John Holman's nautical Journal is available on microfilm.
THE CASTIGATOR (newspaper) is available on microfilm.
MUSEUM AND INDEPENDENT CORRECTOR newspaper is available on microfilm.

Summary: Ezra Cornell papers include minutes of a citizens' meeting (February 5, 1863), at which Cornell's proposal for building the Cornell Public Library was considered, and letters to Cornell, 1863-1874, from William Hodsins, the library architect, and John Henry Selkres, Francis Miles Finch, and others concerning the operation of the library; records of the Ithaca & Owego Railroad, 1834-1845, later the Cayuga Division of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, include a letter from William Ross Humphrey to his father, Charles Humphrey, discussing some of the problems that were faced in starting the railroad, correspondence, financial statements, vouchers, bonds, and minutes of Board of Directors' meetings; land records include War of 1812, Black Hawk, and Seminole Wars bounty warrants, 1851-1864 and letters patent for lands in Illinois and Dakota Territory, 1818-1887; records concerning the Edward H. Rulloff murder trial and appeal, 1847-1860, include copies of indictments, briefs, notes on the selection of jurors, testimony, writs of error, New York State Supreme Court opinions, and letters from Rulloff to Douslass Boardman and Francis Miles Finch; the "Nautical Journal from River Plate [La Plata] to Pacific Ocean on Board Laura of Salem" (ca. 150 pp.) contains a narrative of John Holman's voyage along the coast of South America, 1822-1824, and includes a sketch of the LAURA laying to off Cape Horn in a tremendous gale.

Also, cipher book of John Munson, ca. 1807; two letters from Lynan C. Draper to members of the Cantine family concerning their family history, 1878; and other Cantine items, 1822-1987; thirty pencil drawings by Mary Hibbard; and miscellaneous manuscripts, and newspapers and printed items relating to Ithaca and Tompkins County.

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Parish Register, St. John's Church (Episcopal), Ithaca. Photograph showing the death of Ezra Cornell's son, Charles C., May 29, 1837.

E.C. to E.L.C. Curtis, December 24, 1842, receipt for one Durham bull.

Minutes, Citizens meeting to consider E.C. proposal to build a library, February 5, 1863.

William Hodgins, Architect, to E.C. four letters, June 10, 11, 24, 27, 1863, regarding the forwarding of plans and his fee, which was $200.00. Cornell only wanted to pay $150.00.

E.C. to H.G. Goodrich, check for lettering the corner stone, June 11, 1864.

J.H. Selkreg to E.C. February 15, 1865, about moving into the building.

N. Crittenden to E.C. February 15, 1865, regarding progress of the building.

F.S. Gillett to E.C. May 15, 1865, regarding copy of the Cornell Library law.

A.F. Ball to E.C. July 29, 1865, offering illustrations of Shakespeare.

F.M. Finch to E.C. January 4, 1866, reporting the progress of the Library.

Program, "Dedication of the Cornell Library..." December 20, 1866.

F.M. Finch to E.C. December 29, 1866, reporting on the operation of the library.

F.M. Finch to E.C. January 10, 1867, relating to book selection, security, and other library and university problems.

F.M. Finch to E.C. January 23, 1867, reporting on library operations.

J.W. Osborn to E.C. January 19, 1867, regarding portrait.

J.W. Osborn to E.C. April 5, 1867, regarding portrait and lithography.

J.W. Osborn to E.C. January 22, 1868, about public library.

Chicago Historical Society to E.C. February 4, 1868, acknowledging books.

J.W. Osborn to E.C. June 25, 1868, regarding lithograph.

J.W. Osborn to E.C. July 11, 1868, regarding lithograph.

J.W. Osborn to E.C. July 12, 1868, forwarding proofs.

J.W. Osborn to E.C. July 24, 1868, reporting that the book has gone to be bound and asking to do a lithograph of the university.

J.W. Osborn to E.C. September 4, 1868, forwarding proofs of portrait.

J.W. Osborn to E.C. November 27, 1868, forwarding "504 complete copies of your MS. Book on the Dedication of the Cornell Library."

Card announcing the first commencement of Cornell University, July 1, 1869.

J. Sabin & Sons to E.C. December 12, 1870, list of books purchased.

E.C. to Henry Brewer October 22, 1874, copy and typescript of letter explaining the need for rent to operate the library. Original in 1/1/m.624 - k.s.

List of native woods used in the alcoves of the Cornell Library, n.d.
Ithaca and Owego Rail Road Company Papers.

Folder 4 (11 pcs/items)
Vouchers and credit memorandum on the Ithaca and Owego Rail Road Company, 1834-1839, 4
Ithaca and Owego Rail Road Company bonds, No. 24-29. One thousand dollar bonds
issued January 1, 1835, for ten years and bearing seven percent interest
payable semiannually. Owned by Newins and Townsend, $6,000.

Folder 5 (9 pcs/item)
Wrapper, indorsed "Papers used in the obtaining a loan from the state in April, 1838."
The items listed below may or may not have been in this wrapper.
Statement of expenditures, n.d., but pinned to following items.
Deposition of Ephraim Leach, Chief Engineer of the Ithaca and Owego Rail Road,
stateing the amount of construction done, n.d. Supporting depositions by others,
n.d., but pinned to following items.
Stock acceptance provided for by the act of April 28, 1838, November 13, 1838.
Minute of the Board of Directors, December 26, 1838.
Minute of the Board of Directors, December 26, 1838, appointing Hubbell.
Memorial to the Assembly of New York, December 29, 1838, relative to the changing
of the interest rate on the bonds, draft.
Minute of the Board of Directors, December 31, 1838.

Folder 6 (11 pcs; 6 items)
Assembly resolution, February 3, 1842, relative to filing reports.
Draft of the report filed in response to the above.
Balance sheet, n.d.
Letter enclosing resolution of February 21, 1842.
Assembly resolution, February 21, 1842, requiring a list of stockholders.
Assembly resolution, February 21, 1842, requiring a list of stockholders with
corrections in ink as passed February 26, 1842.
Draft list of stockholders in response to the above.
Assembly resolution March 12, 1842, requiring testimony on defaulting railroads,
2 copies, each sent a different dates.

Folder 7 (10 pcs; 1 item)
List of stockholders visited in New York City and asked for money, [April, 1842].
Notes on their responses.
Daniel L. Bishop, Secretary of the Ithaca and Oswego Rail Road, to William Buckner,
May 6, 1842; Bishop to Yates, May 9, 1842, copies.
Buckner to Bishop, May 9, 1842.
Proposed agreement for sale of the I & O, May 20, 1842, and draft.
Bishop to Archibald McIntyre, May 21, 1842, copy.
Bishop to James Pumpelly, May 28, 1842, copy
Bishop to Richard V. Dewitt, March 2, 1843, copy.
Bishop to McIntyre, March 2, 1843, copy.
Balance sheet, n.d.

Folder 8 (14 pcs; 2 items)
William A. Humphrey to Charles Humphrey, December 23, 1845, relates some of the
problems faced in starting the Ithaca and Owego Railroad. Typescript and
letters of transmittal included.

Folder 9 (14 pcs; 2 items)
Black Diamond Express Monthly, January 1905, Vol. 9, No. 1, published by the
Passenger Department of the Lehigh Valley Railroad. Contains an article by
Folder 9 cont.
T.W. Burns, "Reminiscences, Heroic and Historic, of Early Days of the Lehigh Valley System in Southern and Central New York." This has much about early Ithaca railroads including pictures and drawings of depots. (pp. 7-18)

Land Records

Folder 10
Letters Patent
James S. Smith to John A. Faucett, deed to four patents, September 1, 1845.
Mark Libby, Jr., War of 1812, 160 A., October 3, 1818.
All of them were Illinois lands which eventually became the property of William T. Ireland in 1857.

Folder 11
Letters Patent
John Stewart, War of 1812, 320 A., January 4, 1819 and exemplification, November 22, 1859.
Kazia Dimmitt, 160 A., April 15, 1887, Spinks County, Dakota Territory.

Folder 12
U.S. Land Warrants granted under the Act of 1850
William Winn, War of 1812, 40 A., March 1, 1851 and assignments, 1857-1861.
Jonathan McHenry, War of 1812, 80 A., July 5, 1851 and endorsed April 2, 1863.
Pearce Woodman, War of 1812, 40 A., September 19, 1851.
James H. Handy, War of 1812, 40 A., December 29, 1851 and assignment.

Folder 13
U.S. Land Warrants granted under the Act of 1855
James Meyers, War with Mexico, 160 A., June 22, 1861.
Henry Ward, Black Hawk War, 120 A., August 17, 1861.
Stephen Shinnault, Seminole War, 80 A., September 25, 1861.
Joseph T. Lord, War of 1812, 120 A., September 13, 1864.

Folder 14
Legal Documents, 1847-1856 (42 pp.)

Folder 15
Legal Documents, 1857-July 7, 1858 (39 pp.)

Folder 16
Legal Documents, July 8, 1858-1859 (20 pp.)

Folder 17
Legal Documents, 1860

Folder 18
Legal Documents, undated, relating to the Court of Appeals

Folder 19
Legal Documents, undated, opinions of Justices Grey and Mason of the Supreme Court
Folder 20 (11 items)
Legal Documents, undated, relating to the Supreme Court

Folder 21 (3 items)
Notes, undated, commenting on the Supreme Court decision

Folder 22 (9 items)
Notes, undated

Folder 23 (11 items)
E.H.R. to Boardman and Finch, March 16, 1858–June 19, 1859

Folder 24 (8 items)
E.H.R. to Francis M. Finch, June 23, 1859–November 24, 1859

Folder 25 (12 items)
E.H.R. to Francis M. Finch, December 1, 1859–May 14, 1860

Folder 26 (12 items)
E.H.R. to Francis M. Finch, undated correspondence

Folder 27 (3 items)
Receipts, 1828-1831

Miscellaneous

Folder 28
Nautical Journal from River Plate to Pacific Ocean on Board Brig Laura, of Salem,
by John Holman, November 29, 1822 to January 29, 1824. about 150 pp.

The voyage started in Baltimore then to River Plate then around the Cape Horn and up the coast of Peru. Then back around the cape into the Atlantic and on to Gibraltar and thence "Toward Salem." In the back of the log is a list of compass variations observed during the voyage. A second list gives temperature recordings four times a day during part of the voyage. The Journal is in the form of a ship's log with many entries about weather, sails, progress and some reflections. Also available on microfilm (I reel neg, 1 reel pos) $11.00

Folder 29
John Munson's manuscript cipher book, about 28 pages, no date. Blvd. information
on Munson, 1 pc.

Folder 30 (3 pcs.)
Cantine Family Papers, 1822-1878, Certificate of membership of Moses I. Cantine in the Albany County Agricultural Society and two letters from Lyman Draper seeking information on Col. John Cantine.
Folder 31
Mary Hibbard Drawings. Twenty-nine pencil drawings to illustrate a book. "Drawn by Ian" Associated with Mary Hibbard only by her name on the original envelope.

Printed Matter

Folder 32
*Ithaca Mirror, Vol. 1, No. 9, April 24, 1860
   11, May 29, 1860
   16, August 21, 1860
   22, December 11, 1860 New Series
   23, December 25, 1860 " "
   24, January 8, 1861 " "

Folder 33
*The Castigator, "Fifth Series, No. 1, January 1, 1823
2, January 11, 1823
3, January 18, 1823
4, January 25, 1823
Published by James M. Miller.
5, February 1, 1823
6, February 8, 1823
7, February 15, 1823
8, February 22, 1823
9, March 1, 1823 (2 copies)
10, March 8, 1823
11, March 15, 1823
12, March 22, 1823
13, March 29, 1823

*The Museum and Independent Corrector, Vol. 1, No. 1, April 16, 1824
2, April 30, 1824
3, May 14, 1824
4, May 21, 1824
5, June 11, 1824
6, June 18, 1824
7, June 25, 1824
8, July 2, 1824
9, July 9, 1824
10, July 16, 1824
11, July 23, 1824
12, July 30, 1824

Folder 34
*The Connecticut Courant, April 5, 1809. Hartford, Conn.

Folder 35
*Extra Globe, Vol. 1, No. 1, June 28, 1834
4, July 19, 1834
6, 3, June 24, 1840
Folder 36
*The Log Cabin, Vol. 1, No. 3, May 27, 1862 (Fredericksburg, Va.).

Folder 37
*The Daily Citizen, July 2, 1863 (last "wall-paper" edition from Vicksburg, Miss.).
*The Binghamton Standard, Vol. XII, No. 29, April 19, 1865. Binghamton, N. Y.

Folder 38
Unidentified clippings: New York papers a. August 1, 1838, and b. April 25, 1822,
relating New York census from 1791.

* 13 Newspaper cards made 5-6-66. N.Dean

Newsprint retained with the collection.