

1 Dittmeyer March 5. 1852

Dear Cousin

I received your letter yesterday informing me of your wish to secure me as a tenant on your place. Words cannot express my gratitude for your kindness and I will try and manage it according to the best of my ability. I have been living in Harvey DeSamaris family for a year past, but was thinking of renting a room or two when your letter came to hand.

I do not think I am deserving of so much ~~good~~ kindness but I am truly very grateful for it. I work at dress making most of the time but do

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Emmeline Bannard
Mar 15 65

will come out after we get settled
and see it for yourselves, I have
been thinking how should manage
so as not to be alone a part of
the time as the house is large and
I cannot occupy but a part of the
room I would like to take in
a small family say a man and
wife that is if you do not object
please write and tell me what you
think. I will send you a
diagram of the rooms I thought
you could get a better idea of
the house in that way than any
other; the rest of the family
are well Sister Phoebe visited us this
fall Elizabeth and family went
home with her she thought they
could do better there than here
Yours Respectfully E Bannard

Ithaca March 5th 1869

Mr Cornell Dear Sir
I have understood that you
have sent Buritts Views of
Ithaca and Falls around Ithaca
Mr ^{to different parts of the country} Horton and my self
Expect to go out with an
Exhibition. We have some
Steroscopic Views of other places
and thought if you would
let us have a Set of Buritts
in some future time we
~~Also~~ Would pay you for them

Yours Truly

E. J. Phelps

Albany Mar 5 65

Dear Sir

Your favor of the
26th Ult, came duly to
hand, enclosing one dollar
for the purchase of some
treatises on the culture
of hops. I know of nothing
at present in print that
would be of any use to you.

I understand, however, that
there is a work now going
through the press in New York
made up mainly from
prize essays, that will
soon be out, and I will
send you the earliest
copy that I can procure.
I am glad to notice

by the tenure of your letter
that you are enjoying
a fair degree of prosperity.

The success of fruit culture
is very much marred by
the many insect enemies
of the present day. They
are multiplying yearly -
Your facilities for market
must also be taken into account.

The little I know about
your situation and sur-
roundings in those respects
will prevent any opinion
of being any value to you.

You enquire about Mr
Hood's old farm, we have
purchased the interest of
all the heirs, and the farm
is now occupied by our
youngest son O. H. P. Cornell.
My oldest son A. B. Cornell

is the Cashier of the First Na-
tional Bank Ithaca - My
second son Frank, C. Cornell
lives on the farm at Ithaca
with us - My two daughters
are at Saratoga to school -
Mrs. Cornell is spending the
winter here with me, Mr Wood
my Mother in law is at Syracuse
living with her daughter Emily -
she will move to Ithaca in
the spring and make a home
in one of my houses with
her youngest daughter Cordelia
who married Alvaro Chase -
Orwin lives in Montreal &
is rich, worth \$150,000, Almont
lives in Ithaca, Norman
and Otis both live in Syracuse.
Uncle Martin lives in Albion
Mich. he is worth \$40,000 -

Friends all well as far as I know

Is there any government
lands near you? How
far distant can you find
opportunities to locate land
on government land warrants
and can any money be
made by thus locating
land? When is your nearest
land office? =

I am talking of buying
a large quantity of land
warrants, and wish to know
where I can locate land
to the best advantage =
can I locate and sell
the land to make it cost
me \$2, per acre =

Yours Respectfully
E. Cornell

Ira Millard esq

N. Y. Tribune office,
March 6, 1866.

Hon. Ezra Cornell—

Dear Sir, I have received a letter from Mr. Bernan Brockway in which he says that he has seen ~~you~~ and presented my letter to you. I wish to say that I selected Mr. Brockway for this office because I thought you might desire to ask some questions about a correspondent who should solicit your kind consideration and approval of so important and wonderful a discovery and invention as I described to you. Mr. Brockway knows that I have been connected with the Tribune from the day the "letter" (type) was "laid in case" for

issuing the first number until the present moment, and he knows of my ability and experience, as well as my character, and opportunities for forming an opinion in regard to any improvements connected with the art of printing, and when I declare that this discovery and invention must and will entirely revolutionize the present process of ^{re}making finely illustrated and costly books, line engravings, wood cuts, maps, diagrams, &c., I proclaim what I know as well as I know any thing connected with a business (printing) which has engrossed my close attention for a period of 35 years, and under unusual opportunities.

I know it, first, because it will do the ^{work} better, quicker, and cheaper; and second, because that trinity decides the question in all worldly affairs.

I did not call your attention to this discovery for the purpose of offering it to you as a money-making project, although viewed in that light I believe it to be excelled only by a few enterprises ever in existence. No, I had a higher and nobler motive. My wishes and desires were to find some one who would be willing to allow his name to illumine the pages of history as the one, of all others in America, entitled to the credit of having been the means of inaugurating a New birth to Printing in this Country. I consider this an op=

portunity for honorable fame
which shall last as long as
pen and type can tell the
story. After the finest Academy
and College designed by the
architect, and endowed by large
hearted benevolence shall have
mouldered, the child will read
with delight and bless with
prayers the man who discovered,
and the nobleman who furnish-
ed the money, to ^{provide} ~~furnish~~ for it
the means for education, culti-
vation, and refinement. Recol-
lect that this process must and
will so cheapen the production
of the best and costliest works
in the art of printing that the
poor can afford to own and en-
joy them. As an illustration,
you may select the ^{most} elaborate
and costly line engraving you
can find in Europe or this coun-
try, and you shall have that
picture so well done that it will
be a fac simile - an autograph you

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may truly say—in color of paper and ink, size, &c. in a few hours, and where you paid \$100 or \$1000 for ^{the} original I will sell you at an enormous profit, ~~the~~ copy for a few shillings. The same is true in regard to very costly books, maps, &c. Then what must be the result? Why instead of seeing on the walls of the farmer's and mechanic's house common, rudely executed and senseless pictures, on their book shelves poorly printed and valueless books, you shall behold pictures and books which have a world-wide reputation for their beauty and value. What then? Just what you aim at when you build schoolhouses. A pros=

perous, happy, and refined people. You will find the mechanic shaping his work into lines of beauty and strength, and the plowman striving to make his land blossom by intelligent culture.

I have told you what I believe and know about the results of this discovery.

Professors Agassiz, Rood, Draper, Torry, Henry, Frazer, Longfellow, and all other scientific ^{men}, and practical artists, who have seen the work and ^{had} learned the process explained to them have testified over their signatures to ~~the~~ ^{its} value and importance. and their testimonials are in our hands.

Mr. S. H. Gay, Managing Editor of The Tribune, a man of probity and culture, familiar with The Fine Arts; Mr. Samuel Sinclair, Publisher of The Tribune, a business man who took special pains to investigate into its commercial

value, myself a practical printer of 35 years ^{experience}, and Mr. G. H. Pollock, ^{merchant} after long and careful examinations decided to buy half of the interest of The Patent in this Country. We are not able to furnish the requisite Capital to set the process into operation, and therefore have decided to form a Company for the purpose, as stated in our Circular. We specially invite you to take an interest with us in this enterprise, believing that you can realize a large profit on your Capital, but at the same time become entitled to the gratitude of your Countrymen for having largely furnished the means for introducing a valuable and needed discovery.

Mr. Brockway says that "He (you) asked me if I supposed \$25000 or \$20000 would be all

you (me) would require? I ~~replied~~ answered him (you) in the affirmative - stating that that was the amount you (me) said you (me) wished, and I knew you (me) to be entirely reliable. He (you) said the same could be had without difficulty, that if he (you) could not spare it himself (yourself), he ^(you) could find some one who would furnish it."

Now Mr. Cornell, Mr. Osborne some months ago made out an inventory of the chemicals, tools, buildings (a glass roofed Camera house, octagon shaped of some 16 feet, with ~~manipulating~~ manipulating rooms, and ~~press~~ press room, office, &c. labor, and everything necessary to commence and continue the work for one year without return, and found from his inquiries, based upon contracts, that he would require \$18000. We have work waiting for us to do which will require several months to finish, and the profits from the same will furnish means to return this amount back to the stockholders, if they prefer that to keeping it in the Company for the purpose of enlarging our capacity for all the business which must come to us.

Solon Robinson, Greeley and a few personal friends propose to take about \$5000 of the \$25000 we propose to commence with and I do hope and wish that you will go in with us - taking \$2000 worth of the stock, and thus securing the éclat of an enterprise which I believe in my heart and know in my brain to be one which will prove an event in printing and art equal in importance to the world with the magnetic telegraph, vulcanized rubber, or any like successful discovery. Yours,

Thomas N. Rucker.

W. S. Gen. Hospst No 1

Linnay Ill Mar 6th '65

Dear Brother

I was furloughed from my regiment Feb. 8th for the purpose of having my mouth repaired. I arrived here on the 10th Feb and went from here to Boone Co accompanied by my wife on the 18th and returned on 1st inst. — I find on enquiry that it will take nearly as long a time as I have yet to serve to have my teeth taken out & mouth to get well so that I ^{can} have a permanant job done. and therefore I was admitted to this Hospst as a patient. & shall probably remain here untill my term of service expires. which will be on the 4th of Sept next. & in the interval I expect to have this dental work completed.

After my time ^{of enlistment} expires I wish to go on a farm somewhere, and would very much like some help from you towards getting under way - and also I would like your advice as to location. I believe the cheapest fertile lands in this section are to be procured in Missouri - but there are some reasons why a location there is not at present desirable. - There are also large tracts of wild land to be had on reasonable terms of the Illinois Central R.R. Co. and there are many choice farms for sale in the vicinity of Belvidere. Mr Lambert of Flora, Boone Co. (for whom I was at work when you last visited me) has offered his farm for sale - and My Father-in-law also wishes to sell out as he is getting too old & infirm to carry on his farm. I should to go back there on Delilah's account, as all of her folks are there.

But since being in the army I have become somewhat accustomed to a warmer climate, and have a greater dislike to northern winters than formerly. - Please let me hear from you at your convenience. -

Delilah is well & is yet on duty in this Hospt. - we left our children well when we returned from our visit to her folks. -

Respectfully Yours
Hon C. Cornell } J. B. Cornell
Ithaca N.Y.

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Albany March. 8th

Dear Alouzo,

I hope Throck

Sherry and some Democrat
(perhaps Spruce Spencer will
do as much good as anybody)
will be down here as soon
as possible after charter
election - Cook has a
powerful lobby working
in the Assembly to perjure
it to defeat my bill -

Down, Hugh Hastings
Ex. Senator Truman, and
others are as busy as bees

Thrumman is at work
for Congress, he has the
promise of Cooks influence
& Schuyler vote, to carry
him to Congress if he can

save the land grant
to the people's college.

I begin to feel quite
sure of passing the Senate.

The fight will be in the
house, and we must be
doing what we can to
make members understand
the true state of the case.

I mention Spruce Spencer
as I think he will work
with the democracy as af-
fectually as any body can.

Matthews from Sullivan
has been in to see me this
evening, and I find him
with me on principle,
he will do all he can
to pass the bill.

I have not canvassed the
house yet, but am quite
sure of the following

Collins - Cutting Gleason
Lord. Matthews McCowille
Morseman. Olcott - Rankin
Reddington - Reed - Root
Sanford. Tarkenton, Wood
Weaver - I have reasons
to expect the above with-
out any canvass of the
question - I think Shepard
will go with me, but he is
a little shaky, Torman
has labored him, and
probably others -

When Torman called on
Senator Smith to lobby him -
Smith asked if he had seen
Cook lately? I said, yes - I
asked - did you go to Havana
to see him? - I yes I was
over there and called to see him -
I - did he ask you to come
down here to see about his

college bill - T - well - no - yes.
 S - Did you promise him that
 you would come? - T - yes. I
 told him I would call as
 I was passing - S. I thought
 you manifested a deep in-
 terest in the subject -

He did not convince Smith
 that it was best to let Cook
 cheat the educational in-
 terest of the State, out
 of what had been so fully
 promised =

Mother sends love to
 Ellen and the children

Yours Respectfully

E. Cornell

A B Cornell Esq
 Ithaca.

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L. F. Allen
b. March 5

Black Hawk Feb 6/65

My dear Sir

Yours of 4th inst. is received. Enclosed I send a letter to Mr. Cutting, some other members of the Legislature, which, if you approve, you will please place in an envelope, and hand, or send to Mr. Cutting. Mr. C. is a lawyer and altho' not of your politics, is an upright, honest man, whom I have long known, and has done my legal business for many years. Mr. Stannard is also a personal friend of mine, and altho' a Mechanic, I should be friendly to your bill. The other two members of your County, I do not personally know, but they know me - and may, perhaps, have some confidence in my opinion. Mr. Humphrey I know well; he is a lawyer - and I should

I think, would look favorably on your
bill - If you can get Hon Mr
Kelly, of an / state of. Sociey, who
is a Democrat. to talk with
Humphrey, Cutting, & Stannard
in favor of it, I think his influence
with them would be considerable.
He will probably be at Albany
soon, if not more than.

I hope you may succeed -
for Cook - Cutting, has no
business with these public lands.
and I was surprised that the
Legislature ever gave them
to his College. I hope
for your success.

Most truly your friend
L. D. Allen

Hon. E. Cornell.

Albany March 6, 1865.

Will Senator Cornell please
endorse the application for
re-appointment of Mr L.
Mudge for Notary - He is
now in office and resides
at Hamersville Monroe Co.

He is engaged in obtaining
land for the right of way for
a N.Y. R.R. is the season of the appli-
cation coming from me -

Inclosed you will receive
two petitions from your District

Very truly

J. H. Ramsey

Ithaca March 6. 1865

Hon Ezra Cornell
Albany Dr Sir

Mr. Finch wrote you some time about the first of Febr. at my request in relation to the appointment of Notary Public I am engaged in Bounty & Pension business and the office would be a very great convenience to me in the making & execution of the papers in such cases. the office on my part would amount to but a very trifling except as a matter of convenience and I should look upon the re-appointment through you as a very great favour.

Mr. Schuyler and also Mr Boardman thought there would be no objection would do any thing they could to aid me in getting it. in a conversation I had with Judge Boardman this A.M. he advised me to write directly to you asking the favour at your hands. My appointment would not increase the number as I have held the office for the term that will expire in a few days. your favorable consideration of this matter will confer a great favour and will be fully appreciated by me.

I am Very truly
your friend A. Burritt

JACKSONVILLE NURSERY.

J. M. MATTISON, PROPRIETOR.

FRUIT & ORNAMENTAL TREES, SHRUBS, ROSES, GREEN-HOUSE PLANTS, PERENNIALS, BULBOUS ROOTS, &c., &c.

Jacksonville, Tompkins Co., N. Y. *Mar 6* 1865

Hon E Cornell

Dear Sir

That house that Joines your farm at the lake the one that Riddle occupied the last year is for sale Mr Hiron King the owner called on me to day and wanted to know if I wanted it he offered it to me for 275 I think you had better buy it thair is other parties that want it and unless ~~in~~ you buy it ~~it~~ ~~for~~ some one may get it. That will not be agreeable to you I would like to put some good man or have you do so that I could hire a part of the

time and you could ~~hire him~~ have him when you wanted
an extra hand the man that will do it if you doubt
I could hire but I think you had better own the horse
let me know your wishes in relation to it immediately

Very Respectfully Yours
James M. Mattison

J. M. Mattison
Mar 6. 65

Rochester March 6th 1865-

Mr. Cornell,

Sir. You will doubtless be surprised on receiving a letter from me, stranger as I am to you. With my husband I suppose you are acquainted. He is Edward Norton, and has worked in the Journal Office of Athene for a great many years. We have been trying to buy a place or a home for ourselves, thinking then we might make some little start in life. We have so far found it impossible to save enough to make a first-payment. Having had a

a good deal of sickness in our family, and once death has been among us. We have now a chance to buy a house and good sized lot, It is said to be very cheap property, the price is \$1100 and is situated near the business part of the city. My Husband is very anxious to secure the place but thinks he cannot, as we cannot make the first payment which is seven hundred dollars. and then there is a mortgage on the rest. Now I have taken the responsibility upon myself of asking you to lend us the money to buy the property and you take a mortgage of the same. We might then make a payment to you twice a year, together with the interest and very soon secure to ourselves a home, which we can never do while we are obliged to pay ten dollars a month rent -

that is what the house rents for. The property would be saleable at any time.

I don't know but I may have done wrong in asking this favor of you, but knowing of your generous disposition and abundant means I have dared to do so. If you should conclude to loan us the money we will try and pay for the place as soon as possible and consider it a very great favor. In case we should fail you of course would lose nothing. Should I receive a favorable answer from you, I will then acquaint my husband with what I have done and leave the business for yourself and Mr. Norton to settle.

Mrs E. D. Norton
Address) Rochester No. 18. Court St.

Western Union Telegraph Co.,

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Rochester, N. Y., March 7 1865

Hon Ezra Cornell

Albany N.Y.

Dear Sir Your favor of the 4th rec^d
Gives me the points in favor of your University
bill & the points made against it. I don't see
why it should be opposed. Yet by knowing
the arguments and motives of the opposition
I can with our members more effectively.
To discuss a question properly I always want to
ascertain the views of my opponent

I have arranged matter of call on Extension
by a call loan as I suggested

The Extension is not selling much. Some
bills are made at 38@40

Yours truly,
O. H. Palmer

1865

I Missed you
E Corns

Dear Sir Yours of March 4th
is rec^d in relation to your
bill. In reply I shall
comply with your wishes very
cheerfully in writing to the Members
from my County. Tho I grieve
to say the report from the Members
from Otsego & Dutchess is not so
that I could assist. I shall
write them however. as well as
one or two others

I was interested in a small
matter before the Legislature this
winter and was told it would cost
\$500.00 to get it thro so I have
urged that it be abandoned

This is a sad state of things
I am glad you wrote and
shall be glad to aid you in

any way I can
Respectfully Yours
J. C. Doughty

John Barald
Mar 7. 65

Hempstead, March 7th 1865
Hon. Ezra Cornell,
Dear Sir:

In answer to yours of the 4th I would say, that yesterday Col. Johnson wrote me on the same subject, and immediately I wrote to our Members of Assembly to favor the passage of the "Cornell University" bill, in very pressing terms. You are perhaps aware that our members are of the opposite side to me on politics, and are in for the spoils. One of them McNeil is under some obligations to me, and I have solicited his vote as a personal favor. The other (Turner) I think has shown so much good feeling towards me, and when I was up at Annual Meeting, desired to know if he could serve me in any way, that I have hopes of his vote. I will put other influences to work in the

matter, connected with their
own party that I think may
induce them to vote right
on the important bill.

Yours Respectfully
John Harold.

Trumansbury Mar 7th / 65.

Dear Sir

Your favour of 24th inst came duly to hand With offer to settle Bill by paying me Eight dollars and retain four and one half as rent When Mattison bought my place for you last spring I reserved two rooms untill I could find a place to move to or was able to move being unwell at the time There fore I did not think of paying rent, And claim you nor Mattison can claim nor collect rent from me The debt is a just one and I think I had ought to have the whole amount of Bill I hope to hear from you soon with your views of the matter. Yours Respect

Wm Frear

Fairmount N.Y.

March 7, 1865

Hon. Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir, Yours of the 4th
inst, was received today.

I have already written to two of
our members, at the suggestion of
of Senator White in regard to the
Cornell University bill, urging them
to support it - I cannot see
on what ground the bill is opposed,
unless it is Mr Cooks prior
grant of the U.S. fund - and I
do not see how any man can
care to keep that shadow
in being - But so things go - A
man cannot be allowed to do
a great good without opposition -
I hope to be in Albany the latter part
of next week, and will do any thing
I can for the bill -

Yours Respectfully Geo. Geddes

Hon E Cornell

I send you what Mr Reil says
after examining notes please return
papers to me

Olt Palmer

Mar 7, 65

Wash Smith
Mar 7. 65

Hopewell Valley, Ohio Co
March 7. 1865

Hon E. Cornell

Dear Sir

Since leaving Albany I have
noticed with interest
the progress you are
making in many good
works of legislation
patronage and philanthropic

But none have
pleased me more than
your own noble generous
offer to elevate Athens
& her people, as well as
the whole State, by the
founding a University at
that place, I feel the
greater interest in it as
it is the place of my nativity

It hope I shall always
feel a pride in the
prosperity of my Native
Village - And am therefore
heartily thankful that
Providence has raised
up a Man with a
heart and means to
advance its interest in
such a truly noble manner.
I hope you will succeed
in all noble enterprise
for not only Ithaca But
the whole State, I feel
most heartily to congratulate
you as one of your devo-
ted constituents - And shall
always feel it a pleasure
to stand by you as a
fast friend - And only
regret that my means are
not equal to my desire
for doing good.

It believe Gov. Henton
has not yet sent in
to the Senate his appointments
for Com^r of Public Accounts
If my Name shall be one
which I have reason to expect
I hope as I have no doubt
it will receive your favorable
attention,

Allow me to thank
you for one of your constituents
Doct. John Everett of
Nichols Trigo Co. N.Y.
He desires a copy of the
proceedings of the Medical
Society of the State and desir-
-es me to request it of
you -

Is there a prospect
of getting a further appor-
-portion for the Channing
Clinic extending this session
I see that Mr. Commissioner

Bruce. reports very favorable
in regard to the importance
of its immediate completion - But I have
doubtless the policy of
urging for an appropriation
at this session -
I see however that Mr
Cushman & some others are
anxious for it -

If not too much
trouble to you, I should
be very glad of one of
Senator Holgers reports
on the Low River Case

With great Respect
Yrs. Friend & Col. Secy
Washington Smith

Buffalo, March 7, 1865.

My dear Sir:

I did not receive the "Cornell University" bill until this afternoon, no way to Court. In some matter of detail it might, probably, be bettered, but I see no material objection to any portion of its substance, and so I shall forthwith write to Mr Cutting and to Mr Stannard. I have no doubt the disposition to it in the Assembly will be strong, but should hardly think it can be successful.

Yours very respectfully,

J. M. Clinton.

Wm. E. Cornell.

Ovid March 7th 1865

Hon E Cornell

My dear Sir

On the rec^d

of yours of the 4th I at once wrote to our member asking him to go in for the "Cornell University" I hope he will do it

We had a meeting last evening at the Court House, of the subscribers to the New York State Agt College, tho' they did little and hardly came to any point, still I think enough was learned to insure a belief, that if the stock holders about here, who have paid some \$38,000 could be insured their money & be sure of some sort of State institution, they would all release all claims to an Agt College & indeed go in for the one at Ithaca

I am truly Yours
Brad Lox

Arad Joy
7 Mar 65

Col C. Pratt died last week
Judge Nick Halvey died in Marshall
Michigan, his remains are to be interred
to day at Tremansburgh

Mr E. Cornell

My Dear Sir,

I have yours of the 4th inst
and am very much obliged to
you for the report of the Regent
and a copy of your letter.

I am much regret to learn that
such a powerful opposition in
the shape of a powerful lobby
is working against you.

I will exert cheerfully do all
I can to assist first by visiting
all the members I know and
by inducing my friends to do so.
not only from here but from
the City of New York —

I will at once devote myself to
it and take the time necessary
to give it prompt & efficient

action. My acquaintance in the City of N.Y. is of course very large, and I think I can induce quite an influence from that quarter, and I will do it most cheerfully.

The noble end you seek to accomplish has my most hearty approval, and you may rely on my exertions I can give to further it.

The course of our friend Folsom in this matter I am enabled to fully appreciate. I feel even his own judgment has favored the plan from the first & as far as I know he was the first to propose your securing the "Whole Land fund" and I am firmly impressed with the idea that the only hesitation he has arises from his constituents the people of Ohio, who are opposed

to establishing a Indian home in place of the College. The foolishness of which Folsom admits, and says they are standing in this our light. Still he has not the magnanimity to come out boldly for the cause.

He wants to accomplish the object of Ohio by buying them off says that 20,000\$ will do it & perhaps he - you see what this means - I shall be very glad to hear from you as often as you have anything to communicate directly yours

James O. Sheldon

Done March 7th 1865,

Amos Mich 7/65.

Hon E Cornell
Dr Sir.

In accordance
with your suggestion, we have
drawn a petition & procured it
signed by some of our citizens
I enclose with send same to you
for such use as you please -

We have also written
to our Members of Assembly
on the subject advising
them of our wishes in the
matter

Yours Truly
E W Arms

(over)

Aurora March 7, 65
E Cornell Esq

Dear Sir, Mr
Arms and My Self
will take the 300 Shares
of Tele. Stock if You
will let us have and
will ^{give} from one Year to
one and half Year
with annual interest
we will give a good
endorser if You wish
we would like a
little interest in
Your Line of Telegraphy
if I can have it

we will send Letters
to Members as fast as
possible
Yours Truly
J Nimrod

Harrod & Son,
Mar 7 68

I wish You would send
me with those other
documents, a Report of
Soldiers Home and Hospital
of this State I would
like very much to
see it. J. A.
In ~~any~~ charge will
pay

Hon E Cornell

Dear Sir..

our union
association here, have formed a bill
to enable them to raise sufficient capital
to keep the city clean and for other sanitary
purposes - which in my judgement
will be a great benefit.

A number of capitalists approve of it.
which bill I enclose on behalf of our
association.

I leave two names out for you and
Senator Laimbeer to fill up.

Please give me your views of this matter.
I trust you and Senator Laimbeer
will approve of and pass this Bill.

Very Truly, &c.
Samuel B. Kent



10229 Broadway
New York N.Y. 7/16/65

E. C. Moody in his place

Brighamton Mch 8th 1883,
J. H. Ramsey Esq
Pres A. S. R. R. Co

My Dear Sir

In procuring the
acknowledgments of Deeds to the
Co. I have employed Mr Frank
Loomis Notary Public. His commission
runs out the 24th inst.

It will be much to my con-
venience to have him reappointed,
as I can make arrangements with
him to our advantage

Will you be so good as
to request his reappointment.

Very Respectfully
H. G. Everts
per B

Hon E. Cornell
my dear Sir

If there is no objection, please have
Mr Loomis re-appointed. Mr Everts is one
of our Directors at Brighamton J. H. Ramsey

John A. King
Mar 8. 65

The House
Egon Cornell

Dear Sir,

Jamaica Inland
March 8. 1865

Your letter of the 4th Inst is
received, and I will without
delay, write to the Members of
assembly from this coast, asking
them to support the Bill to
Establish the Cornell University.
I had previously received from
you, a copy of the Bill, and
the Report of the Committee of
the Report, in regard to the
People's Colleges. It would seem
from that Report, that Mr.
Cook still retains a lien on
the College property; and that

The Trustees of the College
had failed so far to comply
with the conditions of the Law
of 1863 - it is not an easy
matter to recall a grant
once made - and the reasons
for so doing, should be of
the highest and most beneficent
character - and these, you have
apparently furnished. I
should be glad to hear from
you, from time to time, as to
the prospect of passing the Bill.

With sincere regard
yours truly

John A. King

Darien March 8th 1865

Am. E. Cernick

My Dear Sir-

I have written to
J. W. Brown of the Herald to day on the
subject of your college life. I really
do not understand why there should
be the least objection in the city or
anywhere else, and I was quite surprised
when I received your letter the other
day.

The next meeting is called
for the 23rd inst when, if nothing
prevents I shall be on hand and
will stir about among the country
members if necessary.

Kindly Yrs

Wm. Pitts

Monticello, March 8. '15

Hon. E. Cornell

My dear Sir

Your letter has just been rec^d. - A previous mail brought me the printed bill &c. I will most cheerfully use my influence with the Democratic members with whom I am acquainted, to induce them to vote for any bill, which will have a tendency to further your very large & munificent plans -

I cannot help expressing my appreciation of your public spirit in this matter & trust that you may live long to witness the prosperous operation of the institution which you propose to be the founder of -

Very truly

A C. Newen

Private

Owago March 8. 1865

My Dear Sir

I have just rec^d
yours of the 4th & have
hastened to write to Shepard
urging him, to lend you
his "valuable assistance" in
the House, with all the
discretion & force I could
Command. I Endeavored not
to dictate nor advise. Knowing
his peculiar temperam^t &
his Childish sensitiv^e & his
wisdom beyond all other men—
I presented my views on
the merits of the case and
Endeavored also to impress
upon him that our political
interests were closely allied

with your County & it would
be for the political ad-
vantage of himself & all
of us, to sustain you in
preference to Schuyler - I
have very little faith in
its influencing him at all -
He is one of Cook's admirers
& was, I suppose, put on the
Rail Road Committee with
Webber through the influence
of Downs - I hope you see
Lincoln at him in his recent
visit - He fears Lincoln.

I am not at all surprised
at Trumans course - Philanthropy
& benevolence that has not for its
chief end the Elevation of
Truman cannot receive his smiles
He is a supremely selfish man

+ a perfect Indian in his
haterid - I most sincerely
hope you may succeed
in your noble project -

Very truly Yours
J. C. Platt

Hon E. Cornell
Albany

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(EASTERN DIVISION.)

Ithaca Mar 8th 1865

Hon E. Cornell

Dear Sir. When I saw you here a week or two ago, I wanted to express to you my thanks, and the feeling of admiration that I entertain towards you, for all that you are doing for us as a community, and the cause of humanity and light generally, but as others were by, thought it might look like flattery. I cannot express what I would like, or what I feel, but rest assured that your conduct is appreciated by at least one. The names of those that do as you are doing, are not forgotten at death, but their memory grow brighter in all coming time.

Will you receive this as a poor expression of my thanks to you, and believe me always.

Very sincerely yours.

William G. Johnson.

Ithica March 8th 1865

Mr Cornell Sir

please to excuse me for taking the liberty to write to you, but I have got the check for my pension and as I promised to give it to you on the lot, I do not think I have any right to use any of it untill I can hear from you, when I obligated to pay it on the lot I supposed I should have enough to fix up ^{my} house left after moving it but it has cost me, 47 dollars of my own money and 25[¢] that Mr Hardy gave me, and when I bought the house I thought I could get it moved for about 30 dollars, but every one I have hired to do any thing in moving has took just what they was a mind too because I had no one to see it and I was a poor widow woman, and when they moved the house in the lot they broke the fence down and broke the posts so it cannot be put up again and unless I can build a fence

I cannot have any garden, the lot has allways been ploughed and it is so muddy that unless I can get a walk made of boards we cannot get around the house at all, then ^{the house} it has never been underpined, and the walls has been broken very bad. It has cost a good deal to keep it warm this winter it is racked to pieces so, I know of ^{no} way to fix ^{it} unless you will oblige me and wait untill next spring or if ^{you} cannot do that take part of it and let me have the rest, it would take ^{no} ~~it~~ ^{water} all to make it decent to live in, I have on the lot at all, it is impossible for me to earn any more then to clothe and take care of my children every thing is so high and I have so much sickness my oldest little boy has had the brain fever and been ~~confined to~~ confined to the house for 6 weeks he is getting better now, ~~all~~ the war Committee gives me only 12 shillings a week that is not more the one third what I have to expend to live will you please to write and tell me what to do, I will abide by whatever you say

I have seen very hard times this winter work has been so dull. but hope it will be better this summer please to write soon so I will know

respectfully yours

Elizabeth J Wesley

Hudson March 9th 1865

Wm C Connel

Dear Sir

Your letter came to hand yesterday morning before the departure of the morning train so I thought instead of writing I would go myself and talk to my friends by word of mouth.

I accordingly went and saw many of my friends in the assembly, who all seemed favorably disposed when they heard the proper explanations.

You may count on the zealous cooperation of Messrs Carpenter & Shutt of Columbus Co and of W Wilbur of Fredrick, the latter is a good speaker and may prove very useful.

I am ashamed my dear Sir to see any hesitation or haggling in the acceptance of your princely gift which I am sure contains the germs of priceless blessings to our state. If I can render

you any farther service in the matter
it will give me unspeakable pleasure
to do so

Very truly yours
John Stanton Gould

J. Stanton Gould
9. Nov. 9. 65

Congress Hall
March 9th /65

Wm E. Cornell

Sir.

I called at your
Room as per appointment: at 8
P.M. also at 9. It is important
for me to go home by next
train -

I hope to have an
opportunity to present the
subject of the Grain Deger to
you next week - Mr Curtis
will probably be here Monday
or Tuesday next -

I am very Respectfully

H. H. Beach

Windsor, March 9th / 1875.

Mr E. Cornell

My Dear Sir - I find upon
my return home your favor
of the 4th inst & will assure
you do all that lies in my
power to aid the passage
of your bill deeming it as I
do of vast importance to the
future Agricultural prospects
of our State & one in which
every farmer is deeply interested.
I will write also to another party
who has considerable influence
outside & request him to use
it for its passage.

Thanking you for myself for your
most munificent offer I am
Yours Truly *Wm. C. Thomas*

Anna & French Co
Hon C Cornell
My dear Sir

I enclose letters for
my Senator & Member that you may
see what is written - when you
will receive & drop them in the
office - If this is what you desire
all right - if any thing more
please advise me

Very
Candidly
Candid O. Briggs

Brighampton. N. H. March 9th 1865.
Hon. Ezra Cornell

Sir,

Through your kindness having received the Albany Evening Journal Almanac for 1865. you will please accept my thanks for the favor.

Yours truly
Edward K. Clark

I have read Mr. Woods' complaint. It is not long since he voluntarily told me that with the Erie line in the management of the Western Union Co., his arrangements would be useless.

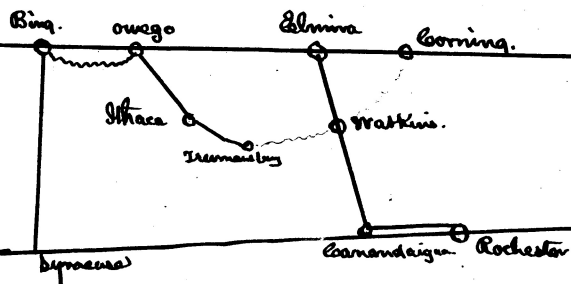
If I open this line as desired, I must either run opposition to Tillotson i.e. ourselves, or give the wire to Mr Tillotson's operator at these places, he having already offices there. To my judgement, with a railroad line to N.Y. from Watkins either by Elmira or Canandaigua the one now, and the other so soon to be in our hands, it seems unnecessary to keep up sixty miles of turnpike line for that purpose. But it may be useful for local business, and I will order it to be opened.

Mr Tillotson has given me permission to use the Erie wire ~~as a~~ from Elmira to Canandaigua as part of a direct wire to Rochester. This will give Watkins the opportunity of sending to N.Y. by three Railroad points.

I have had to trust to Mr Sifford's report to judge of the propriety or use of keeping up this inland line, as it was impossible for me to go over it. When the line is opened, it will of necessity pass to Mr Tillotson's charge as I cannot be meddling with his territory & offices without danger of constant offence & as his men must be the operators.

J.A.B.

NY.



A. Balcorn
Mar 9, 65

Binghamton March 9, 1865
Hon, Ezra Cornell;

Dear Sir; I have
just read the opinion
of the Supreme Court
of the United States
on the subject of our
State authorities taxing
State Banks whose Cap-
itals are invested in
Bonds of the United
States, and I am sat-
isfied they cannot be
constitutionally taxed
in any way except
that stated in the
bill I sent to you,
The franchises or
privileges granted
to such banks by
the Legislature are

property which the Legislature can Constitutionally provide for taxing—

I wish you would offer the bill I sent to you as a substitute (when the proper time arrives) for the one that has been reported.

If you will read the opinion of the Court in the case alluded to you will see that the franchises or privileges granted to State banks may be taxed by authority of the State Legislature—

It will not do to permit our State banks to avoid taxation—To permit them

to do so would break down any party granting or concurring at the permission.

We must have equality of taxation or the people will not quietly & willingly pay their taxes—

All the people desire is that all persons & corporations should bear their just portions of the public burdens; and they will have laws for securing that object or they will rebel at the polls.

We have but one object & that is to have just laws that will enable us to maintain our political

ascendency,

The weather is
warm here today -

We have nearly filled
our quota & shall avoid a draft,

The news from
our armies is most
cheering, and the
Union Victories at
Poughkeepsie, Troy, Utica,
Oswego, Rochester, Lock
port & Elmira last
Tuesday are very
gratifying -

Truly Yours
Ransom B. Bacon

Rumrebeck NY March 9. 1865.

Hon Ezra Cornell

My dear Sir

I have only just returned home after some days absence, hence your letter has remained too long unanswered. I will get some of my friends in New York to act as by putting to members, asking their support of the University Bill and will bring all the influences to bear which I can expect. I hope to have the cordial support of Dean Richardson; shall see him again very soon.

As respects the quantity of Notes issued, I cannot speak with any certainty, but am quite sure it

does not reach \$40.000 probably
not more than \$30.000 - The sub-
scriptions obtained elsewhere than
at Orrel were without such con-
ditions - they were absolute gifts, hence
I suppose the amount to be considerably
under forty thousand dollars.

I will write Mr. Day today and
inquire how many certificates have
been issued - to whom - and how many
parties have a right to certificates of stock
- On hearing from him I will again
address you

Very truly, respectfully
W. Kelly