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Bureau of Navigation

Navy Department.

Washington 20th Dec^r 1874.

My Dear Genl Le gendre,

I can well consider that you have been sufficiently busy to prevent you from dropping me a line for the past few months.

The telegraphic & other news indicates that your busy time is over so far as Formosa is concerned. The terms of peace seem to be very gratifying

gratifying to the Japanese who justly
have the credit of lessening the
dangers of the navigation of the
Formosan coasts to the common be-
nefit of all peoples who navigate
those seas.

This should make the "dip-
lomatists" who opposed their going
to Formosa ashamed of themselves.

The expedition to Formosa
was capital too, as a school of
instruction and will be most
useful if an expedition is design-
ed against Corea.

I feel sure Mr Bingham
received instructions to have in
his

his horns in relation to you and
our other countrymen not actually
in our Military or Naval service.

I have known the Japanese
Minister, Goro Aono for some
time. He soon leaves this country
for Japan. His successor has arrived
& seems an able & excellent per-
son. I shall endeavor to get
him to come out to my place.

I have made many improve-
ments since we had the pleasure
of seeing you. ornamental and
other shade trees have been planted,
fences made & whitewashed and a
way station has been given me

where

where eight or more trains will
stop daily each way.

The children are very strong
& healthy & are growing finely.

M^{rs} Curmen begs to be presented
most kindly & hopes with me to
have you with us eve long.

Very sincerely yours

Genl Legendre.

Yokohama Japan.

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