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TOKYO, JAPAN.

I am in receipt this morning of your letter of January 25th, telling me of the visit to Montreal of Archbishop Mooney, the Apostolic Delegate in Japan. I shall look forward to meeting His Grace and will be very glad to show him some attention when he is here.

It distresses me very much to learn that Mrs. Marler has been laid up with an attack of scarlet fever. Those of us who have visited the Legation know by personal experience, and many others know by report just how interested Mrs. Marler is in her duties; that she works very hard, in fact, too hard, cannot be gainsaid. I hope that by this time she is herself again.

Press despatches intimate that Japan and the League of Nations are at the parting of the ways. It is a great pity. Japan, of course, intends to retain Manchuria, and not only that but to gain possession of further territory, which, however, it may be camouflaged, will be Japanese in effect.