

writings, title deeds, printings, engravings, pictures, gold or silver plate or plated articles, glass, china, silks in a manufactured or unmanufactured state, and whether wrought up or not wrought up with any other material, furs, or lace, or any of them, contained in any parcel, or package, or trunk, shall lade the same as freight or baggage on any airship or other aircraft engaged in interstate or foreign commerce, without at the time of such lading giving to the master, clerk, agent or owner of such airship or other aircraft receiving the same a written notice of the true character and value thereof, and having the same entered on the bill of lading therefor, the master and owner of such airship or other aircraft shall not be liable as carriers thereof in any form or manner; nor shall any such master or owner be liable for any such goods beyond the value and according to the character thereof so notified and entered.

39. No owner of any airship or other aircraft engaged in interstate or foreign commerce shall be liable to answer for or make good to any person any loss or damage which may happen to any merchandise whatsoever, which shall be shipped, taken in, or put on board any such airships or other aircraft by reason or by means of any fire happening to or on board such airship or other aircraft unless such fire is caused by the design or neglect of such owner.

40. The liability of the owner of any airship or other aircraft engaged in interstate or foreign commerce for any embezzlement, loss, or destruction, by any person, of any property, goods, or merchandise shipped or put on board of such airship or other aircraft, or for any loss, damage, or injury by collision, or for any act, matter, or thing, loss, damage, or forfeiture, done, occasioned, or incurred, without the privity or knowledge of such owner or owners, shall in no case exceed the amount or value of the interest of such owner in such airship or other aircraft, and her freight then pending.

41. Whenever any such embezzlement, loss, or destruction is suffered by several freighters or owners of goods, wares, merchandise, or any property whatever, on the same voyage, and the whole value of the airship or other aircraft engaged in interstate or foreign commerce, and her freight for the voyage, is not sufficient to make compensation to each of them, they shall receive compensation from the owner of such airship