Albany Nov 24. 1868

Hon Wm F Allen

Dear Sir

In reply to your favor respecting Cascadilla Place, I must inform you that Cascadilla Place is a corporation Organized under an act of the Legislature, Chapter 367 of the laws of 1864 as a benevolent Sanitary and Educational institution, the objects of which are specified in the act as follows.

"1st To furnish and secure the most efficient and rational advantages for the treatment of the sick -

2d To instruct the inmates in the laws governing the preservation of health -

3d To educate (free of expense) a limited number of females as physicians and nurses, and to give them a practical and scientific knowledge of the human system, remedial agents, and duties of physicians and nurses.

4th To furnish worthy and indigent patients all necessary care attendance and treatment gratuitously."

The corporation has prosecuted the work of erecting its edifice as rapidly as the means at its command would have permitted but the cost of building has been much greater than was estimated in 1864, and to pro-

-vide the means to finish the edifice the corporation effected a lease of the edifice to the Cornell University for a term of two to five years, as the University may find it necessary for the accomodation of its Students.

This use of Cascadilla Place by the University is not intended to divert it from the uses contemplated by the Charter, but merely to suspend such uses, as may be necessary to provide the means to carry out the legitimate design of the corporation.

The report heretofore furnished you by the proper officers of the corporation, presents the correct financial condition of the institution.

Yours Respectfully
Ezra Cornell
President

Cascadilla Place Charter.

April 25, 1864 - Chap 367 -

1 - To furnish and secure the most efficient and rational advantages for the treatment of the sick

2 - To instruct the inmates in the laws governing the preservation of health -

3 - To Educate (by means of Lectures) a limited number of persons as Physicians & nurses, & to give them a practical & scientific knowledge of the human system, Medical agents and duties of Physicians & Nurses

4 To furnish worthy & indigent patients all necessary care, attendance & treatment, gratuitously -

Boston Nov 24. 1868

Dear Sir

Your letter was recvd with dft & acknowledged yesterday. the note on the second page was not observed till to-day - about Claim. I have been to the B & R R & got duplicate receipts which we enclose & also copies of the "Tracer" sent to find out the destination of our Complaint which are as follows

Copies -

Boston Oct 22 1868

S. L. Green Esq

Box forwarded from Boston Sept 19th Car 3497 Contents as follows

Cornell University Ithaca N.Y.

Nos. 1. 2. 3 Three boxes -

Claim No 2 not received please trace through to delivery Your answer will oblige

Yours Resp'y

(Signed) C A Attigon

This letter came back with following on it

Copy

E. S. Morgan Esq

The written mentioned cases were delivered to N.Y. Central RR Sept 22d -

(Signed) Thos L. Green

with this is a copy of letter as follows

Albany Nov 2. 68

L. A Pelton Esq

Agt Central R.R. Cayuga

Dear Sir

We shipped as follows

Cornell University Ithaca N.Y.

Sept 24 Car 1658 Three Cases

Index 540 th. Claim not received

please trace to ascertain disposition

Lobby Yours Resp

(Signed) E S. Morgan

(Note in pencil)

To Steamer D. S. Orleans

Sept 26 (Signed) L A. Pelton

another note) "

Steamboat Co 2g

" Delivered at Union Depot
day and charges paid

L A Pelton — "

From above it is clear that the B L & R R. sent promptly and did all that could be asked It appears to lay between you & your Steamboat Co at first -

There was a second lot sent on the 22d from here, but although the letter of Mr Green does not refer to the numbers, yet it could not be any confusion of the two lots of last three boxes because they were sent on 22d a same day as first lot went from here and freight train does not go through same day from here but Mr Morgan writes to Pelton that they shipped from Albany 3 boxes on the 24th & there was room for the second lot of 3 to be there

we did not observe this when at the
RR Office & shall ask them to
send "tracer" after them at once

It renders it more difficult to
trace the boxes as so long time was
allowed to pass before any claim was
made Gen Steamboat has receipts
for all & paid for the lots, as you
have rec'd five boxes shows both lots
were 3 each -

Please write us what you
find out - & when missing box comes up

Very truly yours

E. S. Parker

W. A. Woodward Esq
Supt Express Co,
Athens

New-York Central Railroad.

Freight Way-Bill,

From Albany

To .....

..... 186

Nos. of the Cars, ...

.....

RECEIVED, ... *Agent,*

Started, ...

Arrived, ...

Railroad Freight Way-Bill, from Albany to Cayuga Sept 25 1868.

No. and Description of Cars.	From Whom Received.	For Whom and Where.	Description of Articles.	Weight. Short.	Weight. Aggregate.	Price.	Charges. Local.	Charges. Back.	Charges. Total.
2059		Cornell University Ithaca	3 Box Mdse		240				

Clark Rd

Sept 24	Car 1658	Cornell University Ithaca	3 Cases Mdse	540 lbs		Cayuga	
		Steamboat Co Duty delivered at Ithaca Sept 26th and Chgs paid.				Tally Book shows that there were but 3 Boxes received from D&H R R	

Otto Lange Wwe. & Rohde
HAMBURG.

F. H. BERTLING
LÜBECK.

Spedition & Commission.

Hon. E. Cornell Esq. Ithaca, New-York

Hamburg 24 October 1868.

Dear Sir

We confirm our last of the 22 n d beg to hand you encl. B/L for:

Myrsel Case Books Gr 266 ℔

shipped to your care p Salsatia Cpt Ahlers, which please hold for the disposal of Messrs S. Calvary & Co. Berlin.

Our Charges, for Disbursements, freight, insurance etc. we have drawn for and p B/L with:

£ 1. 8. — d

" 1 " 5

£ 1. 4/ 5 d ship Brokers Chrgs. for charges.

Insurance is effected by us with A&B 350. —

Entirely devoted to your services, we remain,

Dear Sir,

Yours most respectfully!

Otto Lange Rohde

Cpt Salsatia

"Copy."

Cornell University
Ithaca November 26th 1868

Prof Louis Agassiz
Cambridge Mass.

Dr Sir,

To your question relating to the details of our working corps of students, I reply for a part of the months of October beginning on 14th and ending on the 31st 15 working days. During that time we had engaged on land-scape or road work digging with picks & shovels and removing material 133 different students who worked from 3 hours in all to 66 hours each, earning $25-7 33/100 among them; the best [redacted] were engaged 39-3/4 hours earning $ 8 97/100 or an average of $8 10/100 for each individual in half a month. The weather during this time was good & there appears to be only one day when they could not work comfortably. The usual time of working is from 2 to 5 P.M. We prefer to have them work but 3 hours each day as not to interfere with studies, classes, recitations & lectures but such as chose to work until 5-1/2 o'clock were permitted to do so and allowed for it. The number of these workers at one time never exceeded 70 & usually fell below 80; Some of them worked as they said, only for fun or exercise. I could count on 30 every day and on Saturday when there were no recitations there were fifty ready to work), some working only 2 or 3 hours while other worked 4, 5, 6 & 7 hours. We are now erecting a new building No 3 for a workshop, this is of wood but quite large. Here we have employed 37 students who have ~~employed~~ performed in shingling and other work 118 days work for which they have been paid $198 5-6, their wages ranging from $1.00, 1.62 1/2, 1.75 & $2.00 per day the latter for those who have had some experience as carpenters and bring their own tools. In the boarding houses we have em-

ployed 16 waiters among [illegible] students who from 8th to 31 Oct worked 106 days and earned $146.90, these were employed & paid for seven days each week. For miscellaneous work we have employed 44 students 2 3/4 days and paid them therefor $5.72/100 The Expenses for Board, rent & use of furniture, coal & gas for the winter months amounts to 83 cents per day for those who board with us, where everything is furnished at cost. We hope to make this less but may not reduce it much for the winter months Some few of the students get board in the village at a less price while some pay $7. a week. Some of them are living in clubs to reduce expences to the lowest minimum. One of these has given me his figures which may interest you. He has two rooms one room and one bed, the first week it cost for board $1.27 each 2nd week $1.03, 3d week, 87 4th week, 90. He thinks however that it will cost them $1, each week to subsist as they require meat once a day & make up the rest with coarse flour & molasses using no butter. His computation expences for a year is thus made up Tuition for 40 weeks $30, Board $5.2 for 52 weeks Roomrent $26. — fire & lights $13, At that rate for the winter months & in summer for lights only 5 cts per week washing $13 per year cooking $13. This makes $147. per year, As he has availed himself of an opportunity to sleep with another young fellow & shares his fire and lights for small services in sweeping an office and answering a physician's night bell, he saves $39 per year, for room rent fire & lights & has therefore to provide only $118 per year for all expenses. To my question "How do you propose to procure the means to pay this" he says "I have worked 14 days in Oct doing 5-3 1/2 hours work and receiving $8.02 therefor, I can not work so much and attend to my lessons, besides there will be bad weather when I can not work much. I can however average $1. per week for 44 weeks and during the summer vacation I can work all of the time and earn $7 per week for 8 weeks This together makes $116" and he naively adds "The $2 difference between 116 & 118 I think I can make up by the end of

the year. "My opinion is that over such boy will get an education some day. His name is Seymour P Thomas. 1902
It is the desire of Ezra Cornell to aid such boys to perfect themselves at this institution. There are however to be some who look upon this college in a different way, who come here to be educated and fed & who think light labor a hardship — who find it difficult to pay $, 0. a term for tuition, but who have already contracted debts for ¾ of that sum for cigars & tobacco. With much respect I am

Yours most truly
(signed) W. A. Woodward.

257.35
80.75
198.56
146.50
35.72
718.48
100.00
2.00
820.48

Darmstadt the 20th November 1869

E. Cornell Esq. Ithaca

Dear Sir

On the 12th Juny I had the honour to send you some Models of Machinery ordered by Mr A. D. Schiebe, which has given us the hope to send soon his further orders.

I am going to make a great collection of models like yours for some other Universities and I give you herewith the opportunity to get in a short time a nice collection of them.

I permitt me to send you at the same time a Catalogue illustrated with photographs and the number of the pricelist is marked in the corner of every photographie.

Contemporary I enclose you Pricelist of our Drawing instruments, which we deliver on all schools in Germany and to many in America and the other foreign countries.

At great orders we can give the merchant 15 Percent, at smaller orders under 100 £ Sterling 10 Pro Cent.

I shall be glad to get your hon. orders and I am Dears Sir yours obediently

A Schrader

Fishkill Nov. 27th 1868

Hon. Ezra Cornell

Sir.

By the County papers I see that the Supervisors of Dutchess Co. have the appointment of two candidates to the University founded by your liberality.

Will you please inform me by circular or otherwise, the necessary qualifications for a candidate, so that I may bring the subject before the Board in its proper light. that we may understand the whole subject.

Please direct to N.B. Stripple Chairman Board of Supervisors of Dutchess Co. Poughkeepsie. N.Y.

I remain yours respectfully

Nich's B. Stripple.

WILLIAM 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 27 1868

Mr Cornell

My dear Sir

I notice our Stock is advancing again, having just touched 37 this morning, and as I dont know whether you read the Stock report in the papers or not have concluded to inform you in this way

I dont know whether you intend to sell the Stock recently bought or hold it for dividend, nor do I write to find out, but merely to Keep you posted so if you are inclined to avail yourself of the Market you may know that you would be near #3— a share in on the 2000 shs bot for you

John Horner

To the
President and Board of Directors
Cornell University
Ithaca Tompkins Co. N.Y.

Gentlemen

While this morning the
Boards of the University and
Examined in a general way the
buildings erected and those in
course of construction

I was exceedingly grateful that
you had selected so high and beautiful
a location for your buildings as I
consider that of the very finest situations
and below many very noble and
Excellent enterprises have been
abandoned and obliged to succumb
to the blighting influence of a low
miasmatic and poisonous atmosphere

This difference between the low
swampy lands and the high dry and
airy Highlands is a lesson that cannot
be impressed too emphatically upon our
people

But when I look left this

beautiful View and lead external
the substantial and fine looking
building occupied by the professors
and the Living Department and
when I had been led further & further
in till I come to your dark & gloomy
kitchen and when I saw your
long rows of bed rooms entirely cut
off from all of the direct rays of the
Sun and in which no free and
unobstructed current of external
air can ever enter All my
gladness was turned into sorrow

And it did seem as the
the very atmosph[illegible] uncertain and
impurity of man had been brought
to bear to destroy and annul
the very superior sanitary advantages
surrounding you. Upstairs

I was doubly pained not only
on your own account but for the
influence your example would ne-
cessarily have upon the many thousands
of young men that are looking to you
to teach them ~~them~~ practically those
things that are most necessary for
their well being and advancement

in life And foremost amongst these I consider good bodily health

The Cornell University is advertised the country over as bearing through all the trammels of precedent, Usages and habits and determined to mark out for itself a path guided by the most advanced and recent discoveries to be found the world over It is for this reason that I consider its influence for good or for evil to be unequaled by any similar institution in this country or perhaps in the world

The Sunsets are the very Essence and power of all animal and Vegetable life - They are the great moving principle on the earth And no human habitation can the benefical influence

The builders of the Cosmos in the city of New York have perhaps excelled all other places in the world - in this letter disregard of these great fundamental Laws

principles but they are now
staying and will continue to stay
very dearly for such neglect

May Lungs and Elegant
Establishments have adopted the
principal stuck for a Member
room occupied only at night
it made no difference whether
it was lighted by the Sun rays or
not this is a fearful error

The walls of a bed room soon
become saturated and covered
with the poisonous exhalations from
our living animal and unless
they are purified by the powerful
disinfecting rays of the Sun, a
mould or poisonous ferment soon
coats them which is as I mentioned
Should it the cause of fevers and
other serious sickness

I hope you will excuse
me for thus giving so much
objection to your new and elegant
building scarcely yet finished,

But I also hope you may
give this subject your most
candid and serious attention and
if Has objection on,
do serious as the most

11/27/1867

Engineer Contractors now declare
that to you will have the
boldness and courage to apply
the remedy with decision and
promptness And that you
will thus by your & acknowl=
edgment of the error of construc=
tion and by your great Care in
endeavoring to correct them prove
a much more Valuable lesson
than as though you had made
the building just right in the
first place

It would be scarcely worth
while for me to suggest any little
temporary relief such as putting
Ventilators over the skylights because
to this it would lead may be
suspected all the evils were thus
attempted to be relieved — it would
probably aggravate the evils by
drawing the smoke from the
kitchen laundry &c. all through the
house more than they are now

I can scarcely give an
intelligent opinion ~~that~~ as I could
find no plans of the building, both
I should think it very likely that

I should be able after a careful examination to give you such suggestions as you would be much pleased with

I visited also the new buildings these are much better in their general plan. I think however some slight modifications in the heating and arrangements for Ventilation, would add greatly to the comfort and health of those occupying them buildings — The rooms occupied as laboratories were very badly Ventilated indeed — but as I understood the new Farm building was soon to be occupied for that purpose I supposed the evils might be endured with some degree of resignation

I did not visit the Farm building but hope you will there apply the same best ~~[illegible]~~ arrangements for Ventilation

I regretted very much in not Meeting the President or any one authorized to give me instruction or general and comprehensive information

The interest I feel in the

subject to which I have devoted
nearly the whole of my life
and in your institution as our
likely to have a very powerful
influence either for good or for
evil ~~is~~ by spreading across throughout
the country — either correct or in-
correct like influence and to join my
utmost energies in devising the
very best and most satisfactory
arrangements for the Ventilation
and warming of your buildings
Should Your Minds it best to
call on me for that purpose
I am with much Respect
Your Friend
Lewis W Leeds
Engineer of Ventilation & Heating
110 Broadway New York
Utica 11th mo 27th 1868

Otto Lange Wwe. & Rohde
HAMBURG.

F. H. BERTLING
LÜBECK.

Spedition & Commission.

Hon. E. Cornell Esq. Ithaca, New York

Hamburg Feb 1. 1868.

Dear Sir.

Confirming our last of the 24th. we beg to day to hand you encl. B/L for:

Shipped 1 Case Books Gr. 212 ℔

shipped to your address Cincinnati Ohio Docks, which please hold for the disposal of Supt S. Calvary & Co, Berlin.

Our charges, freight from Berlin etc. we have drawn for your a/c with:

£ 1. 6s —
" — 1. 6d
£ 1. 7s 6d

Brokers Order for Charges

Insurance is effected by us with Rthl 400.

Entirely devoted to your orders, we remain,
Dear Sir

Yours obt servants
Otto Lange Rohde

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

Executive Offices. 145. Broadway. New York.

December 2nd 1868.

Meeting of the Board of Directors. Extract from the minutes.

"The secretary called the attention of the Board to the fact that he had received from San Francisco a case of sketches made at different points on the Russian Extension Line by the engineers heretofore in service on that line. That while they are of no considerable money value, they might be useful in behalf of science. That as one of the founders of the Telegraph Co and one of your number, has also became the founder of an important and already distinguished institution for the promotion of useful learning and science. The Cornell University. He would take the liberty of recommending, that the sketches be presented by this Board to the Cornell University as a compliment to your associate Hon Ezra Cornell.

It was thereupon

Resolved.

That the Treasurer be, and is hereby authorized on behalf of this Board to present to the Cornell University the said sketches in his possession.

Adopted.

O M Peluss

Sec'y

Fall River 12mo2 1868

Dear Nephew Ezra Cornell

I take my pen to inform
the that I rec'd five barrels of apples
which we pub.. thankful for they
will do us much good & should
be glad to pay the for the same
and will if the will send thy bill
Apples are rather scarce & deal with
us, we had thought we should make
a few cyder this winter, I shall
devide them as the directed
As I did the last the sent us
I am not able to Express gratitude
enough for thy kindness & hope
the will be rewarded some future
day, I find that I am a failing
both in body & mind, the will
see that by these few lines I cannot
write as I once could & make of a
task to write a letter

I work when the Lord might
as New York that the would stop
a board of the steam boat and come
to Hall River, the can do it in two
nights and one day, We are living
in our New house & like it better then
the other it being more convenant
I also you are succeeding well with
the University, I saw one of the pro
fessers of Brown University a few
days since he says yours I a grand
thing hardly Equeld, Says they one
two hundred he has 60 in his Class
of chemistry I Seems he knows all a bout
Yours truly, Albert Chace the Son
of Thomas has moved in our Chamber
we think a great deal of them So
for, My wife is in reather feble helth
th thang a bout house Same Mary
I think has improved in helth of late
my helth is good Considering my
age which is now a bout 83 a mauny
the Oldest of the City one or two Older
Sister Lydia I On the down hill
Side Herbert family are in Usual
helth Sa are all of our friends here
a bouts Come & See us when Convenion
My wife & Mary wish to be remembered to
thee & thine affectionately thy Uncle
Ezra Carnell Miller Chace

Dear Friends Ezra & Mary Ann

We feel to acknowledg
with much Thankfulness thy kindness in sending
us the apples we consider them a luxury almost
too much for us Mary asked me to write a few
lines in her place as she had been attending
to the duties of the famenly and her arm and back
some what over done

We felt anxsous about you in your sickness
and are glad to hear of your recovery you
must have been very much burthened
withe cares as it as it was about the
time the University opened

With much love to you all your Aunt.

Mary Chace

Miller Chace
Dec 2. 1868

With gratitude to Cousin Ezra, love to his family and self. Thanksgiving and praise to God for his kindness to us, I am as ever

Respectfully, Your Cousin
Mary R.

Come and see us when in R. I.

New-York Tribune.

New York, Dec. 4, 1868.

My good friends,

Enclosed find a dispatch received this morning.

I send you, also, two items of news telegraphed from Washington and printed in the Tribune for Friday, Nov. 27, which I intended to show you when here, but forgot to. The one about paper collars may interest you as something looking to a work employment for women. The one about beet culture may interest you as work for the farm.

In today's Tribune, second page, is an extract from a letter from Mrs. Meeker's son, John, to Mr. Young. John will be surprised to see that Young thought his private letter to him was worth printing, as it really is. When you see John compliment him and tell him that Mr. Young was

quite pleased, and whenever he has like, or other news, to communicate, he would like to ~~do~~ have him write to him. I want John to "get the hang" of writing for the press, as I hope to have him come from the University prepared to go on the Tribune as a worker.

Remember our folks, who are well & Your family, Pres. White, and Prof. Goldwin Smith. Yours,

Thomas N. Rooker.

The Patent Office has received from Boston an application for a patent on an improved machine for cutting and embossing paper collars, which will emboss and cut 200,000 collars every ten hours with the assistance of a single laborer to feed the machine.

P. Sidney Post, U. S. Consul at Vienna, has forwarded here a valuable report, showing how the manufacture of beet-root sugar has prospered in Austria, where the last annual yield is estimated to have been worth nearly $15,000,000. This success Mr. Post attributes to a new process, invented by an Austrian named Julius Robert, which is very different from the old method of obtaining the juice in cane or beet-root by grinding or maceration. Mr. Post thus describes it:

"Mr. Robert's diffusion process does not aim at obtaining the juice contained in the cells of the cane or beet roots, but to extract only the crystaline sugar contained in that juice, and to leave whatever else it contains in the cells. To accomplish this purpose the sugar cane or roots are cut into small slices and put into a number of vats, which are connected by pipes running from the bottom of one vat to the top of the next succeeding. Water of a certain temperature, and of a quantity proportioned to the weight of the cane or beet roots in the vats, is mixed with the material in the first vat, and allowed to remain until it takes up a portion of saccharine matter, or, so to speak, until the sugar in the vat is equalized between the water and the cane or beet root. That is to say, if the beet root contains eight per cent of saccharine matter, the water will take up four per cent. This water is then forced by hydraulic pressure into the second vat filled with the beets. It already contains 4 per cent of sugar, but the beets having 8 per cent it will again equalize itself, and when forced into the third vat will contain 6 per cent of saccharine matter. In this way the water becomes more and more impregnated with saccharine matter, until it contains almost as much as the beet itself. To return to the first vat we find that the firsr application of water extracted one-half, or 4 per cent, of the sugar. When this water was forced into the second vat the fresh water which forced it out and supplied its place extracted 2 per cent more before the sacharine matter became equalized between the water and the beets. This water is then forced into the second vat, and the fresh water which supplies its place finds the beets containiug but 2 per cent of saccharine matter, and the next filling finds but 1 per cent, and in this way the sugar is extracted to within one-half per cent. It is said that by this process the raw material is much purer than when extracted by any other method, and that from the same beets one-half per cent more crystaline sugar is obtained than by the application of pressure. The expenses for cloth and the cleaning and renewing it are entirely done away. The expense for motive power and machinery are considerably reduced, and the expense of manual labor is much less, requiring but one quarter of the number of laborers necessary for the pressing purpose. That this process is really the great improvement claimed no longer admits of dispute. Mr. Robert has thoroughly tested it in his factory, and has adopted it, as also six other factories, two in Austria, two in Prussia, one in Russia and one in Bavaria."

The machinery used in this method of making beet root sugar is very expensive, but it is believed that if the experiment could be once fairly tried it would add an important and valuable branch of industry to our agricultural interest.

Portsmouth Rhode Island
12 mo, 4th 1868

Ezra Cornell

Respected Friend

Thy letter of 6 mo, 30th was duly recived and I have not been unmindful of the ugust to copy our record of Births, Marriages & deaths of the Cornell family.

At the time I recd the letter I was so busy I could not attend to it; but at the first opportunity I quested our Recorder to perform the service wanted. After a long time I have the enclosed which I trust will meet thy approbation. I did not

see mine of the 26th 6mo written
at my request under my name;
but judging from mine of the
30th following I do not approve
some things in mine.
Thou will see Wm Dawes bill
for $5 which thou can forward
to me.
I appreciate the sentiments of
thy letter and am
Thy Friend
Jos. E. Macomber
Clerk of Rhode Island
Monthly Meeting.

A. S. Wood
Dec 1-6, 68

Milwaukee Dec 6, 1868

My dear Sir

I have abstained from writing to you the past Summer & Autumn believing that you would be over whelmed with Correspondence and with your great labors in starting the University. We read with a great deal of interest the addresses that were delivered at the Opening as published in the New York papers. They may have been published in pamphlet form with the whole proceedings more fully. If so I would be glad to have one or two copies. We spent so much time at Montreal and at the White Mountains last Summer that we thought best to return home without paying you a visit

I am now devoting my whole time to the operation -
For the first month after they opened between Chicago & St Paul they got but little business but lately they have made private arrangements - with Customers & they are now doing a good portion of the through business - These operators appear to have authority to make the tariff to all points lower than ours which gives them a great advantage on business going from our line to the N. W. as we cannot get them to reduce so as to compete with them.
I have lately been trying to have them reduce with us on all through business 80 % but I cannot accomplish this or anything like with Hayes

The only way seems to be to hold still & let the opⁿ do the business at all Competing points. We are suffering so much from this cause and from the sudden falling off of business a month ago that I dont know yet whether we will be able to pay an usual dividend or not in Feby —
I have just rec'd a letter from Dunham from which I learn with a great deal of pleasure that mother is back upon the farm in her old bed room healthy and smart as ever. I hope she may live to spend many pleasant years there.
Julia has been my pet for several weeks last — At times her Cough is very alarming. This winter will be very trying to her — If she

should be able to travel I will take her to Athens to spend a few weeks during our raw chilly weather this Spring I wanted her to go South last month & spend most of the winter but she felt as though she was too far from her relatives and friends even now and she would not be Contented any where in her feeble Condition without the whole family with her. If you have any time to write to us we would be very glad to hear from you. I would like to know if there is any chance of accomplishing anything further with Phebe Littley - also whether you still Contemplate Starting a lumber Company - Your University will no doubt have many difficulties to encounter for a few years but I think there can be no doubt of its ultimate Complete success. We are pushing our boy on as rapidly as possible ~~with the~~ hoping to live to see him occupy an honorable position in the University. Our son Lon is Mary Ann and the Children - We would be glad to see you all once more -

I forgot last evening while we were talking of old play mates of Sallie Sims - Albert Phillips & wife formerly of Dayton were at Robertsons -

Yours Affy

J J Wood

2 o'clock, Wed 3rd 22

New York, Dec 7

Dear Mrs Gorrill.

Hearing that a very strict examination of the students at the University will take place at the close of this term, I am anxious about my son D. S. Dickinson, who you will recollect has been so much

afflicted with diseased
eyes, as to cause him
to be far behind in
his studies &c - Dear
Mrs Connell, may I
ask you for the sake
and for the sake
of the friendship so
long existing between
us, that you will
kindly interest yourself
for my boy,
Please speak to Mrs
Connell, and ask

him for his kindly aid in the matter – With a grateful remembrance of the favor already shown me in his case, and a hope that I may still be permitted to retain his place in the University, I am respectfully and kindly your friend

L Dickinson

Prof. Newcomb
Dec. 9. 1868

New York 9th Dec. 1868

Hon.d Ezra Cornell
Dear Sir

I arrived yesterday afternoon by the Steamer Rising Star and find that the packages by Ships Cremorne and Valparaiso have arrived and are now in Store, I have paid the freight bill from San Francisco and shall as soon as I can be assured of the arrival of 3 packages by Wells Fargo & Co Express, send all forward by Erie R.R. probably tomorrow.

Please write me directing to Spingler Hotel the condition of the building for working up the Specimens in mounting and arranging.

Unless deemed advisable by yourself to go at once to Ithaca I shall spend the Holidays in Albany & Saratoga busily among

friends and connexions whom I have not seen for the past 10 years.

Next monday I shall leave here for Albany and unless your letter should reach me in time please address Care of Newcomb & Co. Broadway Albany. The 10 days spent on the Isthmus at Panama produced quite a number of duplicates for exchanges and added 5 or 6 species of Vitrinellas and Cocnus to the Collection. It was too rainy to work to advantage

I remain very truly Yours

W. Newcomb

1868

East Lansing Dec 11th

Mr. Cornell

Dear Sir

Will you please hand the enclosed note to the President of the Trustees of Cornell University

Respectfully Yours &c

Peter M. Steenberg

E. M. Chester
Dec 11. 1868

N. Y. Dec. 11. 1868.

Hon. E. Cornell,

Dear Sir,

Eaton calls on the trial of our Tel Co. agt the R.R. Co. for the original agreements of 1852 & 1854. Will you have the kindness to forward them to me.

I will prepare some interrogatories & submit them to ~~you~~ Eaton for you to answer in regard to the damage by the allowing the line from here to Coral Springs to run to decay & loss of ~~your~~ will - & any other damage.

I have been constantly maneuvering to get the Rail Way to buy our line - am afraid of getting an elephant on our hands. The Erie folks are a bad set.

I was at Marshall O. Roberts great party last Wednesday night to see General Grant. I was much more pleased with his appearance than I expected to be. If he isn't just such a man as we want I am grandly mistaken. As to intemperance no man who looks at him carefully as I did several times at intervals, can have any possible fear of it.

It is said that this was the greatest social party that Gotham ever saw — more of the upper crust together than ever before.

We go on before the Referee next Thursday with our case —

Yours truly

E. W. Chester

I am suffering some from my shoulder — a tight dress coat & the jams of Wednesday evening did not help it.

1868

East Lansing Dec 12th

Messrs Trustees of the
"Cornell University"

Dr Sirs

I understand that the Trustees of the "Cornell University" expect at some future time to purchase a Piano (for the use of the Students,) to be placed in the reception room of the institution.

If the Trustees see fit to give me an opportunity to furnish one for them I should be highly pleased to do so and will give in at the time of purchase $100,00 off from the price of the instrument as a present to the institution.

I can furnish either a "Chickering" "Steinway" "Raines" "Bradbury" "Lindeman" or in fact any first class Piano which they might prefer

Truly Yours &c
Selon W. Steinberg

2/12/1868 Bloomington Feb 12th 1868

Mr E Cornell Dear Sir

Since I wrote to you I have made some enquiry in regard to locating College Scrip most every village has its Real Estate dealers where they buy & sell and locate Gov land. I called on some in Minneapolis and found they pretended to make (they all pretended to be or have Surveyors employed) a big thing of it. I would send them prices: Soon after I read your letter My Brother Simeon called on me on his way to St Peter I requested him to call at the U.S. Land office and enquire about the Gov Lands &c in that Dist. He there it seems fell in with a man by the name of Carter who claimed to be an Ithaca man and anxious for patronage as I learned by a pencil note from my Brother accompanying a letter directed to you which I will forward to you thinking perhaps you may

know something about him I believe
I dont I also send you some papers
containing a statement of the progress
of the R Roads Gov land sales &c &c
I Supose you know the different inter-
ests in lumbering from north to South
in this State. North the timber and
lumber interests prevail as you go
west & South prairie bush and openings
suitable for farming purposes
My observation is that settlers come
in Selecting lands as good smooth
land will sell any time after they
commence Settling around & rough
broken Claims are a long and not
saleable | people think there is not
much dependence to be put in
most of these Real Estate Dealers
I would say I was misinformed
in regard locating only ¼ of each
Section | I would be much pleas-
ed if you could come out in the
Spring and see how some of the
Country looks or take a trip, on
the frontier then you could judge
better for your Self in regard
to locating this State
We have had quite pleasant weather
after on top of the deep Snow for
most of the time for 3 or 4 weeks
back good Sleighing where the
roads are broke
I would be pleased to hear you
write me at Bloomington Ferry
as I said before if I can be of any
thing for your interest in the matter
I should be pleased to do so

Yours Sincerely & truly
F R, Bunker

to Hon E Cornell Esq

Independence N.Y.
Dec 14th 1868

Hon E Cornell - My Dear Sir

Before leaving Syracuse N.Y. Mr Jas. Terwilliger said to me you wished me to write you the history of the Cornell part of my name. This was a year ago & I knew nothing further than that I was named after my Grand-Father Cornell Willis - I have since learned that he was named after his Grand Father on his mothers side - a Mr Cornell who lived at or near Schenectada N.Y.

Hoping you will not consider this an intrusion - I am

Most Respectfully
Cornell Cryster

P.S.
(over)

I am now a resident of Missouri & am principal of the City School ~~at~~ of Independence - Much interest is manifested here by Eastern people in the Cornell University & many inquiries are made of me but knowing but little of its plan except what I had casually learned of Hon White - And having two sons of my own whom I wish to prepare for your school from the fact that Mr White is at the head of it - I would consider it a very great favor if you or Mr White could send me a full plan for the School -

One inquiry further are you - for the University - entitled to any of the public lands in the State of Kansas if so are they in the market & who is your agent -

Yours