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Elihu Burritt to the Office of the U.S. Consulate

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I, Elihu Burritt, U.S. Consular Agent at Birmingham, do hereby declare, that the box directed to Levi. S. Wells, New Britain Conn. Contains only one book, viz: "Milton's Paradise Lost," illustrated by Gustave Doré; which book is a present from myself to said Levi S. Wells, my personal friend and fellow townsman; that I paid for it four guineas, the trade or wholesale price; that the box cost me 6/6; making the whole to amount to £4.10.6. subject to duty. I trust the Collector of Customs at New York will accept this statement as correct, and levy the usual duty on the amount specified, without opening the tin case in which the book is enclosed for safety.

Elihu Burritt

U.S. Consular Agent,

at Birmingham