

Lockport City Banking Office,

J. W. HELMER & CO.

Lockport, N. Y., Nov 26, 1867

Hon. Ezra Cornell Esq.

Dear Sir:

We have received with inclosures
as stated, your favor of the _____

We inclose as stated below.

Respectfully,

You may perhaps remember writing
me several months since in reply
to a letter of mine in regard to
Mr. Sherrill's Cotton seed Planter.
I am now inclined to think
he has it now so improved in
its construction that it is really
a valuable invention, and if
properly introduced may be
made very profitable not only
to the planters, but manufac-
turers & vendors of the machine.
I should be glad to aid Mr.
S. in its introduction, and
if convenient to meet you and
get your views of it.
I shall probably go to New-
York, within a week or ten days &
either going or returning would like
to stop at your place and see
(over)

J. W. Helmer Nov 26. 67

you. Will you be kind
enough to write me say-
ing whether you shall be
likely to be at home for
the next ten days?

Very Resp Yours
J. W. Helmer

Northern Central Railway,

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~~The~~ The Company not responsible for accidents or delays from unavoidable causes, or for the decay or injury of perishable articles.

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BALTIMORE, Received

1867

of

the following

goods, marked

Care of

Attn: E. Cornell
Care agent Elmira

2 Boxes Books
(Urgent)

Batton Ma Nov. 29

Am. E. Cornell

My Worthy Friend

I enclose the freight
bill of the N.E.R. for two boxes of
books. There are about 135 vols.

I am sadly in want of \$150. do
let me hear from you at your
earliest leisure -

Kindly Mrs

Z.C. Peters

Erasmus E. Tullman
Nov 29. 67

Polo November 29th

Mr Cornell

1867

Dear Sir I recd your letter &
as no ans has reached me in reply
I venture to write again you may
think it strange. Also wonder why
I write you. I know of none other to
write to that has means that they
could possibly spare without depriving
their own families of their support
amongst our relatives of either Pa.
or Ma. Mr Cornell not for myself
do I again ask you for money
but for the sake of the family -
Father is trying to establish his
business in Macon City but has
no money therefore will have to
give it up. our farm has been
in law the past 9 or more years
by Mother trying to hold her

things we have at last lost
it & now are only waiting for
Pa to try & raise money to move
his family where he can get em-
ployment & he can in Macon for
1 go get 3.00 per day & the rest can
then help in a place where work
can be found we have sold our
stock at different times & one horse
died we rented our farm for money
& sold the other horse & have only
one cow left I have given you a
plain statement at Ma's request
& now she wishes me to ask you
to loan her two-hundred dollars
to enable us to move, from here
as we are obliged to leave in 3
weeks & not a house in town can
we find & we want to be where
Pa is & at first thought we could
purchase the farm but found we
could not & wrote for money for my
self as I wanted very much to attend
school so I could teach & then what
Ma wanted for family use to enable
us to get a start in life Ma's letter

I know not how Pa has incurred
your displeasure if he has
erred he has suffered & soon you
lend us what you can & wait
for it to be repaid as soon as he
can You are benevolent & never
can it be better given than now
Plenty is around your home &
you do not dread a cold winter
as we do & nothing else would
compell me to ask yours so I
cannot tell you how very glad
two-hundred would come to us
can you let us have it & send it
by express as soon as possible as we
have no other hope & Pa is nearly
crazy thinking what we shall do
he does not know I ever wrote you
if you can send it will you telegraph
& let us know I wish you were here
you would not hesitate one moment
& two hundred will enable us to go
respectable & that is all as the fore
is considerable please let me know
if you cant send it but if it is
in your power please for the sake

our helpless little ones I have no
sensitivity to offer but you shall
not lose it if life & health are
spared winter finds us ill prepared
for its cold once more I ask
for you to send up at least what
you can afford to only need
tempt me to ask & not for any-
self but for my home believe
me ever with esteem yours

Wm. C. Tucker

& friend

Ema. E. Tullman

answer by return mail

W. W. Wrentham Esq

Well,
Dear Sir,

June 1871
 Jos. F. Salter

My,

Brooklyn Nov. 30. 1867.

My dear Sir—

I return with many thanks the admirable Report you were so kind as to let me read. The plan there laid out is glorious—for its comprehensiveness, its large views, its grand outlook towards a true University. What a happy man you ought to be, in feeling yourself the author of so noble an enterprise in view of the honor and the benefits it is to confer on our great State, and our common country; and in having been able to draw into its service so accomplished an Educator and so efficient a Co-adjutor as President White.

I could have wished to

have

preserved this Report for reference -
or at least to place it among the
collections of our L. J. Historical
Soc'y.; but I thank you again for
its perusal.

Pray remember me to Mrs.
Cornell, whom as well as yourself
I had the pleasure of becoming
acquainted with, when preaching to
our Unitarian Soc'y in your beautiful
village; & believe me

very truly & respectfully

Yours -

Fredk A. Harley

Hon. E. Cornell

Ithaca N.Y.

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Real Estate on Commission,

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With Cash, Scrip or Warrants,

And make out Homestead
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REAL ESTATE OFFICE

LATHROP & KINNEY,

Glenwood, Minn., November 30 1887

Edw Cornell Esq
Chicago N.Y.

Dear

Parties are making enquiries
almost daily about your lands - as to your price
terms of payment &c. We are unable to give them
any information, save that you have written us
that the lands were for sale. Would it not
be well to give us your terms, and authorize
us to offer them for sale at those terms
which we trust will be liberal. I think
within the next twelve months quite a good
many pieces might be disposed of at \$2. per acre
and perhaps for more. Let us hear from you at
your earliest convenience

Respectfully

Lathrop & Kinney

54 & 56 Exchange Place,
New York, Novr 30th 1867

Hon Ezra Cornell

My Dear Sir.

I have had the pleasure to receive your favor of the 25th inst. and I notice that you have located about 530,000 acres of land for the Cornell University, and that some 380,000 acres remain not located, and that you are offered 75 cents per acre for these 380,000 acres. I notice also that those of the Trustees who have been conferred with on the subject, are in favor of making the sale. I have not been in a situation to give

as much attention to this subject
as most of the other Trustees. But
I believe it is for the interest of
the Cornell University, that the offer
should be accepted, and the pro-
ceeds realized for the immediate
advantage and benefit of the
University, and I accordingly
hereby add my concurrence and
approval.

I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Svt

G. O. Morgan

my address Amherst
Coopersville Ottawa Co
Michigan
Hon. Mr. Cornell Ithaca N.Y.

Dear Sir
I want to get a
Pure South Down Buck
one or two years old
with large ears in my
locality there is more to be
gained by raising Mutton
sheep than to raise sheep for
wool I want a sheep that
will stand exposure without
being shorn every night
I am informed by Mr. Barnes
that you deal in pure Bred
Stock can you fill an order
for such a sheep if so what
will be your price delivered
at the Express Office with
crate and the manner of
Receiving the money
Yours in haste Amherst

N. L. CHAFFEE,
JEFFERSON,
Ashtabula Co., Ohio.

Office of the Judge of the Ninth Judicial District of Ohio.

Jefferson, O., Dec 2nd 1867

Mr. Ezra Cornell
Dear Sir

I am home getting in
good condition & my shut horns stand the
journey well. I am really pleased with them
although I am to pay a heavy price for
them. But I hope up in the new stock of
horns they will be a good investment

I am greatly obliged to your headman
Mr John Hutt, for his assistance in getting
along with my cattle. Also to your sons
for their attention & assistance. Please remember
me to them all

Will you be so good as to send me by early
mail a Diagram spread out in full of the
pedigrees of Piglet 6th & Bright Eyes 8 that
I purchased of you. I should be glad indeed to
possess a Diagram in full of the pedigrees of
both these animals as I have not got the
English Herd Book, a full Diagram of the Pedigrees
would be a great aid to me. If not asking too much
of you please make them out & send them by early

Went from Will Compaunt
from West I went in the ridge
Spent out in full as seen
sent me out of the Bull

Tracy D. Rappens
Whitcliffe

35. I spoke to your husband
told me a good 3 times
Carlos on which is another
Prayer 3 Light Opera

I should also like as many
of his pictures as you can
share when you get them
printed Jim &
M.L.

J. L. Chaffin
Dec 4, 1927

HEYERDAHL, KETTELL & CO.
RAILROAD IRON
AND SUPPLIES.

22 William Street,

New York, 2nd Decr 1867.

Dear Sir,

Since we wrote you on
the 2nd ult. we have another
quantity 50th English Rails of
approved make for sale - of
for which, if in the market,
we invite your cash offer^{to}
to arrive - and due in
the course of this month.

in gold.

Yours respectfully

Heyerdahl, Kettell & Co.

The Hon: Ezra Cornell
Ithaca.

P.S. The offer
may be in
Bond or
Paid.
change in tariff.
subject to
H.R.C.

B. Cornell
2 Dec 67

Chippewa Falls Wis, Dec 3^d 1867
Hon Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir.

As it would not be difficult to establish the fact that certain parties have been, and perhaps now are, "appropriating" timber on lands entered in your name, would it not be well for you to appoint an Agent whose duty it would be to call said parties to account and prevent depredations in the future?

During the past winter I was called upon by different Men to look after their Lands and I found in all, trespasses amounting to over eight hundred Thousand (800,000) feet - the pay

for all of which was secured.

If you see proper to appoint
me as Agent, I will do all I
can to promote and secure
the objects aimed at.

Very Respectfully

B. Cornell

Allen Bowman
Dec 2, 1867
wants pine land

Watertown Decr 2nd 1867.
Mr Ezra Cornell.

Dear Sir.

I noticed in
an article of the 'Semi-weekly
Tribune', date Oct 18th 1867, that
you had for sale 100,000 acres
of 'white pine' lands in the State
of Wisconsin. and that you were
soliciting subscriptions to the
capital stock of a company styled
'New York Lumber Manufacturing
& Improvement Company' - if
those lands are as favorable for
investment as represented in the
Tribune I would like to purchase
some of that land - Will you
be kind enough to send me full
particulars about the matter,
how you sell your land, and

the conditions of sale - also when
the purchaser can enter upon
possession of the same -

I would like to hear from you
at the earliest date convenient
to you -

Very Respectfully Yours

Allan Bowman

Addressed to

Watertown

Watertown County

Ontario

Canada

Private strictly Confidential

I am advised from Washington that Hon. George W. Fisher Chairman of the House Committee on Public Lands proposes soon to introduce a Bill prohibiting all Locations of land except under the Homestead Law. Of course this would kill the Scrip. It would be direct repudiation for the Act under which it issued declares the assignees may locate this Scrip. However there is much talk about Land Monopoly and it may be hard to defeat the Bill in the House though I think we can in the Senate.

Please write an earnest letter to your friend in the House has been going to and see Fisher immediately and tell Fisher it would be Repudiation and get him to drop it. Explain how hard this would be on your College and on all the Agricultural Colleges & their friends. Do it at once.

Herald Office
McConnellsville
Dec 3-67 Ohio

E. Cornell, Esqr.

Dear Sir,

Please
give me the exact facts &
figures concerning the
Chippewa Pine lands you
offer to sell at 5¢ per acre
Terms of Sale &c.

Yours Respectfully
R. C. Brown
Publisher Herald
McConnellsville
Ohio

Office of The Manhattan Gas Light Co.
IRVING PLACE, COR. EAST 15th ST.

New York Dec 3 1867

Hon Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

Will you
please bear me in mind this
winter = I do want the office of
Notary Public and you are the
only one I know to ask it from

It will establish me in this
office and open the way to my
advancement = I hope you will
give this your warmest consideration
for be assured it will be deeply felt
& fully appreciated by

Very Respectfully yours
Rich^d Greene

Waltham Mass. Dec 3, 1867

Dear Sir

I expect to want
very soon, considerable quantities
of Agricultural College script,
granted to the several states
under the act of Congress of
July 2^d 1862, and am desirous
of gaining any information
in regard to lowest price at
which it can be bought,
and names of parties selling.

That of the State of N.Y.
I understand to be under
your contrroll and therefore
write you soliciting the above
information

Respy yours
Hon. Ezra Cornell C. H. Houghton
Ithaca N.Y.

Albino Chase

Jan^y 4, 1867

Syracuse N.Y. Dec^r 4 1867.

How. E. Cornell

Dear Uncle.

Will you be so kind as to inform me if there is yet a chance for business in the photo lithograph line Aunt Mary Ann spoke to me about last week and if so what it is, and if I can have it.

If there is no opening that way can I have \$2000 of you to put in a drug store here upon condition 20 shares W. Union Telg stock and stock of goods as collateral.

There is a very ingenious & complete hay loading machine here not yet patented but parties already negotiating for interests in it. Would you feel sufficient interest in it to see the machine work and look at estimates with a view to starting a manufactory of them at Ithaca.

There is another elaborate machine here
for stamping paper with steel type
& by this means making a mold
for stereotyping which I have been
desirous to call your attention to.
A line of impressions are readily
made by running the fingers over
the key banks. After a page or
column of them are made the
paper is placed in a mold and
a stereotype plate taken from it -
which is as readily printed from
as from ordinary type the surface
being even & the letters remarkably clear.
The machine goes to the Paris Exhibition
soon - It is patented in England
but not in this Country.

The advantages over typesetting
are claimed in time saved in
setting, correcting, and distributing.
It is adapted to any size type and
any length of line or column -

If you should be through here
before it leaves I would be glad to
introduce you to the inventor & machine -

Very Respectfully,

Yours &c &c Stephen Alonzo Chase

A. P. White
Drenth

Graciosa
Dec. 6th 1867

My dear Mr. Cornell
You put-

your invitation on such
grounds that it is
very hard for me to
resist - for a moment -
- but let me state
my case.

In addition to
University work, - and
that alone is sufficient
to engross my thoughts, - I
have a great number

of delayed matters
of my own which
must be attended
to

I cannot give my
thoughts - now to the
preparation of any-
thing which I should
not be ashamed of.

In addition to other
matters a suit has
just been commenced
against our two Estates
involving perhaps a
hundred thousand dol.
lars and that must

be attended to.

I have three clerks
steadily at work in
my library catalogue
and copying and they
have to be directed &
hurried for their work
must be done before
I go to Europe.

Now I beg of you
excuse me this time
I think it vastly better
on every account - in
fact - I think it due my-
self that the first ad-
dress in Ithaca should be

My inaugural - After
that I will speak
& work there as much
as you please

I am working for
Ithaca steadily now. My
table is heaped up with
letters two thirds of which
are upon University matters
and my thinking cap is
constantly on to secure a faculty.

So rouse your home
talent. They will do
better than I can and
the coming year I will
see what I can do.

Yours heartily

A. D. White
Hon. E. Cornell

Lansingville. Tompkins Co. N.Y. Dec 27th 1867

Hon E. Cornell. of Ithaca N.Y.

Dear Sir,

In a hunting excursion I chanced to come across a peculiar kind of bird very uncommon in this region I would like to have captured it alive but failing in this was obliged to shoot it. As I understand you have quite a collection of choice birds, preserved, I thought perhaps you would like to add this to your number. so I have taken the liberty of forwarding it to you. If you consider it worth preserving. You are welcome to it.

Respectfully Yours
Lewis D. Camp

Miss Elizabeth Bergen
Decr 8. 67

Hulsey, Valley, Dec. 8th, 1867

Mr. C. Cornell.

Dear Sir.

With some misgivings, as to the propriety of the act, I have at length, concluded to address you, and if you should seek for a more reasonable excuse than I am able to frame, you will find it in the fact, that your reputation as a benevolent man, has gone far & wide, & that judging by the past, we dare to presume still farther upon your liberality.

In this "char-land of ours," "all men are free and equal." yet - God's

- Temporal gifts to man,
(for wise reasons are not
equally distributed among
us.

While Mr Cornell's
honest endeavors have
been rewarded abundantly,
I have labored always,
(probably harder, according
to my strength) & yet cannot
value my real ~~possession~~ possessions
at a hundred dollars.

Some, of the 'little all,'
has been given to help
- dear friends - more needy than
myself, & of late, failing
health, has obliged me
to rest, a part of the time,
at least. - comfortable homes
are proffered me with kind
friends, but with a Spinal
disease, fastened upon me,
there is a fair prospect of being
an invalid for life?

It is all right! no word
of complaint, must pass my

lips, & indeed, I have
no cause to murmur!

- And (as God knows my
heart) my greatest trouble
is this, - The world is
full of calls for help, from
those more needy still than
myself, There are so many
benevolent objects, & it seems
utterly impossible for me to
be content to give, "the
widows mite," in vain
have I tried, my spirit will
chafe under this, - The little
work I am able to do, must
be done for the friends who
shelter me, nor can I ask
them to furnish the means
to satisfy my charitable desires.

In my perplexity, I bethought
myself of Mr. Cornell. & have
made bold to address you.

You may wonder why I should
not not apply to some one nearer
home, ~~but~~ as having been
born & raised in your County

& having spent nearly all my life within twelve miles of your Village it will not seem so strange.

I certainly, never begged before, except as collector for some object & should not venture now, did I not view myself as ~~as~~ ~~as~~ a collector, for Him, who holds ~~all~~ the title to all these "broad acres" & "goodly tenements". Still I bear in mind, that, while it is my humble privilege to ask, it is your prerogative to refuse.

It is also your right to know for what objects I ask your charity, & I will name a few.

- To purchase a large print Bible for an aged couple, who are destitute & yet love the Word of Life;

To take a useful paper for some dear little ones, whose "wretched Father" is ~~unable~~ unwilling, & whose "poor Mother" is unable to take it for them; - To purchase some tracts, to supply a neighborhood which needs them; - To, purchase as a Christmas present, a large Dictionary for a talented & faithful young Minister who is just commencing, at a low salary, & has to practice self denial to

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- a great extent; (He was a brave soldier, in the late war & ought not to lack any "good thing", 'To get a few comforts to cheer the heart of an aged relative, (a cripple,) who is poor in this world's goods but rich in faith."

- To get a few good little books, for some sabbath school scholars, &c. &c.

- These are a sample of my objects of charity, a mere commencement to what I should love to do, were it in my power.

- ~~Grand~~ - To me this seems a large Bill, & almost frightens me as I look it over!

But to you who know no want, (which money can supply how ^{small} must it seem;

It may seem surprising to you that, some of these calls are not

sent by the church, or the people. & I will say, that the churches ~~are~~ are small, & weak & the people generally are poor.

Many calls have been made upon this liberality, of late in the shape of church repairs &c.

— Please Dear Sir. to treat this matter very seriously, before ~~and~~ acting upon it. — But how are you to know that I am not an impostor? — I am a member of an Orthodox Church, & might give you references to some, who are personally known to you, but this is a "singular step," & you will not wonder that I wish to keep it quiet, at present.

You have never had just such a call, & ^{now} have a chance to follow the Saviour's teaching "Let not your right hand know what your left hand doeth!"

I cannot a large sum, & could use it to advantage, yet would thankfully receive

a small amount, & be assured, that if you can bring yourself to trust the Lord, & your unworthy petitioner, with any amount, it shall be used as conscientiously, as though yourself were pursuing the matter. — If you shall send me any thing my heart shall bless you, & pray for you, & ~~surely~~ if at any future time, it is in my power, I will express my thanks in person — (as I should much rather have proffered my request.) If you cannot ~~answer~~ find it in your heart to respond to my call, would it be too much to ask, that you will drop me a line, acknowledging the receipt of this? & if ^{you} please be kind enough to answer (if at all,) immediately, And oblige your humble, but presuming, Friend,

— Miss. Elizabeth. Bergen.
Halsey Valley. Tioga Co.
N.Y.

Albany Dec 9. 1867

Mr Ezra Cornell

Sir

We sent
you an Album of
the members of the
Constitutional Convention
by Am. Ex. Co. but have
not heard from you.
You would oblige us
very much if you
would call and get
it as we are now
squaring up those
accounts.

Yours &c

Jeffus McDonald
1519 Broadway

Richford Dec 9th 1887

Hon E. Cornell

Dear sir
I am ready to deliver ^{chestnut} the lumber
I sold you through Mr Morris
you will please let me know
on receipt of this where I
shall put it as he said
you would ^{have} it left down
town.

We also had a talk about
getting you some pine for
floors and was to give me
the first chance will you
please state what conclusi-
on you have come to in
regard to it.

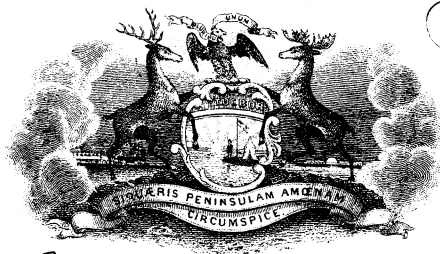
I want it arranged so I can send my
team with the lumber and can do so now
if the going holds good

Respectfully Yours W. D. Finch

#28, p. 100
So says Lillman
it's very nice

H. J. French
Dec 9/47

B



State of Michigan

(EXECUTIVE OFFICE.)

Hunt, Lansing, 9. Dec. 1867

Erna Cornell, Esq.
Albion, N.Y.

Dear Sir - I wish to procure two pure blooded, first quality & undoubted pedigree, Short Horns; - one a Bull & the other a Heifer. I would prefer yearlings. Understanding that you have a fine Herd of Short Horns, I have taken the liberty of writing you on the subject. Have you such stock to dispose of, and if so, what is their age, quality, pedigree, &c. - and also your price.

I wish also to procure a Heresford bull & heifer - yearlings. Have you any of that breed to dispose of, & if so, price, &c. &c.

I am, Very Truly,
Yours &c.

Henry A. Crapo.

Illinois & Mississippi Telegraph Company

SECRETARY'S OFFICE

Ottawa, Ill. Dec 10th 1867

Hon E Cornell

Ithaca N.Y.

Dear Sir

Yours of Dec 1st is received,
Enclosed please find statement of business for
the month of June. I suppose there will
be a dividend paid next month probably
4 per cent.

Yours truly
Thos D. Cattie
Secy

Land Warrants, Agricultural College Scrip, Swamp Land Scrip,
United States, State, County, City & Town Bonds Bought & Sold.
Government Vouchers Cashed. Established July 1st 1850

G. F. LEWIS, LAND WARRANT BROKER.

Residence
No 288, EUCLID AVE.

Calvert & Co. Lith. Detroit

Cleveland, Ohio. Dec 10th 1867

Hon E Cornell
Ithaca NY

Sir

On returning home I find a great falling off in
orders for Scrip and considerable quantities are lost
on the market by the high prices has been more than I have
sold since my return

As my proposition has not been accepted I wish by this
letter to withdraw it

I hope to be at Albany on the 17th and to purchase at least
100 000 acres from you and if the market will bear it
the whole of the scrip but do not wish to contract for
the whole unless I can do so on a reasonable time
and with a condition that I may be released from
my contract for 200 000 acres upon paying not to
exceed \$5000 liquidated damages in case the scrip
should be unsaleable. The \$115 000 I could easily pay
as we talked beyond that I should want a safe
contract or none. As you have been so fair with me
I write this at once to enable you to feel the market
and see what is the best terms others will offer

Respectfully — G F Lewis

New York, Dec. 10th, 1867.

The Directors of the
Western Union Telegraph Company
request the honor of
Mr. Genl. Cornell
company, Thursday Evening, 6 o'clock,
December 12th, at Delmonico's,
Fifth Avenue, to meet his Excellency
Baron Stoeckl, the Russian Minister.

THE FAVOR OF AN EARLY ANSWER IS REQUESTED.

Blank No. 1.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

O. H. PALMER, Secretary.

WILLIAM ORTON, President.

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Dated, *Chicago Ill. 11* *of forward from Ithaca NY*
To *E Cornell.* Received at *145 Broadway,*
Dec 11 1867

145 Duway
We will come & see you if
you can hold Scrip a few
days. Think we can make
it to your advantage to take
all you have. We write
in answer.

Yours

Wm Preston King

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O. H. PALMER, Sec'y.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't.

Date,

Chicago Ill Dec 17 1867

Received at

To

Hon E Cornell
Delavan House

Our Mr Kean who
expected to see you is
sick and not able to
leave Can you wait
till after Jan 1st.
How much scrip do you
intend to sell & what is
your idea as to price
Answer.

Yours
Lester Preston
39 D A Director & Kean

STEP
DAVID
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FRED. W. CROSBY.

DAVID PRESTON & CO.,
BANKERS,
Detroit, - Michigan.

LUNT, PRESTON & KEAN,

CHICAGO, Dec. 11th 1867

Hon. C. Cornell

Sir

Your Telegram of the 10th is recd
We replied that we would come to
you if you could hold the scrip a
few days. Our Scrip trade has
been very large this season, & we expect
that it will be much larger next
season, but just now the demand is light
& we should not be willing to make a large
offer for a large unit, unless such arrange-
ments can be made with you & other parties
who hold scrip, that would enable us to
control the market & keep scrip at a
reasonable price. ^(We think such arrangements could be made if desired) but if you prefer to sell
to the highest bidder, please let us know by
wire the unit you wish to sell & we will
make you an offer. We have paid as high
as \$134 for small units to fill orders.

Yours Truly
David Preston

OFFICE OF THE

Binghamton Iron Works.

Binghamton, N. Y., Dec 11th 1867

Mr E. Cornell

Sir

Your favor is
received. but we informed your
Bank on Monday that the
Howland note was paid.
Mr Howland came here
in the first of Nov one month
before the note was due with
the money to pay it & we sent
him to the bank to deposit
it to meet the note Dec 1st

But by a blunder of his he left
only \$800, thinking the note was \$750
on interest, As soon as we
recd the protest we notified him
& he came down at once & paid
it.

Yours Truly
Shapley & Hopkins

Waltham Dec 11th 1867

Dear Sir

The instructions received by me in regard to purchasing college script are, to learn the lowest price at which I can buy, and telegraph to California the result, when if the price is satisfactory I shall receive orders by telegraph to buy for cash.

I will send a dispatch as soon as the 14th and perhaps on the 13th inst, and expect an order immediately to purchase from 5,000 to 20,000 acres to be followed by further orders. If your offer should be the lowest and I receive orders to buy, in time to

telegraph you before the
17th inst I will do so

Yours Respy
C. H. Houghton
Hon. Ezra Cornell
Ithaca N. Y.

Carolina Runkel
Dec 13, 67

Andover Dec 13 1867

Mr. Ezra Cornell

You will undoubtedly be very much surprised to receive a letter of this import - from one who is entirely unknown to you. Still I trust - you will not think unfavorably of my request. It is with unspeakable reluctance I ask what I do, but I am convinced that is better for once to disregard my feelings, if by so doing I may attain what I so much desire.

I would not-dare to ask
what-I do, had I not-heard
so much of your unbounded
generosity and benevolence
and knowing that-God has
given you the ~~where~~ ^{power} withal
to help the needy I come
not entirely without-hope.
My story is simply this
I am a girl twenty one
years of age entirely dependent
on my own exertions. I have
health and I trust-sufficient
ability to make my way
in the world. Then you
might-say, why do I ask
for ~~this~~ help. For this
reason, I desire to fit
myself for a position
where I can obtain more
than just-enough to satis

fy the actual demands of
life. It has ever been the
one great-desire of my life
to possess a thorough educa-
tion, but after untiring ef-
forts, I have been obliged
to a great-extent-to relinquish
the idea of obtaining it.
Four years I have spent in
teaching. In August-last-
I was induced to learn
Telegraphy. I commenced in
Anglican under the tuition
of a lady who has been
for several years an operator.
After having partially learn-
ed the office at that place
was removed and my instruc-
tion removed to Miss ~~Smith~~ ^{Smith}
ing one without-any means
to pursue my chosen profession

I could be prepared in two
months time to take an office
if I had the means to continue
my practice. What I want
you is help. Will you grant it?
If you can if you will, I do not
ask you to give me any money
only lend me some a short
time. I can soon repay you.
If in deciding the scales of your
mind poised doubtfully on let-
ting me touch them with her hands
things and turn the balance
to the gentle side. I am
aware that such a generosity
would not perhaps bring as
quite as many laurels to the
mouth of fortune you have already
won as some of your pupils
and more public charities.
But would it not be just as
acceptable in the sight of Heaven?
I have written rather a long
letter but I thought I ought
not to ask what I do without
giving you some knowledge
of my life and intentions. I
can furnish you abundant
proof of the truthfulness of
all I have said. Hoping to
receive an early and favor-
able reply I am very respectfully

Yours truly
Caroline Knapp
Andover, Allegany County N. Y.

Ithaca, Dec. 13th 1867

My dear Mr. Cornell:

I saw
Mr. Fiske this evening in
regard to the matter we talked
of before you left.

He very kindly discussed
it with me, and showed
more interest in it than I
dared to hope.

He advised me to write
you immediately and
ask you for a letter to
Presdt White, simply saying

what you know in regard
to me personally, and
what you know of my
merits &c.

He will (Mr. Smith) give
me a letter also and
(thus armed) I will see
Mr. White and let him
decide my fate.

I am sorry to trouble
you again about this
matter but you will
pardon my anxiety and
eagerness in regard to what
is of so much importance
to me.

Be assured that, whether

I succeed or not I shall
not forget the kind interest
you have always taken in
me.

Yours sincerely
L. F. Fane,

F. G. Cary
Dec. 13th 1867

College Hill
Dec. 13th 1867.

Dear Friend Cornell

About one year since I visited Ithaca to acquaint myself of your progress in the grand Enterprise of building up & establishing upon a firm basis an Institution of the highest order for the more liberal enlightenment of the Industrial Classes. An object worthy the head & the heart of more of the Savans of our country.

The devastating war that has just terminated, and the excited state of the public mind on the adjustment of the many conflicting interests incident to the struggle and the reconstruction of those states thrown from their Orbit has so absorbed public attention that it is almost impossible to command the attention of leading

With
warm
regards
Y. G. Cary
President Mr. White

minds to the grandest and most sublime efforts in any other direction, especially like that in which you are so much engaged the founding & building up of the Great University of Our Country

I have watched its progress with a constantly increasing interest, and have been pleased with the deliberation and attention ⁱⁿ the every step of its establishment delaying its opening till its funds shall be ample and its buildings and grounds are ready for occupancy. I trust there will be such unity of action in its internal plan, and management as to ensure its success.

Thus far it furnishes the only institution about to be established from the public grant of lands of which I have the least hope of success. Indeed the only one

that has been located.

From the notices I have seen in our public journals I am much pleased with your entire programme.

Your aim if I mistake not is not only to discipline but so educate that every ^{young} man who enters the university can apply the knowledge which he acquires to some valuable purpose and thus be enabled to pursue with delight, pleasure, and profit the avocation he may choose. You propose hence a wide & comprehensive range of subjects adapted to the pursuits, mental capacities, tastes, & talents of those who may enter.

You have in your enterprise my most ardent wishes for your success, as it will I trust be the consummation of the plan and purpose of my life

in the establishment of an Institution in Ohio for precisely the same object & which has proved like many others a failure for lack of funds. Though not a failure, for the many who I have been instrumental in educating will be the firm and ardent supporters of your efforts & similar ones throughout the United States.

To the great work in which you are engaged I trust you will bring men of sound judgment large experience & liberal views that the design may not be perverted its present aims lost sight of, and the work of its devoted founders prove instead of a success a splendid failure.

Accept for yourself and family my kindest regards & the wish that you may be abundantly successful in the development of your