

Shanghai, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> 1874.

Your Excellency,

Since Ambassador Okubo's settlement of the Formosan complications at Peking, I presume your Excellency will not require me to remain longer in China as per your request under date of Oct 7<sup>th</sup>. Therefore I shall return to Tokio by the first steamer.

I have answered your wire despatch as to the public opinion among the Chinese over the settlement made by His Excellency Okubo under this date.

Before closing permit me to convey to your Excellency my sentiments of admiration for yourself and His Excellency Ambassador  
 To His Excellency  
 Okuma Shigenobu.

Okubo on the fidelity and patriotism  
that you have displayed in your desire  
for pure justice in the settlement between  
Japan and China over the Formosa  
complications.

I had the honor and  
pleasure of presenting your letter of  
introduction to His Excellency  
Ambassador Okubo, on the eve of  
his departure for Formosa.

Most Respectfully  
Your Obedient Servant  
J. M. Batchelder.

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