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Dear Mr C. L. Wood

How are you? I'm very happy to send you this letter by Mr Col. G. H. Stubb's help who by chance would like to come back to America and kindly let me know that he will be able to help me to reach you by letter. I want to send you also, by his help, a poor, humble present of a doll, a pure Japanese rural product. I mean by this present that you and your lovely wife may live a very happy life and get many cherish children, as this doll - we Japanese say this as Teru-Teru Bozu means a sun-shine baby - is a symbol of glorious happiness and health. I have been changed my post from Toyama factory to Tokyo head office of Nippon Soda Co. Ltd. If I can get your letter which let me know your day after day life since your returning to your happy home how much I'll be glad and happy!!

By very strange but thankful  
case, we encountered and had  
a chance to know each other. I'm  
always recalling your gentle face  
and style.

Now you are a triumphant living  
a full happy life in America,  
and I'm a poor defeated who am  
struggling in poor life of day and  
night. <sup>in Japan</sup> But I want to believe  
your generosity and cleverness as  
an American gentleman will  
kindly foregive me to continue  
our friendship for ever.

your very truly

Yoshiaki Komatsu.