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Enclosure No 1
with
Despatch No 34.

copy

Tokio, Japan
April 8th 1875.

General Chas. W. Le Gendre,

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your communication of
yesterday's date, together with the enclosed
copy of a letter from His Excellency Okuma
Shigenobu, M. J. M^d Councillor of State
and Minister of Finance.

I beg of you to convey to His Excellency
my warmest thanks for the courteous terms

in which he has been pleased to speak of my services, as well as for the liberality of the Government in giving the handsome sum as extra salary and travelling expenses which accompanied the letter.

I shall ever remember with the keenest satisfaction the uniform kindness and courtesy which has always characterized the members of H. M.'s Government with whom I have been thrown, either in official or personal relations. I shall always be proud of the honor of having served under H. M.'s flag; and should there ever be an occasion in the future, I would gladly do the same again. In the meantime, I shall have only the most agreeable recollections of the few years that I have spent in Japan.

Allow me, Sir, to also express in some degree my appreciation of your own personal kindness, and my thanks for

the good wishes expressed in your letter.

In return, I can only wish that your future may prove successful and happy. Although our official relations terminate when you receive this letter, believe me that the recollection of them will follow me wherever I may go in future life.

With renewed expressions of highest regard and esteem, I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

(Signed) Jas. R. Wasson

A true copy

Chu W. Lifeng

Enclosure No 1
with
Despatch No. 24.
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N^o 34.Tokio, April 10th, 1875.

Your Excellency:

I have the honor to hand you
(Enclosure N^o 1) copy of Mr. Wasson's reply
to my letter to him of the 7th instant, cov-
ering copy of your Excellency's despatch
to me of the same date, wherein mention
is made of the retiring allowances and
special grant for travelling expenses
provided by the Government for his offi-
cer.

I have the honor to be

Your Excellency's

Most Obedient, humble servant,

His Excellency

Oki no Mitsumasa

Okuma Shigenobu

H. J. M.'s Minister of Finance

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