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Your Excellency

Please permit me to refer your Excellency to our many interviews since the purchase of the P. M. S. S. New York, relating to, the Middle Kingdom, organizing your National Bureau of Navigation, P. Mail Branch Line, the improvement of your Harbors, Land Surveys, Roads, Manufactures, Forests, Commerce, Treaty, & national progress, to create new national Wealth from the idle Labor, Land, & Water resources, through the organization of an Industrial Syndicate of Industry, the proposed Syndicate of Industry would concentrate & unite, the competing industrial power of the Country, to create new homes, new industries, new property, new Capital, & an ever increasing United civilization, that will more than double within twenty years, from these new and old industries, the present yearly creation of your Empires National Wealth.

Thereby stopping the Shrinkages in National values, and Revenues, now occurring under your former Government, Treaty

To His Excellency

Okuma, Shigenobu.

policy, of limited productions.

Believeing the time is near at hand favorable to the industrial development of this Empire, I wish to ask your Excellency to assist me in removeing what I believe to be one of the principal causes of the delayed progress of your Government at the Foreign office of your Majesty.

Once that cause has been removed, I am confident Your Excellency's Government will be in a position, to utilize the Economic position, & resources of the Empire, through the Industrial Syndicate of practical men, to bring a steady wealth creating power, assisted by a new protective, industrial-policy-Treaty, bringing increase business, and Confidence as well as a steady return to par values of the paper money with it's exchange values.

To replace the decade anchored, war-deported, metalic-money, mashed under the former Governments present free-trade, fighting-policy-treaty.

I have never annoyed your Excellency with my cause of complaint against the delays of your Foreign office, for which I now beg Your Excellency's good offices, to render justice to my Government, and Self, so long withheld by His Excellency Terashima Munenori,

For ten years I have been pleading in vain before your Foreign office, for a return of my property taken illegally by a subordinate officer of your Majesty's Government, for six years a legal investigation was denied me, afterwards my Government demanded of yours, that this case be submitted to arbitration,

President Grant favors Arbitration, the alabama case removed many un pleasant relations existing between England & America,

President Grant appointed Minister Bingham - Mr Stevens - Gen Van Buren - Mr Denison - Consul Shepard of your foreign office - these men all believe in arbitration they are clear-headed legal men, they will tell Your Excellency if it is just and legal to take my property by force, and deny me an equitable restitution or investigation for ten years.

The Protocal was signed March 3d 1876, between Japan & the United States, to be Speedily Settled in accordance with "Equity & Justice" after method of delay, Mr Denison

Arbitrator selected by the United States, made an award February 28th 1878 in favor of the Peiho Claimants, Mr Sawa offered a Compromise of $ 10.000. ten thousand dollars + Some future award provided the Claim was withdrawn, but made no other award.

An Umpire was selected but did not act, as it was for Bismarks + Germanys interest to return the papers.

If your Excellency will take over the collection of the Simonosaki Fund, and will entrust the collection of the same to me - the American claims against Japan with the required attending Expenses of collection, to be paid from said Indemnity fund, and the ballance to be returned to your Imperial Treasury.

I hope your Excellency's Govt will purchase in America some sample Mechanical and Textile Manufactories, from this fund to immediately Commence practical Manufacturing under an Industrial Syndicate, which will awaken a new Industrial Spirit within the Empire, to add Millions yearly of new National Wealth.

Mr Bingham, and President Grant will soon be in Japan, Should your Ex deem it for the best interest of your Govt to withdraw this Case + privately arrange it. I am confident you will add largely to the Progressive Power of Your Majestys Government.

Most Respectfully

J. M. Batchelder

Tokio May 12th 1879

大隈公ノ閣下ニ敬白ス

曩キニ余ガ太平洋郵舩會社ノ汽舩ニウヨルク蒲ヲ貴政府ニ賣上タルノ頃ヨリ屢バ閣下ノ謁見ヲ辱フシ頻リニ愚見ヲ建言シ勸業議會(インダストリアル、レコンゲート)ヲ起シテ以テ國立汽舩乃ヲ開キ港灣ヲ改良シ内地ノ測量ヲ成シ公路ノ開通工業ノ進ヲ森林ノ繁殖貿易ノ盛榮其他總テ内國ノ開進ヲ勸奬シ然シテ而メ旧日本ノ面目ヲ改メ急慢ノ工業ヲ轉シテ鋭盛ノ工事トナシ僅ニノ水陸物素ヲ變シテ増殖ノ産物トナシ新タニ日本ノ富殖ヲ興起セント希望セシヨリ然リ其勸業議會ノ設アルヤ實ニ全國ノ

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茲ニ於テ大統領グラント氏ハ其公使ビンガム氏其他スチイブンス氏少將ボンボリン氏領事デニソン氏領事セツパルド氏（今貴政府ノ外務省ニ在リ）ニ命ジ訴件ヲ考査

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領グラント氏并ニ公使ビンガム氏モ近ク日本ニ来着
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一千八百七十九年　明治十二年六月十二日

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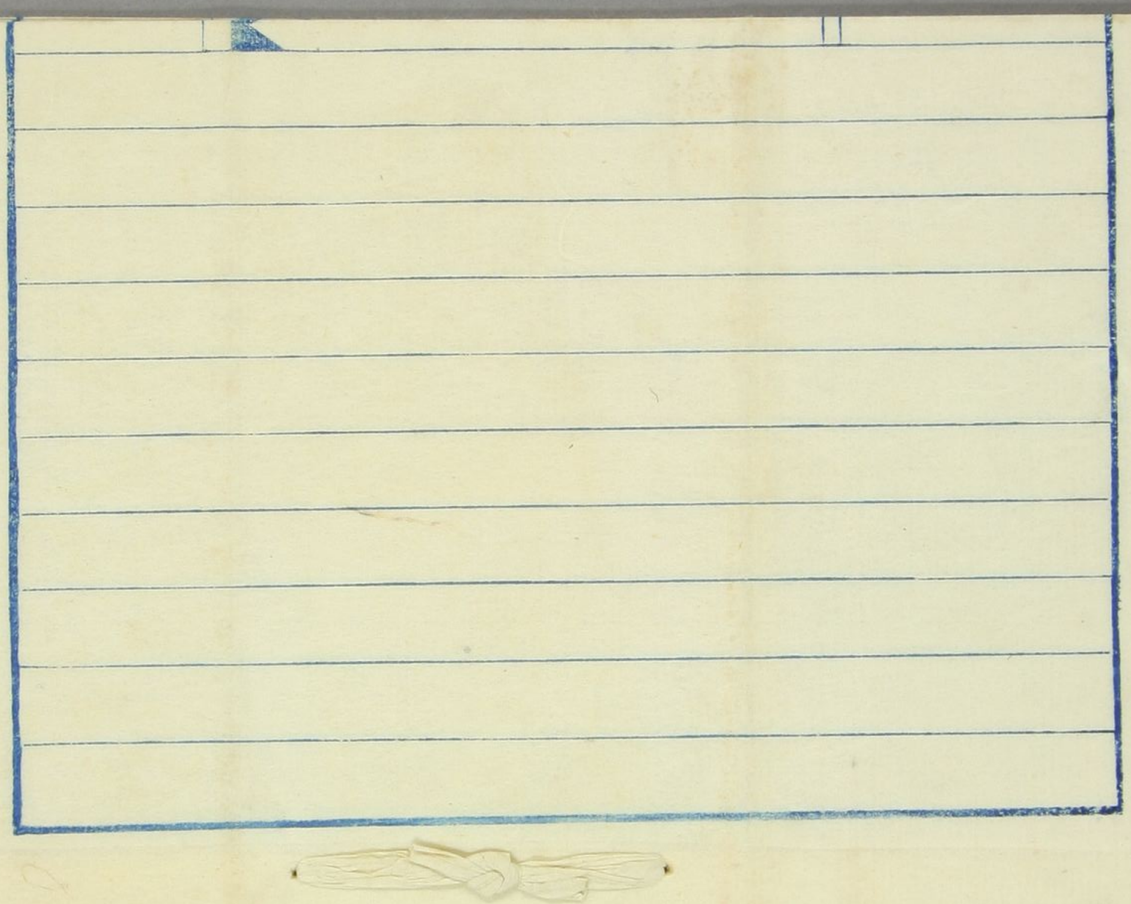

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To His Excellency,
Okuma Shigenobu

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