I have been requested by some of our people who feel interested in the matter to call your attention to an amendment now before the Legislature of the Act organizing our village Schools and to ask that you will aid its passage. It is true that our member has charge of the bill, but as your experience has been much greater than his you may be able to expedite its passage thru the House. If you will bring it to its final passage as soon as may be when it comes to the Senate, you will oblige very many of our people. The object of the bill is to get rid of a disturbing element which has been thrown into the Board managing our schools, and I believe the bill is called for by our citizens generally.

Yours Respectfully
L. Seymour

Indianapolis Feb. 29th 1864

Hon. Ezra Cornell

Albany N.Y.

Dear Sir.

I have received from you the Ev. Journal, Almanac and a Speech in your Senate, for which I am much obliged to you. I am still here practising Law. and see no chance that I shall very soon be rid of it, & probably that is the best. as I do not know that I could make more than a bare living at any thing else. I have been very much crippled with the Rheumatism this ~~last~~ winter, but I have been able to at the Office most of the time, not to run around, borrow and attend to ~~out~~ door business.

A few days since a Mr. Jones was Kin, a brother of Mrs. Bonnell. He seems to be very much of a Gentleman.

We have had rather a pleasant Winter because it has been more dry than usual. a good deal of Warm pleasant weather, and some of the Coldest weather the West ever affords. The fruit is all killed except the small fruits. Peaches tender Cherries. Pairs and some apples are killed & nearly all the Roses & Tender Shrubs.

I heard the first Blue Birds this year the 22nd ~~from~~ Feb. but it is cold again now and none but the Winter birds are with us.

Remember Mrs B and Myself to Mrs Bonnell. and accept our Regards for yourself.

Yours respectfully
Lucian Barbour

Middlefield Feb 29-64

Dear Cousin

Yours of the 8th
Jan came duly at hand
for which I was very thankful
A part us in about the same
health as when I last wrote you
my wife is still very feeble
and I see not much prospect
of her being any better soon
as she has been so long with-
out improvement about 9 mo
I and the rest of my frinds
here are well,

Should you be
able to make us a visit before
you leave Albany you will
stop at Fox Plain station
stage to Cherry Valley 12 mils
from there to Pleasant Brook
6 mils there you will find

my Brother Nathaniel
who will take charge of you
from thence

I was glad to
hear that Uncle had visited
you as we dont hear from
them very often, I think if
we all live I shall visit
him next summer

My sister
Elizabeth married James
Cook they live in the town
of Sanford about 8 miles
East of Deposit on the cold
spring road they have 7
seven children 3 boys & 4 girls
We have had a very mild
winter here so far but very
little staying our coldest
days 8 degrees below zero
It has been very sickly in this
vicinity this winter the most
so I think I ever saw and a
good many deaths

Please
remember us to your family
and friends, Yours Respt
D. R. Barnard
E. C[illegible]

Ithaca Feb-29 1864

Hon E Cornell

Dr Sir

Many of our citizens are desirous of organizing a new band and for that purpose have Subscribed towards the purchase of suitable instruments. The new band is composed of young men who are unable to purchase the instruments at the present high prices

We suppose you know we have but one band and that so much in demand both in and out of our village, as frequently to deprive the citizens of its services, on occasions when it is deemed desirable.

Should this object meet your approbation we shall be pleased to have you contribute such sum as you may consider proper

Please direct to William E Ostrander care of Alfred Wells.

Respectfully yours Mrs A. Wells

Chas Randolph Leader
W E Ostrander M. Perrigo
Levi Bessey Geo C. Mowry.
Jacob Rhen J. H. Rhen

Speedsville Feby 29 1864

Mr E. Cornell Dear Sir

Yours came to hand in due time in relation to that book that I wrote to you about I see that I was mistaken and I am sorry that I have made you so much trouble I had some sheep that had the disease called the scabb it is a new disease to me and I did not know what to do for it some one told me about that book and said that it would tell what to doo for them and said that they believd that it was printed and distributed the same as the patent office report was and I being a tax payer I supposed that I had to help pay for, but I was mistaken you wrote that you would send me one if you could get one

Yours

at the store you need not
put yours self to any more trou
ble about the matter for I can
by one for myself if I can
get one at the Stores anyway you
need not be to any more trouble
I am sorry that I made you any troul
le about cannot help it now
Mr Benjamine said that you
wrote to him and wanted to know
if he knew such a man as Lyman
Watkins and who he was and what
he was I live here and have lived
here for some years and have allways
tried to do what was about wright
and in this matter I ment nothing
wrong nor did not want you to
loose a cent by it and what trouble
you have ben to I will satisfy
you for if I eve get a chance
if you want to enquire any
more about me I wish you
would enquie of a decent
man you might better put
any such thing in the papers
than to inform Benjamine
of it for he will do nothing onely
to run around and spread it
he wanted to know what you
knew about me and what you asked
that question for he will have
it in a short time that I have
murdered some body
I wish you would not inform
him any more about the matter

Yours with Respect

Lyman Watkins

Speedsville Feb 29/64

Mr E Cornell

Dear Sir

Your favour of the 21st came duly to hand

With regard to the loan of two thousand dollars for my Father in law I am not able to answer how the first of may well suit him till I see him as he lives destain from me seven miles With regard to the fortain for my wife give your self no unnessary trouble about that as I have not much confidence in the matter but if your Fox Hound should be able to find any Fresh track's I will then imply a Blood Hound to follow up the track as I suppose

they are better on the track than a Tax House

Truth regard to our special Election I fear it will be rather a slim affair as there is nothing said about it or nothing doing to get out the voters you ask me Tohu Lyman Tuathins is He is a Farmer living near here is a Republican and a man of some Truth but not a man of much enterprise or influence

Yours Respectfully
S. T. Benjamin

NB I am much obliged for the Publish documents you have sent me and shall be obliged for any further favor you choose to send

E. N. Chester
29 Feb 64

New York, Feb. 29. 1864.

Hon. E. Cornell,

Dear Sir,

I send you by mail a copy of my summing up against Smith - written by myself but pictured by Goodman. I have drawn your name into it. I ask your pardon for the undue estimate of your income. I understand your quarterly dividend for March on $1.600.000 of stock will be $80.000. Ought I to be envious when I think of our many anxious consultations about consolidation, & my hope of an interest? ~~I am~~ the contrary I congratulate you most sincerely & rejoice in your good fortune. I was not born under a lucky star. I expect you will not have no use for the little dab that may be got from our unfortunate N. Y. & Wes. Co., as it will not be ~~felt in~~ visible in your full bucket, & so you will let

me squeeze what I can out of that wicked R. R. company for my own pocket — yours, to change the figure, being full.

I look around & see so many of my friends grow rich — the day for that part with me, & so a more anxious desire springs up to do some good, to close up my life with. And so laying aside my pride which stood in the way of ~~my~~ applying for the office, I have spoken to some of the leading members of our bar in regard to the Georgia Judgeship. Their response is so hearty & flattering that I have made up my mind to obtain their Testimony in my favor & forward to the Pres't. I think I could have the names of almost ~~the whole~~ all of my brethren here — particularly of those who sympathize with me politically — & to a much greater extent than I had supposed. It will at least be some gratification to me to find myself kindly appreciated by those

who know me, whatever the result.

Alexander W. Bradford, our late Surrogate, who you know stands very high, goes to Washington this week & has kindly offered to say any thing for me I desire. I have a good letter too from D. D. Field. I think 40 or 50 names of our best lawyers will probably be as good as more.

I have a letter from my brother this morning. He thinks with the movement of our armies in Georgia, it is time to put in my papers. I wish therefore to forward all this week.

Can you get me the backing of the Union members in Albany in time? Mr. Story of Brooklyn in your House & myself used to be well acquainted. Give him my kind regards & ask him to lend you a helping hand.

I will write a line to Mr. E. C. Benedict of the Otter House on whom

friendship I can rely. I spoke to Reed when he was here. My letter to Mr. Benedict goes with this, & if you wish, I presume he will procure a pardon, & co-operate with you.

Whatever the result my conscience will be satisfied with having offered my services in a place where, I think, I can be more useful than any where else.

I believe I gave you a copy of Judges Bosworth & Woodruff's certificate.

Yours truly

E. W. Chester.

Clear 1/2 1 in, Munch 12 to 16 ft long - Price last fall $75 & 80
" 1/4 5/8 " plumb 8 ft long " " " 70 & 75
" 1/4 1 1/2 - 2 - 2 1/2 - 3 & 4 in R/L 12 to 16 ft long " " " 75 & 80

Prices in Retail yards have advanced very much
The market is comparatively speaking bare - $100 to
$150 per M ft has been obtained this winter

Western Union Telegraph Co.,

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Rochester, N. Y., Feb 29 1864

Hon E. Cornell

Dr Sir

When I wrote you on the 26" I offered you 129c.

Since our Stock has gone up to 135c & one sale for 138

I cannot give you so much by one cent as the distribution must be done by other parties

When we are negotiating for the Merging of Pacific Every Effort is made to put our Stock to its Value

Every Effort should be made to sell to those who can help us as Stock holders & thus for you have done nothing

If you sell on your own a/c I hope you will see Erastus Corning & he has none of our Stock als Mr Martin of Albany Both their Men ought to be interested I can give you 135c net cash

Yours Mrs Hiram Sibley

Am Teleg Office
145 Broadway March 1/64

Hon E, Cornell

Dear Sir,

I would like to get a few Shares of W U Teleg. stock now from your very large amount, Cant you let me have a few odd Shares low. Mr Sibley was kind Enough to Spare me a half dozen Shares a few days Since at $118 below the price, would you not like to give an old Telegrapher a half dozen or a dozen Shares very low hardly be missed in your large amount.

Please respond by return mail & oblige

Yours Resply

A. T. Curtiss

Dear Sir

I have your favor of the 26th ulto. — In reply I have to say that I will be at Albany some day of this week & will see you. In haste

Yours very truly

P. B. Morrison

March 1. 1864

Hon. E. Cornell
In Senate
Albany

New York 2 March 64

My dear Ji

I send you as requested a Statement of the Quantity of Water used by the grist Mill at Montezuma drawn from the Erie Canal The head & fall is 9 ft. 9 inches - Quantity of Water used 1800 to 2,000 ft per Minute

I am ~~in debt~~ in a very unpleasant fix because of not hearing from Mr Wells. He left here last Week Monday morning for home and said he would be home on Tuesday & that his Son in law should leave Aurora on the next day. Wednesday and Come down to arrange matters with me I have been waiting ever since and have not seen or heard from

any of them and dont know what to make of it. When Mr Wells left here it was with the full understanding that the business was to go ahead without delay and I am much perplexed by these circumstances. I wrote him last Friday & got no answer

I wish you would write me by <u>return mail</u> and advise me what I had better do and much oblige

Yours Sincerely

Henry B. Spalding

H. C. Spaulding
2 Mar 64

Camp Willis Madden
Near Germania Ford Va.
March 3d 1864

Hon E. Cornell

Sir

A Man who came to the Regiment to day brought an item of news which I thought it might be well for you to know. Thomas J Parker who came out with this Regiment and afterward compelled to resign, while a day or two since in Washington was told in presence of this Man, by the Hon R.C. Fenton and a Gentleman whom he did not know in Military dress that if he (Parker) wished he could have the Colonelcy of this Regiment again. from this I conclude they have not yet acted in the matter but have the idea that Governor Seymour will do their biding in the matter, and they calculate to put some one in from Tallarangus. We are expecting Col. Parker

here to morrow and think his object in part is to test the feeling in the Regiment relative to the matter.

In that regard he will not meet with favor. as I have nothing further bearing on this point will not trespass upon your time longer.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Capt William Glenny
64th N.Y.V.

New York 3 March/64

My dear Sir

I have just heard that Mr James H. Wells is there sick & confined to his room - this explains the delay which has caused me so much anxiety

Yours very truly

Henry L. Spalding

Office of E W Chester & ~~Kennaday~~,
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS AT LAW.
E. W. CHESTER,
~~JOHN R. KENNADAY.~~
TRINITY BUILDING, 111 Broadway,

New York, March 3. 1864

Hon. E. Cornell,

My Dear Sir,

I rec'd yours about P&W & have had several interviews with him consuming more time than I can sometimes spare.

I am inclined to think well of his mining project. But I tell him this - It is a project which men are entering into as a speculation who can afford to lose a few thousand dollars if it proves unfortunate. This is not always safe to a man of small means. If he could have any employment in the business which would afford him a living I tell him it would be a different thing. But to be a mere outsider - having no voice in the management I don't like.

He has another project in a soap making business. I tell him to bring in the man who is carrying it out & let me understand about it. I think if you furnish him money it should be invested in some business out of which he can live.

I saw Wilcox at just now who has made a good deal of money at the mines & is establishing a bank there. He has promised to come in & see me. I am rather inclined if Wilcox will become his friend & advise to recommend you to advance him a sum of money & let him go out & try his fortune in preference to putting money into this concern as he proposes.

I shall probably send off my papers about the Judgeship to-morrow. I have been very pleasantly surprised by the good feel-

ing & confidential appreciation of
my professional brethren. I was
disposed to consider myself rather
an unpopular man. But I was
told just now by one of our conserv-
ative men - yet a war man, oppo-
sed to the administration, but ready
to sustain them as far as the war
is concerned, that my lawyer in
New York would go for me. I think
he was sincere but mistaken to
some extent. He said very earnestly
to me, when I said you know I am
an abolitionist - "Yes I know that
we have practiced law together in
N. Y. a good many years & I know
what is thought of you, & I tell you
the whole bar would join in recom-
mending for they know your com-
petence & honesty - the democrats
would sign your papers because
they would prefer you to any other
republican" or words to that effect.
This is very flattering, even if it re-

E. W. Chester
3 Mar 64

quires some modifying, as I know the man thinks what he says & is very well acquainted with the bar. It is some compensation for the strain upon my nerves in becoming a candidate for office. I have made up my mind to lay aside all diffidence & write directly to the Pres't, since I feel that I am not altogether selfish in the matter. I should not need to be sworn in probably before July by which time I can get much of my business closed up.

If I should chance to get the office, I don't know that it will be best to stir up your case with Smith. ~~One of you~~ He may die & end it. But I am very suspicious that if I should be out of the way he may stir it up. I have a feeling that no body else will ever understand it, I have it therefore in ~~f~~ mind to be at the elbow of any man who tries it for you, though I have to come from Georgia for it. He shant escape me - My refuse Judge Bonney gave me a cordial endorsement for the Judgeship - Yours E. W. Chester

Western Union Telegraph Co.,

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Rochester, N. Y., March 4 1864

Hon E. Cornell

My Dr Sir

Yours of 2d inst is received

It is important for us to interest as many of the N. Y. C. R.R. men as possible

Mr. Corning has some of Our Stock and the Freight agent at Albany I think his name is Mulford or Mumford

Richmond Harrison Gibbard & Young Corning are Stockholders now But we must try to interest some of the Albany interest

Corning, Martin, Mulford, & Mallard, of Albany ought to interest with us all over

I have made sacrifices of My Stock to the Amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars for the benefit of the Company and some other Stockholders - have done considerable in that way & it is now clearly your duty to make a Move in that direction

Can You do anything for us at the Delavan House - Collins is Expected every day Our dividend will not be less than 2 per cent We are building 100 miles per week, now from Corning

Yours truly Hiram Sibley

1864

Chaumont March 4

Ezra Cornell Esqr

Dear Sir I have the pleasure of Receipting your remittance for 150 Dolls a ap of Telegraph Recpt Sent you accept My thanks I accept as a present & Shall Endeavor to make a good use of it

I Remain Yours Truly

Absalom Baltus Jr

Albany Mar 5. 64

Dear Alonzo

Yours of 2d is at hand, in reference to selling W.U at 130, it dont seem to be necessary for I was offered 140 before I recd your letter & this morning Cobb is here and says it sold for 150 at Rh yesterday =

They are asking 160 for Pacific which adds 30 per ct to the par value of W.U. Say W.U earns enough to make it worth 130, the pacific would add 30 to that making its par value $160, I dont know but I had better sell some at $150, & perhaps you better send me down $50.000 — or then about, —

In regard to the T. C. Bk. what is their stock worth

in market? And what is it worth to wind up? What is it, and how is it secured? —

I think C & O canal will will be discussed in Com of the Whole say tuesday next. I hope to pass it in Senate, but Genl Adams is here urging renewal of Sodus. Canal charter which expired in 1861 — and which is valueless to us. as it provides a canal size of Erie — Dont know what he may do. He was before Canal Com yesterday — Will you get any business from T. C. B. & customers? —

Yours Respectfully

E. Cornell

A B C

Ithaca, March 5. 1864.

Hon. E. Cornell.

My Dear Sir— I take the liberty of calling your special attention to the Petition in behalf of "Genesee College", which is forwarded to your care. Having had personal and somewhat intimate knowledge of the Institution from the beginning, and great confidence in those who have charge of its interests, I feel quite free in commending it to your favourable regard and official influence. The College has struggled on thus far against many difficulties and embarrassments, but has been nobly sustained by its friends, by personal efforts and pecuniary sacrifices beyond even their supposed ability. - Could the appropriation asked for be made by the legislature at this time, it would furnish them with the aid which is specially needed now, and essentially promote the

Rev Fitch Reed
5 Mar 64

general cause of education in the state.

I very much hope that you may deem it suitable and proper, when the matter shall come before the Senate, to give it ~~to give it~~ the influence of your favourable action.

I am, dear Sir
Your obedient servant
Fitch Reed

Ithaca March 6th

Hon E. Cornell

Dear Sir

Yours of the 4th duly received - I can only say in reply that as far as my personal knowledge goes this new band does not materially interfere with the old one - their leader furnishing them with music and instruction

The young men composing this new band must have ability or they could not have been so successful in enlisting the patronage of so many of our best citizens.

They have already expended $120 in the purchase of instruments now probably on their way here for trial, purchased with the privilege of being returned in case they do not suit, one still remains to be purchased - price you will perceive marked on the card enclosed E. Hatt bass $85 ten per cent off for cash

I understand from my informer Mr W Astrander that great inducements even offered them if they purchased of this man in New York such as taking the instruments back in case they were not such as they wanted.

I also understand it to be their intention to play one a week in our park during the summer gratis, and in order to be ready even anxious to get their instruments as soon as possible to practice before warm weather

Attached are a few of the names of our citizens who are anxious to have this new band organized.

Yours most truly
Mrs A. Wells.

Hon E. Cornell

A. B. Cornell
William Andrews Jun
C. E. Greenly
J. Greenly.
T. Spencer
G. McChain
J. Gauntlet
J. Phillips
G. P. Apgar.
Frank Cornell

Danby March 7th 64

Mr Cornell

Sir I send these Pension papers of Mrs Mounts to you as was sent one year ago if you will take the trouble to attend to them you will greatly oblige an old Revolutionary Pension Lady.

Please direct to me at Danby

Respectfully yours &c
L. C Beers

Albany Apl 16, 64.
Sent L. C Beers my Chick on First National Bank Ithaca for $47.75 for above Pension

Jumanstung Mar 7th

Hon. E. Cornell

Dear Sir

By the request of the Trustees of Genesee College I enclose to you care the within petition - bearing the names of many of the most influential men of our village & vicinity - with the hope that the end prayed for may be reached

Yours Truly

H. N. Wilson

Milwaukee, March 9th 1864.

Hon. E. Cornell,

Dear Sir,

I have received & perused with much interest, your letter of the 4th inst.

The proposition to Exempt from State Taxation — after Entry and until Sold, all the Lands Entered, in this State, on behalf of your Institution, meets my hearty approval.

And, I think, the People of Wisconsin generally, would sanction it. There is, however, a temporary obstacle, in our Legislature, which creates opposition, and may defeat your measure.

In the County of Chippewa, of which you speak, which is a large County, embracing over 120 Townships, nearly all the pine lands tributary to Chippewa River, are situated. South of Chippewa Falls, on the same River, is the County of Eau Claire, containing

of 18 Townships, but including little, if any pine land, tributary to that River.

In the County of Chippewa is a great abundance of water-power, and it is said, that near a million of Dollars has been Expended, in Dams, booms mills and improvements connected with the Lumber — business.

Now, the People of Eau Claire Village — situated about 18 miles below Chippewa Falls, are asking the Legislature, for an act, authorizing them to construct a Dam of 12 feet Head, on Chip.a River, at their place. The people of Chippewa contend that such an obstruction, in the River, will be ruinous to their property: and oppose it strenuously. Other interests are linked, with one side or the other of this project; and it has assumed a formidable character. On the Eau Claire side, it is said that you, or your friends are connected with the Dam, and intend to Expend large sums of money in that place. This occasions jealousy

& opposition, on the other side.

I spent the last week, at Madison, (before receiving your letter), and became acquainted with these facts, as current news about the Capitol. And I mention them to you, as an Explanation of the obstacles in the way of the passage of your Bill. Still, it may find friends enough, outside of this controversy, to carry it through on its merits. I am sorry that your generous and Enlightened plans, have become, — probably unjustly, involved in a vexed question of so much local importance: and shall cheerfully do whatever I can, to further your wishes.

If I go again to Madison, I will write you again, Explaining the condition of matters, in the Legislature.

And, in the mean time, I will hand your letter to some member, who will Exhibit it, and Explain your purposes and doings.

With much respect
Your old Friend Levi Hubbell

Western Union Telegraph Co.,

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Rochester, N.Y., March 7 1864

Hon E. Cornell

Senator Albany N.Y.

I enclose you a copy or the which has stirred up the opposition

The act referred to in your message should not be repealed and you must see that the bill is defeated. We have been supplying the whole commercial country with telegraph facilities for the public accommodation expecting to be compensated by the benefits to our trunk lines. Now is it to be tolerated that an opposition Co. by simply building lines between the most important points can be permitted not only to deprive us of this incidental compensation but compel us to give it the benefit of our lateral lines thereby relieving it of a great outlay and compelling us to take its responsibility.

It is not a question of public interest or policy. We take all messages required by the public. This opposition is a mere speculative broker. They set up a few offices assume to do business all over creation get the money of the people retain all that is

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of value and ask that we shall be compelled to do the business and take the receipts

But it does become me to suggest arguments to you, an old telegrapher. The leading idea used by the opposition is that the public interest demand the repeal of the law. This is entirely fallacious It is to subserve a purely private stock jobbing speculative interest and nothing else to bolster up and help out in fact a public swindle. The opposition were advertised are trying to make the public believe that they can send messages all over the U.S. and Canada A swindle upon the face of it. I hope the Senate will have sense enough to see it and to just a pair enough to us not to compel us to propagate this lie

Yours truly

O H Palmer

The legislature ought to make it an indictable offence for any telegraph Co. to take messages for points where they have no lines It is a gross fraud upon the public and a swindle upon their customers

Delphi N.Y.
March 7. 1864.

Hon E. Cornell

Sir

There is a movement among our citizens towards building an Academy & coming under the supervision of the Regents of the University - And I write to ask a favor from you, viz to call upon the Secretary for a copy of the instruction, rules and regulations of the Regents so that we may conform to their requirements

Please give the matter your attention and oblige

Truly Yours &
Gates Clark

Romulus March 7 1864

Mr Mattison

Dear Sir

I Received yours Duley Stating that you wood like to Byy the point And five aceres of land for it vinyard And Boat landings this wood Be coll Vary well But Fathers And mather ar geting oald And I do not wis to make them Enny trubble And as they ar so Contented with the farme as it is and will Ampley Saparte them I think the farme had Better Remane as it now is this is my present vew of the matter

Yours truley
C Carman

H. C. Spaulding
7. Mar 64

New York 7th March/64

My dear Sir

I have seen Mr James H. Welles, and have had two or three conversations with him

The result is this that he is willing, if the subscription can be commenced under favorable auspices to undertake to assist me in completing it but does not feel willing to agree to engage in or take an active part in the management of the business beyond that. As to the sub

-scription he will get his father in law to subscribe $20.000 if you will subscribe a like sum. which would ensure success as it would give a good start to the movement They are in favor of raising $100.000 at least and I know that if the subscription were to be started in this way it would go through. The articles as drawn by Mr Chester and approved by Mr Henry Wells provide for giving the subscribers of funds all the income and profits arising from the property until they have been reimbursed in full for their investments with interest and after this is paid, for dividing the property equally giving one half ~~to the~~ the remainder to the subscribers of funds & the ~~remainder~~ other half to me or my assigns. they likewise provide that I shall retain the land and that Mr Wells shall be trustee.

I have seen the report of the Canal Board on the Canal Charter. It looks as if it would be likely to prevent you from getting a good Charter this session but if we can secure these lands I will engage

to put the Canal ahead
anyhow so far as to
give it a very different
status next winter
and will in the mean
time cause such
accurate measurements
of the quantity running
to waste there as to
show the thing to the
Board in altogether
a different light.

If you make a
favorable response to the
suggestions about the sub-
scription I promise you
that we will put the
Canal right along

Yours very Respectfully
Henry B. Gladding

Phibe
Mar 7 64

Albion March 7 1864

Dear Brother

your good letter was recieved in due time I thank you very much We are about ready for your donation. please send an order on Martin B. he is ready to pay what he ones you. Had you letter not say $100 instead of fifty. I know you give away much money and I think you might let a little of it come this way. We give away a good deal M B think sometimes more than he can afford. We are preparing vegetables for the soldiers M B worked

with his horse to help
us and is still at work
Jane has a Shendil
boy a few days old
Arlina is with her
helping her take care
of it. Send her a nice
name or they will
call it Geo B Mc or
Jeff. a man in town
came from James
Woods last week he
was delighted with
the country up there
and said he would
sell immediately and
move up there. Edward
talks of enlisting so
to have the County to
build him a house
with. Irving is in the
8th Mich a reenlisted
reg. all our segments
are reenlisting

a man of our acqua-
tence visited Daniel
in hospital and says
he is the best looking
Cornell he has seen
and he has seen you
so his face cannot be
much disfigured by
his Glorious wound
or rather his wound
recieved in our Glorious
cause. Dont you feel
proud that one of
the family has a
Scar to show?
Tell Mary Ann I have
my adopted Daughter
at home and she is
all the help we have
she is one of the N Y
children aid girls
We cordialy invite you
and as many of your

family
to meet here in Albion
When the time is decided
to meet Elijah & Express
a desire for us all
to meet somewhere
soon and as this seems
to be as central as any
point we hope it will
be here, and we will
help pay the expenses of
any of you who are
not able or do not feel
able to spend the money
Mott & Phebe are still with
us School closes next
week for a short vacation
This year will be the
last of our Seminary
unless one hundred
thousand can be raised
for an endowment
which they are trying
to raise

Affectionately Phebe

Apalachin March 7th 1864
Mr E Connell
Dear Sir — I Received the Evening Journal
Almanack from you which I Thankful
Expected not having Personally Acquainted
with you I will thank you for your
Kindness in Sending it — Enclosed find
One Dollar please Send me any Publick
Documents that may be Convenient for you
as there will via Reading Matter Concerning
Should it be Convenient to Send the Colonels
Marks if they Cannot Come in your Possession
free Dont Purchase them for me for I Dont
think Enough of the man to Pay Three
Cents for his Books
What is the Prospects in regard to the Chemung
Canall Extension are feel that it would
be an interest to this Section of Country
to Seen it Completed
There Dont appear to be but little stir
here in regard to the Election
I think the man that Votes against the
right of the Soldier to Vote will put a
Stain upon his Character that he will carry
to his Grave
Please let me hear from you
If you should Send any Reading matter
by Express Direct it to Campville & I
Direct any Communication by Mail to
Apalachin Tioga Co N Y
Yours Truly
George Corpe —

New York March 8th 1864

Dr Sir

The Mining association's patience with me becoming exhausted. They took another in my place & closed their books to all outsiders I have worked long & hard for it but have lost it at last - I would not have taken $10000, down for one shares interest in it -

There remains the Toney Soap business which will not be kept but a very short time for me - As there are two others ready & anxious to take it - My friend Burrell having just completed his other business arrangements now requires all his time & Means in that - & must get out of this immediately He only took a small part of his Capital out of his other business to help the Soap men his friends start - He has about $2000, in it Needs it now in his extended old business

It is a concern but a few months in operation here - but long enough to Establish a reputation with Most of the leading houses who are daily increasing & enlarging their orders

I went to Schieffelin Bro & Co. the heaviest

& most respectable drug house in NY if not in the world & enquired about the soap. They had bought a considerable & had just sent in another order. They said it was unquestionably the Cheapest & best soap in the Market & believed it was going to take well

I propose at first to run it for a commission of 7½ per cent on the sales, with a view to a partnership, when I have learned more about it. I am secured above the property on hand by a Bill of sale of all the apparatus

I sell & collect in my own name & am covered by insurances. I think it promises as well as the average of the best business going - $3000. is the lowest amt, that will run it now - $5000. will make it pay all parties much better -

Now as this is the only business left me I am anxious to secure it - If you will loan me the money, please say so as soon as possible for I want to try to get it elsewhere - if not of you

Very Respectfully

W P P

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50 & 52 Pine St NY

JACKSONVILLE NURSERY,
FRUIT AND ORNAMENTAL TREES, SHRUBS, ROSES, GREEN-HOUSE PLANTS, &C.
Jacksonville, Tompkins Co. N. Y. Mar 8 1864

Hon E Cornell

Dear Sir

I have ben and seen Carmon and the auld Man & auld ~~woman~~ Lady one of the Sons & Brotherinlaw they all give their consent that I might have the Point Hair is another Son living at Romulus vill Seneca co N Y he is clerking in a store he has a morgage of 300 dollars a gainst the property he paid up the airs. & it is all owned by the family now the auld folks wanted me to get this cornelus Carmons consent & I send You his letter, which I see from him last night I think when he comes to talk with the family they he will give his consent. I learned Yestorday from 2 horses that the auld folks would sell the hull farm the auld ladys helth has bee come very feable this Spring & the auld man cant get out doores and the farm is worked on shares by enny one they can get which is a

gowing to bee difficult to get men to do this year I think thair will bee no difficulty in getting the farm if the matter is not prest to hard ~~in~~ before the year is oute I will gow & sea him as soon as I can

what shal I do a boute bying eather Frears or Ganongs farm it is now time I new what I am to do with nursery purpuses and thee ~~land~~ owners of the farms must know amediatly I may by frear less than I wrote

Vary Respectfully Yours
James M Mattison

let me know amediatly
the Pear sead has come & it is fine

you can tellegraft to youre
Son also wright to me men air scarse and to secure the wright ones it ought to bee attended to without delay

Excuse this hasty letter for I am
Jus ready to start for the Steamboat

J. M. Mattison
Mar 8, 69

New York March 8. 1864

Hon E. Cornell.

My Dear Sir,

The letter from fourteen out of twenty one Union members of the Senate to the Best on my behalf reached me Friday & was forwarded immediately to Washington You have laid me under great obligations by this act of kindness.

I have sent on between forty & fifty of the very best names in my profession here, & could have added to the number indefinitely had it been needful.

My brother has been with me to-day on his way to Leon to help organize them there for the Spring campaign. He left my papers with Judge Edmonds of the Land Office. Judge Davis has kindly promised to present them to the President at the proper time & back them with his personal testimony from personal acquaintance.

But there will be no appoint-

ment until we get foot-hold in Ga.
This is right. If appointed I did not
intend to be sworn in until my ser-
vices were required, for my time is
more important to me here than the
salary. The matter is in such hands
& in such a position that it will un-
doubtedly be given to me, if to any
Northern Man. If a resident of Georgia,
very way suitable, is found I shall
say that he ought to have the preference.
But I know of none such.

Mr. Pew has found a busi-
ness which he thinks will afford
him a living. From his account
of it, & from conversation with
the man who has been furnishing
the money, I am inclined to think
well of it. It doesn't seem to in-
volve a large risk. I hope there-
fore you will let him have the
necessary money.

He gives me the loss
of an interest in the gold mine.
This may very likely turn out a