London July 24th 1896 Monsieur T. Hayashi Paris

My dear Monsieur Hayashi,

After all this long time I now beg to send you a cheque for my last purchase which I hope you will receive safely. Have you received any fine goods since I last had the pleasure of seeing you, I heard you had sent a collection over to London. I was shown a nice lot of tsubas [*1] by the Yokohama Trading C^o of Paris but they were so high in price I made them an offer but I do not know if they will accept it.

I hope you find business good as it is very quiet in London. There have been several Japanese in London with goods to sell but the price was high. I have not been able to go to Paris as I have been so busy but I hope to see you shortly. With kindest regards & hoping you are quite well.

Believe me to remain Yours sincerely W. D. Cutter

[*1] 鐔(tsuba)を指す。