Office of the Tribune.

New York, Nov. 11, 1867.

Friend Cornell,

Yours of Nov. 7, in closing note, came to the office on Saturday after I had left for the factory, and therefore did not get it until this morning.

I was put in possession of the necessary funds by the payment on Friday by my brother-in-law of $1500 for 15 shares I had held for him until I wanted the money. There are yet to deliver to Subscribers 35 shares — $3500 — which I hope to get this week.

I am glad to hear you say that you are improving in health, although it is slowly. I beg that you will be careful and not get a relapse by an undue exposure or carelessness. I cannot

allow myself to think of your being called away from your work. God means that you shall live to see the fruits of your labor, and to receive the heartthanks of those you have adopted and are now working so nobly for. But recollect God has enacted laws which control matter, and if you violate them there is a punishment and annihilation so far as form is concerned. Therefore be patient—be courageous—but be careful. I understood Dunham today on Saturday that Mrs. Cornell was at his house, anxious to hear how you were. I hope you will keep her fully advised, so that she shall feel easy. I ask this because I judge her to be similar to my wife under like circumstances. Both of them I think are too much real women to be frightened, but ever anxious for those they love.

The factory begins to look as if we were near the end of building and fitting up. The office looks business like, hung with specimens of work. We are getting work from abroad, too. That Government job looks well and I think it will satisfy the party who brought it to us. Mr. Gould has sent us a job, and Mr. Elliot has been to see Osborne about doing some birds for a book he is getting out.

As soon as you are well enough to come down and devote one or two entire days to putting things in such shape as you think proper for the entire success of the enterprise I wish you would come. All well at my house. God bless and restore you to health. Yours.

Thomas N. Rooker.

I shall not use the note at present.

Office of the Tribune.

New York, Nov 1867.

Friend Cornell,

I visited Osborne last evening again and had another and fuller talk with him about our prospects at the factory, and will now detail the result. He says that the cause of our running behind is owing chiefly to our having not had enough work, after Appleton stopped his Almanac job, which was to have been a large and profitable one for us; and also the Thomas (Gift-Enterprize) one before it was more than half done.

Now we have about finished all our improvements, which, worked to their capacity, will turn out a large amount of work at a profit large enough to satisfy any one; but to get the work we must send around specimens and have an office and a proper and fit man specially charged with the duty of canvassing and estimating on the jobs among publishers, Archi-

tects, mechanical draughtsmen, and others wanting like work done. He urges these points by referring to parties who call at the factory, taking up his time from other work, and who constantly ask him why the Company does not have an office in the city where people could get information without the trouble of going to the factory — that in the winter the weather will decide upon jobs against us, often, because parties will not trouble themselves to go over to Brooklyn, specially if a small job on which there might not be a great difference between ours and the old way of doing the work.

In order to work to advantage he says that the following staff of men and boys are requisite:

1	Superintendent, Osborne, Salary per week	$57.69
*2	Assistant, Chace, "	23.08
3	" Dutton, "	20.00
4	" "	15.00
	Total carried forward —	$115.77

*Osborne thinks Chace should have $40.00 per wk.

	Amount brought forward —	$115.77
5	Photographer — Mason, per week	38.47
6	Assistant — " "	20.00
7	Boy — " "	8.00
8	Transferer — Reitzheimer "	30.00
9	Assistant — "	25.00
10	Stonegrinder — "	15.00
11	" " — "	10.00
12	Power press man "	25.00
13	" " Boy to put on sheets	8.00
14	Man to take charge of paper room	12.00
15	Artist — Schumaker	30.00
16	Assistant —	20.00
17	Porter, for general work	12.00
18	Engineer	15.00
19	Dunham	38.47
20	Office and errand boy	7.00
21	A Suitable man for N.Y. Office	38.47
22	An assistant (young man)	10.00
	Expressage, say per week	8.00
	Total expenses per week —	$486.18

Now with the above force he says his staff will be complete, and kept with work will produce the following results:

1 Power Press will turn out 3000 impressions a day at a profit of $15.00, or $90.00 per week. That he allows, as an average, 1000 copies from a stone

— that is to say, he thinks that the jobs to be worked on it will not exceed on the average more than 1000 copies, and that he estimates that each such job will require 2 negatives to a stone. Consequently 3000 copies daily would require 6 negatives daily, or 36 negatives per week, which at $10 per negative amounts to $360 per week for negatives and $90 profit on presswork, making in all earned by pressmork and negatives $450 per week.

Now add hand presses — 14 he says he has — allowing that they turn out 300 copies daily each, we have 25.200 copies per week. These presses will give a nett profit of $250. Allowing the jobs worken on the hand presses to average 500 copies per stone, then there would be requiren 50 stones per week, demanding 1½ negatives to each stone, on the average, and we find there will be 75 negatives required, which at $10 per negative amounts to $750

Add to this the profit on the Artists' work — say $30 per week.

Here ends the income. Now let us recapitulate:

T. N. Rooster Nov 67

Recapitulation

Expenses, as wages —— $486.18

Income from

Power Press	$ 90.00	
Negatives	360.00	
Hand presses	250.00	
Negatives	750.00	
Profit on Artists	30.00	
	$1480.00	
Deduct Wages	486.18	
	$993.82	

Deduct for Sundry expenses, such as ink, paper for proofs, lights, fuel, insurance, interest on capital, newspaper office rent, &c — 300.00 per week

And we have $693 82 as an apparent profit per week, which if true, and he feels confident it is, he can treble by 3 more power presses, and duplicating his Camera and washoff force. In other words by putting 2 more men making negatives, and 2 more washing off, with 3 more power presses, and plenty of work, he says he can clear $2000 per

I will use this blank to say that you must turn by this time that we have been dreadfully beaten in our Election on Tuesday. No matter; "Better luck next time."

week. Of course this is "counting chickens before hatched"; yet the figures will prove true if he can get the work to do, as they are based upon legitimate profits. He contends that to get the work we must have a man capable and specially fit for his business. He thinks that Dunham is not the man - that in the position he now occupies - keeping books, &c - he is all right. But he has no faculty of getting work out of people whether they wish or not. I suggested the Appletons as proper people to act as Agents; but he does not approve of that for the reason that he thinks it would be their interests to keep us tied down to their work, when we should have the whole field before us. He says that five or six smaller houses giving us work would soon compel the large houses like the Harpers, Ticknor & Field, and the Appletons, ~~would be compelled~~ to come to us in self defence, as those small houses would cut into their present monopoly, as they could afford to bring out a small edition of a costly book which they would not do, if they had to run the greater risk and expense to do it in the old way.

Now think this matter over fully and carefully, and then come down, and let us devise some way of making the enterprise a complete success. It only needs head work now. Yours,

Thomas N. Rooker.

Ithaca Nov 11. 1867

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 28th ult Oct came duly to hand, and I trust that ere this you have rec'd Specimens of Photo-Lithography, which I directed sent to you from the factory in Brooklyn

Sickness has caused this delay in acknowledging the rec't of your letter

As a publisher of Maps you can I doubt not find advantage in the use of this new art;

Any Enquiry or Order addressed to Mr Osborn at the corner 10th St & Av Brooklyn, will receive prompt attention

Yours

Yours Respectfully
Ezra Cornell

A. Pahl Jr. Esq
Cuyahoga Falls
Ohio

Office of PAGE, KIDDER & CO.

Pat. Paraffine Varnish, Roofing Materials, Naval Stores, &c.

No. 139 Maiden Lane.

GEO. S. PAGE,
THEO. L. PAGE,
EDW'D H. KIDDER,
I. D. FLETCHER.

New York, Nov. 11, 1867

Mr. Ezra Cornell
Ithaca

Dear Sir:

We are duly in receipt of yours of 9th enclosing Draft for $23.40 which Balances our a/c for which accept thanks.

Very Truly Yours
Page, Kidder & Co.

Zanesville Nov 12th 1887

Hon E Cornell

Dear Sir

The cows arrived all right on saturday at 5 P.M. your letter of 8th inst, saying you had shipped them on the 11th.

The cows had a quick trip, left your house friday morning reached here saturday eve. I am very much pleased with them. I notice they have various ear marks.

Please give me the pedigrees as far as you know them, and what-ever served by

Respectfully Yours

Jas Buckingham

Albany, N.Y. Nov 12th 1867

Take Notice, that the Promissory Note made by Horace L. Emery & Son

for $2500 (Twenty five hundred dollars) dated Aug 9th 1867.

payable this day, endorsed by you, is **PROTESTED** for non-payment, and that the holders look to you for the payment thereof, payment of the same having this day been demanded and refused.

Yours &c & serv't,

CHARLES L. GARFIELD,
Notary Public.

To E. Cornell Esq.
Ithaca N.Y.

Robt Harwell
Nov 12 1867

Nichols Tioga Co N.Y.
Nov the 12th 1867

Dear Sir

I have taken much pains to get 3 bbl of Report on Military Statistics & Sent a year last Summer the patriarch and the old Chief Sent the Marylands and Said it would be Sent me when printed I have applied but could not get it you Sent me 2 Report I work you to Send me 3d Thereof of much use

I work if possible you will Send me Specimens of Photo Lithographs I would be glad to learn all I can on that Subject and So far I have been unable to learn any thing except A Short notice in papers and recently in Journal of State Agricultural Soc— I am anxious about it

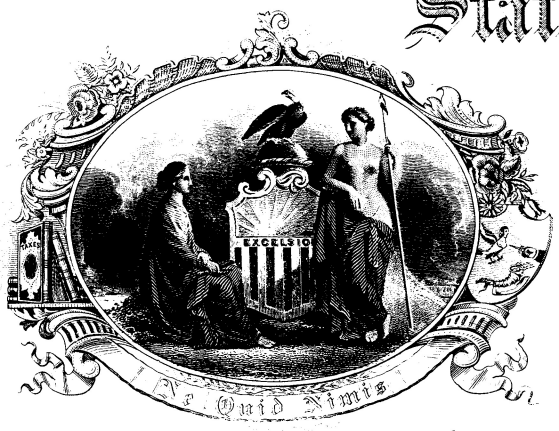
I rejoice to see that you took So many premiums at late State fair your Cattle is the best I have Seen

How do you get a long with your College how far has it progressed and when will the School begin I wish it all the good luck perible

Very Respectfully
Yours &c
Robert Howell

Hon E. Cornell
Ithaca
N. Y.

State of New York



Comptrollers Office

Albany Nov 12 1867

Hon Ezra Cornell

My Dear Sir.

I have been told within a few days that some of the large stockholders have been running Western U Telegraph stock at the present low prices - Selby Memphis and others in the number.

If this is so, it would indicate a want of confidence on the part of men who should know the condition of affairs thoroughly, and shake the public confidence in the stock unless it can be explained.

As the State holds a large amount of the stock in the form of collateral security, I feel it my duty to ask you for information as to the truth of the rumor. The statement of receipts which you sent me some time since is encouraging, but it will fail to sustain the credit of the company, if

men identified with it from its earliest history
show a want of confidence.

Respectfully yours
Thos H Ellmaker
Comptroller

Ithaca Nov 18, 1867

My Dear Mary Ann

I am quite well again I think. I have not had the Dr to day so I dont know what he will think about it, but if he dont differ with me I shall assume that I am well again.

I shall not start off on a tangent yet in any direction for a few days. So I cannot say where I shall be in New York or any where else.

Mr Ives wants me to go to Syracuse, but I have not decided about it yet.

Elsie was attacked with diphtheria on Saturday, and

and was quite sick Saturday + Sunday, but she is quite comfortable today.

I rode up to University today but did not stop and saw nobody but Ally Mortimer who was hanging out her clothes and came to the Gate and opened it for me.

Dr Morgan tapped Mrs J.S. Dickinson today and took 2¼ quarts Water from her, I expect she is in a horrid condition of dropsy

The weather continues very fine

Yours Respectfully
E Cowell

Mary Ann

Ithaca 12Th Nov 1867

My Dear Mary Ann

Your esteemed favor of the 10Th came to hand this morning and I was glad to hear from you and that you and the girls are well

I am quite well again, and shall have to go to work as I have no excuse longer to be idle

I have not taken any medicine for two days—

A dispatch from Brst A.D White. Says he will be up here tomorrow night. So I shall not make any plans about going away until I see him and know what he wants

I have ordered a ½ Bbl of King Apples sent to Emma and Esty send ½ Bbl to his Da

The day has been unpleasant with a drizzle of rain and snow, at one time it snowed hard for a few Moments —

I think it will soon clear off and give us good weather again

A thorough rain to raise the streams & fill the springs is much wanted —

Elsie is getting quite over her attack of diphtheria —

Perry was down to day and I paid him for the 10 Bbls Apples sent to Uncle Milton & friends —

I sent them from Perrys

1 Bbl Baltimore Sweet

3 " Baldwins

3 " Greenings

3 " Rock[t] Russets

and 5 Bbls P. C. Kings. I bot 2 of Perrys

Say 15 Bbls in all —

I wrote to Uncle, stating what I had sent & that they must divide them to please all &c &c

I have not seen or heard of any body from home to-day

You had better stay now until I go down to N.Y. which will not be long hence —

Yours Affectionately

Ezra Cornell

Mary & Jennie

New York Nov 13th/67

To. Hon Ezra Cornell Ithica N York

Dear Sir

Please Send me
The terms, of Students to be admitted
in the Agricultural College, at
Ithica- as I have a Nephew, that I
should Like to Send, if Possible, his
age is 15. Years. by Giving me the necessary
Information you will oblige
yours Respectfully

Enoch George

43 New Street New York

Sent Dec 20. 67

Baltimore Md
Nov. 13th 1867

Hon. E. Cornell.
My Kind Friend-

Your very very kind letter of the 10th inst. has come to hand and has done me much good for it shows that after all, prosperity does not always destroy humanity- I have always tried to so live that if Poverty should grapple me she should take nothing but my clothes. I would keep my skin whole. The old lady is no stranger, as we have sometimes met before in my checkered life- If I had been a little more selfish I perhaps might not be in want now- But I have always felt that man only fulfilled the

grosser part of his mission if he failed to do all he could for the improvement of his kind. Thus far I am conscious of having done all that I could, and that it can not be said of me that the world is not the better for my having lived in it.

I do most heartily thank you for your kind words. Many a timid swimmer has been saved by being told that the water was not so deep but he could touch bottom. Kind and encouraging words are often worth more to the unfortunate than money.

I will undertake at once any thing you think I am able to do, and you know my capacity tolerably well, and at any price which you think you can afford to pay. My family will stay here this winter, as we can get along cheaper than further north.

I shall box up the birds mentioned in my list, and send them early in the coming week, and you may send me what you owe me when they arrive. I would like to have you send me $100. by return mail, as the last quarter rent is due, and means I had prepared to meet it have failed and you know what chance a man has in a strange town who fails to pay his rent promptly. If we get over this wheat I hope for deeper water, and the prospect ahead looks a little brighter already. I will canvass for any thing you like except for office. I do not believe I can do much at that profitably.

My wife and daughter are grateful for your kind remembrance

Most Truly Your
Old Friend
J. C. Peters

Mary Ann
Nov 15th 67

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Brooklyn Nov 15, 1867

My dear Husband

I receivd yours of the 12th inst this morning and am extremely glad to hear that you are well again, and hope you will continue so for a long time.

You wrote me about geting Eddie a pair of rubber boots. I have funds that I can get them with, and will do so with pleasure. I should like of you can that you will come prepared to let me have about one hundred dollars. or 1,00, ~~$100~~ Mary will be twenty years old next thursday, and I want very

much to make her a present of a set of furs, she needs them, and I would like to get them for her before I go home. She will go home with me when I go. I had hoped to see you this week but am afraid I shall be disappointed. I hope you will fetch those pieces that I sent the note to Thirza for when you do come down.

It is bed time and I am keeping the folks up beyond their time for retiring, and will have to close this with a great deal of love, and a good night.

From your ever loving

Mary A Cornell

[Nov. 15, 1867]

Ithaca Nov 15, 67

Dear Brother

I shall not be able to attend to counting the grape vines,

I wish you would help Mattison with your man to count them, Keeping an account of the number of Each variety and the time each was set, say the number that was set 2 years last Spring, the number set one year last Spring and the number set last Spring —

Yours Respectfully
E Comstock

John H. Comstock

E. E. Talman
Nov 15. 67

Bois Blanc
November 15th. 1867

Mr Cornell

Dear Sir

Your kind letter was recd this morning & I now hasten to reply. I am sorry it have troubled you. but your good wishes are gratefully recd. Most truly do I know that Pa is easily annoyed yet he is my Father & very dear to us all & if care & sorrow for the past have not left their impression on his face they have on mine & Mr Cornell he is trying to do all he can he is working at his trade at Macon City Missouri & can get constant employment there as long as he wants it & now we must leave

our farm before Thursday next as our Suit was lost in the circuit court in Chicago. You remember perhaps that Pa mortgaged his farm during his trouble & Ma has been trying to save the homestead. You may think it strange but we are very poor & cannot command one hundred dollars for all we own & no home to call ours. Ma of course feels very bad & it is hard for her at her time of life to be so distressed. You say you have no money to loan, as was a large sum I asked for in hopes that our home might be saved us it could not & perhaps it is right I cannot tell & therefore shall try & do something else, as my resources are few. But we must leave our present home, & Pa can find a house for us in Macon, but has not the means to clothe so many & go so far, Ma wishes me to ask you if you will lend her Three-hundred dollars so as to enable us to get what we need in order to move, & also says tell you that you shall never lose it for when next Summer comes the boys will be larger & will repay you as they give all they earn to her & can you do so Mr Lowell do not be afraid for Pa will gladly do all in his Power to repay you I cannot tell you how very thankful we should be & how much good it may do us, & hope if you can possible raise the money you will let Ma have it as a loan & take my word you shall be paid I have nothing else to give, but my word I never break. And now as regards myself I have not been to school in more than 6 years & all that time have I been at home the oldest of so many has a poor chance to attend school especially when their Father is poor but mine would do anything for his family if he could & you will please try & think lightly of the past as you can & hope much from the future Pa has an Uncle living in Isabon, Michigan, he has offered to board me

as long as I wish to attend a good School in Lisbon & then help me get a School in the Spring but I should like to go next Summer, & if you can lend me a two-hundred dollars it will get me all nessessary clothing & finish my so long neglected Education so that hereafter I can Earn my own living & more so I can then get from $25.00 to $36.00 per month as that is what all common teachers can command & then you shall be paid if you think you can trust me long enough to earn it. I shall then devote myself to teaching & study for If I had the money I would never stop for any thing until I had a complete & thorough Education, but I shall do the best I can, and Mr Cornell you cannot lend a helping hand to one more needy & one who will appreciate your kindness more & ever remember you with grateful fulness & at the very earliest moment repay you for your kindness & with interest too as I never wish to be dependant while I have health & strength & proper to work for my own living rather than be idle & Ma does not need me know as my other sisters are larger & will attend School & help Ma at home until they can do better I wish if you can loan me the money to work & repay it myself if you will give me time & it will not take me long please let me know how if you can lend me the $200,00 & Ma the $300,00 as soon as possible if so send it to Polo as I wish to go to Michigan ere cold weather approaches we are having delightful weather Ma sends kind regards to yourself & wife & hopes you can accommodate her visit as soon as possible & keep what I write from all save Mrs Cornell as Ma does not wish it known please accept this with kind regards to yourself & wife Emma E Tallman.

Copy

Nov. 16-/67

Hon Wm Orton

Prest &c.

My dear sir:

In a suit I have against Mr E. Connell, for monies that lie at the foundation of his whole great fortune out of the Telegraph, and which he seeks to avoid, among other grounds, by force of the statute of limitations, it becomes important for me to exhibit, with minuteness, all his sales of lines, and stocks to the Western Union Coy, or to others and now absorbed in the W. Union. The result in no wise can affect the interests of your Company, but may lead to its benefit.

The Treasurer in charge of the books, of course, is the proper person to testify to the facts which appear of record, and will be, at the proper time, subpoenaed ac= =cordingly.

It may be needful however, and very much shorten his occupation before the referee, if a schedule of transfers, prices paid in stock, or otherwise, be prepared under his supervision, with your assent, showing the amount received by Mr Connell, for what telegraph stocks, or other interests

in writs, dates &c.

And the purpose of this letter is, to ask you to permit such a schedule to be made, to avoid bringing numerous books and records under a duces tecum into court, and also to avoid any pretense that he is volunteering any service in the matter - it all being, also, proofs that the law will require to be exhibited through the proper officer of your Company.

My purpose is, also, to save time and avoid as far as possible, inconvenience, to all parties, in the premises.

In the course of a fortnight to come, the ~~testimony~~ may be called for.)

If you will do me the favor to get this testimony in readiness, as may least incommode your office business, you will greatly oblige,

With great respect,

Your obt. servt,

Francis O. J. Smith

C. L Graffe & Co
16. Nov 67

(The Money Market, as you know, is quite easy now)

Albany N.Y. Nov 16. 67

E. Cornell Esq

My dear Sir

If it is possible, I wish you would give me (Confidentially) the assurance that the Western Union Telegraph Co. will make the 2% div in Jany next

Parties who pretend they know (I believe they lie) state that it is already settled, that the next Div, is to be passed: I have induced quite an amount to be purchased when it was selling at 36: confident, that it Could not remain at so low a figure long — to keep

as much as possible out of the hands of the New York Sharks: the "Brown District" interests appear to have the matter in their hands at present,

If the public believed a dividend of two per cent would be declared in Dec next — the New York gentry "would have to stand from under"

The miserable twaddle about the damaging Effect of the Pacific Telegraph Co on the Western Union is affecting the minds of some of our leading men, who ought to be better informed —

At the time the W. U. was at 36% I asked a gentleman to Explain the phenomena of the depreciation of the W. U. Stock —

He is one of the most prominent political men in this State (a Republican). He replied that the W. U. was going a great deal lower, that it would be down to 25 or 30% before Long — "It was so watered; — so watered — the Atlantic & Pacific was going to do the business &c. & the W. U. would be a failure, it was losing many Every day & it was impossible for it to stand —

I contrasted the resources of the two Companies — the integrity of the Pacific in paying so much for putting up their Wires &c — & the utter impossibility of their ever paying back any thing to the Stockholders — glanced at the fall of rival telegraph Companies — & that this Company would yet humbug the community

After giving him the Earnings of the W. U. the last year. he confessed

that, really, he was not informed on the subject, & that it was inexplicable. why the Stock should be so low. If a Div^d is sure to be made in Jany. next — there is a large amount of money in the Stock at the present price of the Stock. Can you give me the monthly receipts for this year — (for any private use). I will make judicious use of the information, without discovering my informant —

Yours Very Truly
Ch^s L. Garfield

I was not surprised to hear of your illness, but regret it very much; there is a limitation to human effort & endurance, but you seemed to be able to go ahead & keep moving when whole battalions of men, would long since been sent to the Hospitals from prostration from overwork

Brewer Maine Nov 17th 1867

Hon Ezra Cornell Dr Sir

Your favour of Oct 14 Came to hand in due time, I was absent at Quebec at the time of its arrival and have but lately returned, or Should have written to you before, I have looked the prospectus over carefully and have not the least doubt but it is a good thing and worthy of investigation by our best men - But as for my Self, Since I last Met Mr Holyoke of N.J., I have taken an interest in the timber on Some 60,000 acres Shall have to give My attention to that for at least two winters, had I been at leisure Should have gone out this winter and looked at the town Site and Some of the timber, I Shall pass your Prospectus around among those who invest in lands

wishing you much good fortune in your enterprise, I remain Yours Truely, Gilbert. Soule

WM. ORTON, PRESIDENT.
H. SIBLEY,
N. GREEN,
B. R. McALPINE,
VICE-PRES'TS.
O. H. PALMER, SEC'Y & TREAS'R.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Western Union Telegraph Company,

145 BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

Nov 19 1867

Wm E Connelly
Ithica N.Y.

My dear Sir. Mr Orton has just rec'd a letter from F & J Smith and I take the liberty of immediately sending you a copy. You will of course regard it as confidential as I do not wish to raise any question of impropriety with Smith by transmitting copy to you

The Court of course furnish no information on the subject to which he refers only by your consent or on completion & order of the Court

Yours truly
O H Palmer

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE,

OFFICE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY,

No. 14 SOUTH FIFTH STREET,

Saint Louis, Nov. 19th 1867

Hon. Ezra Cornell

Sir, On my return from an absence of 2 weeks I found your favor of 11th. Yesterday I sent you by Express a package of our publications, to which you are quite welcome for the good purpose to which I know they will be put. I have never been among our pines, but persons residing in Washington & Dent counties have represented them to me as very fine. I know that parties near Potosi are sending quite large quantities of good pine lumber to St. Louis, hauling it, I should think 10 miles or more to railroad. This morning I asked one of the commissioners for the location of our college lands if

the pine timber on the Govt lands in the State was of good quality? He said, no finer pines ever grew. He has lived in one of our southern counties, & has had an opportunity to know & I think is honest in what he says. I asked him why the Commissioners did not select more of the pine lands for our own state. He said, because the land was not good for much after the pine is off - that they were too rocky - & they thought there would be too much liability of the pines being stolen, by irresponsible persons. He says, parties put up mills in some localities & pay about 50 cents a log for pine, & he thinks there is too much chance for persons to cut timber on Govt land & sell to such mills. Many of these lands are not very far from Railroads - say 15 to 30 miles. I presume the Govt lands promising best for minerals have mostly been taken by our comrs. A large portion of the Southern part of the State is very rich in minerals & the same regions are capable of sustaining a large population. I have always thought our pines would

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE,

OFFICE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY,

No. 9 SOUTH FIFTH STREET,

Saint Louis, 186

some day come into more value & importance than is generally surmised. That they make excellent lumber I know. The immigration to this State has been immense the present fall. A large number of wool-growers have been going to South West Mo., in particular, from Ill. Wis. Iowa, Ind. & Ohio. It is a mild climate, well watered & good water power.

There is talk that one of the editors of the Chicago Republican, (Bragdon,) Prof. Swallow, late State Geologist, Mr. Riley, Entomologist, & myself, something of a botanist, will make a trip through the southern part of the State next summer, but it is somewhat uncertain.

I saw you at the New York State Fair at Utica 2 years ago. I purchased several Ayrshire

cattle from Messrs. Walcott & Campbell, & have received some from them since. You will see some cuts of his cattle in both Reports.

I have given you such information as I have about our Govt. lands - you may learn something from the reports. At first thought, it seemed to me that it would be advantageous to you to buy them; I may have been mistaken.

If I had an electrotype cut of the Cornell University I should like to print it in my next state Report, or cuts of your cattle if you have them.

Very respectfully yours

L. S. Morse

L. D. Morse
1st Nov 67

Maine Nov 19th 1867

Hon Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

Your favor is received
Will say I shall be pleased to have the Chance
of Learning the Art of Photo-Lithography If
I can make an arangement so it will not
be so Expensive as I have been to quite an
Expense for a few years Educating Myself
being young I wish to engage in something
likely to prove profitable I am very much pleased
with the discription of this & think it will be a
great thing Even to a young man Twenty years
of age like myself If I can serve as an Apprentice
even take the required time to defray Expenses
I will do it I can give good References as
to Character & General Ability

Hoping to hear from you again at your Earliest
Convenience

I am Your Obd Servent

LaMont M Bowers

Maine Boone Co Mo

Box

I give below a few references

Rev C R Heaton Present Jerry Mers Christ Assoc. also
Rev Wm Butler
J Ransom Superior Maine
Aaron Dyson Judge Penobscot County
Rev W. E Boyer Maine

Louella M Dixon
12 Nov 61

Office of the International Ocean Telegraph Company,

No. 88 Liberty Street.

New York, 20th Nov. 1867

Hon. Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

I enclose a note of introduction to you from Mr. Pitkin which I should liked to have handed to you, but I have been unsuccessful in finding you in the City. If you will let me know when and where I can see you I shall be glad to wait on you - I go to Washington on Friday and return on Tuesday, anytime before or after that time will suit me

Yours faithfully

Matthew Gray

Office of the International Ocean Telegraph Company,

No. 88 Liberty Street.

New York, 22d Nov. 1867

Hon. John P. Connell

Dear Sir

I have a letter from Wm. Pitts of London, England, to you, and would like much to see you Regarding the French American Telegraph Cable

Yours faithfully

Matthew Gray

Office of the International Ocean Telegraph Company,

No. 88 Liberty Street.

New York, 22d Nov 1867

Hon Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

I have a letter of introduction to you from Wm Peters of London England and have been endeavouring to see you but have failed - Could you let me know when and where I can meet you

Yours faithfully

Matthew Gray

Business. French American Cable

B. N. Sherwood
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Mr Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

At your suggestion I called yesterday on Mr Emery in Albany to make arrangements with him for the manufacturing the cotton seed Planters.

He seemed to be of the opinion that he would not wish to make this season more than about fifty of the Planters my own opinion is that he would sell two hundred of them if he had them made still he is the man that must be the judge of his own interests.

I had hoped to see you and should have gone to New York if I had known what duty you would have been there. The interest that you seemed to take in the enterprize in which I have embarked encouraged me very much and I cannot nor must not fail of carrying it out. If I understand your history you can sympathize with me.

I have succeeded in developing and bringing my property or nearly so completement now greatly in demand by more than fourteen States of this great country. now what I am very desirous of obtaining is a little means for introducing it when it is so much needed

It is with very great reluctance that I come to you I want a helping hand.

Three thousand dollars at least. would enable me to go forward and meet my indebtedness and make a beginning of putting two machines on the market If you Tommy will advance fifty I will attend the Fairs in Louisiana and travel and get orders for fifty or a hundred more which will just the thing on a good footing for another year. The Fair at Baton Rouge goes & the 3rd of Nov and at New Orleans the 1st of January

Now Mr Cornell if you will send me a draft or the amount of $3000.00 in this my emergency I will give you

a deed for the State of Alabama which if worth any thing is worth $10000.00 and allow me Emery to sell whenever his Track goes by his paying his royalty. on sides outside of Alabama when he shall make his collections I had better make this sacrifice than to be hindered at this time for want of means I am aware that there are many drafts on your ample means and your time But I hope that you will do it for your own mutual benefit to comply with this request and let me hear from you at your earliest convenience

Yours Truly
N B Sherwood
Melville Orleans Co N. Y.

11/9/1867

I will add & explain
in reference to the proposition to sell where his
trade goes. That is
his Enemy shall have
the privilege of selling
for the term of two
years and shall have
the first chance of
buying

A. C. Chaffee
G. W. Chaffee
Manhattan
Kansas -
Riley Co - Kansas

First National Bank of Jefferson,

J. C. A. BUSHNELL, President,
N. E. FRENCH, Cashier.

Jefferson, Ohio, Nov 23 1867.

This certifies that from my knowledge of A. L. Chaffee, and his responsibility, It is my opinion that on any contract that he might make wherein the consideration should not exceed One to Five Thousand Dollars, said Chaffee would be responsible, and his promises to pay would be met honorably & promptly.

N. E. French Cash'r

North-Western Telegraph Co.

Milwaukee, Nov 23rd 1867

My Dear Sir

I have just returned from Chicago & find your letter of the 13th The individual referred to by Mr Robertson is a very plain farmer like man — He has a Son in the University at Ann Arbour Mich, R. thinks that he recently moved into Mich from the East to be near his Son at College.

He did not report the story with the expectation that R. would report it to any one Mr R. says that he thinks that this man stated what was the general impression of the Community in that quarter instead of what he himself knew to be a fact. I am much obliged for the N. W. figures, I am a stockholder again having lately bot 100 shs

O. S. Mead
Nov 23, 1867

We could not decide definitely
in regard to a dividend
on C. P. R. and will not
until next month.
We will be enough ahead
in Jany to pay 2% if we
get our Railroad bills settled
We are all comfortably well
We have had magnificent weather
this fall. The past 2 weeks
more like the 1st half of
Sept than the last half
of Nov.

With much love
to Mary Ann & Children

Truman
as ever Yours

O. S. Wood

Hon E. Carroll

D. B. Cornell
Nov 25. 1867

Belvidere Ill Nov 25th 67

Dear Brother

Your letter of 9th inst came to hand in due time, but I have delayed answering it in consequence of being away from home most of the time, at work on a house for a man who was recently burned out.
In regard to that book and its history I can only inform you that it was brot into camp by some of our boys, while we were encamped at Lake providence La, there was perhaps twenty or thirty other books brot in at the same time and it was said they were taken from Mr Huntleys plantation, some 3 miles North west of camp. — It was also said that Huntley was an officer in the Rebel army. I cannot vouch for the reliability of report. — the book being very old attracted my attention

and I kept it with several others in my quarters until we were ordered to the front. I then took it from its cover & sent it home by mail, — our Regiment being a part of the 6th Division (Commanded by Gen. McArthur) of the 17th A. C. Commanded by Maj. Gen J. B. McPhearson. left Memphis Tenn. about the middle of Jan'y. 1863 and proceeded down the Miss. River to Milliken's Bend near Vicksburg. lay there two or three days when the Div. was ordered up the river to Providence where we lay until April 30th. were then ordered to the front. —

We have had a very dry fall here. not rain enough to lay dust for over two months until last evening when we had a warm thunder shower, have not had frost enough to hinder plowing yet. I have no farm yet for next seasons operations & fear I will be unable to procure one

My wound is troubling me more this fall than at any other time since I came home, have also had a distressing pain in my breast more or less for several weeks — my family are in usual health.

Yours Respectfully
D B Cornell

E Cornell

P. S. I have recently had some little acquaintance with Mr Walter R. Cornell of this place, and in conversation with him in regard to the family I spoke of the circular to the Cornells issued by you supposing he had received one — he said he had not seen it but would be pleased to have one of them.

D B C

Galls River 11/mo 25th 1867

My dear nephew
Ezra Cornell

I this week Recd 15 ~~bbls~~ of apples from the for which we ~~[illegible]~~ felt very thankful and distributed as the directed and let Albert Chase the Son of brother Robert Have Some & Theophelus Chase at Paxton have Some as I have Sent him word that he could have Some, I dont know how the will get paid for thy kindness for truly we take it as a great kindness, And was glad to here from the & thine and want the to write as often as the is able knowing that the they a world of cares on thy mind not Every one would be able to Endure it

I dont See an Apple brought
Into our market that grew about
here, we have Some for Sale here
but they Come very high they are
mostly from the west what I have
Seen of them they are very nice
We are all about but Rather
feble Mary She has had a severe
Fit Sickness of late which brought
her down quite low She was taken
Sick at Herbets and was there Some
days before She was able to Come
home but now She Seems to be
Improving She is gaining Some
Strength My wife is feble but
keeps about and does more than
I think She ought but She will
do as long as She Can, I find
that I am failing but think
I am the Smartest of the family
Lydia has moved to Providance
her husband has got a Job there
what the has got of the Cornell Fs

Interesting I am Sorry I did not
took more into it in my young
days, I will try to furnish
the with my mothers ancestors
as far as I Can If I were able to
Search the Records at Warren RI
I think I might find further back
than we have got, If the wishes to
know further back Some time
when the Fs here we will go to Work
and See what Can be found
Affectinately thy Uncle
Ezra Cornell Miller Schuyler

Dear Ezra & Mary Ann

I feel as though I advanta
to say a word respecting the apples and that
simply thanks are not a sufficient compensa
tion for so liberal a donation, shall we not return
something more We do feel truly thankful &
hope and trust that our Heavenly Father will reward
you ten fold. Mary wishes to be remembered
with love She has succeeded in copying the record

by doing it at intervals her strength seems to
be returning I am in hopes she will soon
be back where she was when you were here
We are always glad to hear from you it does
your uncle a great deal of good to receive
a letter from you affectionately your Aunt
Mary Stace

Willie Stace
Jan 4 1857

Corning N.Y. Nov. 25-

E. Cornell Esq

Dr Sir

Am told you are largely interested in the N.Y. State College Land Scrip

If so would you like to allow me to select from two to six sections and you holding title, I to have contract of sale of at $1.25 pr. acre payable in ten to twenty years with annual interest. Can give you landed security ~~for~~ payment - on land in this vicinity if you wish additional security or will pay 25 cts pr. acre down and bal- in 20 years with annual interest and improve immediately - Several neighbors will go from here and settle on land as above If any arrangement can be

Mad. Please
write Yours
Wm. H. Gardner
Corning N.Y.

P.S.
I am well acquainted
with much of West
Govt land in Mich
Wis. and Minnesota
and can give you good ref
erence as to my own
worth and character

Miss H. Haldeen
Genesee College
Lima N.Y.

W. Newcomb

P.S. My shells cover in the most compact form I can arrange them 1236 square feet. and in many cases they are piled upon each other for want of space. To display them properly would require a surface of three times that number of feet — W. N.

Oakland Cal.
Nov. 25. 1867

Hon. E. Cornell

Dear Sir Our mutual friend Cols. E. Jewett has repeatedly written to me in relation to the disposition of my Collection in Conchology to the Cornell University. My chief inducement in parting with the labors of over thirty years in collecting in Europe, on some 20 of the West Indian Islands, in Demerara in Equador, New Grenada, Costa Rica Nicaragua, Mexico, California and the Sandwich Islands, and extensive exchanges with many Naturalists in various Countries, is, that they may have a permanent and secure resting place not subject to the casualty of fire or to being broken up at my death. You have probably been informed by Col. Jewett of the extent of the Collection which is by no means complete, — although

he may have honestly conveyed such an idea to your mind. There is in fact no Complete Collection in existence. That of the British Museum after the addition of the Cumingian Museum being the most perfect, and yet I have many species not contained in their joint Collection.

New species are continually being discovered and described. In 2 drawers (of one of my cases of 50 drawers) I have of one Genus (Achatinella) over 100 species which I have collected and described myself as new in Zoological Proc.s London, Nat. Hist. Society of Boston, Lyceum of Nat. Hist. Brooklyn New York and Proc.s Nat. Hist. Soc. San Francisco. — all within the past 15 years. —

These have cost me an outlay of $1500 in gold to collect, and do not constitute one three hundred & fiftieth part of my Land Shells alone.

My proposition is to dispose of the entire collection with some hundred thousands of duplicates to your Institution, to go to your place to mount them, carrying on my Exchanges in the mean time for the benefit of the University, and taking such time as I may choose to carry on as heretofore my personal collecting. — Next month with my dredge I expect to spend at San Diego. San Pedro, and the Islands in their neighbourhood to add to duplicates as well as to perfect my California Fauna. —

It is to me of some considerable importance to have a decision made soon as to the disposal of the Collection for my future course will depend upon the result. —

Should you decide to take them they should be shipped by the 1st of next July and will require not less than two months time of careful Packing to get them in readiness. As soon as started I propose to visit the Sandwich Islands to be absent two months perhaps three. to carefully examine 3 or 4 Collections there, and if any thing is found not in my Collection to purchase, and at the same time to engage in dredging and working up a portion of the Island of Kauai that I have not personally examined. Upon my return I propose to spend 10 days at Acapulco and as long a time at Panama en route home. By this means with but a moderate expense I should add very much to the duplicates (and something to the number of Species) which would serve for exchanges

I have due me from India 1500 Species of Persian Gulf & Indian Shells for payment of those forwarded. — From several European Correspondents and numerous Americans I have a Credit or a/c all of which will of Course be included in the Sale. —

It is not my purpose to ever Commence another Collection, but to add in the future all I can obtain

to the one I now have wherever that may be deposited—

The price named, is not in my estimation the value of the collection as it now stands, but others may not agree with this opinion. At all events, in the final result, the offer covers more than double the sum of Fifteen thousand Dols, the price which was named by Col. Jewett.

I am sure that for that amount as sold I could not in 20 years gather such a collection again, for my facilities have been remarkably good and no money has been spared thus far in making the collection perfect in the character of the specimens and in adding to the number of species.

My Professional income that I should relinquish amounted last year to $7000. and will equal that sum this year. But I am weary with practice and should be glad to retire from Professional pursuits to devote myself exclusively to Scientific studies in my specialty. We shall have a University in this place that would probably in a few years be glad of the collection; but I would much prefer that they should go to my Native State of New York.— Please excuse my addressing you on the subject and at your convenience should be happy to hear from you I am Sir truly Yours W. Newcomb