Aug 7th, 1859

At Uncle Caleb’s,

Dear Mother,

I had a quick trip and very pleasant excepting between Cleveland & Dunkirk which was very dusty. It rained all the distance from Albany to Poughkeepsie, they were expecting me on Tuesday. The girls have spent one week over the river, today we go to Hamburg and then we shall go to all the places or soon as possible. All say we shall not leave under a month we are very well at this time an expect a pleasant visit. Uncle will finish harvest this week if it should not rain anymore. I am sitting at the window in the back room, the air is nice from the river. I shall be home as soon as I can get around, it may be little over 2 weeks or it may be under just as things go pleasant, or not.

If you want us home sooner just write. You and Aunt must ride out and visit bye & bye. You can spend a visit out East.

Your son,

J.B. Cornell