

CHRISTIAN FRIEND :—

The Baptist Society in Weymouth, Mass., is making a self-sacrificing effort to erect a new house of worship ; and yet, with all our sacrifice, and all the aid *thus far* received, we are unable to do it, without incurring a burdensome debt.

We therefore appeal to you for aid to the amount of ONE DOLLAR, which you will please enclose in the envelop addressed to the undersigned.

Respecting our interest, the Rev. Dr. Stow of Boston says : " I have been acquainted with the Baptist Church of Weymouth from its origin, and regard it as a promising interest. The population of the place, now 10,000, is steadily increasing. The church greatly needs a larger place of worship, but is not able to defray the whole expense of building. Any who may be disposed to help and thus aid a deserving people to enlarge their means of usefulness, may be sure that their contributions will be well applied."

Our effort is also endorsed by the Association with which we are connected, by the Board of the State Convention, and by the denominational press of Boston. From the latter we quote : " Rev. Gideon Cole is encouraged in labors among his people. This encouragement would be greatly enhanced could there be the realization of a new house of worship in place of the present chapel. From among his people, representing almost wholly mechanics, Mr. Cole has obtained a noble subscription of \$3,000 for this object. Let him have an ' open door ' in this good work." Again : " We are glad to hear of the continued prosperity of the Baptist Church in Weymouth. A child of the Convention, its growth has been vigorous, until the chapel no longer affords accommodation for all who desire to hear the Gospel there. In this emergency they have said : ' Let us rise up and build.' We hope they may receive that encouragement and material aid, of which they are so eminently worthy."

In view of our necessity, will you not respond to this call, thus securing our hearty thanks and the full approbation of the Master, who says : " Inasmuch as ye do it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye do it unto me."

If the sum asked for will burden you, please return us SOMETHING, *however small the amount, for without help we fail.*

In behalf of the Church,

GIDEON COLE, *Pastor.*

I sent the \$1. - May 13-65
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South Ballston

May 13th 1865-

My Dear Sw.

I pined you pretty hard
on Board the S. Boat, I acknowledge;
I did so from a sense of duty. I
walked all day in N.Y. and could
find but few I wished to see. I
got some aid for the 330 I
went to send to Eng. . . . by assuring,
I despatched 70 and have £30 more
ready. This secures the costing of
the blat and 1000 vols, to com-
mence the 15,000 vols to the Clergy
of Great Britain. . . . Every contri-
bution of £30 St. enables my friends
in Eng to circulate 1000 vols free
through the Post Office. . . . I have
faint and loud and in various
shapes circulated I think 100,000
vols of the work. I have a pressing

call for a vol. ~~of~~ ^{Worshipful} this day ~~for a vol.~~ but it is out of my power to send one - but the English Edition will now I trust soon be out, and is published in this country and it is constantly called for. I wish I could send you a copy. but you will find in the vol I now send you, a selection of one of the lectures; and an extract from another, which will serve, as a general type of the whole. The Dr has in fact placed the seal of Truth on every principle advanced by the ^{Temperance} Reformer of the present Cent^{ry}. I hope Dear Sir you will read every word of the work I now send you, it is the whole in brief, of my 36 years of Labor. . . . We shall now, make a simultaneous move all over the nation. and we rely a

good deal on the press, and we want to settle Dr Hall's work and the one I send you by the million, and will if we can get the cost, or to the extent we can get it. If you can help I know you will do so. Whate'er you give I will see that the money does the greatest amount of good, and I have no doubt you will live to see good results, if not in this world, in a better.

Pardon me for earnestness. Should you make a contribution I wish you would leave it to me to use it in whole or in part to circulate Dr Hall in England, or the work I send you, here.

Very Respectfully
Yours

E. C. Delavan

Wm Tm Kelly, Rochester May 13/85

Dear Sir

The plans and specifications are in the hands of Dr S Cutting and Messrs they belong to Mr Esty the architect but he presumes I should not object. The contracts were made as follows

R Gorline & Son, Mason

Contract for Street excavation
& including all the Extras } 20,976.87

for laying the same

Edwin Taylor, Carpenter

all the work not included

in Mason work - and

including the shelves for } 16,657.10

Wood Cabinet \$14.00 -

and Extras

1,893.15

AR Esty & other Architects fees \$39,521.12

As the specific amounts for Iron
work - and paid for Stones &c
I am not able to specify as
they were included in the Masons
& Carpenters Contracts

— The Stone were taken from
Albion New York & furnished upon
very low terms, about the price of
Common Limestone some 3 to 4 per
cent -

I have not seen Dr Cutting
since I spoke to him. About
the plans & Specifications, so
my answer is not so full
as I could have desired
but will return again soon

Yours truly in haste

William B. Sage

Ellerslie Rhinebeck

May 15. 1865

Hon Ezra Cornell

My dear Sir

I promised to
make particular inquiry as to the cost
of the College edifice at Rochester
and communicate the same to you,
accordingly I wrote our Secretary
Mr Sage who has sent me in reply
the enclosed statement - It is
much less than I supposed it was,
far less of course than that a building
would now cost. I wish you
would take a run over to Rochester
and re-examine it, on the occasion
of your visit there with me you spent
too short a time to have a full

appreciation of the building - Your name is a sufficient introduction to any College officer in the State, but to render you not more easy and agreeable I take the liberty of sending you an introduction to President Anderson

The plans are in Rochester, but one of our Professors has the idea that they are the property of the Architect, and that his assent is necessary to giving them up, for examination by other parties - in this idea Professor Cutting is clearly starting a new doctrine - One which will hardly gain currency - If you desire it I propose to obtain those plans and have them for the inspection of your Board whenever the plans of building are likely

to come under discussion.

Have you heard from Mr Beaman the lessee of the College farm? I fear he is getting too far in arrears. I have just had our business policies on the College building, \$20,000 - renewed for one year.

Yours very truly,
and respectfully

Wm Kelly



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Albany, May 15th 1865.
Hon. C. Cornell

Dear Sir,

In reply to your favor
of 13th inst, please find en-
closed, copy of Commr.
report, made in Feb. last.

Very Respectfully Yours
Henry Gallen
Accountant

Albany, May 1st 1865.

Hon^{ble} E. Connell

My Dear Sir,

In answer to your inquiries I would say, that we expect the Enumerators to continue their work until finished. In 1865 we found that many were not through their work until late in July.

Of course we are anxious to get the reports as soon as possible, and in many cases have divided districts to secure this end. We will do so in every case that shall come to our notice as necessary.

Very Truly Yours.

Franklin B. Hough.

Supt. Census.

P.S. I send by this mail for your information, a copy of the Instructions and a set of our General Blanks.

Owego May 15, 1865.

Hon. Ezra Cornell:

Dear Sir— A public meeting is called at Spencer Springs next Saturday, to test a mineral medium, and the territory there for minerals. I would be glad if you could be present and satisfy yourself as to whether it be a humbug. I am sanguine in my convictions, but am solicitous of investigation. Should you become sufficiently satisfied to warrant it, I will undertake to find the salt veins supposed to be in the vicinity of Athens, with the medium, Mr. B. F. Foster, who is under my control, provided you will give me your obligations for \$1,000 to become payable when salt in paying quantities is developed at point or points designated by him.

Yours Respectfully,

A. A. Brooks

Washington Heights
(New York City.)

May 15th 1865

Dear Sir,

During the session of the Legislature, I think I preferred a request, which you were too deeply and importantly occupied, to notice. It was, to help us who are sustaining a Roman's Infirmary, with your merciful hand. I mean aside from your kindly influence in obtaining a small donation from the State. I should tell you why I have to ask this.

The Institution is the pioneer in Homoeopathy, and like all such in any work, has had a hard struggle to come into existence, and take a firm stand. It has succeeded in doing so, but it has been like

going to housekeeping for the first time. everything having to be furnished. much yet needed, and debts still to pay. The demand for help among the suffering who cannot pay, is painful where our power to receive them is so limited that though we receive more than one third such, we must necessarily shut our doors to many. The appropriation of \$2000 from the City and \$1500 from the State will pay every debt - but we need furniture to ^{enable} receive both paying patients, (whose board will keep the table for both) and non-paying, and we earnestly desire to purchase the place, that the accommodations may be extended by enlarging the building. But the latter must be an after consideration, our present needs are very urgent. Do help us

dear Sir, Could you see the poor women there, who were so dreary and desperate - because so hopeless. and who are now so grateful and full of hope, because they have kind attendance and nutritious food in addition to the best of medical care - you would feel that your charity was worthy and wisely bestowed. I know that an object has but to commend itself to your judgment, as well as your heart, to have you assist it, in some measure - This would I am confident. of this. Mrs Cullen Bryant. Dr Gray, my father Mr Edmond, & Dr Paine, can assure you -

They who benefit by the charity know who to bless for it - as their names are given to them to pray for as their benefactors.

Respectfully yours,
(ms), L W Leake

Auburn May 15th 1865
Jm Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

Now that the war is over we are beginning to revise some of the projects that have necessarily been paralyzed during the war. Our Lake Ontario Auburn and New York Railroad is being revised -

It occurred to me perhaps in connection with your University and other reasons uniting you might be inclined to look with more favor upon the project than formerly. We think the road has become a real necessity - I should like to hear from you in regard to it. The thought has been in my mind to call upon you at Ithaca this coming summer with a little company of prominent gentlemen from Auburn to exchange views with you upon the subject of the Railroad and other public matters. Please write me at your earliest convenience - Please give my respects to Mrs Cornell

Most Respectfully Yours
Geo J. Post

Albany May 16th
1865

My dear Sir.

I send by mail a pamphlet just received from the Rev. Dr. Woods one of the Trustees of Brown University, Providence R.I.

You will perceive that the State of Rhode Island has accepted the grant of lands transferred its interest to Brown University, on certain conditions; and that the land has been located in the State of Kansas.

I was very much pleased with the views you expressed at the meeting of the Trustees in relation to the proper buildings for the University and also ^{into} the course to be pursued with reference to the land grant when obtained.

I am convinced that if your life is spared,
as I trust it may be, your practical sagacity
will be worth an additional half million
at least.

Please to present my compliments
to Mrs. Lowell, believe me to be with
great sincerity

Very truly Yours
John Wendell Head

Thos. E. Lowell
Ithaca.
N.Y.

Forwarded A Hon Ezra Cornell

N^o 2 to U.S. Forces Petersburg Va.
May 16th 1865.

Hon. Edwin D. Morgan,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

I am a candidate
for the Chair of Chemistry, theoretical & practical
in the Cornell University about being organized
in New York. I wish to obtain the recommendations
and good offices of those acquainted with me to
aid me in securing the position named.

It is for the above purpose that I write this,
and as it is not unlikely that I am not at
this time remembered by you, allow me to
state that I was Professor of Chemistry and
Medical Jurisprudence in the Albany Medical
College, while you were Governor of New York,
and that for the last three years I have been
in the ~~the~~ Medical Department ^{of the Army} as Surgeon.
From your knowledge of me I have not
deemed it improper to write asking your
recommendation testifying to my character

and scientific reputation and ability, as well
as my fitness for the position I desire.
If any personal statement was made ^{by you} to any
members of the Board of Trustees in my behalf
I am quite sure that it would be most bene-
ficial to me.

I write the above without hesitation believing
that you will view the matter fairly, and
knowing that your recommendation and
counsel will from your public station and
personal character have great weight with
the Board of Trustees.

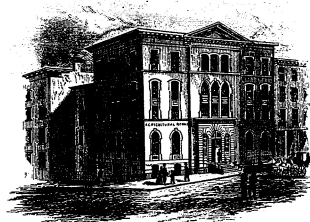
I remain Yours respectfully,
C. H. Porter

P.S.

Please address
Surgeon C. H. Porter,
5th Regt W. Va. Artillery
Petersburg, Va.

C. H. Porter
May 16. 65

STATE OF NEW YORK.



(Agricultural Rooms.)

Albany, May 16 1865.

Am Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir,

I found an notice in the
Springfield Republican of the 13th of
another donation of \$400,000 for a widows
Home at Ithaca - The sum be maintained.
I rejoice at every manifestation of your
liberality - dispensing the means which
have been given you so wisely - May
you live to enjoy the fruition of these
donations for the good of others - and when
called from here, that in that better
world those who have been redeemed
through your liberality and with your
will enjoy it in a better world -

Most Truly
Yours.

Wm. L. Johnson

I was about to ask you to ask if
the deposit I made at Rochester
some time since cannot be returned -
I can use it better than leaving
it there much longer - -

The announcement on the other
side coming, I used the first page
with my notice of the Home for the
miserable and orphans, which I think
will do great good.

Yrs Truly,

T. R. Johnson

Hon. Ezra Cornell
Dear Sir

May 16. 1865

May I hope that this application to your judgment and liberality will not however unexpected by you, prove entirely fruitless. I have that at least, you will give it your consideration and that if you cannot grant the request, you will pardon the intrusion. So great a benefactor as you have been to our country and let me say to our country at large will not regard with anger an individual application. But without further preamble - during the past winter I have been attempting to collect materials for a work which may be useful to others if not profitable to myself. The work has been delayed, if not completely frustrated by my want of means to procure those articles which are necessary for its continuation. The production, if ever finished will be presented to the public under the following title; "Characteristics of the Presidents of the United States from Washington to Lincoln, inclusive". The first six Administrations can be satisfactorily completed by a recourse to standard authors and historians, such as Ramsey, Sparks, Bancroft, Hilliard, Irving &c &c and which I can obtain from our public library here. For the remaining Presidents I must endeavour to procure those authorities which are the most impartial and the least tainted by partisan prejudices; and for this purpose I am endeavored to ask your assistance. It is my knowledge of your generous disposition and your willingness to favour labour and industry when beneficially exerted, which is the occasion of this letter.

Could you without material inconvenience

to yourself indulge me with the loan of \$70 or \$80
to be repaid to you on the publication of the work
in question? With this assistance I am in hopes
I could see the end of my endeavours, and the publica-
tion of the manuscript by the first of November or
December next. What little intellect God has
been pleased to grant me is yet, I think, unimpaired,
and the decline of life has not exhausted my powers.
Should you grant my request I have nothing to
tender you in security for your kindness, unless it is
a scanty library worth perhaps \$100, which, however,
I am willing to pledge.

Again entreating pardon for the intrusion of
this letter, and assuring you that your refusal of my soli-
-citations will not alter my respect for your character
I remain

truly Yours
Wm Linn

Wm Linn
May 16. 65
not sent

^{to}
Nichols May the 17. 1865

Dear Sir

I am much obliged to you
for three pamphlets received in March
one on Furman par state report & report
of Lavate Cuyler for which I am
much obliged. but I regret that
I did not receive the New York Civil
but noticed in your letter but
I do not regret it if you had to buy
it for I learn by your letter that
had bought over \$500 of books for
your constituents that is I presume
more than all Savoters had done
in this district in thirty years before
you I have a copy of Civil list for
1860 that I sent the money to be
Furman I am the more for this year
has some new matter and new plates
the pamphlet I wished you to get me
entitled State report &c I wrote to you

for it being I did not know the
price and supposed you had it and
if so it would save the trouble of
writing, once as I could send the money
to you in next letter but I soon learned
that Gray had it so I sent him 30¢,
but he did not get my letter so I have
lost it the want of it more than the want
the mail makes, bad work in this
vacuity, & has, for few months.

In my letter to you offering to
get your Geological Specimens I sup-
posed that Col. Jewitt had not specim-
en, from all the N. of formations
as he had traveled in South America &
California I supposed my collection was
partly from these countries.

I did not know til last week that
your Mortality bill had passed I
rejoice to learn that is so I hope you
will have it in operation in a year or
less will you have your specimens put
up this season if so I would like to

Come and see them I would go to
any vacant time from here to Mexico
to see a large collection of Birds & Spec-
imens such things I glory in

Now three small pamphlets of the
phases of addition to Agassiz Museum
shall I write to you about I will send
if you wish them

At Azmon many way up to
the and grass full with Apple
trees very full of bloom & the light of
bloom yesterday (Apple & Apple blossom)
near half grown

With me near from you

Yours truly
Robert Howell

Rev E. Linnell
Mexico

N. Y.

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(O. S. WOOD, Superintendent.)

No. of Words.....

No. of Message.....

Rose Point May 18 1865

By Telegraph from.....

To Hon O Cornell

Dear Sir I am arranging to spend the week commencing 29th May at Chicago and in Wisconsin I shall be very glad to meet you while there if you can leave home conveniently

I intended to have taken Julia with me but she thinks that her home duties are too important to be left behind Mary has not been well for sometime but has read and studied too constantly.

Give our love to Mary Ann
with many thanks for the
photographs which we
prize very highly in haste

Very Affly Yours
J. Wood

G. J. Wood
May 18. 65

A. D. White
18 May 65

Syracuse

Aug 18th 1865

My dear Senator

I sent to
you at the Astor House
a batch of introductory
letters to Professors in Colum-
bia Yale Harvard and
hope you received and
used them. If not - we
must go together before
long

I still keep the
university - uppermost
in my thoughts. Our
best people here are

VI/7
26-8
greatly interested. I dis-
cover that the people
appreciate your gift-
much more highly than
some of their representa-
tives at Albany, or some
of their teachers at Roch-
ter.

I have just rec'd a
letter from Dr. Brown
with some good practi-
cal suggestions in it.

By the way, when
are you to be able to
give me a day at Ithaca.
Let me know about
what time it will

VI/7
26-8
be convenient for you
and I will run down
and spend a few
hours with you. What
what-sort of a place
Ithaca really is and
above all what-sort of
a site there is for the
University.

I think too I shall
try to get a sight at
the Agricultural Coll building
at same time

Since your conven-
sations with me I have
become such a person

believe in Telegraph
Stocks. Would you, as
a friend advise me
to buy American Telegraph
Co. at prices varying from
168 to 180. — as an
investment?

Prof. Selman writes me
that he likes our bill
very much — thinks it
carefully constructed &
remains, hoping to hear
from you at St. Robert
Cannon

Very truly
Yours
E. C. C. A. D. D. White

R. J. Hilton
18. May 65

Albany May 18 1865

Hon Ezra Cornell.
Ithaca

Dear Sir You doubtless recollect
our conversation at the Capitol about a month
ago, in relation to the item of \$919.⁷² in the
Supply Bill for the Daughters of Genl. Van Rensselaer
formerly Post Master at Albany. In that con-
-versation. I understood you to say, that you
had recently had a conversation with the Hon
Amos Kendall in relation to this item, and
that he spoke of it as unfounded & unjust
in fact, because during his Administration
of the U.S. Post Office Department, the amount
of the note & amount, against Genl. Clinton
for postage at Albany, had been credited or
allowed, to Genl. Van Rensselaer, & without payment
by him. If this be true then Genl. V. Rensselaer's
^{daughters}
should restore this appropriation to the State
Treasury. I have no doubt they sincerely believe
him claim honest & unpaid. As you seemed
to be impressed with the correctness of Mr. Ken-

Wells statement, and as I am desirous of ascertaining
the truth of the case. I will be greatly obliged
if you will at your earliest convenience write & tell
me at least the substance of Mr R's remarks
& conversation on that subject, and particularly
how, & by whose authority this balance against
Genl Van R. as Postmaster was credited or expunged
without being in fact paid.

We know, that Mr Kendal, while Postmaster Genl
was somewhat notorious for his severity against
defaultering, and the idea of his crediting this
item to Genl Van R. without being paid unless
expressly ordered to do so by Genl Jackson seems
at variance with his usual course of procedure
in such cases, & indeed without legal authority
I will also thank you if you will give me Mr
Kendal's Post office address. I presume how
ever your communication will be satisfactory

Respectfully yours
Robt J. Hilton

No. 3 Gazette St.
Syracuse N. Y.

May 19. 1865

Mr. Cornell

Sir: We are poor, very poor indeed, and knowing your kind generosity, am induced to write you; hoping after learning some particulars, you may feel inclined to aid us; if you should think you can do so without inconvenience, or with comparatively little pecuniary risk.

My Daughter (21 years of age) has been for some time in a Photograph Gallery here and understands the business very well indeed. Mr. Collins, the man who owns this Gallery wishes to sell it. Price \$1,200 think \$1,000 Cash would buy it. Now would you be willing to buy this Gallery and rent it to us, we remitting our rent to you monthly in advance. This Gallery, as you probably know, increases in value continually if well managed, as negatives accumulate and of

1865. Do you want a black or
brown paper in any of your business

Courses are valuable, as orders from
them are productive of quite a little in-
come alone

I would be willing to pay you \$14. or
\$18. per month for the rent of the Gallery
according to what it might cost. until
such time as we might be able to
purchase it of you. At any rate
you could make a good investment
and one that would pay you at least 14 per
cent

My Daughter keeps his Books and we know
what he is doing. His business will average
about \$100 per week. The most he has taken
any one day has been \$100.00

If you could and would do this, it would
put me in a position to support my family
comfortably and give me a fine opportunity
to make good once more my lost property
I have written a plain frank letter and
I hope you will pardon my so doing

How are Shute-horns? I see you have been
shipping to England. Glad to see you so successful
Yours truly S. P. Chapman 3 Gazette St.

S. P. Chapman
May 19. 48

Cherry Hill May 19th/65

Will Hon. Mr. Cornell allow a daughter of the late Gen. Solomon Van Rensselaer to ask if Mr. C. stated to R. J. Hilton, in reference to our Claim, presented to & granted by the Legislature, that it had been allowed by Hon. Mr. Kendall and if Mr. Cornell so stated, upon what authority, his assertion was predicated?

As owing to the unenviable position in which he has placed himself, I can give no credence to one who would a month, to obtain what, (if he believed it true) he must have considered a fraudulent Claim, and endeavours to intimidate to silence in the matter, I would respectfully state to Senator Cornell, that by a cunningly devised representation, that Hon. Mr. Van Buren, who had charge of our Petition, was too much engrossed with other business to give that attention to our matter it required, and wanted him (Mr. T.) to take charge of it, Mr. Hilton drew all the evidence and necessary papers pertaining to our Claim, out of my hands, to go before the Committee; sent down the receipt from the Treasurer's Office for us to sign (whi we did) to obtain the money, (for that purpose sent down also for the "Power of Attorney" to me, from my sister Mrs. Bonney now at Canton) and when drawn, retained one quarter of the whole amount \$ 919.72

sending to us exactly \$690 -

I sent to Mr Hilton and demanded his receipt for the amount he kept back, & my opinion in regard to it, which he said made no difference, he retained what he thought proper, that we would not have got it but for him, who did all the work, and the least said about it the better's.

Our friends, as well as ourselves were justly indignant and said he ought to be compelled to refund (retaining, of course, a reasonable sum for, on our part, his unsolicited services or else be published -

I accordingly requested my friend, Cornelius Ten Broeck (Clerk of the Court of Appeals, who drew up, and presented our Petition to Hon. Mr. Van Buren) to call on our behalf upon R. J. Hilton, and demand of him the money in his hands appropriated to us in the Supply bill of 65. and that he might if he thought proper, accept \$150 from him in full. I heard, yesterday, through Mr. Ten Broeck, that Mr. Hilton refused to comply - saying he had worked a month for, and had justly earned it, & that the least said about it the better, as Mr. Cornell told him it had been allowed by Amos Kendall, Post Master General -

One of the Clerks of the Treasury Department, conversant with the facts, told Mr. Smith - a Lawyer of our City all about, and he

means to bring the matter before the Supreme Court which meets next month.

Hoping for an early reply to my enquiring - with kind regards to Mr. Cornell I am very respectfully

M. Van Rensselaer
daughter of the late Genl S. B. Rensselaer

Hon Senator Cornell

(Copy)

Received from Margaretta Van Rensselaer, Harriet M. Elmendorf, & Catharine C. R. Boney, the sum of two hundred & twenty nine $72\frac{2}{100}$ Dollars for my services and expenses for prosecuting their Claim against the State for the payment of the note & account against De Witt Clinton for official postage due Genl Solomon Van Rensselaer while Post Master at Albany, and for drawing the necessary papers and affidavits, arguing the Claim before the Committee of both Houses of the Legislature, & attending upon and explaining the nature of the Claim to Senators & Members of the Assembly, in order to insure the allowance of the Claim
Albany May 2^d 1865
\$229 $72\frac{2}{100}$

R. J. Hilton

Geo. Hartsborn
20. May 65 Coast Line Railway

30 May 1865

E Cornell Esq

My dear Sir

I have
delayed answering your last
letter acknowledging the safe ar-
rival of the Ram that I may
be able to inform you how
much of his stock I have

I now have the pleasure to in-
form you that I have 55 very fine
lambs from him & they are all
doing well - My ewes are very

generally & as the last
crop of lambs was got by
Ram from Gayton Woods

Prize & the previous two, from our
Thomas from Archbishop I think
I can boast of as good a flock of
Southdowns as any plain farmer

You may have it if in you know
to make some sales for me

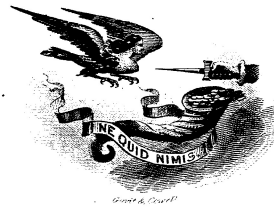
If so would it be too much
ask you aid - please send me
certificate of Blood as you said
you would - & excuse delay
in sending balance of money
to pay freight &c &c -

I may want another Ram
next year if so will you
^{save} send me one of your best

I have reserved quite a
number of Ram lambs, will
sell them at moderate prices
give me a list & address
Dept Receipts of \$3.50 which
I believe is the amt due

I am in very Respectful
Yours

George Haskins



State of New York,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE.

Albany, May 21st 1865

Hon. C. Cornell

Dear Sir,

In reply to your favor of 19th inst. I would state that Comm^r. Spencer purchased some County bonds, and advanced the accrued interest from principal in his hands. This action was disapproved by the Department, and the bonds not being in proper form were returned, and Mr. Spencer forwarded the principal (\$10,000.) to the Treasury. Of course the interest money advanced was returned by the parties of whom he purchased the bonds, and so made his principal account good. The material point for us to ascertain now is whether the sureties of Mr.

Tichenor paid anything on account
of interest actually received by the
deceased Comm? and not accounted
for by him. According to Comm?
Spencer's statement this amounted to
about \$100. If you can in-
form me the precise amount the
Comm. rec? from the societies, I
can determine the other points provided
the deficiency is correctly stated in
the report.

Very Respectfully Yours
Henry Gallien

N^y
Brookfield Madison Co
May the 22^d 1855

Mr

Erza Cornell Esq.

Dear Sir

I take the liberty to ask a few questions I would like to know if you have a good short horn Bull of a good milking family that you would let to serve twelve Cows this season, his pedigree, and your terms, would prefer a young Bull, your nearest Rail Road station knowing that you formally have let your surplus Bulls is why I adress you.

Yours

Respectfully

Sam^l H. Burdick



State of New York

Charities Department

Albany May 22 65

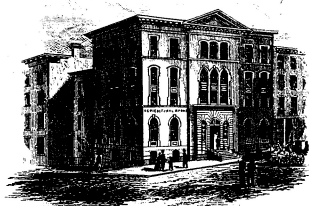
Dear Sir,

Yours in reference to
the case of Lewis Hammond is
rec^d. The Governor is absent
in Washington and upon his
return I will again refer
the case, with your letter to him,
Very truly,

Wm. C. Palmer
Governor

Hon E Cornell
Ithaca
N.Y.

STATE OF NEW YORK.



(Agricultural Rooms.)

Albany, May 22^d 1865

Hon Cornell
Dear Sir—

Mr Van Benthuysen

has shown me the resolution
passed by the Senate on Dr Fitch's
address.

Resolved, that three thousand
copies of Dr Fitch's report on Insects
as read before the late meeting
of the State Agricultural Society
be printed for the use of the Senate
and one thousand copies for the
use of the Agricultural Society.

By order of Perwilliger
Clerk "

There is a memo.

"Extract Fitch on Insects from
Ag Transactions 1864 (should be 1863)
p. 778 to 828 inclusive & plate.

Manuscript to follow from Senate —

This ~~last~~ was printed separately from
the Trans. and will be found in the
bound Vol I sent you of Fitch 3^d vol.

There is no order for printing any thing
but Dr Fitch's address at annual meeting
& Mr V. B. declines reprinting Fitch's Report
upon the Revolution by Terwilliger,
—

In June 1864.

I want Cut of

"5th Valentine"

"3^d Lord of Oxford"

Cows—"Kirk leaving for 11th"—

"Fidget" or "Silly Languish"—

Can you give me drawings of these
or make of them—

Yrs Truly

J. W. Johnson

New York May 22, '65

Ami E. Cornell.

Dear Sir. Your letter of 20th to
which has remained unanswered, in order
that you might be at liberty to act early
after adjournment of your Legislature. either
in making a settlement of my suit, or
pushing a hearing on it.

You ask if I cannot suggest a reason-
able basis of compromise. But you are
aware, that I never need one dollar, outside
of a small remittance I send over road.
(per road, I think) for all my interests
put into your son & Spurr's hands; which
he once need a handsome fortune out
of it, & you have realized from it the
fortune of a millionaire.

Now my share upon you, is for
half of the construction profits on the
E & W. & N. Y. & L. lines.

In Spurr's letter to me of Dec 11/48
he stated my share of profits on the
E & W. L. line, under the construction
contract, was \$24,360.-

In your letter to me of March
11. 1849 you recognize this amount of

Constitution profits due me after E & N - June.

In your letter to me of July 11. 1852. you state my share of Constitution profits on 1st issue of E & N & E. June to Dec - \$26.650

for 2nd issue - 14. ~

total

\$40.650

E & N brought up - 24.360

Total - \$65.010

Such is my honest & recognized claim -
You have had the benefit of it as the
basis of your operations since 1849,
or 16 years - The interest is now equal
to the principal - saying nothing of
legitimate profits on the transformations of
the E & N & N. & E. which you have conducted -
The sum thing is, for one of you - Should you
be pay the principal, & the other the interest
But I am unable to pay either - In
view of these simple facts, & I look
to you & when you are payment of pay
my claim & to I am for the other half,
you might not to object to such a com-
promise - If you do let us agree upon an
early day, & have the heavy cloud - Pay
how soon it shall be?

I want you to inform me, what has
been done by the W. Union Manufacturers,
Selling Co., with the Louisville, Kentucky
St. Louis Section of the Ohio & Mississippi
Telegraph Stock - Signed by G. K. McQuinn
as President & J. R. Elwood as Secy - issued in
May 1880? I sold 340 shares, & have not
heard a word since Elwood died. I have
indirectly that the stock of the line has been
spirited away - or translated by some opera-
tions in keeping with the general activities
of the W. Union Line. I want to obtain
more information, & have inquired into
whether an attempt has been made to ab-
sorb a debt of this property - or how it
has been managed to sink so suddenly
from a full dividend paying stock, semi-
annually, into its present apparently
worthless or unproductive condition.
I presume you know all about it,
& I will be greatly obliged if you can
inform me fully.

I shall return to Portland early of the
week - tomorrow or next day - at which
place, please write me.

Be loving, yours truly

H. J. Smith

P. S. I want to get a male
& 4, or 6 female, full blood
Smith Down Sheep - can
you send me cards of
that family, which you
know to be reliable?

H. O. Smith
22 May 65

M. B. Wood
22 May 65

Albion May 22nd 1865

Dear Ezra

Since about the first of Feb. I have been an earnest sincere beggar, as I believe for the public good of this community.

I found there had to be some active movements to endow our Seminary or we should lose it by being removed to some other place where liberal offers were being made for its endowment. A few of us came together & got an offer from the trustees to keep it here if we would raise \$25,000 towards its Endowment. We then went to work and drew up the contract a copy of which I enclose to you.

You will now just here want to know what has become of the fund raised for its endowment under the scholarship system. You shall know.

In the first place it was a perfect wildcat system & being entrusted to self constituted agents & incompetant in all respects, I find now this condition of things, About seventy five thousand dollars was subscribed and said by the agents to be secured. Of this sum I find in the office of the institution fifty five thousand dollars of worthless paper, beyond all contingency. The accounts show that a considerable of the ballance has been paid in on a compromise of fifty cents on the dollar and used up by the trustees to pay the faculty & to keep the concern running to the present time,

The money paid in on full subscription was of course used up first and instead of having a fund on hand the whole concern has caved in and nothing left of it but the buildings, so we have no alternative but to begin ~~a~~ anew, but you will see that we dont propose to pay in our money to any irresponsible agents.

We propose to keep the funds in our own hands by a board of control elected by the subscribers to the \$25,000, We hold this fund for ten years, when if the Conference fulfill their part of the contract the whole \$100,000 goes into the board of control elected by the Legislature of the state.

We have been to work at this by turns nearly a year and since Feb I have exerted myself to get this sum subscribed by the 16th day of May 1865 which was the final closing up of the whole thing. We met the committee on that day & footed up our subscriptions & they amounted to \$24,000. We of course had to make up the ballance. There was five of us to do it & we depend on our friends to help us out.

Now you have quite a circle of relatives that want education & this is the most handy place to do it, so I continue my begging where I think it will tell best.

I would not feel at liberty to call on any of my friends in this State out of the circuit of 10 miles from the College, but out of the State. I have a perfect right to do it.

Now if you can send us a U.S. bond 7-30 for five hundred dollars your name shall be placed in the Archives of the College with appropriate ceremonies. We hope to collect up & get the whole funded by the 16th July when the year will be up that we were to accomplish the Endowment.

I have visited Alice a few times & find her making good progress and likes the teachers very much.

She feels under obligations to all of us for what we do for her.

Phebe Robertson is also in attendance.

We shall soon make this a free school.

All the friends are well as far as I know

Yours Respectfully
M. B. Wood

Hon E Cornell

East Greenwich, Tuesday evening, May 23^d, 1865.
Wash'tn. Co.

Hon. Ezra Cornell.

Dear Sir: — March 8th Col. Johnson wrote me, underscoved as follows. "The members of the Legislature wish your remarks on hop insects, so that it can be printed. Senator Cornell just in here desires you to have this done as soon as practicable, so that he can have it presented and printed by the Legislature. Don't fail." "P.S. Make references if necessary to any previous notice of hops."

I gathered from this that ^{as} full information as I could give respecting the Hop Aphid, was what was desired; and went to re-writing & adding several things to what my address at the annual meeting contained. Altercation with a scoundrel of a tenant, in closing the years accounts of his mismanagement of my farm, so distracted my attention just then, that it was not till April 3^d that I made out to complete the manuscript and forward it to Albany — still in ample time, certainly, for its publication before the adjournment of the Legislature.

Yesterday I went to Albany, to hand in the MS. of my Report on Insects — all that I have had time to prepare — to give it over to the printer with the other documents for the Vol. of Transactions — Col. Johnson having informed me he should hand all the volume over to the printer, at this date. Last Saturday, I learn he had written to Mr. Van Benthuysen, enquiring after my address, of which the Agric. Society was to have 1000 copies — and also Mr. Dennison's article on grapes, left with him in February to be printed; and saying the Vol. of Transactions was all ready for him to take in hand as soon as these articles were printed.

Just as I entered the Agricultural Rooms yesterday, Mr. Van Benthuysen also came in. He held out the following order. "Senate Chamber, Albany April 13, 1865. Resolved, that 3000

Asa Fitch
May 23. 66

copies of the Report of Dr. Fitch on Insects, as read before the late meeting of the State Agricultural Society, be printed for the use of the Senate, and 1000 copies for the use of the Agricultural Society." And he wanted to know where was the MS. for him to do this work. Col. Johnson soon convinced him the MS. must have been handed to him (Van Benth.) in company with that Order. He then said, the Order seemed only to require the printing of the manuscript, whereas, a note pinned to the order directed "Extract Fitch on Insects from Agricult. Transactions ~~for~~ 1864, page 778 to 823 inclusive and plates; Manuscript from Senate to follow." Col. J. said, as Senator Cornell had been the mover in this business, he would write to him, to know what he understood as being designed by ~~the~~ and included in the order. He wrote to you, accordingly, yesterday afternoon.

When I came to read the Senate Resolution above quoted, I thought it contemplated the publication of my whole address as read at the Annual Meeting, whereas I had only furnished an extract from it — understanding from Col. J's. letter, first recited above, that this extract was all that was desired. And I now write you, to know whether you wish I should revise and send in the remainder of the address; and to explain why the whole was not sent in at first, to you, as you perhaps was expecting. I could probably revise and forward to Mr. Van Bantuyzen the remainder of the address, in about a week, I suppose — and there is no danger of his taking the work in hand }
within that time. } Yours respectfully,
Asa Fitch.

Costained May 18/62

Mr. Cornell

Dear Sir. Hearing of it of
Gov. General and that you are a friend
in the friendship I appeal to you.
Kindness hoping you will grant me
A favor. It is rather a delicate thing
and I hardly know how to address
Myself as a stranger I am a poor girl
and as changes here in Costained Village
My Mother is dead My Father is in the
army. I would like to go into
Europe which I cannot do without the
aid of someone else making is my brother
and if you will help me I pledge you
My word to pay you back Every Cent.
as soon as I have it and when my
Father comes home from the War he will
help me. But now is the last time and
I do not like to wait so long

I would not like to have you say any
thing about it - as I would not like to
have any one know. I can give you
references if you do not like to trust to
my honesty please answer immediately
Respectfully Yours

Miss Marion Ware

Director Costumed

Costumed Co Post Box 249,

P.S. please excuse my presumption
and act your own pleasure

Spencer Morrow to Mr - May 23, 1865 -

J. Cornell Esq,

Sir: I can not protest as to the quality of your lands. I think none but minors can redeem from Sax Dredg.

I wrote Mr Beebe as to deedable taxes on his lands - told him the amt. if he sends the money he will want to add some for int on the amt I named { 12 per cent }

Yours &c

I D S Little
Esq