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ARTHUR BYNE
PASEO DE LA CASTELLANA, 19
CABLE ADDRESS STAPLEY
MADRID

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O Miss Morgan
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June 5th, 1926

William Randolph Hearst, Esq.
238 William Street,
New York City

My dear Mr. Hearst;

Yesterday I received the following cable from you;

PLEASE DRAW ON ME FOR FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS:HEARST

I don't know if this is in reply to my cable of May 29th when I cabled you that I was drawing on you for twenty-five thousand dollars (explained at length in my letter of the same date).

In any case, if you will stop to think, five thousand dollars will hardly start your new orders. On the 27th of May by cable you instructed me to purchase ceilings and tiles amounting to \$24,500; furthermore I am again financing the demolition of the Monastery from my own pocket; therefore I felt quite justified in calling on you (and by cable) for \$25,000; that is to say, half the amount of the new orders and \$10,000 for the Monastery.

Certain things one can buy on credit but when you commence taking down a ceiling you have to pay cash down in Spain, for once the operation is undertaken there is no turning back. As to the Monastery I have twenty-two men working daily whose salaries I can't delay 24 hours; furthermore the lumber consumed in the boxing is tremendous and, in a treeless country like Spain, wood is expensive.

I am sure you will see, on reading this, that there was nothing exaggerated in my demand for the amount stipulated.

Very truly yours,

REC'D JUN 7 1926
Steamer Pennsylvania
left Havre on May 23
Due here early in July.

Contains 1 case stone
weight 2600 #

This is the mysterious Paris
shipment in care of Amer. Express Co
(Phoned by Mr. Lighton)

Shipped to the 3
stones bought by
Mr. Byrne & sent
through Paris to
avoid government
troubles -

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June 14th, 1926

Miss Julia Morgan,
Merchants Exchange,
San Francisco

My dear Miss Morgan;

Please find enclosed
herewith the Consular Invoice covering the
Century
little Fifteenth Wooden Ceiling and the lot
of 8500 roof-tiles. These last-mentioned
will come rather expensive I fear. They
were cheap enough to buy but the careful
crating of such a quantity proved a consider-
able item and now the freight, because of
their weight, proves a formidable sum. I have
already had this freight rate reduced, (placed
in the same category with the Monastery stone),
but it still seems all out of scale with the
value of the tiles.

Will inform you just as soon
as new orders are under way. With kindest
wishes from us both,

Sincerely,

Arthur Byne

JOSEPH GUARRO

Mrs F

This check should
go out when
we are in funds

Sent July 1/26
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F.D. LEIGHTON
FOREIGN FREIGHT AGENT

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CUSTOMS BROKERS
MARINE INSURANCE

NEW YORK CENTRAL LINES

WIGHT FORWARDERS
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AMERICAN EXPRESS SYSTEM
FOREIGN OFFICES
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PARIS 11 RUE SCRIBE
54 RUE DES PETITES ECURIES
HAVRE 43 QUAI GEORGE V
MARSEILLES 24 RUE CANNEBIERE
NICE 2 RUE DU CONGRES

ASIA

MANILA 36 ESCOLTA
HONG KONG 4A DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL
SHANGHAI 8 KIUKIANG ROAD
TIENTSIN 173 VICTORIA ROAD
PEKING WAGON LITS HOTEL
CALCUTTA 4 BANKSHALL STREET
BOMBAY 240 HORNBY ROAD
SINGAPORE, COLLYER QUAY

AFRICA AND ASIA MINOR

CAIRO OPERA SQUARE
JERUSALEM JAFFA ROAD

SOUTH AMERICA

BUENOS AIRES BARTOLOME MITRE 562

CABLE ADDRESS: AMEXCO
SECOND AND MARKET STS.
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

PLEASE REFER TO FILE
File.- 38510.

e 21st. 1926.

Mrs. Julia Morgan,
Merchants Exchange Bldg.,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Madam :-

We are now pleased to advise the receipt
of shipping documents covering the shipment of antique
stones forwarded from Paris, France by Mr. Sala for
account W.H. Hearst.

This case was loaded aboard the S.S.
Pennsylvania due to arrive in San Francisco about
July 21st.

The charges up to this port amount to
\$ 164.93 as detailed on our debit attached and your
check in due course for this amount would be appreciated.

Yours truly,

F.D. Leighton
Foreign Freight Agent.

we/e.

Vouch # 3149

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY

INTERNATIONAL

AMERICAN EXPRESS SYSTEM
FOREIGN OFFICES
EUROPE

LONDON	6 HAYMARKET
	16 BURY STREET
LIVERPOOL	31 JAMES STREET
SOUTHAMPTON	25 OXFORD STREET
GLASGOW	115 HOPE STREET
EDINBURGH	45 PRINCES STREET
ANTWERP	87 PLACE DE MEIR
BRUSSELS	39 RUE ROYALE
	121 BOULEVARD ADOLPHE MAX
ROTTERDAM	26 A ZUIDBLAAK
AMSTERDAM	KALVERSTRAAT 101
	ROKIN 88/90
COPENHAGEN	8 HOLMENS KANAL
BERLIN	55 CHARLOTTENSTRASSE
HAMBURG	9 ALSTERDAMM
BREMEN	32 BAHNHOFSTRASSE
ROME	PIAZZA DI SPAGNA
GENOA	17 PIAZZA NUNZIATA
NAPLES	58 PIAZZA DEI MARTIRI
FLORENCE	2 VIA TORNABUONI
LUCERNE	GRAND HOTEL NATIONAL
ZURICH	79 BAHNHOFSTRASSE
ATHENS	31 STADIUM STREET
PIRAEUS	44 PHILONOS STREET
CONSTANTINOPLE	15 VOIVODA, GALATA

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F.D. LEIGHTON
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June 24, 1926

American Express Co.,
2nd & Market,
San Francisco.

Attention: Mr. F. D. Leighton

Dear Mr. Leighton:

We are mailing you today our check
and voucher in the amount of \$164.93,
covering shipment of stone from M. Sala,
Paris, for the account of Mr. W. R.
Hearst.

As soon as this shipment is ready
for delivery to us, if you will kindly
advise this office, we will advise you
as to what disposition to make.

Very truly yours,

Julia Morgan

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By

J. H. LeFevre
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Copy of telegram received from Mr. McGregor, June 24, 1926

"Shipping by express eight banners and two flags as requested,
Was holding them for carload we are preparing now.

HAVE ATTENDED PAYMENT FOR ROOF TILES AND WILL SHIP AT ONCE.

*No mention of ceiling supposed to have been
shipped at same time*

*267-Tile
25 ceiling
292*

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June 24th, 1926

William Randolph Hearst, Esq.
238 William Street,
New York City

My dear Mr. Hearst;

To hand your letter of May 27th from Los Angeles. Yes, I think we have a number of interesting large ceilings in hand now and I hope to get them all off during the summer months. The great ceiling at covering the church of the old Monastery at Almagro is going to be a tremendous job to take down; not only are the actual dimensions of the ceiling enormous but it is hung 75 feet above the ground. However that is all in the day's run.

You refer again in this letter to pictures and descriptions sent by Miss Morgan of things you are interested in; I never have received any such package.

The sudden rise of the peseta on the exchange has undoubtedly been brought to your attention. A month ago we were receiving seven pesetas to the dollar here in Spain - to-day just a fraction over six. As I quote my prices in dollars to you this is a little unfortunate; still, in all of the recent propositions, that is to say, the several ceilings and Sevillian dado of tiles, I had hoped (as I expressed in my letter) that when it came to the moment of purchase I might do better in the matter of price; the truth is I have done better but it has only covered the ten percent depreciation of the dollar. Therefore the price of these various ceilings etc. stand as quoted. I have an architect's abhorrence for "extras".

If the exchange does not steady itself I shall have to quote all future operations to you in pesetas.

In a recent letter I made mention of the fact that I hoped to spend September in New York. This has changed and I think you will be interested in the cause of the change. The American Art Association (Messrs Bishop and Parke), spent sometime here last month. The object of their visit being to see if it were possible to arrange for the auction of the famous collection of the Count of Almenas here in Madrid. The Count being a wealthy

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man and taking no chance on things he didn't understand (though he has considerable confidence in me) demanded a large guarantee from the American Art Association. Though they were most anxious to arrange the sale they could not see their way to the guarantee on top of all the expenses of demolition, transportation, etc. etc. And there the matter was dropped; and I thought I would make just a peaceful visit to New York in September.

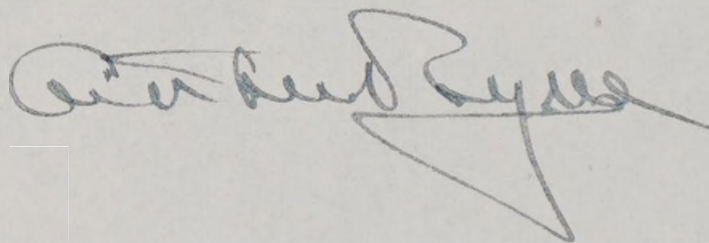
Now it has all suddenly changed. The American Art apparently is keen to have the sale and willing to assume the risk. I go to Paris in a week to sign the contracts.

I tell you all this in advance, and confidentially, because this collection embraces many magnificent things such as have never been seen in New York. There are three most beautiful ceilings and a Gothic chimney-piece that has not its equal; likewise the furniture is superb. The sale will probably take place late in December and I shall prepare the catalog.

The gist of all this is "that you mustn't spend all your money before this sale comes off"!

Thanking you again for your attention, believe me,

Sincerely,



Excerpt from Mr. Byne's letter dated June 24, 1926

3rd paragraph - "The sudden rise of the peseta on the exchange has undoubtedly been brought to your attention. A month ago we were receiving seven pesetas to the dollar here in Spain - today just a fraction over six. As I quote my prices to you^r this is a little unfortunate; still in all of the recent propositions, that is to say, the several ceilings and SEVILLIAN DADO OF TILES, I had hoped (as expressed in my letter) that when it came to the moment of purchase I might do better in the matter of price. " ****

Sept. 17 - Within the last week I have shipped you the dado of painted Sevillian Tiles + the Sevillian ceiling with tile panels measuring 24 x 65 feet -