

Messrs. C. & Sons,

S. L. 25th March, 1851.

GENTLEMEN,

We beg reference to the prefixed circular of our Mr. T. W. announcing the establishment of our firm in this city.

We shall be proud to be favored with your orders, in the execution of which we will neglect nothing that can contribute towards giving you entire satisfaction.

At foot you will find our respective signatures, to which we request your attention, as likewise to that of Mr. W. W. (son of our principal) who has authority to sign for us by procuration.

With great regard, we subscribe ourselves, gentlemen,

Your faithful, humble servants,

W. & E.

Signature of

T. W. W. & E.
R. E. W. & E.
W. W. p. pro. W. & E.

W. W.

Messrs. C. & Sons,

S. N., 25th March, 1851.

GENTLEMEN,

We take the liberty of informing you that we have this day commenced business here, in connection with the house of W. & E. of C.

Permit us, at the same time, to make you a tender of our services at this port, accompanied by an assurance that your interest will be attended to, uniformly, with the most conscientious zeal, and that our resources are such as to place it always in our power to afford you every facility.

Referring to our respective signatures subjoined, and in expectation or being shortly favored with your commands, we remain, gentlemen,

Your most obedient servants.

T. W. & Son.

Mr. T. W. will sign. T. W. & Son.
Mr. J. C. W. will sign. T. W. & Son.

A DRAFT SENT TO HAVE IT ACCEPTED
AND PAID.

J. M. Esq.,

G. London, 7th April, 1851.

SIR,

I beg leave to trouble you with the inclosed draft (draught) for two thousand dollars, at thirty days' sight, on Mr. J. C., of A. which I shall be obliged by your getting accepted, and retaining in your possession until due, at which time you can remit me the amount.

If acceptance be refused, please to have the bill protested.

I am, as ever, sir, most respectfully yours;

H. W. M.

ANSWER.

H. W. M. Esq.,

L. G. 15th April, 1851.

SIR,

I dispatched a messenger to A. to present the draft of two thousand dollars for acceptance; which, however, Mr. C. refuses, having no assets. We have no notary living nearer than B. so that I could not employ one to protest personally,

and shall, therefore, be glad of your instructions how to act. I can write on the bill "refuses to accept," or I can keep it till due, which will be thirty days from the 11th inst., and then, if not paid, write "no effects." I shall be happy to attend to your wishes.

I am, sir, very truly yours.

J. M.

REPLY.

J. M. Esq.,

G. L. 17th April, 1851.

SIR,

In consequence of Mr. C's refusal to accept the draft of two thousand dollars, I must beg of you to have it duly protested by a notary from B., or elsewhere, as you may find most convenient, and return it to me without delay.

Regretting the trouble thus occasioned you, I am sir, truly yours,

H. W. M.

OPORTO WINE TRADE.

Messrs. T. Brothers,

H. L. 6th September, 1850.

GENTLEMEN,

Inclosed, I beg to hand you a letter received this morning by the "D." via F. from O., and which will, no doubt, inform you of the arrival out of the "M., on the 25th ult., and that she was expected to be loaded in about three weeks from that time for your port. My friends advise me that they intended to ship your 15 pipes by her at 15 dollars per ton freight.

I remain, gentlemen, your most obedient servant,

J. T. F.

CONSIGNMENT OF HAVANA SUGAR.

Messrs. J. L. & Co.,

L. L., 6th December, 1850.

GENTLEMEN,

Referring you to our letter of the 28th ult., we have now to advise the shipment of your 1000 boxes of H. Sugar in the "A. B." for H., to the consignment of M. L. R., agreeably

to your directions. Inclosed you will please to receive Bill of Lading and Invoice thereof; the latter amounts to— dollars, for which sum we have valued on you under this date, at fifteen days' sight, to the order of J., P. & Co., which draft we recommend to your protection, thus closing this transaction. We have transmitted a Bill of Lading to M. L. R. by the vessel. Awaiting the pleasure of your further commands, we remain faithfully,

Your obedient servants,

J. P. & Co.

L., 10th December, 1850.

Messrs J. L. & Co.,

N.

Gentlemen:

We have to acknowledge the receipt of your esteemed letter of the 6th inst, inclosing Bill of Lading and Invoice of the 500 boxes of H. Sugar, shipped in the "M." to Havre; for the invoice amount whereof— dollars, we have credited your account, and on the other hand debited it with a similar sum, being the amount of your draft at fifteen days' sight, to the order of J., P. & Co., which has been duly honored. With many thanks for your attention to our orders, in transmitting a bill of lading to the consignee by the vessel, we remain

Your most obedient servants,

J. B. & Co.

A FOREIGN BILL OF EXCHANGE.

L., 6th December, 1850.

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At fifteen days' sight, pay this our first of exchange (second and third not paid) to the order of Messrs _____, _____ dollars. for value received, ad advised by

Your obedient servants,

J. L. & Co.

Messrs. J. B. & Co.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION.

M., July 16th, 1851.

W. O. S. Esq.

N.

Dear Sir,

Our friend and relation, Mr. _____ being about proceeding to H., to join his house there, trading under the firm of _____ and proposing to make a short stay in your capital, we take the liberty, by the present, which he will have the honor of delivering, to introduce him to your acquaintance and friendship.

This gentleman will embrace the opportunity now afforded him of stating to you the nature of his establishment, which we beg to recommend to your notice, and if in your power, to promote his views, by throwing a share of your business in that quarter into the hands of said friends, we should be much obliged by your doing so.

We also beg to solicit your friendly civilities in favor of Mr. _____ during his sojourn in your city, assuring you that any personal attentions you may be pleased to show him we shall esteem as done to ourselves, and be happy in having opportunities of reciprocating.

Should Mr. _____ require any supplies of cash whilst with you, we shall thank you to furnish them on our account, and remain

Your respectful and obedient servants,

H. BROTHERS.

BILL OF LADING.

Shipped in good order and well-conditioned, by J. L. & Co., in and upon the good ship called the "M.," whereof is master for this present voyage, Captain W. P. and now riding at anchor in the L. Docks, and bound for H. *five hundred boxes of Havana Sugar*, bein marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered in the like good order and well-conditioned, at the aforesaid port of H, (the act of God, fire, and all and every other dangers and accidents of the seas, rivers, and navigation of whatever nature or kind soever excepted), unto M. O. (or to his assigns), on paying freight for the said boxes, — *dollars, and five per cent.* prime and average accustomed. In witness whereof,

the master or purser of the said ship hath affirmed to four bills of lading, all of this tenor and date; the one of which four bills being accomplished, the other three to stand void.

Dated in N. 6th December, 1851.

W. P.

INVOICE.

Invoice of 500 boxes of H. Sugar, shipped by J. L. & Co., to H. by the "M." P., master, by order and for account of Messrs. J. B. & Co., of L.

L.	500 boxes of H. Sugar, weighing, as per specification annexed,	Dollars.	Cts.
1 to 500	Net.....dollar at.....s. per arroba.....\$.....		
	Boxes.....s. each.....		
	CHARGES.		
	To export duty.....s. per box.....\$.....		
	Weighing, cartage etc.....		
	Brokerage.... per cent.....		
	Commission for purchase..... per cent.....		
	Commission on draft..... per cent.....		

E. E.—New York, 6th December, 1850.

J. L. & Co.

Receipt.

Received, New York, May 9th, 1860, from Mr. N., the sum of One thousand four hundred twenty-two dollars, three shillings and sixpence, in full of all demands up to date.

P. E.

\$1422. 43 1/2.

Promissory Note.

New York, March 10th, 1860. Sixty days after date, I promise to pay to Joseph Bueno, Esq., or order, the sum of Five hundred dollars, for value received.

A. F.

\$500.

An inland or domestic bill of exchange.

México, 20th January, 1886.

Sixty days after date, pay to me or my order five hundred and seven dollars, for value received.

F. P. C.

Messrs. R. & Co.

An indorsement.

Veracruz, September 9th, 1885.

Pay to Messrs. D. C. & Co., or order, for value received.

H. P.

Advertisements.

For sale, a handsome twostory house, six windows wide, situated in the C., corner of P. street. For further particulars, call on, or address, A. Q., agent, No. 6 W. street.

A French cook, who has served in some of the first hotels in Paris, wishes a situation in a private family.

Address A. B., box 2356, Havana Post-office.

CORRESPONDENCIA FAMILIAR.

*From a gentleman to his friend in distressed circumstances,
who had endeavored to conceal his poverty.*

DEAR SIR,

I am extremely concerned to find you have so ill an opinion of me as to hide your misfortunes, and let me hear of them from another hand. I know not how to interpret your conduct, as it makes me fear you never esteemed my friendship, if you could imagine that any alteration in your circumstances should ever be able to change my love. I had a different opinion of our mutual obligations to each other, and should have thought it an injury to your generous nature, had I concealed any thing concerning myself from you, though it might have lessened me in your esteem. I hoped, till now, you had put the same confidence in me, who had nothing to recommend me to your favor but plain sincerity of soul, and whose sole design was to promote the happiness of my friend.

I dare not quarrel with you now, lest you should consider me as taking the advantage of you in your present distress, and induce you to break off a correspondence as dear to me as ever; and this leads me to say something of real friendship in general. Real friendship is not confined to any station in life; it is common in the meanest cottage, and has even sometimes been found in the palace. Simplicity of manners, and integrity in all our actions, naturally lead us to expect sincerity in the conduct of those with whom we are any way

connected. The imperfections incident to human nature are so numerous, that we are solicitous of finding some person to whom we can unbosom our minds, and lay open the inmost recesses of our hearts. A real friend, in order to preserve the character he has assumed, will, in the first place, endeavor to discharge every duty incumbent upon him to all his fellow-creatures. But still there is something wanting; and although we may be philanthropists in general, yet we like to place our affections on one particular object.

Why, my friend, any suspicion of my sincerity? Why did you conceal your distress from me? Friendship is of too sacred a nature to be trifled with, and the man who does not act consistent with his professions prostitutes that amiable appellation. No mental reservation can be used in friendship; for whenever that happens there is some doubt of sincerity which for the most part ends either in total indifference, or, which is infinitely worse, an absolute hatred. I am sorry to say that there are few people who either know or value the blessings of friendship; if they did, they would not, upon every frivolous occasion, find fault with the conduct of their fellow-creatures.

At present, my dear friend, let my purse, however empty, be at your service, but let it never be more open than my heart. Conceal nothing from me, and all I have is yours. We were once friends, let us only remain so. Let me hear an account from you of your present circumstances, and my last shilling shall be spent in your service. Let the sincerity of my friendship be estimated only according to my actions; and if it shall appear that I have acted inconsistent with the sacred name of friendship, let me be forever blotted out of your memory.

I am, sir, your sincere well-wisher.

Dr. N. to Mrs. N. on the Death of her Husband.

DEAREST MADAM;

Of your injunctions to pray for you and write to you, I hope to leave neither unobserved; and I hope to find you willing, in a short time, to alleviate your trouble by some other exercise of mind. I am not without my part of the calamity. No death since that of my wife has ever oppressed me like this. But let us remember that we are in the hands of Him who knows when to give and when to take away; who will look upon us with mercy, through all our variations of existence, and who invites us to call on Him in the day of trouble. Call upon Him in this great revolution of life, and call with confidence. You there find comfort for the past and support for the future. He that has given you happiness in marriage, to a degree of which without personal knowledge I should have thought the description fabulous, can give you another mode of happiness as a mother; and at last the happiness of losing all temporal cares in thoughts of an eternity in heaven.

I do not exhort you to reason yourself into tranquillity. We must first pray, and then labor; first implore the blessing of God, and those means which he puts into our hands. Cultivated ground has few weeds; a mind occupied by lawful business has little room for useless regret.

We read the will to-day; but I will not fill my first letter with any other account than that, with all my zeal for your advantage, I am satisfied, and that the other executors, more used to consider property than I, commend it for wisdom and equity. Yet why should I not tell you that you have five hundred pounds for your immediate expenses, and two thousand pounds a year, with both the houses, and all the goods?

Let us pray for one another, that the time, whether long or short, that shall yet be granted us may be well spent; and that when this life, which at the longest is very short shall come to an end, a better may begin which shall never end.

I am, dearest madam, yours respectfully and devotedly.

From a Gentleman who had long neglected the Correspondence of a Friend.

DEAR SIR,

When I look back to the date of your two last, and reflect on the length of time they have remained unanswered, I feel the most poignant sensations of shame and regret. I will not aggravate the impropriety of my omission by amusing you with childish excuses of illness and business, but confess that an unaccountable negligence, and foolish habit of procrastination, have made me so inattentive; I throw myself on your kindness, to excuse my fault, to renew our interrupted correspondence, and must entreat you not to consider me as deficient in friendship for you, though appearance goes so far towards my condemnation in that particular.

I beg it with an ill grace, but as my ease of mind depends on it, must request you to favor me with an answer to this as soon as possible; let me know every thing which may have interested you since you wrote last; I have many things to communicate, but am resolved to devote this letter to apology alone, and to the purpose of assuring you how sincerely I am, dear sir,

Yours affectionately.

To a Corresponded, requesting the Payment of a Sum of Money.

Sir,

Although the balance of the account between us has been standing in my favor, yet I would not have applied to you at present, had not a very unexpected demand been made upon me for a very considerable sum, which, without your assistance, is not in my power to answer. When I have an opportunity of seeing you I shall inform you of the nature of this demand, and the necessity of my discharging it. I hope you will excuse me this freedom, which nothing but a regard to my credit and family could oblige me to take. If it does not suit you to remit the whole, part will be thankfully received by.

Your humble servant.

ANSWER.

Sir,

I have just received yours, and am sorry to hear of your affliction. That the account between us was not sooner settled, was owing to the failure of my two principal debtors. I have just received a remittance from New Orleans, and am greatly pleased that it is in my power to answer the whole of your demand. The balance between us is two thousand dollars, for which I have sent an order on Mr.——, the banker. I hope you will surmount this and every other difficulty, and am

Your sincere well-wisher

NOTES

Mr. B.—presents his best compliments to Mr. C.... and will be happy to have the pleasure of his company to dinner, at five on Tuesday next.

Thursday morning.

Mr. C—— presents his best compliments to Mr. B—— and will be happy to avail himself of his kind invitation to dinner on Tuesday next.

Mr. C——'s best compliments to Mr. B—— and has much pleasure in accepting his kind (ô polite) invitation to dinner on Tuesday next.

Mr. C——'s (best) compliments to Mr. B—— and regrets that a previous engagement prevents his accepting Mr. B——'s kind invitation to dinner on Tuesday next.

Thursday evening.

Mr. C——'s best compliments to Mr. B—— and will have much pleasure in joining his dinner-party on Tuesday next.

Mr. C—— expects however, ~~he~~ will have to leave town for a couple of days to-morrow; and should his absence be protracted beyond what he calculates upon, hopes Mr. B—— will excuse him.

Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. W——'s best compliments to Mr. and Mrs. S—— and request the pleasure of the company to tea and supper, at eight on Saturday evening next, to meet a few friends.

Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. S——'s best compliments to Mr. and Mrs. W—— and have much pleasure in accepting their friendly invitation to tea and supper on Saturday evening.

Friday morning.

Mrs. Henry Bouton requests the pleasure of the Misses D——'s company to an evening party on Monday, 23d inst.

New York. Ath st., No. 80, 1st February.

The Misses D—— have the honor to accept Mrs. Henry Bouton's obliging invitation for the 23d.

The Misses D—— regret (exceedingly) that a previous engagement prevents their accepting Mrs. Henry Bouton's polite invitation for the 23d.

Philadelphia, Chestnut St., No. 152, 5th February.

The Misses Teetson beg the favor of Miss B—— and sister's company to spend the evening on Thursday, 2d March, at 7 o'clock.

—, —, 26th February.

Miss B—— and sister regret that their mother's serious indisposition obliges them to decline the Misses Teetson's polite invitation.