Smithsonian Institution
Washington. 7 Apl 1869

Dear Sir:

We take pleasure in complying with your request to place the name of Cornell University of Ithaca, New York on our list of distribution, and shall make up a full set of our publications to be forwarded to that establishment by Express.

I have the honor to be
your obedt servt

Joseph Henry
Sec. Sm. Inst.

Hon Roscoe Conkling
U.S. Senate.

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Richard Lepine To 186 P
Mrs Nicholas [illegible] 4th May 1869
Orphan Boys Home

Journal April 27/69 Lepine
admitted to Cascades Plan
100x180 5 Rooms. - foundation 3 ft below surface
4 metres Walls.

Nov 30/69 "Malicious" damaging belonging
to Cascades Road Steam & Tramway
Company - $5 & Costs

Feby 9/69 Mr Clergy - Cascades Reception
Reception for Leaving - Summonses
of Clergy of Town.

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7th Oct

Summonses: Post Railway. Garbage Hoe
Stoning. Bridges. Erection of Roof Shoring off.
See Number P 40.

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Larned
Apl 12, 1869

LAW OFFICE
OF
JOS. G. E. LARNED,
No. 125 Pine Street,
Room No. 11.

New York, April 12th 1869.

Hon. Ezra Cornell

Dr Sir.

In your recent letter to Hon Porter, you renewed the request which you had once before made to him in person for some account of the men whom you with others were instrumental through his agency in sending to this country from London in the fall of 1862.

She intends, or rather hopes to be able, at some time to respond to this request: but you are not perhaps aware that for upwards of three years past her thoughts and to a great extent her physical capacity for labor have been devoted to the

care of her son, who during all that time has been struggling for his life against very strongly developed consumptive tendencies. And of late, she herself appears to be in about as much danger as she. They are both now in Aiken, S. C., she having gone there soon after writing to you, following her son, who went six weeks previously.

A business matter which you will see as I go on makes it proper for me to explain the delayed which as yet Mrs Porter has been unable to respond to, so far as it relates to one of the numbers; and I hope, as you have shown so much interest in them, what I have to say will not be unacceptable.

You will remember doubtless Dr. Rudolph Tauszky; in fact, I think he was your special protege. You are aware I believe that he served as Hospital Surgeon at the Hazlewood Hos-

pital in Washington. From there, he was sent to Americus, where he remained till the close of the war. Returning, he resigned and went back to Hungary to bring over his Father's family, and did in fact transplant the whole family here, including his Father, Mother, & all his brothers & sisters. They are now settled in this city, where the Brothers & Sister have since married. Dr. Janosky established himself here with them in the practice of his profession. But early in 1868, he concluded to re-enter the service, & was sent to Texas, I think to Fort Stockton, in the N. W. part of that State. A few months since, he was sent for to return on account of the failing health of his Mother. He accordingly obtained leave of absence, & is now in this city; his Mother however died before his arrival. Being here, he is desirous of arranging matters so as to make it practicable to remain here with his family; and with that view, under the advice of friends, he has become an applicant for the position

of Appraiser of Drugs under the Collector of this Port. And my immediate object is to ask from you a recommendation for him to your Son Hon. A. B. Cornell, through which he may have such assistance as he may be able to render him in his application to Mr Cornell.

He has been intending to call on you in person & make this request, and at the same time, to show that he has fairly earned it by misconduct since he came to this country, as attested by the letters of recommendation which he has from the officers under whom & with whom he has served, at every post where he has been stationed. Those letters, which I have seen, are of the strongest & most positive character. So also with recommendations which he has from some of the most eminent members of the Medical Faculty in this city. Unfortunately, he is detained in Washington for several days longer than he expected to be, awaiting

April 12 1866

the arrival of Gen. Hatch, under whom he has recently been, & whom it is his intention he should see, I have therefore undertaken to make the request in his behalf.

In doing so, I can add my own statement, founded as you are aware on an acquaintance which has continued from the first day of his landing in this country. And I have no hesitation in saying that I consider him a man of excellent character in every respect, and one that can be depended on in any situation in which he may be placed. He is moreover a man of thoroughly good education, & well very intelligent; and besides is thoroughly American, & thoroughly Republican, in his political convictions. I think you have no reason to regret any thing you have hitherto done for him; and I have no doubt at all that your experience will be the same in regard to that which you may now do.

Of course, my judgment as to his professional qualifications for the post named is not worth much; but the testimonials which he has on that part of his case are quite sufficient.

I think a letter from you to your Son, asking his good offices in behalf of Dr. Lemassky, would be of great service to him; and, if you please, to enable me to call upon him on the subject, you may add to it a note of introduction for myself. Hoping to hear from you shortly, I remain

Yours very Respectfully

Jos. G. E. Lomard

No 9 Piazza di Spagna Rome
Apl 12, 1869

Hon E. Cornell

My dear Friend

Your Kind letter of 23d of March is receivd

Before the receipt of your letter I had purchased the complete works of Canina in thirteen large Imperial Folio vols. The Earlier Editions to which you refer were less comprehensive and of course less Expensive

The 13 Vols which I send you include nearly all that is contained in the smaller publications

I Enclose a printed list of his entire works with those I present you marked If you need any of the smaller you will please say so & I will gladly add them also, My Son thinks they are of little importance when you have the 13 Vol which is regarded as practically his Entire works

The Binding will require some few

when they will be Shipped direct
to Simpson Pow Nev -

Please inform me if Books
for the University are subject to duty
also whether Books printed in
Foreign Languages are free of
duty.' The cheering news contained
in Your Letter gave me great
pleasure It must be particularly
gratifying to you to have your
neighbors & friends putting their
"Shoulders to the wheels" -

When I visited St. Petersburg
I applied for and obtained from
the Emperor a "Manuscript Copy
of the Holy Scripture" a work of
enormous size published by the
Emperor & one copy presented to
Each of the crowned heads of
Europe The Copy I obtained
I sent to Bishop Whipple Rector
of the "University of Minnesota" -

If You apply for one You
should make the application
through the Minister of Public Instruction

and Signed by the President
of the University

It would be well to send a
Catalogue with the application
to the Minister Lest they
has not left he will take Especial
pleasure in procuring a copy for
You I believe there is but one copy
now in the U.S. or was but one
when I obtained one in 1865

Fifty years today the Pope
said his first Mass This being
the 50th Anniversary (half a century)
the City is to be Illuminated
in the most gorgeous & magnificent
manner surpassing anything
of the Kind Ever Known. -

This grand celebration empties
with the usual Fire works will
give us four Nights in succession
of Pyrotechnics of extraordinary interest

The People although poor seem willing
to spend their last "Baiocco" in
rejoicing on this occasion

After the receipt of this my address will be Care of Hottinguer & Co Paris France

Miss Charlotte Cushman who takes a lively interest in the "Cornell University" as she does in everything good in America has appropriated to her own use my only Catalogues you was so kind as to send me. I shall be much obliged if you will send me another — As I never write a decent letter it will appear affected to apologise for this and as I am violating the orders of my Doctor in writing this I will close at once —

My kind regards to Prest White your good wife & family, and believe me as ever

Your Obt. Servt & Friend

Hiram Sibley

Hiram Sibley
Mar 13 - 69

Aiken, South Carolina
April 12th 1869.

Hon. Ezra Cornell,
Dear Sir:

Your letter of March 22d was forwarded to me at this place, only after a delay; this will account for a tardy response.

I had not forgotten your former request for a written list of the foreign soldiers we were interested in sending over to join our army in 1862, — with a record of their career during and subsequent to the expiration of their term of service: Having lost sight of most of them at the close of the war, or before, I was unable to respond fully to your wish, and delayed writing in hopes to recover some lost traces. In this I was not successful, and thought you might not care for an account so meagre: I now, however, send enclosed,

such record as I have, regretting it is not more full and satisfactory. If I have omitted any special point of which you wished to be informed, please let me know.

Regarding the Steam Plow matter, I may say, I had hoped you would look into it – not as an "outside matter" – altogether, but as one which you might – possibly – like to see brought out in your own town. I knew – of course, you must yourself be overburdened with cares, – but thought perhaps your machine shops were not so fully occupied! —

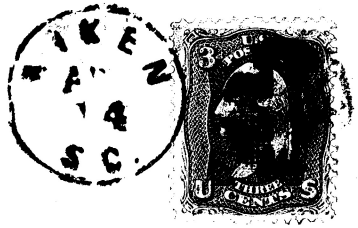
– I believe, still, this particular subject would interest, could you devote a few minutes to its examination, and hope you may yet find a convenient season to do so:

Very respectfully yours

Sara Lee Porter.

History of Soldiers' Suit
from Southern to U.S. State
in 1862 by Ezra Cornell
& D.M. Osborn
Written by Alex Parker

Due 3 dz



Hon. Ezra Cornell,

Ithaca,

New York.

Private Albany Ap. 13 1859

My dear Sir.

When I saw you in Albany in February I spoke to you in reference to the matter of the purchase of my collection by the State, and you promised that if the matter should assume a favorable shape you would help in its accomplishment although I had hoped to see the matter further advanced at this time than it is, I still think it in a very favorable condition. I very much wish you would interest yourself in the matter, for it will not

only secure for the State this great collection, made from all the States of the west and northwest and southwest, but from this duplicate which may be distributed the Cornell University will receive such collections as would of themselves cost many years of time & many thousands of dollars in money. Those will come to the Cornell University not in a crude condition but labelled under my own hand and the authorities in all respects -

I wish you would write earnestly to Mr Selkreg to favor anything for this object which may come before the House or before his Committee.

Mr. Truman is a person who ought to be conciliated in such a matter but I know him too little to have any influence & this will be looked upon as a personal affair.

I feel that this is the most favorable occasion we can ever have for accomplishing the objects and if not done at this time the collection will go to Cambridge.

I think You already know enough of my collections to appreciate how far it lies at the foundations of our Science of Geology & Palaeontology in the United States -

Hoping to hear from you soon I remain very Respectfully

Your obd Servant

James Hall

Hon E. Cornell

T. N. Rooker Apl 13. 1869

New-York Tribune.

New York, April 13, 1869.

My good friend,

Wife and I reached home on Sunday morning. I would not leave Washington until I had received the contract allotted to us. I decided to take half of the job when I found I could not get the whole. I fought them inch by inch all through. My men were, Anthony, Laflin, and Casserly. Jewett's, Cake, Mungen, and Harris. Here was a tie, and the only way to break it was by accepting of Mungen's proposition to divide the job. I refused at first, but Anthony and Casserly

advisers me to accept, because it would secure me a portion, and at the same time it broke the ring, and gave me a better chance for success next year provided our work was satisfactory. Then again, Ols borne, after having telegraphed to me not to accept, wrote a long letter winding up that if I found I could not get all to take half, as better than none. Knowing as I did that the Patent-office reviser of the proofs was my friend and well-wisher, and that Clapp, the new Government Printer, was my friend and would help me when and where he could, I consented to take half. You must wait until you see me to hear how

I had to fight. It is too long a story to write out at this time, as I have a great deal of work waiting my attention. I want you to come to New York as soon as you can so as to make the necessary arrangements to do this work — to consider the propriety of our buying a press, &c.

Enclosed find a letter from Vinnie Ream, the little scubptor. I went to see her Lincoln, and was greatly pleased. I came away as you did, believing that she could produce a work of Art illustrating The Poem on Work.

My cold has not left me yet. My wife and many have also suffered from colds.

13 April 186?

This will reach you on the morning of the day you are to plant an Oak in remembrance of the Founding of the University. May the occasion prove a happy one to you and your family. May God's blessing rest upon, nourish and protect the work of your heart, mind, and hands, and you and I live to see the sapling become a grand and majestic tree, wherein birds can build their nests and sing their songs of praise.

Remember us all to Mrs. Cornell, Frank, and his wife, to your daughter, and others.

Yours, Thomas N. Rooker

Ithaca Apr 14 1869

Hon. E. Cornell

Dear Sir

Mr. Wilgus endeavored to see you to day, to repeat our offer of $13,000 for the property. We do not think that we can pay any more. We believe the improvements which we propose to make will increase your adjoining property more than enough to compensate for the $500. which now divides. It has been an effort to bring all parties to your original proposition. they can not be held at any thing beyond. We hope upon reflection that you can give us the property at $13,000 Meanwhile we await your decision

Very Respectfully Wm L. Boutwick

Ithaca April 14. 1869

Ezra Cornell Esq

Dear Friend

I am in rec. of letter from attorney Reed during your yesterday stay Calls me away this morning. I will be absent perhaps ten days when you must My Whit you may determine the matter of building as seems best when you see the plans—
my thoughts & purposes were these, no more nor less. I started out by Will to leave $ 20.000 to the University my second thought was to bestow it during my life and my third Conclusion was that the entire building would suit a more thrifty shape. look to the Will side

& allow an Earlier finishing of
and for the difference between Boy
$30.000 & $50.000 I would not allow
the opportunity to pass -
all I can object is now if that -
my promise shd become Public,
I much regret you did not give
me a hint of your views &
wishes, I would even have pled -
more than pleased -
I shall write with or for me
White until after you are thru
and therefore know you desire it
as mine best

Yours truly

John M. McGraw

John M. McGraw
April 14, 1869

Merchants Hotel Albany April 15/69

Hon Ezra Cornell,

Dear Sir,

I hold Eleven Certificates of one Share each issued by J. W. Stinnes in "N. York Western Union Tel. Co." numbered 3. 4. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 1849 to Samuel Hallett, and No. 6 to Truman Warner, & No. 10 to Rev. Horatio Pattengill — Eleven in all, and of $550. They have been a long time tied up having been left in Safe of late M. Hallett.

They are properly Endorsed, and I wish now to get what is properly due on them. Please write me by return Mail, what sum you will pay in Eft on N.Y. & bank on receipt of the Certificates —

I understand you are still Pres. of the old Co.

Respectfully Yours

D. C. Ward

Carcadillick. Wednesday.

My dear W. Connell.

Having been a little out of sorts the last day or two and feeling rather weak today, I find it more prudent to remain quiet till the hour for my lecture. I must therefore very unwillingly beg you to excuse my coming to tea with you as you kindly invited me to do.

Yours very truly

J. Addison Smith.

Ithaca N.Y.
April 20th/1869

Dear Uncle.

I thought I would write you a few lines this morning. I quitt school this morning and can not attend more until I can have some clothes. I thought I would not ask you again. But kept in school as long as I could. I have did so. I have worn this suit 8 months every day. And now may begin to get ragged and dirty. You promised one last fall that in as short a time as you could get time testified to it if you would obtain some cloth at the factory for both Ezra and myself

But you have been very busy and have probly had other business more than you could attend to. and have forgoten it. I shall rather have to have some clothes or some money to return home so that I can work for some. I have been to school this month study and have learned quit fast.

Uncle I am very thankful for all you have done for me. and for my sisters at Albion. and should like to work some saturdays. if I could have some work near by, so that it would not take long to go and come.

Mother says that she dont know but you intended for them to clothe me while here. If so let me know and I will see them about it. Father is trying to build a house this summer and it will take all he has or can get to build with and more to I am afraid. Please let me here soon. Over your nephew

Corydon L. Wood.

"

Father & Mother send love to all their friends here at Albion

Please excuse this poor writing the pen is very poor and also the ink.

Corydon.

T. N. Rhodes Apl 26. 69

New-York Tribune.

New York, April 26, 1869.

Friend Cornell,

Your Dispatch just received 12:53.

Osborne was better on Saturday. I have not heard from him today. On Friday I was there and he was better, and had (Good) appetite. During the night he slept soundly, and on Saturday morning he ate a hearty breakfast, and then went to sleep again. His wife became frightened because he slept so soundly, and posted a messenger home to come to her as quickly as I could. I went down and found that she had been unnecessarily alarmed, for he was better than he was the day before.

Unless he gets a pull back, I think that he will be up and about in a few days.

I hope that you have seen your way clear in buying the Albany works. I would like to have you make it a success, and then I would like Frank and Perry to take hold and establish themselves in the business. I beg of you to stop piling work upon yourself. I admit that you have a great deal of work in you, but you have that work on hand now, and to assume more is dangerous to your health, cruel to your wife, who, as you and her near your journey's end, needs and should have your undisturbed company and consolation. No woman of my acquaintance has worked harder, been a more faithful and devoted mother, and yet who has so often cuddled about her at night her little ones to tell them the latest news she has of their absent father. Your hard labor, and your deprivations and economy have been rewarded in time to allow you a few years of rest and home comfort if you will but avail yourself of them; but it seems to me that you are impregnated with a restlessness and an unconquerable impulse to seek new fields for labor. I love work. None better than I. But I believe if I were you I would not court

additional duties and responsibilities.

Alexander wept because there was not another world for him to conquer; but God was wiser than he.

I sincerely hope that this last decision of yours will not demand much of your time, nor worry you that your good angel was by and guided you, and that it will prove for the best.

My cold is getting better. My wife, Mary, and Ma, are well.

My heart and good wishes to your wife and children, and my soul's aspirations for you.

Thomas N. Rooker

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Dated Albany apl 27th 186 9

Received at 7 30 PM

To Mr Ezra Cornell

Ithaca

Paper received notes not enclosed as Mr Wood expected I will get the order of the Supreme Court confirming the sale. Mr Wood goes to N.Y. this evening. May not return until Tuesday next I will have duplicate copies finished tomorrow ~~at~~ when shall you take possession and who shall act for you! They will deliver tomorrow or any time

H. L. Emery

Cornell University.

AT a Meeting of the Faculty of the University, held April 28th 1869. —— it was RESOLVED:— [redacted]:----

that inasmuch as the present condition of the University Campus is such as to afford no suitable or sufficient grounds for military drills or ball-play, the Founder be respectfully solicited to allow the division fence, between the University and his private lands on the South, to be temporarily removed 150 yards further to the South, so as to afford the use of the partially level summit of the hill for the purposes indicated; and that the President be requested to communicate with him on the subject.

Albert S. Wheeler,
Secretary of the Faculty.

Albion Apr 28. 1869

Dear Brother

Your favor came duely to hand. Of course we will go to the clam bake if we are all well I did not suppose for a moment that "Ed" belonged to our eminently respectable branch of the family. Brother D.D. reports his health improving a little. He says he talks of going to Lowell I advised him to stay where he was join the Presbyterian Church and become a deacon. If he only would not have so many visions I think he would be much better off. Poor Dan

Many a Jane are well
Jane has a very fine
family of children Sir
three Sons and three
daughters they are all
healthy and smart but
of course rough it Some
I saw Ella Wood Sabbath
She is a very fine girl
and by all account very
sensible not given to
gushing or Shopping
over like poor Allie
Pheb E Robinson is also
a very promising girl
She is very anxious to
get a Situation a a
Teacher after She graduates
but I think She needs
Some rest and recreation
first. We all like Mott
wife very much

We are having a fine
growing Spring.
Next week we are going
to See Arline. if nothing
happens to prevent
Your Affectionate
Sister
Phebe Ford

P.S. I did not get homesick
both Cousin Marie and
myself never Enjoyed a
visit So much before.
P.

Ithaca April 30th 1869

Hon. Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

President White has requested me to write you in regard to the Galvanic Battery required for the Department of Physics.

The battery in general use for class purposes is known as Bunsens battery - a cylindrical Zinc encloses the porous cup in which the Carbon is placed. The best size is about 8 inches high, the containing vessel being of Glass. The porous cup should be of fine texture. The clamps for the carbons and connectors for the battery ought to come

with it. If it is proposed to make a display of the Electric light 40 to 60 cups would be required - for other purposes 20 cups would be ample.

Prof. Morris and myself applied to the Executive Committe for a lathe and some other appliances to enable us to make and adjust apparatus and models for class illustration and for research: Our wish was to provide our work-room for the present with the following equipment:

One Lathe - 4ft. bed - 6 inch swing with slide rest and Screw-feed, to be run by the foot or by power.
a Self-centering chuck.
a Drill chuck
a set of Twist Drills
Steel for Lathe tools.
a set of Lathe Dogs.
Two Drilling tools. (coarse & fine)
a small Anvil
a Bench-vise.

These together with the tools belonging to Prof. Morris and my own assortment will enable us to make many things at small expense which it would cost the University a great deal to have made to order.

Trusting that the Executive Committe may consider our application favorably I remain

Your obedient Servant

E. W. Blake

P.S. Prof Morris request me to remind you of the Photolithographs of Machinery which you kindly offered to furnish for the Department.

The End of the Fortune of Ezra Cornell — 1873

Albany N.Y. May 5. 1869

Dear Sir All gone within 30 Months

The undersigned having purchased The Emery's Albany Agricultural Works, of Horace L. Emery & Son, also the Machinery, Property, Franchise, Effects and good will of The Albany Cotton Gin manufacturing Co. and Star Agricultural Works will unite the two establishments, and continue the business at the Shops of the former establishment, corner of Union, Hamilton and Liberty sts, Albany N.Y. in the name of the "Albany Agricultural Works" and under the direction of Horace L. Emery as Superintendent and Norman B. Wood as Sec'y & Treas'r, where the best quality of Agricultural and Plantation Machinery will be manufactured and furnished to customers at reasonable prices.

The old patrons of the business are respectfully invited to send in their orders, which will be executed promptly and on favorable terms.

Letters should be addressed to the "Albany Agricultural Works, Albany N.Y."

Yours Respectfully
Ezra Cornell

P.S.

Catalogues furnished on application.

This was sent to me by a mutual acquaintance and I thought it would not be amiss for me, in

view of your approaching end, to remind you of the Dams — the exact number, if I recollect rightly, was Six!

Personally, I feel more concern for you on the score of telegraph than agricultural interest, and my advice to you is to sell out.

Yours &c D.H.C.

D. H. Craige
Aug 1869

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