May 7. /66

J.E. Bell Dr Sir Above I send you a list of lands selected for you — comprising 80 Quarter Sections and covering all kinds of good lands. Timber prairie, water meadows etc — shall send you more as fast as we can get them — I sent you a week ago 14 locations from Sauk Centre, — These Tracts should be entered at once as settlers are coming in rapidly and of course every day some of the best Tracts in the country are taken up by them — If it is done or not at all

in this business — In Haste Yours &c

Geo B Wright

Minneapolis May 7/66

Hon Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

Since my return I have recd the Enclosed letter from Mr Wright. Showing the importance of locating at once to secure desirable land in the St Cloud Dist- & the land officers in this dist- say that Governor Miller will locate a large amt in this dist- in a few days taking these facts it seems important- & you think best to give me descrip - tho bal I have I will locate as soon as I receive descriptions

from Mr Wright - our
spring is advancing rapidly
& weather warm & grown
hoping to hear from you
soon

I remain

Yours Ruth

J E Bell

Syracuse
May 8th 1866

Hon. E. Cornell

Brooklyn

I came down to the train yesterday noon & then (soon & speedily to find Messrs Kelly & Lovejoy & to go on with them — but was disappointed — I do not see how I can go to Ithaca at present — for I am engaged to go to N. Y. on Friday — & still if my presence can really help matters I will throw over the N. Y. engagement and meet you again

I am still of the opinion that the second location — a little off a true North & South line — is the best — one for us — my views of the locality — from the steamboat landing greatly strengthened both Mr Hastings and myself in this idea —

I am very anxious also to have Mr Wilcox's plan per-

fected as we suggested - and at the earliest. moment possible -

There is however one point to wh. I wish to call your attention in addition to those considered when we were together -

I went to Hughes Stone yard to day and asked the price for those stone blocks used in the Centre at the corners of the building. the foreman estimated that such blocks - two feet long one foot broad and one foot thick would cost about 4.00 a 4.50 each, - Now if the wall of the building is 40 ft high there will be for each line 160 dollars at least - There is a necessity for one line of them at each corner to relieve the darkness of the stone mainly used - but it seems to me that the two lines required in each of the Centre increase the cost greatly without producing a corresponding effect -

I mention this as a suggestion to be submitted to Wilcox & can safely willing to be guided by the judgement of the remainder of the Committee in

the matter.

As to location I am also willing
nothing to be guided by the decision of
those of the Committee who are to in-
vestigate the Question — hoping at the
same time that they will agree upon
the second Location

I intend next week going
to Yale & Brown & perhaps Harvard
to talk about - plans of organization
Candidates &c

I shall stay in N.Y. the
rest of week at Fifth Ave. Hotel

Remain

Very Truly Yours

A. D. Wolcott

Dundee Yates Co NY
May 8 1866

Hon Egbert Cornell

Dr Sir

I beg
leave to make some Enquiries
of you in regard to College
Scrip What Can the Scrip
be bought for, say to the amount
of 5000 acres. Can the Scrip be
located on lands in any of
the States where lands are
held for entry. Or apply
under Oblige.

Respectfully yours
I A R Huntington

Answered Offering 8000 Acres
Scrip at 75. Cents per acre —

Minneapolis May 12/66

Hon Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

Enclosed I send you a letter from Mr Wright describing the land he has selected - I shall locate the 40's Monday on the above mentioned land & send you duplicates

The only thing I regret is that Mr Wright has gone to much trouble & expense & selected so much - but for this you, nor myself are to blame as I showed him your letters & gave him no more encouragement only that you might send more if you was

pleased with the land
I if you could see it
I feat most of his selection
will be selled upon
before you get here ⌐ Exam
them this summer
How I a Bell I expect him
in a few days
as I write you before
I will take my fee
for locating in crop
if you wish on any
more I may be call
for you
I will send a full
description of land
on the return of m
wright—

Yours very Resp
I & Bell

Fifth Ave. Hotel
N. Y. May 15th 66

My dear Sir

I received
your letter misdated
May 19th - and so am
much puzzled about
the dates therein sug-
gested for Committee
meeting &c - I supposed
your patent clock
might have got just
a week ahead and

was acting on that
supposition when on
calling at the Astor
House I was informed
that you left here
last Saturday - the
very day, according
to my theory of the
writing of your letter.
So I am completely
out of joint. But as
soon as this is written
shall telegraph to know
when you are to be here.
I shall stay here two
or three days longer
- then to New Haven
+ probably Providence
+ Cambridge

I have been con
sulting with some good
men who greatly admire
your institution regard
ing plan of organization
- men &. and I go
with some new ideas
to consult - our friends
at the place, about

mentioned
But - I am ready
at any time to run
up to Ithaca to meet
the Building Committee
- if I can only find
when they will
be ready and when
the Committee will
agree to meet -
You say they want
ten days to complete
his plans - but owing
to confusion of dates above
mentioned I cannot

tell when said les
days Sec.

How I suppose for
the final meeting
at Ithaca Wednesday
May 30th

If this strikes
you favorably please
write to Kelly & Cowan
for a week to
come a letter or telegram
will reach me care
of Prof. D. C. Gilman

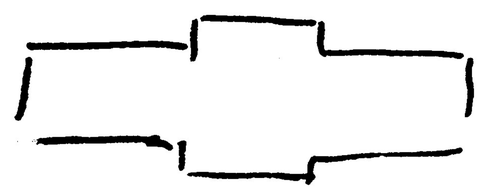
Yale College New Haven

If you can get the plans all ready & the Committee appointed by the time mentioned above. they will be in completion for commencing the work in season I think

I like Wileys idea about the light Medina stone but I do not exactly like this idea of having both ends of the building put out. thus [⊐] as sketched in your letter The part which puts out should be in the Center. That can have agreed upon. It is in the center that we need to mark the line. suppose you have him this and have him also prepare a

A. D. White May 15. 66

Sketch with ground
plan arranged thus



as in the
former plan
Join the two towns.
The beds in the middle
& rod- at- the ends for
the reason that the
Chapel & Library &
museum beds the
fine at- the ends at-
tached / Yours truly
A D White
Hon. E. Cornell

(Copy.)

Albany May 15th 66

Dear Sir

I have met Mr Wood today and have failed to conclude any arraugement with him as I will explain the moment I have time to write more fully.

I write now to make a suggestion that will relieve you from the embarassment of failing to get guns to fill your orders.

If you desire to contract with Horace L. Emery & Son for 25--50- or 100 guns he will make them for you as fast as you want to the extent of 100 Saws per day by your advancing fifty per cent of the list price the balance payable in October next. Emery paying

7 per cent on the advance
until the delivery of the
Gins.

If you desire to make such
an arrangement to supply
your orders. I will make your
advance safe by my guarantee
of the fulfillment of the
Contract on the part of Emery
and Son

Yours Respectfully
E. Cornell

A Banks Esq
Baltimore. Md

Western Union Teleg Office

New York May 19. 1866

Hon. E. Cornell

Dr Sir. After you left yesterday I recd the proceeds of the 2d hundred shs of Rus. Ex and placed it to your credit.

I also recd the En-closed notice of sale of the 3d hundred shs to be deliv^d and paid for today.

Brokers have the order to sell the balance of the 500 shs at not less than 28 1/2 Very Truly Jno Hoomer.

NJSL
Kc 4 (1)

Minneapolis May 17/66

Hon Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

Will you please excute & send me power of attorney to locate the scrip for you — as the Register in the St Cloud distric will not locate any scrip for non-residents without power of attorney & as this is an arbitrary ruling with him, it will have to be done

Yours Truly

J. E. Bell

New York, May 19, 1866,

Dear Sir,

The deed came in this morning, and I herewith enclose it. ~~together~~ with the deed from Silas Osborne to you, recorded some time ago. I paid for recording but as there is the old balance remaining unpaid on the Silas Osborne purchase I will add it to that and you can pay it some time when you are in town.

I send by this mail a copy of the N. Y. Times of last Saturday, May 12, containing some remarks about Prospect Park and Brooklyn real estate. I am something which I learned this morning I am more than ever satisfied that the price named by me for the lot is my low. It is the intention of the Commissioners to extend the easterly boundary of the Park to Franklin Avenue which will bring it so near the Ransom Farm

that all lots in the latter must be very much enhanced in value. It is proposed also to make all the district just east of Franklin Avenue, extending to Nev. York Avenue subject to certain regulations which ares are to be observed to uniform, when they do in a uniform style, with pavements and streets of a certain width and houses set back with front yards &c. You may depend upon it that anything you may buy in that vicinity will double and treble in value in a very short time.

I was sixteen in regard to prices of lots on Bujkoff St near N. Y. Ave. I saw this morning a gentleman who owns there and he tells me that lots are now held there at $1200 on the streets and $1500 on the Avenue, and that $1200. per lot for large parcels has been refused.

I am perfectly satisfied that no

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where in any city or town in the country are
there such opportunities for advantageous in-
vestment in real estate as in just the
locality of these lots. You may rest as-
sured that when the advance in prices
once begins it will be as rapid as it
has been near the Central Park in
N. Y. If I was going to invest money
in real estate this is just the location I
would select and the more I could buy
the more I would take. You will find
a investigation that all the chief im-
provements that are taking place or are
in contemplation in Brooklyn are in
this neighborhood and the effect can-
not fail to be felt in a short time.

If I could induce you to advance the
capital while I made the investments, exam-

and the titles &c and make the selections
with your approval, sharing the profits, I answer
rather buy more than sell - being sure that
affairs that it is good policy and
will pay handsomely

Yr. very truly
John R. Kennedy.

J. P. Causley
Alley Pa

St. Paul, Minn.
Meay 19th 1866.

Hon. Ezra Cornell
Ithaca, Tompkins Co. N.Y.

Dear Sir,

I am to have a va-
cation of nine weeks,- beginning with the 28th of
June next,- a time during which I shall be
glad to locate some of your Agricultural
College scrip, and if desired will act as
agent for the sale of lands when located.

I have resided in Minn. nearly four
years. During my summers vacation of last
year I travelled over fifteen hundred miles
and in so doing visited most of the im-
portant points in the State

I am informed at the Office of the
Surveyor General that some very desirable
lands are now being surveyed, and will
be offered for sale this Summer, and I
am assured that I shall have every facil-
ity the Office can afford for making the
most desirable locations.

Not least of the advantages I should have, would be the counsel of a friend in the Surveyor Generals Office who has been actively and extensively engaged in surveying the Public lands of the State, and who is well posted in regard to what has transpired pertaining to the Public lands of Minn. since he left the field and entered the Office. I should, of course, expect to make locations only on personal inspection.

There is a large and ~~Donbe~~ many day an unprecedented emigration to Minn this spring. I send you various public documents and invite your attention to marked paragraphs on pages 22 & 23 of the Auditors Report & to pages 18 & 19 of the Governors Message

I am permitted to refer you to Wm L. Ames Esq. of St. Paul (late Pres. of the Minn. State Agricultural Society) & to His Excellency, Wm R. Marshall, Governor of Minn. I take the liberty of referring you to the Hon. David Blakely, Editor of the Chicago Post;

to M. K. Conzens of Dobbs Ferry, Westchester Co. N. Y. & to H. B. Lord Esq of Ludlowville, Tomp. Co. N. Y. I trust that it will not be deemed evidence of excepive personal vanity if,- by way of further introduction,- I forward you a St Paul Pioneer containing an account of the last Public examination of my School.

I contemplate visiting New York and should you be pleased to signify a desire to confer with me with a view to securing my services, I shall be happy to call on you early in July.

Very respectfully yours,

G. Sidney Smith.

Taylors Hotel
Jersey City
May 19. 1866.

Hon Ezra Cornell
Dear Sir.

A friend of mine in New York has a very large collection of Shells, numbering over 37,722 properly classified named & ready to put in a Cabinet - including also many duplicates - from all parts of the World, that he has collected for his own use and amusement, as he is getting old and somewhat embarrassed, he is anxious to dispose of them and it occurred to me that you or your friends might be inclined to purchase them -

This collection is quite equal to any in the Country and could be secured at a fair price - and I should be pleased to hear from you upon the subject - or see you when in the City -

Sincerely Yours
J. M. Tower -
254 B'way
of Seymour & Tower -

ASSISTANT ASSESSOR'S OFFICE,

South Brookfield, N. Y. May 24th 1866.

Ezra Cornell Esq

Dear Sir

according to Promise I write you Relative to the Endowment of the Cokyer Institute Since I saw you I have laboured hard & in fact have Exausted My Powers unless you feel that you will help me at this time of need. I have Reduced the amount Since I saw you in Albany I have now $9400= so you see I lack 600 Dollars of making 10000 in order to make it all safe. I have to make My Final Report 2 weeks from Thursday next 7 Day of June Now Mr Cornell will you help in this Matter I Relave it will be appreciated in this County as well as in Jefferson Co. If it is not Convenient to Pay the amount that you would like to subscribe you can Pay the Interest I would not ask this favor if I could see any other way I have Done Every thing that can be Done & Do not want to fail when I have got so near the amount

will you answer this by Return Mail in order that I can make My Report. I Remain yours Very Respectfully

H. H. Hulbert

May 23-66

Rather than have your enterprise fail I will promis to pay you the interest for one year on the sum deficient, which will enable you to report your endowment full, and to draw a year to make up the deficiency in, and you can in that time get it from persons who have an specific benevolent enterprise on hand I will pay the $42, semi annual or in two sums to correspond with the payment of interest on your other sums when months E. Cordell

H. A Bull Esq

H. A. Bull
May 20 66

E. C. Chase
May 20 66

Shawnee Kansas
May 20th 1866

My Dear Uncle

I recived by express 25 pieces land Script in good order I will do my best to locate them on good lands for you and will commence hunting for lands in a week or ten days. Your favor of the 10th containing mortgage &c was duly rec, the terms you wrote about entering lands are satisfactory and I think I can do well at that I will advance the Office fees and send the certificates, with a

full discription with
maps of lands as
you propose
I will try and be
carefull about making
mistakes in numbers
of lands & at the Land
Office Friends and
family are well
Your Nephew Respectfully
Elijah C Chase

Hon Ezra Cornell
Ithaca
N.Y.

Rev. J. G. Fee, Pastor.
Rev. J. A. R. Rogers, Sup't.
Rev. W. W. Wheeler, Principal.
Miss Eliza Snedaker,
Assistant Teacher.

Literary Institution.

Berea, Madison Co., Ky., May 20 1866

Hon E Conell

Dear Sir Our Mutual friend Mr Mr R Barnard suggests that you will likely be interested in the enterprise in which we are here engaged

I send to you a circular that an outline may be upon your mind. We shall get out another Circular and attach to it letters of approval from Chief Justice Chase & Dr Boynton of Washington, Dr Kirk of Boston Prof Park of Andover Dr Bacon of Hartford with others

Our letters unsolicited said

ing

"I will be one of ten to raise ten thousand for a good boarding hall" This is our first great want — facilities for boarding

A chief merit of our position here is a community where we can have a mixed school — colored & white — as at Oberlin Ohio — The religion of Christ & national prosperity demand that the enmity of races be not perpetuated by proscription but allayed by faithfully giving to merit its reward wherever found — in colored or white

Another merit here is that the land is not rich — low in price, compared with some other places, and therefore, within the reach of colored men & such white men as regard education & righteous principle more than wealth — In the South men of wealth generally retain a hostile

John G. Fee May 25th 64

feeling toward the colored man and such measures as look to his equal rights & facilities.

At Camp Nelson, 35 miles from this point, there are some facilities for a school there also. 1 That place is in the midst of a large ~~slavish~~ colored population — on all sides — (There are near 5,000 colored persons in this county)

2 Within the fortifications at Camp Nelson, are several thousands of acres of land which can now be bought — destitute of timber (well watered) and at a cost from 50 to 60 dollars per acre — Land here for $20 dollars per acre — ~~then~~ $30 — per acre

One rebel family there has a tract of one thousand.

I submit these things that you may have them before your mind & may the Lord God direct you.

I am expecting to call & see you in person, as my friend Barnard suggests. You may see it wise to act at once without my call.

Yours John G Fee