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February 26, 1934.

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Mr. Carl F. Biele  
Charles F. Biele & Sons Company  
33 Bethune Street  
New York City.

Dear Mr. Biele:

I notice by your letter of February 21st just received that you have, after mature consideration, decided to ship the case set up in one piece with the glass cemented together. We must depend entirely upon your judgment as to the advisability of this step. Thank you for an explanation as to the way in which it is to be set up, also for the inquiry you have made with the Liberty Freight Forwarding and Warehouse Company as to the cost of transportation. \$15.00 seems to us to be reasonable. I shall get in touch with them myself.

Thank you for having included the extra member or break in the original quotation.

I must now reply concerning other details which you have questioned. I am sorry that I did not make it clearer that we do not wish solid walnut instead of five-ply for the lower horizontal surface or tread. We realize that five-ply is necessary here in Buffalo where the changes of moisture and temperature are sudden, and believe that it was the drawing which threw you off. What actually was meant by the drawing is that the framing under the first section should be constructed with corners pushed down and cross-sills of solid pine as is shown in the sketch which my superintendent, Mr. Leeder, hastily drew up. We believe that it is necessary to have such construction due to the possible weight which will be put upon this section by people standing on it. As for the upper part, we are absolutely satisfied with your arrangements.

Mr. Leeder, however, does question your arrangements for setting the glass into the case proper, and wishes to know whether it would not be more advisable if the frame into which the glass fits could be entire and the glass itself fastened to the frame, so that if the glass is lifted the frame could go with it. Naturally you have had a great deal of experience with this kind of construction, and we only make this suggestion because we feel that such an arrangement would be better so far as we understand the situation. Do please send me a reply at your earliest convenience giving you answer to this proposition. Mr. Leeder is quite certain that his point of view towards this particular aspect of the construction is strongly advisable.

As for the brass strip around the bottom base, we merely left it off the sketch because of haste. It should be included.

Many thanks for promising the case in three weeks time. The sample of color you enclose is splendid.

I shall hope to hear from you soon in regard to the above.

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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