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Dear Sir

Please accept my best thanks for your most instructive & interesting Catalogue of sword guards. I congratulate the Louvre & the French temple on the very handsome gift which should lead to an increased appreciation of them.

I regret to say that the catalogue has been very badly crushed in coming through the post. I do not know whether you could share me another one whether in the event you could have it simply bound in Paris for me - for which I would pay. It would then no doubt reach me in a good condition.

I shall be publishing myself a small work shortly & shall hope to ask you acceptance of it.

I send my best wishes that your nation may be as successful in the coming as in the past years & that our mutual admiration is art.

May be more and more appreciated

Believe me then

Yours very truly

M. Huish

P. S.

I have to read a paper about the Japan Society on January 8th on The Exhibition of the netsuké [*1]. Have you any very early examples which you could have lent me. If they were for sale they would probably be the [?] of.

[*1] 根付 (netsuke) を指す。