

From Putnam N.Y.

To Smith & Corrie

Gentlemen, I will
leave it for you to say whether or no
we shall have any help in the trial -
I have been somewhat unwell, & if
you choose to get assistance, I shall
be gratified, my Brother will be in
Cold Spring to day, see him -

Signature Thos Nelson Esq

46. C. S. 56

Sept 11 - 1892

From Dr To Mrs Judge Thomson
Care Rev H. B. Thomas PTE
When do you set out for Niagara
R. R. Lansing

7 & 57 pay 20

From Bridgeport To Saml A Hayt
Fishkill Village

We are well - I think of coming up next
week David Nichols
10 - May 20

Martha A Hayt
West St
N.Y.

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fr. l. l.

to Thos Nelson Esq Putney MS

Dear Sir I wish to

let you know that the Poor Master has been to
Newburgh to Fullerton and has as I understand got
Suffrages for John Garrison & Wm Penny & Justice
about 15 others, and I want you to attend to
this suit for us, and if you want any assistance
please to answer by telegraph

Sy Smith & Corry

57 C.S. 67

To. Chamber Heiser 76. Liberty St.
will D.S. Mercien be in the city to-morrow.
10 CS 90

J. Wright

P.C.S.

To Mrs Taylors 22 Cherry St N.Y.
please to tell Mr Dark
& Mr Matthews to leave by the Joseph Belknap
at half past 6 am Thursday

20 C.S. 30

Sy. Charles Cartwright

Mr C. S.

% A. Wright 82 Watts St N.Y.

your Mother is dead
the funeral 10 O'clock to morrow

10 C. S. 20

Levi J. Mabie

Buffalo Monday Nov 3. 3.16 P.M.
Dear Brother

Kind Thanks for the
new Wey magnets. I have got all things
O.K. in the Buffalo Office. I began this
morning by making the copper plates 3 ft by 4.
Then I insulated my battery. Next I put
the current through the wire & back
through the earth instead of putting it
into the ground first, i.e. I put the Negative
pole in connexion with the ground wire.

Then let on the stream & it was off
strong enough. I have had both of the
in & they appear to work well.

I shall go to L to-morrow morning &
about next day you may look out
(if we feel as well as we now do) for
something of a noise. We will at
least let the editors know what we
are about. C writes very well on the
long circuits. I will leave him to say
the rest.

Yours Sincerely O. Good

Ernest Coe
Telegraph
New York

O.S. West
3/22/48

Fitts. C.

C. Cornell.

Your despatch rec^d
we intend to comply
strictly & literally
with the contract ^{any}
sum paid other lines
would of course be
a legitimate charge
the repairs & stationery
may be explained I
will have the matter

investigated & made
right if it is not so.

J. K. Moorehead
Pres

Dear Sir, As I am about
to leave home to-morrow
for some time, I write
these few lines to
mention that I would
be obliged by addressing
any communication
you may have to
make to me to my
friend Mr. H. C. Johnson

My friend H. G.
who I will request
to open your letters
& forward them to
me if necessary
Yours O. B. Lunt.
W. B. Lunt

39 Broadway N. Y.
Jude Aug. 3rd

Dear Sir

I see from your com, you don't want an inside berth at the price - I have no idea that it will be possible to settle with Smith ourselves - The only way we can ever settle it, will be by arbitration - Let him select one man, and we one, and the two select a third man, & leave all our matters to them - There can be ten thousand dollars a year saved and made by uniting the lines from Ben here, more than both lines can make as they now are! but if we are to give Smith all the stock, as he will demand, it is of little consequence to us whether there is money made on the lines, united or not -

If you should see Smith, urge him to have the meeting at Rochester or Buffalo - I can't

get money enough before spring
to go to Washington - I borrowed
\$500 of Livingston & Fargo last
July, and agreed to pay it 1st
Sept: but could not do it -
They extended it 30 days, &
I can't pay more than half
if even that much, when
the renewed note is due -
We owed balance for cables at
end of \$585 - due 28 Nov -
paid \$500 and got a renewal
for 60 days for the balance;
but can't pay that when
due - In the winter we show
a "beggary account of empty
boxes" - Wades lines do not give
us a much as they did - I expected
more from N.O. line in the winter than
Summer: but don't get it - don't
hear from St. Louis yet - that does
hang fire beyond all expectation -
I will keep you advised if I hear from
Smith again

Yours truly J. S. Speed

Speed

Ezra Cornell, Ithaca, N. Y.

Dummeid's Bill for glass one hundred
four dollars, twenty cents.

E. W. Chester.

D. A.

~~Dear~~
They want the money before
shipping - They are ready to ship.
I was about to send this by telegraph
but Mr. Tichenor is going directly home so
I send by him - E. W. C.

to E. Cornell

It is an outrage to get
sh. come fr u as these dums
& u need not expt any thing
ever, When I see fit I may
give you a very few dollars
~~you~~ Yours wth love & respect
W. P. Brew

to J. Say I will pay Cornell all
that is due him. To wit, "a little
Discount" as soon as I can find amount
Perr.

Mr Cornell
Sir

~~My~~ Oldest Son
as written you a few lines
he is very anxious to obtain
a knowledge of the Tele-
graph business I do hope
you will enable him to
do so he used to write
well but as been for some
time out of practice
his style of writing may
not suit you altho many
like it however I must
leave the present appli-
cation to your considera-
tion trusting you will

do what you can for him
William appears to be
doing well. may he con-
-tinue to merit your
approbation.

I am Sir

Yours most respectfully
Sarah Webb

Wednesday Morning
July 2nd

My dear Sir

The communication upon the other page I have written under the direction of the Directors.

I think you had better write at length all the various uses that the money will be required for, debts &c. I am however of the opinion that it will be impossible to raise more than a sum sufficient to pay the bare cost of reconstruction, and the northern company must wait for the revenue of the office to pay the indebtedness of the line. The Directors also feel the necessity of acting very cautiously in their transactions, fearful of incurring the censure of the stockholders.

I am in hope we shall be able to get the line under operation very soon as much business would be done upon it at this time - during the building of the Railroad. I am

Very Truly Yours

S. J. Bush

Has Mr. Edgely sold his interest in this line to Mr. Cornell?
We understood so which was the reason he was not elected a director?

I could not get but about \$900 worth of stock subscribed to the paper left by you

Dear Sir

It has been said that there are three kinds of poor people - the Lord's poor - the devil's poor, & poor devils - when a man is too lazy to work - afraid to steal, ashamed to beg, & too proud to do what he might do to live, he may justly be classed with the superlative kind of poor - Now I won't own that I am exactly in that fix - I am not too lazy to work - But I am too proud to sell apples in the street, or newspapers in a R.R. car - I will go with you to California, or engage in any other business, where there is a tolerable prospect of being able to come out ahead - But none of your apple trades, where the whole ^{pile} is too small to feed babies with -

I have been fearful that you would not be able to raise the wind & carry through your plans on my V.E. line - Unfortunately neither Made nor I can help you out this season; but I do believe

that an other year we can furnish
all the means you will require -
Our prospects certainly look better
than ever before, and altho we
loose the use of My & E line, and
have to give Hexton thousands which
you should have. I do not see how
it can be avoided at present.

I understand from Smith, that
in his settlement with O'Reilly, he
gave O'Reilly the control of all the
territory claimed by him - This
places all lines not built in
O'R's hands, and prevents our
doing any more, besides giving
O'R & his friends the right to build
and use lines which come in direct
competition with us - O'R has offered to
build on S P R, & says he has the only
right to do so, which is true, except that
he has no right to use the line to compete
with us - The facts are, we have been
most gloriously humbugged from the
beginning to the end, and it is only
necessary to pay Smith one half of our
stock, & \$30 dolls per mile for the privilege,
to justify our writing ourselves down
as long eared asses, & poor specimens at
that -

Speed

you say you did not look at my
plans for a printing telegraph.
Well, that is all right, for it has
no existence except on paper, and
is not likely to have at present.
Altho I am cock-sure it can be done
and beat house easy - Smith says
if I will send him the draft, he will
have it built; but that I won't do -
When Smith comes out here, as he
says he will this month, I will then
explain it to him & if he will
advance the funds he may have
a chance in, and I will have
it built here -

But I will show you
a trick worth two of that, before
long. I mean to copy the hand-
writing of the NY & Boston brokers
& bankers - no use in trying tell
you how I propose to do it: but
I will show you how, sometime -
I do not propose to do it as I once
told you, by raising the letters on
tin foil - The plan I now have
is practical, and not theoretical
only - I am going to Chicago
next week, and mean to remain
over our season; and do some

out West until I see our
line finished on R Road as
far as the Road is done -

Since from here East has worked
to a Churn - West we have
been troubled a good deal lately
between Meek City & Chicago -

I think I will make a raise
and pay the balance draft
without using the draft
on you - Wades St Louis line
is said to be working well
and doing a large business -
Just as line Smith & Kendall would
fight until Patent expires as
not - Smith wont lose much
& Kendall may try to make
a mess if he gets the control
of the Territory -

Yours truly

J. Spaulding

Dear Sir

OT, Nov 24

The item of Gen
Expense is swelled this
month by passing three
thousand of old account
bal. from old ledger to
Gen Expense

Yours truly

J. O. Dapenett
J. Cornell Esq
Athens N.Y.

North Adams Mass. July 27.

Mr. C. Cornell,

Dear Sir,

I have a bill for advertising in
Weekly Transcript, N. Adams, in connection with the
construction of the Connecticut & Vermont Telegraph
Line. The amount of the bill is \$6.50 (six, ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ dollars) and
I am told by the agent here, that ~~the~~ you are the source to
which to go for payment. If this is so, please forward
me the amount. If not inform me where I shall apply for
the payment, and oblige

Yours Respectfully,
H. Chickering,
Publisher Weekly Transcript.

To the President and Directors of the ~~New~~
~~York Philadelphia~~ Magnetic Telegraph
Company,

Gentlemen

Your ~~worthy~~^{the} President having assured
me in November last that he thought the
portion work in erecting your line of telegraph
that had been entrusted to my care, was cos-
ting much more than a corresponding
portion ^{in which I had no charge or responsibility} was, that had been placed under
the care of Mr. A. C. Goffe, I determined
to make a comparative statement, showing
what the facts were, as soon as I could
get possession of the necessary documents.

A few days since, I was politely furnished
the gross amount of Mr Goffe's bills by T. H.
Clark Esq. the Secy of your Company, which
has enabled me to make the statement her-
ewith submitted, which I have ever looked with
some care, and I trust you will find it cor-
rectly and fairly made out.

The Statement marked A. is an account
of such items in my general account with
the company, as do not belong to a ^{my section, but} ~~particular~~
^{which belongs to the two sections of the line in common, & therefore in common} ~~particular~~
with Mr Goffe's work. Statement B. is the
^{equally between them, if not all.} ~~Statement~~ ^{Cast of} putting up 26 miles of the wire on the
^{had not by him} ~~from~~ ^{the section was under my direct} Somerville to Lambertville N. J.
and which is charged ^{other} ~~to this~~ ^{section} of the line.

Statement C is a bill of such items of the expenses of putting wires across the Hudson river in pipes as were paid by me and are included in my bill with the Company, but which it would be unfair to assess upon my section of the line, when compared with the other sections.

Statement D. Shows the whole amount of my bill with the Company to be \$6,149.25 from which deduct such sums as do not belong to the erecting of Poles & Wires as shown by Statements A, B & C, including the ^{cost} of dressing poles on my end of work, Ruling & soldering the wire by the other, and a portion of the cost of ing the poles, were ~~paid~~ amount paid for wood caps ~~by me~~ ^{used these} ~~in all~~ in all $\begin{array}{r} \$2,344.88 \\ \$3,804.37 \end{array}$ Showing the putting up of the Poles and wires from Wall Street and to Somerville, including the painting of the posts in the City of New York to cost \$3,804.37.

It Shows the putting up the posts and wires from Somerville to Philadelphia to cost, $\$4,270.33$. ^{being} $\$$ ^{more than a my section, I charge to} The distances of the two ends of the line, I believe are about equal Say 73 miles each.

^{And this, estimated by them} For 50 miles of the distance between N.Y. & Somerville, ^{the same as my section, I charge to} the posts of of White Oak and 35 feet long, ^{when} the balance of the distance to Phil they are ^{but} 30 feet long, with few exceptions in towers, passed through.

Moreover, at

At the commencement of the work, Mr Kendall informed me that he should prefer Cedar posts to chestnut, at an additional cost of twenty cents each, which induced me to procure Cedar posts as far as it was convenient or practical to do so, but in procuring cedar posts I had to encounter a heavy item of expense in getting them on the line of work and distributing them, much greater than would have been necessary if Oak and Chestnut had been used, as that timber was found growing in abundance along the line, and could be delivered at the holes at less cost than the cedar could be purchased for standing in the swamp where it grew.

I submit this statement, in vindication of my self, and the young men who assisted me with the work, from the imputations ^{of treachery, and all other imputations of infidelity, and} ~~made by Mr Kendall, and imputations~~ ^{imputations from other sources}, because I desire to clear for myself, ^{and my best friend} ~~any other person.~~

Yours Respectfully
E. Cornell

Hon A Kendall Esq.

E. Corrado Esq Dr for

all of the stock of the
Telegraph is paid in full with the exception of
O. B. Coleman your agent and John Bailey the
1st Installment only has been ^{paid} and also Stacy
Beakes dec^d which is half paid up I suppose
they will pay the Balance rather than lose what
they have paid our Stockholders here that have
paid in full feel as if the scrip should be
Issued for them

Yours Respectfully
W. M. Graham

Dear Sir

It is well known to you that
For some reason that the Citizens of Carbonado
Refused ~~to~~ ^{the} the engagements which they promise
when you first came through here

And consequently have no office in this
place I furnished poles for ten miles
~~and~~ Boarded Mr. Bristol & helped on what
I could with the line (For which I was honorably
paid) Since then I have took a deep interest
in the welfare of the line For which I have had
but little encouragement ~~or~~ from the inhabitants
of this now City But as this place has the past
week become a Chartered City there appears to be
an interest felt in having an office in this
place And I was requested by Esy Pierce
to confer with you to know on what terms
an office could be established in this place
It appears to be the wish of the inhabitants to
to raise a specified amount and pay at once
rather than take stock Mr. Pierce says he thinks
advisable that the office should be a ~~liberal~~ one
as the ~~with~~ ^{the} ~~share~~ ^{share} line would be extended here
(as it will come to Harrison 18 miles from here)
at a very cheap rate

I assured him that you understood your
own business but I would write you

I have spent some two or three half days
 endeavoring to get a sufficient amount of
 stock taken up heretofore ^{without success} and I think it
 doubtful now Mr Archibald of at the time
 the line was finished ^{offered} to give \$2,500 ~~from~~ the
 Comy & to take stock to the amount of 2,500 dollars
 what he would do now I don't know I think
 Mr Braistoh told me that the Comy ^{were eager} to Resuing
 presents But If you will write me the conditions
 on which an office can be established here
 Or any probability of a negotiation I would
 meet you at Marrowsburg or say if you
 would let me know when you would be at either
 place

pleas answer soon

yours respectfully

J K Durfee

pleas give my best respects to Mr Braistoh

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 1/2

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 2/2/8
 1/2

J. W. Barker
Yr. Asst. wanted
at Carbonate

Dear Sir, If you will for the
Sto. to Mr. E. Cornell, President
of the N.Y. & Telegraph Comy
you will confer a favor on
your friend J. W. Barker
Carbonate, N. March 4th

E. Cornell

Let me buy a stove
for office or I will leave it
soon. Shall ruin my health
no longer. It will benefit the
company no less than me.

Please answer immediately

Respectfully

H. Hunt

Binghamton Feby 20th

E. Cornell

Dr Sir

Could you not send me a little money. My board bill has run up to \$25.00 & it ought to be paid. If you dont send me some I must leave because I cant live any longer on the ~~Hospitality~~ Hospitality of my land lady. Please answer by return mail & oblige

Yours &c

J. H. Blackman

To C. Cornell Esq.

I recd this letter this morning -
The tree he alludes to I cut one two or three
limbs from - a large maple - after enquiring for
him and learning he was not at home -
The limbs were about the bigness of a black
walnut at the butt -

I also enclose you a letter from
my uncle - I think I can go with
him if so ordered as I am doing
nothing here at present as my father
can do all that is necessary -

Yours Vc. H. Tail

Mr Cornell.

Tel. Of 5 Hanover St.

Let the bearer have One box
of 3ms for T. S. Faxon Mica.

J. A. Johnston
Per Dunn

1882 pipet

From An
To Mr Cornell La

On more reflection I can
not bring myself to understand what
is meant by office expenses - The La Lin
has not been a charge on the main Lin
at the An office - Not a cent has been paid
out of main Lin funds for the ~~La Lin~~ ~~La Lin~~
I have Lin and returned so to Utica for
this would be unnecessary and always
pay what office expenses are necessary for
the La Lin such as riding - soldering -
Horse & Lin ~~to~~ to go out to mend break &c
out of La funds as well as whatever bal-
ances may be due the main Lin
for communicating to that main Lin
if at no expense whatever at the An
office for La Lin - If you wish
me to send a statement of the expenses
of La Lin ^{for} the time you mention
I will give it as early as possible -
Very Resp^{ly}

W. C. Gilbreth

W-E. Connel

Sir

We have left with
Mr Sward, two Bunches 15 wine. 106th
agreeable to your wish - The wine for Union

has been ready Tuesday. what are we to
do Ship it agreeable to Mr Smith's direction
or wait until you can? I suspect the wine
from the Agency of Mr Smith respecting this
lot of wine. we fear there has been some
misunderstanding & that it ought to have been
forwarded as soon as possible. have waited all
day in hopes of seeing you -

We have obtained
from a Mr. Phillips of Newark two Reels
made precisely after those you have in use
& if wanted - he will make any ^{number} ~~quantity~~
in a reasonable time. to morrow Tuesday
expect to have for Phila^a & to be in N.Y.
on Friday next - Yours Respectfully
Stephen & Henry
W Stephens

Montreal Nov. 6th,

To the President and Directors
of the B. R. A. & N. R. Co.

Gentlemen

Your letter of this day
was communicated to me
by telegraph, and its con-
tents noticed. I shall be
happy to proceed with the
work, as you desire, to
completion, according to the
contract. The inspection of
Mr. Symes I protest against,
as Mr. Gibbune, to whom
you allude, as an agent ap-
pointed by my agent, Mr. Wood,
informs me that Mr. Symes only
examined the depth of three
poles on the line, and for the bal-
ance, took the opinions of persons
who he met along the road, and Mr.
G. who has read the contract between

The Association and my-
self, tells me he thinks the
roles are set according to
contract. I shall, however,
send an experienced man
immediately to examine the
work and correct such de-
fects as he may find and at
the same time put up the
wires. I therefore again re-
quest you to deliver the wire
as I requested in my letter
of the 20th Oct. last, as
stipulated in the contract.

Yours respectfully
E. Corvill,

To J. Oskill Stuart,
Pres't.

Wm. & J. Beattie, Jr.,
Granite Dealers
And Contractors,
Fall River, Mass.

Mr Chester

Mr Coggin will give sign
the Power Atty attached to each
of the Certificates. so that they can
be used separately. I will call
between 12 & 1 & take them down
to him

Yours - Don. Mann

Don Mann
Receipt to
E. M. Mann for
Stock -