E. S. Cornell
1 Jan'y 65

Pine River January 1st 1865

Dear Brother.

A Happy New Year to you & Mary Ann. We are all well also Jameses family. I am doing up falls work, which unfortunately has merged into winter, husking corn & drawing some saw logs to Almo to our new Circular saw mill erected last Summer. getting fire wood and doing chores. By dint of industry I got a good burn on about 20 acres of church Choping. Sixty acres of which with the exception of five days work I loged alone and put the same with two acres of Corn ground into winter wheat. Our corn when 8 inches high frose down to the ground. I had not dressed it the meantime. and thought it was ruined, but it began to grow again, and getting such as I was able to bestow on it. it

got ripe in time to harvest before
fall frost. and was good and sound
with the exception of good many nu
bbins. Oats I raised none this year. I pl
anted 3 acres of potatoes very early and
owing to the severe drouth pinching
them when setting, I did not get but
about 60 bushels. The frost in june h
urt the grass so that there was no
more than one half of the hay cut
to the same ground that there was
last harvest a year ago. in conse
quence of which people sould off al
l of their stock early in the fall. which
has completly drained this sec
tion of country of cattle excepti
ng cows and some oxen horses an
d sheep. I lett my graft out to prov
ost for 3/4 of the whol, giving board fin
ding team tools & so. so I sould my
oxen this fall for $175. and bought
a pair of steers coming four in Spring
for $50, and with an old mare I bought
last summer expect to do my next Summ
mers work. I have lived here 8 yea
rs, and have had no barn, to stow hay
grain, graft seed or save any thing
and I dont know but I shall have
to stay as much longar before I
can get one. for it takes all I make
to live and cloth my self and fam
ily and pay rent but I am obliged to
have and pay taxes. Yours Respectfully
E. Conell E. S. Conell

Jan 2 d 1865

Mr Ezra Cornell.

A poor widow by the Name of Mrs Shade lives on the Corner of Mill and Aurora Street is in need of a load of coal I was confident if you Knew she was suffering with the cold you would send her a load this week It will not impoverish you and it will do a great deal of good all she earns is by washing and that is small wages, dont let her Know that you received this for she knows nothing about it But will you be so Kind as to send the coal this week

Trumansburg Jany 7/65

Hon E Cornell

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find a request for your Cooperation in procuring for the Rev Wm H Goodwin DD an election to the Regency of the University

He is a native of our County & has been a very decided & efficient colaborer in the Union Cause

I beg leave to refer you to Hon Wm Folger of Ontario County for information in regard to his qualifications for the position

Very Respectfully Your Obt Servt

J H Biggs

Jamestown Ohio
Jany 2 1865

E. Cornell Esq.

Dear Sir

I wish to enquire about the reliability & responsibility of James M Matteson a Nurseryman of Jacksonville N.Y.

Can I rely upon what he does will his trees be true to name &c. &c. pay before hand or will it be all right I have been imposed on by some of these nurserymen - He refers me to you you will oblige me with the required information

Yours Respt
F I L Blandy

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To Hon Ezra Cornell — From Farmers — Dated 2nd

— Rec'd May 2nd 186 — M.

Will you give Rev J H Smith
your influence for Chaplaincy at
Sing Sing see Folger answer

D. D Lefler

16 8768 Gd

Albion Jany 25/10

Dear Brother

Your Telegraph of 24 Dec is but just received having been forwarded from Grand Gaines.

I think I shall get through with my business here so as to leave for Ithaca about the middle of this month.

Molly & Children are in a great stew to go. but cannot muster courage Enough to start alone. and as they cannot get in company with any one going East will have to stay until I go.

J. A. Cornell
June 2, 65

I shall make this head quarters until I start East and any directions as to business will reach me here at present.

Alice came down from Woods last week and is getting ready to go to school.

There was an order went up to Chicago Saturday night from U.S. Marshall at Detroit forbidding the sale of R.R. tickets through Canada and all ferry boats at Detroit have been stopped, which looks very much like non intercourse with our secesh neighbors over the border.

All well here, also Edmond + James people. with respects to Mary Ann

E. Cornell Esq
Albany N.Y.

Yours Respectfully
J. A. Cornell

Office of the Binghamton Iron Works.

Binghamton, N. Y., June 2d 1865

Hon E. Cornell

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 30th ult. is just recd.

We have drawn $12110 from the Ithaca Bank.

The obligation we wish to pay up belong to the Estate of Mrs Hopkins, & She has been dead now about Six Months & I must pay up the heirs, - It is only transferring our indebtedness.

We have the new building Roofed & are moving into it. & shall soon be able to get an insurance on all our tools & patterns

Robbins will be able to pay his interest in the Spring, if we have any kind of luck in collecting for our falls work. Please excuse this writing as I am quite cold Yours Truly

P. B. Hopkins

Ithaca Jan 3rd 1865

Mr Cornell

Dear Sir

Please recollect me in relation to the appointment of Harbor Master.

Yours with the greatest respect

Dr Sellen

Dryden Jan 3d 1863

Mr Cornell

Dear Sir, I am about to ask a favor of you and I trust that it will be granted. I will first tell you who I am, I am the son of Godfrey Kline deceased, he was a brother to the wife of Smith Robertson with whom I presume that you are well acquainted. I wish to set up a dry goods store in the village of Ithaca and as I have no capital to commence with and my mother is not able to help me

I apply to you for assistance.
Please answer as soon as
received and tell me when
you will be at home
and I will call and
see you.

Address Theodore Kline
Varna
Tompkins Co
N.Y.

Theodore Kline
Speaks

Darien Jany 3d 1865

Hon. E. Cornell

My Dear Sir

I have not answered your kind letter of some weeks since, sooner from the fact that I thought you would be too busy to care to bother with it until you got into winter quarters at Albany.

In regard to the Presidency of the State Society, I am truly obliged for your good will in the premises but I know of no conceivable condition of circumstances that will induce me to be a candidate, so that order of business may be marked as closed. Besides when I make a man a free tender of my services I am not in the habit of expecting a quid pro quo. I

should put as one think of giving you one of my best Principles because you offered to present me with a first rate young bull—

There are some personal matters in which I shall feel obliged if you will help me, one that you have the ability to do me much good— One is, to have the State do me justice in the matter of pay for services in the State Appropriation— I think when you examine my report of last winter you must do the justice to believe that I have fully earned the full compensation of $5.00 per day, and the $300. travelling expenses.

I have been aware of the odium attending the commission, and have not pressed my claims until I could show that on my part at least I had faithfully strived to earn my money. The report I hope will fully establish that fact. There has only been appropriated annually $1,500. which is amply one only covers about at random without any fixed purpose, and makes no reports— It is too much, and $500 a great sum. I have made all the reports, nearly done all the surveying, traversed the state during times, and for the 3 first years nearly spent more than all I received for I felt that the importance of the work was not fully appreciated. I therefore ask that $2,500 may be given me for my report of last winter, and a new edition of it be prepared with the valuations of all the lands in each county put down in same minute manner as in Erie County shown in the report.

I do not know how the Gov. feels about my appointment, and wish you would say such things for me in that regard as you may feel that is proper. I want to go over the valuations again of all the counties, and correct many mistakes in valuations which I am satisfied have been made—

I think you will be pleased with the Geddes plan of a barn—

Wishing to you and your family all the compliments of the season many times repeated— I remain kindly Yours Sincerely

Fred

T. K. Peters

Jas. A. Geddes

Ithaca January 3d 1865

Hon. E. Cornell

Dear Sir

Before you left Ithaca I availed
[illegible] lay little business before you, but knowing the
multitude of things you had to occupy you, I preferred
to address you when you are — I hope — Lieutenant
— and. I will have 5 or $600 in February or soon
afterwards, and would like to get some shares in
good telegraph wires or something of the kind. To
better my fortunes. Mr. Ferris told me "I need not be
afraid to speak to you about it." When you are
quite at leisure and so disposed if you will advise me
what to do I will thank you sincerely

Yours truly

A. Dudgeon

To Hon. E. Cornell

Albany

Sandfield Jan 4th 1864

Mr. Cornell

The time for which I was appointed Loan Commissioner has expired. I am anxious to be reappointed, and inasmuch as this is the only office of importance that has been given to the Town of Sandfield since the organization of the Republican Party we feel it to be no more than right that we should still hold the position. If the above should be in accordance with your feelings and you will assist me in this matter I shall feel myself much obliged. I shall write to Mr. Ford and ask him to confer with you.

Respectfully Yours

Hon. E. Cornell } D. C. Cook

A. ~~B. SMITH~~, PRESIDENT.
Z. G. SIMMONS, ~~Sec'y~~.

Wisconsin State Telegraph Company,

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Kenosha, Jany 5, 1864

Mr Ezra Cornell
Ithaca. N. Y.

Sir,

You are hereby notified, pursuant to a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin State Telegraph Co, that a Special meeting of the Stockholders of said Company will be held at their Office in the City of Kenosha on Tuesday, 17th Jany, inst, at 2. P.M. to Consider the question of increasing the Capital Stock of the Company, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before the meeting.

By order of the Board
Z.G. Simmons, Pres
H B Winsdale, Secretary

Ithaca Jan. 6th 1865.

Hon. E. Cornell,

Sir,

Allow me to express to you on behalf of my mother as well as myself, my sincere thanks for the beautiful works we received from you. Believe me they will ever remain cherished mementos of increased value, from being associated with the friendship of yourself.

Respectfully Yours

Alethea T. Silvey.

Kind regards to Mrs. C.—

M B Wood
Jan 6 65

Albion Jan 6th 1865

Dear Ezra

We all bid you a happy new year, and as my man has made his report in the case of Clarinda Newman, I forward you his account of her. She is a grass widow with two children, poor as need be, Her husband left her some years ago being a poor drunken vagabond. Her father lives in Clarenden and is old & poor though temperate & respectable as far as I can learn.

The woman's character stands fair and is industrious and economical.

The weather here is pleasant and we have had a fine run of sleighing for 20 days

John & family are with us also Edgar & Mott & Alice Wood so we have our table prety full John does not seem to set any time or seem to be in any hurry to get away from here Eunice stays nearly all the time with Mary & Jane, She acts as though she has taken a dislike to her Aunt Phebe and dont care about staying with her much.
Alice has come on to go to school and seems to be destitute of cloths books & money to be able to continue long without help from some quarter. Her board at the institution will be $2.50 per week, beside books tuition & incidentals,
She seems to Expect that you will supply her with all things for her education and perhaps she has a right to expect it.
Phebe says she has but one good dress and $12, in money.
Deborah when here wanted us to agree to board her but we had so much difficulty with Mary's children last winter Phebe said she dare not undertake to do it.
I would like to see peace and harmony among the relatives but things work terribly cross grained here sometimes,
We get blamed for doing and get blamed for not doing, and how to satisfy all round I cant contrive the way.
I am willing to help do for those who show a disposition to help themselves, but it goes hard to pull one by main strength up the hill of life

The Passport sistem with the Canadans creates much excitement here, and for the present is the general topic of conversation, some laugh, some blow, some sneer & some swear, so we have a variety of performance,

All the visible effects that I have discovered here yet is the taking off 4 trains of cars per day from the central R.R., What other effect it may have I cant tell it is yet in the future and dont worry me one bit,

I hope to hear from you occasionally by letter or otherwise

Yours Respectfully
M. B. Wood

Hon E. Connell Esq

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Syracuse Jan 7th/65

Mr E Cornell

Sir

Yours of
the 20th Dec with a Draft
enclosed ($300.00/100) came
duly to hand absence
from home is the cause
of my not acknowledging
before the difference in
our account can be
arranged some time when
you and I meet in
Ithica

Yours Respectfully

J. R. Randall

Ithaca Jan 7. 1865

Hon. E. Cornell

Dear Sir

I enclose the Certificate and draft for the Agricultural Society. E. L. B. Curtis was elected President at our Annual Meeting Wednesday - I was requested to call your attention to the matter of Stock Certificates for the Agricultural Society.

We have the stormiest day of the season - Snow 8 or 10 inches, and quite cold

Respectfully Yours
O. B. Ewman

B. J. Taylor
1 Jan 65

Chicago Jan 7th

Hon E. Conkl,
My Dear Sir,

Some of us think it will be well to ask for an appropriation for finishing the Chicago Extension to be made out of a tax of 1866 with power to anticipate. No doubt the work may be finished in a year as well as in longer time & more economically. It is, I believe, nearly in readiness for letting, at least an one half of it, and will soon be on the whole. The Engineers are at work. Do you think well of applying this winter?

One thing more. If counties are given by the State Towns to run they should be made

applicable to substitutes -
Giving bounties raises the
price of substitutes and puts
them out of the reach of
many young men - and
besides they fill the army as
well as those who go for bounties.
And by giving those who put
in substitutes the benefit
of the bounty, you make re-
cruiting officers of them -
This is the view of the matter
taken by our Provost Marshall

Very truly &c
John J Taylor -

No 1 of 1865.

To,
Hon. Ezra Cornell
Senator
Albany, N.Y.

Sir,

In enclosing to your address the accompanying copies (A) of letter addressed by the Promoters of the Exhibition of the Arts and Industries of all nations, proposed to be held in Bombay in 1866, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay, and (B) of the Promoters' Petition to His Excellency the Governor of Bombay in Council, setting forth their objects, we are directed by them to request the distinguished favor of your consenting to act on a Commission proposed to be formed at New York for the purpose

purpose of promoting the interests of the Company in the United States.

We have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Obedient Servants.

Bhau Daji
Ellis Midwood

Honorary Secretaries.

Bombay,
7th January
1865.

Fall River Jan. 7th 1865

Dear Cousin Ezra

Methinks it not too late to extend to you and Cousin Mary Ann my hearts best wishes for a Happy New Year, And may yours be the true happiness which cometh alone from the Father as a recompense for right doing.

A day or two since we were happily surprised by the reception of a beautiful present from you. The Family Register, a New Years present for me. Please accept many thanks for the book and the kind feeling which prompted the donation. I will endeavor to copy my Genealogical Record therein or at least a part of it ere the time for Clam Bakes comes round again, When we shall expect Cousins Ezra and Mary Ann to visit us.

I think Mrs Young will redeem her promise then. She always enquires after you, when we meet and is making an effort still to acquire some knowledge of the French Language, against the time when she may have occasion to use it. Her son who was accompanied by John Brayton (Mrs Youngs brother) has returned from a voyage to Europe within a few days, Young Brayton's health is quite delicate.

Father wishes me to ask you if it is your purpose for me to copy my Record in the new book and return it to you; He also desires to know the amount of your Income tax. He further wishes me to say that his health is sufficiently good to join in and enjoy a Clam bake. So much for Father. Mother remembers that Cousin Ezra remarked that if Lincoln was our next President the war would end within ninety days, We all hope he will prove a true prophet

We suppose you are in Albany but not knowing definately, I will direct as usual to Ithaca. We have not heard whether or not Eunice has returned, or how Rebecca is. We have had rather a mild winter thus far. I think the thermometer has not but once stood as low as six below zero. Last week we had fine sleighing. We very seldom have more than a few days sleighing at once. One of the winters I passed in Illinois we had sleighing four months. and was very much gratified to welcome the bare ground again. Please present my love to Cousin Mary Ann. I wish she would write us. Father & Mother wishes to be kindly remembered to you both. Let us hear from you as soon as convenient, and once more expressing my thanks for the very handsome present I will bid you Good night.

Very Respectfully
Thy Cousin
Mary M. Powell.

Providence Jan 8. 1863

My Dear Uncle and Aunt

According to promise I write you this evening I reached home Friday evening without the least unpleasant accident and found father awaiting my arrival at the depot you may be sure I was glad to see him. He is looking better than when at Ithaca and is enjoying very good health.

I stood the journey very nicely did not feel much fatigue for so long a ride and I am feeling quite as well as I have felt at any time since Oct. I hope with care and the cold bracing atmosphere that I may do as well at home as I should had I remained with Miss Burritson At any rate I am determined to do the best I can to recover my

I eat it and I have never doubted but I should at some time be well and strong. I am feeling much stronger now than I did last summer and have not that tired weary feeling that I had when I left home last spring. Father thinks I am much fleshy than he has seen me in a long time while my eyes and skin is not as clear as we could wish. I am deeply grateful for all your kindness to me and for nothing more than the opportunity you have given me to secure such good medical treatment as I received at Saranac. I think the water treatment I received there benefited me the most of any thing that I have tried since I have been sick and I shall continue it at home as near as I can like that I received at Dryden and I shall not neglect exercise in the open air.

My cousin Duncan Schoen remains no until Spring so I shall be free from much care.

Father had a letter from Eunice a few days before I came home saying she was very well and boarded at home and continued in good. Her health is failing and so fast that she has to exercise the utmost care to prevent her taking cold in her head.

Gilbert has let himself to do a job of work for the Old Colony R. R. Co. they have cars and boats to repair he expects the work will last until Spring or perhaps a little longer. He is in Newport and will board at his wife's father.

I suppose you are busily engaged in State duties. Will you please tell me the result of the vote on Nixon and I am very much interested in that discussion.

Father sends his regards and thank for the almanac. Ben. Earle is in Davenport with D. Gould. Wishing you all happiness I am

Affectionately, your niece

Ka-Dace

Elizabeth B. Shepherd
9 Jan 1865

Ballards Mills Jany 1865

Dear Cousin

I have removed with my Husband and Family not long ago to the State of Illinois and we are now Stopping at Sister Phebes within half A mile of the Mississippi River. William has rented A farm about 2 miles from here with fifty acres of Plow land and has every thing furnished 2 pair of Horses & Keeping farming tools and Seed grain and is to have one half

We expect to move on to the place in A few days

It is pretty costly moving so far and we are pretty Short of funds to carry us through until after harvest and I thought I would ask you if you would

be willing to lend us forty or fifty dollars until we can get Started A little and let William send you his note due next winter with Intrest if you Could do So and not dicommode yourself it would help us very much we are eight miles north of Muscatine in Iowa the principle market for this Section of Country

I think we Shall like this Country very much if we can get through the first year

Your Cousin - Elizabeth B Shepherd

Our Post Office address is Illinois City
Rock Island Co
Ill

Groton Jan 9. 1865

Hon. Ezra Cornell
Senator 2d dist
Dear Sir

I address this line to you thus Early in the session to solicit your aid and influence in obtaining the appointment of Marshal to take the Census in the town of Groton.
I have also written Hon H. B. Lord more fully. on the same subject You can confer with him in relation to the matter I should prefer
Provided you favor my request My reasons for soliciting this appointment are substantially that my means are quite limited and my health so poor as to prevent me from laboring

A. Willoughby
9 Jan'y 65

although I think I could
attend to canvassing the town
as my Office does not afford
business during the session
so as to conflict with that of
the duties of a Marshal If
you can assist me in obtaining
the appointment you will
confer a favor which will be
gratefully remembered

Yours Truly
A. Willoughby

Albany Jan 9. 65

Dear Alonzo

We have been here so long that my salary amounts to $15— and I have a board bill sent in for $94.86 — which I have not money enough to pay, without borrowing back an hundred dollars I had given your mother to buy furs for Sue. Please send me $150, which will help ~~us through the past~~ and present week, by which time the dividends will help out —

We like the quiet of Congress Hall very much, I think we shall like it better than we did the Delavan —

This evening we went up to State St Church to see lighting of it, your mother likes it much = Tell Frank that there will have to be two cocks to each burner to let the gas on, one that will let on a full head and one that

let on only half a head, thus bring able to control and regulate the flow of gas without the risk of shutting off all our leaving the audience in darkness ——

Yours Respectfully
E. Cornell

ARC.

P.S. Mother Jones is here to [redacted] & the children [redacted] E.C.

P.S. No 2. Please send a few checks

Oswego Jany 9 1865

Hon E Cornell

Dear Sir — Our old Senator is behaving very badly. He seems to be mad with his district — collectively — and all together. I spoke to him Saturday night about new men for Com (Commissions for this Co & he went off at once in one of his old tirades, & told me last fall matters all over again. Will you be kind enough not to let the appointment be made until I can look them, as you know who we want. Send for Dick & Hy Hyde are the present Comrs & we just why will send us to you some new ones. Please ask the governor not to send in the old ones just yet at any rate. I am sorry to see by our papers that the Mayor does

He is hurting himself & all his friends. & we have got to meet him & beat him if we are smart enough.

I should like to come down to the annual meeting & vote & may be able to get but cannot tell. Give us a good President when the time comes — and the Lord will come out all right — Please remember me to Mrs Comstock.

With much respect
I am yours H. L. Chatfield

T. L. Chatfield
Leavenworth Co. Ks

Binghamton N.Y.
Janry. 10th 1865.

Hon. & Dear Sir.

I have the honor in behalf of the Broome County Medical Society to ask your hearty sympathy and cooperation in the effort to establish by Legislation an effective Sanitary police for the City of New York. Such an undertaking is truly the work of Philanthropy. If accomplished it may not only save thousands of lives in that city, but relieve the whole state from contagious disease emanating from that place.

I have the honor to be
Your Obt. Servt.
I. G. Orton
Secretary

Hon. E. Cornell
Senate Chamber

Binghamton 10th Jany 1865.

Hon Ezra Cornell

Dr Sir.

Enclosed you will find a petition from our County Committee asking for the re-appointment of Myers Frazier & Stone as Loan Commissioners of this county. They are strong & reliable - Mr Stone has for years had been a member of our Committee. I do not of any opposition to them only it was the understanding with Mr Henderson our member when he left here, that he should unite with you in asking for these appointments -

Respectfully

L. Seymour
10. Jan 64

new adherents may come into the field and discord be engendered. I hope you will bring this matter as early as you can to the Governor's attention and have it adopted. —

I will send you as soon as I can prepare them the names of persons in our county to whom documents will be acceptable.

Respectfully Yours
L. Seymour

Cayuga Jany 10th 1865

Dear Sir

Yours of 9th came duly to hand. I have made the measurement at the point designated by you. and the result is three feet and three inches 3 ft. 3 in. from surface of plank on dock to surface of water. I had a hole cut in the ice so that the exact surface would be obtained. Hoping that it will be to your satisfaction I remain

Yours with respect

C. A. Pelton

Hon E. Cornell

Albany

Statesville Jany 10th 1865

Hon E. Cornell.

Dear Sir— If you have them at your disposal I would be greatly obliged for a copy each of the State Register and the Legislative Manual of 1865 published by the Legislature from year to year— If you have them not or inconvienent to spare them will you do me the kindness to inform of whom I may obtain them, the probable cost &c &c The register I refer to is published by the legislature and contains the government, &c. officers and an amount of data and information not found elsewhere— I have never yet possessed a copy

Very truly yours

L. F. Mullen

M. B. Wood
Mar 6 5

Albion Jan 10th 1865

Dear Ezra

Your letter of Dec 22nd is just received which will explain a part of mine of the 6th inst.

Where this letter has been all this time I cant imagine I think some of the boys must have taken it out of my box and carried it in their pockets awhile & put it back again The envelop had not been disturbed. Alice says her mother got the $50. you sent her but gives no account of its disposition. I think Alice could not have had much of it, I think the plan you suggest is far the best to let Alice draw from me all that is necessary to have

and have the bills & accounts rendered to you, Then you will know exactly what the money has been expended for and which the items in the bills will show and this will relieve you from all further trouble concerning her welfare as we shall look after her closely,

John & family & Eunice intend to make a start tomorrow for the east by way of Grand Trunk R.R. for Buffalo. They will there seperate, John will go to Owego Eunice direct to Albany

The R.R. here run but two trains each way per day instead of five as they have formerly.

All well as for as I know

Your Truly

M. B. Wood

Hon E Cornell Esq

Tuesday Evening Jan 10/ 1865

Hon E Cornell

Dear Sir

I wanted to see you before you left Town & did not for the reason that you went away sooner than I expected, Hoping that you will pardon me for troubling you I have determined to write you, knowing something of your kindness & venture to ask a great favor of you, I returned from Albany Dec 24th & had been there for my Son (Lewis Hammond) who is confined in the State Prison at Auburn sent there from Yates Co, I will not here I suppose it is not necessary to tell you the particulars of his case, only that I believe him to have been unjustly sent there, last April I Employed Lawyer Smith to send a petition for his release to Gov Seymour, after awaiting a

long time I had John Williams go
down to Albany to see how matters were
he came home & told me that the Gov
had promised to pardon him the first
of Dec, I waited some time after them went
to Albany myself, & did not see Gov Seymour
he had given up all business before I reached
there, the petition was there is there now
they had deceived me from that I
learned that my Son, was not to come
out if at all until April next, now if
possible I want him home this
Winter I need him & now in my
old age now if you will attend to
this matter for me you will render
me a kindness that I never can repay

Hopeing you will have time
to attend to this & so will Oblige
me I Remain Respectfully Yours
Sarah Hammond

(Will you please answer)

Jamesville January 11th 1865

Mr. R. Cornell

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 12 ult came to hand & I was pleased to find that it contained at least a faint glimmer of encouragement for me, & after receiving your letter & as soon as my business admitted of a days leisure, I went in company with one of my neighbors to take a survey of the premises spoken of in my first, and also to consult the owner in regard to price &c and found them about the same as I had represented them to you, As soon as I had learned the facts I repaired to your Village in hopes we might be able to arrange some plan (If you assented) by which I might get possession of the property by the first of april, but was obliged to turn away again with the answer not at home. Therefore comes the necessity of these lines. I think if North could be satisfied that his money would be coming as soon as next summer he would sell on such terms, Now don't think me presumptuous on account of the heavy duties which surround you if I ask you to answer this and tell me about what kind next summer you could accomadate me with the money If you could accomadate me at all, and also what preliminaries would be necessary on your part to a final bargaining for the farm.

Yours truly

W^m H. Cole

Jamesville

The Boy cant be
Built for sixty Dollars

Dryden Jan 11th 1865

Mr. Cornell

Dear Sir

By hearing that you have been verry Benevolent in giving to Soldiers to Sustain this government, I make you A Present of the Boy that you find this note Inclosed in. I Enlisted in to the Service when there was no Bounty's Paid, more than the government 100 Dollars. I served 21 months was wounded in the Leg, And shall never be able to continue My occpation that I carried on for A living before i Enlisted. I am poor and not able to keep such a Boy. It is all Inlade — Regular) Mosaic Work (It cost me two months hard work.) Then i was able to Keep it (But now i am not able to carry on My ardinary Business. And have hard work to get a living these hard times. If there should any one see the Boy and would like to By one, I have one more that i would like to sell to get money to help me start in some Kind of Basings that i can Support my Family By. I am now Keping an Eating Saloon in Dryden. I can just about make A living in the winter season, But i can not in the Summer Without I can raise money enough to get on A small Stock of Graceries. If you can assist me, I shall be Ever Thankful.!.

Verry Respectfully Your Obedient Servent,

Ira E. Dayton

London
Jany. 12 / 63 –

M. Ezra Cornell
Ithaca
New York

Sir

Herewith enclose you my acct for Bells Messrs for 12 Mor adrenne £1.6.6. The Credit Price is £1.8.0 ——

Yours early favor will oblige

Yours respectfully
Alfred Bylow
Jas M. Brown

Montreal Telegraph Company

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

Duncan & Co. Lith.

Montreal, June 12th 1865

My Dear Sir

Many thanks for the lot of Stereoscopic views photographs and N.Y. Illustrated that you sent this morning handed in.

Regret that I cannot meet you and all at Albany on Saturday —

I will write you more fully after presenting Mrs Stone's present which will give great delight —

Julia & little Allan been sick but both better

Yours Truly

O. S. Woodward

Wm. E. Connell

Senate Chamber.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Singerly & Myers lith.

Harrisburg, Jan 12th 1865

Hon. E. Cornell

Dear Sir.

Will you have the Kindness to send me a copy of the bill or bills pending in your Senate relative to paying ~~State~~ County Bs Bolts for U.S. Military Service, instead of local County &c — And oblige

Yours truly

E. J. Cornell

Speaker of the Senate Pa