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*Carl Hamilton*

EXCERPT FROM DR. STUART'S LETTER  
DATED MAY 16, 1930

*March, 1931*

Re: Carl Hamilton

"I have just spent the evening with Mr. Carl Hamilton, had dinner and went to a show with him. He has our money very much on his mind, and intends to pay, but gave me in amazing frankness his financial history which sounds like a weirdly imagined bit of fiction. He will pay interest from date due, and I am sure is reliable. Properly cultivated he may do much more when he recovers financially. I now have the invitation to write him or visit with him whenever the chance comes."

JLS saw Mr. Hamilton in Los Angeles probably - Mr. H's home in Calif. is at 569 N. Rossmore Ave., The Hermoyne, Hollywood, Calif.

His tel. in New York is Hanover 4673 - Mrs. Smith is his secretary

Re: Carl Hamilton

October 14, 1930

ODW telephoned Mrs. Smith (his secretary). She explained very kindly in detail that Mr. Hamilton had expected to receive large payments in September - a first payment of \$25,000 or \$30,000 on obligations due him. Mrs. Smith said that he had intended "to take care of Yenching" if that payment had been made. Unfortunately, the state of the stock market rendered it impossible for the debtor to pay at once. This greatly embarrassed Mr. Hamilton in connection with other obligations of his.

I assured Mrs. Smith that there was no desire to press Mr. Hamilton and she seemed appreciative of our feeling in the matter.  
Suggestion: That I telephone Mrs. Smith again about Dec. 1st.  
O.D.W.

*c.c. of this last  
note sent JLS*

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CARL W. HAMILTON  
50 BROAD STREET  
NEW YORK CITY

July 24, 1930.

Mr. Olin D. Wanamaker,  
Yenching University,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Mr. Wanamaker;

This acknowledges your letter  
of July 22nd to Mr. Carl W. Hamilton, which  
I am forwarding to California where Mr.  
Hamilton still is.

I am sure he will be very glad  
to get your reassuring news about China and  
Yenching University.

Very truly yours,

*H. C. Smith*  
Secretary to Mr. Hamilton.

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B. A. GARSIDE, Secretary and Treasurer  
C. A. EVANS, Associate Secretary-Treasurer

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Telephone:  
WATkins 8703-45

Yenching University

August 28, 1930

Memorandum to Promotional Office,

We quote below a paragraph from Dr. Stuart's letter of August 1 relating to Mr. Hamilton's pledge for G\$15,000.

"You will recall a pledge of Mr. Carl Hamilton for G\$15,000, the general idea being that approximately ten thousand of this should be spent in the purchase of the President's Garden and the remainder used for the development of our athletic field. According to our records five thousand gold has already been used for the latter purpose. Mr. Hamilton has made no payment on this pledge but I saw him on two occasions and found him very eagerly interested. He explained to me certain agreements with his creditors which prevented him from making any such payments until his obligations had been cleared off. There seems to be no difficulty, therefore, about the payment of this amount. I am making one final effort to buy the President's Garden and may, therefore, have occasion to draw upon the Trustees for the rest of this pledge. In view of the very important issues involved I feel sure that this should be approved. It is too early to indicate the degree of likelihood or the time when such action will be necessary."

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B. A. GARSIDE

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*Hamilton*

December 8, 1930.

Mr. Carl Hamilton  
50 Broad St.  
New York City

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

I have intended more than once this autumn to write you regarding the final purchase of the President's Garden which has been under negotiation for these several years since we first knew of your generous promise. It has, however, so often seemed to be on the point of coming to a definite result that I have waited in the hope that I might report the outcome. President Hsu is now quite aged and is rarely seen even by his closest friends. His reluctance to sell the garden has increased with failing health, not only because of the apparent discourtesy to the little ex-Emperor who gave it to him but because he had buried his daughter in the grounds. We have been compelled to deal through secretaries, and such intermediaries are of course interested in their commission. Too great eagerness, therefore, is apt to run up the price outrageously. Fortunately, some months ago the President's brothers advised him to sell to us after he had agreed to let it be a family decision. Since then the difficulties have been their inability to supply title deeds that would pass muster under the present government. What an emperor gave a Viceroy of the realm and his own tutor required no such process in other days. As you can well imagine, the government offices in Peking with the capital removed are extremely hungry, and the chance to get a squeeze from an ex-President and a member of the regime reported to be quite well-to-do is too good to let slip. We must, therefore, somehow bring pressure through our friends high up in the new government upon minor officials not to indulge in any such extortions, all of which takes time and patience and frequent but not too frequent negotiations. I have been advancing certain small amounts by way of earnest money and the expenses that go with such transactions in China, and feel reasonably confident that despite all these delays we shall get the property. I am writing you thus at length to let you know the real situation, and also because it may not be without its interest to you

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as a description of oriental life now giving way to more cosmopolitan conditions.

Ever since those delightful visits with you in Los Angeles I have cherished the hope that you would plan if possible before very long to make a visit to China and see our university from the inside. You could easily make it the base from which to visit Peking and its environs which have lost none of their interest because of political changes. The romance of your boyhood decision to be a missionary to China, your continued and well informed interest in the country, your appreciation of Chinese as well as Italian and other art and your generous interest in boys, all combine to have gripped my imagination as I cannot recall to have happened in quite the same way with anyone else I have known. I might as well also confess to a liking for you personally which makes me want to know you better. Our University is attempting to abstract from the earlier missionary urge those features which have abiding human values, and to concentrate upon a community life in which our students have all the friendly and helpful aids to healthy, useful living with which we can supply them. In other words, we are trying to do as an institution what you have been doing so admirably with many an individual boy. I venture to believe, therefore, that you would find an especial interest in visiting Yenching. More broadly, China is now in a state of turmoil which looked at superficially or through the eyes of many observers gives a disturbing or even hopeless picture. As seen by others, among whom I would emphatically include myself, it is passing through the inevitable disorders of a new awakening and reconstruction on those modern lines without which no country in the world could adapt itself to the new world conditions. I feel more and more enthusiastic about the outcome provided that we do not expect too much at once. The more one knows the present leaders in political and intellectual reforms or individuals students to be regarded as typical, the more ground one feels for such optimism. When you come I shall take pleasure in having you meet representatives of both these classes. Meanwhile with all good wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

J. H. S.

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YENCHING UNIVERSITY

Peping, China

April 9, 1931

My dear Mr.Garside,

Today I received your letter of March 11th last. I wish to reply to it at once.

I am responsible for the names given to our various athletic grounds. Regarding "Hamilton Field" I assure you the name will be changed according to the light or data that you have given us in your letter. In all our future printed matter the field will be called "Roxor Pearce Athletic Field ". Verbally I suppose the field will either be called "Roxor Field" or Pearce Field". I hope this correction will be satisfactory.

Our needs are urgent. I am hoping daily that some money might be available for next year to fix the field as it should be done. Won't you help us to realize something.

Best wishes, I am

Most cordially yours,

(Signed) K.A.Wee

Yenching University

May 8, 1931

Mr. K. A. Wee,  
Yenching University,  
Peping, China.

My dear K.A.:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 9.

Thanks for your comments on the procedure to be followed with regard to the "Roxor Pearce Athletic Field". I am passing on a copy of your letter to the Promotional office for their information.

I have recently had the privilege of seeing some most attractive pictures of your husky young son. He certainly appears to be a very healthy and intelligent representative of the rising generation. I trust that you and Mrs. Wee are filled with the proper amount of parental pride.

With all good wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

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CC: Promotional Office ✓

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Yenching University  
October 15, 1931.

Mr. Carl A. Hamilton,  
Hermoyne Hotel,  
Los Angeles, Cal.

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

I am writing to you because of certain developments regarding the land purchase which you have made possible for us, in the hope that the suggestion of this letter may be acceptable.

You will recall that what we have spoken of as The President's Garden is on the north boundary of our present campus, and is connected with another garden which we have leased for a period of over twenty years. Since my return, the elderly statesman to whom the former was given by the Little Emperor has finally refused to consider any proposals for disposing of it to us or to anyone else. He is becoming feeble and probably will not live many years. There are indications that the family would sell to us after his death, though it would be impossible to secure assurance to this effect until then. Meanwhile, the opportunity has come to purchase a larger and lovelier garden immediately across the highway from our main campus and that garden. This one belongs to the former Prince Regent and father of the Little Emperor. It contains approximately twenty acres and must have been the most beautiful of these old estates created by imperial princes and clustering around the Summer Palace and the Jade Fountain stream which they all tap. The lotus ponds, rockeries, trees, etc., are still intact, and the houses though badly dilapidated might be restored very much according to the original patterns. Another advantage is the excellent condition of the encircling wall. We had always recognized that this estate had more aesthetic charm than any of the others, but the proximity of The President's Garden has seemed to offer practical benefits which made us desire to secure it if possible. The present political disturbances, the straitened conditions of the owner, and the exceptionally high value of gold exchange combine to enable us to purchase this remarkable property for approximately \$5,000 gold. I feel entirely confident that if you were here and could go over the two places, you would not hesitate to approve of

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our purchasing this one, for the same reasons which led you to make possible the other purchase; but we should not want to negotiate the purchase without your full understanding and approval of the change.

It happens that Mr. P.L.Wills whom you may recall is helping our university in California, made a trip out here this summer, and with the present contingency in mind I took him for a walk through the garden in question. If you cared to do so, I am sure that he would be glad to have you ask him to call upon you and give his own impressions of the place. His address is 7515 De Longpre Avenue, Hollywood, California.

I am writing by this same mail to our trustees and shall ask you to write or telegraph Mr. B. A. Garside, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, if you do not approve of the exchange of sites. Otherwise, we shall assume your consent. I am asking Mr. Garside to cable us soon after receiving my letter as we may have to act quickly in putting the transaction through. We may even cable for such authorization if conditions seem to require it.

I shall not attempt to do more in this letter than deal with the practical issue, but shall try to write you on more general matters before very long.

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ J. L. Stuart

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YENCHING UNIVERSITY

Peiping, China

October 15, 1931.

Mr. B. A. Garside,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City

My dear Mr. Garside:

I am enclosing herewith a letter to Mr. Hamilton which more or less explains the situation. We feel the obligation to get his consent, although one of these estates means about as much to him as another. There is the further question as to whether the trustees feel that the pledge he has given warrants your authorizing purchase at this time, and whether the explicit instructions not to expand in any form would apply to this transaction also. When I last saw Mr. Hamilton he asked me if we were delaying the purchase of the garden because he had not made his payment, and I explained to him what the real difficulty was. He remarked that his pledge was perfectly good and that he would not want us to delay for that reason. I am quite confident that he means what he says, and that when certain business matters which he explained to me in detail are cleared up, he will carry out his promise. As the one who more than any other has wanted to buy the President's Garden and has persisted in using every possible approach in an effort to get that piece of property rather than any of the others around us, I am writing now to admit my conversion.

May I ask, therefore, for a cabled authorization not to exceed G\$5,000 for what we might come to designate as the Regent's Garden (code word: UFOEX)

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ J. Leighton Stuart

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Carl Hamilton

Dr. Stuart saw  
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to pay pledges

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December 8, 1931

Dear Vernon:

Mr. Carl Hamilton, of this city and California, pledged in October 1928, \$15,000, of which \$5,000 was to be paid by October 1929 and \$10,000 by January 1930, with interest at 6%. The money was to be used for the purchase of President Hsu's Garden, which was to be named "Hamilton Garden" and for the purchase of a suitable tract of land for an athletic field, the construction of a track, bleachers, etc. This field was then to be named "Roxor Pearce" Athletic Field.

We have been in touch with Mr. Hamilton at frequent intervals. Dr. Stuart has talked with him personally twice on trips to America. I have been in frequent touch with his secretary by telephone. We have been quite frankly informed that Mr. Hamilton has been in very serious financial difficulties with creditors pressing him. We have no doubt that he intends and expects to pay this pledge and that he has really been virtually unable to do so.

Another point to bear in mind is that Mr. Hamilton has had a peculiar and almost excessive devotion to certain boys whom he has helped to get an education, one of these being Roxor Pearce, who died.

I think if you can meet Mr. Hamilton and simply say that you bring to him the greetings of Dr. Stuart and tell him something fresh from the University, but do not in the least, press him in regard to this payment, it may help us in the case. If you can bring the conversation around to the point where Mr. Hamilton might spontaneously say something about his financial situation and his hope of paying this pledge, I should be glad to have the news. Leighton feels, that for the most part, nobody should endeavor to influence Mr. Hamilton in this matter but himself.

Cordially yours,

Mr. Vernon Nash  
c/o SS Pres. Lincoln  
San Francisco, Calif.  
Arriving Dec. 15th.

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C. Hamilton

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DOCKET OF MEETING  
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, PROPERTY AND INVESTMENT  
TRUSTEES OF YENCHING UNIVERSITY

3:00 P. M., Wednesday, December 30, 1931

Room 606, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City

3. Request for \$5,000.00 for Regent's Garden. Under date of October 15, 1931 Dr. Stuart wrote Mr. Carl A. Hamilton asking for approval to negotiate for the Regent's Garden instead of the President's Garden, Mr. Hamilton's pledge being for the purchase of the latter. No approval has been received from Mr. Hamilton. At the same time Dr. Stuart wrote to the Secretary of the Board stating that it is now impossible to purchase the President's Garden but the Regent's Garden can be purchased for G\$5,000.00 and cabled authorization was asked to proceed with the purchase. Mr. Hamilton's pledge is still unpaid and there is no indication of an early remittance. The field has been advised that the matter would be considered by the Finance Committee.

Recommendation:- Consideration and action.

Minutes of December 30, 1931- Finance Com.

REQUEST FOR \$5,000.00 FOR REGENT'S GARDEN

Attention was called to a letter which Dr. Stuart wrote Mr. Carl A. Hamilton under date of October 15, 1931 asking for approval to negotiate for the Regent's Garden instead of the President's Garden, Mr. Hamilton's pledge being for the purchase of the latter. No approval has been received from Mr. Hamilton. At the same time Dr. Stuart wrote to the Secretary of the Board stating that it is now impossible to secure the President's Garden but the Regent's Garden can be purchased for G\$5,000.00, and cabled authorization was asked to proceed with the purchase. It was stated that Mr. Hamilton's pledge is still unpaid and there is no indication of an early remittance.

Consideration was given to the change of site as well as the financial obligation involved in the transaction. It was recalled that \$5,000.00 on Mr. Hamilton's pledge had previously been voted for the Athletic field. After careful deliberation it was

F-3010 VOTED that it is the judgment of this Committee that the purchase of either the President's or Regent's Gardens would be satisfactory if when and as Mr. Hamilton pays a sufficient amount to reimburse previous expenditure and care for this transaction; but at the present time no funds are available, and accordingly no authorization can be given for the purchase of either site.

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Carl Hamilton

*Hamilton 2-4673*

*[Signature]*  
*Jan 1934*

September 23, 1932

Dear Doctor Stuart:

Copies of your letters dated October 15th, 1931 to Mr. Garside and to Mr. Carl A. Hamilton of Los Angeles have been brought to my attention. No word has been received by Mr. Garside from Mr. Hamilton, it is therefore assumed that by his silence he consented to your proposition.

Possibly you have had something from him and have written him concerning the transaction after the purchase was completed. We would be glad to know just how the matter stands at present. If you write him, please let us have a copy of your letter for our files. If you wish us to take any action, please let us know.

Very sincerely,

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Dr. J. Leighton Stuart  
Yenching University  
Peiping, China

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*cc to H. Hague*

*JLS tried to see him  
in Apr. & May 1933, Mr. H.  
had not heard from  
Europe. JLS says NGG  
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CIRCULAR VOTE REGARDING GIFT OF RUG FROM MR. CARL HAMILTON

On October 18th, the Finance Committee considered a proposition presented by Mr. Carl Hamilton, wherein he offered to give a rug to secure his pledge.

The following facts were presented to the Committee:

Mr. Carl Hamilton pledged \$15,000 to the University under date of August 25, 1928. Nothing has been paid thereon, and in the meantime Mr. Hamilton has become entangled in financial obligations amounting to large sums. He is genuinely interested in Yenching, and has suggested that the University accept as a gift at this time a large Oriental rug, 20' x 38', formerly used in the main reception room in his own home, but at the present time in storage. The rug was appraised in July, 1929, by one expert at a value of \$25,000. Another expert, however, advised Mr. Hamilton to accept \$20,000 if he received such an offer.

Mr. Hamilton desires Yenching to accept the rug in payment of his pledge, but wishes the University to give a written option for the repurchase of the rug at any time within three years at a price equivalent to his pledge. Meanwhile, the University would be free to sell the rug, but not at a price lower than \$20,000, the surplus above the pledge to be handed over to Mr. Hamilton. After three years the price restriction is removed. The cost for storage and protecting the rug would be about \$30 per year.

As a result, the following motion was adopted:

VOTED that the Finance Committee, on behalf of the Trustees of Yenching University, record their sincere appreciation of the generosity of Mr. Carl A. Hamilton in offering to place in the hands of the Yenching Trustees a valuable oriental rug as the first step in the payment of his pledge of \$15,000 made on August 25, 1928; and that the Committee accept this offer on the following basis:-

1. That for a period not exceeding three years from the date of receiving the rug the Trustees will hold the same in a vault approved by Mr. Hamilton, insured against loss or damage, the cost of storage, care, and insurance being borne by the Trustees.
2. That during this time the Trustees will use all means within their power to sell the rug at \$20,000.00 or more, it being understood that Mr. Hamilton will suggest to the Trustees the names of any prospective buyers with whom he may be familiar. If and when such a sale is consummated, the Trustees, after meeting Mr. Hamilton's pledge from the proceeds, will pay over the residue of such proceeds to Mr. Hamilton. It is further understood, however, that at any time before such a sale is consummated, Mr. Hamilton will be privileged to have the rug returned to him upon payment of his pledge.
3. That if, upon the expiration of this three-year period, the rug has not been sold and Mr. Hamilton's pledge is still unpaid, the Trustees will be free to dispose of the rug as they see fit.

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October 19, 1955

Mr. Carl A. Hamilton,  
52 Broad Street,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Hamilton,

Immediately after your conversation with Mr. Wannanaker, we presented to the Yenching Finance Committee a statement of your generous offer to place your valuable rug in our hands as a first step toward the payment of your pledge to the University. As individuals and as a group, the members of the Committee expressed their warmest appreciation of your proposal and their desire to take whatever action would best meet your wishes.

It required a few days to secure formal action, but I am now happy to transmit the Committee's formal resolution, as follows:-

VOTED, that the Finance Committee, on behalf of the Trustees of Yenching University, record their sincere appreciation of the generosity of Mr. Carl A. Hamilton in offering to place in the hands of the Yenching Trustees a valuable oriental rug as the first step in the payment of his pledge of \$15,000.00 made on August 25, 1928; and that the Committee accept this offer on the following basis:-

1. That for a period not exceeding three years from the date of receiving the rug the Trustees will hold the same in a vault approved by Mr. Hamilton, insured against loss or damage, the cost of storage, care, and insurance being borne by the Trustees.
2. That during this time the Trustees will use all means within their power to sell the rug at \$20,000.00 or more, it being understood that Mr. Hamilton will suggest to the Trustees the names of any prospective buyers with whom he may be familiar. If and when such a sale is consummated, the Trustees, after meeting Mr. Hamilton's pledge from the proceeds, will pay over the residue of such proceeds to Mr. Hamilton. It is further understood, however, that at any time before such a sale is consummated, Mr. Hamilton will be privileged to have the rug returned to him upon payment of his pledge.

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Mr. Hamilton

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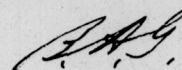
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3. That if, upon the expiration of this three-year period, the rug has not been sold and Mr. Hamilton's pledge is still unpaid, the Trustees will be free to dispose of the rug as they may see fit.

We trust that the above resolution is in a form entirely satisfactory to you. If at any point we have not properly expressed what is in your mind, I know the Finance Committee will be happy to modify its action as you may suggest.

We will be glad to go forward at any time with the carrying out of this proposal, and will await your wishes.

Very sincerely yours,



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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I, CARL W. HAMILTON, residing at Hollywood, California, party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), lawful money of the United States, and other good and valuable consideration to me in hand paid, at or before the ensembling and delivery of these presents, by Trustees of Yenching University, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York, party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant and convey unto the said party of the second part, its successors and assigns, a certain rug described as follows: "Ispahan Meshed" approximately twenty feet by thirty eight feet (20 ft. x 38 ft).

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same unto the said party of the second part, its successors and assigns forever. And I do for my heirs, executors and administrators covenant and agree to and with the said party of the second part, to warrant and defend the sale of the said rug hereby sold unto the said party of the second part, its successors and assigns against all and every person and persons whatsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, nineteen hundred and thirty-three.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered  
in the Presence of

*Thos Brown*

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New York County Clerk's No. 1514  
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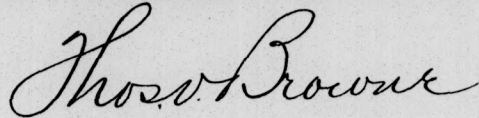
Carl Hamilton (L.S.)

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STATE OF NEW YORK )  
 : SS.:  
COUNTY OF NEW YORK )

On this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1933, before me personally came CARL W. HAMILTON to me known and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and he thereupon duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same.



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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the Trustees of Yenching University, incorporated under the laws of the State of New York and at present situate at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, party of the first part, hereby and by these presents does accept from Carl W. Hamilton, residing at Hollywood, California, party of the second part, as payment in full for any and all pledges heretofore made to the part of the first part by the party of the second part, a certain rug described as follows: "Ispahan Noched" approximately twenty feet by thirty-nine and one half (20 ft. x 39½ ft.).

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same unto the said party of the first part, its successors and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the duly constituted officers of the University, acting under authorization given by the Committee on Finance, Property and Investment of the Trustees of Yenching University under date of January twelfth, 1934, have hereunto set their hands and affixed the seal of the University, the nineteenth day of February, 1934.

Trustees of Yenching University

(Signed)

Nina R. Williamson Vice-  
President

Attest: B. A. Garside (Signed)

Secretary

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YENCHING

November 17, 1933

Re: Mr. Carl A. Hamilton

Deed for rug to Yenching University in lieu of pledge is in the safe.

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January 9, 1934.

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart  
Yenching University  
Peiping, China

Dear Dr. Stuart:

I have just spent an hour and a half in a most delightful interview with Mr. Carl Hamilton. He went into the details of his financial condition, telling me that he has cleared up an obligation of \$7,500,000 and reduced that now to an outstanding obligation against him of only \$460,000. He has no question in his own mind but that in a comparatively short time these matters will all be cleared up and he hopes to begin then some of the things he has had in mind for a period of years. He still holds a number of very valuable pictures and other curios which must run, from what he says, into several million dollars.

You have doubtless noted in the proceedings of the Board of Trustees of Yenching that he has made an offer to the University of a very valuable rug which is valued at more than \$20,000 by him. I brought the papers today to Mr. Garside and he states that the University is at liberty at any time to dispose of this rug, though he thinks it would be to our advantage to hold it until times come back.

He has requested me to ask you for him to see what could be done toward the securing of a series of Chinese masks. He would prefer those that have actually been in use, if possible, and before making a decision he would like to have photographs of the masks, together with dimensions and prices. I suggested to him that there were available in the Eastern Market on Morrison Street, small models of masks which you might secure for him to give him some idea of what the masks are like. He would want the large ones for actual use. He is also eager to secure two or three fine costumes to be used for ceremonial purposes of the secret society which he has formed around his associations with the young Pearce boy at Andover. He asks me also to say to you that he includes you as one of the founders and has a place in the list of those signing the document left vacant for you to fill in the next time you come to America. He is going to build a Chapter House at Andover and he is very eager to have as much Chinese material as possible and would like to have you get someone there at Yenching to look around and see what might be available in such a Hall, for he expects to have a Chinese Hall in the building.

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Jan. 9, 1934.

He still talks of the possibility of opening up a school of boys in some secluded spot in the Western Hills which you have suggested to him as being available, and also he still cherishes the idea of developing a school for 1,000 boys in California.

I discussed with him the development of athletics at Yenching and planted in his sub-conscious mind the possibility of a big game of football from which the proceeds might go to the endowment of Yenching University. He seemed to take to the idea at once and thought that it would not be impossible. He suggested, however, the development of strong tennis players at Yenching with a view to competing in the international contests, as the group interested in this phase of athletics is a very wealthy one and they might become interested in Yenching through such contests.

Mr. Hamilton is not in a position just now to make any additional gifts to Yenching and I think he is very much harassed by the government in income tax matters but he is friendly, thoroughly interested, and I believe will do something for us if times ever come back to where his valuable art works bring anything like their real values.

Please write to <sup>him</sup> ~~me~~ directly concerning the masks and also concerning the possibility of securing some stone lions for the outside of his buildings and some large porcelain lions for inside decoration. I think it would be necessary to have photographs and dimensions of these things before he would care to pass on the actual purchase of them.

Very sincerely,

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Yenching

January 18, 1934

Mr. Carl Hamilton  
52 Broad Street  
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Hamilton:

At the meeting of our Yenching Finance Committee on January 12th, we presented the deed of gift by which you have turned over to us your valuable Ispahan Mesched rug. The Committee voted to accept this gift with expressions of deepest appreciation; and at the same time authorize the proper officers of the Board to execute a formal acceptance of this gift.

I am not sure of the exact form in which you would like this acceptance phrased, particularly whether you wish us to include a definite statement that this rug is accepted in lieu of the pledges for \$15,000 which you have given Yenching University. I am, therefore, enclosing herewith for your consideration two alternative forms, either of which might be used with such modifications as you may suggest. If you will indicate which you prefer, and will make any amendments you desire, we will have the acceptance executed and ready to be turned over to you as soon as the delivery of the rug is completed.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

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CARL W. HAMILTON  
50 BROAD STREET  
NEW YORK CITY



February 9, 1934.

*Act 2/26/34*

Mr. B. A. Garside,  
Yenching University,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Mr. Garside:

In reply to your letter, I herewith enclose an order for you to secure the Ispahan Merched rug. The enclosed form could be executed and returned to me after you procure the rug. Later I will suggest to you some possibilities with respect to its sale. In a good market, you can no doubt secure a very high price for it. In order to facilitate delivery, I have left for you to fill in the name to whom you wish the rug delivered.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely,

*Carl W. Hamilton*  
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February 19, 1934

Re: Mr. Carl A. Hamilton

Acceptance of rug by Trustees is in safe.

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February 24, 1934

Inspection of Rug Received from Mr. Carl Hamilton, February 23, 1934

Mr. Sidney D. Gamble very kindly assented to represent the Trustees, and in company with Mr. B. A. Garside and Mr. C. A. Evans, inspected the rug given by Mr. Carl Hamilton.

Space did not permit of the rug being opened to its full size, but it was unrolled by sections and carefully examined. It contained a generous sprinkling of naphtha and camphor flakes, and required vigorous brushing to clear away the powdered material. In a number of places the rug showed that it had been used considerably as the nap was almost completely worn through to the warp. In several spots there were indications of where moths had eaten the nap, especially the colored portions; in a few places the colored nap was eaten, whereas the black was untouched. The general impression given was that the rug had been used to such an extent that it might impair its salability.

C. A. EVANS

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YENCHING

February 26, 1954

Mr. Carl W. Hamilton  
50 Broad Street  
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Hamilton:

I have delayed acknowledging your letter of February 9th until the delivery of the Ispahan Merched rug was completed. This was delayed for a few days by the absence of officers of our Yenching Board of Trustees and also by weather conditions. But the rug has now been transferred to the rug vault of the storage warehouse of Dunham & Reid, 216-218 East 47th Street, New York City. We had the rug unrolled and repacked in campher flakes and cedar paper. I believe that it is as fully protected against moths, fire, and theft as is humanly possible.

We are returning to you herewith the executed acceptance form.

We will be very grateful indeed if you will pass on to us any suggestions you may have from time to time as to potential purchasers. Should we receive any offers, we will confer with you, informally at least, before any decision is reached.

again assuring you of our gratitude for your generous interest in Yenching, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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March 13th, 1934

Mr Carl Hamilton  
50 Broad Street,  
New York City.

Dear Mr Hamilton:-

Knowing your very great interest in the  
general appearance of the campus at Yenching University  
I am sending you a copy of a map which has just reached us  
to-day giving you a good picture of its present appearance.

With this I wish to send you again a renewed  
expression of our grateful appreciation of your kindly in-  
terest in the work we are trying to do.

An effort is being made in China at the present  
time to try to raise one million dollars local currency to help  
carry our budget through these days of depression which cut our  
gifts and which also have cut our rate of exchange almost into half.  
This map was prepared out there to help in this campaign.

Very sincerely,

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Carl Hamilton

March 19th, 1934

4-23-4 Mr. Evans says Mr. Hamilton  
has signed the papers & the  
rug is in a storage house  
awaiting possible sale

Dear Mr Hamilton:-

You will be interested to learn that I have had a reply  
from Dr Stuart to my letter in which I transmitted your desire for  
Chinese theatrical masks, etc. Dr Stuart writes:- (2-22-34)

" I have already taken up with the old tutor of  
Mei Lan-fang the question of theatrical masks.  
He says that those on sale at places like the  
Morrison Street Market are very cheap and unsat-  
isfactory, but he is having some typical ones  
made. I am going off to-morrow but as soon as this  
trip is over shall get more definitely to this  
matter and write Mr Hamilton direct. Meanwhile we  
shall be making some studies regarding lions and  
costumes."

As you will see this has met with a most enthusiastic  
reception over there and Dr Stuart will be able to get into touch through  
his contacts with the proper type of people with those who are authorities  
in details of this kind.

Doubtless you will soon be hearing from Dr Stuart direct  
but if I can be of any further service, it will give me much pleasure  
to do what I can.

I enjoyed meeting you the other day and hope to have that  
pleasure again some time soon.

Mr. Carl Hamilton  
50 Broad Street  
New York, N. Y.

Very sincerely,

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C. Hamilton  
Not back 7/16/35  
His secretary called him today  
asking when he will return 2/16/35

Yenching

November 16, 1934

Mr. Carl W. Hamilton  
50 Broad Street  
New York City

My dear Mr. Hamilton:

The Finance Committee of Yenching University, under the leadership of the Treasurer, has been making a study of resources of the University, with a hope of discovering some funds which could be used for the purpose of covering certain deficits in the Plant Department.

We have noted that the rug which we are holding in storage represents definite possibilities along this line, and I have been instructed to write you to sound out what the possibilities are for making a sale. You will recall that during the negotiations regarding the acceptance of this rug you intimated that there were several individuals who might be interested in the purchase of such an article.

Do you think the time is opportune for making such an approach, and would you be willing to cooperate with us in taking this step? We do not wish to do anything without your full consent and approval, and as a matter of fact your cooperation is a most essential thing as we are not at all familiar with this type of merchandise. I should be very happy indeed to receive your comments upon this proposition, and thank you in advance for any favor you may confer.

With assurances of our continued appreciation for your very deep interest in the welfare of Yenching University, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

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Yenching University

April 18, 1935

Mr. Carl W. Hamilton  
50 Broad Street  
New York City

My dear Mr. Hamilton:

After writing you last November regarding the possible sale of the Ispahan Merched rug, I learned that you were abroad, and therefore laid aside any further thought of taking any action.

The Investment Committee had previously instructed me to ascertain the possibilities of moving the rug, but I was warned that the approach must be through you, as you had a great deal at stake in the situation, and that everything should be done with your knowledge and consent as per the agreement.

The question raised at that time by the committee was as to whether or not there might be a chance of interesting someone in the rug and thus realizing that much money for the use of Yenching. As you have just returned from abroad, it is quite possible that you will desire to take some more time to consider the prospects; but on the other hand, the question arises as to whether or not you have knowledge of someone abroad who possibly would be interested. If you prefer to discuss the situation, I should be very happy to make an appointment at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

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Yenching University

September 24, 1955

Mrs. George M. Laughlin, Jr.  
Woodland Road  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

My dear Mrs. Laughlin:

We have learned that some time ago you were giving consideration to the purchase of an Ispahan Merched rug, then owned by Mr. Carl Hamilton.

In lieu of payment on a pledge for \$15,000, this rug has come into the hands of Yenching University. Yenching is an institution engaged in Christian educational work in Peiping, China, the endowment funds of which are held by the Trustees in America.

As you will recall, this rug is of unusual dimensions - 20' x 38', and before taking other steps, we thought it best to approach you as to whether or not you are still interested in the purchase of same.

It has been held in storage for the past eighteen months, and very carefully guarded. Nothing has happened in the interim to detract from its value. It was appraised at one time at \$55,000, and later on, after the depression arrived, more conservative estimates placed the value at \$25,000. This, however, has been the minimum figure placed upon the rug. Just a short time ago I was talking with a rug dealer, who stated that this type of merchandise under normal circumstances should bring \$50,000.

I presume you are familiar with all of these conditions, however, and I shall be pleased to hear from you as to whether or not you are interested. If you so desire, I am sure, the Finance Committee of the Trustees will authorize us to forward the rug for your inspection and use, say for thirty days.

Very truly yours,

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September 25, 1935

Mrs. George M. Laughlin, Jr.  
Woodland Road  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Laughlin:

We have been advised that some time ago you were giving consideration to the purchase of an exceptional Isbahan Merched rug, owned by Mr. Carl Hamilton. We are advised that a representative of the Dauler Close Furniture Company was negotiating with you in regard to same.

Mr. Hamilton has been out of the country for some time. He is much interested in Yenching University and desired to make a substantial contribution to same for our endowment funds. In order to expedite payment of such contribution, he placed this rug in our hands, authorizing us to sell same.

This rug has been in our possession for some time, held in storage and very carefully guarded. Nothing has happened to detract from its value since you were considering same. It was appraised at one time at \$55,000, and later on, after the depression arrived, more conservative estimates placed the value at \$25,000. This, however, has been the minimum figure placed upon the rug. Just a short time ago I was talking with a rug dealer who stated that this type of merchandise under normal circumstances should bring \$30,000.

As you will recall, this rug is of unusual dimensions, 20' x 38', and has been regarded as one of the most valuable and important rugs ever brought to this country.

Inasmuch as we have been authorized to sell this rug, we thought it advisable to write you first before offering it elsewhere. Are you still interested in the purchase of same?

If you desire to confer with me or some other representative of Yenching University, I will be glad to come to Pittsburgh to talk the matter over with you. Also, if you desire to see the rug in your home, I have no doubt that the Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees will authorize me to bring the rug to Pittsburgh for your personal inspection. Any arrangement that will be satisfactory to you in order to give you every opportunity to consider the matter will be afforded.

You will please understand that nobody connected with Yenching University has any personal interest in this matter other than to secure the value of the rug for the institution, in order to accomplish Mr. Hamilton's desire to make a contribution to the University. We prefer to deal directly with any prospective customer rather than through a dealer who would expect a liberal commission.

As to my personal integrity, I would refer you to Mr. W. S. Horner, 1028 North Negley Avenue, East End, Pittsburgh. Mr. Horner is an official of the American Rolling Mills.

Trusting that you are still interested in this rug and that I may have the pleasure of any early reply and an opportunity to confer with you in regard to same, I remain,

Most truly yours,

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November 12, 1935

Memorandum Regarding Rug Held by Yenching University

On August 25, 1928, Mr. Carl A. Hamilton pledged \$15,000 to Yenching University for the purpose of providing an athletic field. On the strength of this pledge, the University proceeded with the construction of the field before Mr. Hamilton had made any payment on the pledge. Subsequently he was caught in the depression, and frankly stated his inability to pay, but offered a genuine Ispahan Merched rug, with the provision that it be held for three years, or if a sale was consummated, anything in excess of \$15,000 be returned to him.

Early in September of this year Mr. Hamilton released these restrictions, and the secretary informed the undersigned that the rug could be sold for any price it would bring.

We were also informed by Mr. Hamilton's secretary that a previous approach had been made to Mrs. George M. Laughlin, Jr. of Woodland Road, Pittsburgh, with the hope of making a sale. This was done through the Dauler Close Furniture Company, 638 Smithfield Street, Pittsburgh. It is not recommended that any approach be made through this company, however, as the price they put upon the rug was far in excess of what Mr. Hamilton offered it for.

Under date of September 25th we wrote to Mrs. Laughlin, asking if she was still interested and gave her the particulars. A copy of the letter is attached herewith. No reply has been received, and we understand that the Jones-Laughlin Steel Company is just beginning to recover from very severe setbacks during the depression.

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September 25, 1935

Mrs. George M. Laughlin, Jr.  
Woodland Road  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

My dear Mrs. Laughlin:

We have been advised that some time ago you were giving consideration to the purchase of an exceptional Ispahan Merched rug, owned by Mr. Carl Hamilton. We are advised that a representative of the Dauler Close Furniture Company was negotiating with you in regard to same.

Mr. Hamilton has been out of the country for some time. He is much interested in Yenching University and desired to make a substantial contribution to same for our endowment funds. In order to expedite payment of such contribution, he placed this rug in our hands, authorizing us to sell same.

This rug has been in our possession for some time, held in storage and very carefully guarded. Nothing has happened to detract from its value since you were considering same. It was appraised at one time at \$56,000, and later on, after the depression arrived, more conservative estimates placed the value at \$25,000. This, however, has been the minimum figure placed upon the rug. Just a short time ago I was talking with a rug dealer who stated that this type of merchandise under normal circumstances should bring \$30,000.

As you will recall, this rug is of unusual dimensions, 20' x 38', and has been regarded as one of the most valuable and important rugs ever brought to this country.

Inasmuch as we have been authorized to sell this rug, we thought it advisable to write you first before offering it elsewhere. Are you still interested in the purchase of same?

If you desire to confer with me or some other representative of Yenching University, I will be glad to come to Pittsburgh to talk the matter over with you. Also, if you desire to see the rug in your home, I have no doubt that the Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees will authorize me to bring the rug to Pittsburgh for your personal inspection.

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Mrs. George M. Laughlin, Jr.  
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Any arrangement that will be satisfactory to you in order to give you every opportunity to consider the matter will be afforded.

You will please understand that nobody connected with Yenching University has any personal interest in this matter other than to secure the value of the rug for the institution, in order to accomplish Mr. Hamilton's desire to make a contribution to the university. We prefer to deal directly with any prospective customer rather than through a dealer who would expect a liberal commission.

As to my personal integrity, I would refer you to Mr. W. S. Horner, 1028 North Negley Avenue, East End, Pittsburgh. Mr. Horner is an official of the American Rolling Mills.

Trusting you are still interested in this rug and that I may have the pleasure of an early reply and an opportunity to confer with you in regard to same, I remain

Most truly yours,

Treasurer

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File under  
Carl Hamilton  
X Buttram

May 4, 1936

My dear Mr. Buttram:

You will doubtless remember me since I was identified for some time with H. H. Harmon in the Department of Endowments.

For some time I have been identified with the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China, with a special interest in Yenching University at Peiping. Prior to the depression one of the very rich and prominent citizens of New York made a subscription to this school which he was unable to pay because of financial reverses. He was a man of large means and had an elaborately furnished home. Among his treasured possessions was a genuine Ispahan Marched rug which was appraised at \$55,000 and later on, after the depression, a conservative estimate of \$35,000. This is the minimum figure ever placed upon it. It would probably now be appraised at \$38,000. Its dimensions are 20' x 38' and has been regarded as one of the most valuable and important rugs ever brought to this country. It could be had at \$15,000.

In order to protect the University on the pledge he had made, he turned over to the Board of Trustees this valuable rug which he had never since been able to redeem. Some time ago, he authorized the Board to sell the rug and discharge the obligation. It is held in storage and very carefully guarded.

Knowing of your interest in beautiful things and your knowledge of the persons of wealth in the South-West, I thought you might suggest the names of a few persons whom you think might be interested. Arrangements could be made to display it here or have it shipped under the proper safe-guards to responsible parties who might wish to inspect it. It is a rare opportunity to come into possession of one of the greatest rugs in this country at a bargain price. Our Board of Trustees will be grateful for any suggestions.

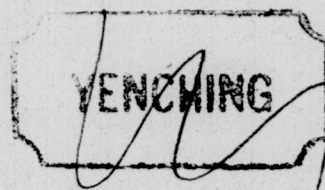
With personal regards and best wishes, I am,

Your sincerely,

Mr. Frank Buttram  
Oklahoma City  
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Yenching

November 21, 1936

Mr. George C. Aydelott  
The Wardell  
15 Kirby East, at Woodward  
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Mr. Aydelott:

I am acknowledging your letter of the 19th regarding the Hamilton rug.

When recently signing a voucher for the payment of storage on the rug, Mr. McBrier brought the whole question up in review again, and we discussed various possibilities. He was very much adverse to approaching any rug dealer in orientals as he stated the margin of profit which they would require would be so excessive as to leave very little for us. He stated that it was a well-known fact that professional dealers make a tremendous profit, and very frequently people who are in the market will not deal with them.

He suggested at that time that we get in touch with the curator of one of our museums as a possible medium of approach to individuals who might be interested. Accordingly, we have approached the curator of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. He returns to his office next week, at which time his secretary is hopeful that we will be able to secure some information which will be helpful in getting rid of the rug. We also have lines out for an inspection of the rug by the expert connected with New York University. The difficulty here is to find the time when it is convenient for him to visit the warehouse and inspect it.

I am suggesting that you get the name and address of the art dealer you have in mind and we will then have it on file; and if these approaches which we now have do not materialize, we will give consideration as to the advisability of following out such a plan.

With assurances of gratitude for your interest, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Yenching

December 30, 1936

Dr. M. S. Dimand  
The Metropolitan Museum of Art  
Fifth Avenue at 82nd Street  
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Dimand:

For some time I have been trying to arrange an appointment with you to discuss a situation wherein you might be of assistance. I find it very difficult, however, to get beyond the information desk at the museum, so I am writing this letter with the hope that it will come to your personal attention.

Two years ago Yenching University, which is an educational institution operating in Peiping, China, with a Board of Trustees here in America incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, received a gift of a rug. At that time the donor requested us to hold it for a couple of years unless we could get more than \$15,000. for it. As there was no market for such a rug, we put same in storage, where it still remains. The restrictions which were placed upon its sale have since been removed, and we can proceed at any time a suitable offering is made. The donor had several prospects at the time that it was turned over to us, but these have been explored without success.

The rug is an Ispahan Merched, size 20' x 33', and was used by the donor in his own home prior to the time that he lost same in the depression. We have no photograph of it as it is exceedingly difficult to take because of its size and of the lack of room in the place where the rug is stored.

The questions I wished to discuss with you were as follows:-

1. Is there a market for such a rug at the present time?
2. If so, through what channels can approach be made?
3. Are museums generally interested in a proposition of this kind?
4. Do you know of anyone who might be interested?

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Dr. M. S. Dimand

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At one time this rug was appraised at \$55,000, which undoubtedly was an optimistic evaluation. Before it was turned over to us, two different appraisers said that it would be worth \$20,000 to \$25,000, but qualified their estimate by saying that the market would determine the price.

I trust I am not going out of the way in addressing this letter to you. Yenching University is a non-profit organization, all of its funds and income going to China for the support of the University, the income having been cut nearly fifty per cent during the depression.

For your convenience we are enclosing a stamped envelope, and thank you in advance for any favor you may confer.

Very truly yours,

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March 17, 1938

Mr. Carl W. Hamilton  
50 Broad Street  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

I am extremely sorry that we are so slow in following through the matter we discussed with you by telephone some weeks ago. This has to do with the question of returning to you the Ispahannasched rug which you turned over to Yenching University on February 16, 1934 in lieu of the payment of your pledge for \$15,000.

Our delay has been due to the necessity of taking up the matter with our Yenching Committee on Finance and also ascertaining from various sources the amount of expense to which the Yenching Trustees have been put since the rug was received.

The decision of the Yenching Committee on Finance is that we will be glad to return the rug to you, and to restore your pledge to the status it had when the rug was turned over to us. If this is done, the Committee feels that the University should at least be reimbursed for the amount which we have actually expended during the past four years in taking care of this rug and putting it into a more salable condition. The expenses we have thus incurred are as follows:

Cost of delivery	\$3.00
Labor in handling	7.70
35 mos. Storage & Ins. @ \$3.	105.00
Repairs & Refinishing	250.00
Cost of sales efforts	<u>100.00</u>
	\$465.70

If you could, upon the return of the rug, reimburse us for the above expenses we would be glad to credit such payment toward your original pledge, leaving further payments to be made as may be agreed upon between yourself and the Committee on Finance.

In the hope that some such arrangement as we have suggested above will be agreeable to you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Secretary

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**Wardell**  
15 KIRBY EAST - AT WOODWARD  
The best home address in Detroit

November 19, 1936

Mr. C. A. Evans  
150 - 5th Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

This may or may not be any of my affairs. If it is not you may disregard it.

There is an art dealer in the city who makes most of the large art galleries in the country and buys for some of the rich people. He is in New York, St Louis and all parts of the country. He seems to be well known through some of the art collectors here. He is in St Louis now but will return the first of the week.

It has been suggested that we take up the matter of disposing of the Ispahan. If so it would be well to have pictures of it, together with any important information. The last time I talked to Mr. Hamilton he said he has some pictures and would be glad to give them to us, and cooperate in every possible way in effecting a sale. If I remember correctly the rug is 28 X 40.38

I am quite aware that this is not a part of the promotional program, but I have a feeling that the trustees would be glad to get the money out of it, and I wish to be as helpful as possible. I want to be very clear on this point, however, and that is I am not spending any time on it. I have given about twenty minutes so far. If you are interested you might write me.

With personal regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

*George L. Aydelott*

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THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART  
OPINIONS ON WORKS OF ART

Neither the Museum nor members of its staff officially give opinions on works of art submitted for such purpose. The members of the staff may, however, assist individuals in obtaining the desired information or may express orally their own personal opinions on such works, provided they have no reason to believe that such opinion is requested in connection with a contemplated sale. They may not express any opinion on monetary values. No fees may be accepted for any opinion given.

To avoid inconvenience and delay, the public is requested to bring objects on which they desire opinions from members of the staff to the departmental offices between 2:30 and 4:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays (except on holidays). *No object brought to the Museum for an opinion may be left on deposit before that hour or after the examination, except with permission from the Director.*

The Curator of Prints and the Librarian having exceptional facilities at their disposal, prints or books may be brought for examination to the Print Room or the Library on any week day during the hours when those offices are open to the public.

HERBERT E. WINLOCK,  
Director

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