

Tokidji 12 July 1873.  
No.

Your Excellency,

I took the liberty to address to your Excellency on the 5<sup>th</sup> inst, requesting to allow me, to lay my views before your Excellency verbally, about an important institution not yet existing in Japan, which I am desirous to establish at my cost & which I estimate would bring in the Government about \$30000 to \$50000. & later on \$100000 etc per annum, without needing to have any outlay whatever. Having received, as yet, no answer to my letter, I beg leave to ask again to point out to me a convenient time for your Excellency, when I can come forward to explain my prospects.

I have the honor to be,  
with great respect & consideration,

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To  
His Excellency Mr Okuma Shigenobu  
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