

Dear Mr. Agelastos,

I am a collector, researcher of art collections and a philatelist (FRPSL) specializing in the Large Hermes of Greece, the first stamp of Greece (1861-1886). I am currently writing a dissertation on Ancient Egyptian & Greek Art.

In researching on the famous Howard Carter's archives of the Griffith Institute at Oxford, I came to the realization that H. Carter and another famous Egyptologist, Percy Newberry, were advising G. Eumorfopoulos on Egyptian art acquisitions (see attached scan). In searching the internet, I came across your fine agelastos.com site that had several photos of the Eumorfopoulos family, including the house at 7 Chelsea Embankment, which also facilitated as a Chinese art and pottery museum but also as an Egyptian art museum. I have looked on all 74 photos of the Eumorfopoulos and I would like to offer you the following additional info on his family, but also your family: Although the vast majority of his collection is now at the British and V&A Museum in London, a certain part of Chinese artifacts were donated to the Benaki Museum in Athens and the rest of his collection was auctioned after his death in 1940 by Sotheby & Co. (see attached scan). G. Eumorfopoulos work for the Ralli Maritime Co. The Ralli family had huge correspondence bearing Large Hermes Heads stamps and it is for this reason that it was saved and is in the collections of these stamps. Now, a very interesting document dated 18 July 1863, was mailed in Constantinople (see the 2 scans, separate email). It announces the Agelasto Vuro, Petrocochino, and Sargandi merchants operations in Manchester, Calcutta and Constantinople and bears the signatures of the Directors. I also send you another photo of Eumorfopoulos himself and his Collection at the 7 Chelsea Embankment house.

My family, from my mother's tree, originates from Cephallonia island and the Mantzavinos family, a Libro D' Oro family.

I would like to congratulate you for your site and hope to meet you someday.

Yours very sincerely,

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Dear Newberry.

I ought to have
written you before that we
had the pleasure of seeing
here Major & Miss Douglas Thorne.
The fragments he had
were much interesting & he very
kindly presented them to me.

I was very glad to have them
as I have two or three drawings
of fragments.

I wish I was going out to
the East again this ^{year} ~~time~~, but
I am afraid it is impossible,
we saw Miss Jones the other
day & she told us she was
going out to you.

Kindest regards from us
to you & Mr. Newberry,
as ever,
H. J. [Signature]



LONDON, 1st July, 1863.

GENTLEMEN,

We, COSI AGELASTO, JOHN P. SAGRANDE, DEMETRIUS E. PETROCOCHINO, EUSTRATIUS E. PETROCOCHINO,
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CONSTANTINOPLE 10 Juillet 1863.

Monsieur Jean Decosi

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