

Consulate of the United States of America,
Yedo (Japan) (Tokio,) Jan. 20th 1871.

Prof. O. C. Marsh,
Yale College,
Dear Sir:

In regard
to the request contained in your
letter of Nov. 5th, I have
made representations to the
Japanese Government, and
although in the first place they
gave me no encouragement, in
fact quite the contrary, (not
understanding or looking at the
matter as we do), still, from
an interview I yesterday had
with the Minister of Foreign
Affairs, I am greatly in hopes
by another month to have
succeeded. It is very
hard to make these people
appreciate a matter of science,

but I hope to succeed, as I shall be only too happy to honor a request of my friend Mr. Brooks, as well as to meet the wishes of yourself.

From this explanation I am sure you will quite understand the delay.

Allow me one question. Does Yale receive Japanese students, and if, so, kindly give me the figures, as I am almost daily asked to recommend.

Yours very truly
C. C. Shepard

Mr. Char. O. Shepard.

Consul of the United States of America.

Yokohama, Japan.

Private

U. S. Consulate 15483

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Yokohama June 19, 1871

Prof. O. C. Marsh
Yale College

My dear Sir,
Enclosed I hand you receipt
for box containing two (2) skulls as
per your request of some months since.

I did not succeed in getting them
from the higher officers of the Govt. but
was obliged to "arrange" with the execution
officers. It is an irregular way of
doing, but I was determined after
having written you that there should
be no failure. I do not suppose
any trouble would be made did the
authorities know of it, but as they
have superstitious and fancies
I would much prefer that nothing
be publicly said of the matter
as it might compromise me.

I trust you will fully
appreciate my position and avoid
any publicity. I hardly think I
shall ever undertake anything of the

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

No. 14

OVERLAND PARCEL RECEIPT.

Value, \$ ✓

Yokohama,

June 22nd, 1871.

Pounds 12

Received of

John Smith Esq.

one Package said to contain

Curio

Addressed

Prof O. C. Munn, Yale College,

New Haven,

to be shipped on board the Steamer "American" and delivered at the Port of San Francisco to Company's Agents, to be forwarded by Express to address, subject to the following conditions and exceptions:

Contents when shipped unknown.

The Company is not to be responsible for leakage or breakage or other consequences arising from the insufficiency of the address or of the package; which, being marked as above, is to be carried upon said Steamer with leave to tow and assist vessels in distress; to sail with or without pilots; to tranship to any other of said Company's Steamers, to lighter from Steamer to Steamer, and from Steamer to shore, and to touch at port or ports and to be delivered unto the port of destination; the restraints of governments, acts of God, enemies, vermin, barratry, fire at sea or in port, lighterage, disasters or dangers of the seas, or of sail or steam navigation, of what nature or kind soever, excepted.

Said freight to be considered as earned, lost or not lost; and on the happening of any of the above excepted contingencies, the said Steamship Company is to have the right to forward the above-mentioned packages to the port of destination on its own routes, and shall receive extra compensation for such service.

The above parcel shall be received by the consignee within two hours after the arrival at the port of destination, or the same may be landed and stored, or stored in Hulks or put in Lighters, at the expense and risk of the owner, shipper or consignee.

It is expressly understood, that the PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, is not accountable for loss or damage from effects of climate or decay, nor from unavoidable detention or delay; nor responsible for damage caused by other cargo in contact, or otherwise, when properly stowed; and that said Company will not become liable for any value exceeding Fifty Dollars (\$50) upon the above-mentioned parcel unless other valuation is declared and so expressed in this parcel receipt, nor for any loss or damage occurring on connecting routes.

The Company will not receive on board of their Vessels any Goods of a dangerous or damaging nature, and if such goods be shipped without notice, the Shippers will not only be liable to the penalties imposed by law, but also for all damages sustained in consequence of such shipment.

Charges, \$ 6-

Pa. l. S.

W. Simpson

For Agent.

THE WITHIN WILL NOT BE DELIVERED EXCEPT ON PRESENTATION OF THIS RECEIPT.

United States Consulate,

Kanagawa, (Yokohama) Japan,

Dec. 20th 1872

My dear Prof. Marsh

I never have heard whether you received skulls in good order, and I trust you can imagine I have a little curiosity in the premises.

If you will kindly set my mind at rest I shall be greatly obliged.

Very truly yours
C. O. Shepard