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February 20, 1907.



My Dear Carpenter:

Please see attached letter. I don't know whether the Secretary cares anything about making use of this information, but you might show it to him if you think it worth while.

Very truly yours,

Pepperman

Mr. Fred W. Carpenter,
Private Secretary to the
Secretary of War.

Inc. LeRoy Park's letter of Feb. 6th.

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War Department.

Refers to Department a letter, dated Feb. 20, 1907, from W. Leon Pepperman, enclosing a letter, dated Paris, Feb. 6, 1907, from Le Roy Park, in which Mr. Park states that he has known for the past three or four weeks that the Japanese Embassy at Paris was having an unusual amount of cable correspondence with Tokyo, and finds that it has been due, almost certainly, to the fact that Mr. de Martens, one of the most famous international jurists, a permanent member of the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and who took part in the Portsmouth Treaty, is in Paris and is being consulted for the Mikado's Government relative to School question. (WRS) (Rec'd Feb. 22-07.)

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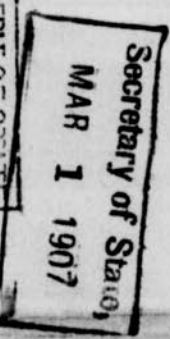
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February 6th., 1907.

PERSONAL.

My dear Mr. Pepperman:

As a matter of interest, in view of all the newspaper talk about the California School question, I beg to advise you of the following facts,- if you think they will be of interest to any one there, officially, you are at liberty to communicate them.

I have known for the past three or four weeks that the Japanese Embassy here was having an unusual amount of cable correspondence with Tokio, and I find that it has been due, almost certainly, to the fact that Mr. de Martens, one of the most famous International Jurists, a permanent member of the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and who took part in the Portsmouth Treaty, is here in Paris and is being consulted for the Mikado's government relative to the School question.

It may be that some of the officials there will be glad to have this information.

Yours truly,

L. B. Payne

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