

START SHIPMENTS RIGHT.PACK RIGHT.MARK RIGHT.**AMERICAN EXPRESS****NON-NEGOTIABLE RECEIPT.****SHIPPING AGENTS TO ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.**Dated Sept. 17th, 1935. 193 at Peiping, China.  
Town or City.**Received** from Prof. N. de Roerich, Peiping, China.

(hereinafter referred to as the shipper) for purposes hereinafter set forth, and subject to the terms and provisions written, printed or stamped on face and back of this receipt, property described by the shipper as follows, and/or documents said to control the same, the weight, contents and condition of contents being unknown to the Company (as defined in Paragraph 13 on the back hereof):

--- Two (2) cases--- SAID TO CONTAIN Botanical Specimens  
(Description and contents as declared by shipper)**WEIGHT** declared by shipper **VALUE** declared by shipper Yuan \$ One Thousand only--**CONSIGNEE TO** J. S. Roberts, U. S. Pepastch Agent,  
**AT** Room 5, Ferry Post Office, San Francisco, Calif., U.S.A.

The COMPANY agrees, subject to the terms and conditions on the face and back of this receipt, to act as shipping agent for the shipper, and as such to make arrangements for the transportation of the property above described by service of ship, railroad, lighter, truck, or any carrier or medium of transportation (herein referred to as the "carrier" or "carriers"). Such arrangements may be in accordance with and subject to rules, regulation and customs limiting the liability of the "carriers," and subject to the terms and conditions of said "carriers" several receipts and bills of lading including any special clauses stamped, printed or written thereon, or of contracts which may be issued by or entered into with the "carriers," and the Company is authorized by the Shipper to accept from the "carriers" bills of lading, receipts or contracts in which no value is declared, or containing clauses limiting the liability of the "carriers." The Company may receive bills of lading or receipts for, or arrange for transportation of the property above described, either in the name of the shipper or in the name of the Company, and such bills of lading, receipts and/or arrangements may cover other property belonging to other parties. The Company may also at its option enclose the property above described in a case with other packages. The shipper agrees to waive any prior inspection of bills of lading or receipts issued by any "carrier" and hereby ratifies and confirms the terms and conditions of any arrangement for transportation or bill of lading or receipt now or hereafter entered into or received by the Company in connection herewith. The Company undertakes to make arrangements for the transportation of the property above described only to a port of entry or customary railroad station for the destination set forth above.

**INSURANCE** Required Amount U.S. Dollars Twenty-five hundred only--  
(Insert "REQUIRED" or "NOT REQUIRED") (Write amount in words as well as figures)Marine Insurance only With particular average  
(Conditions)Also against other insurable risks as follows: Ag. theft, pilferage, non-delivery, fresh water, ~~breakage~~  
war risk, strikes and civil commotions. (Not to be covered unless specified here)

The Company shall be under no obligation to arrange for any insurance on the property above described on behalf of the shipper, consignee, or owner, unless the shipper at time of shipment expressly so instructs, and notation of such instruction is entered on the face of this receipt. Such insurance is to be arranged with one or more Insurance Companies or other Underwriters to be selected by the Company on behalf of shipper, consignee, or owner, and such insurance will be governed by the certificate or policy issued, and will only be effective when the risk has been accepted by such Insurance Companies or other Underwriters. In the absence of such instructions, the shipper, consignee, or owner, assumes all insurable risks, whether due to perils of the sea, theft, pilferage, or otherwise. Any charge made for valuation is an additional charge relating to transportation and not to insurance.

(Transportation and charge of the Company for arranging same  
from Peiping, China to Destination to be collected from **COLLECT**  
**CHARGES** consignee. **PREPAID**  
(Insurance and service charges To be collected from consignee. **COLLECT**  
**PREPAID**

**C. O. D. (IF ANY)** -----  
For account of shipper. (See Par. 6 on back hereof.) (Write amount in words as well as figures)

Transportation charges as shown above do not include charges in foreign countries for duties, customs or revenue items, service for customs clearance port or terminal charges or expenses, or cartage to consignee's local address.

The shipper, consignee, assignee of this receipt and/or owner of the goods shall pay the expenses of customs entry, any duties, customs or revenue items, taxes and other charges incidental to transportation, including terminal charges or expenses, cartage to consignee's local address, charges or expenses for storage, wharfage, labor, cartage, lighterage, hoisting, handling or transshipment or resulting from any interruption of service or delay charges for special services, and also the charges of the Company for its services.

All the terms and provisions on the face and back of this receipt are agreed to by the shipper, by the acceptance of this receipt.

For delivery of the above shipment apply  
to American Express Co., San Francisco, Cal.,  
U. S. A.**The AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY, Inc.,**

Per

N. de Roerich  
For the ShipperS. B. Howard  
For the Company.

(The provisions on the back of this receipt define and limit the liability of the Company; none of these provisions can in any manner be altered or waived by any agent or employee of the Company)

**NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.**

Articles of a fragile or breakable nature should be carefully packed and securely boxed; when the goods are susceptible to damage by the elements, dampness or mildew or otherwise, they should be packed in metal or other properly lined cases, or if of a character to invite theft or pilferage, the cases should be securely strapped, corded and sealed. Before offering shipments of an explosive, inflammable or dangerous nature, shippers should specially inquire of the Company to ascertain whether arrangements for transportation can be made and conditions thereof (See paragraph 9 on back of this receipt).



6. It is further agreed that since the Company, and the "carriers" which will transfer and handle this shipment, will have no control over the shipment while in custody of government officials, a full and complete delivery will be deemed to have been made when the shipment shall have been delivered to customs houses, government, or other authorities when so required by the law or customs regulations in force at the destination; also, if destination be an interior point, shipment may be stopped in transit at foreign ports, frontiers or depositories and held at owner's risk pending examination, assessment and payment of duties, customs fees and other charges, all of which shall be a lien on the property. If the Company is to collect from the consignee, before delivery of the property above described, any sum of money, whether on behalf of the shipper or on behalf of the Company or otherwise, the Company may allow the property above described to remain in the custody of the customs officials or others and/or detain same at port of first arrival or interior (at the option of the Company) whether in warehouse depot or elsewhere, until such sum of money is received from the original or substituted consignee or owner. While holding in warehouse wherever situated or to whomsoever belonging, or during any interruption or detention in transit or at ports of transshipment or at destination,

13. "The Company," as the term is used both on the face and on the back of this document, shall be deemed to refer either to (1) the company issuing this document, whether it be the American Express Company, The American Express Co., or any one of the companies affiliated therewith as listed below: or (2) any one of said companies in whom the above described property, or documents controlling the same, are forwarded in order that it may participate in carrying out the obligations of this document; in such latter event, upon receipt of such property or documents from the company issuing this instrument, the obligation of said issuing company for performance of any further acts under this document shall cease, and thereafter such obligation, together with the benefit of any relevant provisions of this document, shall be that of the company so receiving the property or documents.

**NOTICE:** In view of the fact that many of the bills of lading, receipts, etc., in use by the carriers, contain provisions requiring extremely short notice of claim for loss or damage to goods, consignees are warned of their own obligation to give immediate notice of claim in writing in case of loss or damage to this shipment to the last "carrier" from which such consignees take delivery. If loss or damage is discovered or suspected before removal of the property from wharf, warehouse, railroad station, or other medium of delivery by the "carrier," the consignee should be given to said "carrier" by consignee before removal of the goods.

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**START SHIPMENTS RIGHT.****PACK RIGHT.****MARK RIGHT.****AMERICAN EXPRESS****NON-NEGOTIABLE RECEIPT.**

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**SHIPPING AGENTS TO ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.**Dated September 19, 1935. at Peiping, China  
Town or City.Received from Prof. N. de Roerich, Peiping.

(hereinafter referred to as the shipper) for purposes hereinafter set forth, and subject to the terms and provisions written, printed or stamped on face and back of this receipt, property described by the shipper as follows, and/or documents said to control the same, the weight, contents and condition of contents being unknown to the Company (as defined in Paragraph 13 on the back hereof):

--Two (2) cases--SAID TO CONTAIN botanical specimens, seeds material  
(Description and contents as declared by shipper)WEIGHT declared by shipper -----VALUE declared by shipper Yuan \$ One thousand only.

CONSIGNEE TO

J. S. Roberts, U. S. Depastch Agent,

AT

Room 5, Ferry Post Office, San Francisco, Cal., U. S. A.

The COMPANY agrees, subject to the terms and conditions on the face and back of this receipt, to act as shipping agent for the shipper, and as such to make arrangements for the transportation of the property above described by service of ship, railroad, lighter, truck, or any carrier or medium of transportation (herein referred to as the "carrier" or "carriers"). Such arrangements may be in accordance with and subject to rules, regulation and customs limiting the liability of the "carriers," and subject to the terms and conditions of said "carriers" several receipts and bills of lading including any special clauses stamped, printed or written thereon, or of contracts which may be issued by or entered into with the "carriers," and the Company is authorized by the Shipper to accept from the "carriers" bills of lading, receipts or contracts in which no value is declared, or containing clauses limiting the liability of the "carriers." The Company may receive bills of lading or receipts for, or arrange for transportation of the property above described, either in the name of the shipper or in the name of the Company, and such bills of lading, receipts and/or arrangements may cover other property belonging to other parties. The Company may also at its option enclose the property above described in a case with other packages. The shipper agrees to waive any prior inspection of bills of lading or receipts issued by any "carrier" and hereby ratifies and confirms the terms and conditions of any arrangement for transportation or bill of lading or receipt now or hereafter entered into or received by the Company in connection herewith. The Company undertakes to make arrangements for the transportation of the property above described only to a port of entry or customary railroad station for the destination set forth above.

INSURANCE required Amount U.S. Dollars Two thousand and five hundred  
(Insert "REQUIRED" or "NOT REQUIRED") (Write amount in words as well as figures) only.Marine Insurance only with particular average  
(Conditions)Also against other insurable risks, as follows: ag. theft, pilferage, non-delivery, fresh water, war risks,  
strikes and civil commotions. (Not to be covered unless specified here)

The Company shall be under no obligation to arrange for any insurance on the property above described on behalf of the shipper, consignee, or owner, unless the shipper at time of shipment expressly so instructs, and notation of such instruction is entered on the face of this receipt. Such insurance is to be arranged with one or more Insurance Companies or other Underwriters to be selected by the Company on behalf of shipper, consignee, or owner, and such insurance will be governed by the certificate or policy issued, and will only be effective when the risk has been accepted by such Insurance Companies or other Underwriters. In the absence of such instructions, the shipper, consignee, or owner, assumes all insurable risks, whether due to perils of the sea, theft, pilferage, or otherwise. Any charge made for valuation is an additional charge relating to transportation and not to insurance.

CHARGES { Transportation and charge of the Company for arranging same  
from Peiping, China to destination to be collected from consignee. COLLECT  
Insurance and service charges to be collected from consignee. PREPAID X

C. O. D. (IF ANY) None  
For account of shipper. (See Par. 6 on back hereof.) (Write amount in words as well as figures)

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For delivery re. the above shipment, apply **The AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY, Inc.,**  
to American Express Co., San Francisco,  
Cal., U. S. A.

G. de Roerich  
For the ShipperS. H. Howard  
For the Company.

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1. It is agreed that the Company is the shipping agent of the Shipper, with respect to the property described on the face of this receipt, and does not act as a carrier, and that the Company shall not be liable in any manner as a carrier and shall have performed its whole duty with respect to said property when it makes arrangements for same to be delivered to a "carrier" for transportation and receives therefor a bill of lading or receipt, or makes arrangement for transportation to a port of entry or customary railway station for the address of the consignee set forth herein. In the event that the Company shall not receive from the "carrier" a through bill of lading or receipt to such port of entry or railway station, the Company agrees, subject to the terms and conditions on the face and back of this receipt, as agent for the shipper, to make such arrangements as may be practicable at the port or ports of transshipment for the transfer, transshipment and/or forwarding of said property to a port of entry or customary railway station for the address of consignee designated herein. Upon making such arrangements at said port or ports of transshipment, the Company shall be deemed to have performed its whole duty with respect to such property.

Should there be any interruption in service via designated or customary routes of "carriers" the Company may without notice to the shipper, cause the property to be forwarded via other routes or "carriers."

2. The Company shall in no event be liable or responsible for any loss of or damage or delay to said property caused by the acts, negligence or default of any "carrier" or "carriers" or of any officer or employee thereof, or occurring while the property above described is in the custody of any "carrier."

The Company assumes no obligations for delivery of the property within any specified time and shall not be liable for any delay or loss or expense resulting therefrom or due to any act, neglect or defaults of any carrier, or to the failure of any carrier to furnish proper or adequate service, or to congestion, or to the inability of the Company to obtain transportation facilities.

It is agreed that any claim or demand for loss, damage or delay shall lie only against the "carrier" having actual custody of the property en route, and that the Company shall not be liable or responsible for any claim or demand hereunder from any cause whatsoever unless in each case the damages alleged to have been suffered be proven to have been caused by the negligence of the Company or of its officers or employees.

3. The Company shall in no event be liable for any loss, damage or delay to said property or to any part thereof occasioned by act of God, by perils or accidents of the sea or other waters, or of navigation or transportation of whatsoever nature or kind; by fire or explosion from any cause whatsoever occurring; by theft or pilferage by any person whatsoever; by arrest or restraint of governments, princes, rulers or peoples or those purporting to exercise governmental or other authority; by legal process or stoppage in transit; by fumigation or other acts or requirements of quarantine or sanitary authorities; by epidemics, pestilence, riots or rebellions, by war or by any of the dangers incident to a state of war, or by acts of any person or group of persons purporting to wage war or to act as a belligerent; by strikes or stoppage of labor or labor troubles, whether of carrier's employees or others; by unseaworthiness of any vessel, lighter or other craft whatsoever, although existing at time of shipment on board thereof or at the beginning of the voyage, by water, heating or effects of climate, frost, decay, smell, taint, rust, sweat, dampness, mildew spotting, rain or spray, inherent vice, drainage, leakage, breakage, vermin; improper or insufficient packing, inaccuracies or omissions, errors, insufficiency or absence of marks, numbers, address or description of goods; nor for breakage of any fragile articles or damage to any materials consisting of or contained in glass; nor shall this Company be held liable or responsible for any damage to or resulting from dangerous corrosive, explosive or inflammable goods, even if the true nature has been declared to the Company; nor for neglect, damage, accident to or escape or mortality of any animals or birds received by the Company hereunder, from any cause whatsoever.

4. Unless a greater valuation is declared at time of shipment and stated in this receipt, and a transportation charge for valuation and the charge of the Company for arranging same, paid or agreed to be paid, it is agreed that the value of the shipment receipted for as above does not exceed the sum of \$50 for any shipment of one hundred pounds or less, or 50 cents per pound actual weight for any shipment in excess of one hundred pounds, or the invoice value if less, and in no event exceeding \$100 per package or the equivalents in the currency of the country wherein this receipt is issued. The Company shall in no event be liable for a greater valuation per shipment than is hereinbefore agreed upon, and any partial loss or damage for which the Company may be liable shall be adjusted pro rata on the basis of such valuation.

5. In no event shall the Company be liable for any act, omission or default hereunder unless a claim therefor in writing shall be presented to it at a point of shipment within six months after date of shipment, in a statement to which this receipt and sworn proof of claim shall be attached. No suit to recover for any claim or demand hereunder shall in any event be maintainable against the Company unless instituted within one year after the presentation of the said claim as above provided. No agent or employee of the Company shall have authority to alter or waive any of the requirements of this clause.

6. It is further agreed that since the Company, and the "carriers" which will transfer and handle this shipment, will have no control over the shipment while in custody of government officials, a full and complete delivery will be deemed to have been made when the shipment shall have been delivered to custom house, government, or other authorities when so required by the law or custom regulations in force in country of destination; also if destination be an interior point, shipment may be stopped in transit at foreign ports, frontiers or depositories and held at owner's risk pending examination assessment and payment of duties, customs fees and other charges, all of which shall be a lien on the property. If the Company is to collect from the consignee, before delivery of the property above described, any sum of money, whether on behalf of the shipper or on behalf of the Company or otherwise, the Company may allow the property above described to remain in the custody of the customs officials or others and/or detain same at port of first arrival or interior (at the option of the Company) whether in warehouse depot or elsewhere, until such sum of money is received from the original or substituted consignee or owner. While holding in warehouse wherever situated or to whomsoever belonging, or during any interruption or detention in transit or at ports of transshipment or at destination,

shipment will be at owner's risk and expense, and any expense or charges accruing for storage, duties, taxes, customs or other items, shall be payable to the Company on demand, by the shipper, consignee, owner or assignee of this receipt. The shipper agrees to furnish such papers or documents as may be necessary to enable the Company to forward the said property to destination.

7. In the event that any charges or monies are to be collected from the consignee, whether on behalf of the shipper, of the Company, or otherwise, and the same are not paid, or in event that the consignee cannot be found or refuses to receive the shipment, or if for any other reason the shipment is not delivered, the Company reserves the right to permit or cause the disposal thereof in accordance with the laws, rules or practices of the country of destination (or other country if detained at port of arrival or frontier), or if the shipment is not consigned to order, to deliver it on the instruction of the shipper to a person other than the consignee named herein, or to order it to be returned at shipper's expense, subject to the conditions of this receipt. The Company may, however, permit or cause the shipment to be sold in accordance with the laws, rules and practices of the country of destination (or other country if detained at port of arrival or frontier), in order to satisfy any charges and expenses thereon, and in the event that the available proceeds of the sale fail to cover such charges, or in the event of disposal as aforesaid, the Company shall be entitled to recover from the shipper, consignee, owner or assignee of this receipt any balance remaining due or in the event of confiscation, destruction, or perishing of the shipment, or loss or damage thereto, the shipper, owner, consignee, or holder of this receipt will pay all accrued charges of whatsoever nature.

8. The Company will not in any event be liable for any shipment of platinum, gold, gold dust, silver, bullion, or other precious metals, coins, jewelry, bills of any bank or public body, diamonds or other precious stones or any gold or silver in a manufactured or unmanufactured state, watches, clock or time-pieces of any description, trinkets, orders, notes, or securities for payment of money, coupons, stamps, maps, writings, title-deeds, printings, engravings, pictures, gold or silver plate or plated articles, glass, china, silks in a manufactured or unmanufactured state, furs, lace, field and other glasses, or other valuables, unless at the time of delivering to the Company such shipment or the documents covering the same, a written notice of the true character and value thereof be given to the Company, notation thereof be made on this receipt, all of the Company's requirements with respect to the acceptance of such shipments complied with, and a transportation charge for valuation and the charge of the Company for arranging same be paid or agreed to be paid. The inclusion by the shipper of the aforementioned or other valuables in packages with other merchandise is prohibited.

9. Any fines, penalties, expenses, loss or damage which the Company or any "carrier" transporting or handling this property may incur or suffer on account of insufficiency of packing or packages, incorrect or insufficient marking of packages or description of contents, or the dangerous nature of such contents, or the non-conformity with customs, quarantine or other laws, regulations or requirements, or from undervaluation or misdescription of the property by shipper, owner or consignee, or from erroneous invoices, or from any other cause, shall be paid on demand by the shipper, consignee, owner or assignee of this receipt, and a lien may be enforced upon the goods for the payment thereof.

Any person who shall omit to fully declare the nature of any explosive, inflammable or otherwise dangerous matter, and to plainly mark the nature of the contents on the outside of the package, will render himself liable for any damage or penalties arising from such goods, whether such shipper shall be aware of the nature of such goods or not and whether such shipper shall be principal or agent only.

10. The shipper, owner, consignee or holder of this document agrees to accept from the Company a bill of lading, delivery order or other document entitling the holder thereof to receive delivery of the said property from the "carrier" in whose possession said property may be at destination; and the delivery of such bill of lading, delivery order or other document to the shipper, owner, consignee or holder of this document shall be a full performance of the Company's obligation hereunder to make arrangements for the delivery and/or to effect delivery of said property.

11. In the event of this document being issued at an interior point in exchange for railroad, express or other carrier's bill of lading or receipt the company shall be under no obligation to take any action whatsoever hereunder with reference to said property until the same has reached the destination specified in the said bill of lading or receipt of said railroad, express company or other carrier, and said carrier is there ready to tender delivery of said property.

12. It is agreed that any claim, demand or question arising out of this shipment and document shall be determined according to the law of the State of New York, in all cases where the shipment involves importation into or exportation from the United States of America.

13. "The Company," as the term is used both on the face and on the back of this document, shall be deemed to refer either to (1) the company issuing this document, whether it be the American Express Company, The American Express Co., Inc., or one of the companies affiliated therewith as listed below: or (2) any one of said companies to whom the above described property, or documents controlling the same, are forwarded in order that it may participate in carrying out the obligations of this document; in such latter event, upon receipt of such property or documents from the company issuing this instrument, the obligation of said issuing company for performance of any further acts under this document shall cease, and thereafter such obligation, together with the benefit of any relevant provisions of this document, shall be that of the company so receiving the property or documents.

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## Offices of AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY, The AMERICAN EXPRESS CO., Inc., and Affiliated Companies.

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### UNITED STATES AND CANADA

#### AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY

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BRUSSELS	INTERLAKEN
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MUNICH

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--One (1) small case-- SAID TO CONTAIN 2 fieldglasses, 3 canteens & 12  
(Description and contents as declared by shipper)  
field-books.**WEIGHT** declared by shipper. ---- **VALUE** declared by shipper. Yuen \$ Three hundred only.**CONSIGNEE TO** Dr. E. N. Dressman,**AT** Bureau of Plant Industry, Dept. of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., USA

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For account of shipper. (See Par. 6 on back hereof.) (Write amount in words as well as figures)

Transportation charges as shown above do not include charges in foreign countries for duties, customs or revenue items, service for customs clearance port or terminal charges or expenses, or cartage to consignee's local address.

The shipper, consignee, assignee of this receipt and/or owner of the goods shall pay the expenses of customs entry, any duties, customs or revenue items, taxes and other charges incidental to transportation, including terminal charges or expenses, cartage to consignee's local address, charges or expenses for storage, wharfage, labor, cartage, lighterage, hoisting, handling or transshipment or resulting from any interruption of service or delay charges for special services, and also the charges of the Company for its services.

All the terms and provisions on the face and back of this receipt are agreed to by the shipper, by the acceptance of this receipt.

For information re. the above shipment, apply **The AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY, Inc.,**  
to American Express Co., F.T.D., 65 Broadway, New York, N.Y., U. S. A. Per

G. de Roerich  
For the ShipperS. J. Howard  
For the Company.

(The provisions on the back of this receipt define and limit the liability of the Company; none of these provisions can in any manner be altered or waived by any agent or employee of the Company)

**NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.**

Articles of a fragile or breakable nature should be carefully packed and securely boxed; when the goods are susceptible to damage by the elements, dampness or mildew or otherwise, they should be packed in metal or other properly lined cases, or if of a character to invite theft or pilferage, the cases should be securely strapped, corded and sealed. Before offering shipments of an explosive, inflammable or dangerous nature, shippers should specially inquire of the Company to ascertain whether arrangements for transportation can be made and conditions thereof (See paragraph 9 on back of this receipt).



1. It is agreed that the Company is the shipping agent of the Shipper, with respect to the property described on the face of this receipt, and does not act as a carrier, and that the Company shall not be liable in any manner as a carrier and shall have performed its whole duty with respect to said property when it makes arrangements for same to be delivered to a "carrier" for transportation and receives therefor a bill of lading or receipt, or makes arrangement for transportation to a port of entry or customary railway station for the address of the consignee set forth herein. In the event that the Company shall not receive from the "carrier" a through bill of lading or receipt to such port of entry or railway station, the Company agrees, subject to the terms and conditions on the face and back of this receipt, as agent for the shipper, to make such arrangements as may be practicable at the port or ports of transshipment for the transfer, transshipment and/or forwarding of said property to a port of entry or customary railway station for the address of consignee designated herein. Upon making such arrangements at said port or ports of transshipment, the Company shall be deemed to have performed its whole duty with respect to such property.

Should there be any interruption in service via designated or customary routes of "carriers" the Company may without notice to the shipper, cause the property to be forwarded via other routes or "carriers."

2. The Company shall in no event be liable or responsible for any loss of or damage or delay to said property caused by the acts, negligence or default of any "carrier" or "carriers" or of any officer or employee thereof, or occurring while the property above described is in the custody of any "carrier."

The Company assumes no obligations for delivery of the property within any specified time and shall not be liable for any delay, or loss or expense resulting therefrom or due to any act, neglect or defaults of any carrier, or to the failure of any carrier to furnish proper or adequate service, or to congestion, or to the inability of the Company to obtain transportation facilities.

It is agreed that any claim or demand for loss, damage or delay shall lie only against the "carrier" having actual custody of the property en route, and that the Company shall not be liable or responsible for any claim or demand hereunder from any cause whatsoever unless in each case the damages alleged to have been suffered be proven to have been caused by the negligence of the Company or of its officers or employees.

3. The Company shall in no event be liable for any loss, damage or delay to said property or to any part thereof occasioned by act of God, by perils or accidents of the sea or other waters, or of navigation or transportation of whatsoever nature or kind; by fire or explosion from any cause whatsoever occurring; by theft or pilferage by any person whatsoever; by arrest or restraint of governments, princes, rulers or peoples or those purporting to exercise governmental or other authority; by legal process or stoppage in transit; by fumigation or other acts or requirements of quarantine or sanitary authorities; by epidemics, pestilence, riots or rebellions, by war or by any of the dangers incident to a state of war, or by acts of any person or group of persons purporting to wage war or to act as a belligerent; by strikes or stoppage of labor or labor troubles, whether of carrier's employees or others; by unseaworthiness of any vessel, lighter or other craft whatsoever, although existing at time of shipment on board thereof or at the beginning of the voyage, by water, heating or effects of climate, frost, decay, smell, taint, rust, sweat, dampness, mildew spotting, rain or spray, inherent vice, drainage, leakage, breakage, vermin; improper or insufficient packing, inaccuracies or omissions, errors, insufficiency or absence of marks, numbers, address or description of goods; nor for breakage of any fragile articles or damage to any materials consisting of or contained in glass; nor shall this Company be held liable or responsible for any damage to or resulting from dangerous corrosive, explosive or inflammable goods, even if the true nature has been declared to the Company; nor for neglect, damage, accident to or escape or mortality of any animals or birds received by the Company hereunder, from any cause whatsoever.

4. Unless a greater valuation is declared at time of shipment and stated in this receipt, and a transportation charge for valuation and the charge of the Company for arranging same, paid or agreed to be paid, it is agreed that the value of the shipment receipted for as above does not exceed the sum of \$50 for any shipment of one hundred pounds or less, or 50 cents per pound actual weight for any shipment in excess of one hundred pounds, or the invoice value if less, and in no event exceeding \$100 per package or the equivalents in the currency of the country wherein this receipt is issued. The Company shall in no event be liable for a greater valuation per shipment than is hereinbefore agreed upon, and any partial loss or damage for which the Company may be liable shall be adjusted pro rata on the basis of such valuation.

5. In no event shall the Company be liable for any act, omission or default hereunder unless a claim therefor in writing shall be presented to it at a point of shipment within six months after date of shipment, in a statement to which this receipt and sworn proof of claim shall be attached. No suit to recover for any claim or demand hereunder shall in any event be maintainable against the Company unless instituted within one year after the presentation of the said claim as above provided. No agent or employee of the Company shall have authority to alter or waive any of the requirements of this clause.

6. It is further agreed that since the Company, and the "carriers" which will transfer and handle this shipment, will have no control over the shipment while in custody of government officials, a full and complete delivery will be deemed to have been made when the shipment shall have been delivered to custom house, government, or other authorities when so required by the law or custom regulations in force in country of destination; also if destination be an interior point, shipment may be stopped in transit at foreign ports, frontiers or depositories and held at owner's risk pending examination assessment and payment of duties, customs fees and other charges, all of which shall be a lien on the property. If the Company is to collect from the consignee, before delivery of the property above described, any sum of money, whether on behalf of the shipper or on behalf of the Company or otherwise, the Company may allow the property above described to remain in the custody of the customs officials or others and/or detain same at port of first arrival or interior (at the option of the Company) whether in warehouse depot or elsewhere, until such sum of money is received from the original or substituted consignee or owner. While holding in warehouse wherever situated or to whomsoever belonging, or during any interruption or detention in transit or at ports of transshipment or at destination,

shipment will be at owner's risk and expense, and any expense or charges accruing for storage, duties, taxes, customs or other items, shall be payable to the Company on demand, by the shipper, consignee, owner or assignee of this receipt. The shipper agrees to furnish such papers or documents as may be necessary to enable the Company to forward the said property to destination.

7. In the event that any charges or monies are to be collected from the consignee, whether on behalf of the shipper, of the Company, or otherwise, and the same are not paid, or in event that the consignee cannot be found or refuses to receive the shipment, or if for any other reason the shipment is not delivered, the Company reserves the right to permit or cause the disposal thereof in accordance with the laws, rules or practices of the country of destination (or other country if detained at port of arrival or frontier), or if the shipment is not consigned to order, to deliver it on the instruction of the shipper to a person other than the consignee named herein, or to order it to be returned at shipper's expense, subject to the conditions of this receipt. The Company may, however, permit or cause the shipment to be sold in accordance with the laws, rules and practices of the country of destination (or other country if detained at port of arrival or frontier), in order to satisfy any charges and expenses thereon, and in the event that the available proceeds of the sale fail to cover such charges, or in the event of disposal as aforesaid, the Company shall be entitled to recover from the shipper, consignee, owner or assignee of this receipt any balance remaining due or in the event of confiscation, destruction, or perishing of the shipment, or loss or damage thereto, the shipper, owner, consignee, or holder of this receipt will pay all accrued charges of whatsoever nature.

8. The Company will not in any event be liable for any shipment of platinum, gold, gold dust, silver, bullion, or other precious metals, coins, jewelry, bills of any bank or public body, diamonds or other precious stones or any gold or silver in a manufactured or unmanufactured state, watches, clock or time-pieces of any description, trinkets, orders, notes, or securities for payment of money, coupons, stamps, maps, writings, title-deeds, printings, engravings, pictures, gold or silver plate or plated articles, glass, china, silks in a manufactured or unmanufactured state, furs, lace, field and other glasses, or other valuables, unless at the time of delivering to the Company such shipment or the documents covering the same, a written notice of the true character and value thereof be given to the Company, notation thereof be made on this receipt, all of the Company's requirements with respect to the acceptance of such shipments complied with, and a transportation charge for valuation and the charge of the Company for arranging same be paid or agreed to be paid. The inclusion by the shipper of the aforementioned or other valuables in packages with other merchandise is prohibited.

9. Any fines, penalties, expenses, loss or damage which the Company or any "carrier" transporting or handling this property may incur or suffer on account of insufficiency of packing or packages, incorrect or insufficient marking of packages or description of contents, or the dangerous nature of such contents, or the non-conformity with customs, quarantine or other laws, regulations or requirements, or from undervaluation or misdescription of the property by shipper, owner or consignee, or from erroneous invoices, or from any other cause, shall be paid on demand by the shipper, consignee, owner or assignee of this receipt, and a lien may be enforced upon the goods for the payment thereof.

Any person who shall omit to fully declare the nature of any explosive, inflammable or otherwise dangerous matter, and to plainly mark the nature of the contents on the outside of the package, will render himself liable for any damage or penalties arising from such goods, whether such shipper shall be aware of the nature of such goods or not and whether such shipper shall be principal or agent only.

10. The shipper, owner, consignee or holder of this document agrees to accept from the Company a bill of lading, delivery order or other document entitling the holder thereof to receive delivery of the said property from the "carrier" in whose possession said property may be at destination; and the delivery of such bill of lading, delivery order or other document to the shipper, owner, consignee or holder of this document shall be a full performance of the Company's obligation hereunder to make arrangements for the delivery and/or to effect delivery of said property.

11. In the event of this document being issued at an interior point in exchange for railroad, express or other carrier's bill of lading or receipt the company shall be under no obligation to take any action whatsoever hereunder with reference to said property until the same has reached the destination specified in the said bill of lading or receipt of said railroad, express company or other carrier, and said carrier is there ready to tender delivery of said property.

12. It is agreed that any claim, demand or question arising out of this shipment and document shall be determined according to the law of the State of New York, in all cases where the shipment involves importation into or exportation from the United States of America.

13. "The Company," as the term is used both on the face and on the back of this document, shall be deemed to refer either to (1) the company issuing this document, whether it be the American Express Company, The American Express Co., Inc., or one of the companies affiliated therewith as listed below; or (2) any one of said companies to whom the above described property, or documents controlling the same, are forwarded in order that it may participate in carrying out the obligations of this document; in such latter event, upon receipt of such property or documents from the company issuing this instrument, the obligation of said issuing company for performance of any further acts under this document shall cease, and thereafter such obligation, together with the benefit of any relevant provisions of this document, shall be that of the company so receiving the property or documents.

NOTICE: In view of the fact that many of the bills of lading, receipts, etc., in use by the "carriers" contain provisions requiring extremely short notice of claim for loss or damage to goods, consignees are warned for their own protection to give immediate notice of claim in writing in case of loss or damage to this shipment to the last "carrier" from which such consignees take delivery. If loss or damage is discovered or suspected before removal of the property from wharf, warehouse, railroad station, or other medium of delivery by the "carrier," notice of claim in writing should be given to said "carrier" by consignee before removal of the goods.

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