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Memorandum of Contract made this
twenty seventh day of January One thousand eight
hundred and sixty nine (27th January 1869) and
fifteenth day of twelfth month of Japanese first
year May eji (15th of 12th month of 1st year May eji)
between Mess^{rs} A. & Co. merchants Osaka of the
one part, and their Excellencies the Officers of the
Kabe Kichu and Sai no Coker of Osaka on behalf
of the Japanese Government on the other part
as follows.

- 1st The said Officers in consideration of a loan of
four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000⁰⁰) the
granted them, by the said A. & Co. on terms as
follows, hereby contract and agree to procure
through them, the entire supply of Gold, Silver and
Copper, required by the Government ^(3 years) ~~months~~ at this
port, during the next three years from this date; the
quantity of Gold ordered not to be less than five
hundred Bars (500 Bars) per month commencing
from date of this contract; the quantity of Silver not
less than six hundred peculs (600 peculs) per month
in weight, commencing from date of this contract,
and the quantity of Copper not less than one thousand
peculs (1000 peculs) in weight per month, commencing
from one year from this date, before which time it
is not estimated that any copper will be required
and the said Officers, further agree to pay the said
A. & Co. bargain money of say from ten to twenty per
cent (10 to 20 percent) of value ordered with all orders
for Bullion and Copper.
- 2nd The said A. & Co. on the other part agree to import as
expeditiously as possible, the quantity of Bullion or Copper

required, charging upon the Gold or Silver, one half percent ($\frac{1}{2}$ percent) commission at the port where the purchase may be made, other charges to be in accordance with the proforma Statement marked A attached to this Contract, unless heavier ones are incurred, when they will be included with accounts rendered by them; two and a half percent ($2\frac{1}{2}$ percent) commission to be charged here upon the copper, and two and a half percent ($2\frac{1}{2}$ percent) at the port where the purchase may be made, and other charges as incurred.

- 3rd Should any Silk or other produce be handed to the said Altos in payment or part payment for Bullion or Copper ordered, then the same to be shipped by the said Altos to London or elsewhere, as may be deemed best for the interests of the said Officers, and on their account and risk, commissions and expenses being charged by the said Altos, upon Silk or Sea as per Proforma Statements annexed and marked B & C, unless heavier ones are incurred when they will be included with accounts rendered by them, commissions on any other produce to be two and a half percent ($2\frac{1}{2}$ percent) here, and two and a half percent ($2\frac{1}{2}$ percent) at port of sale, with inspecting commission of one and a half percent ($1\frac{1}{2}$ percent) upon silk worms eggs, and upon any Silk or Sea so shipped the said Altos agree to advance to the extent of eighty five percent (85 percent) of Invoice Value, and upon other produce in proportion, except Silk Worms eggs, upon which no advance can be made; should the said Altos however wish to take over on their own account any produce delivered, they are to have the option of doing so at the market rates of the day.
- 4th The said Altos agree to advance the above named sum of Four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000⁰⁰)

at Kobe, either in Mexican Dollars, or Bills on Shanghai, or Yokohama at par, or in Sterling Bills in London at the current rate of exchange there, on the day of payment; one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000⁰⁰) to be paid within five days (5 days) from date of signing this contract, and the balance within the second month (2nd month) of the next Japanese year Haminari. -

5th The said officers hereby promise and agree, to pay the said ~~Alt~~ interest on the above loan, at the rate of two percent per month (2 percent per month) and to pay the entire amount of said principal and interest in Silk and Tea within the fifth month (5th month) of the next Japanese year Haminari; the said Silk or Tea to be delivered in instalments, between the date of this contract and the final date of payment, and to be shipped to London or Yokohama by the said ~~Alt~~ for account and risk of the said Officers, Commission being charged by the said ~~Alt~~ here and at the ports of sale, in accordance with the annexed Proforma Statement marked B and C, and other charges as incurred; and the said ~~Alt~~ agree to advance Eighty five percent (85 percent) of the Invoice value of the Silk or Tea delivered, which same is to be credited to the loan account, and the balance accounted for to the said Officers, on receipt of account sales, not more than one-fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the amount of loan to be repaid in Tea, the balance of three quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) being in Silk only.

6th Where the words Invoice value are used in this contract, it is understood to be the lowest market value of the produce, at the time of delivery, with shipping

Charges and Commission as per proforma Invoices added, and if any dispute should arise, as to the market value at any time, of produce delivered, then two disinterested Silk or Tea inspectors are to be chosen (one by each of the contracting parties) to decide the question and their decision (or the decision of an umpire chosen by them if they cannot agree) is to be accepted.

4th Should the said Officers ultimately have control of the Mints (which it is expected they will) then it is understood that the whole Bullion and Copper required for the Government Mints at that port, is also to be obtained from the said Atsuta on same terms as detailed above.

8th The said Officers hereby promise and agree to cancel all negotiations with other firms for the purchase of Bullion or Copper, and not to renew or enter into any contracts they may at present have with other firms.

9th The penalty for the breach of any of the clauses of this contract is fixed at Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000⁰⁰), which is to be paid by the party delinquent to the party observant.

10th It is understood that the English version of this contract is to be considered the correct text, and to be held binding upon both parties.

11th In witness whereof His Excellencies the said Officers of the Keifu Kishu and Sui no Chie of Osaka on their own behalf, and on behalf of the Government of Japan, and the said Atsuta on behalf of themselves their heirs executors administrators and assigns, hereunto set their hands and seals in duplicate, at Osaka the day and date above mentioned.

Seal (Signed) Atsuta

- A -
Proforma Statement of Cost and Charges of Gold Bars
purchased in Shanghai and delivered in
Osaka

① 1/3 5 Boxes containing 100 Bars Peking Gold.
 Weighing 498 1/2 Taels
 @ 1 1/3 Taels per 10 Bars weight. Tael 1 1/3 74.05

— Shanghai Charges —
 Freight 1/2% Tael 86.40
 Insurance 3/4% " 129.60
 5 Boxes Shipping Charges " 5.00 321.00
 Tael 1 1/3 495.05

Tael 1 1/3 495.05 @ 1/3 1/2 and Bars 330 Bars 48,549.14

— Kobe Charges —
 Boat & Stevie Hire @ 100 Yen per Box Bars 15.00
 Freight from Kobe to Osaka 1/16% " 49.10
 Landing & Stevie Hire at Osaka " 15.00 79.10
 Bars 48,628.24

— Osaka Charges —
 Shipping Bars to Kobe
 say 8 Boxes @ 3 Bars per Box Bars 24.00
 Freight on same to Kobe 1/16% " 49.15
 Landing Charges at Kobe " 24.00
 Commission 1/2% " 393.15 490.30
 Bars 49,118.54

= 1/3 Bar. Per 194.00
 (News) Cost in Shanghai of Peking Gold Tael 168 per Bar.

— E. O. E. —
 Hqs Osaka 8th January 1909
 (signed) W. P. Co

皇國政府

大阪
 貨幣局
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B

Proforma Invoice of 10 Bales raw silk shipped by
the undersigned per P&O Steamer for Southampton
and consigned to London for sale on
account and risk of the concerned.

Arto 1/10 10 Bales Sodai
 weighing 8 piculs @ 500 Rees per Picul. Res 4000.00

Crack Charges

Shipping & Coolie hire 1/2 Rees per Bale	Res	5.00	
Storage ditto	"	5.00	
Wet packing & marking etc 1 1/4 %	"	17.50	
Sea Insurance 1/2 %	"	20.00	
Freight to Kobe 3/4 Rees per Bale	"	7.50	
Inspecting 1 %	"	40.00	
Commission 2 1/2 %	"	100.00	
Shroffage 1 %	"	4.00	
Portages & Potties	"	64	
<u>Kobe Charges</u>			
Transhipping to P&O Steamer 1/2 Rees per Bale	"	5.00	
Freight Overland 11 Rees per Picul	"	104.72	
Harmis Insurance from Kobe			
to Southampton	"	60.00	
Duty Res 45 per 100 cutty	"	150.00	
Portages & Potties	"	64	520.00
	Res		<u>4520.00</u>

P. O. E.

Mogo-Craka 8th January 1869.
 (signed) M. G.

B.

Proforma Account Sales of 10 Bales of raw silk received
on P. & O. Steamer from Japan and sold by the under-
signed for account and risk of the concerned. -

A/c 10 Bales Soda		
Weighting	1035 lbs @ 25/- per lb	£ 1293 15.0
<u>Charges</u>		
Southampton Charges	3/- per Bale	£ 1.10.0
Wharf Charges Warehouse Rent etc		£ 5.18.6
Subsistence & Customs Duty		£ 5
Sea Insurance	£ 1293 15.0 @ 1/4%	£ 3.4.8
Brokersage	1/2%	£ 6.9.4
Commission	2 1/2%	£ 32.7.0
		49.14.6
		<u>Net Proceeds</u> £ 1244.0.6

© 4/6 = $\frac{5529 \frac{00}{11}}{11}$
 @ 330 Pcs = $\frac{4561 \frac{4 \frac{1}{2}}{11}}{11}$

S. & O. S.
 Hoagland & Co. January 1869
 (signed) A. H. Co.

Proforma Invoice of 1000 half chests of Japan Tea
 shipped by the undersigned and consigned to
 London for sale on account and risk of the Concern

Pr 10 1/4 1000 half chests of Japan Tea
 weighing pecks 301.50 @ £31 per peck. £ 9346.50

Charges

Shipping Boat & Coolies etc 10 for half chest	£ 100.00
Shutting & Rattaining & Macking 30	" 300.00
Storage 1 st month 8. 2 ^d month 3.	" 150.00
Fire Insurance 1/2 %	" 46.73
Duty 3/4 Rop per peck. 1000, 1055 1/4 @ 330	" 319.77
Inspection 1 %	" 93.46
Commission 2 1/2 %	" 233.66
Skiffage 1 %	" 93.46
Postage & Pettes	" 2.04
Law printing if incurred & Transshipping	
Charges at Kobe, to be charged for as	
Customary	1235.00
	<u>£ 10581.50</u>

S. O. E.
 Nippon Osaka 8th January 1869
 (signed) A. H. Co.

C

Proforma account Sale of 1000 half chests of
Japan Tea received from Messrs. A. & C. Japan, and
sold by the undersigned for account and risk of the
Concerned.

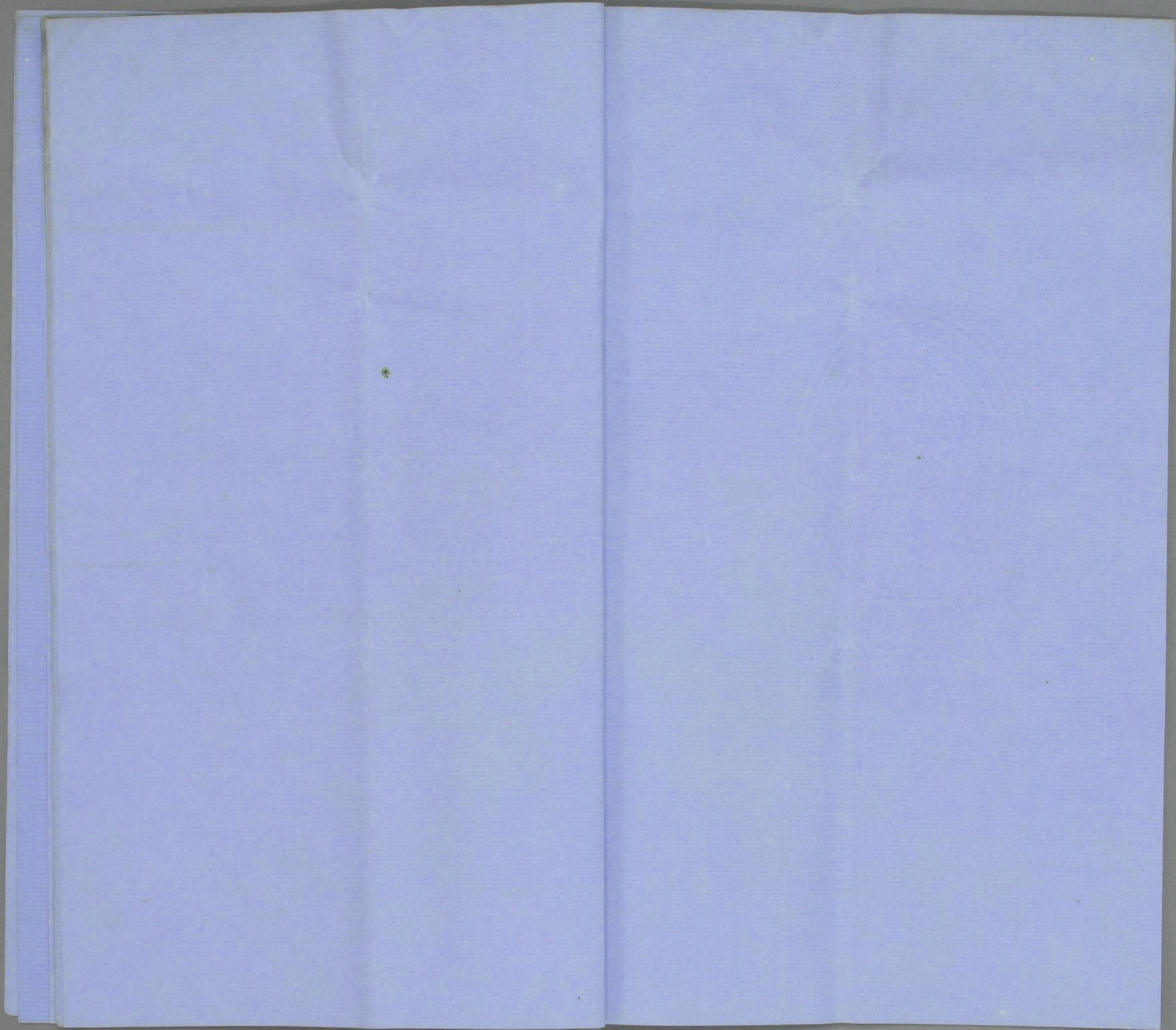
A/c 1/10 1000 half chests of Japan Tea,
weighing to 38994 @ 76/100 lb £ 2924.11.0

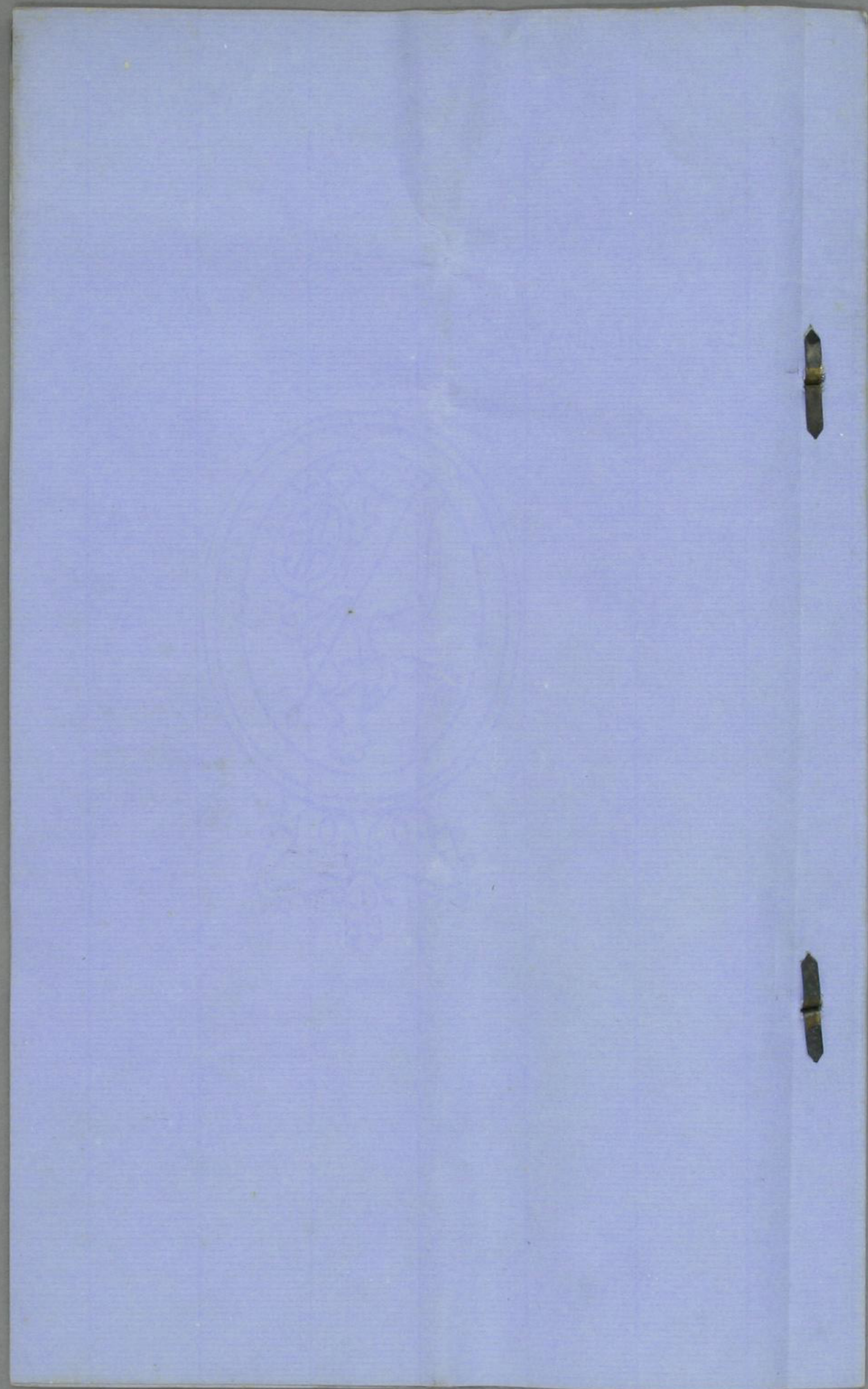
Charges

Dock rate, duty, stamps etc 1/4 p 1/2 chest	£ 79.3.4
Rebate 1/2 chest p 1/2 chest p mark	" 43.15.0
Sea Insurance on £ 2750 @ 1/4 %	" 6.17.6
War Insurance — @ 3 %	" 82.10.0
Freight on 2700 3/4 feet @ 4 p 50 feet	" 216.1.2
Brokerage 1 %	" 29.5.0
Commission 2 1/2 %	" 73.2.6
	£ 530.14.6
	£ 2393.16.6

£ 2393.16.6 @ 4 1/2 % = \$ 10639 ²³/₁₀₀

P. O. C.
Hosoya Osaka 8th January 1864
(Signed) A. & C.





I hereby certify that the seal attached to this document
 is the seal of the government mint at Osaka
 signed H. G. Aston
 British Consul for H. B. M.'s Consular
 Hoogo Osaka Osaka Feb 24. 1869

To all whom it may concern, we the undersigned officers
 of his Imperial Majesty the Mikado's Mints and
 Treasury at Osaka, hereby certify that we have contracted on
 behalf of the said Mikado's Government, with Messrs. Atsuta
 merchants of Nagasaki and Hoogo Osaka, for the supply of
 Bullion and Copper for the Government Mints at this port;
 and we undertake to accept and pay for on delivery any shipments
 of Gold, Silver, and Copper that they may import for us during
 the term of three years from this date, the quantities we require
 per month being, over Five hundred Bars (500 Bars) of Gold,
 Ten hundred peculs (600 peculs) in weight of Silver, and one
 thousand peculs (1000 peculs) of Copper.

And we further certify that we are duly authorized
 to make the contract above mentioned, in witness whereof we
 have hereunto set our hands, and attached the seal of the
 Government Mints, this fifteenth day of the fifth month
 of first year May i sui - 27th January 1869

皇國政府大印
 貨幣局
 沖印

長園右京
 桐山辰治郎
 久世治作

Mikado's
 Hoogawa Saburo
 Hanyu Genshi

