

Department of Justice.

Office of
United States Attorney,
Northern District of California,

San Francisco, Dec. 11th, 1907.

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The Attorney General,

Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to advise you that to-day I received a visit from Mr. Chozo Koike, recently appointed Consul General of Japan for San Francisco, and Mr. Kazuo Matsubara, Vice Consul for Japan. In the course of our conversation I was advised that the Board of Police Commissioners of San Francisco have just granted licenses to the Japanese and that everything in this respect has been arranged to their satisfaction. Public notice of this has not been given to the press for the purpose of avoiding any discussion, but I presume that as the incident is closed, it will be gratifying to your Department and to the Department of State.

I might add that the suits brought by the Japanese residents against the City and County of San Francisco for damages occasioned by mob violence some months ago are still pending, the trial court having decided upon demurrer, that damages can be recovered only for actual injuries, and not for loss of profits. It is possible that after the beginning of the present year, and the new City Attorney comes into of-

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fice, they may be able to have the Board of Supervisors allow the actual damages, without the necessity of a trial in court.

Yours respectfully,

Robt. T. Devlin,

United States Attorney.

