Hudson Aug 9th 1870

My dear McConnell

I have just received a letter from Mr Ames saying that he has sent you specimens of his model shovels and spades.

Will you please see that they are safely deposited in the museum and not used for work on the farm I want them true to illustrate my lectures I have just completed a lecture on shovels and spades which I think will cast much needed light upon these implements and their use

Very truly yours
John Stanton Gould

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Pará, Brazil, Aug 11th 70

My dear Sir;—

I am happy to announce that the President of this province has placed at my disposal a river steamer & crew to make an exploration of the rivers Tocantins, Xingú and Tapajos. Besides he has given me a large quantity of coal, which here is very dear. All are well & in good spirits. I have already collected several thousands of specimens of all kinds especially of insects. I have received from Col. Morgan $1000.00 but I need more to enable me to carry out successfully my expedition. Is there not some friend of the Institute that can be found willing to help me?

With kindest regards

Yours very respectfully

C. Fred Hartt

P.S. I write in great haste hoping a vessel will be here from New York. My address — Pará, Brazil, Care of American Consul.

~~The Cornell University.~~

~~President's Rooms.~~

~~Ithaca, N. Y.,~~ ~~187~~

West-End Hotel
Long Branch
N. Jersey
Aug 13th 70

My dear Mr Cornell

Did. fail to
tel- me Prom, as soon as Jay
tel- this, how & when I can
see you in New York

There are two or three very
important University matters
on ach. I wish to consult you
immediately

Mr Libby Building matter

A. D. White
Aug 4-1880

is specially important.
Telegraph me, & I will
meet you Monday day - also any
time

Very truly Yours
Andrew D. White

Hon. E. Cornell

My address is a above
West-End Hotel
Long Branch
N. J.

Homer N.Y.
August 18—1870

Hon Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir

I Expected to go to your place Tuesday from Owego but had to hurry home. Rather than ship the Excavator here. You may sell it for the best price you can get not ~~less than~~ less $100. or if you want it at that price your check will be satisfactory — Otherwise will you cause it to be taken down so that the freight will not exceed first ~~class~~ rates. by actual weight & have it shipped to me ~~at~~

Very Respectfully
Yours
Danl. Judd

Hudson Aug 20th 1870

My dear Mr Cornell

I have just heard from Pittsburgh that the model of a plow has been shipped to your care from thence for the University museum.

It is one of great importance which I have thoroughly tested and wish to have a conspicuous place for it in the museum.

I intend to lecture upon it very fully in my course on "mechanicks applied to agriculture"

I write this, as otherwise you might not know whence it came from or what to do with it. It is the property of the University.

Truly yours

John Stanton Gould

Read the whole of this P.S. and allow

West End Hotel
Long Branch N.J.
Aug. 28 1870

My dear Mrs Cornell

I enclose a letter wh. tho. it will partially explain itself needs some additional explanation

About two weeks since, I closed a contract with Messrs. Dickinson & Fillett for the erection of the Sibley Building The terms, as concerned with the cost of the buildings already

worked seem very favorable.

Immediately afterwards I went with them and the Architect to Ithaca to locate the building & set them in motion.

By the terms of their Contract they were to commence immediately to finish the walls before they should be injured by severe weather, and have the building fully in readiness by the first of Sept. June.

On arriving at Ithaca we found a

state of things wh. neither of us had anticipated.

The Architect had informed them that they could take stone out of the quarry & that the labor cost would be that of getting it out and transporting it to the building.

But on applying for permission to take stone out Gen. E.B. Cornell insisted that it was difficult to get even what stone was needed for the use

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Grave building and
your house, and that
we could not work more
men in the quarry. He
also said that the new
stripping, having been done
at the Mc Graw opening,
it did not seem best for
them new parties to come
in & take the stone.

He suggested that we
open a new quarry just
north of the present one.
This I did not ask to
have done unless authori-
zed to do it by you - and
expecting your arrival
in a few days I have
waited. The Contractors

8/23/1870

are now pressing for some information on the subject. The time allotted the mason work being so very short.

They have the reputation of being very energetic men. and have a large force at their command wh. they push ahead wherever it is wanted. They have erected large buildings, on time, for the U. P. Central R.R. & are evidently glad of a chance to show us what they can do - in view of future buildings at the University. Have caused

"You start the thing at once - before you leave Ithaca.

Why cannot the University afford to do the preliminary work of stripping & getting ready the Quarry. They are ready to do it with their own at cost as I understand but will draw up their Contract, I suppose, sooner than strip the Quarry & unfasten themselves.

Cannot you telegraph A. Russell Architect Syracuse to meet you at once with Contractors at Ithaca & start the whole thing

The immediate completion of the Sibley Building is of immense importance to us. We are at present utterly crippled in our department of Mechanic Arts from want of just such accommodations as the Sibley Building would give.

I insist that this building now is worth two or three buildings later. The thing can be put through if you will say so. and an equitable arrangement with the Contractors is, I think

to all that is necessary.
It is late in the season
but since I have seen
that Log building at Yorktown
can be contracted for & finished
in Six weeks I hope for
rapid work here on the Sub.
Log building

If you want me at
all telegraph me as
above. West End Hotel
Long Branch N.J. & I
will come up at once.

Have several things
to tell you about Monitors
but will defer them to N.Y.
before Cong. Let me know
by telegraph how & when
I can meet you in N.Y.

Yours truly
Hon S. Cornell A.D. Wheeler

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P.S. A question has been raised regarding the pressed brick trimmings. whether they will look well or not. I am confident that they will look well. I have seen the thing done

As to the site we fol- Prof. Sears, Architect Renwick & others and unanimously agreed on the position staked out. on north side of quadrangle. in accordance

with plan wch. I understood
you to favour. viz. the Tibley
building to be located at
a point 112 ft. East of the
future building (to be erected
112 feet North of the present
North Dormitory) - 112 ft being
the existing space between
the Centre (Mc Shaw) Building
& Dormitories. I measured
the distance from this Tibley
Building to contemplated line
of Professors houses on the rear
line on the knoll & found
that the remaining space
would divide up well for
other buildings
It was also thought best
to set the Tibley Building
on the present level

- descending to the level of the other buildings by a terrace wh. will form a very handsome feature in our grounds. This arrangement is specially advantageous since such a terrace will lift the Sibley Building up so that the skyline and roof generally will be a little lighter than the North Dormitory: as it ought to be.

The Sibley Building is to be two stories and a French roof in height - instead of one story as in the first.

plan wh. I showed you.
This was brought about by my pledging myself to cheerfully to expend the cost of the extra storey in appearance. Mr. Woodes &c. for the Chiefs of Civil & Mechanical Engineering within one year after the completion of the building

I think that standing on that spot.. effect up to as to strike the eye just-as one enters the great quadrangle. & situated upon a nearly Sodded terrace wh. will break the flatness and

monotony of the Campus of the same style as the other buildings. but with a slight variation in trimmings - that it will be exceedingly ornamental.

The roof is golden & better than any of the others.

Now. I beg. pat. the thing through. Call. the Gordain Knot. Start the machine. in some way or other at once & oblige Yours A.D.W.

P.P.S After much working & telegraphing & interviewing

P.S. I have filled both the vacant Professorships entirely to my satisfaction - & the Assistant Professorships will probably be provided for when Prof. Russel arrives here. To-morrow.

Telegraph me always if you close up Sibley Building matter. It will be one more load off my mind.

Yrs.

A. D. White
Aug 23, 1870

Long Branch
Aug 25th/20

My dear Mr Cornell.

As I have written you so very fully regarding the difficulty of obtaining stone for the Tobey Building & the necessity of making speedy arrangements for it. I see no need of my going to Ithaca immediately.

I have written to Russell the Architect to meet you in Ithaca if possible this week.

Don't let the matter be delayed It is of immense importance to us to get that dept well started.

I go tomorrow

Morning with Mrs Welch.
to make a visit of a few days
with Mr Field Editor of the
Evangelist. at Stockbridge
Mass. I expect to leave there
on Monday or Tuesday for Ithaca.

If I do not hear that you
are in New York on Tuesday
I shall go via Syracuse
Otherwise via New York
to meet you there.

If you go to N. Y. any
night this week let me know
by telegraph Care of Rev.
Dr H. M. Field Stockbridge
Mass. Your family here
were all well this

Miracles since when I Cast.
Save them

Very truly Yours

Russell H. Conwell

Hon E. Cornell

A. P. Mills
Sept 29. 1871

Albany. August 30. 1870.

My dear Sir

I am requested by Mother to write you a few hurried lines in reference to a matter of considerable importance particularly so to our family—

Since your departure for the Western section she has seen Mr King in reference to the House matter and arranged the postponement of the settlement as proposed when you were last in this place until the latter part of this month supposing you would reach here in the meantime—

Now these parties are desirous of a speedy settlement of same and a letter from Mr King dated Sunday last informs Mother that they shall look for a prompt arrangement of said matters by the First day of September - now almost at hand as you will readily perceive -

I telegraphed Mr Oatman this morning thinking that would be the most expeditious manner of learning whether or no you were returned from the West and to reply record your answer by telegram -

Hobart is now at Home and in very good health as well as all other members of the family and Mr Wood.

Glenwood Pope County Minn
Sept 5th 1870

Mr Ezra Cornell

My Dear Sir

I forwarded twenty five Dollars to you about the 10th of July by Mail and have not heard from you since I thought you would write and tell if you had received the money I hope you have received it before this I have broke about 30 acres on the lot I bought of you and have to break 40 or 50 next season I heard that you was up to Glenwood this summer and was sorry that I did not know it. for I would of been very much pleased to of seen you how did you like our frontier country we have a lovely lake here it's Lake Amelia I was told by Mr Robinson of Glenwood that you was a going to open up a farm in this County if so I shall be pleased to do some Breaking for you and if we can make a bargain I will do all your breaking by contract to break 60 acres this summer please let me know when you are at leasure if you wish any breaking done

I am Yours truly yours

Mark D Judkins

Tonawanda Sept. 21. 1870

Ezra Cornell Esq.

Dear Friend

Yours rec'd contents noted Your views are sound Kind & well put & yet so far as I am Concerned I think I would not want to own any of the bonds at present above the offer submitted, I can buy better any week by picking them up & as well in greenbacks, and I shall not be surprised to see them lower before they are higher. & yet in the long run they will be trumps & sold in the End, I went up on Saturday & on Buchan taking the day as it was & shot & did so. as it was the only day I had before leaving home, I got his Cows. 7 in all price $70. Each. and requested him to purchase

5 or 6 more fresh milkers as low as he Could, they are to be delivered by him Monday of next week at which time he will expect to see you & for some general ideas & instructions regarding his present & future duties. I want up with him this on the following P.M. of the day you left taking Mr Dale & President White — I think Benham is much pleased with idea of a trial & proves what he can do & I fully believe what he says that it is more for the desire he has to see what he can do, the pride he has in becoming associated with the institution & to do some good, than what he may get for his services. I really thought he could not afford to leave his business interests so long as they are & come away, so we must lend him a helping hand or at least encourage him — with best wishes & your all Yours truly John M. Gow

John M. Gow
21 Sept 1870

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A. Russell Esq
Architect
Syracuse N.Y.

Sir I will deliver on the cars at Ithica N.Y. the Following Cut Stone viz:

574.0 Lineal ft Belt & Base course
178 rusticated quions
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188 arch Stones
& 3. Window sill Blocks
for the Sum of Three thousand and Sixty two
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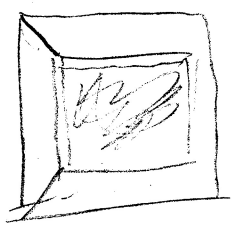
Alexander Scott
111 Superior St
Cleveland. O.



Keep This
A.D.C.

about 160 Tons
1 stck 2 1/2 C price of dark stone quoins

Important

The Cornell Universfity.

Prefident's Rooms.

Ithaca, N. Y., Oct 14th 1870

My dear Mr Cornell

I enclose tenders of Clough & Cleveland for cut-stone for Sibley Building. If anything is to be decided & done about it, it must be immediately. There is not a day to be lost as more unless we press this building ahead.

To the above sum should be added a sufficient sum to cover the extra cost in cutting the intervening blocks of Ithaca sand stone above the arches. wh. Russell informs me number 188 - same as cut sandstone keys for arches

Mr E. B. Cornell could tell what these cost. In the present plan they are in brick. I suppose that ac-

Cording to above figures. the entire additional cost will hardly fall short of $35,000

I will try this afternoon to get some figures desired for Onondaga Stone. but have little hopes of getting a much more favorable bid on the whole there.

The figures enclosed do not include Cornice but do include two belting courses. one just below the Cornice cap. will add much to the appearance of the building

Russell got there figures, and says that they are just for the quantities we used.

It seems to me that your only way is to telegraph to Foley & Co. on the subject and get them definite. We cannot wait a day

Please give this your immediate attention

You will observe that the Storm are to be delivered in Ithaca

Please telegraph me at Syracuse on Monday if the tides warrants the Expedition! and I will do better there if possible.

I shall probably be back on Tuesday noon.

Very truly Yours

Alfred D. Wheeler.

Ithaca Oct 23. 1870

Dear Alonzo

I find an account on my ledger as follows.

1864
Apl 13th " Orrin McDaniels Dr
To Loan on Mortgage $3,580 —
1865
Apl 13. To 1 years Interest — 245
Apl 28 By Cash to pay interest 246.35
" 28 By Cash a/c principle 200.00

Nothing further on the book, Do you know any thing about it. Has it been paid or is it still due, I have another acct which I know nothing of as follows.

1863 Ephraim Manning Loaned
Mary — To p.e Vail & Robert Mortgage $4.829.69
Apl 30 64 To p.e E.T. Turner do — 1410.18
$3.239.87

Again. I have a charge of
1865
May 2 - p.e Margaret Bloom House & lot $1400 =

Do I still own that house, or who does & how disposed of

If there is any thing due from those parties I wish to know it so as to have it collected, and if not and the accounts have been paid I want to know how so I can get them balanced up on my books —

Please attend to this matter so I can close the a/cs

Yours Respectfully
Ezra Worrell

University of the State of Missouri,

Columbia, Boone County, Mo.

Oct 26 1870

Hon Ezra Cornell;
Ithaca New York.

My Dear Sir;

I have been very greatly indebted to you for past favors; the obligation of which I very sensibly feel.

I had through the kindness of some one the most excellent Report on the organization of the Cornell University in pamphlet form. I put into the hands of the Hon James S. Rollins, the President of our Board who seems irretrievably to have lost it. It is an invaluable document for a new Board of Superintendents,

I am preparing at this time a paper for our Curator (as we call our Board of Control) and greatly want your report both for its facts and authority. In fact, I wish largely to embody it as a part of my own report.

How is the printing? A copy to be had of that pamphlet. If so, or one can be found, I will use, largely reprinting, and if desired, will return it safely.

Mr Rollins had read the paper, and proposed to have it read before our Board, he esteemed it so highly.

I am almost ashamed to trouble you on such a matter. Nothing but my sense of the value of the paper in our present circumstances would induce the request.

We are making an impression upon our State. The land grant will be very valuable — some of the lands worth $20 or $30 per acre. Our quota is 330,000 acres. We wish to make the great University best of the West.

My best regards to Mrs White whom I do not personally know — It is possible he may be able to find me a copy of pamphlet which I hope to obtain, if it is in the land of the living, and make it do yet more service.

Yr most truly
Daniel Read

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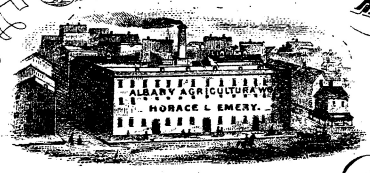

EZRA CORNELL.
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HORACE L. EMERY.
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NORMAN B. WOOD.
Secretary & Treas.

Albany, Oct 28— 1870

My Dear Mary Ann

I succeeded yesterday in closing up with Elkin and got the mortgages for $40,000. and a check for six mos Interest $1400 - I came up to Albany to see if Comptroller would take the smaller of the mortgages, $15,000. for the "Cornell Endowment fund" he having $67,000 in hand to invest belonging to that fund - I saw him today and he promises to do so, but may change his mind by the time the examinations are made - I also had an examination to attend in Emery's Bankrupt Case which we did not get through with and will continue tomorrow, I shall therefore be compelled to stay over - I shall I think stop at Utica & Syracuse on my way home and may not be home before Wednesday -

Norman had the end of his thumb sawed off this P.M. so he had to have it amputated at the first joint - It has been

dressed and is quite comfortable —
Anna & Abby is looking well
Sound she does not cough much
They are still awaiting a letter
before they can decide about going
South —

Photo Lithography is going on under
the new administration with
Expenses reduced one half and
Rooker thinks we shall get as much
work done as before —

Mrs Rooker has got her house
finished and it looks well —

I did not see A.B.C Politicks
take his train so he does not get
to Office & I did not get train
to go to house —

Yours Affectionately
Ezra Cornell

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Dated New Orleans La. 187 0

Received at Albany Oct 29

To Hon Ezra Cornell

Yours received am well
Business dull and progress
slow but I think
improving have been
out of town a good
deal in the interests
of business will write
you to day to Ithaca

H H Emery
12 Union St

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Albany, Oct 31— 1870

My Dear Mary Ann

When I wrote you friday Evening I expected we should get through the Examination Saturday in time for me to go to Utica & see Senator Campbell, and thence to ~~Utica~~ Syracuse to see Mr Wilkinson both on the subject of Pine lands, We did not however get through, and the Examination continues & I hope will be closed monday, today. In that Event, I now think I shall return to New York & Brooklyn, and get the certificates of title &c prepared which the Comptroller will require to make the loan on the $15.000 mortgage I took of Elkins. I shall want to use this money and it is best for me to attend to it now as next week is Election, and delay may change the Comptrollers mind as to taking the Mortgage = Norman's thumb is very painful to day, and

Will probably be troublesome for
several days - Anna is looking
very well but is not yet settled
about her trip to Florida -
Nelly has placed two parcels into
my possession for Anna - One
I think is a gold Chain, the other
I dont know -

I saw Mrs Ramsey + girls, they
are all well - says Chauncy must
not neglect his studies and get
behind his Class -

The day has been bright sun but
quite cold for the season -

Sales of Al Ag Works, about the same
for Oct that they were last year -

I wrote John M. Graw today en-
closing him drafts One for $1400 -
+ one for $1750 - to pay him $3000 I bor-
rowed last Dec to pay for Fall Creek and
which he notified me he would want
by the 1st Nov - So that is paid -

Yours Affectionately

Ezra Cornell

MORGAN HOUSE.

L. S. PUTNAM, Proprietor.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Nov 13 1870.

My Dear Mary Ann

I found my mortgage had not been recorded when I went to the Recorders Office friday. I got it promised at 9 AM Saturday so I stayed at Rooks friday night, and Saturday morning I got the Mortgage in time to get to the 10 3/4 train for Albany and got to Albany by 4 PM. and got the Papers in the Comptrolley hands with a promis that they shall be ex'd at once -

This morning I came down here to see Emma and found she had gone to Ny and will return tomorrow morning, I saw Miss Esta and some other of the girls they say Emma is quite well and getting on well, I have written her a letter and Enclosed $5, for a consolation for her disappointment when she returns -

I shall leave here at 8 PM for Albany and hurry up the comptroller if I can -

A bill of machinery we sent to Sidney Australia - a year ago. of $1,800 which we feared we should loose. as N.B.M. had been sour on from them who reported Hall (our customer) failed + worthless - we have just got letters from Hall reporting sale of half the guns (first sent) and accounting for funds - "So far so good" Again we had $1000 locked up for guns sent to Galveston Texas, and feared a loss of that, but yesterdays Mail brought a draft for that, so it will not be inventoried with bad debts -

These matters leave Norman feeling better than when I last saw him -

Returning from Tacoma to day. I found a quarry recently laid bare, showing a Splendid Exhibition of Glacier Markings I have written Emma about it and told her to have them Prof of Geology, to bring her Class to see it, and to photograph it, and to be sure and go with them and see it herself - tea time

Yours Affectionately
Ezra Cornell

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Lith. of G.W. Lewis 452 Broadway, Albany N.Y.

ALBANY, N.Y.

Dec 5 1870

Messrs Mitchell Allen & Co

Gents

Will you do me the favor to make and forward to me at "Ithaca N.Y" a Statement of your account with Horace L Emery & Son, Bankrupts. And at the same time remit to any balance that may be in your hands due to that Estate. To me by draft payable to the order of Ezra Cornell Assignee of Horace L Emery & Son in Bankruptcy,

Also forward Statement of such articles belonging to the account a

The time is approaching for a distribution among the Creditors of the assets of this Estate which renders it necessary that I should call in these balances —

Yours Respectfully
Ezra Cornell
Assignee —