

New York April 14th 1863

Dear Cornell

I have grown a little uneasy
The two or three other things I have had, have pretty much
slipped through my fingers. I have two of them
securely by the tip and hairs - On going into Alfred Loring's
today to see how matters were progressing, I found
them unable to give me a word. They knew
nothing hence I wrote you - say they are waiting to
hear from our party. Now what is being done? Has it
all fallen through? The Loring seems to have been -
waiting a reply from Alfred Curtis, &c. He was very
much & earnestly engaged with some parties inside talking
quite boisterously. At the moment he was out afforded
me no opportunity to hear much - but I understood
him to say nothing was being done - Please give
me information quick for I shall be in a little
soon & fear -

Very Respectfully

J. P. Raw

50 TR Rm

vt.

SUPERINTENDENT'S DEPARTMENT.

Western Union Telegraph Company.

Chicago Apr 14th 1863

Cornell by Ex.

Party just called
in & presented 2 shares of O I & I
Stock issued to Thomas Dyer wishing to
know what it was worth. Being unable to
give them a satisfactory answer I told
them I would write you on the subject.
Please write & say how much you would be
willing to give for it.

Yr. h. Cuyler

SUPERINTENDENT'S DEPARTMENT.

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E Cornell Esq
Off.

Beche, one of Catons Directors, says
that the Dividend this year will be 6 per cent
payable sometime in May.

When I was in Rochester Mr
Elwood wrote along a letter stating just what
he was entitled to from the 2 shares of E & M
Stock had of E Corning & Co. He said I would
be entitled to the same or rather the same per
share. I have paid for the Crocker Stock &
am only waiting for you to arrange it so I
can get my Dividends & interest. Mr Elwood said
there could be no trouble about it. I will
make a Bond of Indemnity strong enough to
suit.

I purchased a small lot of Leicester sheep
a few days ago, which came from Canada.
They are very nice & create quite an excitement
in the quiet Country. What arrangement can I
make with you to get the use of one of your
imported Southdowns for the Corning season, & if
we move him hence by Cons what season of the year
do you think is best to do it. What kind of
a cross would it make to put serve him to

half Brog Cotswold Sires. Please have always
send me a copy of letter he got from
Mr Elwood or at least that portion of it
referring to the Strath Dividends due & c.
~~My~~ If you do not go to Europe this year
you must come out & see us. I want you to
see how we do telegraphing & also go in the
Country & see my farm. Bring your wife
with you & have her go to Kankakee &
pass a little time with my folks. we are
very comfortably situated there & I think you
would both enjoy the visit & I know
we should. My regards to your wife -

Yrs truly
Emory Cobb

E. Cobb
16. April 63

Rhinebeck

Honble .

14 April 1843

Ezra Bonelee

My dear Sir

I returned from New York last evening, and find nothing from you in relation to the action of your Com. I am therefore in hopes that no definite action has yet been taken.

I wrote you by yesterday morning train suggesting a compromise which would be likely to gain the support of the friends of the various colleges in the State - by this compromise one third was to go to the Agricultural College - one third to the People's College, and one third to be distributed by the Regents

I endeavored to describe such a

Bill as would effect these objects,
but fearing you may not have clearly
understood me, I now enclose you
a Senate Bill 257 amended in the
manner I indicated - It will be
satisfactory to us though we should of
course prefer to have one half the lands.
- You remember Mr Brown spoke before
your Committee of the strong vote which
his Bill had in the Senate - This was in
a great measure explained to me ^{yesterday} ~~to-day~~ by
Senator Cornell - who said he and all
my New York friends voted for the Bill
without knowing what it was, until the
vote had been gone through when Senator
Murphy asked him how he came to vote
in that manner - he would have
asked to have his vote changed as
would the others but they did not

like to do so, in view of the fact that
they felt confident Cook had votes
enough to pass the Bill - Mr. Corwell
expressed regret at the mistake he and
others of my friends thus made.

I name this, that you may, by
repeating it drive out any impression
in the minds of your associates that
the vote was nearly unanimous.

Yours very truly, George

W. Kelly

Ithaca, April 15-1863

Hon. E. Cornell

Dear Sir:

I think you got a wrong impression as to the effect of the amendment I suggested to the militia law. The amendment would still leave it in the power of the Supervisors in each County to fix the rent they would pay & they would be at liberty to make it much less than \$150 if they chose. It would only be in case of their refusal to fix any amount that the Colonel would have a right to fix it & make it a County charge. Still the matter was only a suggestion and I am quite satisfied that you are in a much better position to decide correctly about it than I.

I am very glad you are

coming home so soon & with the intention of commencing work at once. Your enterprise is the first ray of decent daylight I have seen in this town for many a year & opens for me a source of great interest and satisfaction. It will be to me an unfailing source both of pleasure & benefit & I feel confident that your plans and arrangements have in them the elements of complete success. Every one in this town with any intelligence or any desire for intelligence must feel that you are conferring upon them a great & generous benefit.

You need not talk of my going to the Assembly, least of all as a successor to you. I never had much political ambition & have always felt a consciousness that

I could do the party better service as a private in the ranks. In that capacity I shall never falter or flinch but I shall always beg to be left to the peace & comfort of my quiet home life & not be tossed as a candidate or leader on the whirlpools of public life. I have long held these views & nothing but some commanding necessity in which taking office would press upon me with the force of a duty will ever change them. This conclusion, I have long felt, is best for me & best for the public. Your position is different. You can wield & you do wield a wide and powerful influence for the public benefit which is growing stronger every day. The burden of offices you will very constantly be called upon to bear & unpleasant & often

onerous as it is, for you it will
be almost if not quite a duty.

I am glad you are coming
home. Let me add that when you
come if you need a room or office
to occupy in the Village for your
business or building purposes, we
have an extra room adjoining ours
which you can freely occupy
without any inconvenience to us &
which will always be at your
service.

Very Truly Yours
J. M. Smith

J. M. Smith
Apr 15, 63

Rose Apr 15 1863

Dear Sir

I expected to
have heard from Collins
before now about our
Rice -

If it passes the
Senate Telegraph to me
if you think it necessary
to be in Albany

I am very busy
preparing to build a
House this summer -

Yours Truly

E. A. Thomas

H. A. Dowse
15 April 63

Ithaca Apr 15, 1863
Hon. E. Cornell
Sir

Among your friends here who are advisers
as in regard to your new
building it has been suggested
to me that you were willing to
construct it so as to furnish
a drill room for Military
Companies 50 x 60 feet in the
cham in the basement and
a room suitable for storing
arms &c and for a meeting
room on the first floor at a
cost of \$150. If suitable
rooms can be constructed as
above it would be a fine thing
for the Military Company here
and such others as may be

organized. The first
difficulty which presents
itself is the \$100. The Company
can't pay it & I don't know
as the Supervisors will.
Last Fall they arranged
to hire the Town Hall for
the Company here at \$100,
including lights fuel
janitors fees &c. because
the 121 Section of the Militia
act in case of their refusal
imposed the job on me &
limited me to \$30.

In the Amendments to the
Militia Act this Section it
would be well if the 121 Sec.
were separated thus simply
leaving it the duty of the
Board of Sup^s to erect or remove
They could then be brought
to town by a memorandum.

However I think the Sup^s will
hereafter be more liberal with
the Military organization.

And as representing mostly
the farming interests they will
doubtless feel under some
obligation to you as their
chief patron and benefactor
of farmers in this County.

This will induce them
to further your wishes in
the matter especially as
in all this matter your wishes
coincide with the interests
of the public.

As to the drill room
it ought to be not less
than eleven feet high
well lighted and ventilated.

Mr. Trich thought the
plan contemplated a basement
only 3 feet or thereabouts

above the ground. That
in my judgment would
spare the basement for
any useful purpose except
a coal hole. I think, too,
that a basement 6 or 6 1/2 feet
~~with~~ above ground with sufficient
space from the side walks for
the proper steps and entrances
will make a much better
looking edifice than a low
basement. You will appreciate
my idea if you call to mind
the squat look of our Presby-
terian House Court House
& worse than all our new
Clerk's office and if you have
seen it the Cathedral in
Buffalo. The latter is
an example of a really fine
stately edifice dwarfed into
insignificance by being set
almost on the ground and

out flush with the side
walk. You have my
notions for what they are
worth."

I notice the Adams
Canal matter is referred to
the Canal Com. Does that
kill it?? The argument
that mill owners on the
Seneca River have acquired a
vested right to the surplus water
of the Erie Canal might be
met by the remark that
the people upon the Cayuga
Lake have not therefore
acquired a vested obligation
to be cut off from the use
of their great natural
Highway. So people
have ever been so abused
by legislation & the powers of
State officers as the People

on this Sake

They ought all to
make common cause
of their interests till their
rights are obtained

Yours truly
W. L. Dyer

Hon Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

I was much pleased with the
news you urged in Conn. in support of the
Bank Bill, comprehending the national interests
as well as those of the State, and I hope you
will follow up the Bill & see that ^{it} is passed
in your branch of the Legislature. - You will
know what is necessary to secure its adop-
tion & will see I know that it is not lost
by neglect

Very Truly

Yours

H A Riskey

Western Union Telegraph Co.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Rochester, N. Y., April 15 1863

E. Cornell Esq

Dr Sir Your letter of the 13th has been recd
I send you herewith \$230.56 to balance another in
respect to Div No. 12 viz.

Your dividend	\$17,836
Mr. Cornell "	608
Nathaniel Marsh "	240
A.B. Cornell "	<u>24</u> \$18,708

Centen

Overpaid on last Div \$100.

Int 2 & 14 days 1,44

Sent to Miss Wood Feb 26 100.

Int 1 mo 14 dgs 85

Feb 2
Mch 23

Paid J. H. Cornell for Balch 25.00

Int on same 25

Sent you 2000.

Exchange on above 5.00

Int 18 days	6.90	\$2,239 44
		16,468.56

Currency this day sent P. A. Partinheimer Cashr

as per your order \$16,238

Do send herewith to you 230.56 \$16,468.56

Prior to the recd of your letter we had made up
this packet of \$16,238 currency for you and sent it
new to break it. The Cash of the Bank at Ithaca
can of course send you what you want at Albany.

If not satisfactory please advise me so by 31

Yours Truly

O. H. Palmer

Sett for Feb of \$31,000

Please return receipt to me O.H.P.

{ In Camp at Providence
La April 16th 1863

Dear Brother

Your kind favour of Apr 6th was recieved at 9 o'clock last evening, also one from Benjamin Connell dated Feb 27th from Aqua Creek Landing, Va.

My health is not so good as when I last wrote you but is improving. I have been suffering from a severe attack of diarrhea and as I got better of that, I had serious symptoms of chill fever, but happily am in a fair way to soon resume my post again. I find that slight disarrangement of the system in this warm climate is attended with much more lassitude than in colder climates. The weather is beautiful - hot days and cool nights, vegetation is very forward, peaches are growing as large as small hens eggs now, &c. I am sorry I cannot send you a better account of our doings hereabouts. There have been very extensive preparations in progress ever since we came here from Memphis last January, and the boys here are getting as anxious for a demonstration as our friends in the east and many of the shoulderstrap Gentry are strutting around with secesh females whom are guarded by our soldiers while their husbands

and brothers are in the rebel ranks, many of our officers also have the unenviable reputation of speculating in cotton instead of attending to their legitimate business, and thereby bringing shame and disgrace upon the whole army; when the rank and file are ready to follow efficient leaders to victory and glory, — there are two regiments of blacks being raised at this point to be designated the 8th and 9th La. vol. Militia, with all commissioned officers and 1st sergeants from the officers, non com. officers & privates of this 17th army corps, and there has quite a strife for positions by ambitious persons from the ranks, but there were so many commissioned officers who applied for such positions that many an ambitious youth was disappointed, but happily for me I was not an applicant for promotion. I heard last night from below that several of our transports had been fitted up to attempt to pass the batteries of Vicksburg with no other crew than a pilot & engineer, to test the strength & range of their guns, preparatory to sending troops below, guarded by our iron clads which are to sail between the transports & rebel batteries, engaging them while passing, if it is thought feasible to do so. I hardly credit the report, we yesterday saw the expedition which has just returned from the Yazoo, and put in here for the night on their way down. They were a sorry looking set of boats with their chimneys cut down to admit them to pass under the trees and

with their upper works, more or less, torn to pieces by coming in contact with overhanging trees, the men however looked tough and rugged and notwithstanding they had been aboard the boats since march 1st, they appeared still anxious to be brought before the enemy any where they might appear. I found several old acquaintances among them from Ill. Ind. & Ohio, but who moved to Iowa & Minn. where they enlisted. They all seem hopeful and show no decline in feelings of patriotism. They have now gone below. I receive letters frequently from Delilah and I think by what she wrote some time since, she had received the money you sent her, although she did not say so, she is quite diffident about writing to those with whom she is unacquainted, for the reason she is a poor writer and has had but a short experience in letter writing. It was some time before I could prevail upon her to write to Deborah yet she was apparently as interested in her letters as I was. They are corresponding now however as I learn by both of them. Delilah is a noble woman and is worthy of a far better husband. I have received two months pay & have sent her funds so that she is in comfortable circumstances at present. She will be happy to have a visit from you at any time. I receive very encouraging and patriotic letters from her with urgent admonitions to perform my duty to my country and never to return except honourably, to her and what else can a man do but his duty with such admonitions and counsels from the loved ones at home?

I should be happy to receive any favour from you in shape of speeches periodicals or newspapers, at any time - we had a splendid company library when we left Camp Fuller but were obliged to leave all our books at Jackson Tenn, as we had more luggage than transportation and reading matter is in great demand with us, we can only buy papers occasionally and at a cost of 15 to 25 cts each. I should like very much to have the Litcher paper occasionally.

have you ever corresponded with Mr Lambert, he will be happy to see you if you go to Boone co, wish I could meet you there when his strawberries are ripe.

Give my best respects to Mary Ann and the other members of your family.

Respectfully

D. B. Cornell

Hon E. Cornell,
Albany N. Y.

P. S. Address

Co. G. 95th Ill. Vol. Infy.
1st Brigade 6th Division
17th Army Corps, via Cairo

There is nothing certain about our being here only from one day to another - and the mail agent at Cairo is kept posted as to our whereabouts while we remain in this department. D. B. C.

D. B. Cornell
16. Apr 63

Rhinebeck April 16. 1863

Hon Ezra Cornell

My dear Sir

I learn this morning

from Col. Johnson that your joint Com. has reported
and that the Land Grant Bills are the special order
for to-morrow (Friday) - and he urges me to come up.
- I fear this will be utterly impossible, as I have an
engagement from which I cannot consistently excuse
myself. - Yet if I can get rid of it - I will endeavor
to see you some time to-morrow.

I have been pleasing myself with the idea that
the Bills were having a warm time in your Committee,
and I wrote courage in the hope that such delay would
throw it over the present session. The Col. does
not say in what shape it is reported, and I therefore
infer it is substantially if not verbatim the Senate
Bill - and if this be so, I infer still further that
this is one of the log rolling bills, bound to pass the

Assembly, unless it can be kept off by vigorous discussion and every means - calculated to delay it. I have this morning written Judge Dean as fully as the time would allow, have given him the chief points in the case and have asked him to co-operate with you - He would perhaps offer one of the amendments you have in hand - that he will cordially work with you I have no doubt - I wish you would see and talk to him.

I have written specially to W. S. Carey of Brooklyn also, who will I trust sustain our side of the question, not alone by his own vote and speech but by talking to his colleagues from Kings County. - I have also written John Cutler - who will do any thing in his power to oblige me - he is not a lawyer but he will draw up and influence many votes - He understands that whatever you propose or advocate is agreeable to me - and when the time comes to vote on this Bill

if it ever reaches a third reading - you will do an essential service by asking him to get us all the votes he can.

Will you communicate to Col. Johnson from day to day the progress making so that I may be constantly informed - your time is so engrossed that I will not ask you to write me.

My friends Douglas and Satchel will co-operate heartily with you.

You understand I suppose the position taken by our trustees as freely as I do, but at the risk of being tiresome I would repeat it -

We shall be content with a Bill that gives us an equal share with the People's College whether that share be one half or one third - but we must be named in the Bill as distinctly as the People's College. - Unless the Bill is of this character we desire to have it defeated.

Yours very respectfully
Wm Kelly

CLINTON L. MERRIAM.

WILLIAM J. BELL.

STOCKS AND BONDS
Bought and Sold on Commission,
AT THE
BOARD OF BROKERS.

MERRIAM & BELL,
BANKERS & BROKERS,
No. 18 William Street.

NEW YORK, *apl. 16* 1863.

Hon.

Egre. formula

Dear Sir,

I am very much obliged, for your prompt reply to my Tel. despatch, very much regret altho'. I am no Speculator in Gold, that our Legislature should in any way place restrictions upon traffic in either the precious metals or exchanges.

My reasons are simply these, The "few" live in some way welcome any legislative action & I submit - respectfully one suggestion that would in

Why may violate any act
and our vast injury to a
currency of the U.S. States
with ^{which} every one is satisfied
viz. Green backs.

Suppose that instead
of offering to buy, Gold
the Jews should offer to
buy Green backs, at 66¢
on the dollar.

or suppose that instead
of offering to sell Gold
they should say.

"I will take 100,000 of
of 'Green backs' pay all my
Coin for 60 cents on the
dollar."

"I take it no law
can be passed restricting
a Jew from selling any
thing he may possess for
any equivalent and at any
price he may apply to

his commodity. Is there?,"

You may say, when
it - that there can be
no harm in allowing these
things to run their course,

We are poor off indeed
when any Law is required
by States to endorse the
Laws of the Union, when
every body cheerfully acquiesces
in what is.

So Mr. suppose I am
not in favor of any such
acts that will help our
Government, but I doubt their
reproducing & efficiency.

With very great
Respect. & Regards to you

I am always
Mons. V. S. Hall

W. S. Hall

P.S.

The effect of quoting
Greenbacks, at a depreciated
price is far more injurious
than in quoting gold at
a premium, — Don't you
think so?

Wm. F. B.

Mr. W. is oblig. me. by my
Jul. 4 despatch on the subject

J. Wood
15th Apr 63

Albion April 17th 1863

Dear Ezra

I drop you a line as an excuse for not reporting on the farm in Ill. That ~~Arline's~~ boy is verry sick and our folks do not want me to leave.

It is four weeks since he was taken with a convulsive fit and he has been ballancing between life & death ever since. The second week we thought him better and had high hopes of his recovery, but since then, and for two weeks we have thought he could not live,

The doctors are baffled to know what ails him and they evidently are surprised every time they come that they don't find him dead. How long he will continue without a change one way or the other is uncertain. I cannot well leave until that takes place. I am ready to go just as soon as it will do to leave him. Arlina has sent for her mother Robinson to come and assist her. We are a good deal wearied with watching and care for the little fellow. It is quite sickly in town this spring and the bell tolls almost every day for funeral.

The weather has come off clear & warm & spring seems fairly with us.

I rec^d? the April dividend yesterday on Phebe's stock \$324. This beats anything in the line of stocks.

We are watching with great anxiety to hear of Charleston being taken by our forces and are preparing for a big jollification on the receipt of the news.

We have a big national flag ready to raise that cost us \$36. in N-Y city.

Mary is here to day and reports all well at home.

Yours Respectfully

M. B. Wood

Illinois & Mississippi Telegraph Company.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

THOMAS BASSNETT,
SECRETARY.

Ottawa, Ill. April 18th 1863
Hon. E. Cornell

Dear Sir -

I am happy
to be able to notify you
that a dividend has been
declared payable June 1st.
worth of 3¢ per share.

I shall probably anticipate
the date by paying
some time in May if
no objections are made.

Yours truly
Thos Bassnett
Secy.

AMASA DANA, President.
C. L. GRANT, Vice President.
P. J. PARTENHEIMER, Cashier.

Tompkins County Bank,

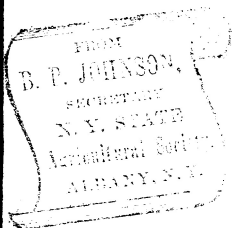
Athaca,

April 18 1865

Mr. Geo. Cornell
Beaumont

I have rec^d \$16.538—
from Nat^l Union Tr. Co.; and credited
your account with and Yours truly

P. J. Partenheimer
Cash



Ag. Rooms
April 18 1863

Am. E. Cornell

Some good Calcutta Flax
seed has arrived & we shall have
20 bushels in sacks of 4 bushels each
which will be here next week - Will you
take one or more of the sacks - One certainly
will be ready - & perhaps another -

Trans. Shipped for Parcel to be delivered
out of the first copy to T. & G. Rowe 181
Front St. N. York free of expense

Yours very truly
B. P. Johnson

Can you see the printing Com. as to Transacting
Mr. Low, Sanford & Richards all at
Delaware

Copy of Resolutions
to Governor against
Law of granting lands
to be directed by
Congress, to
Peoples
College
sent to R.
P. Schuyler
of approved
to be desired
to Governor

His Excellency
Horatio Seymour
Governor of New York

Dear Sir

Jamaica L.I.

April 20th 1863. 32

I ask permission to direct your attention
to "The Bill to appropriate the income & revenue
which may be received from the investment of the
proceeds of the sale of the lands granted to the State
by the Act of Congress, Entitled an act donating
Public lands to the several States & Territories which
may provide Colleges for the benefit of Agriculture &
the Mechanic Arts" which has passed both Houses
of the Legislature, and is now before you.

The Bill gives to the Peoples College at Staona
in Schuyler County the whole income & revenue to be
derived from the Sale of Three hundred and Ninety
Thousand acres of Land, being the whole grant to this
State.

The just claim and right, of the New York State Agricultural College at Ovid in Seneca County, to a share of this income and revenue, have been entirely ignored.

This Grant of Land by Congress, for the benefit of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, is in the case of New York Very large and indeed magnificent.

Too large for one Institution, and never intended in States, where the population was ^{small} large, for a single College -

The Peoples College was founded by the Honble Charles Cook of Havana, who gave the land about one hundred acres, ~~for the Farm and~~ erected the College Building on the same, and it is ^{distinctly stated} ~~undoubtedly~~ ^{undoubtedly} said, that he will give to it, his whole Estate by his Will. Mr Cook is reported to be a ^{very} rich man -

Add the income of the Capital, which a million of acres of land will produce, to the present, and ^{mixed} proposed endowment of the Peoples College - and it will have more income

than will be required for the objects of the Grant

It is unjust to the New York State Agricultural College, which was founded by the contribution of Forty thousand dollars by the people of Ohio, and by the grant of an equal amount by the State, free of interest for twenty one years, not to have given to it a share of the income, to be ~~derived from~~ ^{of the fund provided} ~~the sale of the lands granted by Congress.~~

The ^{Agricultural} State College is situated on the Town of Ovid on Seneca Lake. Its farm consists of Four hundred and fifty acres of excellent land - and its buildings are capable of receiving and accommodating one hundred and thirty young men.

It was opened for the reception and instruction of pupils in December 1860 and had about forty scholars - but the War, and unsettled state of public affairs, so diminished their number and the charges

of successfully carrying on the College,
that it was determined by the Board of
Trustees to suspend, until more favorable
times, the course of instruction, which
had been so well begun and continued
for a year -

If, as I suppose, it was intended by Congress
to provide for sound and practical instruction
in agriculture & the mechanical arts,
surely it was unjust, to pass by an Institution
especially founded, by farmers and endow-
ed by the State to promote the objects of the
grant by Congress.

In behalf of the Trustees of the New York State
Agricultural College, I have ventured to
make this communication - and would most
respectfully appeal to you in the last
resort, to consider how far you may have
it in your power, to prevent so great
a perversion of a Noble grant - No
time will be lost by a little delay - as
it will take several years to make the
selection of land, and to sell the same.
and the public attention will be thereby

[Apr 20, 1863]

Directed to the object and purpose of this grant of land, and to a more just and equitable distribution of its income.

^{of New York.}
This State, ^{of New York.} large and populous enough, and so widely occupied in the pursuits of agriculture - ~~to~~ justify the belief that it can sustain more than one College, contemplated by the Law of Congress -

The appropriation therefore of the whole income for the benefit of a single Institution, which has as yet never opened its doors for the admission of pupils, ^{was not a accordance with the intention of the Law} is an act wrong in itself; and of great injustice to the fair claims and expectations of the New York State Agricultural College

Which is respectfully submitted
in behalf of the Trustees of the New York State
Agricultural College

John A. King
Chairman of the Board of Trustees

No 82 Broadway
New York April 23/63

Hon E. Cornell.

Dear Sir.

I hand you herewith
a copy of the Laws of Wisconsin giving title to the lands purchased
for taxes which remained three years unredeemed - We have about
50 of these forty acres tracts in Monroe County Wisconsin, Sparta
being the county seat - also 25 certificates unredeemed upon which
deeds are due - The taxes are due and payable upon all of these
lands, about the 1st of the coming May - I have failed to col-
lect money due here for this purpose and require two hundred
and fifty dollars to meet this urgent demand.

If you will oblige me by taking the deeds in your name
for the 25 certificates about 1,000 acres until two or three
months, I will give you further particulars.
I hope you will come this way when the Legislature adjourns -
I have some business to open to you of importance - Please
write upon receipt of this - Very Truly Yours;

(over)

A. Beebe
per E. B. B.

Chap. 503. Laws of 1852. Wisconsin

Sect 1. when any deed of land hereafter executed by any officers authorized by the Laws of this State to execute deeds of land sold for the non-payment of taxes shall contain a recital that the lands therein specified have been sold for the non-payment of any tax, such deeds shall be conclusive in all courts that the proceedings have been regular from the valuation of the land by the assessor up to the execution of the deed, and of the existence of all conditions precedent in any way affecting the validity of said deeds except as follows, to wit;

Sec. II.

Said deeds shall be prima facie evidence only; first, of the validity of such land to taxation, second of the non-payment of the tax. third, of the non-redemption thereof before the recording of the tax deed -

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Rochester Apr 24th

E. Cornell

Dear Sir,

I wrote to
you about the 5th of this month,
informing you of my affairs,
and of my selling the place
and the Mortgage on,
and enclosed in the same
letter was ten dollars & fifty cents
(\$10.50) to pay the interest due
Apr 21st. I have not heard
any thing from it since,
and have written this morn-
ing to know if you have
received it. Please inform
me immediately. It was sent
to Pittsford.

Very Resp

Phineas May

E. Cornell,

Office of Chesters & Kennaday,

ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS AT LAW,

TRINITY BUILDING, 111 Broadway,

E. W. CHESTER,
GEO. F. CHESTER,
JOHN R. KENNADAY. }

New York, April 24. 1863.

Hon. E. Cornell,

My Dear Sir,

I meant to see you before your leaving Albany, but two things prevented, 1st I couldn't leave here & 2ndly you had not a minute to spare there.

George has made arrangements to go into a little cash business in buying & selling coal oil & oil barrels. One of his captains had started the business & was doing very well in it in a small way. He is devoted to George & wanted him to go in as a partner with him, And they have done so.

George will have to get a little capital ^{cash} & is to put in at least \$1000, & by getting your note for the little balance, reserving enough to secure you on your indorse-

ment, we can get the money. He has spent money instead of making by the war, & must now make it up in some way. The law promises little at present & it will be bad policy to go back into it. His ass't inspectorship will support him, & I think with a little means he can make his new enterprise successful.

I am glad to hear that you are to be here the first of May for I want to see you about this as well as the telegraph matters.

Can't you continue it so that I shall be informed when Judge Catton comes to the City. I am disposed to bring him to an account for you, if I can get a summons served on him here. Some of your Western friends can probably inform you of his movements in this direction.

Yours truly E. W. C. Hester

N. Y.
Buffalo, April 24th 1863

Ezra Cornell Esq.

Dear Sir,

I take liberty to address you on a subject of great interest to me. — I understand that you are the Commissioner appointed by the Agricultural Society of this State, for the great Exhibition in Hamburg in July next. Now I would like to offer you my services as Clerk or otherwise if you are in need of any assistance. I was born in the City of Hamburg, know all about the business manners there, and on that account think I could be of great usefulness to you at the Exhibition and perhaps before the same. —

I am employed at the Custom House here and can bring you good references in case you should conclude to accept my offer. Please give this a fair consideration and I think you will find it your advantage to give me the preference, if there is any. My charges would be very moderate. I remain

Your obedt Servant
Geo. Wochner

JACKSONVILLE NURSERY.

(J. M. MATTISON, Proprietor.)

Jacksonville, Tompkins Co., N. Y.,

April 28 1864

Mr E. Cornell

Dear Sir

They do not intend to ~~run the~~
run out the Frear Farm until Saturday

Very Respectfully Yours
James M. Mattison

PS! They will come in the forenoon

Chinebeck Apr 29. 1863

Hon Ezra Cornell

My dear Sir

First congratulating you on your return home, which you cannot fail to enjoy after so long an absence in Albany, I desire to thank you again for your assiduous efforts in behalf of the N York State Agricultural College, continued to the last moment.

Col Johnson has written me of the hearing before the Governor, and of the part you took in it - If this unjust unwise and selfish project of Cook and Brown is defeated it will be chiefly owing to your opposition.

My chief object in writing is to call your attention to the proposed sale of College lands on Tuesday 2^d June next - Your presence and declared intention to bid on a former occasion, had a most favorable effect in stimulating parties at Ovid to higher notions of value, and there is no doubt had the

sale then been allowed to proceed, the land would have brought a fair price.

We have ever since relied upon your presence and competition at the sale, and have arranged to have the whole plot of land not embraced within the boundaries of the College Farm proper offered on the same day - I urged our attorney to have the sale set down for May, but they did not succeed in getting their papers ready so as to sell sooner than the day I name 2^d June. - I trust no other engagement will prevent your being present on the occasion. If you should be unable to attend can you not send your son or a deputy or some one else to act for you - I hope your engagement at Chicago Convention may not interfere, that occurs some time in June but I am not advised exactly the date.

This land we propose to sell in two parcels. One of about 168 acres adjoining the College Farm and extending to the diagonal road which leads to

the village, and also to the main road from the landing.

- This comprises much heavy timber and land of excellent quality with two large barns erected by Judge Cheever.

The other parcel is a corner of about 20 acres that lies east of the diagonal road I have referred to and should belong to the party owning the adjoining land.

- The terms of sale will be liberal - about two thirds may remain on Bond & Mortgage - as to the other third, if you should become the purchaser and prefer not to pay the cash at once, I will arrange to take your note at four months, so that it may if you wish be paid out of your income.

Do me the favor to consider this whole subject and write me; I feel in addressing you that I am writing to one who feels a lively interest in the ultimate success of our enterprise.

Yours very respectfully

Wm Kelly

Rochester Apr 29th 1863

Mr Cornell

Your last letter was rec'd in due time, but we have been so busy in moving and repairing that I have not been able to attend to that matter till now, and now I find Mr Mumford has gone to New Orleans and would not be back in several weeks, O. H. Palmer has charge of his business, and he advised me to make out a note and send to you directly, he found your letter to Mr Mumford but did not feel authorized to act in the matter.

Maria obtained money of her Father-in-law to pay up her share of the expenses, so that I shall not want as much as I wrote for before, I think that \$80.00 will be all I shall need now and it is almost impossible to raise that amount at present

but I will endeavour to pay it
up as soon as I possibly can, I
do not feel as though it is hardly
~~necessary~~ necessary to give a bond
and mortgage for that amount,
perhaps you will,

Enclosed you will find
my note for the amt with the
\$5000 and interest up to the present
time, if that is satisfactory it will
be a great accommodation to me,

We should be pleased to see
you at any time,

With much respect
I remain

~~Dr.~~
E. Cornell Esq

Philanece May

(P.S) Maria returned to Mich
last Thursday, 10 P.M.,

P. May
Apr 29, 63