Mrs. A. V. Martin
14. Oct 1869—

Providence Oct. 14 "69

Mr. Ezra Cornell.

Hope you will excuse our seeming neglect in not writing you. Have been waiting, thinking we might have the clam-bake for which we planned when any Boltons and P were at Ithaca.

Bolton Stephens son has been very sick, but we thought he might get better before this, but he improves so slowly that we can do nothing about the bake this fall.

Bolton Mason has been to Somerset and formed the old burying ground. We will go with you then any time that you will come East.

Our family with the exception of Stephens son are well.

We feel very sorry that we can not have you to a good old fashioned Rhode Island Clam-bake, but hope by another fall to be able to do something about it.

With good wishes for our friends in Phila, I remain

Your friend

A. L. Martin

No. 4 Lockwood St.

Willowbrook, N.Y.
(Auburn P.O.)
Oct 14. 1869.

Dear Sir,

Some friends at Nassau - Bahamas - have applied to me for information in regard to the Cornell University, being desirous of having their son matriculate there. May I ask of you the favor to send me the annual catalogue & any other published in - [illegible] in regard

the institution
may happen
at hand.

Very truly yours
E. T. Hancock Martin

Jennie Comer

M B Farr Oct 16-69

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Estimate — Osborne's Process.

Catlin's Indians

140 FULTON STREET

New York Oct. 16 1869

Hon. Ezra Cornell,
Ithaca, N.Y.

Dear Sir,

Below I give You the Estimate I have prepared as showing the nett cost of printing 400 Volumes of "Catlin's Indian Drawings" I went through the Entire Series with Mr. Stiles, and have come to the conclusion regarding the MS. portions of the work that they should go in type; an Engraved title Page should also be made, and the titles on the plates themselves put on in some good, uniform style of letter. The MS. Extends over

more pages than is essential,
and the interest they have
~~will~~ hardly attain, I assume,
beyond the original series.
I have consulted the colored
drawings, and find that to
do the job in good style
they should be printed from
color stones. The Estimate
for this style of work is
too Elaborate for me to get
at alone, and I have not
a full set to consult. To
color by stencils will (probably) cost
at the least 15¢ per plate,
or in the aggregate some
$10000. If you desire an
estimate (prepared) it will be necessary
to have a set colored as
a guide, and I do not
know how we could get
this done aside from
Mr. Cattin himself.

The net cost is as follows:

For photolith, composition, and Engraving	$1520.
" Printing 400 Volumes	4420.
" 200 Rms Paper	3760.
" binding 800 Vols. @ 35¢	2800.
Total	$12,500.

This is a fair estimate without any percentage added to cover contingencies over and above what is necessary. I proposed to Mr. Stiles to do the job for say $16000, which leaves us little enough margin. I see by the specimens from Bien that they employ but one printing. If this is satisfactory I propose to reserve this advantage to ourselves, as my calculations comprehend working a tint. With a Power Press we can

Reduce the printing price from 1/2 to 2/3. I cannot urge too strongly the necessity existing for our having a power press. Time seems to be a joke which will go far toward buying such a press. I feel a confidence that we can keep a press running on music during the intervals between doing this work, and if we are to do anything at all in the music business we must be Equipped properly for doing it. As regards

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the paper - We can have it made and either stored or delivered directly to us - the latter being preferable. The terms will be:- Your own note at 4 months, or our note with your endorsement, without interest. The rule in the paper trade is Cash. Very little time being given. They will make an exception in this case, but wish the matter to be considered as strictly "private terms."

I am figured on making 2 volumes of the book - One volume would be entirely too heavy - weighing nearly 40 pounds. The difference in price will

be very little. I Can not tried the market to get an actual figure, and I am inclined to believe my figures something more than cover the actual cost.

Now in order to carry this work on, as well as that of the Patent Office, we need, and must have, some funds. We shall be obliged to work for some time without any returns, and we have no means to do so. With the obtaining of some line of work - like that of the Patent Office or the music business, if the latter proves really available, we shall be enabled to calculate upon some definite amount of income, and gage our expenses accordingly. I am satisfied that nothing can be made out of this business if we are compelled to grub along as we now do - looking to transient work to effect any immediate results. Practically we are tied, hand and foot. An Establishment has been reared at the Expense of some $30,000 capable of turning out large amounts of work, and the time having arrived to obtain such work all the funds are exhausted. We have built our steamer, but we have no means to buy coal to run the engines. If Jon will consider for a moment Jon will see the job resting upon this office

to accomplish, and can judge if the means are Equal to the Ends.- This Company will be an assured success when it pays a dividend. Let us see how nearly we come to such an Event. In order to do this we must turn out work amounting in the aggregate to $100,000 per year, or on an average $8000 per month. Now the records show that the average has never Ex-=Ceeded $2000. Here we have as a necessity an increase of business amounting to four times what has ever

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been done. Now it is absolutely unreasonable to suppose that such an amount of business can be built up without means to carry it on. Use the best possible exertions and it will be years before it will reach this point. Here is what should have been looked to in the outset. I have yet to learn that a calculation of this kind was ever made. I find on the contrary a belief that this process was to have turned everything with which it came in contact to gold; that a fortune was to be made

in a year or two for each and Every stockholder. The time now comes when the truth stands out naked and bare - In this business, as in all others, time and Ex=-Egy are requisite - and above all Proper manage=-ment. Could I be fur=-nished with the means and facilities which the Man=-agers of this Company had at the outset, I would make it Pay, I am confident But one class of work must be secured at all hazards, and that is - Contract work. The time has passed when we can expect or hope for the supply of Capital Suf=-ficient to push the Process to a successful termination on job work alone. The fact that much money has been already spent in endeavoring to secure this class of work does not deter me from believing that we can yet secure it. I am not Wholly without interest in the success of this Company. My aim has ever been to maintain the credit and standing of the Company - even at personal inconvenience. On more than one occasion I have taken my own money to pay the Concern's debts in an emer=-gency, and at this present writing the Company owes both Mr. R. & myself five weeks' Salary. I merely mention this to show that I take a lively interest in the process and its development. Provided I can see a Prospect

before me of ultimate success
I am willing to labor unre-
=conisingly. Even in a compar-
=atively hopeless undertaking
I am still willing to do
all that in me lies, so long
as I can have the support
and approbation of my
Employers; but if instead
they hold back and expect
me to go on and make
a success when it is
impossible to achieve one
without assistance I can
not help being discouraged
Apologizing for so lengthy
a communication I remain
Yours, respectfully
M. Stan

Lenoklaen Oct 16th 1869

Hon, Ezra Cornell sir, I feel very
thankfull for your kind letter
informing me of your father, s family
and yours also,
and for that Book you sent me.
of the cost and the situation of the
of the Cornell Institue also the number
of scholars in attendence,
the book was read with plesure by
many of you old associats, Schuyler
Clin Wm Crandall Cyrus Comstock
and others, so see that they all want
to know what your are about,
I should like for you to send me from
time to time the proseeding of the
Institute if it is not ~~to~~ tasing you to
much, and also some of your town
papere if you will be so kind,

It is a gerad time of healthy at present
Except a few cases, our youngest
Girl is quite sick but hope she will
be better soon, I did Edculate to
arise at Ithaca this fall but do not
know but sickness will prevent.

I have been tryeng Osa to come
with me but I shall fail

We have four Children three Girls
and one boy, the oldest Girl is a teaching
school most of the time, she has got
a State certificate and she gets very
good wages the second Girl has got
married and gone to farming and
the younges Girl has been a teaching
and come home sick, and the boy is
going to school this fall time he says
he is acoming to Ithaca when he know
enough & go to school to the Cornell
Institute I wish that We was able
to send him, but if I could not spare
him vary will for he is the only boy we have
he is only fifteen.

The Dehuyter school dray
vary hard they have a great deal of
trouble, and always will have for
Dehuyter is hard place We all know
for three or four Groges shops is a
Enough to spoil any Contry place
But they are a looking for better
time when they quit the rail road
ove Crumb hill, they will not
quit it done way soon for it goes very
slow if you should come to Dehuyter
this fall or winte on business I would
try to see you if I could find when
you would be there, I should like to
know if Old Mr Burdick is a living
yet Elijah, B, father in law
We shoul all like to see you in
Dincklaen when you could make it
Come wright, if business would admit
write when you quit this.

Yours Respectfully
Erastus Nichols

D B Cornell
18. Oct 69

Belvidere Ill Oct 18. 69

Dear Brother

I have not yet sold my place and as it is now so late in the season, I presume I shall be unable to do so this fall. I owe $350, on it which is now past due and I am unable to meet it. I am at work at my trade at $2.75 pr day and am paying my debts aside from the debt on my place as fast as I get my wages. I have no assurance of work for the coming winter and would like to know if I could get employment at Ithaca next winter and if so at what wages. I have thought that perhaps

there might be some work to do next winter in some of the University buildings. My health is improving and I feel hopeful now in that respect but it looks gloomy as winter approached & I so little prepared to meet it.

I have been sick & unable to work since May 1868 enough of the time so that I might & probably should have earned $500, and in consequence of this misfortune I have been unable to pay for my place. I believe that all men are subject to misfortune and accident, now if you can assist me I assure you it will be appreciated by me and will enable me to accomplish a long cherished plan of securing a free home for my family. but if not I shall probably have to sacrifice as much as I could save in 4 or 6 months next year & perhaps more. If I could have sold for cash so as to have saved myself (that is, for what my place cost) I should have done so. — I could have traded it for a small farm here had it not been for the Mortgage on it. —

You seem to suppose judging by your last letter that I am indolent, extravagant & intemperate. If you do suppose that to be the case and to have caused my ill health as your letter implies. I have only to say that you are very much mistaken. as I know

that you as well as others are liable to be. and as I can conclusively prove to you.

I have heard nothing from John except what you wrote me of him. Delilah is well but one of the twins Ed or Jay is sick. & we fear he will have the lung fever. his little twin sister has just recovered from a similar attack. Delilah joins me in regards to you & yours,

Respectfully

E. Cornell
Ithaca N.Y.

L. B. Cornell

Boonton N. Jersey
Oct 18th 1869

Mont. Ezra Cornell
Ithaca

I received today from you an envelope returning to me an old plan which I had sent to you but no reply or enclosure from you this seems to me a strange way of acting I do not consider that you have any right to put me to the expense of a journey to Ithaca and, if the result of my visit was not satisfactory to you it is you only that is to blame for when

I met you then you sent me
to walk out the plan by
myself alone and then
asked me questions respecting
laying out which no one
could answer without more
knowledge of the plan than
my walk could give
and finaly make me a proposal
of a months trial which
if mutually satisfactory
to myself & Grants not
leave my family. There
is no justice in your way
of acting and I again
request you to forward the
amt of my expenses 23 M
this is my right and if I do
not receive it now I shall
collect it hereafter

Yours obediently
Alfred Johnson

Maryville, East Tennessee
Oct. 19th/69.

Mr. Cornell will permit one who has been teacher among the Freedmen in different states, to thus tax his valuable time with a note of thanks that he does not exclude colored persons from the benefits of his University. Seeing the universal horror with which such a suggestion is received in our schools at the south, and yet seeing that "Cornell" has become a subject of interest among the intelligent of these places far beyond my expectations, even we can but regard this step in your institution as greater than a political victory - and an important aid in re-construction, notwithstanding

the fact that a few northern colleges have thus done. That such an institution as yours has taken this step in recognition of the brotherhood of man seems to be of special consequence just now - it is so like the broad shining of the sun whose rays fall upon all with equal cheerfulness - better - it is a feature in resemblance to Him who dispenses His infinite gifts without respect of persons. It is with pleasure, that on returning to East Tennessee, where this Maryville college has struggled so hard, I am able to say that the beautiful University which graces my home has taken this step. "Is that so?" said one of the professors here to me the other day - "I'll tell my boys that." Another of the professors told me to day that one of its students who was pursuing a theological course - left the college recently - because a colored student was admitted (and there are but three -) A son of Mr. Stokes (the candidate for governor) came here recently to enter the college, but finding that two colored students attended, he left in disgust - or rather would not enter - because of the dark fact. Some other white students have been deterred from entering for the same reason.

In conclusion may I express the fervent desire that the out-going of Mr. Cornell's heart - and of the faculty - may be for that supremacy of all crowning expressed by Israel's leader - in the words. "Let the beauty of the Lord our

God be upon us".

I am - dear Sir - very truly yours -

Malvina Higgins -

Wis. M. Higgins
Oct 19, 69

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128 North Third St. Troy N.Y.

19 Oct 1869—

Hon: Ezra Cornell,

Dear Sir;

I wish to obtain your attention to a subject in which I think you can scarcely fail to feel deeply interested, since you have already devoted yourself in such a notable manner to the interest of the highest degree of education. For if it be admitted that the final aim of instruction is to bring the minds and bodies of men into their highest state of efficiency may it not be asked How can such an attempt rest upon a true scientific basis before we possess a somewhat definite knowledge of the essentially dissimilar and numerous elements which constitute that grand whole which we commonly call the human mind. Is it not as essential in the case of the mind, as it is that we should know the structural elements and localizations of the bodily parts before we attempt to meddle with developements or rectifications. It seems to me that all education must continue to bear a more or less imperfect and empirical character until there is a better and more distinct understanding on the part of the conductors of education, of the nature of the various mental elements. For are not all at present obliged to admit that there is scarcely even a pretence of 'educating', or furnishing with pertinent facts, or attempting to sharpen for use, anything more than one of the three branches of the mental nature, namely, the Intellect or "mind" in its most limited sense; while its two other branches the "Heart" and "Soul" are scarcely so much as thought of, as two

other very distinct things requiring each a training as distinctive as the very nature of a passion is from that of a perception, or an act of reflection. We are obliged thus to leave two-thirds of that whole comprehensive part of the Human Nature which is not mere body in perfect darkness, because there is as yet no book that makes known in any practical or available shape what are the several elements that constitute respectively the Mind, the Heart, the Soul. Even the Intellect is partially in obscurity, since we find it still taught crudely that it contains "a perceptive faculty," whereas it really contains seven perceptives, each one of which, is as distinctly such by itself as if the other six did not exist, and not one of these seven can in the remotest degree perform a function that belongs by nature to one of the others. Is it reasonable that such a state of facts should continue to exist in connection with education when the remedy is really within reach? For a right knowledge of the nature which we are endeavouring to educate seems to be the first truly scientific essential; it is the very foundation-stone, a centre to the whole circle of education. Nor is it likely that any man will deny this, but the world has been compelled to grope in this educational darkness and has been forced to fall short of its grand aim, because there was hitherto no easily comprehensible system of mental physiology within its reach, there was nothing in fact of that kind to trust to but the 'broken reeds', or 'glittering generalities', and contradictory metaphysical theories, instead of a system of very plain truths, taught in common words, and classified in such simplicity that "he who runs may read". Until schools possess some such solid basis in respect to the Mental Nature all education must remain a random act

leaving undone at the end of its course at least as much as it can have accomplished.

The immediate object of this communication is to state my belief that a small M.S. which I abridged some years ago, from a larger one of which I was also the author, but neither of which has ever been published, furnishes in this condensed form, all such essential features of a true knowledge of the constitution of the human mind as would be required for the purpose of which I have been treating. If this were accessible to the public there might then arise many modified and additional text-books directly applicable to each want - writers of such books would act with a more specific object in view, and would thereby be able to instruct with facility while learning to omit all extraneous matter; they might then present to scholars their golden truths sifted from their gravel, and crushed out of the obstructing granite, making learning more a pastime than a distasteful toil.

Now I feel that in addressing the founder of the Cornell University, I am presenting my thoughts to one whose bent it is to do the best that can be done for Education, but as to myself I have long felt that what is the best cannot be done until this right knowledge of the human mind has become accessible, and is recognized as the only rational basis of any grand and comprehensive system of Education - a system that should aim at developing in its largest sense - the Capacity of Man.

But it is not in my own power to procure the publication of my M.S. - having no means to guarantee the expence; for publishers will not take any risks on books that are not of a sensational

character, it is therefore that I have addressed you with the hope that you may desire to ascertain by a perusal of my M.S. whether this subject has not that important relation to education which is above alluded to and if you should agree with my views to ask if you would in that case be willing to promote the issue of a moderate edition in plain style, in the shape of a warrant against any actual loss in the cost of getting it out. I am well aware that such an appeal to individual liberality in the interest of education would be unreasonable and hopeless if addressed to almost any other man, but I do not feel that it is so when addressed to you because your previous acts have proved that the main question in your mind would be not 'What will it cost?' but rather 'Is it really desirable?' will it promote public welfare, morality, truth, and knowledge &c.

It may be that you have not hitherto given any attention to the subject of Knowledge of Mind, and that you therefore might not care to look personally into this matter, but no doubt you could in that case select some suitable person on whose judgment you rely from among the Faculty or other friends who would be willing to examine for you and report. If this meets your approval, I shall at once send my M.S. to any address you may favor me with. Hoping to be excused the liberty of thus troubling you; I remain,

Yours most Respectfully

John Watkins.

Oct 19. 69

Oct 20. 69

New-York Tribune.

New York, Oct. 20, 1869.

Friend Cornell,

Enclosed find certificate No. 123 of Capital Stock of the American Photo-Lithographic Company for Mr. Alonzo Chace. Please sign it and give it to him.

I have just received a letter from Prof. Fiske, telling me that the Hoe press had arrived, and that it was put up by Mr. Farnham and Mr. Dodge, that it runs finely and is a beauty; that the Students and some of your fellow townsmen have seen it with admiration. God's blessing upon it — may it tell henceforth the Idyl of "Peace and Good will to Man."

How do you propose to run it— I mean by what power? To do good work you must have a steady, reliable power. If you have a jerking power your printing will be uneven and you will jar and injure the nicely adjusted register and impression, besides injuring your type. I hope that you will arrange to have power from ~~your~~ the steam engine you propose to put up in the machine shop. When you come here again I will show you the way power is carried under ground from Spruce to Beekman st. Do you think that horse power can be used advantageously to drive this press? You thought it could have been used at our factory, but Dunham differed with you. How you ought to know as well as Dunham about such matters. Could you build a race from one of the creeks and thus get water power for the machine shop and power press? And if you could, would it be as economical as steam? Don't decide upon anything until you come to the City again and have seen how power is got at the lowest figure here.

Osborne was to have arrived home this morning. I saw a letter yesterday from him to Mr. Farr. In it he speaks of the Commissioner as having entered heartily into our plans and seemed desirous for our success by giving Osborne all the information and facilities he asked for. Osborne writes cheeringly, and says that

our prospects look bright for the future. I shall not allow my hopes too great a scope — my experience is too sad, and broken, to be moved by anything other than accomplished success. I mean I have had too many "big jobs" near at hand which have vanished at the last moment.

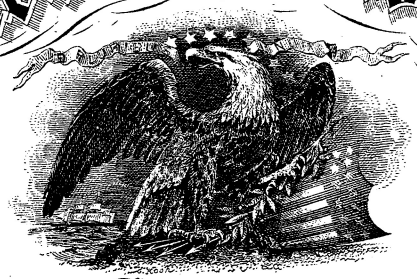
Remember me to your family. Yours,

Thomas H. Rodker

ESTABLISHED JULY 4TH 1858.

Office of The Old Soldiers Advocate

Government Vouchers Cashed.
Land Warrants Bought & Sold.
Pensions Collected.



Residence
No. 288 Euclid Avenue.

Col. G. F. LEWIS,
Editor.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, October 20th 1869

Hon Ezra Cornell
Ithaca N Y

Sir

Your ever welcom letter of 29th of Sept came during my absences soon as I can get home I shall Cheerfull take hold and Stop the Commorants Mouths not So Much on account of the 25 percent you promis as because I feel it my duty to help hold up your hands in the great work you are doing

I See no hope for my Country but in the education of the Young You are laying a foundation upon which an enlightened Virtuous Christianity can be built You are building wiser than you know and every Christian aught to aid you I hope & hoped that your great and good example will yet awaken the same Spirit in Mr Wade & Stone of this City and that they will do for Our noble State of Ohio what You have done for the Empire State

I pray that you may live on this life long enough to Can See you till in the net the fruits of your noble work

over

I go to New York my next Stop at the Astor House probably be there Wednesday & Thursday 27 & 28th Please write me care Daniel Hatch & Co 78 Broad Way - address where to find you in case you should be in N.Y. then - but don't come to Newport - for I am very sorry to say that I will not be there - I would much rather come to Utica than to have you go to New York or Newport - I want much to get that 1000 pieces of Castle Garden Coal in a shape that the College can have the benefit of it before any other Southern State Coal is used this is the only chance there is left about I know you and I can arrange details so the College can be drawing it out at least 50 per cent more than she is now during first two months -

Your friend & well wisher

C. F. Lewis

S. A. Lewis
Oct 20 68

If you are passing West I do hope you will honor us with any Company you choose to bring - We have a pleasant place with plenty of room and can make you all Comfortable Remember me to Mr Cornell with you if you come and see our beautiful City

S. ½ — 21 — 127 — 33.
N. ½ — 29 — 127 — 33.
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Ithaca N.Y. Oct 21. 1869

Treas.r Stearns Co Minn

Dear Sir

Please give me a Statement of tax due on 3 quarter Sections of land I have in your County inclusive of the tax for 1869—, and I will send you a draft on NY for the amt. on receipt of Statement

Yours Respectfully

Ezra Cornell

Please Give Discription of the Land and inclose postage always.

Yours &c.

A Schroeder

Treas: of Stearns Co.

Dr Sir

Part of your Land is in Todd County
Land in Stearns Co. is
South 64 Acres of SW 1/4. Sec. 29. T. 122 R. 33 W
1868 Tax if Pd before Dec. 15/69 $ 5.19.
1869 " 3.38

$ 8.57

The Land was bought for the Tax by
J. C. McBurnell, you may redeem as above
Stated.

Your &c.

A Schroeder
Treas, Stearns Co.
Minn

Ithaca N.Y. Oct 21. 1869

Treas. Lincoln Co Minn

Dear Sir

Pleas give me a Statement of taxes due on 7 quarter Sections of land I have in your County inclusive of the tax of 1869 and I will send you a draft on N.Y. for the amt an rcpt of Statement

Yours Respectfully

Ezra Cornell

Ithaca Oct 22. 69—

J. H. Cornell Esq

Gowyards

Dear Sir

Please save 100. Standard Sheldon Pears to plant—

And save 500 Apple trees—Soy 100 Tompkins King—100 Baldwin 100 Greenings—~~50~~ Red Astrican 25 Saint Lawrence—100 Northern Spy—and 25 or some other kind. and Let Mr J. McMattison sell the other, and account for the same to me—Keep an account of what they take up—

Yours

Ezra Cornell

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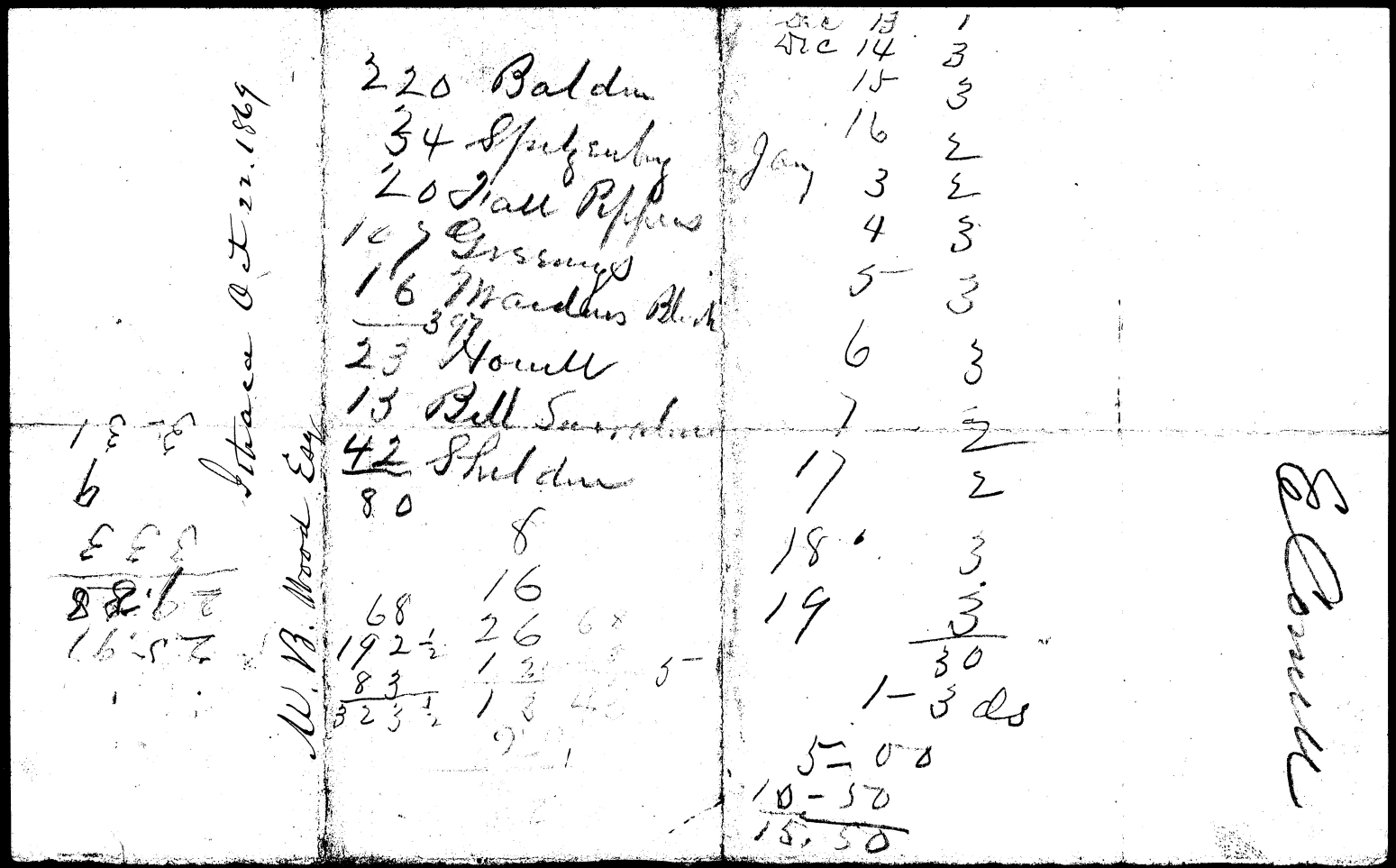

DeRuyter Oct 22 /65

Mrs E Comell

Dear Sir

I have rented
a part of the House of
Miss Barnard in our
Village & I have been inform
that it belongs to you
& it is for Sale if so
please inform me & give
me the price Miss Barn
ard has gone to New York
expect to return next
week Please let me
hear from you at the
Earliest opertunity
& oblige

Resp Yours

M Blanchard

"The Cultivator & Country Gentleman."
OFFICE, 395 BROADWAY,
LUTHER TUCKER & SON. ALBANY, N. Y.

Albany, Oct 22 1869.

Mr. Hon. E. Cornell

Ithaca

Dear Sir:

If the Cornell University buildings are sufficiently advanced for an engraving of them to appear to advantage, we should be pleased to bear half the expense of an illustration to appear in the Country Gentleman — say 6 X 9½ inches in size, for the first no. (or one soon after the first) in January. To get it in season, it should be soon under way, & for the purpose we should require a good photograph from which to have the drawing & engraving made. The cost of such a picture, from photograph, would probably be about $100, and, as we circulate many thousands of extra copies in January, would be of even greater value than usual at that time, in keeping the Institution before the public.

If this idea should strike you favorably, please answer soon, as we are now arranging for leading illustrations for January.

Yours truly

Luther Tucker & Son

State of New York,

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE.

Albany, Oct 22 1869

Hon Ezra Jewell

Utica

Sir

I beg to call your attention to the report required by Law to be made to the Comptroller of the sales by the Collector of Canal Revenue & Lands located under the Canals. The report should be made as soon as practicable & embrace all matters up to the close of the fiscal year (30 Sept) & any transactions since affecting the condition of the business. I will thank you to

State in your report whether there any incumbrance or charge upon the land for taxes or other sum & the amounts & by whom the liens are held.

Very Truly
Edward
W F Allen
Comptr

New-York Tribune.

New York, Oct. 25, 1869.

Friend Cornell,

Yours of Oct. 22 d found in my desk this morning.

I am glad that you have fixed up the University Land business so satisfactorily.

Osborne is back and confirms all that he wrote to Barr. He expects to commence on the work this week. Before he left he saw several tracings which were made while he was in Washington for him, and he says that the draftsmen and women had got his ideas and had produced very good work. As soon as the Commissioner has 100 copies ready he will commenced sending the work, which we think will be in

two or three days.

Don't you undertake to carry on your shoulders the Catlin job. You have enough work before you, now. You, like me, are moneyless because we are too good natured, and assume responsibilities when we should say No! Let Mr. Steele manage this affair, you subscribing for the copies you need. He has time to hunt up subscribers and collect the money. Your idea of having him meet White and the faculty is good; but I beg of you that you do not promise to him to become a working horse or the treasury. I got you into one scrape, for which I am sorry. Had I known that Photo-Lithography would have proved so hard a job to introduce and establish ~~Lithography~~ as it has so far proven to be, I should not have touched it, nor would I have asked others to join me. The process is good and useful, but I am too old, and have too many duties to perform to allow me to meddle with outside affairs which require work and thought. I would like to have you assist Steele in this matter just so far as subscribing for copies, and no further. Let others do the other necessary work.

I am glad to hear that Mrs. Cornell is coming to Newyork. Say to her that Mrs. Rooker, Ina, and Mary, as well as myself insist that she shall make our house her home while here, and also, that if possible her daughter Mary comes

with her. We have plenty of room, the markets are well stocked, and we shall try to make them feel more at home than they can hope to in an hotel. Of course you purpose coming with them. If they want to go to Poughkeepsie to see your other daughter they can go and come, from and to, my house as easily as from an hotel.

Now, please do not have other arrangements made, for you know, I hope, that I am sincere and truthful in asking you and them to accept of my hospitality.

God bless you.

Thomas N. Rooker.

Utica Oct 26. 1864

My Dear Mary Ann

I have just returned from Senator Campbell, and have time to write you a line before Car time.

The Senator & his man Gibson has gone to Sheldon, at Geneva So I did not see him, Mrs Campbell & family are well. Mrs Campbell promises again to bring you to make a visit. I therefore promised if nothing in the way to present. To leave home Saturday Morning before Thanksgiving, and come down and stay over Sabbath & Monday following with them. Then you can go on to Poughkeepsie

and get Emma and take her out to NY with you —
I mention it now so you can have all the time needed to think and plan about it —

I stoped at Syracuse yesterday found Fort White and family well —

I did not find the Stone Giant in Syracuse, He is still laying where he was found — 13 miles out from Sy — Fort White went out and saw him on Sunday and proposed to drive me out there yesterday but I dreaded that a cold ride of 26 miles would be more unpleasant to me than any visit would benefit the Giant — so I was content to hear Whitefield about him —

They took in $1,500 — Sunday as fast from 8 oclock there by thousands to see him —

I enclose scraps from Sy papers about him

In Haste

Ezra Cornell

Maley Oct 28 1869

Ezra Cornell Esqr

Dear Sir

I am in
receipt of yours of 25th inst
and in answer would say
that I have made no
change in my business
since I saw you last
and if the Company is
organized within a few
months or within a year
I would like to take
hold of the enterprize on
about the basis that I
have indicated in my
former letter

My Brother George
who was in Company with
me in the lumbering and
milling business for some

two or four years and could I have written to you would take an interest in the business with me, has been negotiating with some parties about Establishing a Bank at Canton

If they consummate the arrangement he will go there to manage the Bank and if so we should lose one of the most Efficient and reliable men that I am acquainted with for this business I would not like to engage in the enterprise unless we can start with Sufficient working Capital to make the business a success

It would take two or three months to close my own business after I make a positive arrangement in the business

In addition to any References I have you given you I would refer you to Edwin A Merritt Naval Officer New York with whom I have had an intimate acquaintance of many years

I met Mr Booker in NY in the Spring and he said you thought of going to the Lumber Region this Summer did you go

I should be pleased to hear from you at any time in the meantime if you and any of the present influential proprietors of the should happen to be at Albany anytime

Early in the winter I
could meet you there if
desired

Very Truly Yours
A S Robinson

A S Robinson
28 Dec 69

Yr. Small
29. Oct 67—

Merry Oak
Bettesworth
Oct 29th
1867

Respected Sir,

Having heard of the advantageous opportunity of receiving a good education for poor students through your excellent system of manual labour which the students can accomplish and pursue their studies at your most useful University as well at the same time I am Sir humble with

and have always felt the most earnest desire for a good education but wethout the means of obtaining it in this country. Therefore I take the liberty of writing to you respecting the ~~information~~ admission of English subjects I hear there is two English workmen progressing very favourably and whether if I worked my way to Ithaca University State of New York you would be so kind as to use your influence in assisting to get me a situation in the University if you would be so kindas to do so which I fervently pray your weight I would gladly work any length of time at the University before commencing studies you may think proper, to show my gratitude to you for the kindness you may have done in my behalf As to reference of Character respectability if you would require such I would make myself known to the American Consul Mr Thompson or Christian who I have no doubt would give me a note of reference to send to you the

knowing my Master fearing ever
Sir, hoping you will excuse
this intrusion on your generosity and that you
would be so kind as to return
an answer to say what I had
better do under the circumstances
or if I could do anything or not
hoping the enclosed will direct
you. to use your best efforts
I remain Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

George Small

Prof. Cyrus Cornell,

Ithaca. N.Y. My age is 18.

My Address
George Small
Priory Oak
Bitterne
Southampton
England

Belvidere Oct 29th 69

Dear Brother

Yours of 24th is at hand asking in what shape the liabilities against my place are, there is a Mortgage of $200, and a lumber lein of $150, each bearing 10 per cent intrest. My place is in the Incorporated village of Belvidere and I am living on it. I have 3 lots of 4 x 10 rods each 2 of them corner lots, paid $325, for the three lots, & they are worth at least $400 besides the house which is worth $1,350 to $1,400.

we are all as well as usual except severe colds.

Respectfully,

E Cornell Esq
Ithaca N. Y.

L. B. Cornell