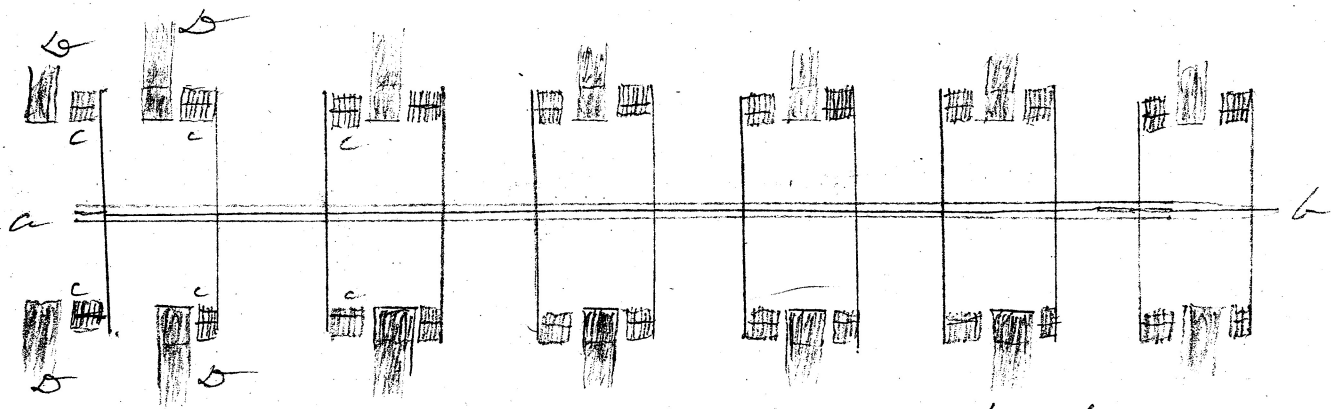


You have doubtless seen Kendalls exposure of the
O'Reilly controversy, and Smith's proposal for
a reference, all of which amounts to nothing
so far as relates to a settlement of the question.
The only possible ^{way} of settling it, is through the
Courts, for OR will never submit the question
to any tribunal having the power to decide the
question, as long as he can avoid it; He is now
a great man, and proposing building a line to
Oregon, and will soon embrace and
reannex to his contract Mexico, and
Texas, and propose building a line from
New Orleans to the City of Mexico, and finally
claim that he was ^{the} original inventor, ^{and} ^{more}
an intruder on his rights. Smith & Kendall
entirely unworthy of notice, and he and his
associates the sole and rightful owners of the
Patent. The suits commenced against him
in Ohio, will be pushed as fast as possible,
but may not be tried in year, and if he
can continue to place the public out of
two hundred dollars per mile, the suits
will not be decided in two years, as he
will appeal to the Supreme Court when
he is beaten in the Circuit Court, and

by hard swearing, with the aid of ingenious
Counsel, a suit can be kept off a long time.
I do not believe that he can raise the
money to go on much longer. Especially
if Smith does, as he proposes, sue all
his stockholders on each line. I should
like much to do as Smith told me to, and
sue his subscribers at Vincennes and
St Louis; but the truth is, I have been
unable to get there for two reasons,
one is, my game leg has been too lame
to ride in the stage, and the other is,
I have had as much as I could do to get
means to buy hands, and have not had
\$100 to spare for the expenses. I will go
there before I leave this Country if Smith
says so, and if need be, draw on him
for expenses. I have given notice in the
Galena paper that all responsible
parties will be sued on that route, if
they build as proposed by O'Reilly,
and I hardly think he can get men to
subscribe, and pay this money, and
be subjected to all the costs & damages
if O'R fails to sustain his construction
of his contract. But as the man said by
this time I don't know what the Lord Cullen
may do.

You say I should have some cold water on my nose - I have found
cold water on it twice a day for half an hour - have a tin for more
than a month & it is as hot as ever. Yours truly A. J. Shurtliff



a-b. shaft of light wood, or reed, say 6 feet long
 ccc & d Helices in main circuit on arms attached to
 the reed A.B.

oooo permanent magnets - up & down
 at right angles with the shaft.

The magnets are placed on the shaft a foot
 apart, to prevent one magnet affecting
 the other. The Helices wound so that they
 will all attract ^{on one side} and repel on the other
 side of the magnets. Six steel magnets
 which ought not to cost over \$2 each
 and as much wire as is now used on
 a Morse relay, should write, & indicate
 the letter in the main circuit. It
 will certainly be a more sensitive instrument
 & work quicker than a magnet.

Wade told me that a Lawyer at
Cleveland by the name of Thayer
told him -

That ~~where~~^{where} Cornell was
building a Telegraph line in
Massachusetts, he purchased of
a farmer poles amounting to
several hundred dollars. - That
he promised to pay for said poles,
and met the man to whom the
money was due, and counted
out the money. - That the farmer
signed a receipt with a seal
for the amt. That Cornell
took up the receipt and
the money and left on the
Car. - That the farmer went
before the Grand jury and
got Cornell indicted, and
that the indictment was still
pending in Massachusetts -
That Thayer had corresponded
with some Lawyer at St. Paul
about sending a requisition
for Cornell; But the farmer
was a peaceable quiet man
and preferred to lose the
amt - due him rather than
have Cornell taken back on
requisition - I Speed

This is the biggest pile of paper
I ever saw which means so
little. If the fools meant to scare
us, they woke up the wrong
passengers. - If they are in earnest
& expect to get an injunction
to stop us they are greater asses
than I supposed they were -
Get O'Reilly to make us strong
an affidavit as you can
He loves the Rochester tribe
as the Irish do snakes -

Send back the papers, when
You are done with them
or bring them with you
when you come to V.

Correll

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Sheel

J. J. Speed.

Wrote you sund day after got
to Cleveland, and gave all particulars
you wished me to. Will write again
to day. Where shall I direct my
letter. Warren folks want to pledge the
stock of Cleveland W and Pittsburgh
to raise money to repair line and
pay debts. The Rail road Company
are digging down our poles between
Beaver & Pittsburgh in grading
their road. The Company think we
ought to put up new caps as
Wade has done. The line works well.

as any other line, Will we consent
to pledge stock. Have you written
me? Will we have anything to do
this spring. When will you be here.
Total amount of wire received at
Cleveland ~~14,496~~ 1,849. 409,746¹¹

Ship on Evansville line 42,397
lbs. ~~Wagon~~ Wagon 37,187 lbs Do Pew
18,000, lbs. Detroit 2,500 lbs, Terren
Haupte 45,000 Milan 2,250 lbs
To different parts for second wire
to Buffalo 29,212 lbs Also house
at Cleveland 45,250 lbs

J Jackson

Jackson
Apr 1881

P.S. since writing the
above the mail has come
& brought the bill for a
barrell of Soda, & a draft
on Johnson for the amount
some short of \$28. I have found
a little soda ash & lime &
shall be able to finish up the
oil on your process. Wagner says
he would like to leave & go to
Cincinnati. He will stay till
you come. I have rented the
Cox house & land above the
road to J. Robinson for the
year for \$50. He to keep up
the fences & take care of Mrs
Cox & family & run his chance
for room. Have not got any
rent of them since January.
I am glad to hear that father
keeps so well. He may be
able to make a trip to Mich.
yet perhaps. W—

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Very Respectfully,
Lucilia Greef.

From Thomas N. Rooker

The next time you write
to me send me a blank
check of your bank,
I want to get up the
check for you we spoke
about. You sent me one
once, but I have mislaid
it. Perhaps you had
better send it at once
lest you forget it when
you write.

I had

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To

I have ~~referred~~ you on
this before. I think I can
get every other account except
those three and perhaps if
you will attend to them in
your official capacity I think
I can get the rest of them
all right

M. L.

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pains to work up the Crabs, and ⁱⁿ other
departments, especially the Radiates -
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can find time & material. —

It is very late at night & I must
close for fear that I shall weary you.

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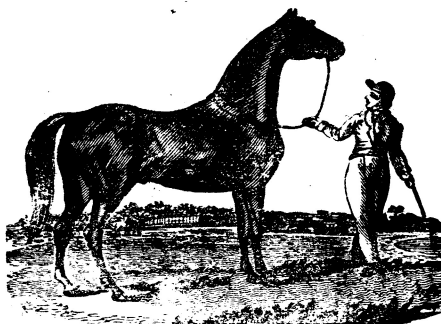
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