains" both north & south are laid in ashes and ruin runs riot in general through the land, why we must push on and say it is all for the progress of our "inevitable destiny"

M. B. Wood
Mar 2, 1863

It seems to me that ever since Mr Lincoln originated the idea of a "divided house" and Mr Seward an "irrepressible conflict" and Mr Banks of "letting the union slide" the ball has been rolling so fast toward our "inevitable destany" that it has bothered all these gentlemen to keep up with it and give it the right direction. For myself I acknowledge no party trammels, I am for the union unconditionally No matter whether there is all niggers, half niggers or no niggers at all, I am for the union.

Saturday I peeped into a dem. meeting to see what the moves were & found a larger crowd than I expected for it was awful muddy. As one of the resolutions attracted my attention I went into the printing office & copied it, and I will here enclose it to you. The tirade against the Administration of Pres't Lincoln & the spirit manifest against it, is too near like those of Daniel Webster's in 1834 against Pres't Jackson's Administration to suit me. As you approved of his then perhaps you can approve of this now, but I cannot.

The speakers admitted the name of copperhead as significant and declared, as they saw the heel of the despot decending, they would sting the foot that attempted to crush them. Please excuse the blot at top, I was playing with the little chap when he gave it a slop. It is not a mark of black Republicanism all the friends are well as usual. I get possession of house this week Yours Respectfully M B Wood

E. S. Cornell
Pine River
2 Mar
63

Pine River March 2nd 1863

Dear Brother,

Your favor of Jan 22 come duly to hand. John Irish Post Office address is Northshade Montcalm Co Mich Church has finished his job. all but burning logheaps of three acres, he is owing me the interest of $357. Mortgague given July 18th 1861. he has been unfortunate with his stock, in loosing the ad of them a year ago this winter and thinks the Intrest should not be paid. Farmers of our County are getting high prices for their produce this winter, and think they can afford the outlay or cost of buying a thorough bred bull and striving to improve their stock. if I am not greatly deceived a thorough bred Durham, or Devon, bull would pay very well in this neigh

We shall look for you, and Mary, this way Summer

vorhood. Wheat is bringing 150 per bushel Corn 75 to 80 cts per bush Oats 50 cts. Beef 4 cts Pork 5 cts Hay $12, per ton Potatoes 60 cts per bush butter 25 cts lb We are prepairing to make shugar we have had a very open winter thus far it comenced showing this morning and continued all day snow 8 inches deep to night. Daniel Wood has got choped 15 acres and going to chop 5 acres more this spring, he talks of going to Saginaw to work to get money to hire his choping doged, to put into wheat next fall, he is a prilly smart boy to work, I intend to put in about twelve acres, with spring Wheat, Barly Oats, and Corn, I shall have 25 tons of hay to cut, and exent to put 20 or 25 acres in to Wheat next fall, I shall have to boge and burn 20 acres of it next summer. I expect to do it all myself I am quite a team to log I have already done considerable of it Wat are you going to build on that lot near the Ithaca P. O. we are well also Barnes family Please excuse this 1/2 sheet all we have write again

yours Respectfully E. S. Conell

E. Conell

283 5th Avenue, New York
March 2nd 1883.

Wm E. Cornell
Dear Sir.

Your favor of the 25th is rec'd & notice what you say about 3rd Lord Oxford. I should not however wish to keep him until the time you mention, believing that it is better always for both parties that an animal purchased should be delivered at once. The weather is so uncertain now though, that should you particularly wish it I would keep him until the 1st of May, & do as well by him as I could, though you would have to take all risk with him. Your early reply will oblige Yours truly Wm Thorne

Saml. Thorn
May 2d 1863

Ans'd - Mar 17th accpt the
delivery May 1, 63 - but do not
assent to the risks prior to
that time — EC

Western Union Telegraph Co.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Rochester, N. Y., Mch 2 1863

C Cornell Esq

Dear Sir / Mr Sibley thinks the circular you sent him to N.Y. must have miscarried, as he never received it He therefore requested me to forward you another & ask that it should be sent to me here, as Mr S. is going away again

Please sign & return the enclosed at your Earliest convenience -

We buried Mr Elwood this afternoon

Yours Respectfully

H. B. Sevey

Mar 5. Answered and sent Certificate No 681. for 16 Shares of W.U. Stock to be transfered as follows 10 Shares to O.S. Wood & 6 Shares to E Cornell -

E.C

Fael River March 2a, 63

Mr Cornell

Dear Sir

After having heared you letter to May Mack I have concluded to write you as you refer in your letter to her to some matters that I am a little interested in especially that in regard to naming the Baby. There seems to be a difference of opinion between yourself one May Ann as to a suitable name for the little one; while She suggests the name of Emma you very coolly tell us that She does not Know anything about naming babies and suggest the name of Eunice Cornell if the baby is a pretty one now while I should be the last one to speak

disparagingly of the little Darling
I cannot say she is really pretty
So therefore with the condition you
impose with the name you suggest
I do not see that we are any
nearer deciding upon a name
than we have been the same
difficulty exists here as with yourself
and Mary Ann the difference
of opinion could we all have
of the same mind here we
should doubtless have a name
for her sometime ago I expect
we shall have to put all the
names that put us into a bag
then draw out until one comes
that we can adopt.
I have received the address you
speak of and also the Three
Journal for which I suppose
I am indebted to your liberality
that paper by the way I think
is rather severe on Gen McClellan
I think it will turn out that
he has been quite as much
sinned ~~against~~ against as sinning
and unless we have better managers
at the head of the government we
cannot look for much success
in the great work of suppressing
the Rebellion no matter who
are the commanding Generals
Sarah says Lever my respects to
yourself and Mary Ann and also
that she had thoughts of the name
of Emmer and likes it very
well your opinion to the contrary
notwithstanding and will conclude
by saying we are all well and
hope this will find you enjoying
the same blessing and should be
very glad to hear from you

With Respect

Herbert A. Skinner

Attica March 3d 43

Hon E. Cornell

Dear Sir

Mr B. F. Seymour with whom you have had some acquaintance is now the Gen'l Superintendant of Raritan & Delaware Bay Rail Road

The Company are now so situated that they cannot engage in the general freighting business over their Road but are at liberty to contract with Transportation Companies for carrying freight between New York & Camden & have the facilities for so doing; they now wish to raise $50,000 for the security of which they propose to Mortgage about $90,000 of their rolling stock such as Cars & Steam Boats.

Mr. Seymour proposes to any one that desires to become

interested in the Transportation
business between New York
and Phil. over this Road to
Contract with them for the
Carrying of all their freight
between N.Y. & Camden at
stipulated prices which would
leave to the Transportation Co
a margin of $1. to $1.50 per ton
He says the Co. could depend
on at least 75. to 100 tons daily
each way at once with a
prospect of a large increase
The $30,000 to be repaid monthly
by a deduction of 20 per cent
on the amount of freight earned
for the said Transportation Co. till
the whole is paid
I think well of it & had I
the means or could I raise it
I should not hesitate to make
the advance & engage in the
business.
If you should think
it an object to engage in
the business I should be
glad to come in with you
and do what I could to help
raise the money & would give
much attention to the details
of the business as you might
think necessary
Yours Respectfully
Geo Curtis

Utica March 30. 63

Hon. E. Cornell

Dear Sir

I have a telegraph from Mr Seymour saying that He was to meet you this Evening in regard to the matter of which I wrote you to day & sent by him I did not get the telegraph in time to leave here in the 4.45 P.M train and as it is not certain that after Conversing with Mr. Seymour you will regard the business favorable or an object sufficient to warrant raising the required amount of money I have concluded to wait the result of your investigations & decision before leaving home. If any thing is done & it is necessary I can be in New York on Wednesday morning. Notwithstanding

the business books very favorable if Mr. Seymours news & representations prove correct Yet I am not over anxious to engage in it as I have learned that it is much easier to load ones self down with too much business than to get out of it; and at any time in life it is better for me to have less than to over tax my energies & make life a burden

After Mr. Seymour left I had a conversation with John Butterfield & he suggested that the affairs of the Company might be such that after a little time further advances might be required to make good the securities on which the present advance is based. I think this is worthy of Consideration

Another objection I have is that I dislike to engage in such an undertaking with so little time for investigation

Can I will get this early tomorrow morning & if you write me by the first mail I will get it in time to leave here tomorrow afternoon if it should be an object to do so or you can on receipt of this telegraph me your decision

Yours
Geo Curtis

Camp of 32nd Ky. Vol. Inf.
White Oak Church Va.
March 3d/63

Dear Sir.

In your last you had the kindness to bid me take the liberty to suggest anything you might do for me.

Of course I can ask for nothing during my present term of service which will expire May 1st/63

Should I be living then and in health I certainly should like another position provided the War continues, and for reasons which I have before written you, one which for the coming year at least would not subject me to the hardships & exposures of field service for extended periods — It is an old saying that "the early bird catches the worm" and one I have much faith in, and think

it is I am already looking for my worm —

I think of two appointments either of which I should be glad to secure, and would be quite willing to risk the chances of rising or falling upon the faithful and satisfactory performance of the duties of either

The first is that of "Additional Paymasters of Volunteers". Appointments are made by the President, generally upon the recommendation of ~~United~~ State Senators. If my name was before the President even now, and should finally be sent to the Senate for approval, it is not probable, I should be ordered to duty in that department before the expiration of my present term of service, which expires May 1st

Will you write our Senators at Washington favoring such an appointment? As you are probably aware, I have no living relative, having political influence, and can effect an appointment of this sort only through the assistance of disinterested friends, if at all.

The other position I have thought of is that of "Provost Marshal" under the new Conscription Act — This is of course a second consideration — still such an appointment would please me, and I would be willing to be assigned to any District, even a Western Territory and feel myself fully equal to the strictest performance of the duties required of Provost Marshals, under that Act —

Should you feel disposed to favor me, please write me as to course I should take as to recommendations &c

Very Respectfully
W O Wyckoff Co.

Hon E Cornell

J. W. Cornell
4. Mar 63

Moore Town C. West
March 4th 1863

Kind Uncle

Your most welcom
letter has bin received you say
you have bin informed that I
inlisted four times and got
the bounty and left I inlisted
in Buffalo after I had inlisted
the Capt was going to put all
his men in jale Thinking
som of them were going to
run away so I gave up my
money and left I was in hopes
and I did not like and treat
ment I then inlisted in the
8 Inch Cavelary was taken
sick and throne out the Capt
gave me $20 dollars I was to have left
after I got better I inlisted in

the 27 March in Fraternity after I had bin there upwards Last for my bounty And the Capt told me I was not to receive any because I had inlisted before I was in form that he had confiscated my bounty and kept it for his one use and what was worse then all what few men he had he was to set are to another Capt if hearing about any bounty I went to see the Col and act him if after Staten the case to him that I had bin promist a bounty Could he Hold me & told him I was inlisted under false pretentions he said he Could & told him that I did not think so so I came over here I am not doing anything only paying my board If I had don so

Sorry but as yet I have
Clear consistent of Money in
Reference to Frauds—

You will do me a favor if
you can get Ezra's Rules
And his trunk And send him
sent to me Boys Mack Van
Vanklenburg can put his
close in my trunk have
them sent to Alexia & Ur
your letter direct to Moore
Town I have the promist
of about to bile I know
~~written~~ more shoping to hear
from you soon

Respectfully Yours
John W. Connels

Hon E. Connels

Camps Near
Falmouth Va Mch 4/63

Sir

Having recently returned to My command, I now take the opportunity of acknowledging receipt of Your letter received at Elmira. I did not do So at the time for the reason that Nothing new transpired in reference to matters about which we had been in corespondence.

both of the Officers in question have returned to the Regiment but as neither are on duty I conclude they are both under arrest waiting a decision in their case. It is possible they may yet be dismissed if so, they will undoubtedly make an effort to be —

reinstated a move which I shall not favor, but shall be prepared to act differently. if the case should be urgent I shall send my communication to the Telegraph Office Washington in order to gain one days time.

My Regiment lies near the River a little below Fredericksburg, the main body of the Rebels lie back, behind Ridge. their Pickets one Bank of the River the other so that they are within speaking distance. It is impossible to conjecture what the next move of the army will be. but as many of the Regiments time expire this Spring it is reasonable to suppose that Genl Hooker has sagacity enough to make good use of them while he has opportunity. I shall look for something to be done soon as the Elements will permit. the Roads are drying very fast but this is a very Country as a big Storm upsets

[illegible] have occasion [illegible] would [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Near Fleming
4 Mar 63

thorough discipline, and bringing to justice all offenders by dismissing disloyal officers and punishing them according to the nature of their offences.

Since viewing the ground I am of opinion that the Battle of Fredericksburg should of resulted in a glorious victory to our Arms and the Union. Wherein lay the fault deponent saith not, but in the opinion of your humble Servt, not in Burnside.

If Mrs Connell is with you please tender my regards.

Hoping soon to see and assist in the triumph of our Arms, I am Dear Sir and Friend, Very Respectfully Your Obt Servt Capt Wm Fleming 64th Regt N.Y.V.

Hon E. Connell
Albany NY.

Ithaca March 5th 63

Hon. E. Cornell

Sir according to your wish
in regard to the Taxes on some Land I
hold in Essex Co I write to Ask your--
Kindness and would be under an
obligation to you to find out the--
amount and pay it for me and
I will refund the same to you or
your Order, the Lot is 121 Township
12 N.W. Quarter containing 40 acres
in Essex Co N.Y.
I would also inquire Honored Sir in
regard to the contemplated Walk you
mean to build, would it be presumptuous

in me to ask of you for the —
Sanctions begs to try and think — —
favourable of the application and
Oblige your Humble Servant

Pat. W. Thomas

To the Hon. E. Cornel

Boston, March 5, 1863.

Hon. E. Comstock.

Dear Sir:

I thank you for a copy of your valedictory address, which certainly abounds in valuable suggestions. I have already had two extracts from it printed, as you will see by a copy of our paper of this week herewith sent & have several other parts ready for future use.

I also send herewith, a copy of Mr Peters' herd of Ayrshire cattle.

I see it stated that you intend to attend the International Agricultural Exhibition to be held at Hamburg. I will take the liberty of saying, that if you should know of any way in which I could defray the expenses of a trip, I should like much to go out.

Yours truly—

Sanford Howard.

South Lansing March 5th 1863.

Hon,
Ezra Cornell.

Kind sir: please call on the Agent
at Albany and receive my Pension and send your
Check for the amount after deducting your pay
and direct to my address South Lansing
Tompkins Co N.Y.
and you will oblige me very much.

Susan Boyd per
Palmer B Hop

Please accept my thanks for the Address
and the Speech of Mr Haven which you
sent me Palmer B Hop

Rochester, March 5th 1863.

Hon. Ezra Cornell, Ithaca, Tomp. Co., N. Y.

Dear Sir,

Not having the honor of your acquaintance I take the liberty of using the name of Mr. D. D. T. Moore Editor of the Rural New Yorker as introduction in addressing myself to you.

You have been appointed by the President as Commissioner of the United States for the International Agricultural Exhibition at Hamburg according to law of Congress which made appropriation for Commissioner, Clerk, expenses for freight, etc. etc. I do not know whether the appointment of Clerk is reserved to you or to the Department, but I presume that, in the latter case, none will be appointed without your recommendation or consent, and as I would be very much gratified in getting the position of Clerk I respectfully request your favor for my appointment.

It is evident that all the business at Hamburg will be done in the German language and that your Clerk should speak at least those three languages which will prevail at the time of Exhibition at Hamburg, viz German, French and English. I speak and write those three languages (of which the German is my mother-language) perfectly, German and French of course better than English,

am well acquainted with and posted in every thing which relates to German social, political and mercantile questions and believe generally, that there would be few persons who could render better and more efficient services to you and your mission.

In speaking to Mr. Moore of my request, he told me that in about two weeks the N. Y. Agri. cultural Society would meet at Utica to transact bussiness concerning the next State Fair, that he would meet you there and support my request most cordially.

As to my position as Citizen and Editor you may address yourself to any proeminent Citizen of Rochester - Hon. Samuel L. Selden, judge of court of Appeals, Hon. Chumasero, County Judge, Judge Munger, Senator Farrar, Mr. Allen, Editor Democrat, Mr. Hebard, Editor Express, Mr Ely M C, Mr Clark Member of Congress elect, etc.

Should you be inclined to accede to my request and prefere to see me before, then please give me notice.

Very respectfully Yours

Adolph Holte

Editor Rochester Observer

German Paper

Forest City 6 March 63

Hon E Cornell

Dear Sir your favor in the shape of a speach from the Hon Palmer of Howard of Easy Da in Assembly is at hand for which I am very much obliged he said many good things can soon that was not quite so good, and at this stage of My letter one of My neighbors handed Me your very able and praise worthy address delivered before the My State Agricultural Society which places Me under renewed obligations to them to you I layed down

me J. Carstran

My pen and ned the address with great pleasure and interest although I dont claim to be much of a farmer or do much at the business not because I deem farming business disrespectful or dishonerable but quite the reverse but because we have so many Competetors, farming products although most of which fetch a good price, at present dont fetch three times the usual price as many other needed articles do last year we could not sell pork for 10 ℔ per barrel this year it fetches a remunerating price if many articles that we have to buy could be had for corresponding prices, farmers in consequence of their vast numbers will never be able to unite as merchants and many other business men do and ask and get prices corresponding with other necessarys of life and yet it is the most ejsential occupation in the world hence those that foster and stimulate it is doing incalculable benefit to mankind what I here say I say in spite of those not going.

T. Robertson
March 63

into the many improvements
of Modern times
one of which is the
raising of South Down
Sheep. I think your
late importation of South
downs will prove A
God send to our County
especially if Jesse Mann's
discription of them prove
true he tells me that
they are as thorough bred
woolled over their faces
belly & legs as the Saxon
Merino their wool can
be carded in any machine
and wont cleanse away
1/2 or 2/3 add to this their
being the hardiest & best
mutton in the world
& am astonished at the
Compliment your town
paid that unprincipaled
McClellan who has so long
clogged the wheels of the army
& almost discouraged the north
people & distroyed by his infatuated
inactivity the republican party

Your nation's administration - by all the
mighty Gods that McClellan is engaged to

Etna March 6th/63

Hon E Cornell

Dear Sir, As one of your constituents I take the liberty of addressing you in regard to our present Assessment law. No one that has not been an Assessor can conceive the difficulties attending an impartial execution of this law at present. At present we must take the statement of every man in regard to his property or in substance say to him we do not believe your statement, and put him to the trouble of attending on a session of the board of Assessors to make it right, and probably make an

of him for life, which is a great inducement to any Assessor to let things go that are really wrong rather than face the storm,
My remedy for this would be an amendment, requiring every man to give in his Assessment under oath, this I think would reach most cases, although not quite all as some would disregard their oath, but the penalty of Perjury, with a confiscation of part of the property, I think would deter others from making false oaths Also under the present law much property is twice taxed, that is where a person holds a Mortgage on an other mans farm, the farm is taxed and the Mortgage as personal property, this is unjust of course, and might be remidied to a certain extent by requiring persons who claim to have Mortgaged farms to give the name of the Mortgagee and amount of Mortgage, and exempt his farm to this amount of the Mortgage if held in State or County and add the same to the personal property of the one holding the Mortgage,
I think these amendments might be added to the present law if not a whole revision of the present law as was contemplated at the last session by the appointment of a comitte to report during the recess of the Legislature but of which I have heard nothing but hope to
Five years as an Assessor has so impressed me with the necessity of a change that I take this liberty
I should also be pleased to have a fair share of Public Documents especially the report of State Agricultural Society

Truly Yours
Simeon Snyder, Etna

Western Union Telegraph Co.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Rochester, N. Y., March 6 1863

E. Carell Esq

Dear Sir

Yours of the 5th came duly to hand this morning with 16 shares W. U. Tel Stock Enclosed — The transfer Books were closed on the 1st March & will remain so closed until the 15th inst. when the transfer of your stock will be attended to —

Mr Mumford is acting as Mr Elwoods successor for the present.

The nett profits for January were $35.490.60 an increase of nearly $20,000 over the same month last year —

Yours Respectfully

N. B. Lewis

7 March 63

Hon E Cornell

Dr Sir in my last to you I did not have room to say all that I desired to about Wm H Allen it has been claimed for him by his Democratic friends & editors that he is a man of great Strategy as a Gen I have denied that he evinced any of it if he had it up to the last annual Election, but I was mistaken since the election I have admited that he is a man of great and unbounded Strategy for I claim or admit that he has done what I alone what

P.S. I am sorry to trouble you with these lines as I know your time is precious but I have called to get your views in regard to the Draft & your answer into the P.O. and forget

the whol Democratic
party editors (&) all put
together could have done
as he has by his indolent
inactivity (&) holding
back the army or clogging
the wheels or taking our
brave Patriotic Soldiers in
to the Swamps of Chicka
hominy where they must
inhale the Miasmic (&)
(the) poisonous, (and) Die
by thousands or tens of
thousands (and) by so doing
has virtually bled the
veins (&) the pockets
until the great north
became discouraged
(&) they concluded to try
the Democratic party
(&) see what they would do

if the grand army of the
Potomac had been com
manded by such Gen[e]ls as
Roseacrans Grant or
Butler, the Republican
Party and party of Benevolen
Liberty freedom and equality
would have been as tri-
umphant last fall in all probability
as they were in 1860
his Mc[C]lellan Strategy has upheld
Slavery (&) let the Gov
(&) Republican principles
Drift where they could
hence the whol Democratic
Party could not have done
what he has done by
Discouraging the north
by his inactivity and
I verry much regret that
any Legislative body should

T. Robertson
Mar 7. 63

Compliment or pet
him for I think his
works should follow
him and that he should
Sink or Swim live or
Die by his works
will have A very
Snowy Day here Snow
has fell about 4 or 5 in.
and is still Comeing
I never had much doubt
but am Still much
pleased to see that your
body has passed the
Soldiers bounty Bill
it ketches A good many
penurious traitor sneaks
into the harness where
they will have to pull
altogether if they hate
to ever so bad. now we
organize the militia so as
to make those pay that is
able to if not able Physically
to fight or be Soldiers
Truely Yours T. Robertson

Albion March 7th 1863

Dear Ezra

You letter to Phebe has given her the dumps and she wont answer about cospets.

I tell he we have got carpets enough to cover all the floors in the house and we will play poor folks awhile times change for better or for worse.

We have furniture enough to make us comfortable if she could be ~~thought~~ induced to think so.

I have got the man who holds the $800. Mortgage to receive the money on it and think I am very luckey to do so.

it is drawing ten per cent interest and is not due till 1869.

There will be only $500 back which I intend to try hard to get up this fall. The weather is cold and I think the wheat will be injured some if the freezing and thawing goes on through the month as it is now doing.

I got the diagram of the assembly room for which I am much obliged.

We take possession of the brick house day after tomorrow and shall try to make our new home as comfortable as we can.

Hiram & Mary are here to day and all things is progressing well as far as I know.

Yours Respectfully
M. B. Wood

E. Cornell Esq

Ithaca Mar. 7/63

Hon E. Cornell

Dear Sir

Enclosed is an affidavit & a draft on the Treasurer for the Money for our Society - I have collected the Amt, if necessary you must make the affidavit as mine or your evidence - The Statistics come in slowly -

Yours &c
O. B. Curran

Fairmount N.Y.,
March 9. 1863

Hon E. Cornell

Dear Sir — I have sent Hon L. G. Mickles formerly a resident of Onon. Co. a letter of introduction to you — He is trying to get a charter for a Street Rail Road in N.Y. City — and I understand Mayor Wood & Co, have a rival scheme — I take this interest in the fight that I want Wood beaten at any rate — and I would like Mickles to succeed as he is one of our kind of people, unless he has taken a new character since he left this country — Please find out all he can tell you of this matter, and of course you will know much better than I can what should be done — Yours Truly Geo. Geddes

Speedwell March 9th 1863

Hon Mr Coronel Sir please
Send me one copy of the Evening journal
Almanack Please Send to Speedwell Tompkins
to my

Yours Geo. H. Nixon

Frank
9. Mar 63

Ithaca New York
March 9th 1863

Dear Father

I have neglected to answer your letter so long that I am all most ashamed to undertake it. but I believe the old rule is better late than never— We have got 87 lambs now that are not growing very fast we shall not have any more until the last of this month— then our Southdown lambs will begin to come—

Fanny Curtiss Calf is doing well bad marks but good calf— White Bower has just droped a red roan Heifer calf I shall rais it. I expect roan Bower to Calve every day now I hope she will have Heifer Calf—

Fan Curtiss first Calf is doing up top she is going to be a fine Yearling I sold that red Bower calf that we

raised on skim milk
to Jacob Bates for $17.00 to take
to New York for. veal that was
more than she was worth for
any thing else — I have got every
thing sold now but — a few Bulls —

A B C says you talk of buying
a bull calf of Thorn — If I were
in your place I would not do it if
we buy we want something for
next year after that — our English
calf will answer —

I have not heard from Preston
yet in regard to that money
to pay for Buck. I sent Mary & Emma
box of Apples &c the last of last month
have you heard any things of it

Em & baby are well they have
been home to spend a week & have
just got home All the rest are
well I believe

Yours Affectionately
Frank

E Cornell

Fairmount N.Y.
March 9th 1863

Hon. E. Cornell

My Dear Sir — This will be handed to you by the Hon L. G. Mickles, long time a citizen of Onondaga County, and at a later time representative of Cattaraugus Co. in the Assembly —

Mr. Mickles is interested in a Rail Road project in the city of New York, and will present his case for your consideration — I trust you will not think me over stepping propriety if I ask of you to give his case a favorable hearing and consideration —

Yours Respectfully

Geo. Geddes

Utica March 9 1853

Hon E Conell

Dear Sir

Mr Fish & myself have been examining the proposition & the business proposed by the Delaware and Raritan Bay Rail Road Co

We are fully satisfied in regard to its being a safe & profitable business & one that will pay us well. We see no obstacles in the way of engaging in it at once except the raising the money and the securities offered

We would propose to raise the money jointly with you by giving our joint paper for the $50,000 with which We think the money can be obtained of the Bank that We may select in NY to make our deposits or of some of the Loan & Trust Companies which We think can all be

repaid from the business
in monthly payments
We propose to divide the
business into four shares We
that is Yourself Mr Fish
myself to have 3/4 & to
Mr Seymour & Billings have
one fourth in consideration
of the position they hold in
the Co & the services they can
render in various ways
My object in writing you now
is to know if you will join
us in making the subscription
the $50,000 as proposed provided
We shall deem it advisable
after meeting together & examining
thoroughly into the business and
securities offered
Mr. Fish & myself will agree
to take the business in charge
and attend to its details
I would say that I consider
Mr. Fish good for the
Whole $50,000 & I know
that I could buy that amt
myself by giving me time
to turn property
I suppose you understand
the Company propose to deduct
from the monthly bills the
amount due to buy them 20 pr.
Cent which is to be applied on
the $50,000 to which if the add
our monthly profits would
enable us to extinguish the
whole amount in a short
time
The Company in NY are
obliged to have this business
closed up immediately and
therefore I would ask you
to reply by return mail
Yours Respectfully
Geo Curtis

Danby March 10th 1863

Mr E. Cornell

Sir Enclosed you will find that I have again sent the Pension papers of Mrs Dinah Mount: if you will take the trouble to call at the pension office as you did one year ago you will greatly oblige an old Revolutionary Lady 87 years old

Respectfully yours &c

L C. Beers

Danby

Tompkins Co.

P.S. Please send to me payable to her Order

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Albany, Mch 10 1863

Mr. E. Cornell

To LUTHER TUCKER & SON, Dr.

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IMPORTED SOUTH-DOWN RAMS
TO BE LET ON REASONABLE TERMS.

At the last and final Sale of the celebrated South-Down flock of JONAS WEBB, I purchased

Nine very Choice Rams,

which will reach my farm at Ithaca in October next.

Several of these Rams will be let on reasonable terms to those who may desire to improve their flocks with a SOUTH-DOWN CROSS. Applications should be addressed to

E. CORNELL,
Ithaca, N. Y.

Sept. 18—w4t.

Nov. 6—w2t. E. McMaster, Camillus, Onondaga Co., N. Y. M

FINE WOOLED SHEEP.—I notice in the Country Gentleman of last week, an inquiry from "H." of Jefferson Co., Ohio, in reference to Spanish Merino Sheep, to this effect: "Why don't the breeders of these sheep keep themselves more before the public, as those who have South-Downs for sale always do?" Having frequently desired the same information that "H." is inquiring for, I will communicate the little I have on that subject, hoping it will lead others to do the same who may possess a larger store of facts to draw upon. I commenced my fine wooled flock by the purchase of 35 ewes, and 4 bucks in the fall of 1860, which had the year or two before been purchased from the flocks of Messrs. Hammond, Atwood and Sanford of Vermont. My first shearing of them was in June, 15th to 17th, 1861, when the 39 sheep, old and young, inclusive of 4 bucks, weighed after their wool was taken off, an average of 72 pounds each, and their fleeces, brook-washed, averaged five and a half pounds per head. At my second shearing, June 15th to 17th, 1862, the flock numbered 53—the 39 above and their increase—averaging, after shorn as above, 75 lbs. each, and their fleeces, brook-washed as before, five and three-fourths pounds each. I sold the two crops of wool two months since at 55 cents per lb. In 1860 the clip from such of them as were shorn in that year, sold at 50 cents per pound. That years' price of the wool will give as correct an impression of the quality of the wool perhaps as anything I could say of it. I have

A Few Young Bucks at $25 to $30 per Head,

if "H." or others should desire.

I shall use a buck myself this fall, that cost me many times those sums—whether to my profit or not, time will determine.

I don't offer the above because I desire to get rid of them, have not before offered them for sale, and have no objection to their remaining longer with my flock.

In addition to the above, I have 100 common and grade sheep, heavier carcass, that average four pounds wool per head, worth in 1860 forty cents per pound. Also 50 Saxony and Merino mixed, which I purchased last winter from a celebrated flock; they averaged three pounds per head of wool worth 55 cents in 1860, from carcass averaging 73 lbs. per head after shorn.

I am a beginner, as will be perceived, with fine wool sheep, and should like a statement of facts in reference to some of the old established flocks.

E. CORNELL,
Ithaca, N. Y.

Nov. 6—w1t.

Illinois & Mississippi Telegraph Company.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

THOMAS BASSNETT, SECRETARY.

Ottawa, Ill. Mar 10th 1863

Dear Sir:

I am much obliged for your favor of the Journal Almanac I find a vast mass of statistics in a small space & very methodically arrang. I am sorry I cannot reciprocate & send you an Illinois Almanac equal in facts & in execution— Hoping you are not interested in the projected new Tel. lines which are to invade existing patents generally and to ruin all our creation I am

Yours truly
T. Bassnett

Washington March 10th 1863

Respected Uncle,

Yours of Feb 16th has just came to hand and I was very much greaved to hear of the conduct of John. It seems that he has intirely thrown himself away his conduct is not like himself. I have not shown your letter to Mother for it would only make her more uneasy and do no good. If your Brother could get John's discharge probly he would go to Africa to work, as it is, probly he is afraid to return to the U. S. I do not know what has come over John I fear he will come to some bad end. try and get your Brother to use his influence

in procuring John's discharge. I do not think that he has his rights minded.

I should like to go North very much but it is nearly impossible to do so at this time. in my last letter I have told you some of my reasons, if I can do so I will try and go North this summer, Mother is getting to be two old to travel I hardley think she could stand the stemath if she could the fatigue going so far, and I can never leave her to suffer in her old age, she has nobody to look out for her now but myself, and I am in very feble health. I had rather be any where than here for we are subject to all kinds of insults both from soldiers and Negroes, it makes very little difference what our principals may be so as we bear the name of Southerner, that is enough for them, but there is some gentlemen among the officers and soldiers, but unfortunately they are not in power. the steamer has just arrived and will leave immediately so I will have to be brief in my remarks, I write in close a letter to John that you may direct it as he moves about so often that I do not know where he may be, try and get his discharge and try and get them under your eye once more, and probly he will do better. the family join me in love to you all

Respectfully
S. J. Lorrick

Ezra Lorrick Esq^{re}

Office of Chesters & Kennaday,
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TRINITY BUILDING, 111 Broadway,

E. W. Chester,
Geo. F. Chester,
John R. Kennaday.

New York, March 10. 1863.

Hon. E. Cornell,

My Dear Sir,

I have expected to hear from you for some time - some good reason of course has prevented.

In trying to close up my unfortunate affairs I find myself in want of so much more money than I expected, that I wish I could arrange some way with you, by running my note in bank, or yours, so as to realize the whole now. I presume I could have your note discounted here & have it renewed from time to time as long as you please. I have been so long hampered with this unfortunate coal speculation that I want to get my floating debts paid up, though I hoped to be able to apply this

money to the mortgage on my house, but find I cannot. If possible I wish you would accommodate me.

I have labored & am after on Tel. matters with Eaton & Minot till my patience is quite exhausted. I have written Eaton insisting on its being closed, or Mr. Minot's return from Mass. when he has gone.

The Erie R. W. Co. have been getting leases of roads all through the country westward & expect to get one passing from some point on their line to Cleveland. They have the road to Buffalo & the one to Rochester from their line for any contems. Eaton gave me the particulars of the ~~negotiation~~ leases, but I don't recollect. I think it a favorable time to wind them up. If they will buy us out at 50.00 I suppose you will be ready for a sale.

We are anxious about the N. H. Conn. elections. Men from Washington & the West have gone to Conn. to help them - a brother of mine from Chicago among others. He went on yesterday morning with Judge Underwood Comr of the Land Office to Hartford.

They have West Union Leagues all through the country which have blocked the game of the Knights of the G. C. We are signing here openly a pledge. The democrats have become alarmed about the rabidness of the Seymours & others - Dean Richmond (who is a connection by Marriage with my brother,) was West urging caution upon the democrats. John Van Buren thinks as a prudent man, he had better at present get out of the democratic coach & go on foot.

Kind regards to Mrs. Harnell.

Yrs truly

E. W. Chester