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Washington, D. C., Dec 24th 1875

Dear Sir,

Your note of yesterday was received by messenger and the reply to the Japanese Minister's letter, relative to the Sea-Otter skin he submitted to our examination, sent to you as requested.

Please accept our thanks for your photograph for the gallery of Smithsonian Correspondents.

Very truly yours &c

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