

IMPERIAL JAPANESE EMBASSY
WASHINGTON

June 6, 1907.



My dear Mr. Secretary:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your personal letter of the 5th instant in which you inform me that on the 29th ultimo your Department requested of the Attorney General that the United States District Attorney in San Francisco may be given the assistance necessary to continue his investigation to an analysis of the cause of the trouble in the recent attacks upon the Japanese restaurants and bath-house in that city.

You also inform me that another letter was sent to the Attorney General from your Department yesterday asking him to instruct the District Attorney and the Marshal to render all the aid and assistance within their

Honorable Elihu Root,

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Treatment of Japanese in California.

Encl. 234. Los Angeles, Calif.,
June 3, 1907.

William R. Lee, M. D.

Refers to recent reports concerning relations between the U. S. and Japan. States that he has had two years experience in Siam as medical missionary with the Presbyterian Mission, and that he has learned a great deal of Oriental character. Asserts that the lower classes of Oriental people respect only a firm hand, and attributes the cause of race antagonism in California to the treatment of the Japanese there as social equals after Japan's victory over Russia.
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their lawful power towards the maintenance and conduct of the suits which the owners of the wrecked establishments are about to institute against the municipality of San Francisco, for damages, under the provisions of the Political Code of California.

I have the honor to assure you of my high appreciation of the manner in which representation unofficially made by this Embassy has been received by your Department, and to thank you for the cordial support which the Government of the United States is prepared to give, through its District Attorney, to the parties in interest in the assertion and maintenance of their just rights.

I am, my dear Mr. Root,

Very sincerely yours,

A. R. Root