Etna Tompkins Co. N.Y.
March 11, 1863 —

Hon. E. Cornell

Dear Sir

Ten days since, I forwarded your papers, for collection of subsistence, [redacted] pension, for Recruiting Officer of this town, from U.S. Paymaster, at Albany — Capt. Marvin is now here, on a furlough, and we would like to know forthwith, whether it will be paid, and if not, how bills must be changed, while Marvin is here, to secure their payment — Please write me, by mail, forthwith, the prospects,

& oblige

Your Reply

Caleb Bartholomew

W.

In Camp at Providence La
March 11th 1863

Dear Brother

Your letter of 23rd Feb came to hand this morning finding me enjoying the best of health for which I have great reason to be thankful to our Kind Heavenly Parent, I have enjoyed good health since I left home with the exception of two weeks from Feb 1st at which time I was taken with a severe pain in my bowels which lasted for two weeks with occasional attacks of diarhea. I took but little medicine drank very little weak tea and ate very sparingly and thus got along without reporting to or requiring assistance from the Doctor, in whom I am sorry to say we have but little confidence. After I got well over my trouble I began to gain in flesh ~~rapidly~~ and I now weigh a trifle over 180lb some 12lb heavier than I ever weighed previous to coming into the army — the mail we recd. this a.m. is the only one since the 1st of March at which time I received my last news from home was sadly disappointed at not hearing from there this morning. My family were well and comfortable at last accounts but Delilah seems to be unnecessarily anxious on my account, — we have not been paid yet as you seem to infer by your letter the pay master is here and has paid a part of our Brigade and we are daily expecting that our regiment will be paid

D B. Cornell
Mar 11. 63

You may rest assured Brother that I will never turn my back to the enemies of our country. I enlisted as a private and sought no higher position but our Lt Col, who was capt. of our company appointed me 5th sergt and then appointed me colour bearer. I felt proud of the confidence he placed in me but would rather he had not appointed me to that position yet inasmuch as it his pleasure I would not express the least wish or word to the contrary, and I know that I will never disgrace that proud emblem of liberty nor betray the trust and confidence he has reposed in me. — Lt Col's name is Thos W. Humphrey of DeKalb Co. he has acted as Col most of the time since the organization of the regt. — our Col L. S. Church resigned some 6 weeks ago and we expect Humphrey will be promoted to the vacancy. I have been acquainted with him for the past 6 years and we all have the utmost confidence in him — our regiment has won many compliments from old and experienced officers and we think we can beat any other regiment in this army (of the same experience) in drill. but we are here inactive and are as the saying is spoiling for a fight. we are anxious to be doing something that will tell towards crushing out this rebellion. we have never yet as a regiment had the privilegl of facing the foe. all the fighting we have seen was a slight skirmish with a party of rebel cavalry about 450 strong — and a foraging party of about 90 men from our brigade taken by detail 4 men from each company — three men from our regiment were slightly wounded 3 or 4 from other regiments of the brigade wounded one seriously and one man killed — an orderly sergeant of the 1st Kansas. — our boys took 29 prisoners. but the list of killed and wounded was never ascertained as the rebels carried off most of their dead and wounded — a party from our camp found and buried 5 dead rebels on the field the next day. since then our camp has been quiet — but we occasionally hear heavy firing in the direction of Yazoo city and Vicksburgh

I shall feel more reconciled to the fate that may await me as a soldier, since I have the assurance that in case I fall you will attend to the wants of my family — Yet I cannot think otherwise than that I shall return to them — I only fear that the 95th regt will never have an opportunity to prove their superiority to their number of rebels. — please write soon again and let me know what your views are in regard to the closing up of the war. we get but little news and few letters and letters from friends is of the utmost importance to the happiness of us soldiers — they are better than pay for the sick and wounded. I want to see you very much. write often and be a good brother for the sake of your sister. no more but remain your affectionate brother

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Chicago. March 11. 1863.

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to return this Society's grateful acknowledgments for the Reports of the State agricultural Society of New York, with other publications obligingly forwarded by you for their collections.

May I beg to

Hon. Ezra Cornell.

add, how sensibly such favors are esteemed.

Should it be in your power, dear Sir, to oblige us with any other documents - such as the R. Road, Canal, and other important reports of your State (with any connected with the operations of the War) they would be most gratefully appreciated.

Begging to add my personal thanks,

I have the honor to be,
Most resp.t, Dear Sir,
Your most ob.t Serv.t,
William Barry,
Sec.y R.

The Honorable
E. Cornell,
R.I. Assembly.

Head Quarters 3d Brig 1st Div 6th Corps
March 12th 1863

Hon & Dear Sir

Your favor of March 7th is received. I am happy to inform you that I have received an Official notification of my appointment as Commissary of Subsistence with the rank of Captain dating back to Nov 26th/62 I have not yet been assigned to any post. I expect to receive my orders on Saturday 14th inst & also to be able to report for duty about the 16th. I am closing up my business in the Quartermasters Department as fast as possible.

You will please accept my most sincere thanks for the interest you have manifested in securing my position. It will be my

aim to fulfill the expectations of my friends in Tompkins Land I hope that none of them will ever have reason to feel ashamed of their representation of me, in the Com. Dept of the U.S.A.

I shall hope Mr Cornell to see you at Ithaca when I visit my home this Spring With my best wishes for your health &c

I have the honor to be
Most Respectfully
Your Obdt Svt.
D Farbell
Capt. 4. C. S.

Hon Ezra Cornell
Member Assembly
N.Y.

Ithaca 12 March 1863

Hon E. Cornell

Dear Sir. You will remember that last fall I presented you with a petition to sign, in behalf of a promotion for Isaac who is now in the Army about 16 Months, Capt of Company D, 105 Reg N. Y. S. V. but in Consequence of there being no Draft there was no Chance of promotion, all of the Commissioned Officers of his Reg together with Brig Gen Dwyer Commanding his brigade sent a petition to Gov Morgan for his promotion beside several petitions from here and other places but it did not amount to any thing for the reasons above stated, he has now applied for the Position of Provost Marshall of the 26th Congressional District under the late law of Congress, there has been a very strong Petition sent from here to the President in his behalf also a number of Private letters to the Hon Mr Hotchkiss, Mr Diven and Gov Morgan Isaac Writes me to day that he has had interviews with all those Gent and thinks that his Chances are good although there are a good many Applicants, his particular Claims, long and arduous Service always in the front, never been absent a moment on the March, and in every Battle of the Army of the Potomac, beginning with that of Cedar Mountain

and ending with that of Fredericksburg, and the labour has been so severe upon him, that he has become physically disabled, to perform the duties of a Soldier in the field,

My object in writing you is to request you to write a private to Gov Morgan and also to the Hon Mr Hotchkiss in his behalf requesting or Recommending his Appointment, a letter will reach both those Gent at this time directed to Willards Hotel at Washington, Isaac would appreciate the favour, and I would take it as a kindness done me — Isaac is now in the George Town Seminary Hospital, being treated for a local dificulty brought on by severe marches on foot and hard service during this Campaign

Yours in great haste
I S. Tichenor

P.S. Isaac's proper address is
Capt Isaac S. Tichenor
Company D 105 Reg
N.Y.S.V.

J. S. Tichenor
Allan 12. 1863

Ithaca March 12. 1863

E. Cornell Esq

Dear Sir,

I have read for the second time Reed's article in the Evg Journal of the 9th.

As to Reed's quarrel with Greeley I have very little to do, nor has the Public generally I apprehend. But that a Paper considered the Organ of the loyal Party of the State & supported & patronized by loyal men — made by a loyal Legislature the State Paper — should be made the vehicle of Mr Reed's disloyal or unpatriotic utterances is too bad & more than

I can hear in Island — Can
nothing be done to stop it?
Please write me your views
if you have time.

Truly Yours
G W Schuyler

G. W. Schuyler
Alex. Island

Hempstead, March 12. 1863.

Hon. Ezra Cornell,

Dear Sir;

At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Queens Co. Ag. Society held this day, the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the Board of Managers of the Queens County Agricultural Society, having duly the bill proposed by Hon. Samuel E. Johnson, to change the name of the Queens County Agricultural Society &c., desire to protest against the passage of the same, as being opposed to the interests of the Society, not desired by the board, nor the farmers of the county, and therefore trust it may not become a law. And we respectfully request the members of Assembly from our county to oppose the bill, and that the secretary forward copies of this resolution to the members of assembly for presentation to the Legislature.

At the suggestion of Ex. Gov. King, I forward a copy of this resolution to you as Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, to report against the bill

Yours very respectfully,

John Harold, Sec'y.

Ithaca Thursday
12th. Mch. 1863.

Dear Sir,

I have recd. several favors from you by mail, for wh. let me thank you, & especially for your address to the State Agricultural Society, of wh. either through mistake or otherwise you sent me two copies wh. came by different mails, & one of wh. I shall be glad to send to my brother. Allow me to say that the address is excellent, conveying more of needed practical instruction concerning agricultural associations & agricultural deficiencies & improvements than I have seen in so short a compass

in many a day. Moreover, that information is convey'd in so felicitous a style that I cannot forbear to congratulate you upon it. I do not see how your valuable ideas could possibly have been express'd in better English.

Perhaps it is hardly delicate in me to take the liberty of complimenting your address in so direct terms, but I was so particularly pleas'd with both its substance & its dress that I could not refrain from speaking of it.

I want the privilege also of saying a little of what I feel concerning your wise & generous purposes for this community.

I have seen your letters to the committee of wh. I am a member, & have been longing to thank you for devising so noble a thing. Such a library will be a blessing to this Town from generation to generation & will have an influence upon the character of the people, the value of wh. cannot be comprehended, much less foretold. It will not only be a lasting monument to your judicious generosity, & a perpetual witness to the elevated character of your aims & to the purity of your regard for the public welfare, but it will be proven accomplishing an <u>unseen</u>

work — a work that will be beyond the reach of human observation — a work wh. will extend its hidden streams of influence to other parts of the land & to other lands where no human discernment can follow them — a work of wh. the world will gather the fruits without knowing from what root they sprang. Thus you will have the satisfaction of knowing that you will be remembered with gratitude long after you have gone from the earth, & the still greater satisfaction of knowing that you have set in operation a train of influences wh. will be perpetually accomplishing great good for wh. nobody can thank you, because nobody will know from whence the good has sprung — It

is blessed to have the means of making such a gift to men, & still more blessed to have the disposition to make it. And inasmuch as the privilege & joy of giving depends so much upon not expecting any compensation, it seems to me it must be peculiarly delightful to you to contemplate that so much of the fruit of your generosity will be of such a nature that you cannot even receive the compensation of the people's gratitude for it.

I wish there were more of such public spirited generosity as yours. I saw your letter to Mr. Sherwood in answer to his application for help toward our lecture room & of course of the position you took

in it & thank you for the interest you express in that enterprise. Sherwood & Mc. Chain have work-ing diligently with that subscription, not discouraged, but rather encour-aged. I think & stimulated by your letter. They have met with better success in some quarters than they expected & poorer in others. They have obtained subscriptions for some 2 6. of the 35.00 ff & find hard work on the last thousand, wh. is the most to be regretted as the work ought to be as even as possible in the hands of contractors. But the thing will be done, tho', I fear that some portion of the money will have to be raised, by dragging methods. It ought to be easy for our people to raise such a sum of money for such a purpose, & would be now it not for that tight-ness of certain purse-strings of wh. you speak. I have been hoping that Finch's letter to Moore, the architect, concerning your building, might bring him on here, & that he might help us in determining upon an exterior plan for our lecture-room. For it is quite a problem what kind of a building to erect between our church & the court-house. It will require no little architectural skill to plan a building wh. will look well in that position.

Mr. Finch does not yet hear from Moore, & we think he is prob-ably taking time to prepare a plan for the library building be-fore he writes, so as to enable the

please with the reply—

Please remember me kindly to Mr. Carnell. Indeed Mrs. Tessey joins me in kind regards to you both—

Very truly yours—

D. Tessey

Mr. B. Jones
Ft. Allen 63

Ithaca Mch 12. 1863

Hon. E. Cornell

Sir.

The board of Trustees wished me to write a few lines to you and find how our Bridge matter stands, we wish you to be sure and have the matter of the appropriation made so we get our money ($1600.00) which expended in building the bridge over the chilet the last year, please write me soon what the prospects are

Yours Truly

J. E. King

Delevan House
March 13th 1863

Hon E. Cornell

Dear Sir

I have made some enquiry about the names in Mr Hughes Bank Bill & as I go down at 2.45 this afternoon, will make further enquiry & give you the result early next week — in addition to the name of S. B. Cushing I would suggest the name of Judge E. Moore Brooklyn & Hon. Saml Garrison Judge of County Court Brooklyn — if you wish drop me a line at No 7 Pine Street N.Y. & I will call upon each of them & get a letter & send you

Yours truly

W. V. Studdiford

The Delaware, Lackawanna, and Western Rail Road Company,
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT.

Office Superintendent of Cayuga Division,
Ithaca, N. Y. March 13 1863

Hon E. Cornell
Dear Sir—

By an act passed in Pennsylvania April 4th 1854, this Co were authorised to purchase and hold in State of New York & New Jersey lands necessary for Depot purposes and the shipping of coal and other freight, not exceeding 20 acres at any one place

Our people are want concurrent legislation in this State.

I enclose draft of bill covering the case — and if not objectionable would like to have it put through as soon as convenient

Yours
Respectfully
W. B. Humphrey

New York March 13 1863

Hon E. Cornell

Dear Sir

I intended to have seen you last evening before I left but you left the Delevan by some means without my seeing you: One object I had particularly was to request you to draw up articles of association for an organization under the Gen'l Law with a Capital of $100,000 if it can be done another was to submit to you a Schedule of my affairs Copied from an inventory I make on the first of Jany last that you might see that I could pay my Share of any loss that might be incurred in the proposed undertaking; I have been very Cautious about letting my affairs be known to any one & would not submit this to you were it not that I wish you to be perfectly satisfied. As I stated to you I have just paid up nearly all my old liabilities which were mainly for endorsements for others; but to do so I have had to give paper anticipating my Dividends & rents for the next 6 months at any rate my income for this coming year will pay all such liabilities & I have not been incurring

Geo Curtis Mar 1863

any such liabilities for the past few years say since I went to Ky & I am now free from all liabilities for endorsments and I intend to remain so I do not intend in future to put my name to any paper where I am not directly interested.

I have not put down the liabilities for the heirs I have given ~~to wit~~ for which I have anticipated Dividends & Rents to meet as before mentioned. You can examine the inventory & make such deductions as your judgement may dictate & then you will see that I could meet something of a liability if I should sell some of that which would readily sell for cash; but which I do not want to sell. I have been offered $15. for acre for my Ill lands but do not want to sell at that nor at any price at present; The New Haven Stock would sell for at least 25. pr ct advance & you know about the Tel Stock what that is worth Mr Fish can post you as to his matters there is not a man in Utica more sanguine in his business & property but I do not know the amt of it. I expect he will be at the Delmon House on monday at 6 A.M and leave for NY at 2 P.M. this business is of so much importance that I wish you would come with him. From the information I have got from Seymour & Billings since I got here I am satisfied this is one of the best offerings in the way of business I have

the close up in one year. Geo Curtis

never had or known & it can all be closed up in one day after you are here

FROM
B. P. JOHNSON,
SECRETARY
N. Y. STATE
Agricultural Society,
ALBANY, N. Y.

Albany
March 14. 1863

Mr Cornell.

Mr Hunter or Sulter
Mr Williams of the firm is here
from North Adams. & wishes
to make this P.M. on the
subject of the Shade-Meat
how can you meet him
here - 3 O'clock -

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Office of the American Stock Journal,

25 PARK ROW,

New York [redacted] *14th* 1863.

Hon. E. Cornell

Dear Sir

I found to day, in looking over my "file" a letter apparently unanswered from you dated back to October 24th asking me to send you D'Aubignes History & Macaulay England, did you get them? I can find no excuse for this neglect unless it be that your letter was misplaced —

Cannot you help me a little by asking your friends to subscribe for the Am. S. Journal See prospectus enclosed.

Yours truly
C M Saxton

C. M. Saxton
14 Mar 63

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S. S. Brown
Mar 17, 63

Newfield March 14/63

Hon. Mr Connell

I wish you if you can to obtain the passage of an act to preserve private or family Cemeteries by Requiring all persons owning lands the outlines of which embrace any such private or family Cemetery to keep up suitable fences to protect such grounds from all animals Running on lands joining or surrounding the same and add a suitable penalty for neglecting to keep up such fences or for Reducing said grounds to cultivation it might be well to make it the duty of the overseer of the Poor of Towns to prosecute and Recover such penalties for the support of the Poor of the Towns

Respectfully yours &c
Stephen S. Brown

Since writing the foregoing it has occured to my mind that it may not come within the prerogative of the Legislator to compell the present owners of lands to protect Burying grounds within their limits if not the Legislator may have power to compell such persons as may hereafter acquire title either by purchase or heirship to lands on which such burial places have been commenced to protect the same

if your body has not power in either case then perhaps you or some one of your number can devise some plan to secure the preservation and perpetuation of these resting places of the dead from the ruthless hand of careless persons who may chance to come into possession of them

the monuments should not be torn down or defaced please give this the attention that its importance demands S. J. Brown

Please read this through & immediately

New York Mch 14 1863

Cornell

What the plague is the reason you cant oblige me with a loan of a thousand? This is the 1st time, since I refused Wade's proposition in Pittsburg, that I have had an opportunity of engaging in a business that would enable me to get out of debt & lay up a little. You have hitherto helped me just to get along with some debt for the time being. Never to start me in business. I am not one of the visionary kind, & dont make miscalculations, or have not been given to it about what I can do. You never knew me to, I never engage in any transaction unless I am very well satisfied I can go through with it. Then I always do. Put your finger upon a single instance where I have failed in any undertaking, if you can. An abused confidence, in men, is the principal cause of my failure of success.

Of course, there is nothing certain, but my experience in this business, if ever, anything did, any man — well, warrants me in the belief that I can do capitally well. There is nothing that does, or ever did, promise better for success. The fatherly idea, of yours, that I need to suffer yet, to teach me better management — is better befitting dotage — No man can do better with the same facilities, under the same circumstances. If the experience of a man of the age of 48 avails nothing, no length of life will — You, in your ease, comfort, & glory, seem not to consider the difficulties I have always labored under & also of the times when you were struggling for a mere existence & that, but for friends, who gave timely assistance in means — & those who stuck to you — you might be as bad off today as I. I have had, all the time, to get along at a jacketty-bench, sort of way, depending entirely upon chance jobs. No means to start any business of my own. Our friends influence to get me into any remunerative situation. I have looked well into this wanger

business & experimented sufficiently to give me great confidence in its success — Nor does there appear to be half the quantity in use, I supposed. It is quite a new thing. I cannot see any way to lose, or chance to fail. I have to pay nothing for the privilege & if I shouldn't like it, or wish to give it up. (Neither of which is there the least probability of) they agree to take back & pay me for all the wringer I have left — I have not failed to make a sale where I have gone myself — & I intend to devote my whole time to it. They please, & take well. While putting up a telegraph line, the last two weeks, over the houses in 5th & other avenues — I made several sales & have got the experiment up —

The parties are now in the way of manufacturing all that is needed. They dont want to be bothered with retailing. One party stands ready with $2500. (& is anxiously urging them) to take hold of it, & promises to establish a depot up-town & go largely into it at once — The company have become very impatient at my small operations & they will not wait another week for me to get means to drive it more extensively

It will take no more of my time to have out 200. ~~than~~ at a time, than to have out 25. & I can make money just as much faster. I shall keep the principal $1000. sacred & inviolate, & use only of the profits to live on. I get 30 per cent. $2,40 on the $8. & $1,80 on the $6. wringer. I can afford to pay you 15 per cent. in monthly payments they thus means pay you up all I owe you & soon wipe other debts —

How long it may be, before I will get another such opportunity

What is the risk you run compared with the prospective advantage to me — Supposing you never hear from the $1000. nor any of that you have let me have, what is it, to what I did for you, your wealth considered, but you will get it all back

This is the last time I will ever ask you to help me — Now will you answer me for or against — that I may know you have received this — As you are the only one, who has befriended me in my misfortune. I shall never cease to appreciate you for that — but if you do not help me now — I can no longer regard you as a friend —

I prefer to ~~over~~ return you as in former times, what I have.
I must have immediately & I have well considered the amount
$500. would enable me to get a living & a little more, but I want enough
to be able to pay up my debts - I must have at least 1000. that with
the energy & perseverance I shall put into it - will enable me to give
the Company satisfaction & do well - I have no objections to receiving
advice in a business way - by any means - but it is not so much
needed as you may imagine, particularly in the line you usually give
it. you ought to know me well enough & be assured I will not
misrepresent, nor falsely color - you need not appeal to any body
to know anything of me - ask me - I will tell you the truth respecting
myself - & do it much better than any body else can - be it in my
favor or against me - I know myself better than any body else
in these diggings - If you will not help me say so - that I
may, if possible, before I lose it - get some partner, I prefer to be alone
I shall have to do all the work & prefer all the profits -

Come now - unlock the door of your heart - & be a little
generous - I shall work cautiously you may be assured -
Trust me - There is only the one way the money they have
an established rule - others will comply or must I -

Respectfully
W. P. Rew
Care Brewer
50 & 52 Rue St
NO

Please reply

Mr. P. Rew
March 14. 63

T. Robertson
14 Mar 68

14 March 63

Hon Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir your favor of the 10 inst came duly to hand for which I am much obliged

you also put me under renewed obligations to you for another speech by Hon W B Brindle of Chenango in answer to the terrible howl set up against arbitrary arrests of Traitors Rebels and sympathizers they make a hundred times more ado and howl over the arrest of those consumate villans than they would over the hanging and shooting a hundred or more good union men down south in cold blood actions makes a

Old Copperhead petition

Democrat I am truely
glad that I am not
A Democrat
if you ~~would~~ allow me
to judge I would say
that Mr. Prindle Speach
is verry efficient and
every way right
Moreover his adversary
learned much ~~much~~ of
him. by asking him
questions and know now
More then they ever
did before, and I hope
that our country will
profit much by the
new light they recieved
of Mr Prindle, but I
have not much faith

you say in your
last that you are glad
that I am pleased with
Howens Speach

I am pleased with only
A part of it
his law viz that Abolitionist
should be hanged with
the leaders of Rebels
down South is A grosf
& villanous insult to the
cause of Humanity and
Benevolence why they dear
Sir his Law would
hang Honest old Father
Abraham the Prest of USA
who abolished the slaves
of Rebels in the eleven
seceded States by his
proclamation first of January 63
hence A biger Abolitionist
then there is in the Nat
and one that acts instead
of using Moral Suasion
as Wendle Phillips Garrison
and others do
Garret Smith has never

This hanging abolitionists is A Democratic phrase
that Mr. has learned from hanging Democrats he has
heard each company by his language

State negroes from
A boasted land of freedom
and pass them to A land
of Monarchs on Canada
to help them to freedom
but his pocket Book
has bled to the time of
A hundred Thousand
Dollars first and last in
Ransomeing fugitive slaves
that was being Corraged
back and Democrats
he to would have to be
hung by said villinous
Law the Emperor of
Russia who immancipated
over 40 Million of white
slaves, A year ago the 3d of
last April would share the
same awful fate, if any
Man will read his Speach
carefully will see that he to
will have to were A tight
Collar or three hemps with
Simon the emperor of Russia
and others by his own law
and law makers must be law
Breakers & I tremble for
him when I see his situation
My old friend and your father
in law B. Wood did not believe
in capital punishment nor
do I in humanity is the offence for
which they must have
Respectfully yours F. Robertson

and tolle up the hungry law as fully as I
want to see in A letter but can hear that they

Hon E. Cornell New York March 14. 1863

Albany

Dear Sir

I see by the Papers that a Mr. McGown introduced a bill on the 11th to create a lien on Canal boats for repairs

I do not know in what shape he proposes to have the law, but Ottawa is largely interested in Canal boats & we cannot afford to have any law passed by which a boat can be taken & sold for repairs & cut off a previous Mortgage or claim & I write you at this time to request you to look in to it & see if there is any law passed at all that it does not cut off any previous claims on Canal Boats

Please write me here on the subject in Care of Phillips Stride & Co. 106 Broad St. N.Y. Yours Respt.

J. C. Kenny

E. B. Cornell
Mar 15, 63

Ithaca March 15th 1863

Dear Brother

I should like to know what is the prospect of your going on with the building you were talking about, do you think you will go on with it in the Spring or will it be defered untill another season I should like to know on account of shaping my business for the season

Nelson also would like to know if he can depend on borrowing the money I wrote you about a short time ago, he has rented a store on the strength of what I wrote him in reference to it, That was that if he could satisfy you that it would be a safe investment you thought you could spare $1000 by the middle of April or the first of May

the store will be ready by the
middle of April and he would
like to occupy it by that time
I have not yet succeeded in getting
any realestate, I have made two or
three bargains but the parties backed
out before I could get them fast
there has been considerable property
changed hands here this Spring
I have just received a letter from
J.R. Bunter mailed at Bloomington
Hennipin Co Minnesota where he now
resides on a farm of 80 acres of land
he says his oldest son was wounded
in both armes in the Indian campaign
last fall, he nearly recovered
Our people are all well as far
as I know Please let us hear from
you soon and oblige Yours &c
E. B. Cornell

To E. Cornell

Hempstead, March 16. 1863.

Hon. E. Cornell.

Dear Sir:

On the 9th inst. I received a note from Mr Cushman to say, that our school bill would not be reached for several days in its order to final passage and would no doubt have to pass the "Grinding Committee". May I presume to ask you to pilot it through, so as to be through the Senate in time. I am so busy that I cannot conveniently leave here, but should you think it necessary, please advise

Yours truly

John Harold.

Namburgh March 16th 1865

Hon. Ezra Cornell.

My very Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your Esteemed favor of the 13th and really hope the Turkeys have not fallen by the way side,— the weather for the past two weeks has been Extremely Cold. for the past 3 days, thermometer at 6 A.M. 24° below 0.— and now as to the Matter of preserving Trout in the Streams of Pulteney. Tyrone & Jerusalem "if there is one item or Kind of primitive Game, with which I am Conversant, it is Trout.— for I pretend to be somewhat of a fisherman. and have for the last 28 years resided in a section, where Trout abounded, and have watched the decrease and almost total Extinction, of this rare fish— and with your indulgence in its premise, will give my reasons for the gradual decrease in quantity of this rare fish

"The Trout are a very, shy wild fish, and naturally seek secluded, and isolated, undisturbed Streams for their resort. and what is peculiar, from the association of other varieties of fish— like the Deer, Moose, and even the Indian. Cannot withstand the march of Civilization and improvement,— the clearing up of the Country, the draining of marshes and swamps, destroy, and distort their primitive haunts.— they repair and resort to marshes for their winter quarters. leaving the running streams and brooks, at this season and as the streams are cleared out, and the marshes drained

the Trout are disturbed, and leave their secluded and retired hiding places — such as Logs, Pools, Bogs and marshes —

"as the country becomes occupied and population increases the fishermen abound, and the Trout which escaps the hook of the angler, must be a smart fish, and if not taken, will perhaps pine away and die for want of company of his kind —

"another great cause for the decrease of this fish, their hiding places are found out, and when on their spawning beds, are taken easily — and the increase destroyed. they spawn in fall of the year about the first frost, and congregate in masses for the purpose — "deserting in shallow waters and running up small brooks and streams, and millions are destroyed by the heartless, inexpressible fishermen, who at such times take them by the bushell. — (at this time the trout are poor and worthless; but regardless they are trout they find a market, and the consumer who eats them only know of the good qualities of a Trout by its name, rather than its condition "they might with quite as much consistency relish" as a spring chicken" an old hen just off her brooding nest —

"another cause for their decrease is as the streams become cleared out, other fish, such as chubs, suckers, and other varieties are introduced which feed upon and destroy the spawn of the Trout —, I am conversant with streams, where originally no fish but Trout occupied their waters, and now, for the reasons before alluded to, it is rare to find a Trout, whilst the poor, dull, civilized specimens of other kinds of fish abounds, and I am satisfied, that the Trout, will not of choice occupy the same waters with other fish than the wild Deer will of choice occupy the pastures of sheep —

"To preserve trout, you must preserve their primitive localities from interruptions, and regulate the fishermen in proportion time. Trout can be bred and protected by individual ownership — but permit the abundant fish pond to be occupied by all who choose to cast a hook, and a few hours will cause the anxious angler to relish at even a nibble —

"Now I am satisfied that trout cannot stand the pressure of improvement and civilization any better than the wild Indian for like the Indian, if taken they must be taken by surprise and strategy, and herein is the charm and life of trout fishing —

"in sections where the speckled trout abound, we find them in the winter season in winter quarters, marshes, ponds, and still waters after the winter snow has disappeared, they resort to running brooks and streams, skulking here and there for security in their hand hiding places, and at this age, especially in Pellinian, Erie and Delaware, if a trout returns to his winter quarters, having escaped the hook or fly of the angler, he ought to be entitled to a pension from all trout dom —

and now to the question as regards tanneries affecting the trout, — in olden time, when the tanner used lime in the process of fitting hides, I have no doubt but that the lime waste might have destroyed the trout as all other fish at such times as the streams were low and not sufficient water to carry off the waste lime — — —

and to test the question now before the House by the bill attached to, I would ascertain if all other fish in the same streams were destroyed in consequence of tanneries — and I apprehend we would learn that suckers, chubs, sun fish perch and all other civilized varieties would be found to abound

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abound, and it is preposterous to assume that Trout alone are singled out to be affected by the Tanneries — "the truth is, Trout cannot hold up against the demands of improvement, and no kinds of fish are so sought for, to be killed and taken as the shy, wary trout, and no fish so readily deceived and trapped as the Trout by a skilful and experienced angler — I have become thoroughly satisfied, and to an extent, with great truth, that an expert angler, conversant with the habits of the Trout, would take every Trout, large or small, in the water he fished on —

"At the present time Sole Leather Tanners do not to any extent, as I am aware of our time, and there is nothing cast into the streams from the Tanneries that will injure or destroy Trout or other fish — Especially Trout, as I apprehend they have already been destroyed by the fishermen, and will not probably increase in numbers, until the hunters of Trout, lay by their fishing rods, and give the poor Trout a chance for their lives —

"At the Tanneries in Warren Co. we find the Trout as abundant in the immediate vicinity of the Tannery as else where, in fact we often find them in the Mill race, feeding upon the particles of flesh, for the entire season, when hooked or netted — (I allude to the fishing season) and the idea that the Trout are destroyed by reason of the Tanneries, is simply ridiculous — and I apprehend the whole thing has its origin in the addled brain of some fancy amateur Metropolitan who with his little knowledge of the world, fancies the country district still a wilderness — the country streams abounding

with fish." Especially Trout!) (Pity these city chaps do not take a fancy to fishing for chub, and sucker. Esq. &c) the fields with Deer as when the Settlers first hail the first law for his anticipated home and cleared pressions ——

"And now as to the effect upon the Farmer, by the passage of such a law, — why My Dear Sir I can hardly suppose an intelligent Legislature could entertain such an idea to fine and punish a Man... a Manufacturer.. the second branch of Manufacturing in the State.. because forsooth, some Cockney fisherman, or Harlequin was disappointed in catching a string of Trout, which had been caught year before perhaps by his more fortunate and earlier Competitor ——

"Certainly the Tanner has not interfered with his anticipated sport — as he has cast nothing in the stream that would drive away or injure Trout, Chub, Sucker, or any other fish and if he (the disappointed) would have revenge for his disappointment, let him find out the Man or boy who fished the stream before him, — and at once apply to the Legislature for the passage of a law, to have such person banished, that Trout may grow and increase for his peculiar sport and pastime —

"Even in this Sucker streams, where originally Trout were all that any angler could desire in quantity, you now must be content with the poor (no game) Chub, Sucker &c — and no Tanneries to interfere therewith, the truth is the Trout we caught and killed, whilst the poor Chub, & Sucker were thrown back to the waters to live and prosper. ——

"The Trout, the Deer, the Moose, in fact all orders of the wild Game, are fast disappearing before civilization and improvement, their habits are broken up, their retreats destroyed and the territory

propensity of man to kill an animal, a fish, not because he needs it for a sustenance, or profit, but simply to kill because it is wild and belongs to nobody in particular — and I apprehend that all the laws that may be passed by the Legislature, prohibiting, will fail to keep and confine the wild animals in a cultivated and improved district — and now I to express an opinion as to the means for sparing the Deer, Moose, Trout and other animals, fish, birds &c. I would suggest that such wild Deer, Moose, Fish, Birds &c be declared by law to be actually the property of the person or whose possessions or lands they may be found, and any strolling, amateur Metropolitan tourist of pleasure seeker or hunter who may come on our Forests, and stroll out on our rural streams, killing our Deer, and catching our Trout, without as much as asking by your leave sir that they be held as trespassers, and as liable as though they had invaded my pasture and killed my sheep, or occupied my private fish pond to take my Trout, — (why not) —

I find I have almost filled the second sheet and must draw off, lest I tire you in the perusal of this communication — and to sum the matter up in answer to your enquiry I would say to fine and imprison the Tanner for doing that, for which he of all men, is the least guilty (that is destroying Trout) unless like myself he is guilty of being a Trout Angler, is simply ridiculous and can exist only in imagination —

Mrs Gray, Emily, Lannie and the two Amil send regards to Jamie and Mrs Cowell, wishing to have the honour to remain

Your Respectfully Yours Most Truly

Thos Gray

Croton Aqueduct Department,

ROTUNDA, PARK,

New-York, March 16th 1863

To Hon E. Cornell

Dear Sir

I take the liberty of informing you that I am a Son of Mr William Darragh of Enfield Cut Tompkins Co. that I am at present a Commissioner of the Croton aqueduct Department in the City of New York. I was appointed Dec 4th 1862 for the term of five years I see from the papers that there is a bill before the Legislature offered by Mr Depew which will curtail my term one year. now as I am the only Republican holding the position of head of a department in this City I can appeal to you with some confidence that you will see that I am not legislated short unless there is some

good reason why. I should be, especially as when I go out a Democrat is sure to fill my place. The bill also affects Mr Stephens & Craven my associates who are good and competent officers. What I desire is that the bill may be so amended as not to curtail the term for which army head of department has been appointed

The Croton Department have enjoyed the reputation of being as well managed as any department in the City. and I do not intend to allow it to suffer any by my aqcession thereto. I believe the Committee which reported the bill are favorable to such an amendment as will secure us for the term for which we were appointed you can judge better than I can whether it can better be amended in Committee of the Whole or be referred back to the Committee on the affairs of Cities. which reported it. (for amendment)

by giving your attention to the matter you will confer a favor on yours Truly

Robt L. Darragh

Mr Stephens will be in Albany tomorrow if you desire any further information he will give it you

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Western Union Telegraph Co.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Rochester, N. Y., March 16 1863

E. Cornell Esq

Dear Sir,

I enclose you two certificates of W. U. Tel Stock - one no 880. for 10 shares issued to O. S. Wood & one no 881. for 6 shares issued to yourself - as your order of the 5th inst

The Books open today after doubling the stock capital as you will see $6,000,000 -

The Detroit a/c this month brought an order from you on Balch for $25 which has been paid and which we charge you with together with $200 previously

I suppose this is all right

Respectfully Your
W. B. Sevitt
Asst Secy

Please remit 50¢ by return mail for the two stamps used in transferring above stock

Indianapolis March 16. 1863.

E. Cornell Esq

Dear Sir

I have been receiving several favors from you for which I am very much obliged. I read your address upon agriculture with a great deal of pleasure. You have this merit that whatever you undertake you have energy enough to carry it through. Your suggestions are all good. I would like to go into agriculture and stock raising myself. It is a very serious question with me now whether I should give up my profession ~~now~~ and go into that business. Or whether I should stick to the law. The difficulty is that I have a tendency at this time to disease of the lungs. and staying in the office as much as I do. increases the difficulty. If I could live out of doors. as a Gentleman ought to my health will be good while I live. that is, I shall have sound lungs. I dont know however that I shall ever leave my present business. Last summer. and

Spring I had a very severe attack of inflamatory Rheumatism. and after I had partly recovered I took a trip to Minnesota. and if I ever change my location I intend to go there. The agricultural capacities of that Country are Equal to this. but it is not Equal to this for fruit. Except the small fruits. at present the people. Most of them. think apples and pears will not grow there. Still some hardy varieties will probably ~~grow there~~, but it is better climate than this for Sheep and Cattle. It is a cold ~~there~~. but the winters are dry. and there is no excess of snow. often not quite enough. The late Indian troubles have produced some injury. but there will be this beneficial result. that the State will be cleared of Indians. If the Gen'l Gov't does not remove them. the hunters will.

I see that the democracy. so called. in the East are changing front. I have ~~some~~ respect and hope for those men who heartily co-operate with the Union party. but those who remain in that party. who are essentially and naturally traitors. Spawn of the tories of the revolution. called now the democratic

party deserve hanging and nothing else. being pirates, and not in the condition at present to hoist the piratical flag. they must of necessity sail under false colors. We have a plenty of them here. at one time there was danger of an out break. but the Union party soon organized and the danger for the present is over. I know that among the Union Clubs there was a memorandum of a list of Butternut leaders who would most probably have suffered upon the first out-break. The Butternuts were duly notified of it and the danger was over. An entire Battery was broken up by desertion at this place by the introduction among them of the Order of the Knights of Golden Circle. The rebels South must be put down. before the rebelion south can be broken up. even if considerable summary hanging + shooting is resorted to. I am not sure but the Friends in their revolution took the most wholesome course. If every member of the late Convention at Hartford had been hung on the spot. none but traitors would have suffered. Now but

~~best~~ treason would have mourned.

We have had a very open mild winter. The Crocus were in bloom in my garden the tenth of this month. The Daffodils are almost in bloom. Singing sparrows have been two weeks. robins several day. blue birds at times all winter. The blue grass is showing itself. Wheat is said to have been injured by the frequent freezing and thawing. The sod land is ready for plowing. We are all well. Remember us all to Mrs Bonnell. I am glad to see as patriotic and worthy a Man as you are in the Legislature Very few of our leading men are Elected to our Legislature that matter is neglected. I hope it will be better hereafter. Excuse this long and desultory letters

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Lucian Barbour

L. Barbour
Mar 16. 63

Syracuse March 17th 1883

Hon E. Cornell

D. Sir

Enclosed please find list of names I obtained for you Saturday. I should keep it longer but Nellie is very sick and it may be some days before I can get any more. I have got a pretty strong list of names only 3 men that I asked to sign it refused. Two of them were rebels and the other F. W. Smith, wouldn't sign it because he was mad because it wasn't located on his farm.

Our love to Mary Ann

Yours Affy N. G. Wood

Trumansburg N.Y.
March 17th 1863.

Hon Ezra Cornell

Sir:

Having collected the Agricultural statistics of District No 2 Ulysses for the years 1860. 1861. 1862, and when solicited to procure them for 61 it was intimated that I might receive some agricultural books for the trouble of collecting. and not having received any thing of the kind, and understanding that some who collected in other districts have. I would be gratified to receive any Agricultural reports, if there are any yet remaining

in your hands subject to
such disposal.

With great respect
I remain your obedient servant
Hon Ezra Cornell D. H. McLallen

D. H. McLallen
17 Mar 1862

Trumansburg N.Y. Mar. 17. 1863.

Hon. Ezra Cornell,
Albany, N.Y.

Dear Sir,

It gives me pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of several pamphlets &c, thro' your courtesy.

I am trying to build up the Academy in this place, both in its general character and in its Library & Apparatus. Important additions have already been made.

I am gathering up all public documents, Agricultural Reports, &c. &c. whatsoever I think may be of service years hence for purposes of reference.

If there is any particular in which you can aid in

in this work I shall be happy to acknowledge the same.

I send thro' you a speech of my quondam friend, Palmer E. Havens, exposing the special pleading of our most excellent Governor.

May God speed the right!

I am, Dear Sir,
Yours Respectfully,

E. M. Maynard

E. M. Maynard
17 Mar 63

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Hon E. Cornell

My dear Sir

I rec.d a memorial from you to day, I inclose it with 71 names.

I forwarded one to Col B. P. Johnson with 140 names, I hope that is before the Senate or your house — I am expecting a lot of names from Harmon & Covert, I may send them to our member as I think he is right & will be with you

Very truly Yours

Brad Joy

New York, Mar 17th

E. Cornell Esq.

Dear Sir-

You were quite right in supposing that I did not wish to give you a defective animal at the price you are to pay for 3rd Lord Oxford.

If he shows any defects from his breeding you need not take him if you do not choose, but should he be taken sick from other causes I should expect you to be at the loss such is always the understanding when I agree to keep an animal

after he is sold & such
I intended to convey to
you — trusting it meets
your view

Yours truly

John C. Thorne

Albany Mar 17 1863

My Dear Sir

Your favor of the 10th came duly to hand, and should have been answered before. My only excuse for the delay and for the neglect in sending the money is that I have been worked so hard and so constant with two sessions a day, and a committee meeting before the session and another between the sessions, that I have neglected everything else, and forgotten you —

And now having neglected to inform my son that I had promised to send you the

money, he has just invested it in a bond + Mortgage to save a neighbours farm from the hammer, as he informs me by a letter just rcd from him. I expect a dividend early in apl from which I could pay you what I promised and perhaps a thousand more and then arrange the balance some way so you could realize on it, if that will do, or if not, let me know and I will borrow something for you at once

Yours Respectfully
E. Cornell

E. W. Chester Esq
Ny —

West Dryden —

March 17th/63

Hon. Ezra Cornell

Sir:

I herewith enclose a Petition to His Excellency Governor Seymour, asking a Reappointment as Notary Public signed by our County Clerk, County Judge, District Attorney, and others, which you will please state to our Governor, and Present the Application for me and you will oblige me very much,

I return you my sincere thanks for signing my other petition and also to Mr Freeman. I received an Evening Journal Almanac from you which contains much valuable information your kindness is appreciated. My friends in Ithaca signed the accompanying petition with a full knowledge of my Republican principles as a testimony of their kindness and respect

Please present the Petition as soon as convenient. I trust you will pardon my intrusion upon your time and patience.

Respectfully Yours

Palmer B. Fox
West Dryden
Tompkins Co
N.Y.

New York March 17. 1863

Hon Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

This will be handed to you by a Committee of the respectable Seamen's Boarding House Keepers of this City, They go to Albany for the purpose of getting an Act passed for the better protection of Seamen and to regulate Seamen's Boarding Houses in this City—

From more than twenty five years experience I have had in Shipping of Seamen, and from my knowledge of the way some of the Boarding House Keepers treat the Sailor, I am convinced that a Law should be passed for this protection I have had conversation with the Committee, and I fully concur with them,

Hoping you will take the same view and aid you can in passing such an Act. I remain yours

Most truly

Thos McLelan

151 Fourth St

P.S. Accept my thanks for sending me your address delivered before the New York State Agricultural Society and the Act concerning Rotation Public Grounds

T. M. Clark

T. M. Clark
Ft. Allen 63

New York Mch 17th 1863

Dear Sir

In yours of today's date, is the interrogatory "Would it suit you to engage in the freighting business &c," I answer, certainly, if it can be made profitable. I am not at all particular, anything honorable, but I am of an age that compels certainty of success in my future operations

I haven't noticed what is or has been, doing in that line lately. I suppose its success will depend upon circumstances. You may be more explicit in perfect confidence, & please name the amount you consider reasonable for a colony, & the probable position I will be assigned to.

It is a little more respectable than my proposed business but I am past consulting public opinion in this respect.

I am as sanguine as ever, that there is money in this & have seen nothing to discourage me in the least. I intend to try my energies in my next business & want the right sort of field to operate in.

I understand Robinson & Company are making an effort to work something through the Legislature to enable them to monopolize the City Telegraphs. Look out for them. Since I built Fire Alarm Co. a line, I have had 4 other applications from Bureaus of the Department & have no doubt I can get a hundred more.

Hon Erastus Cornell,
Assembly
Albany

Very Respectfully & Gratefully
Yours W. P. Pew
50 & 52 Pine St
NY