Boonton N. J. Aug 6th
1869

Ezra Cornell Esq
Sir

It has occurred to me that my reply to your should have been addressed to you at Albany. I therefore write you there. and wish to say that I learnt my business in the gardens of the King of the Belgians at Claremont and that since then my engagements have embraced practical gardening in all branches. also Landscape gardening and farming I am married and am aged 38 years have one child. I am desirous to obtain a permanent engagement

and think 500 dollars for your with free house fitting for would be a fair thing - and expenses of moving down. My brother has been with Mr Wells at Aurora ~~and~~ since last fall and gives great satisfaction We are similar in our capabilities. I have been six years in this country and well versed in all requirements

Yours &c

Yours obedient

Alfred John Le Grand

I have been down here in charge of one plant and joining a next plant for J. C. Lord Esq his death has caused a stoppage of the work and I am therefore open to another engagement

Land Warrants, Agricultural College Scrip, Swamp Land Scrip, United States, State, County, City & Town Bonds Bought & Sold. Government Vouchers Cashed.

G. F. LEWIS, LAND WARRANT BROKER.

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Cleveland, Ohio, August 6 1866

Hon Ezra Cornell
Ithica N Y

Sir

Your telegraph of yesterday is rec'd. The demand for Scrip is so very light I cannot make you a good offer for Cash. I do not think the Scrip now in existance will be absorbed in less than two years and that 2 Million acres of Southern Scrip will be thrown on the market within 6 months. With high respect for your opinions I still feel great caution is necessary. Should you not dispose of your Scrip let me know when you will be in New York ~~and~~ or Albany and I will meet you and we can probably make some bargain that will be 20 or 30 000 better than holding it and I will use & pay for some of it soon. Yours with Respect Lewis

I expect to be in New York on Wednesday & Thursday August 18 & 19th

G F Lewis

Cottonwood Falls
Chase County Kan
Aug 9th AD 1869

Ezra Cornell Esq

Dear Sir Your favor of June 28th has been at hand some time, and in consequence of leaving the office for the Harvest field I have neglected correspondence some time. I have not been able to see the land personally yet and cannot justly say what it is worth until I can. In answer to your inquiry about Cottonwood Falls &c would say that the population is about 125 4 dry good stores, one hard ware, one drug store, one Grocery store & one Harness store any printing office, An excellent flouring Mill two pair wheat burrs and power enough for any number more, Two more water flouring mills being built in the County, two water Sawmills and two Steam Saw Mills running, The valleys of Chase County are unexcelled in richness and fer-

bility. For wheat, oats, Rye & Barley this section cannot be beat in the United States, 57 bu wheat has been raised here to the acre, 75 bu oats &c and this without any Manuring. I have oats this season good for 60 bu to the acre on land that has not been plowed since Spring of 1868 and upon which a crop of wheat was raised last year. 30 bu of wheat per acre is not but little if any above an average crop.

This however is on the valley lands the high lands have in no case been tried as yet. This is an excellent Stock County.

When I can learn the exact value of your lands I will add a few more still further.

I will be pleased to give you any further information you may desire in relation to our County & Country

Yours Respectfully
W. S. Pomeroy
Land Agent
Cottonwood Falls

W. S. P.
Cottonwood Falls
Aug 9. 69

Dryden Spring
Aug 9th 1869.

Mr Cornell

Dear Sir,

Yours of 30th inst - in answer to my inquiries respecting my "right" to, in connexion with "Crocodile Place", was duly rec'd.

You cannot have forgotten the one leading fact, namely, that I bought & partially paid for the property - now entitled - "Crocodile Place" before I ever saw you; also, that my honest & earnest hope was; gradually & moderately to improve the place & fit it for doing the business - in which I am now engaged - namely, curing & comforting the sick!

By yourself most especially

I was solicited to have it pass into the form of a "Stock Company" — give its finances & business & general management over in charge of proper & legally appointed persons — by whom its affairs under my supervision — were to be conducted.

My personal conviction to the contrary — I nevertheless surrendered all responsibility to such persons as you were pleased to name in the "Charter". And from that time forth had only to watch the means & measures adopted by yourself & others. The anxiety & interest I meantime felt, in the proceedings & results, let my untiring — self-sacrificing efforts attest. My brain worked almost night & day,

as did my hands, in the hope — spurred on by your own assurances — from time to time — that the work should be ultimated — that my high expectations should be realized.

With personal poverty, poor health, & many bitter disappointments on the one hand, I felt at times well nigh overborne but on the other hand, with which energy & cheerfulness & hope I could summon. I even kept my eye on the mark, saying to myself, the end is worth any & every sacrifice. I must succeed!

In the Spring of 1866 I saw plainly that for a time at least, I must relinquish all hopes of immediate business at

"Crocodilla Place" ~~Not~~ I think for a reason — longer or shorter — as it might be, depend on my own management & facilities. "Dryden Spring" the only place where I had gained for myself personal business reputation — was about to be sold. I had found on trial — the "File" Place — notwithstanding all my expenditures — altogether unsuitable for my purposes — "Crocodilla Place" was a "stand-still". What could I do? What funds should we involved — used up; I saw you in Albany & frankly stated to you the situation & solicited you in connexion with Judge Boardman to buy the "Dryden Spring" property & let me run it

till "Cascadilla Place" should be completed. You plead inability, also thought that it not desireable so to do. I then solicited - under the circumstances - personal assistance - asking you to loan me $1000 the amt necessary to make first payment on Dryden Spring property. You did so. From that time on, I went to work as best I could - every sort of struggle & obstacle presenting. I struggled as best I could trying in my poverty & desolation to fit the place for business. I had only myself to lean upon. Hard work - small returns & the constant

demand for better facilities to work with were the principal conditions. By dint of care unremitting exertion & many oft arguments for funds to work with — my Dryden friends advanced a mere pittance & took mortgage on the property. The place was still only in condition for Summer use. By much solicitation, Mr Southworth advanced the means by which I have this present season fitted the place for "winter use". For the same I am largely in debt. My ways & means I am obliged to closely calculate. I can only say, in all truth & candor that from first to last I have struggled to achieve — as best I could my object. "Cure the sick, & establish a place for doing the same."

"Crocodilla Place" was my ideal. "Dryden" has been my homely reality.

If my memory serves me rightly I sent you the following year "Certificate of Deposit" for $700 of the amt borrowed, & the following year — when I saw you in Albany — enroute to New York I paid you each $100 And right?

The amt of stock subscribed on the "Crocodilla Property", I had placed under the names of my sisters Miss Mary & Annie L. Nixon — for the same we have

never need an equivalent.
Will you do me the personal
favor — all formalities aside —
to look over my acct, see
what I still owe you &
see what Cocodillo Place
still owes me, or my sister
& inform me in what
manner is to be adjusted?
It is needless for me to add
that I feel the need of every
dollar which can be claimed
to me. I appeal to you in
view of the relation you
have sustained to me
in the eventful past, to
see that what is just &
right be accorded me

Truly yours
S. D. Nivison

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M Chas. E. Wynne & Farr

Gents

Your favor of the 5 is at hand with enclosures which I herewith return as requested – As to Mr Emery's negociations for his son I can only say that he mentioned that he had made some propositions to you, but he did not furnish me with copies of what he wrote

In regard to the Starr Gin, I wish to sell what I have on hand, any any security that would ensure faithful effort to make proper sales, and prompt payment for such as was sold, and proper protection and safety for such as was not sold and in store at your expense, would be satisfactory to me

I go to Albany tomorrow, and will ship a few at once, and hope to hear from you again as to the future,

I think Mr H. H. Emery made a mistake that he did not remain in my employ, He choose however to quit, and his fathers letter seems fully to justify his decision –

Yours Respectfully

Ezra Cornell

Farr & Wynne Aug 5 69

Wheels for driving Cotton Gins. We would like to have them sent to us upon the same terms as the Albany Cotton Gin Co used to send them to us. i.e. they consigned them to us on sale. We advanced the freights, kept them safely stored and fully insured at our own expense, and each month made cash returns for all sales of the previous month. We are dealing with several Manufacturing concerns upon these terms and will mention the names of a few of them and you can refer to them if you desire to know about our reliability and responsibility &c. Mess. Blymyer Norton & Co & Chas. C. Mitchell & Co both of Cincinnati O. or you may enquire of any ex Officer of the Albany Cotton Gin Co. We either have been or still are dealing largely with these concerns and they can tell you all about us.

We have worked hard & faithfully to introduce these machines into this market & do not wish to lose the fruits of our labors. We trust you will look favorably upon this matter and send us some machines at once by Steamer from New York, as we are nearly out of these machines and the season is advancing rapidly. We have sold several Gins within a few days. Please write us

Chas. E. Myers & Son

Albany Ga. Jan 17th 1871

Canal Department.

Albany, Augt 11. 1869

Hon Ezra Cornell

My Dr Sir

I take the liberty to introduce to you Mr Joseph Atwell an agent of our Life Insurance Company Mr A visits your place for the purpose of extending the operations of our company to your portion of the State We have not received an application from Mr Stoddard since his appointment

It also becomes necessary that our Capital Stock be paid up You will do us the favor to complete the mortgage you intended to give for your Stock

Mr Atwell is a man of high character and in all respects entitled to your consideration

Whatever assistance you may give him in the way of introducing him to some of your leading citizens will be duly appreciated

I remain
Your Obt Servt
James A. Bell
Prest

Miller, Chace
Aug 10. 67

Falls River 8mo 11th 1867

My dear nephew
Ezra Cornell

I seat my self to wight the a few lines, we are as well as when you left us, and think Mary I still Improving or at least as well as when you where here — we were some dissipinted In not seeing the a gain as we hope to do when we parted at Dartmouth — we are having very warm weather here for a few days part, I settled for the team to Dartmouth and Inclose the bill In this, the may let it go towards the Apples If the sends them, write on the receipt of this and let us know how you got home and when, and the news found concerning the Cornell family at Scituan and otherwise

your visit has been so short
this time I hope it will not be
long before we shall have another
my fingers are so stiff that I must
cut this short this time all the fam
ily wish to be remembered to the and
thine affectionately thy Uncle
Ezra Cornell Mother & Ithuel

Dear Cousin Mary Ann

A letter will ac-
company this with the collar for Mary,
Miss Howard had one commenced, and hastened
to finish it to send by Cousin Ezra, as there
is some risk by the mail carrier. Let us
hear from you soon. I went on an excursion
to Newport and a few miles outside the
second day after you left, and returned ben-
efited by the trip, intend to continue the
treatment, Good Bye

Mary R.

L N Fowler
Aug 17 1869

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Phrenological and Physiological Consulting Rooms,

General address 337 Strand London

Whitby August 17 1869

Mr Cornell

Dear Sir

Although personally a stranger to you yet I feel acquainted with your character as you have adorned the pages of the Phrenological journal with which I have been connected for 30 years till recently besides you have proved your character before the world

I learn with great pleasure that your institution is about to admit young Ladies to its privi

leges on the same terms as young men - The University will be doing untold good by doing so provided the sex element is properly guided & the sexes are educated to properly value & respect each other for one of the greatest evils that curse society arises from not having the sex element educated consequently the morbidness of mind that exists among the young -

I have now been in this country nearly ten years and am lecturing in all parts of England Ireland & Scotland on educational subjects & I find many of both sexes who would be glad to avail themselves of the privileges of your University for there are none such in this country -

Will there be any chance for a female number before long - A line on that subject that I could read to my audience on suitable occasions would be very desirable - I frequently give examples of industry & perseverance from your University -

While here in town I have made the acquaintance of Mr Brown Marshall whose card I enclose He has 3 large varieties of the fossile here called Ichthyosaurus One is 25 feet long - one 16 - one 15 - besides some smaller ones & parts of many - I have seen all there are in the museums in this country & I can say as a Prof. ~~Coll~~ says to day there are none so perfect as these - I send you a photograph of one from a drawing - it is 16 feet long & perfect - He is asking for the largest one £200, & the one I send the photograph of £175, & so on for the small ones but I was led to understand that unless seen would be taken for cash down -

If any one is making a fossile collection in this country for the museum of your University or if any one is giving a donation of money for the museum. I think it would be well to direct their attention to Whitby as the center of valuable & a great variety of fossils - These larger specimens are rare besides the vast amount of work there is in getting them out of the rocks.

I have taken the liberty of sending some of my lectures to you, I have 22 in print & am now getting out 12 more - I will send them all to you when out -

I have enclosed a directed Envelop if you see fit to reply & I should esteem it a great favor if you would do so - Especially with reference to pupils from this country -

Yours Most Respectfully
For the Education of the
Rising generation
L N Fowler

Ithaca Aug 19th 1869

My Dear Uncle

I am very anxious to get the house I live in, fixed before the Students get back and I dont see how I can get it done unless Uncle Ezra, helps me. a kitchen I must have. and if the house could be raised it would give me more room what do you think about it I am very anxious to have it done and it will help me so much. last winter I made a kitchen of a small bedroom but I cant do it again. with the family I expect to have, it is very hard for me to keep boarders

with the room I have, and you may
rest assured I would not if I could
get along without. How I long for the
time when we may live alone again

I wish you could call and see
me Uncle, soon, so I may know
what to do

Yours truly Marion

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Dated Richmond Va Aug 20 1869

Received at Ithaca 3 20 PM

To E Barnell

Arrived this morning sick enough to go to bed. Shall try to go on this PM

R. B. Wood

Cambridge, Mass.
20th Aug.
1869.

Hon. E. Cornell:
Dear Sir:

As work has commenced in the preparation of the rooms for my Department, it is time to order the slate for the blackboards. Prof. Evans has the address of the man who furnished the slate for his recitation room.

On the "Plan" that I sketched for Mr. Maurice to work from, are marked the sides of the rooms along

which the black-boards are to be placed, so that he — Mr. Maurice — can give you the dimensions —, the slates should be 4 ft high, and their bottoms be placed at a height of 2½ ft — 30 inches — from the floor.

It is important that the rooms be ready at the beginning of the Term. Let the Drawing Tables be simply placed in the Drawing Room, and I can then adjust them in proper positions —.

Very respectfully

W. C. Cleveland —

Prof. Civ. Eng —.

Aurora. N.Y.
Augt. 21st 1869

Hon. Ezra Cornell

Sir

Mr Wells told me last night that he had a letter from you making some inquiry about my brother as a Landscape gardener. As Mr W is not acquainted with my brother he of course could not answer you. I can assure you that my brother is a first class Landscape gardener and also understands the whole routine of

Gardening including the Erection of Horticultural Buildings and their management. He is really a very valuable man and there are very few such in this Country. If you would like me to take a view of your place I would willingly do so and could give him a pretty fair idea of it tho' the distance is great for him to come and view it himself but of course he would do so if wished

I am Sir
Yours respy
Wm. Le Grand

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Cleveland, Ohio, August 21 1869

Hon Ezra Cornell
Ithica N Y

Sir
I went to New York this week as I wrote you just this evening returned and find your Telegraph saying you will be there Monday next It is to late to Telegraph before Monday - I had arranged to go another way next week hence cannot meet you as I much desire to for though your views and mine are wide apart on the Scrip question still our interests are mutual and we can certainly be of service to each other - I want to agree on a plan for mutual benefit Expect to be in New York again Wednesday September 2d Could I see you then If so where can I find you I shall be at Farmer Hatch & Co 78 Broadway near Wall Street

Yours with Respect respectfully
G F Lewis

West Cleveland, Ohio,
265 Franklin St, Aug. 21 1869.

Mrs. Ezra Cornell.

Dear Friend. I have been thinking for a long time of writing to you, and through you to your mother. I was glad to learn, through the papers sometime since, that she was living and enjoying good health. If aunt Carly is living she and your mother are all the aunts I have left.

I would like to know your mother's age, and all any of you can tell me relative to the Bonesteel family — as to their places of residence. It will afford me pleasure to have your mother inform you how old I am, as I have been careful as to my age, and the family record has been lost. I went from home when I was but a mere boy; and for several years know very little of my own family, as they went East and I south, and we did not know where to write.

My health never was better than now, and I never enjoyed life better. Until within a few years past I was light — weighing only about 130 pounds. For a few years past I have weighed about 180. I weighed 184 last week. This increase of flesh interferes some with my walking, but still I find but few who walk faster than I do.

May Ann, there is no one among all your friends who rejoices more in your and God's prosperity, than I do; nor is there one who feels more pleasure in the manner in which you are using your means. I hope God will continue to grant you prosperity.

I was introduced, yesterday, to whom do you think? It was James Gay, our cousin. He is living in Church street in this city. He owns a home north, as I am told, about $6000, is very respectable, and a General Agent for the New York Life Insurance Company, and lives in very good style. He is 58 years old – is living with his second wife, and has a little daughter about 1½ year old.

His parents are both dead; his father died several years ago – his mother, I think, not more than two years since. He is a very good looking man for one of his years.

His brother William and son were shot by the "Bordenruffians" – William died instantly – the son lived several years, but died finally of his wounds. The rest of the family are living, and I think, are all in this state. He wants to be glad to know more of his mother's family.

Please remember me most kindly to your mother, your own family, and all my relatives with whom you are frequently in company.

Affectionately, S. E. Shepard.

Lyons National Bank.

DE WITT PARSHALL, President.
MYRON C. TUCKER, Cashier.

Lyons, N. Y., Aug 23 1869.

Hon. Ezra Cornell

Dear Sir -

Would your village and county be glad to have a Rail Road running from the head of Sodus Bay to Rushville - Clyde, Waterloo or Seneca Falls, to your plan connecting with your road south - I understand the people of Seneca County are anxious for it - this would open up the coal deposits to Lake Ontario - at Sodus - and in my opinion would be a much better route than the Auburn route, or Southern Central - Your plan needs this opening - the towns through which it passes would bond in my opinion sufficient to insure the building of the road - Please let me know what you think of it - as early as you can -

Yours
D. W. Parshall

Boonton N. Jersey
August 25th 1869

Ezra Cornell Esq
Sir

I take the liberty of addressing you again as I fear there is some mistake which if not removed may cause you to have a bad opinion of me and that I do not wish. Mr Wells having told my brother that he had received a letter from you requesting information respecting me which of course he could not give. I think what I said in my letter was that my brother was

with W. Mills and was giving great satisfaction and that our qualifications were similar.

Having had good practice in all practical gardening as well as landscape designing, surveying and drawing plans I think I can give you satisfaction if you favour me with a trial. I can produce good testimonials from England as well as also in this country the brother of my late employer will speak well for me

Edward Lord Esq
Morris Plains
New Jersey

I address you both at Ottawa
and at Albany as I do not
know where you may be

I am Sir
Yours respectfully
Alfred Mitchell

Boonton N. J.
August 25th 1869

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Edmond Lord Esq
Morris Plains
N. Jersey

if at home
at present

I address you both at
Albany & Ithaca as
I do not know where
you may be

I am Sir
Yours obediently
Alfred Schuyler Spencer

Copy.

Boston, Mch. 17th 1869.

This may certify that a few years since, I was associated with Mr. Francis L. Capen for several years, in the Market-gardening, the cultivation of fruit, & in general field farming & the care of stock, in connection with a large dairy, supplying milk in the city of Boston, during which time he was practically engaged in all the work of the farm, & in experimental farming & farm economy. I consider that his practical knowledge in these branches, his education, character, & experience as a teacher, as well as his recent scientific studies connected with agriculture would qualify him for any responsible situation in any Agricultural School or College; where his services could not fail to be appreciated. Henry Faxon, City Inspector of Milk

Cincinnati Ohio. Th. Aug. 26th, 1869.

Hon. Ezra Cornell.

Dear Sir, May I take the liberty to forward to you the accompanying papers, in the hope it may lead to some attention to my favorite Science, in your renowned & enterprising Institution. In the Article in the Commercial which I herewith forward, you will see the very modest claim I make in its behalf.

I shall take the liberty to refer to a very highly esteemed friend, Prof. W. C. Cleveland, of your Univ.?, who knows me & a little acquainted with my labors.

Still I must crave leave to profess a strong penchant for general Philology & Metaphysics, & no little confidence in my capacity for usefulness in those departments, & in History. I have letters from

my esteemed friend & classmate, Rev. E. E. Hale, of Boston, in regard to my ability to teach. But I am absent from home, & have them not with me.

Most respectfully

Francis L. Capen.

My address, at present, is

Care of John Kebler Esq. of

Cincinnati Ohio,

Copy

Department of the Interior,
General Land Office,
August 27, 1869.

Register and Receiver,
Stevens Point,
Wisconsin.

Gentlemen:

Your attention is called to my letter of January 25, 1868, of which the following is an Excerpt:

"Ag. Col. Scrip No. 2384, R. & R. No. 461 located by "Ezra Cornell June 19, 1867, upon Lots 10, 12, 13, and 14 "of 30-42 N.-3 W is suspended for the reason that "Lot 10 does not lie entirely within the limits of the "quarter Section in which the remaining Lots are "Embraced. The Entry will therefore be Can= "celled so far as it relates to Lot 10, and allowed "to stand for the remainder; or, if Mr. Cornell so "Elects the entire location may be cancelled "and he be allowed to make a new one without "further payment of fees."

As no Report has been received at this office in the case you will immediately inform us what action has been taken

Very Respectfully
(Signed) Jo. S. Wilson
Commissioner

Ezra Cornell
Ithaca
New York

Sir:

The foregoing is a copy of a letter received at this office from the Commissioner of the General Land office.

A copy of the letter, of Jany 25, 1868, referred to by the Commissioner, was sent to your agent Mr Putnam, at Eau Claire, Wisc, on the 15th Feby 1868, No reply has ever been received

Your early attention to this matter is requested.

Very Respectfully
S. H. Alban
Register
pr Clerk

Land office Stevens Point, Wisc,
Sept 7, 1869

2381 — Lots 1.5-6 NE 30-42-3-E 124 6c

2382 " 2-3-4 + N½ of NW 30-42-3-E 122.37

2383 " 8-9-15 W of SE 30-42-3-E 108.50

2384 " 10-12-13-14 SW¼ 30-42-3-E 148.23

16'

8 8

Treas office Abilene Kansas
Aug 30th 1869.

Ezra Cornell Esq
Dear sir.

your favor of 18th inst at hand, the tax & costs on your land for 1867 & 1868 up to the 4th day of May 1869 amounts to five hundred & fifty 75/100 dollars cost of Redemption certificate for 18 tracts $1.50
you will have to compute interest on the above $550.75 from May 4th 1869. at the rate of fifty per cent per annum up to day of payment of the taxes, I have written to you, or some one, a statement of this tax some months since, interest on delinquent tax in Kansas is very heavy, being 50%, see page 240 of laws of last winter - it is not generally supposed to be a good investment to pay such interest, to avoid the tax for a short time, but I suppose that many non residents are not aware of the extent of cost and interest.

Yours very truly
C. Hoffman
Treasurer

550.75
140
690.75

for L.B.S.

Friend Cornell

Together with this note, I send the promised Warming-pan and foot stove, which you will please accept from me

Your friend

Lydia P. Savage

Syracuse 8th mo 30th 1869

Livonia Sta. N. York
Aug. 30th 1864.

Mr. Cornell.

Most honored Sir.

I wish to invest in, and locate a few hundred, perhaps a few thousand acres of western land; Will you be so kind as to answer the following questions, viz:

Is there still in market an amount of the College scrip; and at what price per acre is it to be sold?

In what states or territories is it to be located; and would any other terms than entire cash payment be acceptable?

What would be the approximate length of time required; and what the necessary expense incurred in locating one or more

sections, providing they be in the same locality?

Please give as full information as possible, and at the earliest reasonable moment, as I am becoming very anxious, having written Mr. Putnam relative to the matter some weeks since, and having had no response.

Be so kind as to name parties of reference whose services could be most easily and advantageously secured for the work of locating.

Enclosed please find postage for return.

Earnestly desiring an early and favorable reply which if received will take me to your town in a few days.

I remain with greatest respect,

Yours most truly
O. H. Williams
Class of 1869

D. B Cornell
Aug 30 1869

Belvidere Aug 30th 1869

Dear Brother,

I have now an opportunity to exchange my house and lot here for a farm in Iowa, or rather I have several chances to exchange it for land in Iowa. I can get 80 or 120 acres near Rail Road, good farming land and cash (to boot) enough to pay all I owe here, but will have nothing to improve the land with, I have also chances to trade it for land here with some improvements but would have to get still more in debt and in the latter case would have nothing to go to work with on a farm. Now what had I best to do

My health for few weeks has been improving and I have been earning from $3. to $5. pr week more than current expences - but have been applying it towards my indebtedness. I am at work at present for $2.75 pr day and if my health will admit can probably have work untill winter - but at that rate I cannot save enough above daily expences to pay what I owe that is due this fall, let alone providing fuel & provisions for winter - If I had means to procure team I could make them earn their keeping & my own living nearly or quite all through the winter. -

Some of the Iowa land offered me is said, by persons with whom I am acquainted, to be worth from $3. to $5. pr acre more than it would cost me. I have a map of Iowa before me & will give you a list of the counties in which land lies that is offered me.

Kossuth, Winnebago, Howard Floyd, Wright, Franklin, Butler, Bremer, Grundy, Webster & Story. I have no ambition to become rich, but I do above all things want to become a farmer and I know that with a reasonable degree of health I could make farming a success. -

I have heard nothing from John, have written him several times within six months. - have not heard from Michigan for several weeks.

What progress is being made by the Lumbering & improvement company you wrote me about last spring, is there any

chance there for business for me that will pay me better than I can do here, or can you advise me what to do. Farm property here has advanced from 15 to 20 p. cent since I came home from the army — one farm of 100 acres which was then offered me for $40. pr acre has since been sold for $55. and the present owner has twice refused $60. pr acre — If I had bought then and rented the land so as to pay intrest I could have cleared on that farm $1,500. but was afraid to buy as I would not have had enough after making 1st payment to buy a cow with. Delilah & children are well.

Respectfully Yours

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Hon Ezra Cornell
Ithaca N.Y.

Sir

Yours dispatch received at the request of a gentleman who has business with me in New York I had put pond from then untill Wednesday September 8th If Convenient please meet me there then

Please answer at once so that I may make arrangements even though the other gentleman should again disappoint me

State where I can find you think I will stop at the Astor House and make head quarters at 78 Broadway Farmer Hatch & Co

Yours with Respect respectfully

G F Lewis

Boonton N. J.
August 31st. 69

Ezra Cornell Esq
Sir

Yours of the 30th came to hand today for which accept my respectfulle thanks. I will leave New York by night Express on Monday Sept 6th which will land me at Ithaca on Tuesday morning

I am Sir,
Yours obediently
Alfred Lewis Brown