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3 George Yard

Lombard St

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Woyenshi Riotsara Sama

My dear Sir,

I had the great pleasure
of receiving your kind present
of the Japanese type in wood
two days ago, and I cannot
tell you the pleasure it gave
me to receive them, especially
as they came unexpectedly.

I should have been much
pleased to have received
a letter also, and I should
have been very willing to

of foreign languages & customs, and I antic-
pate a great future for Japan in consequence.

These unfortunate civil wars in Japan are
to be lamented, but I trust that the wisdom
of Prince Satsuma may overcome the
changes for good both in the country.

I wrote recently to ask Mr. Verbeek
(An American gentleman in Nagasaki) to
procure a few Japanese books for me,
and I hope he will do so. I shall then

work more vigorously. A friend of mine is
particularly interested in your methods of
smelting copper & other ores, and he has
requested me to procure any work which
would help in this direction. He is the author
of a large work on Metallurgy. He judges
your plans & considers them very interesting.

I trust that if I can in any way serve you
in looking for any curious books, &c. for you

that you will command me to

上野様

I suppose you have my letter dis-
cerning my Dragon medals. Yours most sincerely
I have always sent it.

J. Lummer.

Study even a real Japanese
letter. I had the Hiracana
pretty well now, and I use
the various dictionaries, which
I possess. 節用, 玉海 &c.
for I have an enthusiastic
love of your language -

I find unfortunately very
few who will help me.

Mr. Takeda 竹田 田 one
of Prince Choshii's men came
to me for a pupil for 3 months
but he was not diligent, &
very changeable in his pur-
poses. I am very glad to
hear that your countrymen
are so devoted to the study

P.S. Chambers's Encyclopaedia
is now ready in 10 vols. Octavo.
and I shall endeavour to
forward you a copy soon.

I think you will be much
pleased with it, and if
you can send me a Japanese
book sometimes, I shall feel
that I have received a quid
pro quo.

