

Ithaca N.Y Nov 18. 66

Friend

Your card of invitation to  
the Field dinner has been  
rec<sup>d</sup>. I accept it as a  
gratifying indication that  
the Merchants of New York  
appreciate at the great en-  
terprise at last which rec<sup>d</sup>.  
so little encouragement  
from them in its infancy.

A. J. Low Esq     Johnathan Stuyvesant  
Geo Opdyke     Stewart Brown  
Wm E Dodge     Samuel B. Kneass

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**Walcott & Campbell**  
MANUFACTURERS OF

New York Mills Shirtings, Cottonades & Camlet Jeans.

New York Mills, Oneida Co. N. Y. Nov 13 1866

My Dear Sir:

Permit me to congratulate you  
on the result of the Elections  
what a noble re-education of Congress  
after being insulted so much by  
the President;

There is a proposition to send  
Mr Coupling to the U S Senate.  
I write to have you give the matter  
your consideration. I am not sure  
whether you are personally a quali-  
ficed man or not, I am assured  
you he is eminently qualified to  
fill the place. I much hope the proposi-  
tion may meet your approval

Yours

I have arranged with Mr Gould  
to go with him to Norwich to  
look into the flax business as  
carried on by a party in that place  
Do you intend to accompany us  
I suppose you are busy in your  
work of beneficence. I should  
like to see how you are getting  
along with your building

Very truly yours  
Wm Brewster

It is our arrangement to leave on  
Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> inst.

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Metropolitan Hotel Nov 14. 1886

A. A. Low Esq

Dear Sir

I rec<sup>d</sup> the card of invitation  
from your Committee to the Field  
dinner, which you kindly forward  
me with,

The proposed ceremony is  
a well deserved tribute  
to the indomitable <sup>energy</sup> ~~intelligence~~  
and perseverance of Cyrus  
W. Field, and I shall take  
pleasure in being present  
on the interesting occasion.

Yours Respectfully  
E. Cornell

Woodale, Washington Hollow, N.Y.  
Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> 1866.

Hon. E. Cornell

My Dear Sir:

I regret extremely  
that I was unable to attend the  
last Co. Meeting of the State  
Ag. Soc. as I find stated in a letter  
addressed by you to the Board  
you say you protest against all  
interference or influence on the  
part of the Officers of the Soc.  
or others with Committees -  
Now as I was the Officer of  
the Society under whose special  
charge the Cattle were placed  
I can not feel hurt at  
such a remark, & would be  
obliged if you would inform <sup>me</sup> to  
to what special circumstances

written this. If I have erred I would like to  
know where & how & if I did not I would  
be obliged if you would inform me who did.  
I don't remember ever to have been so particu-  
lar before in speaking with the Judges or  
passing judgment on the animals in the ring.

Yours Truly

J. M. Stone

You refer. I am not aware  
that I interfered in any way  
shape or manner, nor did I  
see any one who did. Though  
I was not present all the  
time the Judges were at work.  
Unless there was evident inter-  
ference or "meddling" I think  
you made a mistake in referring  
to the Officers as you did. & if  
there was any such interference  
I think it would have been better  
to have called attention to it  
at the time. I am certainly  
sorry there should be any dis-  
satisfaction but feel still more  
regret at the slur which you  
have cast upon the Officers.  
I trust you will understand  
the spirit in which I have

Robert Howell  
Nov 15. 66

Nichols, Daga Co NY  
Nov 15<sup>th</sup> 1866

Dear Sir

I have not seen or  
heard much from you since I  
was at your place in May last  
you kindly then offered me  
your Photograph when you get  
some printed I should be very ha-  
ppy to possess it I want the best  
copy of such men as a better in  
the cause of becoming Severe to  
reform I have a few of such  
now & I want you in particular

How far have they got with  
the Cornell Movement when how  
you note probably will want a  
Series of Ward of Resolute Cas-  
tles of Forts I have lately received the  
vol giving a description of them  
They are truly wonderful and many

of the College, have accepted them  
and are now doing so

My Crops were fair except  
Corn which is one kind soft my Pa  
-d wheat yielded about 40 bushels per  
acre and my wheat 24 or 25 per acre

I rejoice at the late Election returns  
it is glorious first rate

I hope to be able to write  
you a letter some day on the  
Drift formation & origin of Soils

If you have any book or  
day that you do not know what  
to do with send them to me

Let me hear from you

Respectfully  
Robert Horwell

How E Horwell

Blate Station

Miss

N.Y.

W. P. Johnson  
C. H. Porter  
J. C. Johnson  
Library

Adm Room,  
Nov 25 1866

Mr Cornell

Dear Sir

Regret I was  
not in the other day when  
you was here -

As you are about selecting  
officers, I desire to call your

attention to Prof M Porter's papers  
for a place in your Board  
of Professors - I think you  
will have those papers  
brought before the Board -  
They will be very full as to his  
capacity, & from some of the best  
men in the Country -

Also Prof Johnson's Library,  
a Catalogue of which you have,

Senator White is familiar I  
believe with Prof Tappan's library  
and it can be bought at a  
very reasonable price.

Yours Truly

W. Johnson

Five Points Mission  
Site of the Old Brewery  
61 Park St. N. Y.

Dear Sir -

We are preparing for our  
Thanksgiving Festival - at  
which, last year, not less than  
1,500 poor children and others  
were fed from our tables. We  
hope to do as well this year.  
For this, as well as for our  
resources for the coming win-  
-ter, we must rely, in a great  
-measure, on the benevolent contri-  
-butions of our friends. Will you  
be kind enough to enclose a do-  
-nation in the directed envelope  
and forward to us, by post or other-  
-wise, at your earliest convenience?

Most Respectfully Yours

J. A. Shaffer

Nov. 15. 1866 →

Supst.

# FIVE POINTS MISSION,

(SITE OF THE OLD BREWERY,)

No. 61 PARK STREET,

NEW-YORK.

THE objects and aims of this Institution, now in the seventeenth year of its labors—the pioneer in the great work of elevating the degraded poor of this city—are so well known as scarcely to need enumeration.

To relieve the destitute; to visit the sick; to seek out, clothe, feed and educate the neglected children; to impart moral and religious instruction; to teach habits of industry, virtue and sobriety; to furnish shelter for destitute families; to place, in Christian homes, the friendless, homeless children of our city—is the work that awakens our sympathies and taxes our energies.

Our success in the past, and the support of a generous public, encourage us to work on and hope for the future. Visitors to our Mission, either on Sabbath or week days, are always welcome.

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San Francisco, Cal. Nov. 16, 1866.

Mr. Ezra Cornell  
Ithaca, N.Y.

My Dear Sir,

Having just finished writing a Hand-Book of Grape Culture, a little volume of some two to three hundred pages, I propose, with your approval, to dedicate it to you, as a token of my regard for your personal worth, and as a slight testimonial to your devotion and zeal and liberal enterprise in the cause

of Agricultural and Horticultural  
Improvement.

The work is to be published  
by Messrs. H. & B. Beneski & Co.  
of South Street and printed in  
New York City; it is expected  
to be issued from the press early  
in June next.

Very Respectfully,  
T. Hart Dyett

To the  
Honorable Ezra Cornell,  
Senator of the State of New York;  
The  
Enlightened and Liberal Friend  
and Patron  
of Agricultural and Horticultural  
Progress and Improvement;  
Cultivating in his last grand  
Enterprise,  
The Establishment and Endowment  
of that most noble Institution,  
The Cornell University,  
at Ithaca, N. Y.;

This little work on Grape Culture  
is most respectfully and cordially  
Dedicated,  
By his Friend and Fellow Citizen,  
The Author.

Hon<sup>ble</sup> Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

I wrote you  
about 2 months since,  
asking you aid, to obtain  
correct and boundaries of  
the "undivided" to any  
more or less "which we hold  
together - & pointing out,  
as far as I could understand  
the deed, quite an impor-  
tant error in the "Deed  
and" on South side, being  
5 ch: wide I think an un-  
ripled South side, without title  
- not having recd any  
reply. I fear the numerous  
calls, upon

for you time has crowded  
this ask -

Please drop me  
a line, at just a spare  
moment, & put me in way  
of obtaining a correct outline  
by birds, of the lands  
now in hand, & held by  
us together - & sleep

Your uspy

J. M. Phillips

Garrison H. R. R. R.  
Nov 16/66

Nov 16/66  
Franklin Phillips

MOHUN & EBBS,  
Booksellers, Importers and Stationers,  
546 BROADWAY,

New York, Nov. 17 1866

Dear Sir

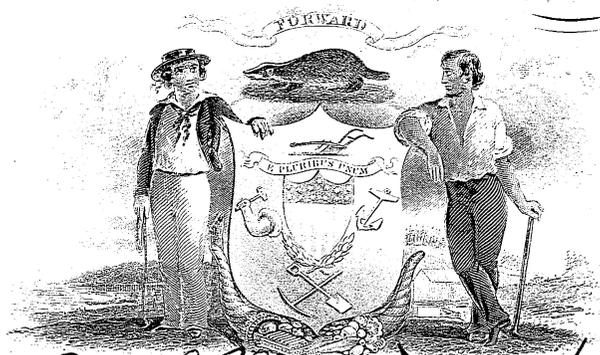
We take pleasure in informing you that, we have just imported copies of *Doré's Milton*, and as the work will be in great demand, an early application will prevent disappointment.

In order to secure a quick sale, we are offering it at the low price of \$40. (retail price \$50.)

May we send you a copy?

Respectfully  
Henry Kernot

# State of Wisconsin



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Madison Nov 17 1866

W. N. Woodward Esq

Vails Gate Orange County N.Y.

Sir,

Your favor of the 13<sup>th</sup> inst. is before me -

I will call the attention of the next legislature to the proposition you make, and hope it will be accepted by the state -

Let me ask if you propose to allow this state to fix a limit as to the price you shall hold the land at, when located, or do you propose to hold it for high prices? This is an important consideration, because if you propose to hold them at a higher price than cost, in selling lands, you would not advantage the state at all, but perhaps damage it -

Let me hear from you soon

this point -

Very truly yours

Lucius Fairchild

Z. G. SIMMONS, PRESIDENT.  
H. B. HINSDALE, SEC'Y.

North-Western Telegraph Company,

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Kenosha, Nov 17 1866

Dear Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir,

If convenient please  
give me your advice on the  
matter of purchasing W. U.  
Tel Stock. Will there be a  
dividend declared in  
July next? Are earnings and layd  
therefore  
Yours truly  
Z. G. Simmons

after sending  
message in passing

Albany Nov 17. 1866

My dear Sir

My family have gone on to Washington - No one but Elizabeth and myself remain in the house - I expect to leave on the 29th Inst - after which - indeed before if you should desire it - the house is at your service - Elizabeth will remain in charge of the house until you come -

Will you have the kindness to let me know whether you will need the services of Elizabeth the same as last winter or whether she shall make other arrangements - She would be quite willing to remain with you the same as before but would be glad to know soon - Please also to state about when you expect to occupy the house -

If you should happen to be in Albany before I leave for Washington I should

be glad to know it - I should be  
very glad to have an interview  
with you in relation to some other  
matters of personal interest to me -

Yours sincerely

Wm Harris

The Honorable  
Erva Cornell

Wm Harris  
Nov 17, 1886

Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>  
N. Y. Times Office, 1866

At

Hon. E. Cornell -

Respected Sir -

Mr. J. Henry Farrell

of Albany, Messrs. Tucker's business clerk  
of myself have been deliberating about issuing  
an agricultural (weekly) journal here in New  
York city. We both have great confidence in our  
ability to manage & build up a first class  
journal, if we had the funds to start it. We  
feel confident that as soon as it is really issued,  
it will be a self-sustaining journal.

There appears to be a demand now, for  
just such a paper, as we think we can manage.  
There is no agricultural Weekly in New York  
city; and the Working Farmer - monthly - has a  
very limited circulation; & the Am. Ag. monthly  
does not satisfy the wants of farmers.

Mr. Farrell, who says he is acquainted  
with you, has been with Messrs. Tucker, for a long  
time; and I believe him to be a trusty, reliable & ener-  
getic young man, who only needs pecuniary encour-  
agement to be able to make an honorable mark in  
the future. And as it regards myself, I may tell

Recd. 19 Nov 66

you what I am now doing. The "Times" pays me \$30.00 per week for managing the agricultural department. During my leisure hours, I write the agricultural department of the N. Y. Observer & the Farmers Column of the Independent. And I write more or less for several other journals. I would like to concentrate all efforts on one journal, which I think I am capable of conducting, so as to be a credit to our country & such a paper as the farmers of our country stand in need of.

But we lack means. We can command about \$5,000. Ten thousand dollars will put it on a self-sustaining basis.

Mr. Farrell thought that if we could lay the facts before you, that you would be willing to engage in the enterprise with us. We tried to find you to day - but failed. Therefore, he requested me to address you. I know we could succeed if we only had the ability to begin. We feel satisfied, that a few thousand dollars - by no means thrown away - would give Hon. E. Cornell more notoriety, than the Cornell University.

If you think favorable of this enterprise, I would like to have an interview with you.

Very Respectfully yours  
S. Edwards Todd.

I shall be at the Times Office, Editorial Rooms, every day, after eight o'clock, A. M. except Tuesday, P. M. when I go to the Fair near C. C. C.

# THE BRINKERHOFF CORN SHELLER, SEPARATOR AND CLEANER.



**Patented April 12th, 1864, and Feb. 28th, 1865.**

The following is the report of the judges on this machine, at the great trial of Agricultural Implements, held at Auburn, N. Y., in July, 1866, under the auspices of the New York State Agricultural Society:

Among the machines on exhibition was a Hand Corn Sheller, Separator and Cleaner, exhibited by J. Brinkerhoff, Auburn, N. Y. We have carefully examined and thoroughly tested this machine and have no hesitation in pronouncing it the *best Corn Sheller we ever saw*. It readily adapts itself to ears of any size or shape, shells clean, and with great rapidity and ease, and at the same op-

eration separates the corn from the cob, and the chaff from the corn, and delivers the corn, ready for market, and it requires but the labor of one person to operate it. The whole affair is simple in construction, and durable.

JOHN STANTON GOULD,  
*Pres. N. Y. State Ag'l Society.*  
BENJAMIN P. JOHNSON,  
*Sec'y N. Y. State Ag'l Society.*  
SOLON ROBINSON,  
*Ag'l Ed. N. Y. Tribune.*  
S. EDWARDS TODD,  
*Ag'l Ed. N. Y. Times.*

Dated AUBURN, N. Y., July, 1866.



The following are a few of the notices of the press that this machine has lately received :

The New York *Observer* of Aug. 9th, 1866, in commenting on the various machines at the trial thus speaks of this Sheller :

**The Unrivalled Corn Sheller.**

Among all the Hand Corn Shellers made in New York and Albany—and one single firm manufactures more than 10,000 annually—not one dare enter the circle with the Sheller just invented by J. Brinkerhoff, Auburn, N. Y. Every one who saw it went away with almost the same exclamation, "That will win the medal sure." It shells, separates and cleanses, rapidly and easily, at one operation, as fast as the ears can be put into the hopper.

*From the Northern Independent.*

**The Brinkerhoff Corn Sheller, Separator and Cleaner.**

Three years ago we recommended to our readers the Brinkerhoff Churn, invented by Mr. J. Brinkerhoff, of this city, and predicted that it would prove a splendid success, and we have not been disappointed. It has fairly distanced all the patent churns of the day, and has proved just the churn so long needed.

It is now our pleasure to call attention to another invention, just completed by the same gentleman—that of a Corn Sheller, Separator and Cleaner, which is far superior to anything heretofore invented in that line. Having examined the article, and witnessed its practical working, we have not a doubt of its proving just what is wanted—a rapid, convenient and efficient machine. It shells perfectly clean, whether the ears are large or small, crooked or straight, and cleans the corn at the same operation. It can readily be attached to a common churn power, and be driven by a sheep or a dog, and when so attached, one man can shell 120 bushels of corn per day. Without any power, one man can feed, and turn, and shell from 60 to 80 bushels per day. At the late National Trial of Agricultural Implements, held in this city, the judges, after a careful and thorough test, unanimously said, "It is the best Corn Sheller we ever saw;" and when such men as John Stanton Gould, Benjamin P. Johnson, Solon Robinson and S. Edwards Todd thus speak, the public will hardly need additional confirmation. We



learn that this machine is being largely manufactured here, and also at the West.

*From the Auburn Weekly Journal.*

**Brinkerhoff's Corn Sheller.**

Mr. Jacob Brinkerhoff, of this city, has invented the best Corn Sheller ever used, and which is so conceded by every person capable of judging. It performs the operation of shelling, separating the corn from the cob, and the chaff from the corn, as rapidly as the ears can be fed into the hopper, and requires but one person to feed and operate it. The universal testimony of judges is in favor of this machine, as the most perfect one ever made. It received the endorsement of the great National Implement Trial in July last, as the best ever exhibited. By merely running the ears of corn through the machine the grain is made ready for shipment, clear from all chaff, and in marketable order. Mr. Brinkerhoff has "beat the world" in this much needed machine.

In addition to the above, this machine has taken the First Premium for two years past, at the New York State Fair, and when but partially perfected. It has since been brought to such a degree of perfection as renders it beyond a question the best Corn Sheller ever invented. The great advantage of such a machine must be apparent to all, for with it a man can shell his crop of corn at his leisure, without an assistant, and thereby save, in a short time, more than the cost of the Sheller.

Sample Shellers shipped on receipt of the price, \$20, and warranted to give satisfaction, or the money will be refunded. A portion of the territory will be sold. The balance supplied with Shellers by the Patentee, for which Agents are wanted in every town to whom liberal terms will be given.

Dealers supplied at the usual discount.

For further information address

**JACOB BRINKERHOFF,**

Box 576, Auburn, N. Y.



Illinois & Mississippi Telegraph Company

SECRETARY'S OFFICE

Ottawa, Ill. Nov 19<sup>th</sup> 1866

E Cornell Esq  
Ithaca N-York.

Dear Sir

Your telegram of the 17<sup>th</sup> is received. Enclosed find draft on Chemical National Bank N-Y. payable to your order for 7138<sup>13</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars amount of your dividend (7165<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub>) less exchange, <sup>27</sup>/<sub>100</sub> per cent. Please sign & date enclosed Receipt. Cancel the stamp and return it to me & oblige

Yours  
Thos H. Catlin  
Secy

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1433  
7165

Albany Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> 1866

My dear Sir

I dislike to trouble you on telegraph matters, yet it is so palpable from the events of the past few days that some peculiar workings are going on, that I must ask some information from you; at least as far as is consistent with your position.

First it is evident, there was a strong party in the direction who were for paying a dividend, else the rumor would not have been so current in the street, & the stock sacrificed - & the fact that only two p cent is declared after the almost positive assurance last June in Mr. Palmers circular, that hereafter we might rely on increased dividends, shows that the same party influenced the final decision -

Why is this? Are the affairs of the Corporation in an unhealthy condition? I am informed positively that Mr. Sibley some weeks since disposed of a large portion of his interest, & sought other investments: indeed I could fill a sheet with the rumors & stories which are flying about - This may gratify some present avarice but it must have a most unfavorable influence upon the future of the stock, & it will take a very long time to regain the confidence now uselessly being thrown away -

I trust you may find it consistent to write me something concerning it: It shall be if you desire perfectly confidential - My interest for me, is so large, that I cannot but be deeply anxious in relation to the matter - Hoping to hear soon

I am truly Yours

S. O. Vanderpoort

Hon. Ezra Cornell

S. O. Vanderpoort  
Nov 20. 66

New York Tuesday Nov 20th 1866

Hon Ezra Cornell - Ithaca

My Dear Sir

I had the pleasure of writing you to Ithaca a few <sup>since</sup> months. Your son very kindly answered my letter, and informed that you were out of town, and was not expected to return to Ithaca, for some time &c —

I bought two large steel Engraving Pictures, of the Christian and immortal, Washington and Lincoln.

Will you allow me to make a public and formal presentation, of the Pictures of Washington and Lincoln, to the noble Institution, at Ithaca, of which you are the principle benefactor? —

The Pictures are each 26 by 34 inches, and covered with fine French glass, and enclosed in large Black walnut frames, and the insides are gilt with gold.

The audience may be admitted on paid tickets, for the purpose of securing the attendance of respectable people, and paying the expenses.

The presentation may be made at Ithaca, or it may be made at the Cooper Institute <sup>New York</sup> in January 1867, as it may be most agreeable to you.

I have written a number of Addresses, in Rhyme,  
to you, and New Hymns, all of which are highly complimentary  
to you, as a Citizen, Christian, Republican,  
patriot, sage, Statesman, and a friend to the poor.

It is intended to combine a splendid vocal and instrumental concert, of splendid and patriotic music,  
executed by good professional singers.

Your Republican friends will cheerfully cooperate  
and join with <sup>me</sup> in making the <sup>enterprise</sup> contemplated at the Coop-  
er Institute, on Thursday January 17th 1867, a Patri-  
otic and honest ovation to you.

I am one of the large number of people, who believe  
that God, in great mercy to our impeired, and  
suffering Common Country, is raising up and  
qualifying Cyra Cornell, as He did Abraham Lin-  
coln, to help save our Common Country, give to the  
people on the soil of America, peace, prosperity, and  
universal Liberty, to every human being, who breathes the  
genial air of Heaven, on the soil of the United States.

Will you attend the Ovation, and receive the Pictures?  
for the Institution — Yours Truly

Washington Goff

P.S. — Will you, allow me the pleasure, of sending <sup>you</sup> a large  
Steel Engraving <sup>Picture</sup> of Lincoln and Washington, to be  
put up in your Parlor at Ithaca — Goff

Albion Nov 21 1866

Dear Brother

I think I will just ask you a few questions in regard to the M.W. F. Co now we are getting quite nervous over it a little item in a Chicago paper leads us to fear they are not agreeing to make a Jan Dividend. Is it so.

We must do something for a living if that is so we are getting dreadfully poor. and if there is no hope from that source the sooner we know it the better. What do you advise in regard to the Co offer on the Russian Extension it has almost ruined us

paying the assessment and  
when the money is coming  
from for Dec is more than  
we can tell

I believe our present are  
all well. I am fine & has  
got settled on his new  
farm and are much  
pleased with it but he  
had to get quit hardly in  
all. I believe he bought two  
hundred acres at \$53 per acre  
he got more <sup>land</sup> than the Rotation  
farm contains

I have not seen the Wood  
grub, since they do not come  
here for money they do not  
concerned to come at all  
and I have not met them  
any where since they come  
back. Robert & Alice are not  
in this winter & marks at the  
Station with Edgar -

I do to wish most to the  
you all but am to soon  
to make a trip east at  
present

Accept our congratulations  
for your new grand son  
and down to you all

Your sister  
Phoebe West

Ellerslie Rhinebeck N.Y.  
Nov 24. 1866

My dear Mr Cornell

I write to congratulate you upon the election of our friend Devota White to the Presidency of the Cornell University, and to express my sincere gratification that we are to have the benefit of his intelligence, experience and energy in that responsible position.

To you it must be especially agreeable, for he and you are in perfect accord as to the high aims of the Institution; I only wonder that he consents to sacrifice so much of quiet home enjoyment, and assume such difficult and responsible duties; but he will have his reward

not alone in the admiration and  
thanks of his associates, but in  
the approval of his own mind,  
and of his and our Master.

I regret that it was out of  
my power to attend the meeting,  
I should like to know what other  
business hinders the election of President  
his branch.

With much respect  
Your friend & servant

W. Kelly

The Honble  
Ezra Cornell  
Ithaca N.Y.

Ithaca Nov 24. 1866

My Dear Sir Your favor of the 13<sup>th</sup> came to hand during  
my absence hence the delay in answer—

The interference which I complain of occurred during  
the presence of both you and myself, while the judges  
were examining the cattle you were standing on one side  
of the ring and I on the other, and during the exam-  
ination two Gents passed into the ring and talked with  
the judges, with each other, examined the cattle,  
talked again with the judges & then with you,  
and again with the judges, and so on through  
the entire examination, and while arguing with  
very earnestly on the subject of the examination I heard one  
remark "Well I have made up my mind which is  
best" All this was observed by several gentlemen,  
and is what I call improper interference, as it was  
done in your presence you will doubtless be able  
to call to mind the names of the gentlemen I  
refer to, I very much regretted that any thing

should occur which I felt it my duty to  
complain of but I am not without hope  
that good will result from it to the  
society -

Yours Respectfully  
E. Coruell

Saml Thorn Esq

Copy to  
Saml Thorn Esq  
Nov 13. 66  
Nov 24. 66

Ithaca Nov 26<sup>th</sup> 1866

Dear Brother

I regret that I have to intrude upon some moment of your time but I am in trouble and wish your advice since the evening we were at your house I have been under the greatest anxiety I ever experienced as we were about leaving Frank said he wanted the house our folks are in in the spring we have expected it for a long time but for all that I could not rest or sleep all that night, we can not take them here to live with us we have no room convenient for them it would be to bad for such old people to live up stairs besides that it would make it verry hard for me to do for them living thus, you are aware that for them it is better to live

out of town I have savings and  
that I never would take them  
to live here, Mother has often told  
me she never wanted to come to town  
to live, even if it was convenient  
and would be all pleasant we can  
not support them here we are  
now in distressed circumstances I do  
not work since early in the sum-  
mer except a day or two here and  
there we have been running behind our  
expenses are large for so small a family  
we try to get along as cheap as possible  
but we are in debt and nothing to  
spare with, when I do can not have work  
we have nothing to depend upon,  
my plan was when we left the farm  
to buy a little home for our folk, I  
said all I could to induce I do to buy  
the goodrick place for them we could  
have got it for a thousand dollars at  
that time, I never should have  
been willing to left the farm if I

had thought we should not have got  
a place for them it has been a  
constant trouble to me ever since to  
know what they would do when you  
wanted the house, now if you can  
not let them stay there any longer  
will you not all or rent us the goodrick  
place so long as they both live if  
we should be taken away then of  
course they will be obliged to break  
up, if you can not let them have  
either of those places we shall be  
obliged to look around for a place  
where they can keep a cow and raise  
a part of their living, we may  
be obliged to leave this place to  
find a few acres of land for I  
know of more but what is taken  
now I have one thing to ask that  
is that you will summe this as  
soon as you find nothing it  
and not let your family know that  
I have troubled you thus, I do small

Nails Gate Noombw 26<sup>th</sup> 1866

How E. Cornell

Ithaca Dec 31 I have today  
your favor of 23<sup>d</sup>. & have written as  
you request to notify Egbert Guersey  
Md. 23<sup>d</sup> Street near 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue New York, of  
the disposition made by the Board  
of Trustees of the C. M. of his proposition  
to connect the Medical College of N. Y.  
with your Institution, to a special  
Committee,

I enclose herein God Fairchilds best  
letter (which please return) & my answer  
thereto (copy). Some of his advisers  
no doubt thought that his questions  
would stagger us. and I am glad  
they were put. since we are able to  
answer them. I know there are many  
shrewd <sup>in Wisconsin</sup> men, who are inclined to look  
upon our efforts as a grand speculation  
in hand. & these are our opponents, perhaps  
on principle Truly W. A. Woodward

Mail State, Orange County, N. York, November 26, 1866

His Excellency,  
Lewis Burdick,  
Governor of the State of Wisconsin,

Sir, I have your favor of 17<sup>th</sup> to which I have to reply. The land business of the Cornell University is in the hands of Mrs. Ezra Cornell and myself to exercise our best judgment to promote its interest and to report to the Board of Trustees for their approval. We cannot say what may be their ultimate intention. But our efforts are directed to immediate realization because the Substitution needs the money now. We shall therefore proceed to convert the lands located in the western States into income-bearing securities with the least possible delay. At such prices as similar lands are offered for by others. Having already fixed upon several sites and Town sites, which would become very valuable on our plan of settlement, we should depreciate any legislation that would compel us to sell these to Speculators who would at once select our best locations at Government price and defeat our object, when we hope by our own skill and good management, with the use of capital to make improvements that will increase their value and that of other lands which we may locate in the immediate vicinity.

Our opinion is that the price of land should be graduated according to its quality, location, water power, improvement vicinity to villages, Roads, schools and other conveniences of society. It should not be deemed commercial wisdom for a merchant to offer to sell all grades of merchandise at one price. We cannot reasonably look for high prices in your State except through some extraordinary efforts of our own, while merchandise may be had for the fee of entry, and while the State of Wisconsin is offering a choice of its most valuable school and University lands for Government price, and in most instances for considerably less. As by the efforts attended to we can increase the value of our locations and at the same time add to the population and wealth of the State we think that it would be had today at a much less price than we do not wish to sacrifice the fact that our lands are in the hands of the State and Gen. B. or in common ownership with the Cornell University.

By the act of Congress donating land for Colleges we are precluded from seeing the income of the State Sale of Serfs for building purposes. Mr. Cornell in addition to his original gift to the Institution, has generously proposed not only to purchase the Serfs from our State Comptroller as to locate the land in his own name for the University, but to give bonds that he will apply the whole proceeds including profits to its exclusive use. The income for the first two years of his donation of five hundred thousand dollars, is already applied to the erection of a dormitory, 5 stories high and 1600 feet long now receiving its roof. Twenty even buildings are needed to consummate the building-plan. requiring a million and a half of dollars within the next six or seven years. Hence our anxiety to realize at once from our lands, and our wish to make them yield as large a sum as possible. We have assurances that abundant means are available from the friends of education and capitalists in this State to carry out the plan of settlement and improvement which we propose and also for the extension of a Rail Road to connect with such improvements. The plan received with most favor is the organization of a Stock Company with a paid up capital of one million of dollars to whom we shall convey brown sites, water, power and lands at a fair valuation, including a profit, thus making the property immediately taxable with its improvements.

Our foreign emigration scheme is operating most rapidly and we are sending thousands of farmers to your State by simply talking about it. I know of two farmers and three millwrights who have gone since my return home all of whom intended to go to other States. While I was in Wisconsin at Barrington, 1 out of 100 the rock having quarried by the way) arrived. They came penniless, in a fortnight they earned in the Vermont fields money enough to enter Vermont, and were very contented. We receive no thought, but the Vermont plan has sold three hundred of Vermont around them without further effort. We have advice from Vermont that several persons with means are on their way to be convinced by our advice. Hoping to hear again from you, I am  
Yours very Respectfully,  
W. H. Boardman.



Bill in subings 90890

of the prices of the former shops

Total would be (including) of

\$7723-36

Estimate per mile 1544.64

I had thought the above 8 miles

would be more expensive per mile

than the balance of the run

and except Baraboleg only

Ball, Cassadilla & St milecents

of which Cassadilla's looks

to me much easier than I had

been tonight supposed. The stone

columns in the four Coffins

is ~~more~~ more than the full

with cost, I make up my mind

that 12 fangs with steam

Excavator and support teams

must work after ready to work

can make the launch at the

four Coffins within fifty

days of fair weather but

my opinion may be altered

when the evidence

is presented of a much

rise expect this week, the

Estimates of the Engineer's must

be the evidence to me.

It is proposed that the Agents

of the Enterprise meet at the

Western Exchange in the city of

St. Louis on Tuesday the 4th of

Dec. next, for the purpose

of reviewing the changes of the

Engineers in regard to work,

profit and estimates of the

Recent Survey, and to such

action in matters calculating

to the accomplishment of

St Paul Road running from

Grand Haven on Lake Ontario to

State Line near Hamer, Michigan

Shuman, Michigan, Spencer,

I have tabored the past season

to connect the above by

mail, and now take the liberty

to say to you that the proposed

Road is of the best grade,  
that can be got North and  
South across the State of  
N.Y. the Least altitude to pass  
over, the Cheapest in Construction  
and Less distance than any  
track that can be obtained of an  
Easy grade and curves,  
and finally a road that will  
benefit Utica more than any  
road that can be built in  
my opinion. It will run as  
near to the Center of ~~the~~ Utica  
as it probably will to Auburn  
it will run as low down to  
wards your city as any good  
Road can ever run for to  
run down on to the flats and  
get out again on Easy grade.  
I Consider out of the question.  
And now would say to you  
that we should be pleased to  
have you attend our meeting  
on the 4 of Dec. or send a substi-  
tute or substitutes as many as  
are an mind to come, and if you  
will spare the time to come, write  
to me your mind as frank as I have  
in time that I may have your  
views on the day of our meeting on

PS our Road must  
be built or the one through  
Dryden the choice I think  
is with <sup>of</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>Michigan</sup> ~~Michigan~~ will not  
do any thing it is probable  
they will finally on the  
Dryden line to accomplish  
the desired object <sup>join</sup>  
if ~~Michigan~~ should <sup>the</sup> <sup>Enterprise</sup>  
the people between Auburn  
and ~~Michigan~~ would do enough  
to turn the people of Auburn  
on our line that would  
build ~~at~~ our Road the  
next season from Auburn  
to the State line the succeeding  
year they would <sup>be</sup> <sup>hauled</sup> <sup>to</sup> <sup>fair</sup> <sup>hauled</sup>  
on Lake Ontario.  
and if I am not mistaken  
this is one of the best offers  
that ~~Michigan~~ will ever get  
to enhance her population  
and wealth -

it will open a communication that never freezes up, they can ride cheap every day of the year mostly on a level through America and through the world and probably some ways on to the next. well I have swrote enough probably to much and will close by saying come, or send a hand, or write.  
Yours, S. Murdock.

If you write me before the 14th of Dec - direct Auburn as I shall be there.

[NOV. 27, 1866]

Teneva h. Y.

Nov 27<sup>th</sup> 1866

My Dear Sir,

As you may not have seen the act of Congress passed at the last session in relation to the land-grants, I send you an extract from it.

It gives ample time to us. tho. it would seem that the energy with which matters have been conducted would enable us to put the University in practical legal operation within the time first limited.

The Selection of Senator White as Dean of the Faculty meets with approbation without exception. With you and him as pilots & Governors the future of the

institutions seem almost already  
assured.

Yours truly  
Chas. J. Folger

Hont  
E. Cornell

Chas. J. Folger  
27 Apr 66

J. W. Johnson  
27. Nov 66

1866

Albany, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>

Senator Cornell

Kind Sir  
Will you please pause for  
a moment from your highly -  
important duties & listen to  
a word from your humble  
servant. Allow me to inform -  
you that under the existing  
state of things in the Telegraph  
department I as yet find no  
employment & not much -  
encouragement for the future  
& in view of this fact I have  
been trying for a number of  
days past to get some position  
in some other department but  
have failed thus far with but  
little hope of success & as you  
are aware I have now been

out of employment over four months I have been obliged to sell back upon the small amount I had laid up in a little spare while waiting my opportunity as I am so situated through my misfortune in the army as to be unable to perform any manual labor & consequently without development for relief "But Sir in pursuance of the advice I received from your in your letter of Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> I would prefer to follow the business I am in partnership of, & grow up with the business but through the present state of things I see no prospect in that direction for some months to come. With one branch of the business conducted in the interest of a Copartnership I would say Corporation but I recollect the circumstances the certain 18<sup>th</sup> of November from your

you has a common board of Directors with a prospect of union of Officers" Now don't you think while waiting my opportunity I would not be able to perform any manual labor & consequently without development for relief before the assembling of the Legislature you will give me some recommendation to the effect, "You or speaker of the House for an appointment that will help me through the winter" I had an interview with his Excellency Governor Benton of private elementary school for one of his Excellency's staff (Bellevue) the first table you had heard in his occasion in his department I advised me to get a letter of recommendation from you &

Lieut.<sup>ts</sup>

one from Ex-Governor Woodford &  
He (Gov. Fenton) would give  
me one also to Hon Stewart  
L. Woodford our New Lieut.<sup>ts</sup>  
Gov. for the appointment of  
assistant Postmaster of Senate  
& his Excellency thought I  
had better get these letters  
& send them to the Lieut.<sup>ts</sup>  
Gov. soon "for the reason that  
there would probably be other  
applications before the assembling  
of the Legislature" & many  
I dare say "just as worthy but  
none more ready" I have  
a good letter from the Hon  
G. W. Schuyler certifying to  
my enlistment in the service  
from Thacker & Recommending  
for an appointment but I  
feel that your Recommendation  
will be of more service to me  
than anything I can get "Now  
Senator please give the statements  
due consideration) as I believe  
you will) as the soldier's friend  
& friend of the unfortunate &  
Please let me hear from you  
soon with a short letter of  
Recommendation if you think me  
worthy & ~~thanking~~ I am sir  
Your obedient servant

A. M. Johnson

Cornat Bluffs, Iowa  
Nov 27. 1866

Wm E Cornell

Senat. Albany. N.Y. Dear Sir. Not having heard from you for a long time in reference to the location of scrip in Nebraska, I take the liberty of writing & suggesting, that as Nebraska will probably be admitted as a state at the coming session of Congress, the purchase of locating scrip in its limits will cease as soon as 1,000,000 acres have been located. When that time comes I do not think any good lands can be located with it - I shall be happy to hear from you in the matter of purchase.

Yours very respectfully  
Horace Everett