

Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala

1933, October 22

Dear Mr Jayne

Its some time since Ive troubled you with my correspondence. I was much obliged by your letter of December 13th, of last year, and by the accompanying photographs.

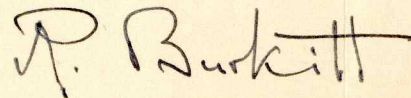
I have to say, though, that photographs of the same things had already been sent to me by Miss Baker so early as the preceding April. I got her photographs in May, and immediatly sent her an acknowledgment; and afterwards, with the notion of preventing duplication, sent a copy of that acknowledgment to you. Perhaps you were away.

Reading your December letter, which I have before me, I might suppose that you wrote in answer to a letter of mine written in the preceding March, when I was on the south coast. But that March letter of mine enclosed a photograph, a photograph of a little gold dish; and your December letter is silent about that photograph. Could you be so kind as to let me know whether the photograph reached you? Im reminded to ask you, by the fact that during the rains Ive been putting together a piece of catalogue for the Museum, and have spoken of that photograph as if you had it; which may not be the case.

I have to express my thanks for several Museum Journals. South America and the east were some of the subjects, and I specially remember a classical number. I hope things at the Museum are getting better; and with many respects to Miss McHugh,

I remain

Yours very truly
R Burkitt



Horace H. F. Jayne, Esq.
Pennsylvania University Museum
Philadelphia

November 10, 1933

Mr. Robert Burditt,
Rda. al Consulado General Ingles,
Ciudad Guatemala,
Guatemala, C. A.

Dear Mr. Burditt:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of October 22nd. I should have mentioned when I wrote you last year that the photograph you spoke of did not accompany the letter I was then replying to. I remarked this fact at the time but neglected to speak of it in my letter. Will you, therefore, include a new print of it in the catalogue which you are preparing for us, and which we shall look forward to receiving at your convenience?

The Museum's affairs are going along as well as can be expected in these times, and on the whole there seems to be a slight improvement in general conditions. Miss McHugh asks me to send you her regards.

Yours sincerely,

Horace H. F. Jayne
DIRECTOR.

Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala

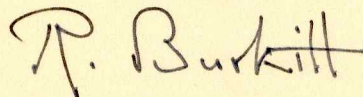
1933, December 8

Dear Mr Jayne

I was much obliged
last week by your letter of November 10th.
Ive ordered a new print; which along with
my catalogue I'll try and find a safe way
of sending.

Yours very truly

R. Burkitt



Mr Horace H. F. Jayne
Pennsylvania University Museum
Philadelphia

Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala

1934, February 12

Dear Mr Jayne

I wrote you on December 8 in answer to your writing of November 10. I now send you the catalogue and photograph that I mentioned, together with several other photographs; getting them out of the country, not by the native post, but by the post of the United States legation.

In my letter of the 1st of February, 1932, I told you that I was doing something at the place Saint Vincents, on the Pacific slope; and in the catalogue and plan and photographs under the heading of 1118/24, you'll see as much as you'll care to see, probably, of the nature of the work. I left those diggings unfinished. I should very much like, some time, to see them finished. But so far as I'd been able to get with them they had given me little or no plunder, and after about six weeks work I quitted them (considering your letters) and went to the other work that I had arranged for; which was not on the Pacific but on the Atlantic side of the country, among caves and ruins in the basin of the river Caabón.

That Caabón country is the concern of the last part of my catalogue, 1126/54. My operations in that country, as you'll see, were more fruitful than those at Saint Vincents; and during April, May, June, and July, with a great deal of interruption through the difficulty of getting labour, I was able to do as much as two months work, or a little more. But I became afraid of cutting too deep into your budget; and though at Aintún I finished one stage of one digging, the work as a whole, like the work at Saint Vincents, remains unfinished.

Along with the catalogue I send you a money account. In my 1932 letter, that I've mentioned, I hoped that the balance against the Museum might not be more than about 1500 dollars. And you'll see that for some things that I've done I've made no charge. One thing, a thing that took me the best part of a month, was early in that year, 1932; a long rambling journey that I made on the Pacific slope. It was in the course of that journey that I discovered the most important single thing in the catalogue, the monument 1125, in the province of Escuintla; and the journey finally ended at the Ocosito river - in fact precisely at that mound that you have a picture of in my photo 291. There I turned my horse. I've made no charge for that journey. And again I've made no charge, though I should usually have done so, for writing this instalment of catalogue. Yet you see that the total bill comes up to the 1500 dollars, and half as much again.

The excess is in two parts. You see by the balance at the end of 1932, which is the same as to say, at the end of all my field work, the excess was only about 500 dollars. But you'll be surprised to see that I had some Museum business in 1933. I

was surprised my self. It was in connexion with the Museum boxes. There are no such things in Guatemala as warehouses for the hire of storage, and I've constantly stored the boxes in private houses. And in August of last year I had information that I didn't at all like, about the person with whom the boxes (or the greater part of the boxes) were stored; information connected with a bankruptcy. I took alarm. I was in the northern provinces, but I went to Guatemala City, in good time, as it turned out, and put the boxes in a new place. The new place is a little out of the way, but a place where the boxes will be perfectly safe, I believe, for as long as you please.

It was then of course the rainy season. And just as I was about to quit Guatemala, it came on to rain worse than for many years, and over a great part of the country. The cart road to the neighbouring town of Antigua was washed out, so that only horsemen could get through. Long stretches of the railway were also washed out, both on the Atlantic side and on the Pacific; and Guatemala City, which has come to depend very much on the railway, was in something like a state of siege. Women fought in the market for a stick of fire wood. As my animals were at the coast, I had nothing to do but to wait till there should be a train or a flying machine. Train service to the Atlantic remained interrupted, I believe, for over a month. I finally got out to a certain point by flying, but my journey to Guatemala was drawn out to five weeks. I don't charge you for the time I was marooned in town, which I found some way of partly employing. But I charge you of course my expenses, and the time of travelling; which accounts for the second part of what I spoke of as the excess in the bill.

Among the expenses for the year 1931, in that bill, you'll find a small item that you might be inclined to disallow, an item of 25 dollars on account of the Museum's business in the Petén. The year before, when Dr Mason was here, my part in helping towards your Petén concession was mainly to make sure of a particular man. He was the man who was certain to be called on by the government to report on the propriety of what the Museum was after; and it was the lack of his support that had contributed, more than any other one thing, to the abortion of Dr Spindens similar project of a couple of years earlier. I saw this man. I had had some dealing with him already, on Museum business, in the time of Mr Gordon. I told him how we hoped to have his favourable report; and should be glad if in the mean time he would see ministers and others, and use for the Museum what ever opportunities of talking he might have. As in so doing he might be a little out of pocket (I told him) for coaches and cigars and so on, I handed him 25 dollars to cover such expenses; and went on to say, that if the Museum's application went through successfully, he should have in addition, an honorarium of 250 dollars. The man was immediately gained. He gave Dr Mason help (as he was very competent to do) in drafting applications and things, and when the moment came, made the desired favourable report, and the concession went through.- I wasn't in Guatemala City at the last moment, but I was there some months afterwards, and happened again to see this man I speak of. And now to my

surprise, though the man made no precise complaint against any body, it came out that the final 250 dollars that I had promised him, had been reduced to 225; by cutting out of it, by a quibble, the 25 dollars that he had had for expenses.

I must decline business so conducted. I'm not concerned with the mans good or bad opinion of the Museum, but how can I do business if my bargains are no good? I paid the man his 25 dollars, and those are the 25 dollars that Ive put down to the account of the Museums business in the Petén. If you think that they ought not to be put down, you will please deduct them from the total of the bill.

If you find the account otherwise correct,- I suppose youre now out of your difficulties; and it would be convenient to me if (at your own convenience) you could let me have 1 draft for \$1000; 2 drafts for \$500 each; 4 for \$50 each; and one for the remainder. In case you still care to delay, how ever, Im quite content, for the present, to have you do so; understanding of course that you let me have the intrest that you suggest, and holding the principal subject to say three months notice.

The catalogue and the photographs in the main speak for themselves, but thers one thing in the catalogue that I may add a word about. Youll see at once the great intrest, both popular and antiquarian, of the rock carving of 1125. I have to say that thers a possibility, if you wish, that you might get that extraordinary carving for the Museum. When I saw the owner, he himself asked me whether I wouldnt like to have it. The plan, of ~~X~~ course, would be to saw off the face of the stone, and break it carefully in pieces, and ship the pieces.

So much for my enclosures.- Let me ask, did you get a copy of something of mine that was published last year in Vienna, something about two other carvings existing in the neighbourhood of this that Ive just mentioned? I ordered a copy to be sent to you, and was only sorry that the paper couldnt have appeared in your Museum Journal.

That reminds me. Perhaps you would be so kind as to look up a paper of mine once published by the Museum, a paper called The Hills and the Corn, and if possible send a copy of it to this address -

Professor Hermann Beyer
University of Tulane
New Orleans

I should be much obliged.

Yours very truly
R. Burkitt

R. Burkitt

Mr Horace H. F. Jayne
Pennsylvania University Museum
Philadelphia

Duplicate

Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala

1934, February 12

My dear Miss McHugh

Im sending a letter and other things to Mr Jayne, and post them under cover to you. Mr Jayne wrote me in November from Philadelphia, but I suppose he may now be a long way off, and I address the things to you in order to be informed of whether they reach the Museum. I beg you will be so kind as to keep them in your own possession till you can give them personally to Mr Jayne.

I neednt say, thers nothing to hinder your reading what I write Mr Jayne, and if he's not there, thers a little matter at the end, about sending something to somebody, that perhaps you could see to by your self. I hope I dont trouble you, and with my respects to Miss Baker, if she's there, I remain

Your most obedient servant

E. Burkitt

Miss McHugh

The Pennsylvania University Museum

January 14, 1935

Dear Mr. Burkitt:-

I have your letter of November 1st for which I must apologize to you for the delay in answering, due to no fault of mine, for it was long in coming to this country and was not, apparently immediately referred to me.

When we earlier exchanged correspondence I was under a misapprehension as to your desires on the matter of the interest. I did not realize that you wished this interest paid regularly to you, but gathered that you merely wished it to be added to the sum owing, the whole, principal and interest, to be paid when we should be in a position to do so. We are perfectly agreeable, however, to paying you the interest due from time to time, if this is your wish. In any case, I am sending you a draft drawn as usual to cover the accumulated interest -- i.e. \$62.28 -- to June 30th, and shall await your instructions as to the future sendings of interest.

The reason your earlier letter received no attention was due to a combination of events. I take it that this letter of yours accompanied your installment of the catalogue that ends with number 1154. This Dr. Mason has, but he has no record of when it was received. I was away for a brief spell last winter and immediately after my return Miss McHugh was taken seriously ill and was not on hand till much later in the spring. In many of the Museum's affairs there was hiatus due to this. I imagine your catalogue came in my absence and was turned over to Mason and no note left for me to acknowledge it, though what became of the covering letter I cannot say. Please accept my apologies though they seem to be based on rather feeble (yet real) foundations.

I shall look to hearing from you in regard to future payments of interest due you, and I should like to know, too, what thoughts you have as to the possible delivery of the material you have in hand. Because of our present active expedition at Piedras Negras, I do not feel I need urge upon you care and discretion in the despatch of this.

Sincerely yours,

Horace H. F. Jayne
DIRECTOR.

Mr. Robert Burkitt,
Rda. al Consulado General Ingles,
Cuidad Guatemala,
Guatemala, C. A.

Final settlement
per Miss McHugh
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Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala

1935, January 26

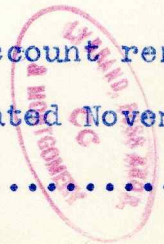
To the President of the University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia

Mr President

My account with the University Museum:-

The Museum, DEBTOR

1934, Jul 1:	To balance, according to account rendered (see my letter to you dated November 1),	US\$2326.89
" Dec 31:	" intrest at 5 1/2 %,.....	63.99
1935, Jan 1:	" BALANCE to date,.....	US\$2390.88
June 30	" interest @ 5 1/2 % interest at 5 1/2 % - to June 30 -	65.73
		<u>2390.88</u>
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I am, Mr President

Your most obedient servant

Robert Burkitt

Robert Burkitt

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Philadelphia



1935, January 28

To the President of the University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia

Mr President

My account with the University Museum:-

The Museum, INSTRUCTOR

1934, Jul 1: To balance, according to account rendered	US\$2336.89
(see my letter to you dated November 1)	63.93
Dec 31: " Interest at 5 1/2 %
1935, Jan 1: " BALANCE to date,.....	US\$2390.88

E. and O. R.

I am, Mr President

Your most obedient servant

Robert Purkin

Robert Purkin

April 15, 1935

Dear Mr. Burkitt:-

There is no doubt that I am all the things you say and think, and that I have been lax beyond measure in the matter of your affairs. Many crowding difficulties in desperately hard times are my only defense.

I have asked Miss McHugh to write you and give you full assurance as to recognition of the Museum's debt and interest to you and that payment will be made in full before June 30th, as has been definitely authorized by the Board of Managers. Her letter should give you the assurance you deserve and which somehow I do not think you would have from me alone.

Yours very truly,

Horace H. F. Jayne
DIRECTOR.

Robert Burkitt, Esq.,
Rda. al Consulado General Ingles,
Biudad Guatemala,
Guatemala, C. A.

April 17, 1935

My dear Mr. Burkitt:

During the past six weeks the Comptroller and I have been busily engaged upon the accounts of the Museum, taking particular note of overdue indebtedness. In this category falls our debt to you, which according to an account rendered by you to the President of the University, dated January 26, 1935, amounts to \$2,390.88. It is a matter of much regret to us that this obligation hasn't been taken care of long before this, but we have been through sad times with the complete withdrawal of City support and very serious decreases in our income, a condition which, of course, has been shared by everyone.

I want you to know that we have arranged to meet our obligation to you not later than June 30 - I hope that we can send off the funds to you at an earlier date, although I hesitate to promise this definitely. We shall, of course, add to the sum of \$2,390.88, interest at $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ from January 1, 1935 to date of payment.

Will you be kind enough to tell me how the funds due you should be sent? I recall that on former occasions you preferred having drafts in small denominations, it is for this reason that I should hesitate to send a draft in a large amount until I had your instructions to do so. I think that we are correct in our understanding that with the payment of our present indebtedness, covered by your bill dated January 26, 1935, plus interest due, all obligations to you will be fulfilled.

Do please forgive our tardiness. I personally feel much chagrined that you should have been inconvenienced by this long delay in the settlement of our accounts with you.

When you write me could you tell me when you think you may be able to bring out the objects which you have for us?

With my best regards,

Sincerely yours

Asst. Treasurer

Mr. Robert Burkitt
Rda. al Consulado General Ingles
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala, C. A.

Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala

1935, May 18

Dear Mr Jayne

At the place where I
now am, I've just had a packet of letters,
and among them yours of April 15; for
which I'm much obliged.

I'm sorry if I spoke with some tone
of exasperation, in my last letter. I can
only hope that you'll allow the circumstances
to be my excuse.

I'm replying to Miss McHugh in a
letter which no doubt you'll see; and
I beg you will believe me

Yours very truly
P. Burkitt

Mr Horace H. F. Jayne
The Pennsylvania University Museum
Philadelphia

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Pda. al Consulado General Inglés
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala

1935, May 18

My dear Miss McHugh

I've just had the pleasure of your letter of April 17. Mr Jayne in January gave me the information that you had been seriously ill, last year. I'm glad to be able to suppose that that's past.

You're correct in understanding that the payment of my last bill, with its interest, will discharge all obligations to me to date.

As for your other two questions, it must have escaped your notice that those questions were both already answered in my February letter to Mr Jayne. The total of my bill, as I mentioned, may simply be paid into my account current at a bank in Massachusetts, the Woburn National Bank; which is in the town of Woburn, near Boston.

About the things to be shipped, I thought they might be shipped at any time. Ther

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would always be some delay and some risk,
but probably no more than before. I didnt
wish to be at any new expense, I said, while
the old Gill was unsettled; but with that
settled, I should be inclined to make it
one of my first jobs (as you now seem to
wish it to be) to make a move with your
stuff.

I must say, that I'm much obliged
to you for your attention to my business.
I hope your sea of troubles may now
be a little subsiding; and I remain

Your most obedient servant
P. Burkitt

Miss Mettugh
The Pennsylvania University Museum
Philadelphia

July 3, 1935

Mr. Robert Burkitt,
Rda. al Consulado General Ingles,
Ciudad Guatemala,
Guatemala.

Dear Mr. Burkitt:

In fulfilment of our promise to you, we deposited on June 30th to your account in the Woburn National Bank the sum of \$2456.61 and today I have their acknowledgement of its receipt. It is indeed a relief to us to have cleared up our indebtedness to you and we are deeply appreciative of your forbearance with us.

With best regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Treasurer

February 11, 1936

My dear Mr. Burkitt:-

Since the arrival of your letter of May 18th last when you were good enough to say that with the settlement of our indebtedness to you, you would be inclined to make it one of your first tasks to send on to us our material, we have been hoping each day to hear tidings of their departure.

I need not tell you how eagerly we look forward to receiving the results of your labors. Can you now give us any assurance that they may come to us in the not too far distant future?

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Mr. Robert Burkitt,
Rdo. al Consulado General Ingles,
Buidad Guatemala,
Guatemala, C. A.

Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala

1936, February 29

My dear Miss McHugh

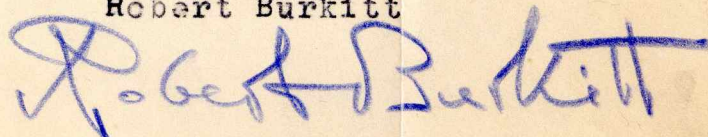
Ive just had the pleasure
of your letter of the 3rd of last July. Im very
much obliged to you.

After writing to you in May, I went on a
journey. During the journey I had no letters
from any where, and Im only now getting back. Besides
your letter, I see that I have to acknowledge the
receipt of a Museum Journal, with a blue cover.

I expect to reach Guatemala City in about a
month. Ive not forgotten your boxes. I hope that
youre well, and I remain

Your most obedient servant

Robert Burkitt



Miss McHugh

The Pennsylvania University Museum
Philadelphia

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Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Guatemala

1936, August 25

My dear Miss McHugh

The last I wrote you was on the 29th of February, when I was in the Kiché. I've since to acknowledge your own letter of the same month.

I finally got to Guatemala City on the 19th of May. At once I took up the business of your boxes; and the most tedious part of the business is now done. The little gold pan, 1132, I shall probably find means to send by post. The rest of the stuff will be ships cargo, amounting to 15 or 16 boxes; and the greater part of that cargo, and all of it that was stored either in Guatemala City or on the Pacific slope, is now safely collected, and waiting for shipment, on the coast of the bay of Honduras.

In getting that job done, in the present difficult circumstances, two things, I may tell you, stuck out as essential. One was, that from beginning to end, my connexion with the cargo should be invisible. The other was that the movement of the cargo should at no stage attract notice - even the notice of indifferent persons; and it was settled that I shouldnt try to move the cargo all together, as I had done before, but at intervals, by little dribbles; with the consequence that my detention in Guatemala City was long drawn out. On the 9th of this month I was at last able to get away. I now write from the Verapaz, where one or two boxes of your stuff are still to finish packing. By the time this reaches you, how ever, they will have joined, or be on the way to joining, their companions on the coast; and the moment, I hope, will be at hand for the final move.

No journey or delay of my own intervenes. But I find that before making the final move I must say something about funds. I dont intend to charge you for the time that I was hung up in Guatemala City, or elsewhere, excepting for the occasional days that your business actually engaged me. But I must of course charge you my expenses. I find that those necessary expenses, so far, have come to near 300 dollars; and I take it as almost certain that your total bill will be at least 600. I hope you wont think it unreasonable, consequently, if I ask the museum to let me have, say, 500 dollars on account. The amount, if you pleased, might be in New York drafts; say five of 50 dollars each and one for the remainder. I should be much obliged.

My address continues at the consulat, but if you wish to save a little time you may address me for the present at Pansós:- Pansós, Puerto Barrios, Guatemala. I neednt say I hope you're well; and I remain

Your most obedient servant

Miss McHugh
The Pennsylvania University
Museum
Philadelphia

R. Burdett

Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Guatemala

1936, October 28

Miss McHugh
Pennsylvania University Museum, Philadelphia

My dear Miss McHugh

I enclose you a copy of my last letter; in which letter, at the end, you'll see something said about my address. I have to say now, that incase of your writing, you had better not use that Pansós address, but address me as before, at the consulat; as you see on top. I remain

Your most obedient servant

R. Burkitt

R Burkitt

November 6, 1936

My dear Mr. Burkitt:

We were glad to learn from your letter that the boxes are on their way to us.

Enclosed are drafts totalling \$500., which are sent to you in accordance with your request. They are:

No. 1085	\$50.
1086	50.
1087	50.
1088	50.
1089	50.
1090	250.

We shall let you hear from us the moment the shipment reaches us.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours

Ass't. Treasurer

Mr. Robert Burkitt
Rdo. al Consulado General Ingles
Buidad, Guatemala
Guatemala, C. A.

November 13, 1936

Dear Mr. Burkitt:

Your letter of October 28 came to me two days after I had mailed to you drafts totalling \$500. These I am sorry to say were addressed to Pansos. They went off by regular mail. I am sending this by air mail so that you may have time to give forwarding address to Guatemala. Enclosed is a copy of letter which accompanied the drafts

Sincerely yours

Ass't Treasurer

Mr. Robert Burkitt

Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Guatemala

1936, December 1st

My dear Miss McHugh

Ive just had the pleasure of your letter of November 6, with the six drafts as you mention. Im much obliged to you. I also have your letter of November 13. It happens Im still at my Pansós address, and the two letters came together.

In the interval of hearing from you, I began something at this place which may take me a fortnight yet to finish. I shall then proceed with your business; and hope, of course, to have the same luck as before. The present administration how ever, has set up a new fashioned coast-guard, and done some other things, and I shall continue to use precautions. You understand that in case of mishap the consequences for me might be serious. And precautions ofen making delays, I wouldnt have you look to see your cargo (supposing the job to go through) much if at all, before the end of next month.- I wish you a merry Christmas, and remain

Your most obedient servant

R. Burditt

Miss McHugh

The Pennsylvania University Museum

Belize
British Honduras

1937, March 9

My dear Miss McHugh

Im just now posting a block of wood addressed to the director of the museum, a sample block of a very light wood called Moho wood; a block about eight inches long. Saw that block off at the right hand end of the paper the address is on, and youll see the beginning of a hollow; and plane half an inch off the two edges and youll see other parts of the same hollow. The hollow contains the little gold pan, number 1132. But dont try in any way to pull the pan out. The woods so soft, you may pick the wood to pieces, if youre in haste; but the safe thing will be to soak the block in alcohol and let the alcohol undo the shellac that holds the block together.

Along with that block, Im posting a couple of smaller blocks of other woods; but thats only a blind.

As for your boxes, they amounted in the end to fifteen boxes; which I brought in on a sloop here yesterday, and of which I enclose you the packing list. I also enclose you a copy of my memorandum for the consular invoice. That invoice, which is yet to be made out, will be the first document mentioning either Philadelphia, or the museums name.

What day or by what boat I shall be able to despatch the boxes, I dont yet know. When I despatch them Ill telegraph you. But the boat will be some boat going to New Orleans, and the consignees, the American Express Company at that port; and its possible this writing may be in time to be of use to you in taking out insurance. In declaring as I do, a nominal value for the boxes, Ive set that value merely at a figure that without much tempting theft, may be enough to make the shippers take reasonable care in stowing and handling. But I suppose you may insure for what you please, and the packing list may let you see about insuring box by box.- By the by the boxes are not only nailed, but all hooped or wired; or both hooped and wired.

Thers telegraph by radio here, and my address will be Burkitt, Belize. The museum I suppose, has its old name of Antique. Expecting of course, shortly again to write to you from this place, with the consular invoice and the bill of lading, I remain

Yours very truly



Miss McHugh
The Pennsylvania University Museum
Philadelphia

Memorandum for Consular Invoice

INVOICE of FIFTEEN Packages
 Consigned by Robert Burkitt
 From the Port of Balize in British Honduras
 Under date of _____ 1937
 By s. s. _____
 To the American Express Company (Consignee)
 In New Orleans (Port of Arrival)
 To be trans-shipped in bond to Philadelphia (Port of Entry)
 For delivery in Philadelphia to the PENNSYLVANIA UNIVERSITY
 MUSEUM.

PACKAGES as follows:

Mark U P B Numbers	Measurements (inches)	Gross lbs.
1 1 box	10 x 13 x 23	33
2 1 "	11 x 15 x 21	42
3 1 "	" " "	35
4 1 "	" " "	45
5 1 "	" " "	46
6 1 "	" " "	44
7 1 "	" " "	44
8 1 "	" " "	27
9 1 "	" " "	62
10 1 "	11 ¹ / ₂ x 11 ¹ / ₂ x 14 ¹ / ₂	50
11 1 "	6 ¹ / ₂ x 15 x 20	58
12 1 "	11 x 15 x 21	31
13 1 "	" " "	32
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15 1 "	" " "	31

15 packages, total gross weight,..... 612 lbs.

VALUE, merely nominal, at \$25 a package, \$375.
 CONTENTS of all packages, NOT merchandise, but ANCIENT INDIAN
 RELICS of pottery and stone, collected from caves and
 ruins in the countries of CENTRAL AMERICA.
 Said contents not admitting of itemised description in the
 space of a consular invoice, but conforming to the
 Packing Lists, Photographs, and Catalogues, which the
 said MUSEUM will produce.

†††-- PACKING LIST -†††

The fifteen boxes contain the Museum Catalogue numbers 1105/9, 1112/3, 1116/24, 1126/31, and 1133/54, packed as follows:-

Box numbers	Catalogue numbers
1	1105/9 ¹⁶⁷⁸
2	1112 (part)
3	" "
4	" "
5	" "
6	" "
7	" "
8	" "
9	" "
10	" "
11	1124 ✓
12	1113, 1117/23 ✓
13	1127, 1137, 1141/3, 1150, 1153 ✓
14	1116, 1126, 1128/31, 1133/6, 1138/40, 1145/7 ✓
15	1144, 1148/9, 1151/2, 1154 ✓

1138 to Paul

500

Postscript to Packing List

Boxes 2 to 10. In my catalogue, under the number 1112, I said that the things of that number were packed in eight boxes. But what's now box 10, was not then packed. The boxes of 1112 are now these nine.

Dr Masons numbers. The contents of these nine boxes, the several things lumped under my number 1112, Dr Mason had distinguished by his own several numbers; and the packing of those numbers of his, according to my notes at the time, turned out as you see in this list:

Boxes	Dr M's numbers
2	95 ✓ 99 ✓ 102 ✓ 104 ✓ 108 ✓ 112/6 ✓ 118/9 ✓ 121/2 ✓ 124/5 ✓
3	89 ✓ 91/2 ✓ 98 ✓ 103 ✓ 106/7 ✓ 110/1 ✓ 117 ✓ 120 ✓
4	1/2 ✓ 5/32 ✓ 33? ✓ 34/6 ✓ 38/48 ✓ 50/1 ✓ 52 ✓ again 52 ✓ 53/76 ✓ 79 ✓ 81 ✓ 83 ✓ 87 ✓ 93/4 ✓ 96/7 ✓ 100/1 ✓ 105 ✓
5	109 ✓ 126 ✓ 37 ✓ 49 ✓ 77/8 ✓ 80 ✓ 82 ✓ 84/6 ✓ 88 ✓ 90 ✓ 120/1 ✓ 127, 126 ✓ 129/36 ✓ 137 ✓ again 137 ✓ 138 ✓ 140/7 ✓ 149/64 ✓ 166/73 ✓ 220 ✓ 239/41 ✓ 248 ✓
6	174 (a, b, c) ✓ 175/8 ✓ 179 (a, b, c) ✓ 180 ✓ 181 (a, b) ✓ 182/96 ✓ 198 ✓ 200/1 ✓ 204 ✓ 210 ✓ 214 ✓ 217/9 ✓ 221/3 ✓ 226/7 ✓ 230/1 ✓ 234/5 ✓ 237/8 ✓
7	199 ✓ 202 ✓ 206 ✓ 208/9 ✓ 211/3 ✓ 216 ✓ 224/5 ✓ 228/9 ✓ 232/3 ✓ 236 ✓ 242 ✓ 244 ✓ 246 ✓ 258/60 ✓
8	197 ✓ 203 ✓ 205 ✓ 207 ✓ 215 ✓ 245 ✓ 250/3 ✓ 255/7 ✓
9	247 ✓ 254 ✓
10	249 ✓

But now going through this list, you run into a few little snags. Under box 4, as you see, my notes make some question about the number 33. I don't know what the question was. Some numbers are repeated. Under that box 4, number 52 appears twice. 120 appears under box 3 and also under box 5; 121, under 2 and 5; 137, twice under 5.

And eight of Dr Masons 260 numbers would seem to be missing; the missing numbers being 3, 4, 123, 128, 139, 148, 165, and 243. About 3 and 4, I've a note that Dr M took those two with him. About the others I've no note. They may have been packed and not noted. - But Dr M's numbers (as I remember) were mostly not written on labels but written in pencil on the things themselves, and not always easy to read. It's likely that most of my omissions and repetitions will turn out to be due to misreading.

Belize, British Honduras

1937, March 18

My dear Miss McHugh

I wrote you from here on the 9th, sending a packing list and the substance of an invoice; and informing you how by separat post, I was sending you the catalogue thing, 1132.

Day before yesterday, the 16th, I was able to send you a telegram:- Antique, Philadelphia.- Fifteen packages nominal value twentyfive dollars each, by steamer PortAntonic, expected reach NewOrleans twentysecond, consignee American Express Company. Please telegraph acknowledging.- Burkitt.

At this writing Ive not yet heard from you, but this morning early, I believe, the boat with your packages got off.

I enclose you the bill of lading and my own ordinary invoice; and in stead of the expected consular invoice, a letter from the United States consulat, signifying that a consular invoice for this stuff is no longer required.- I also enclose you the duplicat of my letter to the American Express Company. That letter with its accompanying documents, went off to New Orleans by the same boat as the boxes.

The despatch of these boxes, as you see, has been delayed as much as six or seven weeks beyond what I expected. I must beg you to excuse the delay. I have to say in the first place, that the work that I had on hand, and that writing to you on December 1st I said might take me a fortnight to finish, took me in fact till the end of the month. Then in Guatemala City I met with an unexpected delay of more than three weeks, a delay in getting out some little, routine, official papers; papers that my plan required, but that I didnt care to seem to press for.- And again a delay, though shorter, was an accident at the coast, some accident to box 11. It was convenient to work from two beaches, running the stuff by water from one beach to the other; and box 11, for a while, seemed in that process to have got lost. I began to be afraid that that flat, heavy little box, containing the yoke-stone, had been taken to contain ammunition, and been stolen; or even possibly, in the wind and dark, had slipped off a thwart and was at the bottom of the bay of Honduras. With some little damage, which Ive mended, the box happily turned up; but after causing a week, nearly, of anxiety and delay.

Excepting for that little scare about box 11, how ever, I may say that the whole business went through without a hitch, or the sign of a hitch. Im now only sorry (so to speak) that your cargo should have been so small. With the same precautions, I might as easily have shipped fifty boxes as these poor fifteen.

Of course the business is not quite finished - youve still to receive your cargo and Ive still to get back to Guatemala; but I look for no trouble. Hoping to hear from you by telegraph or by post before I leave here, and hoping youre well, I remain

Yours very truly



Miss McHugh
The Pennsylvania University Museum

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Received at 3307 Woodland Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

1937

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NLT ANTIQUE=



:PHILADELPHIAPENN (UNIVERSITY OF PENN MUSEUM 33

AND SPRUCE STS)=

FIFTEEN PACKAGES NOMINAL VALUE TWENTYFIVE DOLLARS EACH BY
STEAMER PORTANTONIO EXPECTED REACH NEWORLEANS TWENTYSECOND
CONSIGNEE AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY PLEASE TELEGRAPH
ACKNOWLEDGING=

=BURKITT.

409P.

PORTANTONIO.

THE QUICKEST, SUREST AND SAFEST WAY TO SEND MONEY IS BY TELEGRAPH OR CABLE

March 22, 1937

Messrs. E. H. Bailey & Co.
135 South 2nd Street
Philadelphia

Dear Sirs:

I am enclosing papers covering the shipment of fifteen cases which are coming to New Orleans on the S. S. Port Antonio 4. As soon as this steamer arrives will you telephone to me.

I shall have to ask you to mail me some of the forms about which you spoke this morning. Those which you sent have either been used or have disappeared.

Very truly yours

Secretary

Enc.

B/L United Fruit

Invoice

Letter of American Vice Consul

Letter R. Burkitt to American Express Co.

E. H. BAILEY & Co.
CUSTOMS BROKERS AND FORWARDERS

(SINCE 1856)

No. 135 SO. 2ND STREET

NEW YORK OFFICE
PERRY, RYER & Co., 44 WHITEHALL ST.

BOSTON OFFICE
STONE & DOWNER Co., 148 STATE ST.

CABLE ADDRESS
BAITHORN

PHILADELPHIA, March 24, 1937.

The University Museum,
33rd & Spruce Streets,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Att: Miss McHugh

Gentlemen:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 22nd inst. enclosing documents as stated covering fifteen cases of archeological specimens to arrive at New Orleans from Br. Honduras per SS PORT ANTONIO 4.

As the bill of lading shows the final destination to be New Orleans, we have today forwarded bill of lading to the American Express Company at that port with instructions to make I.T. entry and forward in bond to Philadelphia via the cheapest route possible in order that clearance may be effected at this port.

Enclosed, is antique affidavit to be executed by you and returned to us in due time and we will appreciate if you would advise us in the event you receive any further information regarding this shipment.

Yours very truly,

E. H. Bailey & Co.

LSS:EH

March 25, 1937

Messrs. E. H. Bailey & Co.
135 South 2nd Street
Philadelphia

Dear Sirs:

I am returning the declaration covering the fifteen packages which are coming to us from Belize, Honduras. Should any word come to us of the arrival of this shipment we shall send you word immediately. Please let us know the moment that you hear the steamer has arrived in New Orleans. The shipper is awaiting the announcement of the arrival and we are eager to get a cable off to him.

Very truly yours

Secretary

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DAY LETTER	DEFERRED
NIGHT MESSAGE	NIGHT LETTER
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CHECK
ACCT'G INFMN.
TIME FILED

Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

March 27, 1937

BURKITT

BELIZE HONDURAS

SAMPLE WOODS RECEIVED SHIPMENT ENROUTE FROM NEW ORLEANS

McHugh

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THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

NOTICE REGARDING TELEGRAM

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PAH1
DELIVERY NO.

(STREET ADDRESS, CITY, AND DATE)

19

MCHUGH

NAME

UNIVERSITY MUSEUM PHILADELPHIA PENN.

ADDRESS

Your telegram of MARCH 30TH 19 37 to L C BURKITT

DATE

ADDRESSEE

at BELIZE

ADDRESS AND CITY

is undelivered for the following reason:

ADDRESSEE LEFT. DESTINATION UNKNOWN.

All efforts to locate the addressee having been exhausted, we shall be glad to have any further information you can furnish that will enable us to deliver the message.

In communicating with us by telephone about this message, please call **☎ PEN 0450**
and ask for INFORMATION BUREAU

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CABLE ADDRESS
BAITHORN

PHILADELPHIA, April 2, 1937.

University Museum,
33rd & Spruce Sts.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Att: Miss McHugh

Gentlemen:

Referring to fifteen cases of archeological specimens arrived for your account ex SS PORT ANTONIO & RR covered by free entry 05996, dated April 2, 1937, we will appreciate your forwarding to us on your letterhead an affidavit referring to the above entry and stating that this shipment consists of archeological articles imported by your Museum, which is an institution established for the encouragement of the arts, science, or education for exhibition and not for sale.

Trusting you will kindly give this your early attention, we are

Yours very truly,

E. H. Bailey & Co.

LSS:EH

April 3, 1937

Dear Mr. Burkitt:

We had to wait until the 27th of March to learn whether or not the cases which you had shipped from Belize had arrived in New Orleans. On that date I sent the following radiogram to you, but the following day I had word that you had departed from Belize. The radiogram read: "Sample woods received. Shipment enroute from New Orleans."

The three pieces of wood came to us safely and having followed very carefully your instructions with one sample, we were successful in attaining the purpose which you had in mind. The fifteen cases were delivered to us by the custom house yesterday and on Tuesday we shall begin to unpack. I want to get word to you of the safe arrival of all shipments and to thank you for your successful efforts in getting these to us. We shall write you again after we have unpacked the boxes.

With best regards

Sincerely yours

Secretary

Mr. Robert Burkitt
Rda. al Consulado General Ingles
Guatemala City
Guatemala, Central America

April 3, 1937

E. H. Bailey & Co.
135 South 2nd Street
Philadelphia

Dear Sirs:-

This is to certify that the archaeological specimens contained in the fifteen cases shipped by our Field Director, Robert Burkitt, from Belize, Honduras and which arrived by S. S. Port Antonio and Railroad covered by free entry 05996, dated April 2, 1937, were imported by and for this Museum, an institution established for the encouragement of the arts and sciences and for general education. The objects are for exhibition and study purposes and are not imported for sale.

Very truly yours

Horace H. F. Jayne
DIRECTOR

Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala

1937, April 26

My dear Miss McHugh

Im much obliged by your letter
of the 3rd. Im glad to know that the things have all
reached you. I hope you found them in good order, and
I remain

Yours very truly

R Burkitt

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R Burkitt'. The letters are cursive and somewhat stylized, with a large 'R' and 'B'.

Miss McHugh

The Pennsylvania University Museum
Philadelphia

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Received at 5222 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Penn.

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33 & SPRUCE STS)=PHILA (PENN)=

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*Arrival
Antiquities Board*

*Dr. H. H. H. H.
Dec 23 1938*

Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala

1937, December 23

My dear Miss McHugh

I'm again in this place and take up my correspondence.- The last I wrote you was on the 26th of April, acknowledging your letter of the 3rd. You said you would presently be writing again. On the 15th of May I sent you the anonymous telegram:- Antique, Philadelphia, McHugh. Dont communicate till advised.

You know that in the native post they're constantly opening letters. They're quite clever at it. Sometimes they're after one thing and sometimes after another. And I was warned that at that time they might be opening letters from the museum. I was even told that people here, some subaltern authorities, had a notion of catching something against the museum in connexion with its work in the Petén; something that might be brought forward when your contract was up. How ever that might be, I thought the best thing for me, for the time being, was to have no museum correspondence. A good many months have gone by, and any immediat likelihood of your letters being opened, I dare say has also gone by. These people never stick systematically to anything. But thers one thing, in writing to me, if you'll allow me to say so, that you constantly do - of course without thinking - and that you might advantageously not do; that is, use envelopes announcing the museum. Bank letters to these countries ofen come in plain envelopes, and it would be very nice if your letters to me could come in plain envelopes.- It would be very nice too, if on my envelopes I could address you, not at the museum by its name, but merely at the street number. I dont see the number on your letter-head, but I suppose ther is one. Or maybe the museum has a post office box.- This particular present letter, by the by, will go forward by the United States legation.

About the business that I had in hand, the last that I wrote you was from Balize, on March 18, when I sent the bill of lading. I thought still to hear from you before leaving, and stayed on till the 26th; setting sail, as I learn by your letter, just the day before your telegram. Reaching this country, I had one or two little payments to make at the coast, and one or two little papers to turn in in Guatemala City; and I was

able to breathe the well known sigh of relief. The job that I had inherited from old engagements, and that while doing, had been (I must say) an anxiety to me, off and on, for what turned out to be the better part of a year, was finished.

It remains for me to hand you my money account; which I hope you'll approve, and the delay of which I hope hasn't inconvenienced you. With respect to my time, that I charge, I've charged, as I said I would, only for time that was completely lost to me, which was mostly in traveling. Times of waiting, that left me free, I don't charge. And I don't charge either, for days when I merely despatched some box, or wrote or spoke some word. And so it is, that the total of my time charged, last year and this together, is reduced, as you see, to a little over a month.- As for the balance of account, if correct, you may be so kind as to send it to me, at your convenience, in two drafts; one for 400 dollars and one for the remainder - not forgetting the duplicats. I shall be much obliged to you.

I wish you a happy new year, and remain
Your most obedient servant

R Burkitt

R Burkitt

Miss McHugh
The Pennsylvania University Museum
Philadelphia

Guatemala, 1937, December 31

The PENNSYLVANIA UNIVERSITY MUSEUM in account with R. BURKITT

The Museum, DEBTOR

US\$

To Expenses as follows:

Hotels and Inns (board and lodging only)									
Guatemala City, 1936: May 19 to August 9 (see letter of August 25, 1936)									
								\$126, again, \$26,.....	152.
								1937: January 6 to 27,.....	63.25
								February 9 to March 5,.....	31.75
								April 4/5,.....	5.
								Port Barrios, 1936, month of August,.....	3.50
								1937, January, 3.50, February, 7.00	10.50
								March, 3.50 3.50 3.50,.....	10.50
								Sacapa, 1937: February, 2.00, March, 1.05,.....	3.05
								British Honduras, 1937, March 8 to 25: 18.75 1.70	20.45
								Miscellaneous places, 1936/7,.....	12.50
Railways, both sides of the country, freight and fares together - Im not able to separate them:									
								1936: 1.94 6.50 5.95 1.59 1.50 2.87 3.86,...	24.21
								1.31 2.08 3.03 2.80,.....	9.22
								1937: 0.65 5.95 2.10 2.85 3.10 3.10 2.85,...	20.60
								5.95 3.10 2.85 0.85 3.25 3.25 3.25,...	22.50
								3.45 4.71 0.68 1.35 1.98,.....	12.17
								River and Ferries: 1936, total 7.40; 1937, 10.25,....	17.65
Muleteers, Carts, Cabs, Porters, and other servants (so far as noted):									
								1936: 5.00 1.48 0.35 10.20 1.15 2.65 0.35,...	21.18
								0.60 0.40 1.50 0.45 0.85,.....	3.80
								1937: 1.55 2.84 4.75 1.00 1.25 2.00 1.05,...	14.44
								1.00 0.60 1.80 1.10 0.75 1.70 0.75,...	7.70
								0.85 1.25 0.65 1.45 0.90 0.50 1.75,...	7.35
								Carpentry, nails, wiring,.....	1.50
								Bags, 2.25 0.88,.....	3.13
								Telegrams: 0.30 0.70 0.88 2.84 1.76,.....	6.48
								Printing (mock labels).....	1.50
Rum, Cigars, Treating (so far as noted):									
								1936: 1.60 7.70 1.55 1.55 2.00 1.90 6.60,...	22.90
								1937: 1.00 2.75 1.20 0.75 2.80 2.75 0.60,...	11.85
								1.40 2.20 2.55 1.40 2.85 1.25 0.30,...	11.95
								4.90 2.50 2.25 0.60 2.70 5.00 2.50,...	20.45
								1.25 0.60 5.00 1.25 3.00,.....	11.10
								Customs officer (cash).....	2.35

Forward,

566.53

The Museum, DEBTOR		US\$
	Back,	566.53
To Expenses, continued:		
Certificats of Origin,.....		4.
Other fees and stamps: 0.10 1.00 5.00 1.00 0.60		7.70
Bay of Honduras:		
Receiving, stowing, conveniences ashore,.....		25.
Dory and men: 30.00 6.75 0.25,.....		31.
Sloop, going and coming,.....		24.50
	Total of Expenses	658.73

To My Time (see accompanying letter, and letters of 1936, August 25 and December 1, and 1937, March 9 and 18):

1936: between May 19 and August 13: scattered times in Guatemala City and in the country,.....	9 days
1937: January 1 to 6: coast and Guatemala City,.....	6
January 27 to 31, Guatemala and coast,.....	5
February 9, Guatemala,.....	1
March 5/6, coast,.....	2
" 7/8, at sea,.....	2
" 9/11, Belize,.....	3
" 16/7 "	2
" 26/7, at sea,.....	2
" 28, coast,.....	1

In all, 333 days, 330.

Total charges, ... 988.73

The Museum, CREDITOR

By drafts of 1936, November 4 (Brown Brothers, 1085/90), 500.

The Museum, DEBTOR

To Balance to date,..... US\$488.73

E. and O. E.

R. Burkitt

Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala

1938, February

My dear Miss McHugh

Looking at my letter of
December 23rd, of which I enclose you a copy, I
see thers something I didnt distinctly say. The
way to address letters to me will still be the
old way, the way you see on top.

I hope you continue well, and I remain

Your most obedient servant



Miss McHugh

The Pennsylvania University Museum

Philadelphia

February 4, 1938

Dear Mr. Burkitt:-

I am sending you two drafts in duplicate, No. 2548 for \$400. and No. 2549 for \$88.73. These sums cover in full all indebtedness to you and we may now consider the work so ably done by you terminated.

I feel that I must say to you that the presentation of your account in excess of the amount mentioned by you in an earlier letter, \$600., was something of an embarrassment to me for provision had been made for that amount; \$500. of which had gone forward to you.

I want to thank you for all that you have done to further the work in which we have a common interest.

Sincerely yours

Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala

1938, March 8

My dear Miss McHugh

Ive just had the pleasure of your letter of February 4, with the drafts you specify, and Im extremely obliged to you.

I was a little surprised my self, towards the end, at the way the expenses mounted up. How ever, if you look at my old letter of 1936 - August 25, 1936 - which is where this 600 dollars is mentioned, you may notice that I mention that amount, not as an upper limit but as a lower limit. I say At least 600 dollars.

Im very sensible of your thanks, which Im happy to return, and I remain

Your most obedient servant
R Burkitt

R Burkitt

Miss McHugh
SE corner of 33rd and Spruce streets
Philadelphia

Rda. al Consulado General Inglés
Ciudad Guatemala
Guatemala

1939, January 10

The Pennsylvania University Museum
33rd and Spruce streets
Philadelphia
Estados Unidos del Norte

Gentlemen

Im much obliged to your institution for a late pamphlet that has reached me, a pamphlet about negroes at Sierra Leone.

Ive been turning the pages with intrest, and thers something I should like to ask. This island and the country about, how big is it? Thers a map at the end but Im not informed of the scale. If it wouldnt be too much trouble to let me know, you would further much oblige

Yours very truly
Robert Burkitt

R. Burkitt

February 16, 1939

Dear Mr. Burkitt:

We were very glad to hear that you were interested in Mr. Hall's article on the Sherbro. Through some mishap the scale was omitted from the map of the country in which he worked, so, rather than send that on to you I am asking Mr. Hall to write to you to tell you something of the size of the country. I am sure you will hear from him in the near future.

Mr. Satterthwaite is leaving Philadelphia on Friday for Guatemala for another season's work at Piedras Negras. He and his assistants will work there until the rainy season and then he will go to Mexico City to attend the meeting of the Americanists. Miss Butler of the Museum staff is also in Guatemala on a grant from the American Philosophical Society and was hoping to meet you in your most interesting country.

With best regards
Sincerely yours