

Tokio Japan May 14th 1875.

My Dear General.

I understand that before leaving for the United States Captain Cassel omitted to acknowledge the receipt of certain money paid him by the Japanese government on his last departure for Formosa. This money amounted to the sum of one thousand dollars, of which eight hundred were returned; the remaining two hundred dollars were spent by him for his expenses during that trip. I witnessed the conversation between Capt. Cassel and Mr. Kirai, in which the matter was settled and the money accounted for in the above manner. At this same interview I witnessed the payment to Captain Cassel by Mr. Kirai the amount of

his back pay, less the eight hundred dollars above mentioned; and at the same time the amount of his salary for three months, and four hundred dollars for travelling expenses in returning home, as a gratuity from the Japanese government.

I write this because I understand such a receipt was necessary to the disbursing officer. I am sure that had it not been for the hurried manner of his departure and the press of business at that time that Capt. Cassel would not have forgotten his matter; but these circumstances, together with his ill health probably caused him to forget these formalities.

I am Yours very sincerely
Jas. R. Wasson.

Cha^s. W. Le Gendre.

Written & signed
before me on the day &
year above written
Cha^s. W. Le Gendre.

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