Albany N.Y. Sept 13 '67

Dear Sir

Yours of the 11th inst came to hand to day, enclosing Nat'l Bk of Ithaca draft on Fourth Nat'l Bank. New York $9838[1] and 2 drfts of A.L. Emery Jon on Mitchell Allen & Co. Ea $500. = $1.000 dated respectively Aug 20. & Aug 30 at 3 mos from date Mr Emery has just returned from New York & located his Gin in the American Institute Exhib. (I mean he put the Gin itself there) —

His orders now exceed his supply of Mr Curtis — is invaluable to the Agric Works at the present time

I shall write again soon

Yours Very Resply

C.A. Garfield

To

Hon Ezra Cornell

JACKSONVILLE NURSERY.

J. M. MATTISON, PROPRIETOR.

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

Jacksonville, Tompkins Co., N. Y. Sept 16 1867

Han E Cornell

Dear Sir

I have been waiting some time for you to set the day ~~for~~ ~~to~~ according to youre proposition to adjust our grape Matter Pleas do so by return Male ~~the~~ My son will bee at Home to day or to morow to asist in counting them over if it should bee necessary as my helth is entirly gown and I have made up my mind to select a man nearly a stranger to me who has grown up a vinyard I have not ~~spoken~~ to him on the subject one of my neighbors said to me he had no dout but I can get him he is a very candid fine man according to reporte all I ask is the Fair Thing I never have had a dout but youe wair ready and willing to doo the Fair Thing Very Respectfully

P S Let me no tomorow or next day if you get this

James M Mattison

letter in time ~~if so~~ I can bee ready in 2 days after you notify me.

Ithaca Sept 16th 1867

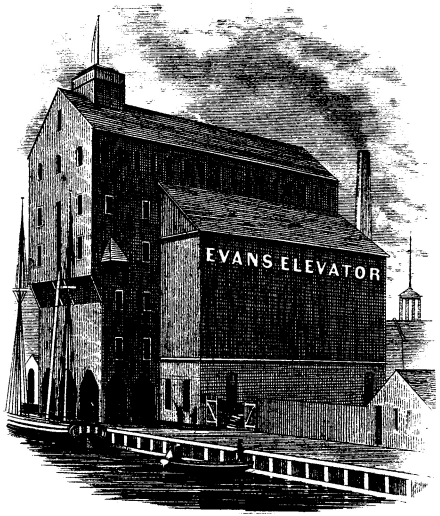
Mr Lee Hall

Dear Sir

We are very anxious to get down some more stone soon but unless you can take away those already cut we have no place for the new— Many of the cut stone are in a position from which they should be removed in any case before the fall floods so that besides helping us out of difficulty their removal is necessary to preserve them from damage. We also venture to remind you of the promise you so kindly made of speaking to Mr Whiton in reg and to the terms of our continued occupation of the Yard

Yours Respectfully

O Common & Ginger



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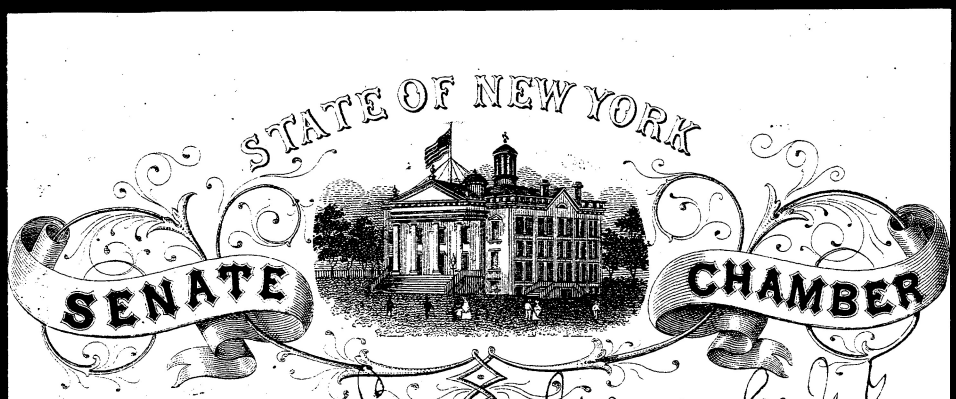
Buffalo, Sept 17th 1867

Hon Ezra Cornell
Ithaca N.Y.

Dear Sir

I am by the request of many to attend the New York Agricultural State fair to be held next month here. I should be pleased to have you make my house your head Quarters during your stay in the City. Mrs. Parker requests me to ask you to bring your wife Lady with you. my house is convenient to the fair ground. and I trust we can make you feel Quite at home. will try at all events.

Respectfully Yours
Jason Parker



F.H.Little, 82 State St. Albany N.Y.

Luzerne Warren Co. N.Y.
Albany Sept 17 1867

Hon Ezra Cornell.

My dear Senator

It is supposed that with one exception there will be an entire new list of State Officers made at our State Convention on the 25th Inst. My friends in the North and South of the State will urge my name for Secretary of State may I not count upon your

favorable influence in my behalf. Your Son who always heads the Delegation from Tompkins Co. in Cornell University, has been upon sociable and friendly terms with myself.

My object in addressing you upon this subject is to exhibit in my behalf News and Tribune papers in Tompkins Co and in other parts of the State.

I hope some time to have it in my power to reciprocate a favor received from you.

Yours truly

N. B. LaBau

Winchester Va.
Sept 18th 1867.

Hon Ezra Cornell
Ithaca N. Y.

My dear Sir.

According to promise I transmit a copy of my "Circular to Colleges" - sent out at its date to the Presidents of the University in common with the other Colleges of the Country - also a copy of my "Letter to Governors of States". Both together form but an imperfect discussion of the subject - but will suffice to place the general principles of the National plan before your mind. My reports to the War Department soon to be made will be more full and explicit. This is the general scheme, and will give about forty Colleges with the Military features - three in New York - two in Pennsylvania - two in Ohio. and one in each of the other States which may have suitable Colleges.

My Special plan for the Cornell University - now

in the hands of its President, and which he inferred one he should present to the Consideration of the Board of Trustees at its approaching Meeting, was drawn up in the light of existing circumstances, and without any reference to the general plan, although the Cadets, if sanctioned by Congress will appond some facilities for the inauguration of the Special plan. If the Special plan should be prospectively adopted by the Board, I should be happy to furnish you such information with regard to the necessary dimensions of the drill Halls, Stables and drill grounds, as may be required to secure for them due place in the plan of buildings and grounds for the University.

I am Sir,

With high respect

Your obedt. Servt.

I. G. Whittlesey

Major U.S. Army

Eau Claire Sept 19th 1867

Hon Ezra Cornell.

Dear Sir.

Mr A. J Robinson & brother called on me this morning with yours of 11th inst. I have spent the day with them. have given them all information and gratuitously Location &c. they had intended when they left here to have gone up to Beaver Falls. & looked over the ground but we are having a Rain storm for 4 or 5 miles of Rain has fallen & is still falling Since Yesterday Morning & they will not reach Canada Sat night to see a Brother in Law. they are going out to night on Steamboat.

They say they are Satisfied from what they have seen already & from Locating of Lands &c that it will be a "big pay-ing thing" & will take land of it. They seem like prudent men just what we

Account for the Company, good and
for an Executive Committee, with 600
Dollars Salary.
We have included Admiralty with
our Executive, & shall have all
Executive Authority until Arrival.
My Resident Agents & Vice Consuls
& Ex[illegible] & Consular Officers & Act &
Shall faithfully [illegible] Your [illegible]

Yours &c
[illegible]

H. C. Pulleine
Esq. R.N.
Robertson

Letter of J. Kinney
Sept 20. 67

Glenwood Minn
Sept 21st 1867

Sir

Yours of the 26th ult
came to hand during my
absence in St Paul,
In regard to what your lands
are worth I can hardly tell
they have been appraised for
taxation at $2 per acre which
perhaps may be considered full
up to their taxable value —
Your determination to ~~settle~~ settle
lands on them to actual
bona fide Settlers, with intent
at a moderate rate meets my
hearty approval, Every settler
upon the frontier has a duty
to perform in the Settlement of
this Country, And should you

desire we will place these
lands on our Sale books
and exert ourselves especially
to get an actual Settler upon
each or section-
You can reply giving your
time of Sale, including price
per acre and time of payment
I may say however that
you will have to discriminate
between pieces as some are worth
much more than others
A list of your lands will have
to be furnished, As the list we have only
embraces what are in this
County and this may not be
correct-

Respectfully &c
A. W. Lathrop

P.S.
I enclose our card
New Era Land Co
Ottawa
K. S.

Utica Sept 21 – 1867

Dear Senator

I take the liberty to send you another letter from my friend Dr Mercomb – altho it may be of little consequence to you – it will show how much he is doing to increase his large & beautiful collection – the best I have no doubt in the Country – and I hope it may be secured to your great University ~~in~~ which in common with all a great interest –

You asked me if I had a catalogue of my numismatic collection – I have not – and I assure you it would be the labor of months –

I am adding to it every opportunity and hope to get some very rare coins & medals at a sale coming off in

E. Jewett Sept 12 47

October next at Newport—
I shall leave here in November for
Florida & Bermuda where I intend
spending the winter collecting
Specimens of Natural History—
I should be glad to dispose of my coins
& medals to you—& would act as low
price than to any one else—
I am sir—Respectfully
your friend
E. Jewett

Meeting at Albany Sept 26
1867

To the Trustees of the Cornell University

Gentlemen

Since your last meeting, an Act has been passed by the Legislature of New York, fixing the time for the commencement ~~of~~ the Educational exercises of the Cornell University in the fall of 1868. This enabled the building committee to be less exacting with the contractor for our first building, and they did not press him to the completion of the building by the time stipulated in his agreement, which was the 30th of June last, The work is progressing with reasonable dispatch and the Contractor gives us assurances that he will complete his contract by the first of November next or early in that month,

The second building which has been commenced, will be a duplicate of the first, and will be located the same distance North of the Sente of the Center building, that the first building is South of said Sente=

The work on this building has been prosicuted, thus far by day labor under the immediate Superintendance of my brother, Elijah B. Cornell, it has consisted in quarrying and

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dressing stones for the walls of the building, excavating the foundation (from which sand enough has been saved to use in the mortar of the entire building) and in laying the foundation walls which were commenced about the first of the month.

The White Medina Sand Stone for the water table, Corners and trimmings of the building could not be obtained before next Spring owing to the peculiar situation of the quarries from which that stone is to be obtained, This circumstance will limit the progress of our work to the erection of the basement walls, and the preparation of the blue stones for the walls above the basement, I feel confident however that we shall be able to advance the work so far this fall that the building will be in readiness for occupation by the time of ~~Of~~ commencement next fall,

I feel constrained, to recommend that this Second building be erected by the employment of labor by the day, and purchasing the materials by contract in detail rather than to let the whole in

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a Single contract as we did the first building, by this policy I am confident we shall secure a better building, at a less cost,

Our resources for the erection of these buildings are as follows,

Income from the Cornell donation from Nov 1. 1865, to Nov 1. 1867 two years $70.000

The appropriation from the State to be paid over on completion of first building 25.000

One years Income from Cornell Donation up to Nov 1. 1868 — 35.000

$130,000

Less Contract price of first building $58.425
Probable Extra Charges of Contractor 3.000
Cost of fitting up Lecture & recitation rooms, and furnaces 5.000 $66.425

63,575

Cost of Second building as above $66.425
Cost of necessary Grading and fitting around buildings 1.000
Water closets 500,
Supplying water for immediate use 500,
Furnishing the two buildings $50 each room 3.200 $71,625

Deficit to Nov 1. 1868 = $8,050

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Resources for equipping the Institution from the income of the College Land Scrip fund.

Amount of Appropriation due Oct 1, 1866	$9.000
Interest on that sum from 1 years to Feb 16, 67,	.630
Amt of Appropriation due Oct 1, 1867 -	10.000
Amt of Appropriation due Oct 1, 1868 =	16.410
	$36.040

This sum will not be more that should be applied, to the purchase of a Library, and the necessary illustrative apparatus for the several departments,

If the progress of building is arrested after the completion of the first & second building, until our building fund is increased by the sale of some of our lands, as its seems likely to be, and our building fund is added to our College land Scrip fund, and the united income from the two funds is applied to carrying forward the Educational departments of the Institution, We shall have the following sums for that purpose,

Income of Cornell donation fund for the year ending Nov 1, 1869	$35.000
Less the balance due on buildings	8.050
	$26,950
Probable Amt of Income from the College Land Scrip fund for the year ending Oct 1, 1869 =	20.610

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Amount of rents for Dormatories
Say. rooms for 128 Students at $40. ~~each for~~
Each for the year will be 5.120.
making a total sum of — $52.680
From this sum deduct amt. paid to
the faculty the 1st year say - $40.000
will leave $12,680
for improvments on farm, and
other contingencies =

This ~~above~~ statement contemplates the
Stoping of our building after the comple-
tion of two buildings which will furnish
us with dormatory room for 128 Students
as the rooms were planed, but will accomodate
200 Students without uncomfortable crowding,
two large lecture rooms which will seat
800 students, Eight or ten recitation rooms
of about 20 by 40 feet in size, and the base-
ment rooms of both buildings, which may
be used temporarily for Labratories and
such other purposes as room may be want-
ed ~~for~~ as they are dry, light & airy,
This policy is ~~adopted~~ proposed so that the income
from our building fund may be applied
to the support of the Faculty and enable
the Trustees, to open the Institution to
the public upon a scale that will inspire
confidence, and command the respect of the

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people, and fill the University with students.

It will also hasten the demand for more room, extended facilities, and better accommodations. We shall want separate buildings for Laboratories, Libraries - cabinets, Observatories, for Armories and Military exercises, farm buildings for the accomodation of Stock and other farm uses, Workshops and appliances for Mechanical instruction and illustrations, Dwellings for Professors, teachers and the various employes of a large establishment, which with the improvement of the farm and grounds, will cost much money, and require much time to provide, This money can be obtained by the Sale of our lands, and it was with a view of providing for this demand that I accommended the sale of 100,000 Acres of pine lands at the very low price of $5. per, to a Company which might be organized with sufficient capital to properly handle that amount of land, and to reap the rich reward it was sure to return if properly handled,

I have commenced the formation of such a Company, with fair prospects of success, I have not had the opertunity yet of presenting it to our Trustees generally, Several of those to whom I have presented

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the subject have encouraged the enterprise with very liberal subscriptions, and I trust that each will aid me in some form, if with nothing more than a kind word. This sale must be effected, and the income from its invested proceeds added to our available means for supplying the numerous wants that will press upon us.

The result of such a sale to our several funds would be as follows.

Sale of 100,000 acres pine land at $5. per acre		$500,000.
Less Amount paid Comptroller for scrip	$30,000	
" 1 Years interest on cost of scrip	2,100	
" Govt fees at land office	2,500	
" Cost of hunting and locating land.	22,500	$57,100
Nett amount rec'd for land =		$442,900
Of this sum 30 cts per acre goes to the College land scrip fund		30,000
Nett to be added to the Comm'l endowment fund		$412,900

This sum invested at 7 per cent will give us an income of $28,903 to be added to our building fund, and the $30,000 added to the college land scrip fund will increase the income from that fund to the amount of $2,100 per annum.

This statement shows you the practical results to be derived by the proposed sale of 100,000 Acres of pine lands,

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While we are making this effort to effect a large sale, we shall not relax our preparations for bringing our lands into market in smaller parcels, to meet the wants and supply the demands of the sellers, and shall hope ere long to realize some income from this source,

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The Operations of ~~Locating~~ Selling & the land Scrip by the Comptroller, and the location of lands therewith by myself have been as follows,

Sales of Scrip under the act of May 5. 1863 made prior to Nov. 1865. were as follows

8,000. Acres sold for Cash at 83 ct. per acre $6.640
68,000 " " " " " 85 " " " 57.800
100,000 " " E. Cornell " 50. " " " 50.000
$114.440

Sales under Acts of April 10. 1866.
200,000 Acres Sold E. Cornell in Aug & Sept 1866 at 30 cts per acre $60.00
200,000 Acres. Sold to E. C in 1867 at 30 cts $60.00 $120.000
$234.440
Total -

Of the above amount the comptroller holds any bonds with collateral securities for $170,000. the balance is in Cash in the State Treasury, the whole drawing seven per cent interest

There remains in the hands of the Comptroller subject to location under my contract of the 4th of August 1866. Scrip representing 414,000 acres of land, which I have the right to take as I have the opertunity to locate it, at any time prior to the 4th of August 1870, Of the 200,000 acres of Scrip which I have paid the Comptroller for, during this year, I have reports from any agent in

~~paid the Comptroller for during this year~~ 9/23/1867

~~I have reports from my agents in~~ Wisconsin to date Sept 9. 1867 showing that 156,320 acres had been located and entered, and that we shall probably be able to enter 30,000 acres more before the Quota of One Million of Acres for Wisconsin is filled, In regard to the character of our Entries Mr Putnam writes thus, "Our last entries or for the last 3 months, are all A. No 1. Pine. Some of it in Bayfield District will cut from 10 to 20. M ft per Acre, I have had opportunities to check upon most all of our Entries by other parties passing over them all of whom have given favorable reports of the Pine" We have therefore up to this time at least 456.000 Acres of land entered and Scrip for 44.000 acres on its way for entry and which will be entered during the fall= Of the amount already Entered we have at least 400.000 Acres, of first quality of Pine lands so situated in the vally of the Chippewa and its tributaries, that the logs from every acre of it can at little expense be placed in Streams that have water sufficient to float the logs to market.

A lumberman of large experience and excellent judgment, who has had this pine region examined, assures me that it is a safe estimate to call this timber worth $5. per 1000 feet standing on the ground, and the lowest estimate that any one has made of the quantity is an average of 8,000 feet per acre. If those estimates are reliable, it fixes a valuation of $40. per acre for this pine land or $16,000,000 for the amount that we have, Entered = I therefore see no reason to doubt that my expectations that I may make $2,000,000 out of this land scrip for the University, may be realized,

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The Trustees hold my bond for $500.000 drawing 7 per ct interest per annum, the amount donated by me to the Endowment fund of the University,

The Comptroller also holds my bonds for $170.000, which constitutes in part the College Land Scrip fund, this also draws 7 per cent. interest,

The present and immediate success of the Institution therefore, rests on my ability to pay the interest on those bonds as it becomes due, and ultimately to pay the principal. It is therefore proper that the Trustees should understand the subject and be made acquainted with my resources for meeting those payments, and with that view I make the following statement,

I have $2.280,400 W.U. Tel Stock which I calculate will pay 4 per ct Div per an	$91.216.00
Ill & Miss Tel Stock will pay	5.000.
North Western Tel Co Stock will pay —	5.000,
Bank Stock $37.000 pay 10 per ct	3.700.
W.U. Tel Co Bonds $140.000 7 per ct	9.800,
Bond & Mortgages &c —	1.400
Rents	2.600
	$118.716.00
Less. Interest on my bonds to the Trustees and the Comptroller	46.900.00
Surplus of income —	$71.816.00

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In addition to the above, I have my farms, and various other resources which will at least produce enough to support my family. It must also be borne in mind that ~~the~~ the $170.000 for which the Comptroller holds my bonds, is the amount of a loan from me to the Cornell University at 7 per Cent per annum, which sum with the interest is to be repaid to me from the proceeds of the sales of the located lands before any profit accrues to the endowment fund of the University, for which ~~This reduces my real~~ I hold the title of the lands as collateral security under the agreement with the Comptroller of the 4th of Aug 1866-

This reduces my real liabilities in the above transactions to the interest on my bond to the Trustees of $35.000.00 per Annum, with resources of more than three times the amount to meet it.