

Russian Undertakings in Korea  
in Connexion with our Policy in the  
Far East  
1898 - 1904.

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Introduction.

In an official communication dated 27 January 1904 the Ministry for Foreign Affairs explained the meaning of the Russo-Japanese dispute as to be found in the question of Korea. Russians at large did not grasp the significance for Russia of Korea, where we were possessed of no interests of a material character; consequently the Russian public readily accorded credence to the Ministry's incorrect explanation and accepted the casus belli as having lain in Korean affairs.

Extract from the secret memoranda of State-Secretary Witte and Adjutant-General Kuropatkin furnished, in a manner unintelligible, occasion for understanding by Korean affairs a lumber concession on the Yalu solely. Basing itself on these same memoranda, our press scattered broadcast the slander that, forsooth, agents outside the Departments were animated by ends of personal greed in their concerns in Korea.

The public thus drew the deduction that the war had been engendered with levity, with "the criminal covetousness of a handful of individuals seated in high place" as its cause and the conclusion was further come to that it was expedient, alike quickly and at all and any cost, to put an end to the campaign, even should its termination necessitate the payment of an indemnity, &c.

St Petersburg. July 24/ 1906.

Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexei Abaza and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, as former sole owners of all rights and property of the Russian Far East Timber Company have issued this certificate to William Edward Smith, citizen of the United States of North America to the effect that all real estate and moveable property of the Russian Far East Timber Company sold to him, Smith, under four agreements certified by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky July 7/1906, Nos 6340, 6342, 6344 a, d 6346 before such sale to Smith was neither sold nor mortgaged to anyone, neither encumbered by any debts of the company; likewise we certify that the concessions and other rights sold by us to Mr. Smith are not rendered void in consequence of non-payment of any taxes or ~~duties~~ duties. By power of attorney of sole owners of the Russian Far East Timber company Rear-Admiral of

His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexei Abaza and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, <sup>Lieutenant Colonel</sup> Nicholas Starck. Stamp Cancellation July 25/1906. I, the undersigned Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, having an office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by request of the attorney of Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexei Abaza and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49, hereby certify that this inscription of cancellation was made to the following effect; - as follows: - one <sup>revenue</sup> revenue the present certificate is taxed with Revenue Stamp of one rouble 25

Kopeks. is gummed on and cancelled by me, the Deputy Notary, in the method specified in paragraphs 67 and 70 of instructions for payment of Revenue <sup>Taxes</sup> taxes. For making this inscription I have charged 25 kopeks. No 6844.

Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify that the above signature was made personally in the presence of me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office

Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by <sup>Lieutenant Colonel</sup> Nicholas Starck, personally known to me, acting under power of attorney registered by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky June 30/1906 No 6146 and issued by Chief Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff as attorney of <sup>Rear</sup> Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexei Abaza and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin by power of attorney registered by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky June 30/1906 No 6144, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. July 25/1906. No 6846. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 25/1906. No 6848. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. August 12/1906. No 7439. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

receive certificates to same effect, and in general in all legal and other business to replace my principals in all, to accept documents, deeds, property, adjudged, and executed moneys, likewise money for sale of the business from private parties law-courts, official institutions and officials, from exchequers and banking institutions against your receipts in the name of my principals, to transfer the authority given to you to other parties with the right of further transfer. In all that you, under this Power of Attorney shall ~~the~~ effect I will uphold you, neither disputing nor countermanding the same. This Power of Attorney is issued to <sup>Lieutenant Colonel</sup> Nicholas Starck, Chief Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff. June 13, 1906 this power of attorney was presented to me Vassli Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Chief Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff, personally known to me acting on the basis of a power of attorney of which the original was presented to me registered at this office No 6144 from R ar-Admiral Alexeli Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin in the residence of Mr Balasheff Admiralty District, Galernaya Street, No 7. I the Deputy Notary certify that this power of attorney was signed in person by Mr J. Balasheff legally capable of executing deeds. Paragraph 137 of Notarial Regulations was declared. No 6146. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff (Seal). I the undersigned certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 20, 1906. No 6690. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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CERTIFICATE OF CLEAR TITLE OF OWNERSHIP AND NON-ENCUMBRANCE OF PROPERTIES, ETC, IN RE THE RUSSIAN FAR EAST TIMBER COMPANY.

JULY 24/1906.

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POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM JOHN  
BALASHEFF TO N. STARCK IN RE  
THE RUSSIAN FAR EAST TIMBER  
COMPANY. JUNE 13/1906.  
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Dear Mr Starck,

On the basis of a Power of Attorney issued to me with  
the right of further transfer of trust by Rear-Admiral Alexeie  
Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas  
Matunin as sole owners of the property of the Russian Far East  
Timber Company I hereby authorise you to liquidate all business of the  
company and all property and rights of my principals in the same  
relative to sundry concessions with the Korean Government and agree-  
ments with private parties to sell for a price and under conditions  
with which you are acquainted all the business in its entirety and to  
transfer all my principals' rights under the same, for which purpose  
to execute agreements and deeds of transfer, to make inscriptions of  
transfer, and in general to execute all deeds without exception re-  
quired in the course of the said sale of the business and transfer  
of rights under ~~conditions~~ concessions and agreements and in general  
I authorise <sup>you</sup> to be Attorney of my principals with Russian and Foreign  
Governments in all Government and Law institutions and with officials.  
Hence I authorise you in the name of my principals to claim and to  
defend in courts, to enter into cases as a third party, and to bring  
third parties into the case, to present all manner of petitions and  
papers, to petition for and to receive copies, memoranda, extracts and  
all manner of certificates, to institute and uphold disputes relative  
to forgery and to defend such disputes, to hear decisions, decrees<sup>e</sup> and  
resolutions, to agree or protest same, to lodge all manner of complaints  
and reports, likewise petitions for the repeal and re-examination  
of decisions which have entered into legal effect, to receive writs  
of execution to carry them into effect, to claim losses, costs, demand  
accounts from parties having business communication with my principals,  
to enter into amicable arrangements before hearing in court and during  
the hearing, to draw up peace agreements, to make statements, to

Dear Mr Balasheff,

In the capacity of sole owners of the property of the <sup>Russian</sup> Far East Timber Company we hereby authorise you to wind up all business of the company and all property and rights ~~owned~~ owned by us <sup>under</sup> the same under sundry concessions with the Korean Government and agreements with private parties, to sell at price and under conditions known to you the entire business, and to cede in connection with same all our rights, for which purpose to execute ~~deeds~~ agreements and deeds of transfer, to make inscriptions of transfer and in general to execute all deeds without exception required in ~~the~~ course of the said sale of the business and transfer of rights under concessions and agreements and in general we authorise you to be our Attorney with Russian and Foreign Governments - in all government and law institutions and with officials. Hence we authorise you to claim in our name and to defend in courts, to enter into cases as a third party, and to bring third parties into the case, to present all manner of petitions and papers, to petition for and to receive copies, memoranda, extracts and all manner of certificates, to institute and uphold disputes relative to forgery and to defend such disputes, to hear decisions, decrees and resolutions, to agree or protest same, to lodge all manner of complaints and reports, likewise petitions for the repeal and re-examination of decisions which have entered into legal <sup>effect</sup> force, to receive writs of execution, to carry them into effect, to claim losses, costs, demand accounts from parties having business communications with us, to enter into amicable arrangements before hearing in court and during hearing, to draw up peace agreements, to make statements, to receive certificates to such effect and in general in all legal and other business to take our place, to accept documents, deeds, property adjudged and executed money likewise money for sale of the business from private parties law-courts, official

institutions and officials, from exchequers and banking institutions against your receipt in our name, to transfer the authority given to you to other parties with the right of further transfer. In all that you under this power of attorney shall effect we will uphold you, neither disputing nor countermanding the same. This power of attorney is issued to Chief Hunt Master of His Imperial Majesty's Court John Balasheff. Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin. June 30, 1906. This power of attorney was registered by me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt No 7, by parties personally known to me, viz, Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin residing, the first Vassilleffsky District, Fifth Line, No 50, and the second Liteiny District, Pr-obrazhenskaia Street, No 24, legally capable of executing deeds. I, the Deputy Notary, certify that this power of attorney was signed in person by Messrs Abaza and Matunin. Paragraph 137 Notarial Regulations declared. No 6144. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble 25 k peks. July 20, 1906. No 6688. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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alry General Count Alexeii Ignatieff, Colonel of Her Majesty's Cavalry Guard Regiment Michael Serebriakoff, Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Prince Felix Yousupoff, General Adjutant Peter Gesse. I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signatures ~~were made~~ on this document were acknowledged in the presence of myself, Peter Artsibusheff, St Petersburg Notary, in my office located Nevski Prospekt No 61, by parties personally known to me, namely, Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza, of His Majesty's Suite, Retired Colonel of the Guards Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, Cavalry General Count Alexeii Ignatieff, Colonel of Her Majesty Empress Maria Woodorovna's Cavalry Guard Regiment Michael Serebriakoff, Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count Soumarokoff Elston, and General Adjutant Peter Gesse, residing, first Vassilieffsky District Fifth Line No 50, second Liteiny District, Fontanka No 22, third and fourth same district French Quay Nos 26 and 22, Fifth Rozhdestvensky District Greek Prospekt No 23, sixth Spassk District Michael Square No 3, seventh and last Kazan District Moika Quay No 94 and 18 to be their own. January 29th, 1904. No 576, Notary Peter Artsibusheff. (Seal). December 31, 1904, in accordance with mutual agreement the present preliminary agreement is extended to June 1, 1906: Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexeii Abaza, Colonel Prince Yousupoff, Colonel of Her Majesty's Cavalry Guard Regiment Michael Serebriakoff, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, General Adjutant Gesse, Stable Master of Imperial Court V. Vonlyarlyarsky, Privy Counsellor N. Matunin. I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signatures were acknowledged in my presence, Michael Suslenikoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Peter Artsibusheff, in his office, Moscow District, Nevski Prospekt, No 61, by ~~the~~ persons known to me, viz, Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexeii Abaza, Colonel Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count

Soumarokoff Elston, Colonel Michael Serebriakoff of Her Majesty's Cavalry Guard Regiment, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, General Adjutant Peter Gesse, Stable Master of the Imperial Court Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, residing, first Vassilieffsky District, Fifth Line, No 50, second Kazan District Moika Quay, No 94, third Liteiny District, French Quay, No 22, fourth Spassk District, Michael Square No 3, fifth Kazan District, Moika Quay No 18, sixth Liteiny District, Fontanka, No 22, and last Rozhdestvensky District, Greek Prospekt No 23 as made by them personally. June 27, 1905. No 566. Deputy Notary M. Suslenikoff. (Seal). March 3, 1905; We, the undersigned, hereby certify that in accordance with our mutual agreement we have quitted the present partnership, declare the action of this present agreement suspended as regards ourselves without any claims whatever to each other and do hereby convey to Rear-Admiral of His Majesty's Suite Alexeii Abaza and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin the right to use the name of the firm, the Russian Far East Timber Company, likewise the right to organise a company on the basis of the present preliminary agreement. General Adjutant Peter Gesse, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Colonel Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count Soumarokoff Elston, Stable Master of Imperial Court Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, Colonel Michael Serebriakoff. I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signatures on this deed were executed in the presence of myself, Peter Artsibusheff outside of my office located Nevski Prospekt No 61 by parties personally known to me, General Adjutant Peter Gesse, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Colonel Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count Soumarokoff Elston, Stable Master of the Imperial Court Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky and Colonel Michael Serebriakoff, residing, first, Kazan District, Moika Quay, No 18,

St Petersburg, May 31, 1903. We, the undersigned, Cavalry General Count Alexei Ignatieff, General-Adjutant Peter Gesse, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite, Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count Soumarokoff Elston, Retired Colonel of the Guards Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, Honorary Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin and Colonel Michael Serebriakoff of Her Imperial Majesty Maria Feodorovna's Cavalry Guard Regiment have entered into the present preliminary agreement of partnership under the firm of the Russian Far East Timber Company for working all manner of timber concessions, ores, fisheries and fur industries, shipping, trading and all other manner of industrial and trading enterprises within the limits of Manchuria, Korea and the sea coast district. The stock capital of the company shall be determined in six months, and will be paid by the partners as called for. One of the partners, as per mutual agreement, shall be full partner, the others only investors, the latter's responsibility being limited to their investments and they shall bear no further responsibility, either personal or by property, for debts of the company. The method of operations, rights and duties of the partners, the organisation of the management, the accounts and the general order shall be compiled in accordance with agreement of all partners and shall be regularly formulated within six months from the date of signing this agreement. Until such time the partners authorise Hunt Master of the Court of His Imperial Majesty John Balasheff to act as Representative of the company with all rights and duties to spend the money of the company to acquire effects and real estate all manner of concessions and leases and in general to manage and order all property and business of the company with the duty of submitting proper account for all these actions. The following are elected managers of the business: Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexei Abaza and Retired Colonel of the

Guard Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, who are authorised to issue proper powers of attorney to direct affairs, to engage employes to accept accounts, property and money and in general to act in all respects in accordance with the demands of business and formalities. Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexei Abaza, Retired Colonel of the Guards Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, Cavalry General Count Alexei Ignatieff Colonel of Her Imperial Majesty Maria Feodorovna's Cavalry Guard Regiment Michael Serebriakoff, Honorary Counsellor of State Nicholas Matunin, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count Soumarokoff Elston, General Adjutant Peter Gesse. I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signatures were personally made in the presence of myself, Michael Sushennikoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Peter Artsibusheff, in his office, Moscow District, Nevski Prospekt, No 61, by the following parties, personally known to me: Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite, Retired Colonel of the Guards Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, Cavalry General Count Alexei Ignatieff, Colonel of Her Majesty the Empress Maria Feodorovna's Cavalry Guard Regiment Michael Serebriakoff, Honorary Counsellor of State Nicholas Matunin, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count Soumarokoff Elston, and General Adjutant Peter Gesse, residing in St Petersburg, first, Fifth Line No 50, second Fontanka No 22, third French Quay No 26, fourth French Quay No 22, fifth Greek Prospekt No 23, sixth Michel Square No 3, seventh Moika Quay No 94, and eighth Moika Quay No 18. May 31, 1903. No 2680. Deputy Notary M. Suslennikoff. (Seal) January 28, 1904; in accordance with a mutual agreement the force of this preliminary agreement is extended by us to January 1st 1905: Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite, Retired Colonel of Guards Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, Cav-

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and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, Nicholas Starck. William Edward Smith, Citizen of the United States of North America. I, the undersigned, certify that the above signatures were made personally in the presence of me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by persons unknown to me, viz, William Edward Smith, Citizen of the United States of North America, acting for himself, and Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, acting under power of attorney certified June 30, 1906, No 6146 by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky and issued by Hunt Master of the Imperial Court John Balasheff, acting under authority from Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexei Abaza and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin expressed in power of attorney registered by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky June 30, 1906, No 6144, and residing, -Mr Smith, Admiralty District, Moika No 81, and Mr Starck, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. July 7, 1906. NO 6372. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by the above-mentioned Mr Starck. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. Original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 7, 1906. No 6373. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by the above-mentioned Mr Starck. In comparing this copy with the original copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29, 1906. No 7035. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

ORGANISATION OF THE RUSSIAN FAR EAST TIMBER COMPANY, MAY 31, 1903. .  
 AUTHORITY TO JOHN BALASHEFF TO ACT AS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMPANY.  
 DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP, MARCH 3, 1905.  
 CONTINUATION OF THE COMPANY BY ALEXEII ABAZA AND NICHOLAS MATUNIN.

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LIST OF DOCUMENTS TRANSFERRED  
BY RUSSIAN FAR EAST TIMBER CO  
TO W. E. SMITH.

JULY 7. 1906.

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Translated from Copy.

LIST.

of Documents transferred by the Russian Far East Timber Company in persons of sole owners of all rights and all property of this Company - Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin to William Edward Smith, Citizen of the United States of North America under an Agreement registered 7 July, 1906, No 6346 by St Petersburg Notary J. Zabielsky. (1) Two copies of Note of hand of Honorary Counsellor of State Nicholas Matunin, dated August 22 and October 18, 1902, ceding, in favour of Baron Gabriel Gunzburg his rights and privileges under an agreement proffered in 1898 to His Majesty the Emperor of Korea by Privy Counsellor Nyeperozhneff covering all mineral deposits of the Korean Court Department in the Hamheungdo and Piengyang Provinces. (2) a Note of hand issued by Baron Gabriel Gunsburg to Honorary Counsellor of State Matunin conveying to him free of cost one tenth part of the stock capital subscribed for working the mineral deposits in the Hamheungdo Province <sup>in</sup> of Korea, certified by the Russian Imperial Consulate at Tientsin May 30, 1902, No 134. (3) A similar Note of hand from Baron Gabriel Gunsburg to Honorary Counsellor of State Matunin conveying to him free of cost one tenth part of the stock capital subscribed for working the mineral deposits in the Piengyangdo Province of Korea, certified by the Russian Vice-Consul of Chemulpho 20 December 1902, No 43, and Matunin's certificate with that rights to these two Notes of hand belong to the Russian Far East Timber Company, certified by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky July 1, 1906, No 6177. (4) A letter in French, dated November 14/27, 1903, from Baron Gunsburg to N. Matunin. By power of attorney of sole owners of the Russian Far East Timber Company, Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza, of His Imperial Majesty's Suite,

CERTIFICATE. I, the undersigned, Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, hereby certify that, in accordance with two letters issued to me by Baron Gabriele Gunsburg, one concerning the transfer to me, free of cost, of one tenth part of the stock capital subscribed for working the mineral deposits in the province of Hamheungdo, certified May 30, 1902, No 134, by the Russian Consul at Tientsin, and the other concerning the free transfer to me of one tenth part of the stock capital subscribed for working the mineral deposits in the province of Piengyangdo in Korea, certified December 20, 1902, No 43, by the Russian Vice-Consul at Chemulpho - all rights under these letters were formerly property of the Russian Timber Company in the Far East named in some documents "the Korean Timber Company", or "The Russian Timber and Mining Industrial Company in the Far East", or "The Timber Industrial Company" and at present belong to me, Matunin, in conjunction with Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite, as sole owners of all rights of the said Company. Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin. I, the undersigned, certify that the above signature was made personally in my presence, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin personally known to me, and residing, Liteiny District, Preobrazhenskaia Street No 24. July 1, 1906. No 6177. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary, Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by <sup>Lieutenant Colonel</sup> Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 4, 1906. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). No 6266. I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy, presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Pros-

pekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29, 1906. No 7021. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal)

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was deposited at the Imperial Russian Legation at Seoul, and very likely turned over to the French Legation with other documents at the time of departure of the Russian authorities in January/February 1904. According to the articles of the concession work was to begin within a year, viz, 14/27th November 1904 at the latest. In January/February 1904 I was obliged to leave Seoul along with others of the Russian colony, and, in consequence, was forced to drop this matter. At the time of my departure the expenses incurred in this connexion for travelling, prospecting and other disbursements amounted to over 100000 Roubles. At the expiration of the time limit for beginning work I made legal note of these facts by an official declaration presented to His Excellency Admiral Alexeieff, Imperial Lieutenant to His Majesty in the Far East. Considering the re-establishment of peace and the possibility of resuming the interrupted operations I beg of Your Excellency to kindly grant to myself and my partners the favour of your kind benevolence to re-insure us in our rights, the case of force majeure being included in the articles of concession, and to have accorded to me all due compensation as well as a new time limit of one year to date from the time I will be in a position to re-commence operations. I regret under the existing pressing circumstances to be obliged to take up any of Your Excellency's valuable time; still, I rely on your kind and powerful protection towards Russian interests and beg to remain,

Very Respectfully,  
 (Signed) Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg.

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CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP OF RIGHTS  
 IN HAMHEUNGDO AND PIENGYANG DO BY  
 MATUNIN. JULY 1. 1906.

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LETTER FROM GUNSBURG TO COUNT  
LAMSDORFF, MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, RUSSIA;  
ASKING FOR RE-INSTATEMENT IN RIGHTS AND EXTEN-  
SION OF TIME LIMIT FOR BEGINNING WORK ON AC-  
COUNT OF INTERRUPTIONS CAUSED BY WAR.

AUGUST 17, 1905.

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Translation.

PARIS.

August 17/1905.

To His Excellency, COUNT LAMSDORFF, Minister For Foreign Affairs,  
ST PETERSBURG.  
R U S S I A.

EXCELLENCY,

I beg of you that under the circumstances you will kindly take into consideration the question of a concession which I obtained in Korea as a Russian Subject. In December 1901 I went to Seoul to try and obtain a mineral concession from the Korean Government. After certain interviews with His Excellency Mr Pavloff, Minister Plenipotentiary and Envoy Extraordinary of His Majesty the Emperor I was informed that I could have the backing of the Russian authorities only in case I had had an understanding with His Excellency Mr Matunin "Detenteur" according to the declaration of your department of Mineral Laws of the Imperial Household of Korea. Following my return to Tientsin I received officially from your department through the Imperial Consulate of Russia at this port a copy of the documents <sup>stating</sup> ~~saying~~ the rights of Mr Matunin to the mines of the Imperial Household of Korea. Consequently I made arrangements with His Excellency Mr Matunin for the two provinces in the north of Korea in regard to which he transferred to me all his rights upon certain conditions. Copy of this agreement was legally submitted to the Imperial Legation of Russia at Seoul. This done I got the adherence of the Russian authorities, and finally obtained on the 14/27th November 1903 from the Imperial Government of Korea a mineral concession similar to those granted to subjects of other countries having treaties with that country. This original document, signed before His Excellency Mr Pavloff,

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(GUNSBURG INFORMING)  
LETTER FROM GUNSBURG THAT KOREAN  
GOVERNMENT HAD GRANTED CONCESSION,  
THAT GUNSBURG WOULD FORM A COMPANY  
TO EXPLOIT SAID CONCESSION, THAT  
MATUNIN WOULD RECEIVE HIS SHARE IN

THE COMPANY.

SEOUL. - NOV 14/27.1903.

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Seoul.

14/27 November, 1903.

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A SON EXCELLENCE,

N.J.MATONINE,

Conseiller d'Etat Prive.

EXCELLENCE,

J'ai l'honneur de porte a votre  
connaissance qu'en vertu de la cession que vous m'avez fait par les  
actes en date du 22 Aout et 18 Octobre 1902 j'ai signe ce jour avec le  
Gouvernement Corean un contrat de concession miniere pour un district  
a choisir dans les provinces de Ham-yong et Phyon-an sauf exception de  
certains points ou se trouvent des mosoles du Palais Imperial. J'ai du  
me contenter de cette restriction pour le moment, ne pouvant, dans les  
circonstances actuelles, forcer la main du Gouvernement Coreen, mais je  
compte, des que la plentitude de vos droits, en vertu de la convention de  
Son Excellence Monsieur Neporojneff avec le Gouvernement Coreen aura  
ete ouvertement admise par la Delegation Imperiale de Russie et le  
Gouvernement Coreen, etendre mon champ d'operation a toutes les mines et  
districts miniers des deux provinces en question.

Je vas prendre des mesures immediatement pour  
fixer le choix de cette premiere mine ou district minier: les travaux  
devront commencer avant un an a partir de la signature du contrat. Je  
m'occupe aussi de la formation d'une societe par actions pour developper  
cette concession, et la part qui vous revient, par suite des actes  
passes entre nous, sera reservee.

Veuillez agreer, etc,

(Signe) Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg.

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derived from them. (5) to engage and employ foreigners in any way whatever for working the mines and mining districts, as well as all other operations of export and import connected with their working. (6) to free Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg and his heirs from payment of any kind of Customs or other duties taxes and in general of any whatever dues on the articles and business mentioned in paragraphs I, 2, 3 and 4 of this agreement, - and in general on anything necessary for the working of the mines and mineral district as well as to free them from payment of such taxes or duties on any of the localities occupied by the mines and buildings as well as any moveable property without exception of such merchandise put up for sale in such shop or stores as Baron de Gunsburg and his assigns may establish. (7) to afford to Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg Russian subject and his assigns all facilities and every protection at all times not only to himself and his assigns but also to all his employes and operations so that they may enjoy their rights established according to this agreement as well as in his dealings with native people. (8) to secure to Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg, Russian subject, and his assigns free right of way to and from all his properties and works as well as between them and the free use of all available water and water power necessary for the better development of said properties. (9) to give to Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg, Russian subject, and his assigns the right to cut and use necessary wood and timber, paying for it at local rates when such timber cannot be purchased on reasonable terms from the natives. (10) Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg, Russian subject and his assigns undertake to begin working and developing the mines mentioned in this agreement not later than within one year from the signing of this agreement. If, without reasons worthy to be considered, work should not have been begun within the year this concession will lose its strength. -II) Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg Russian subject and his assigns agree to procure the formation of a Company to be called "The Korean Mining In-

dustry Company", to which he will assign all his rights and duties established by this agreement. (12) said Company established by Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg shall provide all money for the development and the payment of all expenses of development and operations. (13) This company will be managed by a Board of Five Directors, to protect the interests of the company, and the Government, - one of these Directors shall be a Korean subject appointed by the Korean Government; the position of this Korean Member of the Board shall be the same as that of the other members. (14) The net profit of the Company, that is what remains after the payment of all expenses of development and operation shall be divided into one hundred equal parts, twenty five of which shall belong to the Korean Government and the balance, seventy five, to the Company. (15) The present agreement shall continue in force for twenty five years from the date of its signature, and whatever party to this contract may be prevented by force majeure from enjoying his rights and fulfilling his obligations it shall not be taken as any part of any limit herein fixed. (16) This agreement, established and duly executed on behalf of the Korean Government and of the Imperial Household Department is written in four (4) originals, of which two (2) are in Russian, and two (2) are in the Chinese language, and in case of dispute, the Russian text shall alone be binding.

(Signed) The Treasurer of the Imperial Household Department,  
YI YONG YK (Seal)

(Signed) Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg. (Seal)

SEOUL. NOVEMBER 14/27 1903.

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MINING CONCESSION IN HAM HEUNG DO  
AND PIENG YANG DO GRANTED BY THE  
KOREAN GOVERNMENT TO BARON GABRIEL  
DE GUNSBURG. NOVEMBER 14/27 -1903.

No 27.

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Seoul November  
14/27. 1903.

Translation of Contract for Mining Concession,  
between YI-YONG-YK, Treasurer Imperial House-  
hold of Korea, on the one part, and Baron Gab-  
riel de Gunsburg on the other part.

On behalf of His majesty the Emperor of Korea the Korean Government,  
taking into consideration all the points agreed to hereinafter and  
the benefits derived from them grants to Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg, a  
Russian subject and his assigns the exclusive rights - (1) to prospect  
for and mine iron, copper, silver, gold and all other minerals and mineral  
products in all the localities within the limit of one district in the  
province of Ham heung do or in that of Pieng yang in all the mines and  
mining localities now belonging to the Government of Korea and to the  
Imperial Household with the exception of those mines where regular work  
has been started by means of the Korean Government before the signature  
of this agreement. Working on account of this present concession cannot  
be done in Yong-heung, Kiljyu, Tan-chhijou, Phyeong-an, Chai-chyong, Ju-an,  
Ham-him, in the localities occupied by Imperial cemeteries and tombs and  
buildings belonging to the Palace, as well as in thickly populated centres.  
(2) To work in all this district and export to other parts of this empire  
and abroad all the aforesaid minerals and mineral products as well as  
any kind of products derived therefrom. (3) To construct, establish, hire  
maintain and work in any way buildings, stores, means of communication and  
transportation that may be necessary for the better development and  
working of the mines and mining districts and generally conducting all  
operations necessary or advantageous to such undertakings. (4) To  
import from abroad at the most convenient places any kind of machinery,  
tools, instruments materials goods and supplies necessary or advantageous  
for the working of the mines and mining districts and other operations

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TRANSFERS OF RIGHTS IN PIENG YANG  
AND HAM HEUNG DO BY NICHOLAS MAT-  
UNIN TO BARON GABRIEL DE GUNSBURG.

OCTOBER 18, 1902  
AUGUST 22, 1902.

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I hereby certify that I, the undersigned, cede in favour of Baron Gabriel  
Gunsburg all rights and privileges at present owned by me and which may  
in future come to me in force of an agreement proposed in 1898 to His  
Majesty the Emperor of Korea by Privy Counsellor Nicholas Nyeporozhneff for  
all mineral deposits of the Korean Court Department in the Pieng yang prov-  
ince of the Korean Empire. October 18, 1902. St Petersburg. Signed. Honorary  
Counsellor of State Nicholas Matunin. This is a true copy of the original.  
Privy Counsellor N. Matunin. This is a true copy of the original. Privy  
Counsellor N. Matunin. This is a true copy of the foregoing copy. N. Starck.

I hereby certify that I, the undersigned, cede in favour of Baron Gabriel  
Gunsburg all rights and privileges at present owned by me and which may in  
future come to me in force of an agreement proposed in 1898 to His Majesty  
the Emperor of Korea by Privy Counsellor Nicholas Nyeporozhneff for all min-  
eral deposits of the Korean Court Department in the province of Nam-kien-do  
of the Korean Empire. August 22, 1902. St Petersburg. Signed. Honorary Counsel-  
lor of State Nicholas Matunin. This is a true copy of the original. Privy  
Counsellor N. Matunin. This is a true copy. Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin  
This is a true copy of the foregoing copy. N. Starck.

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No 25.

I, the undersigned, Baron Gabriel Gunsburg, Russian subject, intending to receive from the Emperor of Korea and the Korean Government a concession for the exclusive right of working mineral deposits belonging to the Ministry of the Imperial Court in the entire province of Pieng Yang Do and proposing to organise a special company for working these deposits, give the present undertaking that, in case of receiving the said concession and organisation of the said company I will cede, free of charge, to Honorary Counsellor of State Matunin one tenth part of the stock capital of this company, fully paid up with shares or stock with full rights. Baron Gabriel Gunsburg. Seoul December 20/1902. Baron Gabriel Gunsburg. The signature of Baron Gabriel Gunsburg, legally capable of executing deeds and personally known to me, I certify with seal appended. Chemulpho. December 20/1902. Imperial Russian Vice-Consul Polianoffsky. (Seal). No 43. Taxed three roubles, equals three yen 9 sen. I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. July 6/1906. No 6297. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy, presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7027. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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No 24.

I, the undersigned, Baron Gabriel Gunsburg, Russian subject, intending to receive from the Emperor of Korea and the Korean Government a concession for the exclusive right of working mineral deposits belonging to the Ministry of the Imperial Court in the entire Province of Ham heung do and proposing to organise a special company for working these deposits, give the present undertaking that in case of receiving the said concession and organisation of the said company I will cede free of charge, to Honorary Counsellor of State Matunin one/tenth part of the stock capital of this company fully paid up in shares or stock with full rights. China. Tientsin, May 2/1902.

Baron Gabriel Gunsburg. The Russian Imperial Consulate at Tientsin certifies the authenticity of the signature personally appended hereto by Baron Gabriel Gunsburg, Russian subject, residing at Tientsin, personally known to the Consulate and legally capable of executing deeds. Tientsin. May/30/1902.

No 134, Taxed under Paragraph 9 two roubles. Consul. Signature. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49.

In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. July 6/1906. No 6295. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the fore-going copy, presented to me, Vassily Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7023. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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CESSION OF ONE/TENTH INTEREST  
IN PIENGSYANG-DO BY GUNSBURG TO  
MATUNIN. DECEMBER 20/1902.

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United States of America for himself, and Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark acting under power of attorney No 6146, registered 30/June 1906 by Notary Zabielsky of St Petersburg and issued by Hunt Master of His Majesty's Court John Balasheff, as authorised by Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin in power of attorney registered under No 6144, 30th June 1906 by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky and residing, : Mr Smith - Admiralty District, Moika Embankment, No 81, and Mr Stark Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. July 7/1906. No 6370. Deputy Notary V. Bystroomoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify above to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystroomoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by the above-mentioned Mr Stark. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered in the latter. Original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 7/1906. NO 6371. Deputy Notary V. Bystroomoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of above copy presented to me, Vassili Bystroomoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt No 7 by the above-mentioned Mr Stark. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered in the latter. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7030. Signed, Deputy Notary Bystroomoff. (Seal).

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CESSION OF ONE/TENTH  
INTEREST IN HAM HEUNG

TO BY GUNSBURG

TO MATUNIN.

MAY 2/1902.

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LIST OF DOCUMENTS  
TRANSFERRED BY THE *Russian*  
FAREAST TIMBER COM-  
PANY TO W.E.SMITH.

JULY 7/1906.

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Translated from Copy.

LIST

*Industrial*

of Documents transferred by the Russian Far East Timber Company represented by sole owners of the company-Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite, and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, to William Edward Smith, citizen of the United States of America, under agreement certified by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky July, 1906, No 6344:- (1) four claims for gold on the Quantung Peninsula in the name of Constantine Zaliessky, registered by Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East, Nos 85, 86, 90 and 91, and four deeds of transfer for transferring these claims from Zaliessky to the <sup>Russian</sup> Far East Timber ~~Company~~ and Mining Company certified by Port Arthur Circuit Court Secretary acting as Notary September 27/1903, Nos 1493, 1494, 1495 and 1496. (2) claim in name of Constantine Zaliessky for lead-silver ore on the Quantung Peninsula registered by Mining Engineer attached to the Viceroy in the Far East No 957, and a certificate No IO14 dated 23 September 1903 from the Viceroy of His Imperial Majesty in the Far East for the right of prospecting the claim and a deed transferring the said claim from Zaliessky to the Russian ~~Far East~~ Timber and Mining Company certified by Port Arthur Circuit Court Secretary acting as Notary October 23, 1903, No 1629. (3) Ticket in Chinese language conveying right to fell trees on the right bank of the Yalu River in South Manchuria issued by Mukden authorities for 1903/1904. By power of attorney for sole owners of Russian Far East Timber Company Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark. William Edward Smith, citizen of the United States of America. I, the undersigned, certify that the above signatures were made in my presence, Vassili Bystrooumoff, acting for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by the above persons known to me, namely, William Edward Smith, citizen of the

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The Russian War Commissary of the Mukden  
Sheng-king Province,

From War Commissary Colonel  
Kvetsinsky of the Great Rus-  
sian State.

MANCHURIA.

January 24/1903

To the Mukden Dzia Dziaun

No 200

of the Great Dzytsin State.

MUKDEN.

ADVICE.

I beg to inform the esteemed Dzia Dziaun that Lieutenant-Colonel Madritoff has presented to me documents from which it is evident that the company petitioning Your Excellency for a concession for felling timber in the Toun-Khua-sian District has appointed as local Representative Lieutenant-Colonel Madritoff in lieu of Mr Lvoff who has departed for St Petersburg on his domestic business. On the basis of the above I have the honour to request the esteemed official to consider hence Lieutenant-Colonel Madritoff as Mr Lvoff's successor, and to give necessary instructions to all persons that as regards negotiations and the business it is necessary to apply to Lieutenant-Colonel Madritoff and not to Mr Lvoff. At the same time I beg <sup>to request</sup> Your Excellency to inform me how far the method mentioned in your communication namely the annual issue of tickets for right of felling timber may guarantee the interests of the company in the great investments made by it, likewise whether I, having taken part in all negotiations, may rest assured that in future the Chinese authorities will issue no orders which might deprive the said company of the possibility of refunding the capital invested.

Signed: War Commissary Colonel Kvetsinsky. Countersigned: Secretary Feodoroff.

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ADD No 14.

PORT ARTHUR.

Municipal Management

Section

January 5/1904.

No 60.

Port Arthur.

To

The City Office of the Timber Company.

The Municipal Management forwards a Plan of the Ground Lots assigned for lease of the Timber Company.

Enclosures: Plan.

For Chairman of the Town Council (Signature)

For Town Secretary (Signature)

Received 5/1/1904. Incom. regist. No 1568. I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered therein. Original is not taxed. 1906, July 29. No 7108.  
Signed: Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff.

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ADD No IO,

COPY OF COPY.

Russian War Commissary of the  
Mukden (Shentszin) Province.

MANCHURIA.

December 21/1902.

War Commissary Colonel  
Kvetsinsky of the Great  
Russian State.

To the  
Mukden Dzian Dziun TSEN  
of the Great Daytsin State.

## NOTICE.

I have the honour to earnestly request you, esteemed Dzian Dziun, to inform me under what conditions, likewise for what number of years, you have awarded Mr Lvoff and Company a concession for felling timber in the eastern part of the province entrusted to you.

Signed - War Commissary Colonel Kvetsinsky.

Countersigned - Secretary Feodoroff.

This is a true copy of the copy. N. Starck.

ADD No II.

Translation.

The Mukden Dzian Dziun TSEN and FOU-INA-YOUI  
of the Great Daytsin State.

To  
The War Commissary, Colonel Kvetsinsky, of the Great Russian State.  
On the 29th Day of the 12th Moon, in the 28th Year of the Reign of Guan-Sui. (January 14th, 1903).

## NOTICE, No IOI2.

In answer to Notice No 3796 we inform you, esteemed Commissary, that Dao-tai Youan, with Mr Lvoff, after negotiation, has decided to issue annually one certificate for felling timber to a Chinese Merchant, and, at the expiration of a year to replace such certificate by another one for felling timber in the mountains and transporting same to Da-Poun-pou for sale. In consideration of this a tax shall be payable in accordance with Regulations of the Tax Board. The above merchant shall not fell timber which is being felled by others at the present time, neither shall others fell the timber which is felled by the said merchant. Thus each shall fell the timber owned by himself and no dispute will arise between them. Should the above-named merchant, taking advantage of circumstances, create disorder by felling timber within the four boundaries of the ground owned by inhabitants, or should another merchant present himself as the above the above-mentioned certificate will be suspended and another reliable party will be sent to carry on the timber felling. Original translated by Interpreter Lousheefou. Checked by Interpreter P. Feodoroff. Copy checked with the original. Secretary Feodoroff. This is a true copy of the copy. N. Stark.

Master of the Imperial Court, residing at Port Arthur, personally known to me, acting on the basis of an agreement submitted to me in copy certified by Deputy Notary of Port Arthur Tchernodubraffsky June 25/1903, No 861, said agreement being registered by St. Petersburg Notary Artsibusheff May 31/1903, No 2680. The present agreement was signed in my presence personally by Messrs Zaliessky and Balasheff. Tax in favour of town 40 kopeks. Paragraph 137 Notary Code was declared. No 1629. Deputy Notary Ivanoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St. Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed 40 kopeks. July 3/1906. No 6237. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St. Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed 50 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7095. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff (Seal).

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CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN WAR COMMISSARY COLONEL KVETSINSKY OF THE GREAT RUSSIAN STATE AND THE NUKPEN DZIAN DZIUN TSEN OF THE GREAT DAYTSIN STATE INDICATING THE EXISTENCE OF A CONCESSION FOR SELLING TIMBER GRANTED MR LVOFF AND COMPANY, AFTERWARDS TRANSFERRED TO COLONEL MATRITOFF.

THREE LETTERS DATED DECEMBER 21/1902, JANUARY 14/1903, AND JANUARY 24/1903.

ALSO LETTER RE "PLAN OF GROUND LOTS AS IGRED FOR LEASE OF THE TIMBER COMPANY", DATED JANUARY 5/1904.

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SALE OF SILVER-LEAD ORE CLAIM  
BY CONSTANTINE ZALIESSKY TO RUSSIAN  
FAR EAST TIMBER COMPANY.

OCTOBER 2/1903.

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We, the undersigned, Constantine Zaliessky, nobleman, and Hunt Master John Balasheff, authorised by the Russian Far East Timber and Mining Company have entered into the present agreement for the following: (1) I, Zaliessky, on the basis of Permit Certificate No IOI4, dated 23/September/1903, issued to me by His Imperial Majesty's Viceroy in the Far East have exclusive right to prospect for silver-lead ores in the Quan-tung District, about five versts east of the Tudziatun gold mine and about one and a half versts south of village Tchou-diak, with consequences as per paragraph 291 Mining Code, Edition 1893 and the below specified rights of working; (2) my above-said right to prospect silver-lead ores with all rights and duties I, Zaliessky, have sold entirely for one hundred roubles to the Russian Timber and Mining Company and have received payment from the company. The said right I have not <sup>formerly</sup> sold to any party, and the buyer's rights I shall protect similar to my own; (3) the Russian Timber and Mining Company has purchased the above rights from Mr Zaliessky, takes upon itself all duties connected with the prospecting of the said claim, has paid Mr Zaliessky one hundred roubles, and taken upon itself all expenses in drawing up the present agreement; (4) this agreement is to be kept sacred and inviolate. The original to be kept by the Russian Timber and Mining Company, Mr Zaliessky to have a certified copy. The Russian Timber and Mining Company has the option of requesting the transfer of rights to prospecting under the above-mentioned permit for silver-lead ore, and shall present copies where necessary. Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman; Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff by authority of the Russian Far East Timber Company. October 23/1903 the present agreement was registered by me, Deputy Secretary of Port Arthur Circuit Court Nicholas Ivanoff, Deputy Notary of Port Arthur, in the Court Office for Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman, residing at Port Arthur, personally known to me and capable legally of executing deeds and the Attorney of the Russian Far East Timber Company John Balasheff, Hunt

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PERMIT OF VICEROY TO  
CONSTANTINE ZALIESKY  
TO PROSPECT FOR SILVER-LEAD  
BEDS IN QUANTUNG PENING  
SUIA. SEPTEMBER 23/1903.  
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M.W. Viceroy of His Imperial Majesty in the Far East.  
September 23/1903  
No 1014.  
PORT ARTHUR.

CERTIFICATE.

The bearer of the present, Constantine Zaliesky, Nobleman, is permitted to prospect for silver-lead beds located in the Quantung District about five versts eastwards of the Toud-ziat-un gold mine and one and a half versts south of the village Tchou-dia-kou, with rights of allotment under Mining Regulations on the basis of Rules regarding Allotment of Claims to Private Parties in the Quantung District published in the Order of the Chief of the Quantung District July 18/1901, No 36; hence government institutions and officials in case of said person discovering silver-lead ores in the said locality, upon investigation that these come under their jurisdiction shall accept from him statements, entering the same in the instituted Register and giving him copies of the Statement Issued by the Viceroy of His Imperial Majesty in the Far East; *Under due signature and seal, Viceroy of His Imperial Majesty in the Far East* Adjutant-General Alexeief. Mining Engineer, Counselor of State (Signature). (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystroomoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble. July 3/1906. No 6235. Deputy Notary V. Bystroomoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystroomoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, no 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7091. Deputy Notary V. Bystroomoff. (Seal).

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To the Mining Engineer Attached to the Chief of the Quantung District.  
 Petition from Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. An expedition  
 organised by me under the superintendence of <sup>the</sup> Mining Engineer Lorenzoni  
 and <sup>the</sup> Clerk Goubine on July 31 of this year discovered a locality  
 with traces of silver-lead ore beds which <sup>was</sup> ~~were~~ marked by a claim post  
 in my favour. This spot is located about five versts east of the Toun-  
 dsia-toun mine and one and a half versts from the villare Tcho-diacou.  
 The post was placed on a hill between the two said spots and bears  
 the inscription: C. Zaliessky, July 31/1903. A bye road to the town Bydzeevo  
 runs about fifty <sup>sagens</sup> ~~versts~~ south of post. On the basis of abovesaid I re-  
 quest you to issue to me a certificate of permit for prospecting silver-  
 lead ore in the said locality. Attached are three roubles for advertising,  
 three Revenue Stamps of one rouble each, and a rough plan of the locality.  
 Port Arthur, August 5/1903. Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman. This is a true  
 copy of the original. Mining Engineer attached to the Viceroy in the Far  
 East. Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State (Signature). It is certified by  
 signature and seal that this is a true copy of the original and that the  
 petition is forwarded for permit of the Civil Management of the District.  
 August 12/1903. Mining Engineer attached to the Viceroy of the Far East.  
 Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State (Signature). No 957. I, the undersigned,  
 certify this to be a true copy of the original, presented to me, Vassili  
 Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his  
 office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel  
 Nicholas Starck residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In  
 comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed  
 out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 3/1903.  
 No 6<sup>2</sup>33. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify  
 this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me Vassili  
 Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his

office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel  
 Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49.  
 In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions,  
 crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one  
 rouble 25 kopeks. No 7089. July 29/1906. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff.  
 (Seal).

Russian Timber and Mining Company has the option of requesting the transfer  
 of the said gold claim and shall present copies where necessary. Constantine  
 Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. By authority of the Russian Far East Timber  
 Company, Hunt Master John Balasheff. September 27/1903. The present agree-  
 ment was registered by me, Deputy Secretary of Port Arthur Circuit Court  
 Nicholas Ivanoff, Deputy Notary of Port Arthur, in the Court Office for  
 Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman, and Hunt Master of the Imperial Court  
 John Balasheff, residing at Port Arthur, personally known to me and legally  
 capable of executing deeds, acting, the first on the basis of original  
 certificate No 90, issued September 3/1903 by Mining Engineer attached to  
 Chief of Quantung District, and the second on the basis of a copy of a  
 company agreement of the Russian Far East Timber Company certified by  
 Deputy Notary of Port Arthur Tchernodubraffsky, June 25/1903, No 861.  
 The present agreement was signed in my presence personally by Messrs  
 Zaliessky and Balasheff. Paragraph 137 of Notary Code was declared. Tax in  
 favour of town 40 kopeks. No 1495. Deputy Notary Ivanoff. (Seal). I, the  
 undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to  
 me, Vassili Bystroumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky  
 in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-  
 Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49.  
 In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed  
 out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed 40 kopeks. July 3  
 1906. No 6229. Deputy Notary V. Bystroumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify  
 this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Byst-  
 roumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office  
 Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas  
 Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing  
 this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out  
 words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed 50 kopeks. July 29  
 1906. No 7079. Deputy Notary V. Bystroumoff. (Seal).

RE CLAIM FOR SILVER-LEAD  
 OF CONSTANTINE ZALIESSKY  
 IN QUANTUNG PENINSULA.

AUGUST 5/1903.

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To the Mining Engineer attached to His Imperial Majesty's Viceroy in the Far East. Statement made by Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman, July 23/1903 I made a statement to the Chief of the Bydzevo District concerning the organisation of a prospecting expedition under the superintendence of the Mining Engineer Lorenzoni and the Clerk Goubine. The said expedition started July 28th to search and prospect for gold and upon arriving at a place about three versts south-west from the town Bydzevo commenced prospecting. Discovering outcrops of decayed quartz veins and having washed same satisfactory traces of gold were discovered and a claim post for gold ore in my name was placed in my name and in my favour bearing the sign: August 13/1903, stated C. Zaliessky. The pole is placed about three versts south-west of the town of Bydzevo towards the station Poloundian and 160 sagues from the wall of an old Chinese fortress along the road. Eighty five sagues west of the pole is located a Chinese village Lee-og-Mi-ao and a temple and 119 sagues southward of the road the hut of a Chinaman Peenogou. On the basis of the above I request you to enter my name on the Register and to issue to me a regulation copy; for ~~the~~ <sup>which</sup> purpose I append three roubles for advertising and two Revenue Stamps of one rouble each. Port Arthur 31 August 1903. Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. This is a true copy of the original. Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District, Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State (Signature) By my signature and seal I certify that the present statement was registered by the Mining Engineer attached to the Chief of the Quantung District and was entered in the Register as No 91, September 3/1903. Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District, Mining Engineer Counsellor of State (Signature). (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg

District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, or crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 3/1906. No 6223. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7067. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

September 20/1903.

We, the undersigned, Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman, and J. Balasheff Hunt Master authorised by the Russian Far East Timber and Mining Company, have entered into the present agreement for the following: (1) I, Zaliessky, own, under rights of entire possession, a gold claim near the town Bydzevo registered by Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East September 13/1903, No 91. (2) The said gold bearing claim with all the rights and duties I, Zaliessky, have sold for one hundred roubles to the Russian Timber and Mining Company and have received payment for same in full. The said claim is not sold to any other party, and I shall protect the buyer's rights as my own. (3) The Russian Timber and Mining Company has purchased the above-mentioned gold claim from Mr Zaliessky with all rights, takes upon itself all duties connected with the ownership of the same, has paid Zaliessky one hundred roubles for said claim, and takes upon itself all expenses in drawing up the present agreement. (4) This agreement to be kept sacred and inviolate. The original is to be kept by the Russian Timber and Mining Company, Mr Zaliessky to have a certified copy. The Rus-

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Comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered in the latter. The foregoing copy is taxed 50 kopeks, July 29/1906. No 7085. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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RE PYNEBEVO GOLD CLAIM  
OF CONSTANTINE ZALIESKY.

AUGUST 31/1903

AND SALE OF CLAIM TO RUSSIAN FAR EAST  
TIMBER COMPANY. SEPTEMBER 20/ 1903.

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alty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. July 3/1906. No 622I. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy, presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7065. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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September 20/1903. We, the undersigned, gold miner Constantine Zaliessky nobleman, and Hunt Master J.P. Balasheff by authority of the Russian Far East Timber Company have entered into the present agreement for the following: (1) I, Zaliessky, possess in rights of complete ownership, a gold claim on the Island Gu-an-lou-do, registered by Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East, No 90, September 3/1903. (2) The said gold-bearing claim with all rights and duties, I, Zaliessky, have sold for one hundred roubles to the Russian Timber Company and have received payment for same in full. The said claim has not been sold to any other previous party, and I shall protect the rights of the buyer as my own. (3) The Russian Timber Company has bought the above claim from Mr Zaliessky with all rights, and takes upon itself all duties in ownership of same and has paid Mr Zaliessky one hundred roubles for the same and takes upon itself all expenses in drawing up the present agreement. (4) The present agreement to be kept sacred and inviolate. Original to be in

possession of Russian Timber Company and a certified copy to be held by Mr Zaliessky. The Russian Timber Company has the right of requesting the said gold claim to be transferred and to have copies sent where necessary. Gold Miner and Nobleman Constantine Zaliessky. Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff, by authority of Russian Far East Timber Company, September 27/1903. This agreement was registered by me Port Arthur Circuit Court Deputy Secretary Nicholas Vlassoff, acting for Notary at Port Arthur at Circuit Court Office for Nobleman Constantine Zaliessky and Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff, residing at Port Arthur, personally known to me, and legally capable of executing deeds, - and acting, the first on the basis of original certificate presented to me, from Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District No 90, September 3/1903, and the second on the basis of a presented copy of Company agreement of Russian Far East Timber Company certified by Deputy Notary Tchernadubraffsky of Port Arthur, June 25/1903, No 86I. This agreement was signed by them in person in my presence by Messrs Zaliessky and Balasheff. Paragraph 137 of Notarial <sup>Regulation</sup> ~~Code~~ was declared. A tax of 40 kopeks was collected in favour of the town. No 1496. Deputy Notary Ivanoff. (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original submitted to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. Original taxed 40 kopeks. July 3/1906. No 623I. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by <sup>above-mentioned</sup> ~~Lieutenant-Colonel~~ <sup>Mr.</sup> ~~Nicholas Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49.~~ In com-

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RE GOU6AN6LOU6DO GOLD  
CLAIM OF CONSTANTINE ZA-  
LISSKY.AUGUST 31/1903.

AND

SALE OF CLAIM TO RUSSIAN  
FAR EAST TIMBER COMPANY.

SEPTEMBER 20/1903.

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To the Mining Engineer attached to His Imperial Majesty's Viceroy in the Far East. Statement made by Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. On August 10th of this year I reported to the Chief of the Ostrovnoi District that I had organised a prospecting expedition under the superintendence of the Mining Engineer Lorenzoni and Clerk Goubine. The said expedition on August 11th started to search and prospect for gold and arrived at the Island Gou an loo do at its northern extremity and commenced prospecting. Discovering out-croppings of decayed quartz veins and separate quartz rock these were sampled and resulted in satisfactory traces of gold, consequently the expedition installed a claim post for gold ore in my name and in my favour with inscription: 19th August 1903, claimed, C. Zaliessky. The pole consists of a log with board nailed to it bearing the said inscription. The claim post is twenty sagues from the sea shore, one hundred and seventy sagues from the village Nan-Touz, and forty sagues from the source of the spring. Fifty sagues east of the post there is a gully in which out-croppings of gold-bearing veins are seen. On the basis of the abovesaid I request you to enter my statement in the Register and to issue to me a regulation copy for which purpose I append three roubles for advertising and two Revenue Stamps of one rouble each. Port Arthur. August 31/1903. Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. This is a true copy of the original: Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District, Mining Engineer Counsellor of State (Signature) By my signature and seal I certify that the present statement was registered by the Mining Engineer attached to the Chief of the Quantung District in the Register under No 90, September 3/1903. Mining Engineer attached to ~~the Viceroy~~ Chief of Quantung District, Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State. (Signature) (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admir-

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Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 29/1906. No 6219. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with <sup>the</sup> foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7061. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).  
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 September 1/1903. We, the undersigned, Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman, and J. Balasheff, Hunt Master, authorised by the Russian Far East Timber and Mining Company have entered into the present agreement for the following: 1, Zaliessky, own, under right of entire possession, a gold claim near the station Polundian and the village Pa-o-Tzee, registered by Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East August 12/1903, No 86. (2) The said gold-bearing claim with all rights and duties I, Zaliessky, have sold for one hundred roubles to the Russian Timber and Mining Company and have received payment for same in full. The said claim is not sold to any other party, and I shall protect the buyer's rights as my own. (3) The Russian Timber and Mining Company has purchased the above-mentioned gold claim from Mr Zaliessky with all rights, takes upon itself all duties connected with ownership of the same, has paid Zaliessky one hundred roubles for said claim and takes upon itself all expenses in drawing up the present agreement. (4) This agreement to be kept sacred and inviolate. The original to be kept by the Russian Timber and Mining Company, Mr Zaliessky to have a certified copy. The Russian Timber and Mining Company has the

option of requesting the transfer of the said gold claim and shall present copies where necessary. Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff by ~~power~~ authority of the Russian Far East Timber Company, September 27th, 1903, the present agreement was registered by me, Deputy Secretary of Port Arthur Circuit Court, Nicholas Ivanoff, Deputy Notary of Port Arthur, in the Court Office for Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman, and Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff, residing at Port Arthur, personally known to me and legally capable of executing deeds, acting, the first on the basis of original certificate No 90, issued September 3/1903 by Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District, and the second on basis of a copy of company agreement of the Russian Far East Timber Company certified by Deputy Notary of Port Arthur Tchernadubraffsky June 25/1903 No 861. The present agreement was signed in my presence personally by Messrs Zaliessky and Balasheff. Paragraph 137 of Notary Code was declared. Tax in favour of town 40 kopeks. No 1493. Deputy Notary Ivanoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed 40 kopeks. July 3/1906. No 6225. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed 50 kopeks. July 29. 1906. No 7071. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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RE POLOUNDIAN GOLD  
CLAIM OF CONSTANTINE  
ZALIESSKY. AUGUST 9/1903.

AND

SALE OF CLAIM TO RUS-  
SIAN FAR EAST TIMBER COM-  
PANY. SEPTEMBER 1/1903.

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To the Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District. Statement made by Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. Having reported to the Chief of the Bydzeevo District the formation of a prospecting expedition under the superintendence of the Mining Engineer Lorenzoni and the Clerk Goubine, I started the same on a route indicated by myself. The said expedition on August 1st arrived at two mountains located about two versts north of the station Polundian and discovered out-croppings of decayed gold-bearing veins. Having taken samples of the decayed veins which resulted in reliable traces of gold these were returned to the prospectings. The expedition sunk two pits to the depth of one arshine and one arshine square. Distance between pits five sagues. Distance from claim post - eighty five sagues. The post is placed to right of railway 185 sagues away, opposite the village Pa-o-Tzee on the other side of the bye road to the town Bydzeevo 125 sagues northwards. Two Chinese graves exist near the post. Considering the locality reliable for working ~~ore~~ gold ore the expedition placed a claim post in my favour and in my name with following inscription: Stated August 2nd 1903, C. Zaliessky. On the basis of the abovesaid I request you to enter my statement in the register and to issue to me a regulation copy, for which purpose I append three roubles for advertising, and two Revenue Stamps of one rouble each. Port Arthur, August 9/1903. Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. This is a true copy of the original. Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East, Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State. (Signature). By my signature and seal I certify that the present statement was registered by the Mining Engineer attached to the Viceroy in the Far East, and was entered under No 86 on August 12/1903, in the Register. Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East, Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State. (Signature). (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystroumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian

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The original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 3/1906. No 6217. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7055. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

September 1st 1903. We, the undersigned, Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman, and John Balasheff, Hunt Master authorised by the Russian Far East Timber Company have entered into the present agreement for the following: (1) I, Zaliessky, own, under rights of entire possession, a gold claim at the Tou-ou-do-he spring, flowing into the rivulet Nam-bou-he, near the village Lee-de-tyu, registered by Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East August 12 1903, No 85. (2) The said gold-bearing claim, with all rights and duties I, Zaliessky, have sold for one hundred roubles to the Russian Timber and Mining Company and have received payment for same in full. The said claim is not sold to any other party and I shall protect the buyer's rights as my own. (3) The Russian Timber and Mining Company has purchased the above mentioned gold claim from Mr Zaliessky with all rights, takes upon itself all duties connected with ownership of the same, has paid Zaliessky one hundred roubles for said claim, and takes upon itself all expenses in drawing up the present agreement. (4) This agreement to be kept sacred and inviolate. The original to be kept by the Russian Timber and Mining Company, Mr Zaliessky to have a certified copy. The Russian Timber and Mining Company

has the option of requesting the transfer of the said gold claim and shall present copies where necessary; Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff, by authority of the Russian Far East Timber Company. September 27/1903, the present agreement was registered by me, Deputy Secretary of Port Arthur Circuit Court Nicholas Ivanoff, Deputy Notary of Port Arthur, in the Court Office, for Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman and Hunt Master of the Imperial Court John Balasheff residing at Port Arthur, personally known to me, acting, the first on the basis of original certificate No 90, issued September 3/1903 by Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District, and the second on the basis of a copy of Company's agreement of the Russian Far East Timber Company, certified by Deputy Notary of Port Arthur Tchernadubraffsky, June 25th 1903, No 61. The present agreement was signed in my presence personally by Messrs Zaliessky and Balasheff. Paragraph 137 of Notary Code was declared. Tax in favour of town 40 kopeks. No 1494. Deputy Notary Ivanoff (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed 40 kopeks. July 3/1906. No 6227. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of foregoing copy, presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words were discovered. Foregoing copy is taxed 50 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7075. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal)

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RE TOU-OU-DO-HE GOLD CLAIM  
OF CONSTANTINE ZALESSKY IN  
QUANTUNG PENINSULAR .AUGUST  
6/1903, AND  
SALE OF CLAIM TO THE RUSSIAN  
FAR EAST TIMBER COMPANY SEPTEMBER  
1/1903.

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To the Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District. Statement made by Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. Having made a statement to the Chief of the Bydzevo District concerning the organisation of a prospecting expedition under the superintendence of the Mining Engineer Lorenzoni and the Clerk Goubine I started the same on July 26th of this year on a route appointed by myself. The said expedition on July 29th arrived at the system of the Nam-bou-he rivulet and discovered on the left bank a spring Tou-ou-do-he, free from claims near the village Lee-de-tyn and commenced prospecting. 150 sagues from the junction of the spring with the rivulet Nam-bou-he the first pit was sunk on the left side of the source five sagues distant to a depth of one arshine and one by one arshine square. A second pit of similar dimensions was sunk 120 sagues away from this pit up the river opposite the village Lee-de-tyn. About five poods of sand was washed in each pit and resulted in reliable traces of gold being returned to the pits. Considering the gold sands reliable the expedition sent out by me placed a claim post in my favour and my name consisting of a growing poplar on the right bank of the spring up the stream 120 sagues below the village Lee-de-tyn bearing an inscription: claimed Miner C. Zaliessky. August 1/1903. On the basis of the abovesaid I request you to enter my statement in the Register and to issue to me a regulation copy, for which purpose I append three roubles for advertising and two roubles Revenue Stamps of one rouble each. Port Arthur. 6th August 1903. Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. This is a true copy of the original. Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in Far East; Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State (Signature). By my signature and seal I certify that the present statement was registered by the Mining Engineer attached to the Viceroy in the Far East and was entered as No 85 in the Register. August 12/1903. Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in Far East; Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State (Signature) (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented.

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(9) Receipt of Secretary of Russian Imperial Embassy at Seoul, dated December 24/1903, for the acceptance for safe<sup>guard</sup> of Eighty two (82) Title Deeds for Lots purchased by the Korean Timber Company at Yongampho.

(10) Eight (8) Title Deeds in Korean for Land Lots at the village Tsinampho in Korea, executed June 28/1901, at the Imperial Russian Embassy, Nos 129-136, and a Certificate from N. Matunin that these Deeds belong to the Russian Far East Timber Company, registered by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky July 4/1906, No 6258.

(11) Plan of Lots at Tsinampho.

(12) Receipt of Vice-Consul Polianoffsky in acceptance of 450 yens for payment of Rent for Lots at Tsinampho.

By power of attorney of sole owners of Russian Far East Timber Company, Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, Lieutenant-Colonel Starck, William Edward Smith, citizen of the United States of North America. I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signatures were made personally in my presence, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by parties personally known to me, namely, William Edward Smith, acting for himself, and Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck acting under power of attorney certified by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky June 30/1906, No 6146, issued by Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff, as attorney for Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin by power of attorney registered at the office of St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky June 30/1906, No 6144, residing, Mr Smith - Admiralty District, Moika Embankment, No 81, and Mr Starck, - Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49: July 7/1906: No 6368. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zab-

Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 7/1906. No 6369. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, addition, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7080. Deputy Notary V.

*Bystrooumoff. (Seal).*

## LIST OF DOCUMENTS.

- (I) Original Concession <sup>an</sup> granted by Korean Government to Julius Brunner August 28 /1896.
- (2) Power of Attorney from Brunner to Neratoff to transfer his rights to Nyeporozhneff.
- (3) Deed of Transfer of Brunner Concession to Nyeporozhneff.
- (4) Postponement of Time Limit for beginning work.  
Certificate of Joint Ownership of Brunner Concession by Matunin and Abaza.
- (5) Report of Commencement of Work.
- (6) Deed of grant of land lot at Yongampho.
- (7) Deed of Transfer of Land Lot at Yongampho.
- (8) 23 Title Deeds to land lots in Yongampho.
- (9) Receipt for 82 Title Deeds.
- (10) Eight (8) Title Deeds to Land Lots in Tsinampho.
- (11) Plan of Land Lots at Yongampho.  
Certificate of Ownership of Land Lots in Yongampho.
- (12) Receipt for Rent on Lots in Tsinampho.

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## SUMMARY.

of Documents transferred by the Russian Far East Timber Company in persons of sole owners of all rights and all property of the Company, Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin to William Edward Smith, citizen of the United States of North America, under agreement registered by St Petersburg Notary J. Zabielsky July 7/1906, No 6342:

- (I) Agreement in Russian entered into with Korean Government August 28/1896, registered

- 28th, 1896, registered by Russian Imperial Embassy at Seoul August 29/1896, No 70. The same Agreement in Korean, and a Copy of the same Agreement, with an inscription by D. Neratoff, Attorney for J. Brunner, regarding the Transfer of all rights and duties under the same Agreement to sole ownership of N. Nyeporozhneff.
- (2) Power of Attorney from Julius Brunner, First Guild Merchant of Vladivostok, to Aulic Counsellor Dmitry Neratoff, dated May 5/1899, No 1550.
- (3) Deed of the Transfer of the Korean Timber Concession by Privy Counsellor Nicholas Nyeporozhneff to Honorary Counsellor of State Nicholas Matunin and Commercial Counsellor Matthew Albert, registered by St Petersburg Notary Andreeff June 26/1899, No 5368, and a Certificate from Matunin and Albert stating the ownership of the rights under this Deed by the Russian Far East Timber Company, registered by St Petersburg Notary J. Zabielsky July 4/1906, No 6262.
- (4) Translation of Note of Korean Minister for Foreign Affairs to Russian Imperial Charge d'Affaires at Seoul, dated March 29/1901, certified by Russian Imperial Embassy at Seoul March 29/1901, No 13.
- (5) Report of Commencement <sup>ing</sup> ~~of~~ <sup>the</sup> Work of Felling Timber in the Ploktan District of Northern Korea, drawn up December 5/1903 by ~~the~~ Chief of the Ploktan District.
- (6) Copy of Deed, dated July 20/1903, new style, regarding Allotment by Korean Government to Russian Far East Timber Company of a Land Lot in the village Yongampho at the mouth of the Yalu River, certified by Russian Imperial Embassy at Seoul, dated September 8/1903, No 30.
- (7) Copy of Deed, dated October 1st, 1903, of Transfer by Korean Timber Industry Commissary Choo-Syn-Hep, to the Timber Company of a Land Lot at Yongampho on the basis of Deed, dated July 20/1903.
- (8) Twenty three (23) Deeds, written in Korean, for the purchase of Land Lots and Huts at Yongampho in Korea.
- ~~(9) Receipt of Russian~~

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Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 704. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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LIST OF DOCUMENTS TRANSFERRED  
BY THE RUSSIAN FAR EAST TIMBER  
COMPANY TO W.E. SMITH. JULY 7/1906.  
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CERTIFICATE OF JOINT OWNERSHIP OF  
BRUNNER CONCESSION BY N.MATUNIN &  
ADMIRAL ALEXEII ABAZA. JULY 4/1906.

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I

We, the undersigned, Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin and Commercial  
Counsellor Matthew Albert herby certify that all rights acquired by us  
from Privy Counsellor Nicholas Nyeporozhneff under agreement registered  
by St Petersburg Notary Androcieff June 26/1899, No 5368, on the basis of  
an agreement with the Korean Government registered by the Russian Im-  
perial Embassy at Seoul August 29/1896, No 70, for working timber on  
government lands in Korea and the Island of Pogelet (Oul-leng-do) in the  
Sea of Japan are transferred by us to the Russian Far East Timber Company  
named in certain documents "the Korean Timber Company", or "the Russian  
Far East Timber and Mining Company", or "the Timber Company", and at the  
present time all the said rights belong to me, Matunin, in conjunction  
with Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite as the  
sole owners of all rights in general of the said company. Privy Counsellor  
Nicholas Matunin, Commercial Counsellor Matthew Albert. I, the undersigned,  
certify that the foregoing signatures were made personally in the presence  
of me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabiels-  
sky in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by <sup>parties</sup> ~~persons~~  
personally known to me: Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, residing Liteiny  
District Preobrazhenskaya Street, No 24, and Commercial Counsellor Matthew  
Albert, at the residence of the latter, Moscow District, Bronnitskaia Street  
No 9, whither I, Deputy Notary, was invited. July 4/1906. No 6262. Deputy  
Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a  
true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy  
for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty  
District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing  
Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the  
original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered.  
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CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP  
OF EIGHT KOREAN LAND LOTS  
IN TSINAMPHO BY THE RUS-  
SIAN FAR EAST TIMBER COM-  
PANY. JULY 4/1906.  
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No 44.

CERTIFICATE.

I, the undersigned, Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, hereby certify that all rights under eight Korean Title Deeds to land lots in the vicinity locality Tsinumpho in Korea executed in my name June 23/1901 at the Imperial Russian Embassy of Korea Nos 129/136 were property of the Russian Far East Timber Company named in certain documents "The Korean Timber Company", or "The Russian Far East Timber and Mining Industry Company" or "The Timber Company", and now belong to me, Matunin, in conjunction with Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite as sole owners of all rights in general of the said company. Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin. I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signature was made personally in the presence of me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, person to me known, residing Liteiny District, Preobrazhenskaia Street, No 24. July 4/1906. No 6258. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 4/1906. No 6260. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy, presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7070. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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No 41.

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RECEIPT FROM IMPERIAL  
RUSSIAN EMBASSY AT SEOUL  
TO BARON GABRIEL DE  
GUNSBURG FOR 82 TITLE  
DEEDS TO GROUND LOTS AT  
YONGAMPHO. DECEMBER 24/1903  
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No 41.

This receipt is given to the effect that upon December 24/1903 the Office of the Imperial Embassy at Seoul has accepted for safe-keep from Baron Gabriel Gunsburg, Russian subject, three unsealed envelopes, containing: - No. 1-32, No. 2-33 and No 3-17 Title Deeds to Ground Lots purchased by the Korean Timber Company at Yongampho. All three envelopes are bound with cord and placed in the safe of the Embassy. Seoul. December 24/1903. For Secretary of Embassy: Signature: (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 3/1906. No 6220. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed 15 kopeks. July 29/1906. Number 7058. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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REPORT OF COMMENCEMENT  
OF WORK OF FELLING  
TIMBER IN RE KOREAN  
TIMBER CONCESSION.  
DECEMBER 5/1903.  
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RUSSIAN FAR EAST TIMBER COMPANY.

April 6/1905

No 33.

ST PETERSBURG.

Dear Mr Matunin,

I beg to submit to Your Excellency for attaching to documents relating to Korean Timber Concession the Original Report of Commencing Work in felling trees in the PIKTON District in Northern Korea, drawn up December 5/1903 by the Chief of the said District, which Report is of great importance for the company in consequence of the carrying into effect of the additional demand of the agreement re commencement of work, thus reserving the company rights to the Korean Timber Concession. I request Your Excellency to accept my assurances of my perfect respect and similar devotion. N. Starck. I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 7/1906. No 635I. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is not taxed. July 29/1906. No 7082. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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RECEIPT FOR RENT  
ON LOTS AT TSIN  
NAMPHO. OCTOBER 17/1903.  
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NO 20. Received 430 yen for payment of rent for ground lots of His Excellency N. Matunin at Tsinampho from Engineer A. Meyrow. Vice-Consul Polianoffsky, Chemulpho. October 17/1903. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassily Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 3/1906. No 6226. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed 15 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7064 Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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Total value of proprty and real estate at Fushun Coal Mines, Roubles  
Eight Hundred and Twenty two Thousand, Eight Hundred and Ninety eight .  
(822898). Engineer Manager of Mines L. NOYOMBE. Accountant G. BERSINE. Com-  
mander of 43rd Company of Trans-Amur District of Frontier Guard Corps  
Captain - - (Signature). (Seal). Commander of 24th Company of Frontier  
Guard, Captain - - (Signature). Commander of 24th Company of Frontier  
Guard, Cornet - - (Signature). Cornet of 3rd Company of Trans-Amur Separate  
Corps of Frontier Guard KOVALEFFSKY. I, the undersigned, certify this  
to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Elijah Butkoffsky, St  
Petersburg Notary, in my office, Liteiny District, Nevski Prospekt, No 98,  
by Ivan Feodorovitch Panoff, Merchant residing Moscow District, Poushkine  
Street, No 10. In comparing this copy with the original taxed ---roubles  
---kopeks, in the latter no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc,  
ere discovered. November 18/1905. Register No 6307. Notary E. Butkoffsky  
(Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original  
presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary  
Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7  
by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great  
Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections,  
additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed  
75 kopeks. July 3/1906, No 6224. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I the  
undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented  
to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabiels-  
ky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-  
Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49.

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crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed  
75 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7045. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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DEED.

February 17/1905. We, the undersigned, executed this Deed regarding the condition of real estate and moveable property of the Fushun Coal Mines at the village Yambaipu, Fushun District, Mukden Province, at valuation as below:

REAL ESTATE.

*without*

YOU-ZE-ZEE SECTION.

|                                                               |   | Roubles. |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---|----------|
| Brick House, 4 Lodgings, with Veranda, roofed iron, 80 sq Sag | I | 16000    |
| Brick House, Office, with Lodgings, iron roof, 160 sq sageres | I | 32000    |
| Brick House, Corrugated iron roof, 60 sq sag                  | I | 12000    |
| Brick House <del>with</del> Trusses, 300 sq sag               | I | 22500    |
| Brick Bath House, Corrugated iron roof, 25 sq sag             | I | 2500     |
| Water Supply and Stoves                                       |   | 5500     |
| Powder Store with Concrete Arches, 10 sq sag                  |   | 5000     |
| Warehouse, Brick, Corrugated iron roof, 36 sq sag             | I | 3600     |
| Brick Forge, Corrugated Iron roof, with forges, 6 sq sag      | I | 1500     |
| Brick Huts, with stoves, gayolan roof, 25 sq sag each         | 2 | 2500     |
| Corrugated Iron Store Room, at pit                            | I | 50       |
| Corrugated Iron Store Room at inclined Pit No II              | I | 50       |
| Brick Store Room, Corrugated Iron Roof at Inclined Pit No I   | I | 200      |
| Brick Works with European Furnaces                            | I | 8000     |

PITS.

|                                 |   |        |
|---------------------------------|---|--------|
| Vertical, No I                  | I | 45000  |
| Inclined, with Air Shaft, No II | 2 | 120000 |
| Shaft                           | I | 30000  |
| Inclined No I                   | I | 40000  |
| Chinese Pits                    | 8 | 50000  |
| Ice Pit                         | I | 1500   |

LO-HOU-TAI SECTION.

|                                                               |   |       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---|-------|
| Brick Houses of 2 Lodgings, Iron Roof, each 25 sq sag         | 3 | 15000 |
| Chinese Brick Huts, with stoves, gayolan roof, each 25 sq sag | 3 | 3750  |
| Brick Store, iron roof, at Pit No III                         | I | 300   |
| Chinese Brick Works, with five kilns                          | I | 5000  |

PITS.

|                 |   |       |
|-----------------|---|-------|
| Inclined No III | I | 3000  |
| Shaft           | I | 3000  |
| CHINESE PITS    | 4 | 25000 |

MOVEABLE PROPERTY.

|                            |        |       |
|----------------------------|--------|-------|
| Materials. Building Bricks | 250000 | 10000 |
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X Sundry minor materials  
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|                                                                |                 | Roubles;        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <del>Stone, cubic sageres, poods</del>                         | <del>2850</del> | <del>2850</del> |
| <del>Timber</del>                                              |                 |                 |
| Limestone, unquenched                                          | poods 2850      | 2850            |
| Stone, cubic sageres                                           | 197             | 3000            |
| Timber, cubic sageres                                          | 1000            | 100000          |
| Roof Iron, poods                                               | 134             | 2500            |
| Market Iron, poods                                             | 60              | 1000            |
| Window and Door Fittings,                                      | sets 500        | 950             |
| Stove Fittings                                                 | sets 150        | 1500            |
| Sundry Pit Equipments                                          |                 | 7000            |
| Furniture                                                      |                 | 10000           |
| Telegraph Wire, poods,                                         | 2759            | 30000           |
| NEWLY RECEIVED, ENGINES, BOILERS, PUMPS, LIGHT RAILWAY, PIPING |                 |                 |

& SUNDRY TOOLS.

|                            |       |       |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|
| Blasting Pyramite          | 200   | 20000 |
| Pipes                      |       | 20000 |
| Engines                    |       | 32000 |
| Locomotive                 |       | 16000 |
| Boilers                    |       | 26000 |
| Rails and Tubs             |       | 20000 |
| Sundry Tools               |       | 3338  |
| Electric Equipment         |       | 2300  |
| Saddle Horses with saddles | 12    | 3600  |
| Mules                      | 3     | 900   |
| Chinese Cart               | 1     | 150   |
| Cart                       | 1     | 250   |
| Cattle for beef            |       | 950   |
| Preparatory Work           |       | 17000 |
| Coal for sale, poods       | 80000 | 20000 |

PERSONAL EFFECTS OF EMPLOYES.

|                                                 |                |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Engineer Manager L. NOTOMBE                     | 5000           |
| HIS ASSISTANT MINING ENGINEER C. KOZHASHKOPFSKY | 2500           |
| MINER YAKOVENKO                                 | 1500           |
| MINER MEDVYEDOFFSKY                             | 1000           |
| MECHANIC PRESVIRIAKOFF                          | 1500           |
| ACCOUNTANT BERSINE                              | 1800           |
| CASHIER BARBAN                                  | 1500           |
| INTERPRETER T. MAULINE                          | 300            |
| MALTSEFF                                        | 500            |
| KOLEZNIKOFF                                     | 300            |
| BRUHANOFF                                       | 150            |
| DENESTCHENKO                                    | 200            |
| JAVERONKOFF                                     | 300            |
| KASTRONOFF                                      | 220            |
| REVKEE                                          | 100            |
| SALNIKOFF                                       | 100            |
| VOITSCHOFFSKY                                   | 100            |
| SHELAKINE                                       | 100            |
|                                                 | <del>100</del> |
|                                                 | 90             |
| LOBORA                                          | 75             |
| ZOUZOLEE                                        | 30 75          |
| GOULKEE                                         | 30             |
| BOURLACHENKO                                    | 30             |

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The working of Korean forests was commenced towards the end of 1903, the Piokton district being chosen for this purpose and the Chief of this district on December 5th 1903 drew up a report concerning the commencement of work necessary as an official certificate of the carrying out of the agreement of 1896 within the newly-stipulated time.

The timber prepared during 1902 and 1903 was exported by steamers from Yonampo to Port Arthur, Dalny, Taliénwan, Tsinvandao and Inkou for sale. As the sawmill at the mouth of the Yalu was not built before the freezing of the Yalu and the cessation of navigation and the demand for sawn timber was great the company in 1903 built a sawmill

at Port Arthur on a ground lot leased from the town at the mouth of the Loun-khe river (Add Nos 13,14 and 15). Besides the working of the Korean forests the company proposed in 1903 felling timber along the

right system of the river Yalu in Southern Manchuria for which purpose a timber-felling Ticket was procured from the Chinese authorities

but it was neither possible to take advantage of this nor to continue felling timber on the Korean shore on account of the war with Japan. Completing this short review I request you, dear Sir, to accept my

assurances of my perfect respect and sincere devotion.

(Signature) N. STARCK.

INVENTORY  
OF FUSHUN COYAL MINES PROPERTIES.

~~BRV~~ FEBRUARY 7/1905.

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of the mines at a distance from the railroad created a difficulty in their working, rendering a branch necessary for connection with the southern Chinese Railway, which branch was constructed at the commencement of the war. Simultaneously negotiations were carried on with engineers relative to equipment of the mines, and the place was being prospected with a view to determining the quantity of coal and its quality, these prospectings rendering very favourable results, proving the great advantage of the present enterprise (Report of Mine Manager Lorenzoni, Mining Engineer, Add No's 7, 8, 9). Independently of prospecting the locality the Company worked the coal from two shafts, Youzeze and Lihitai, contracting with Chinese labourers.

#### THE KOREAN TIMBER CONCESSION.

August 29th 1896 the Vladivostok First Guild Merchant Brunner made a contract with the Government of Korea under which Brunner acquired a concession for the working of timber in the Moushan District of Korea along the rivers Tumen and Yalu, likewise upon the island of Dagelet in the Sea of Japan. Under conditions of the agreement Brunner was bound to commence felling timber in the Tumen river system and this condition was fulfilled. Brunner did not commence timber working in the Yalu river system, and on May 8th 1899 transferred all his rights and duties under the agreement with the Korean government to sole ownership of Privy Counsellor Nyeporozhneff, who in his turn on June 26th 1899 ceded the concession acquired by him to Honorary Counsellor of State Matunin and Commercial Counsellor Albert. On the basis of the second clause of the agreement the owner of the timber concession was bound to commence timber felling on the territory of the Yalu river system within five years of signing the agreement, the failure to observe such condition leading to the loss of rights to this claim. In this way the time expired August 29th, 1901.

Meanwhile the uprising of 1899/1900 in China delayed the due commencement of work and in order not to lose the rights to the timber concession in the Yalu river system in consequence of the expiration of the time the owners of the concession petitioned the Korean Government for a three year's extension from the 1st January 1901 to which the Korean Government expressed its agreement. The realisation of the Korean timber agreement was commenced in the Yalu river system towards the end of 1902 by organisation of the Russian Far East Timber Company, one of the partners being Mr Matunin. In the said year the company purchased from the Mukden <sup>provincial</sup> authorities the right to fell timber in the system of the right tributaries of the Yalu river against a timber-felling Ticket which the Chinese authorities undertook to renew yearly (Add Nos IO/II/I2). The work of felling Manchurian timber was commenced towards the end of 1902 in the Tounhouyansian district and a timber office was organised at the town of Tounhouansian on a ground lot purchased by the company. The Manchurian timber prepared in the Tounhouansian district was to be floated down to the Yalu mouth for warehousing, finish and shipment. In consequence of this the company had to provide some suitable ground lot on the shore at the mouth of the Yalu on which timber warehouses and sawmills might be organised. As most suitable for such purpose the company chose Yonamp<sup>o</sup>, a settlement on the Korean shore at the mouth of the Yalu, and with the approval of the Korean Government the company purchased several ground lots. In 1903 the Yalu timber office was opened here, the construction of a sawmill was commenced, brick dwellings for employes were built, the place was drained and purified as part of the purchased land had been occupied by rice fields. The river banks were strengthened, dams were constructed to catch the timber, and sundry other work was executed as necessary for the warehousing.



St Petersburg,  
July 31, 1906.

W.E. Smith, Esqr,

Dear Sir,

In accordance with the desire expressed by you to obtain certain information in writing in addition to the verbal ~~explanation~~ <sup>Conversation</sup> regarding the business acquired by you on July 7th 1906 from the Russian Far East Timber Company I beg to inform you of the following relating to the Fushun Mines and the Korean Timber Concessions:-

FUSHUN COAL MINES.

In June 1901 the Chinese officials Van Shou and Yandjelo petitioned the Mukden Dzian Dziun for permit to collect a capital from the local merchants for working coal in the Tsenshentai locality about forty versts east of Mukden. Soon after this a similar petition was presented to the Dzian Dziun by another Chinese official, Van Chen Yao, who deposited ten thousand (10000) lahns with the exchequer. Having collected a similar sum from Van Shou and Yandjelo the Dzian Dziun found it possible to satisfy both requests and instructed two officials to proceed and allot the district to the petitioners. Upon examination of the locality the boundary between the two enterprises was determined at a small river running from south to north in the Tsenshintai district, it being decided that the region east of the river should be owned by Van Shou and Yandjelo, and west by Van Chen Yao, and, as evident from the Dzian Dziun's declaration ( Add No I ) both ~~was~~ parties were satisfied with such distribution and signed to such effect. This was made public to the province by a special decree of the Mukden

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authorities (Add No 2) which instructed persons in command to render the said officials every assistance. Having received permission to work coal Van Shou and Yandjelo organised a company with the Russian subject Tifontai, Merchant of Khabaroffsk, and accepted as partner another Russian - Retired Colonel Jacob Rubinoff, which fact was reported to the Mukden Dzian Dziun in the submitted Agreement of Partnership, the firm taking the name of the Fushun Coal Mining Company (Add No 3). In December 1901 the partners drew up a regular agreement, under which Rubinoff was appointed the Manager of the business with Tifontai as Assistant, all questions relating to the Company business to be decided by majority of vote. (Add No 4). The partners collected Fifty thousand (50000) lahns, divided into Fifty (50) Shares. The Chinaman Van Chen Yao organised another company under the name of How-Sin-Lee, the management of the business was undertaken later on by the Russian Chinese Bank and, after that, by the Manchurian Mining Company. The Fushun Coal Mining Company commenced prospecting and working the coal in the same year, resulting in favourable returns both as regards richness of the beds and the quality of the coal. But the partners could not carry on the business on the scale desired owing to insufficient funds, and consequently decided either to sell the business or to accept a reliable partner. With this end in view Colonel Rubinoff commenced negotiations with Lieutenant-Colonel Madritoff of the General Staff who acquired the Mines under conditions of an agreement entered into at Port Arthur March 1st, 1903, and on July 30th of the same year transferred the Mines to the Russian Far East Timber Company. The principal conditions of the agreement were decided by the partners at a meeting held February 22nd, 1903 (Add No 6). The Fushun Coal Mines are located forty versts east of Mukden, on the left bank of the Hun-he river, about fifty two versts from siding Si-ya-tun of the Manchurian Railway. Such location

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The working of Korean forests was commenced towards the end of 1903, the Piekton district being chosen for this purpose and the Chief of this district on December 5th 1903 drew up a report concerning the commencement of work necessary as an official certificate of the carrying out of the agreement of 1896 within the newly-stipulated time. The timber prepared during 1902 and 1903 was exported by steamers from Yoriampo to Port Arthur, Dalny, Talienvan, Tsinvando and Inkou for sale. As the sawmill at the mouth of the Yalu was not built before the freezing of the Yalu and the cessation of navigation and the demand for sawn timber was great the company in 1903 built a sawmill at Port Arthur on a ground lot leased from the town at the mouth of the Loun-khe river (Add Nos 13,14 and 15). Besides the working of the Korean forests the company proposed in 1903 felling timber along the right system of the river Yalu in Southern Manchuria for which purpose a timber-felling Ticket was procured from the Chinese authorities but it was neither possible to take advantage of this nor to continue felling timber on the Korean shore on account of the war with Japan. Completing this short review I request you, dear Sir, to accept my assurances of my perfect respect and sincere devotion.

(Signature) N. STARCK.

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of the mines at a distance from the railroad created a difficulty in their working, rendering a branch necessary for connection with the southern Chinese Railway, which branch was constructed at the commencement of the war. Simultaneously negotiations were carried on with engineers relative to equipment of the mines, and the place was being prospected with a view to determining the quantity of coal and its quality, these prospectings rendering very favourable results, proving the great advantage of the present enterprise (Report of Mine Manager Lorenzoni, Mining Engineer, Add No's 7, 8, 9). Independently of prospecting the locality the Company worked the coal from two shafts, Youzezee and Lihitai, contracting with Chinese labourers.

#### THE KOREAN TIMBER CONCESSION.

August 29th 1896 the Vladivostok First Guild Merchant Brunner made a contract with the Government of Korea under which Brunner acquired a concession for the working of timber in the Moushan District of Korea along the rivers Tumen and Yalu, likewise upon the island of Dagelet in the Sea of Japan. Under conditions of the agreement Brunner was bound to commence felling timber in the Tumen river system and this condition was fulfilled. Brunner did not commence timber working in the Yalu river system, and on May 8th 1899 transferred all his rights and duties under the agreement with the Korean government to sole ownership of Privy Counsellor Nyeporozhneff, who in his turn on June 26th 1899 ceded the concession acquired by him to Honorary Counsellor of State Matunin and Commercial Counsellor Albert.

On the basis of the second clause of the agreement the owner of the timber concession was bound to commence timber felling on the territory of the Yalu river system within five years of signing the agreement, the failure to observe such condition leading to the loss of rights to this claim. In this way the time expired August 29th, 1901.

Meanwhile the uprising of 1899/1900 in China delayed the due commencement of work and in order not to lose the rights to the timber concession in the Yalu river system in consequence of the expiration of the time the owners of the concession petitioned the Korean Government for a three year's extension from the 1st January 1901 to which the Korean Government expressed its agreement. The realisation of the Korean timber agreement was commenced in the Yalu river system towards the end of 1902 by organisation of the Russian Far East Timber Company, one of the partners being Mr Matunin. In the said year the company purchased from the Mukden <sup>Provincial</sup> authorities the right to fell timber in the system of the right tributaries of the Yalu river against a timber-felling Ticket which the Chinese authorities undertook to renew yearly (Add Nos 10/11/12). The work of felling Manchurian timber was commenced towards the end of 1902 in the Tounhouyansian district and a timber office was organised at the town of Tounhouansian on a ground lot purchased by the company. The Manchurian timber prepared in the Tounhouansian district was to be floated down to the Yalu mouth for warehousing, finish and shipment. In consequence of this the company had to provide some suitable ground lot on the shore at the mouth of the Yalu on which timber warehouses and sawmills might be organised. As most suitable for such purpose the company chose Yonampho, a settlement on the Korean shore at the mouth of the Yalu, and with the approval of the Korean Government the company purchased several ground lots. In 1903 the Yalu timber office was opened here, the construction of a sawmill was commenced, brick dwellings for employes were built, the place was drained and purified as part of the purchased land had been occupied by rice fields. The river banks were strengthened, dams were constructed to catch the timber, and sundry other work was executed as necessary for the warehousing.

St Petersburg,  
July 31, 1906.

W.E. Smith, Esqr,

Dear Sir,

In accordance with the desire expressed by you to obtain certain information in writing in addition to the verbal <sup>conversation</sup> explanation regarding the business acquired by you on July 7th 1906 from the Russian Far East Timber Company I beg to inform you of the following relating to the Fushun Mines and the Korean Timber Concessions:-

FUSHUN COAL MINES.

In June 1901 the Chinese officials Van Shou and Yandjelo petitioned the Mukden Dzian Dziun for permit to collect a capital from the local merchants for working coal in the Tsenshentai locality about forty versts east of Mukden. Soon after this a similar petition was presented to the Dzian Dziun by another Chinese official, Van Chen Yao, who deposited ten thousand (10000) lahns with the exchequer. Having collected a similar sum from Van Shou and Yandjelo the Dzian Dziun found it possible to satisfy both requests and instructed two officials to proceed and allot the district to the petitioners. Upon examination of the locality the boundary between the two enterprises was determined at a small river running from south to north in the Tsenshintai district, it being decided that the region east of the river should be owned by Van Shou and Yandjelo, and west by Van Chen Yao, and, as evident from the Dzian Dziun's declaration ( Add No 1 ) both parties were satisfied with such distribution and signed to such effect. This was made public to the province by a special decree of the Mukden

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authorities (Add No 2) which instructed persons in command to render the said officials every assistance. Having received permission to work coal Van Shou and Yandjelo organised a company with the Russian subject Tifontai, Merchant of Khabaroffsk, and accepted as partner another Russian - Retired Colonel Jacob Rubinoff, which fact was reported to the Mukden Dzian Dziun in the submitted Agreement of Partnership, the firm taking the name of the Fushun Coal Mining Company (Add No 3). In December 1901 the partners drew up a regular agreement, under which Rubinoff was appointed the Manager of the business with Tifontai as Assistant, all questions relating to the Company business to be decided by majority of vote. (Add No 4). The partners collected Fifty thousand (50000) lahns, divided into Fifty (50) Shares. The Chinaman Van Chen Yao organised another company under the name of How-Sin-Lee, the management of the business was undertaken later on by the Russian Chinese Bank and, after that, by the Manchurian Mining Company. The Fushun Coal Mining Company commenced prospecting and working the coal in the same year, resulting in favourable returns both as regards richness of the beds and the quality of the coal. But the partners could not carry on the business on the scale desired owing to insufficient funds, and consequently decided either to sell the business or to accept a reliable partner. With this end in view Colonel Rubinoff commenced negotiations with Lieutenant-Colonel Madritoff of the General Staff who acquired the Mines under conditions of an agreement entered into at Port Arthur March 1st, 1903, and on July 30th of the same year transferred the Mines to the Russian Far East Timber Company. The principal conditions of the agreement were decided by the partners at a meeting held February 22nd, 1903 (Add No 6). The Fushun Coal Mines are located forty versts east of Mukden, on the left bank of the Hun-he river, about fifty two versts from siding Si-ya-tun of the Manchurian Railway. Such location

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Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by <sup>Lieutenant Colonel</sup> Nicholas Starck, personally known to me, acting under power of attorney registered by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky June 30/1906 No 6146 and issued by Chief Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff as attorney of <sup>Rear</sup> Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexei Abaza and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin by power of attorney registered by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky June 30/1906 No 6144, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. July 25/1906. No 6846. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassily Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 25/1906. No 6848. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. August 12/1906. No 7439. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

*General*

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CERTIFICATE OF CLEAR TITLE OF OWNERSHIP AND NON-ENCUMBRANCE OF PROPERTIES, ETC, IN RE THE RUSSIAN FAR EAST TIMBER COMPANY.

JULY 24/1906.

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St Petersburg. July 24/ 1906.

Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexei Abaza and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, as former sole owners of all rights and property of the Russian Far East Timber Company have issued this certificate to William Edward Smith, citizen of the United States of North America to the effect that all real estate and moveable property of the Russian Far East Timber Company sold to him, Smith, under four agreements certified by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky July 7/1906, Nos 6340, 6342, 6344 and 6346 before such sale to Smith was neither sold nor mortgaged to anyone, neither encumbered by any debts of the company; likewise we certify that the concessions and other rights sold by us to Mr Smith are not rendered void in consequence of non-payment of any taxes or duties. By power of attorney of sole owners of the Russian Far East Timber company Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexei Abaza and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck. Stamp Cancellation July 25/1906. I, the undersigned Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, having an office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by request of the attorney of Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexei Abaza and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49, hereby certify that this inscription of cancellation was made to the following effect; - as follows: - one revenue stamp of one rouble 25 kopeks is gummed on and cancelled by me, the Deputy Notary, in the method specified in paragraphs 67 and 70 of instructions for payment of Revenue taxes. For making this inscription I have charged 25 kopeks. No 6844. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify that the above signature was made personally in the presence of me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office

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Dear Mr Starck,

On the basis of a Power of Attorney issued to me with the right of further transfer of trust by Rear-Admiral Alexeie Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin as sole owners of the property of the Russian Far East Timber Company I hereby authorise you to liquidate all business of the company and all property and rights of my principals in the same relative to sundry concessions with the Korean Government and agreements with private parties to sell for a price and under conditions with which you are acquainted all the business in its entirety and to transfer all my principals' rights under the same, for which purpose to execute agreements and deeds of transfer, to make inscriptions of transfer, and in general to execute all deeds without exception required in the course of the said sale of the business and transfer of rights under ~~concessions~~ concessions and agreements and in general I authorise <sup>you</sup> to be Attorney of my principals with Russian and Foreign Governments in all Government and Law institutions and with officials. Hence I authorise you in the name of my principals to claim and to defend in courts, to enter into cases as a third party, and to bring third parties into the case, to present all manner of petitions and papers, to petition for and to receive copies, memoranda, extracts and all manner of certificates, to institute and uphold disputes relative to forgery and to defend such disputes, to hear decisions, decrees and resolutions, to agree or protest same, to lodge all manner of complaints and reports, likewise petitions for the repeal and re-examination of decisions which have entered into legal effect, to receive writs of execution to carry them into effect, to claim losses, costs, demand accounts from parties having business communication with my principals, to enter into amicable arrangements before hearing in court and during the hearing, to draw up peace agreements, to make statements, to

receive certificates to same effect, and in general in all legal and other business to replace my principals in all, to accept documents, deeds, property, adjudged, and executed moneys, likewise money for sale of the business from private parties law-courts, official institutions and officials, from exchequers and banking institutions against your receipts in the name of my principals, to transfer the authority given to you to other parties with the right of further transfer. In all that you, under this Power of Attorney shall effect I will uphold you, neither disputing nor countermanding the same. This Power of Attorney is issued to <sup>Lieutenant Colonel</sup> Nicholas Starck, Chief Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff. June 13, 1906 this power of attorney was presented to me Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Chief Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff, personally known to me acting on the basis of a power of attorney of which the original was presented to me registered at this office No 6144 from Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin in the residence of Mr Balasheff Admiralty District, Galernaya Street, No 7. I the Deputy Notary certify that this power of attorney was signed in person by Mr J. Balasheff legally capable of executing deeds. Paragraph 137 of Notarial Regulations was declared. No 6146. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff (Seal). I the undersigned certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 20, 1906. No 6690. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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institutions and officials, from exchequers and banking institutions against your receipt in our name, to transfer the authority given to you to other parties with the right of further transfer. In all that you under this power of attorney shall effect we will uphold you, neither disputing nor countermanding the same. This power of attorney is issued to Chief Hunt Master of His Imperial Majesty's Court John Balasheff, Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, June 30, 1906. This power of attorney was registered by me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt No 7, by parties personally known to me, viz, Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin residing, the first Vassilieffsky District, Fifth Line, No 50, and the second Liteiny District, Preobrazhenskaia Street, No 24, legally capable of executing deeds. I, the Deputy Notary, certify that this power of attorney was signed in person by Messrs Abaza and Matunin. Paragraph 137, Notarial Regulations declared. No 6144. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 20, 1906. No 6688. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM JOHN  
BALASHEFF TO N. STARCK IN RE  
THE RUSSIAN FAR EAST TIMBER  
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POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM THE RUSSIAN  
FAR EAST TIMBER COMPANY TO JOHN  
BALASHEFF TO ACT AS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE  
COMPANY, JUNE 30, 1906.  
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Dear Mr Balasheff,

In the capacity of sole owners of the property  
of the Russian Far East Timber Company we hereby authorise you to wind up  
all business of the company and all property and rights owned by us  
under the same under sundry concessions with the Korean Government  
and agreements with private parties, to sell at price and under  
conditions known to you the entire business, and to cede in connection  
with same all our rights, for which purpose to execute ~~the~~ agreements  
and deeds of transfer, to make inscriptions of transfer and in  
general to execute all deeds without exception required in the  
course of the said sale of the business and transfer of rights under  
concessions and agreements and in general we authorise you to be  
our Attorney with Russian and Foreign Governments - in all govern-  
ment and law institutions and with officials. Hence we authorise  
you to claim in our name and to defend in courts, to enter into  
cases as a third party, and to bring third parties into the case, to  
present all manner of petitions and papers, to petition for and to  
receive copies, memoranda, extracts and all manner of certificates, to  
institute and uphold disputes relative to forgery and to defend such  
disputes, to hear decisions, decrees and resolutions, to agree or  
protest same, to lodge all manner of complaints and reports, likewise  
petitions for the repeal and re-examination of decisions which have  
entered into legal effect, to receive writs of execution, to carry  
them into effect, to claim losses, costs, demand accounts from parties  
having business communications with us, to enter into amicable arrange-  
ments before hearing in court and during hearing, to draw up peace  
agreements, to make statements, to receive certificates to such effect  
and in general in all legal and other business to take our place, to  
accept documents, deeds, property adjudged and executed money likewise  
money for sale of the business from private parties law-courts, official

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Soumarokoff Elston, Colonel Michael Serebriakoff of Her Majesty's Cavalry Guard Regiment, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, General Adjutant Peter Gesse, Stable Master of the Imperial Court Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, residing, first Vassilieffsky District, Fifth Line, No 50, second Kazan District Moika Quay, No 94, third Liteiny District, French Quay, No 22, fourth Spassk District, Michael Square No 3, fifth Kazan District, Moika Quay No 18, sixth Liteiny District, Fontanka, No 22, and last Rozhdestvensky District, Greek Prospekt No 23 as made by them personally. June 27, 1905. No 566. Deputy Notary M. Suslenikoff. (Seal). March 3, 1905; We, the undersigned, hereby certify that in accordance with our mutual agreement we have quitted the present partnership, declare the action of this present agreement suspended as regards ourselves without any claims whatever to each other and do hereby convey to Rear-Admiral of His Majesty's Suite Alexei Abaza and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin the right to use the name of the firm, the Russian Far East Timber Company, likewise the right to organise a company on the basis of the present preliminary agreement. General Adjutant Pter Gesse, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Colonel Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count Soumarokoff Elston, Stable Master of Imperial Court Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, Colonel Michael Serebriakoff. I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signatures on this deed were executed in the presence of myself, Peter Artsibusheff outside of my office located Nevski Prospekt No 6I by parties personally known to me, General Adjutant Peter Gesse, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Colonel Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count Soumarokoff Elston, Stable Master of the Imperial Court Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky and Colonel Michael Serebriakoff, residing, first, Kazan District, Moika Quay, No 18,

second Spassk District, Michael Square, No 3, third Kazan District, Moika Quay No 94, fourth Liteiny District, Fintanka No 22, and last same district, French Quay No 22 in the above-mentioned residence of the first. March 23, 1905. No 1856. Notary P. Artsibusheff. (Seal). St Petersburg, April 13, 1906. As per mutual agreement the present deed's effect is extended by us unto July 1, 1908. Alexei Abaza, Nicholas Matunin. I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signatures were made personally in the presence of myself, Julian Zabielsky, St Petersburg Notary, whose office is situated Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by parties personally known to me, Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin at the residence of A. Abaza, Vassilieffsky District, Fifth Line, No 50, whither I, the Notary, was requested to proceed. Mr N. Matunin's residence is Rozhdestvensky District, Greek Prospekt, No 23. April 13, 1906. No 349I. Notary J. Zabielsky. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. July 29, 1906. No 7013. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

Guard Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, who are authorised to issue proper powers of attorney to direct affairs, to engage employes to accept accounts, property and money and in general to act in all respects in accordance with the demands of business and formalities. Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexeii Abaza, Retired Colonel of the Guards Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, Cavalry General Count Alexeii Ignatieff Colonel of Her Imperial Majesty Maria Feodorovna's Cavalry Guard Regiment Michael Serebriakoff, Honorary Counsellor of State Nicholas Matunin, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count Soumarokoff Elston, General Adjutant Peter Gesse. I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signatures were personally made in the presence of myself, Michael Sushennikoff Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Peter Artsibusheff, in his office, Moscow District, Nevski Prospekt, No 61, by the following parties, personally known to me: Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite, Retired Colonel of the Guards Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, Cavalry General Count Alexeii Ignatieff, Colonel of Her Majesty the Empress Maria Feodorovna's Cavalry Guard Regiment Michael Serebriakoff, Honorary Counsellor of State Nicholas Matunin, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count Soumarokoff Elston, and General Adjutant Peter Gesse, residing in St Petersburg, first, Fifth Line No 50, second Fontanka No 22, third French Quay No 26, fourth French Quay No 22, fifth Greek Prospekt No 23, sixth Michel Square No 3, seventh Moika Quay No 94, and eighth Moika Quay No 18. May 31, 1903. No 2680. Deputy Notary M. Suslennikoff. (Seal) January 28, 1904; in accordance with a mutual agreement the force of this preliminary agreement is extended by us to January 1st 1905: Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite, Retired Colonel of Guards Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, Cav-

alry General Count Alexeii Ignatieff, Colonel of Her Majesty's Cavalry Guard Regiment Michael Serebriakoff, Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, Count Soumarokoff Elston, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Prince Felix Yousupoff, General Adjutant Peter Gesse. I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signatures ~~made~~ on this document were acknowledged in the presence of myself, Peter Artsibusheff, St Petersburg Notary, in my office located Nevski Prospekt No 61, by parties personally known to me, namely, Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza, of His Majesty's Suite, Retired Colonel of the Guards Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, Cavalry General Count Alexeii Ignatieff, Colonel of Her Majesty Empress Maria Feodorovna's Cavalry Guard Regiment Michael Serebriakoff, Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count Soumarokoff Elston, and General Adjutant Peter Gesse, residing, first Vassilieffsky District Fifth Line No 50, second Liteiny District, Fontanka No 22, third and fourth same district French Quay Nos 26 and 22, Fifth Rozhdestvensky District Greek Prospekt No 23, sixth Spassk District Michael Square No 3, seventh and last Kazan District Moika Quay No 94 and 18 to be their own. January 29th, 1904. No 576. Notary Peter Artsibusheff. (Seal). December 31, 1904, in accordance with mutual agreement the present preliminary agreement is extended to June 1, 1906: Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexeii Abaza, Colonel Prince Yousupoff, Colonel of Her Majesty's Cavalry Guard Regiment Michael Serebriakoff, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, General Adjutant Gesse, Stable Master of Imperial Court V. Vonlyarlyarsky, Privy Counsellor N. Matunin. I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signatures were acknowledged in my presence, Michael Suslenikoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Peter Artsibusheff, in his office, Moscow District, Nevski Prospekt, No 61, by ~~the~~ persons known to me, viz, Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexeii Abaza, Colonel Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count

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ORGANISATION OF THE RUSSIAN FAR EAST TIMBER COMPANY, MAY 31, 1903.

AUTHORISATION TO JOHN BALASHEFF TO ACT AS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMPANY.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP, MARCH 5, 1905.

CONTINUATION OF THE COMPANY BY ALEXEII ABAZA AND NICHOLAS MATUNIN.

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St Petersburg, May 31, 1903. We, the undersigned, Cavalry General Count Alexeii Ignatieff, General-Adjutant Peter Gesse, Chief Ceremony Master Count Vassili Gendrikoff, Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite, Prince Felix Yousupoff, Count Soumarokoff Elston, Retired Colonel of the Guards Vladimir Vonlyarlyarsky, Honorary Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin and Colonel Michael Serebriakoff of Her Imperial Majesty Maria Feodorovna's Cavalry Guard Regiment have entered into the present preliminary agreement of partnership under the firm of the Russian Far East Timber Company for working all manner of timber concessions, ores, fisheries and fur industries, shipping, trading and all other manner of industrial and trading enterprises within the limits of Manchuria, Korea and the sea coast district. The stock capital of the company shall be determined in six months, and will be paid by the partners as called for. One of the partners, as per mutual agreement, shall be full partner, the others only investors, the latter's responsibility being limited to their investments and they shall bear no further responsibility, either personal or by property, for debts of the company. The method of operations, rights and duties of the partners, the organisation of the management, the accounts and the general order shall be compiled in accordance with agreement of all partners and shall be regularly formulated within six months from the date of signing this agreement. Until such time the partners authorise Hunt Master of the Court of His Imperial Majesty John Balasheff to act as Representative of the company with all rights and duties to spend the money of the company to acquire effects and real estate all manner of concessions and leases and in general to manage and order all property and business of the company with the duty of submitting proper account for all these actions. The following are elected managers of the business: Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexeii Abaza and Retired Colonel of the

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of Documents transferred by the Russian Far East Timber Company in persons of sole owners of all rights and all property of this Company - Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin to William Edward Smith, Citizen of the United States of North America under an Agreement registered 7 July, 1906, No 6346 by St Petersburg Notary J. Zabielsky. (1) Two copies of Note of hand of Honorary Counsellor of State Nicholas Matunin, dated August 22 and October 18, 1902, ceding, in favour of Baron Gabriel Gunzburg his rights and privileges under an agreement proffered in 1898 to His Majesty the Emperor of Korea by Privy Counsellor Nyeporozhneff covering all mineral deposits of the Korean Court Department in the Hamheungdo and Piengyang Provinces. (2) a Note of hand issued by Baron Gabriel Gunsburg to Honorary Counsellor of State Matunin conveying to him free of cost one tenth part of the stock capital subscribed for working the mineral deposits in the Hamheungdo Province Korea, certified by the Russian Imperial Consulate at Tientsin May 30, 1902, No 134. (3) A similar Note of hand from Baron Gabriel Gunsburg to Honorary Counsellor of State Matunin conveying to him free of cost one tenth part of the stock capital subscribed for working the mineral deposits in the Piengyangdo Province of Korea, certified by the Russian Vice-Consul of Chemulpho 20 December 1902, No 43, and Matunin's certificate that rights to these two Notes of hand belong to the Russian Far East Timber Company, certified by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky July 1, 1906, No 6177. (4) A letter in French, dated November 14/27, 1903, from Baron Gunsburg to N. Matunin. By power of attorney of sole owners of the Russian Far East Timber Company, Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza, of His Imperial Majesty's Suite,

and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, Nicholas Starck. William Edward Smith, Citizen of the United States of North America. I, the undersigned, certify that the above signatures were made personally in the presence of me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by persons unknown to me, viz, William Edward Smith, Citizen of the United States of North America, acting for himself, and Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, acting under power of attorney certified June 30, 1906, No 6146 by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky and issued by Hunt Master of the Imperial Court John Balasheff, acting under authority from Rear-Admiral of His Imperial Majesty's Suite Alexeii Abaza and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin expressed in power of attorney registered by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky June 30, 1906, No 6144, and residing, -Mr Smith, Admiralty District, Moika No 81, and Mr Starck, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. July 7, 1906. No 6372. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by the above-mentioned Mr Starck. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. Original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 7, 1906. No 6373. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by the above-mentioned Mr Starck. In comparing this copy with the original copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29, 1906. No 7035. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

pekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29, 1906. No 7021. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal)

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LIST OF DOCUMENTS TRANSFERRED  
BY RUSSIAN FAR EAST TIMBER CO  
TO W. E. SMITH.

JULY 7, 1906.

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CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP OF RIGHTS  
IN HAMHEUNGDO AND PIENGYANG-DO BY  
MATUNIN. JULY 1. 1906.

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CERTIFICATE. I, the undersigned, Privy Counsellor Nichols Matunin, hereby certify that, in accordance with two letters issued to me by Baron Gabriele Gunsburg, one concerning the transfer to me, free of cost, of one tenth part of the stock capital subscribed for working the mineral deposits in the province of Hamheungdo, certified May 30, 1902, No 134, by the Russian Consul at Tientsin, and the other concerning the free transfer to me of one tenth part of the stock capital subscribed for working the mineral deposits in the province of Piengyangdo in Korea, certified December 20, 1902, No 43, by the Russian Vice-Consul at Chemulpho - all rights under these letters were formerly property of the Russian Timber Company in the Far East named in some documents "the Korean Timber Company", or "The Russian Timber and Mining Industrial Company in the Far East", or "The Timber Industrial Company" and at present belong to me, Matunin, in conjunction with Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite, as sole owners of all rights of the said Company. Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin. I, the undersigned, certify that the above signature was made personally in my presence, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin personally known to me, and residing, Liteiny District, Preobrazhenskaia Street No 24. July 1, 1906. No 6177. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary, Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by <sup>Lieutenant Colonel</sup> Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospect, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 4, 1906. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). No 6266. I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy, presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Pros-

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## Translation.

PARIS.

August 17/1905.

To His Excellency, COUNT LAMSDORFF, Minister For Foreign Affairs,  
ST PETERSBURG.  
R U S S I A.

EXCELLENCY,

I beg of you that under the circumstances you will kindly take into consideration the question of a concession which I obtained in Korea as a Russian Subject. In December 1901 I went to Seoul to try and obtain a mineral concession from the Korean Government. After certain interviews with His Excellency Mr Pavloff, Minister Plenipotentiary and Envoy Extraordinary of His Majesty the Emperor I was informed that I could have the backing of the Russian authorities only in case I had had an understanding with His Excellency Mr Matunin "Detenteur" according to the declaration of your department of Mineral Laws of the Imperial Household of Korea. Following my return to Tientsin I received officially from your department through the Imperial Consulate of Russia at this port a copy of the documents <sup>stating</sup> ~~coding~~ the rights of Mr Matunin to the mines of the Imperial Household of Korea. Consequently I made arrangements with His Excellency Mr Matunin for the two provinces in the north of Korea in regard to which he transferred to me all his rights upon certain conditions. Copy of this agreement was legally submitted to the Imperial Legation of Russia at Seoul. This done I got the adherence of the Russian authorities, and finally obtained on the 14/27th November 1903 from the Imperial Government of Korea a mineral concession similar to those granted to subjects of other countries having treaties with that country. This original document, signed before His Excellency Mr Pavloff,

was deposited at the Imperial Russian Legation at Seoul, and very likely turned over to the French Legation with other documents at the time of departure of the Russian authorities in January/February 1904. According to the articles of the concession work was to begin within a year, viz, 14/27th November 1904 at the latest. In January/February 1904 I was obliged to leave Seoul along with others of the Russian colony, and, in consequence, was forced to drop this matter. At the time of my departure the expenses incurred in this connexion for travelling, prospecting and other disbursements amounted to over 100000 Roubles. At the expiration of the time limit for beginning work I made legal note of these facts by an official declaration presented to His Excellency Admiral Alexeieff, Imperial Lieutenant to His Majesty in the Far East. Considering the re-establishment of peace and the possibility of resuming the interrupted operations I beg of Your Excellency to kindly grant to myself and my partners the favour of your kind benevolence to re-instate us in our rights, the case of force majeure being included in the articles of concession, and to have accorded to me all due compensation as well as a new time limit of one year to date from the time I will be in a position to re-commence operations. I regret under the existing pressing circumstances to be obliged to take up any of Your Excellency's valuable time; still, I rely on your kind and powerful protection towards Russian interests and beg to remain,

Very Respectfully,

(Signed) Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg.



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Seoul.

14/27 November, 1903.

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A SON EXCELLENCE,

N. J. MATONNE,

Conseiller d'Etat Prive.

EXCELLENCE,

J'ai l'honneur de porter à votre

connaissance qu'en vertu de la cession que vous m'avez fait par les actes en date du 22 Aout et 18 Octobre 1902 j'ai signé ce jour avec le Gouvernement Coreen un contrat de concession minière pour un district à choisir dans les provinces de Ham-yong et Phyon-an sauf exception de certains points où se trouvent des mosoles du Palais Imperial. J'ai dû me contenter de cette restriction pour le moment, ne pouvant, dans les circonstances actuelles, forcer la main du Gouvernement Coreen, mais je compte, dès que la plentitude de vos droits, en vertu de la convention de Son Excellence Monsieur Neporojneff avec le Gouvernement Coreen aura été ouvertement admise par la Delegation Imperiale de Russie et le Gouvernement Coreen, étendre mon champ d'operation à toutes les mines et districts minières des deux provinces en question.

Je vais prendre des mesures immédiatement pour fixer le choix de cette première mine ou district minier; les travaux devront commencer avant un an à partir de la signature du contrat. Je m'occupe aussi de la formation d'une société par actions pour développer cette concession, et la part qui vous revient, par suite des actes passés entre nous, sera réservée.

Veuillez agréer, etc,

(Signe) Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg.

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LETTER FROM GUNSBURG TO COUNT  
LAMSDORFF, MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, RUSSIA;  
ASKING FOR RE-INSTALEMENT IN RIGHTS AND EXTENSION OF TIME LIMIT FOR BEGINNING WORK ON ACCOUNT OF INTERRUPTIONS CAUSED BY WAR.

AUGUST 17, 1905.

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dustry Company", to which he will assign all his rights and duties established by this agreement. (12) said Company established by Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg shall provide all money for the development and the payment of all expenses of development and operations. (13) This company will be managed by a Board of Five Directors, to protect the interests of the company, and the Government, - one of these Directors shall be a Korean subject appointed by the Korean Government; the position of this Korean Member of the Board shall be the same as that of the other members. (14) The net profit of the Company, that is what remains after the payment of all expenses of development and operation shall be divided into one hundred equal parts, twenty five of which shall belong to the Korean Government and the balance, seventy five, to the Company. (15) The present agreement shall continue in force for twenty five years from the date of its signature, and whatever party to this contract may be prevented by force majeure from enjoying his rights and fulfilling his obligations it shall not be taken as any part of any limit herein fixed. (16) This agreement, established and duly executed on behalf of the Korean Government and of the Imperial Household Department is written in four (4) originals, of which two (2) are in Russian, and two (2) are in the Chinese language, and in case of dispute, the Russian text shall alone be binding.

(Signed) The Treasurer of the Imperial Household Department,

YI YONG YK (Seal)

(Signed) Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg. (Seal)

SEOUL. NOVEMBER 14/27 1903.

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GUNSBURG INFORMING  
LETTER FROM ~~GUNSBURG~~ THAT KOREAN  
GOVERNMENT HAD GRANTED CONCESSION,  
THAT GUNSBURG WOULD FORM A COMPANY  
TO EXPLOIT SAID CONCESSION, THAT  
MATUNIN WOULD RECEIVE HIS SHARE IN  
THE COMPANY.

SEOUL. - NOV 14/27.1903.

Translation of Contract for Mining Concession,  
between YI-YONG-YK, Treasurer Imperial Household of Korea, on the one part, and Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg on the other part.

Seoul November  
14/27. 1903.

On behalf of His Majesty the Emperor of Korea the Korean Government, taking into consideration all the points agreed to hereinafter and the benefits derived from them grants to Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg, a Russian subject and his assigns the exclusive rights - (I) to prospect for and mine iron, copper, silver, gold and all other minerals and mineral products in all the localities within the limit of one district in the province of Ham heung do or in that of Pieng yang in all the mines and mining localities now belonging to the Government of Korea and to the Imperial Household with the exception of those mines where regular work has been started by means of the Korean Government before the signature of this agreement. Working on account of this present concession cannot be done in Yong-heung, Kiljyu, Tan-chhijou, Phyang-an, Chai-chyong, Lu-an, Ham-him, in the localities occupied by Imperial cemeteries and tombs and buildings belonging to the Palace, as well as in thickly populated centres. (2) To work in all this district and export to other parts of this empire and abroad all the aforesaid minerals and mineral products as well as any kind of products derived therefrom. (3) To construct, establish, hire, maintain and work in any way buildings, stores, means of communication and transportation that may be necessary for the better development and working of the mines and mining districts and generally conducting all operations necessary or advantageous to such undertakings. (4) To import from abroad at the most convenient places any kind of machinery, tools, instruments materials goods and supplies necessary or advantageous for the working of the mines and mining districts and other operations

derived from them. (5) to engage and employ foreigners in any way whatever for working the mines and mining districts, as well as all other operations of export and import connected with their working. (6) to free Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg and his heirs from payment of any kind of Customs or other duties taxes and in general of any whatever dues on the articles and business mentioned in paragraphs I, 2, 3 and 4 of this agreement, - and in general on anything necessary for the working of the mines and mineral district as well as to free them from payment of such taxes or duties on any of the localities occupied by the mines and buildings as well as any movable property without exception of such merchandise put up for sale in such shop or stores as Baron de Gunsburg and his assigns may establish. (7) to afford to Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg Russian subject and his assigns all facilities and every protection at all times not only to himself and his assigns but also to all his employes and operations so that they may enjoy their rights established according to this agreement as well as in his dealings with native people. (8) to secure to Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg, Russian subject, and his assigns free right of way to and from all his properties and works as well as between them and the free use of all available water and water power necessary for the better development of said properties. (9) to give to Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg, Russian subject, and his assigns the right to cut and use necessary wood and timber, paying for it at local rates when such timber cannot be purchased on reasonable terms from the natives. (10) Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg, Russian subject and his assigns undertake to begin working and developing the mines mentioned in this agreement not later than within one year from the signing of this agreement. If, without reasons worthy to be considered, work should not have been begun within the year this concession will lose its strength. - II) Baron Gabriel de Gunsburg Russian subject and his assigns agree to procure the formation of a Company to be called "The Korean Mining In-

No-23.

I hereby certify that I, the undersigned, cede in favour of Baron Gabriel Gunsburg all rights and privileges at present owned by me and which may in future come to me in force of an agreement proposed in 1898 to His Majesty the Emperor of Korea by Privy Counsellor Nicholas Nyeporozhneff for all mineral deposits of the Korean Court Department in the Pieng yang province of the Korean Empire. October 18, 1902. St Petersburg. Signed. Honorary Counsellor of State Nicholas Matunin. This is a true copy of the original. Privy Counsellor N. Matunin. This is a true copy of the original. Privy Counsellor N. Matunin. This is a true copy of the foregoing copy. N. Starck.

I hereby certify that I, the undersigned, cede in favour of Baron Gabriel Gunsburg all rights and privileges at present owned by me and which may in future come to me in force of an agreement proposed in 1898 to His Majesty the Emperor of Korea by Privy Counsellor Nicholas Nyeporozhneff for all mineral deposits of the Korean Court Department in the province of Ham-kien-do of the Korean Empire. August 22, 1902. St Petersburg. Signed. Honorary Counsellor of State Nicholas Matunin. This is a true copy of the original. Privy Counsellor N. Matunin. This is a true copy. Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin. This is a true copy of the foregoing copy. N. Starck.

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MINING CONCESSION IN HAM HEUNG DO  
AND PIENG YANG DO GRANTED BY THE  
KOREAN GOVERNMENT TO BARON GABRIEL  
DE GUNSBURG. NOVEMBER 14/27 -1903.

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I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy, presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7027. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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TRANSFERS OF RIGHTS IN PIENG YANG  
AND HAM HEUNG DO BY NICHOLAS MAT-  
UNIN TO BARON GABRIEL DE GUNSBURG.

OCTOBER 18, 1902  
AUGUST 22, 1902.

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CESSION OF ONE/TENTH INTEREST  
IN PIENG-YANG DO BY GUNSBURG TO  
MATUNIN. DECEMBER 20/1902.  
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I, the undersigned, Baron Gabriel Gunsburg, Russian subject, intending to receive from the Emperor of Korea and the Korean Government a concession for the exclusive right of working mineral deposits belonging to the Ministry of the Imperial Court in the entire province of Pieng Yang Do and proposing to organise a special company for working these deposits, give the present undertaking that, in case of receiving the said concession and organisation of the said company I will cede, free of charge, to Honorary Counsellor of State Matunin one tenth part of the stock capital of this company, fully paid up with shares or stock with full rights. Baron Gabriel Gunsburg. Seoul December 20/1902. Baron Gabriel Gunsburg. The signature of Baron Gabriel Gunsburg, legally capable of executing deeds and personally known to me, I certify with seal appended. Chemulpho. December 20/1902. Imperial Russian Vice-Consul Polianoffsky. (Seal). No 43. Taxed three roubles, equals three yen 9 sen. I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. July 6/1906. No 6297. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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CESSION OF ONE/TENTH  
INTEREST IN HAM HEUNG

TO BY GUNSBURG

TO MATUNIN.

MAY 2/1902.

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No 24.

I, the undersigned, Baron Gabriel Gunsburg, Russian subject, intending to receive from the Emperor of Korea and the Korean Government a concession for the exclusive right of working mineral deposits belonging to the Ministry of the Imperial Court in the entire Province of Ham heung do and proposing to organise a special company for working these deposits, give the present undertaking that in case of receiving the said concession and organisation of the said company I will cede free of charge, to Honorary Counsellor of State Matunin one/tenth part of the stock capital of this company fully paid up in shares or stock with full rights. China. Tientsin, May 2/1902.

Baron Gabriel Gunsburg. The Russian Imperial Consulate at Tientsin certifies the authenticity of the signature personally appended hereto by Baron Gabriel Gunsburg, Russian subject, residing at Tientsin, personally known to the Consulate and legally capable of executing deeds. Tientsin. May/30/1902.

No 134. Taxed under Paragraph 9 two roubles. Consul. Signature. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky,

in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49.

In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. July 6/1906. No 6295. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the

fore-going copy, presented to me, Vassily Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski

Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing

copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7023. Deputy

Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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Translated from Copy.

## LIST

of Documents transferred by the Russian Far East Timber <sup>Industrial</sup> Company represented by sole owners of the company-Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite, and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, to William Edward Smith, citizen of the United States of America, under agreement certified by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky July 1906, No 6344:- (1) four claims for gold on the Quantung Peninsula in the name of Constantine Zaliessky, registered by Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East, Nos 85, 86, 90 and 91, and four deeds of transfer for transferring these claims from Zaliessky to the Far East Timber ~~Company~~ and Mining Company certified by Port Arthur Circuit Court Secretary acting as Notary September 27/1903, Nos 1493, 1494, 1495 and 1496. (2) claim in name of Constantine Zaliessky for lead-silver ore on the Quantung Peninsula registered by Mining Engineer attached to the Viceroy in the Far East No 957, and certificate No 1014 dated 23 September 1903 from the Viceroy of His Imperial Majesty in the Far East for the right of prospecting the claim and a deed transferring the said claim from Zaliessky to the Russian ~~Far East~~ Timber and Mining Company certified by Port Arthur Circuit Court Secretary acting as Notary October 23, 1903, No 1629. (3) Ticket in Chinese language conveying right to fell trees on the right bank of the Yalu River in South Manchuria issued by Mukden authorities for 1903/1904. By power of attorney for sole owners of Russian Far East Timber Company Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark. William Edward Smith, citizen of the United States of America. I, the undersigned, certify that the above signatures were made in my presence, Vassili Bystrooumoff, acting for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by the above persons known to me, namely, William Edward Smith, citizen of the

United States of America for himself, and Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark acting under power of attorney No 6146, registered 30/June 1906 by Notary Zabielsky of St Petersburg and issued by Hunt Master of His Majesty's Court John Balasheff, as authorised by Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin in power of attorney registered under No 6144, 30th June 1906 by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky and residing, : Mr Smith - Admiralty District, Moika Embankment, No 81, and Mr Stark Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. July 7/1906. No 6370. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify above to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by the above-mentioned Mr Stark. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered in the latter. Original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 7/1906. No 6371. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of above copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt No 7 by the above-mentioned Mr Stark. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered in the latter. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7030. Signed, Deputy Notary Bystrooumoff. (Seal).



ADD No 14.

PORT ARTHUR.  
Municipal Management  
Section  
January 5/1904.  
No 60.

Port Arthur.

To  
The City Office of the Timber Company.

The Municipal Management forwards a Plan of the Ground Lots  
assigned for lease of the Timber Company.

Enclosures: Plan.

For Chairman of the Town Council (Signature)

For Town Secretary (Signature)

Received 5/1/1904. Incom. regist. No 1568. I, the undersigned, certify  
this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystro-  
umoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office,  
Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas  
Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing  
this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words,  
etc, were discovered therein. Original is not taxed. 1906, July 29. No 7108.  
Signed: Deputy Notary V. Bystroumoff.

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LIST OF DOCUMENTS  
TRANSFERRED BY THE *Russian*  
FAREAST TIMBER COM-  
PANY TO W. E. SMITH.

JULY 7/1906.

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ADD No II.

Translation.

The Mukden Dzian Dziun TSEN and FOU-INA-YOUI  
of the Great Daytsin State.

To

The War Commissary, Colonel Kvetsinsky, of the Great Russian State.  
On the 29th Day of the 12th Moon, in the 28th Year of the Reign of Guan-  
Sui. (January 14th, 1903).

NOTICE, No 1012.

In answer to Notice No 3796 we inform you, esteemed Commissary, that Dao-tai  
Youan, with Mr Lvoff, after negotiation, has decided to issue annually one  
certificate for felling timber to a Chinese Merchant, and, at the expira-  
tion of a year to replace such certificate by another one for felling  
timber in the mountains and transporting same to Da-Doun-gou for sale. In  
consideration of this a tax shall be payable in accordance with Regulations  
of the Tax Board. The above merchant shall not fell timber which is being  
felled by others at the present time, neither shall others fell the timber  
which is felled by the said merchant. Thus each shall fell the timber owned  
by himself and no dispute will arise between them. Should the above-named  
merchant, taking advantage of circumstances, create disorder by felling  
timber within the four boundaries of the ground owned by inhabitants, or  
should another merchant present himself as the above the above-mentioned  
certificate will be suspended and another reliable party will be sent to  
carry on the timber felling. Original translated by Interpreter Lousheefou.  
Checked by Interpreter P. Feodoroff. Copy checked with the original. Secretary  
Feodoroff. This is a true copy of the copy. N. Stark.

*No 12.*  
The Russian War Commissary of the Mukden  
Sheng-king Province,

MANCHURIA.

January 24/1903

No 200

MUKDEN.

From War Commissary Colonel  
Kvetsinsky of the Great Rus-  
sian State.

To the Mukden Dzian Dziun  
of the Great Daytsin State.

ADVICE.

I beg to inform the esteemed Dzian Dziun that Lieutenant-Colonel Madritoff  
has presented to me documents from which it is evident that the company  
petitioning Your Excellency for a concession for felling timber in the  
Toun-Khua-sian District has appointed as local Representative Lieutenant-  
Colonel Madritoff in lieu of Mr Lvoff who has departed for St Petersburg on  
his domestic business. On the basis of the above I have the honour to re-  
quest the esteemed official to consider hence Lieutenant-Colonel Madritoff  
as Mr Lvoff's successor, and to give necessary instructions to all persons  
that as regards negotiations and the business it is necessary to apply to  
Lieutenant-Colonel Madritoff and not to Mr Lvoff. At the same time I beg <sup>to request</sup> Your  
Excellency to inform me how far the method mentioned in your communication  
namely the annual issue of tickets for right of felling timber may guaran-  
tee the interests of the company in the great investments made by it, like-  
wise whether I, having taken part in all negotiations, may rest assured that  
in future the Chinese authorities will issue no orders which might de-  
prive the said company of the possibility of refunding the capital invested.  
Signed: War Commissary Colonel Kvetsinsky. Countersigned: Secretary Feodoroff.

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CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN WAR COMMISSARY COLONEL  
KVETSINSKY OF THE GREAT RUSSIAN STATE AND THE  
MUKDEN DZIAN DZIUN TSEN OF THE GREAT DAYTSIN  
STATE INDICATING THE EXISTENCE OF A CONCESSION  
FOR FELLING TIMBER GRANTED MR LVOFF AND COM-  
PANY, AFTERWARDS TRANSFERRED TO COLONEL MADRITOFF.

THREE LETTERS DATED DECEMBER 21/1902,  
JANUARY 14/1903, AND JANUARY 24/1903.

ALSO LETTER RE "PLAN OF GROUND LOTS ASSIGNED  
FOR LEASE OF THE TIMBER COMPANY", DATED JANUARY 5/1904.

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ADD No 10.

COPY OF COPY.

Russian War Commissary of the  
Mukden(Shentszin) Province.

War Commissary Colonel  
Kvetsinsky of the Great  
Russian State.

MANCHURIA.

December 21/1902.

To the  
Mukden Dzian Dziun TSEN  
of the Great Daytsin State.

NOTICE.

I have the honour to earnestly request you, esteemed Dzian Dziun, to  
inform me under what conditions, likewise for what number of years, you  
have awarded Mr Lvoff and Company a concession for felling timber  
in the eastern part of the province entrusted to you.

Signed - War Commissary Colonel Kvetsinsky.

Countersigned - Secretary Feodoroff.

This is a true copy of the copy. N. Starck.

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We, the undersigned, Constantine Zaliessky, nobleman, and Hunt Master John Balasheff, authorised by the Russian Far East Timber and Mining Company have entered into the present agreement for the following: (1) I, Zaliessky, on the basis of Permit Certificate No IOI4, dated 23/September/1903, issued to me by His Imperial Majesty's Viceroy in the Far East have exclusive right to prospect for silver-lead ores in the Quan-tung District, about five versts east of the Tudziatun gold mine and about one and a half versts south of village Tchou-diak, with consequences as per paragraph 29I Mining Code, Edition 1893 and the below specified rights of working; (2) my above-said right to prospect silver-lead ores with all rights and duties I, Zaliessky, have sold entirely for one hundred roubles to the Russian Timber and Mining Company and have received payment from the company. The said right I have not <sup>formerly</sup> sold to any party, and the buyer's rights I shall protect similar to my own; (3) the Russian Timber and Mining Company has purchased the above rights from Mr Zaliessky, takes upon itself all duties connected with the prospecting of the said claim, has paid Mr Zaliessky one hundred roubles, and taken upon itself all expenses in drawing up the present agreement; (4) This agreement is to be kept sacred and inviolate. The original to be kept by the Russian Timber and Mining Company, Mr Zaliessky to have a certified copy. The Russian Timber and Mining Company has the option of requesting the transfer of rights to prospecting under the above-mentioned permit for silver-lead ore, and shall present copies where necessary. Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman; Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff by authority of the Russian Far East Timber Company. October 23/1903 the present agreement was registered by me, Deputy Secretary of Port Arthur Circuit Court Nicholas Ivanoff, Deputy Notary of Port Arthur, in the Court Office for Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman, residing at Port Arthur, personally known to me and capable legally of executing deeds and the Attorney of the Russian Far East Timber Company John Balasheff, Hunt

Master of the Imperial Court, residing at Port Arthur, personally known to me, acting on the basis of an agreement submitted to me in copy certified by Deputy Notary of Port Arthur Tchernodubraffsky June 25/1903, No 86I, said agreement being registered by St Petersburg Notary Artsibusheff May 31/1903, No 2680. The present agreement was signed in my presence personally by Messrs Zaliessky and Balasheff. Tax in favour of town 40 kopeks. Paragraph 137 Notary Code was declared. No 1629. Deputy Notary Ivanoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed 40 kopeks. July 3/1906. No 6237. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed 50 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7095. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff (Seal).

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M.W. Viceroy of His Imperial Majesty in the Far East.  
September 23/1903  
No 1014.  
PORT ARTHUR.

CERTIFICATE.

The bearer of the present, Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman, is permitted to prospect for silver-lead beds located in the Quantung District about five versts eastwards of the Toud-ziat-un gold mine and one and a half versts south of the village Tchou-dia-kou, with rights of allotment under Mining Regulations on the basis of Rules regarding Allotment of Claims to Private Parties in the Quantung District published in the Order of the Chief of the Quantung District July 18/1901, No 36; hence government institutions and officials in case of said person discovering silver-lead ores in the said locality, upon investigation that these come under their jurisdiction shall accept from him statements, entering the same in the instituted Register and giving him copies of the Statements Issued by the Viceroy of His Imperial Majesty in the Far East, Adjutant-General Alexeieff, Mining Engineer, Counselor of State (Signature). (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble. July 3/1906. No 6235. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, no 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7091. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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SALE OF SILVER-LEAD ORE CLAIM  
BY CONSTANTINE ZALIESSKY TO RUSSIAN  
FAR EAST TIMBER COMPANY.

OCTOBER 2/1903.

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office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel  
Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49.  
In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions,  
crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one  
rouble 25 kopeks. No 7089. July 29/1906. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff.  
(Seal).

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PERMIT OF VICEROY TO  
CONSTANTINE ZALIESKY  
TO PROSPECT FOR SILVER-LEAD  
BEDS IN QUANTUNG PENINS  
SULAN. SEPTEMBER 23/1903.  
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RE CLAIM FOR SILVER-LEAD  
OF CONSTANTINE ZALIESSKY  
IN QUANTUNG PERINSULA.

AUGUST 5/1903.

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To the Mining Engineer Attached to the Chief of the Quantung District.  
 Petition from Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. An expedition  
 organised by me under the superintendence of <sup>the</sup> Mining Engineer Lorenzoni  
 and <sup>the</sup> Clerk Goubine on July 31 of this year discovered a locality  
 with traces of silver-lead ore beds which <sup>was</sup> ~~were~~ marked by a claim post  
 in my favour. This spot is located about five versts east of the Toun-  
 ysia-toun mine and one and a half versts from the villare Tcho-diacou.  
 The post was placed on a hill between the two said spots and bears  
 the inscription: C. Zaliessky, July 31/1903. A bye road to the town Bydzeewo  
 runs about fifty <sup>pages</sup> ~~versts~~ south of post. On the basis of abovesaid I re-  
 quest you to issue to me a certificate of permit for prospecting silver-  
 lead ore in the said locality. Attached are three roubles for advertising,  
 three Revenue Stamps of one rouble each, and a rough plan of the locality.  
 Port Arthur, August 5/1903. Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman. This is a true  
 copy of the original. Mining Engineer attached to the Viceroy in the Far  
 East. Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State (Signature). It is certified by  
 signature and seal that this is a true copy of the original and that the  
 petition is forwarded for permit of the Civil Management of the District.  
 August 12/1903. Mining Engineer attached to the Viceroy of the Far East.  
 Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State (Signature). No 957. I, the undersigned,  
 certify this to be a true copy of the original, presented to me, Vassili  
 Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his  
 office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel  
 Nicholas Starck residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In  
 comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed  
 out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 3/1903.  
 No 6<sup>2</sup>33. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify  
 this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me Vassili  
 Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his

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District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 3/1906. No 6223. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7067. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

September 20/1903.

We, the undersigned, Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman, and J. Balasheff Hunt Master authorised by the Russian Far East Timber and Mining Company, have entered into the present agreement for the following: (1) I, Zaliessky, own, under rights of entire possession, a gold claim near the town Bydzevo registered by Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East September 3/1903, No 91. (2) The said gold bearing claim with all the rights and duties I, Zaliessky, have sold for one hundred roubles to the Russian Timber and Mining Company and have received payment for same in full. The said claim is not sold to any other party, and I shall protect the buyer's rights as my own. (3) The Russian Timber and Mining Company has purchased the above-mentioned gold claim from Mr Zaliessky with all rights, takes upon itself all duties connected with the ownership of the same, has paid Zaliessky one hundred roubles for said claim, and takes upon itself all expenses in drawing up the present agreement. (4) This agreement to be kept sacred and inviolate. The original is to be kept by the Russian Timber and Mining Company, Mr Zaliessky to have a certified copy. The Rus-

Sian Timber and Mining Company has the option of requesting the transfer of the said gold claim and shall present copies where necessary. Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. By authority of the Russian Far East Timber Company, Hunt Master John Balasheff. September 27/1903. The present agreement was registered by me, Deputy Secretary of Port Arthur Circuit Court Nicholas Ivanoff, Deputy Notary of Port Arthur, in the Court Office for Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman, and Hunt Master of the Imperial Court John Balasheff, residing at Port Arthur, personally known to me and legally capable of executing deeds, acting, the first on the basis of original certificate No 90, issued September 3/1903 by Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District, and the second on the basis of a copy of a company agreement of the Russian Far East Timber Company certified by Deputy Notary of Port Arthur Tchernodubraffsky, June 25/1903, No 861. The present agreement was signed in my presence personally by Messrs Zaliessky and Balasheff. Paragraph 137 of Notary Code was declared. Tax in favour of town 40 kopeks. No 1495. Deputy Notary Ivanoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed 40 kopeks. July 3 1906. No 6229. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed 50 kopeks. July 29 1906. No 7079. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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RE BYDZEEVO GOLD CLAIM  
OF CONSTANTINE ZALIESSKY.

AUGUST 31/1903

AND SALE OF CLAIM TO RUSSIAN FAR EAST  
TIMBER COMPANY. SEPTEMBER 20/ 1903.

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To the Mining Engineer attached to His Imperial Majesty's Viceroy in the Far East. Statement made by Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman, July 23/1903 I made a statement to the Chief of the Bydzevo District concerning the organisation of a prospecting expedition under the superintendence of the Mining Engineer Lorenzoni and the Clerk Goubine. The said expedition started July 28th to search and prospect for gold and upon arriving at a place about three versts south-west from the town Bydzevo commenced prospecting. Discovering outcrops of decayed quartz veins and having washed same satisfactory traces of gold were discovered and a claim post for gold ore in my name was placed in my name and in my favour bearing the sign: August 13/1903, stated C. Zaliessky. The pole is placed about three versts south-west of the town of Bydzevo towards the station Poloundian and 160 sagues from the wall of an old Chinese fortress along the road. Eighty five sagues west of the pole is located a Chinese village Lee-og-Mi-ao and a temple and 110 sagues southward of the road the hut of a Chinaman Peenogou. On the basis of the above I request you to enter my name on the Register and to issue to me a regulation copy; for ~~the~~ <sup>which</sup> purpose I append three roubles for advertising and two Revenue Stamps of one rouble each. Port Arthur 31 August 1903. Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. This is a true copy of the original. Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District, Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State (Signature)

By my signature and seal I certify that the present statement was registered by the Mining Engineer attached to the Chief of the Quantung District and was entered in the Register as No 91, September 3/1903. Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District, Mining Engineer Counsellor of State (Signature) (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Sterck, residing Petersburg

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possession of Russian Timber Company and a certified copy to be held by Mr Zaliessky. The Russian Timber Company has the right of requesting the said gold claim to be transferred and to have copies sent where necessary. Gold Miner and Nobleman Constantine Zaliessky. Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff, by authority of Russian Far East Timber Company, September 27/1903. This agreement was registered by me Port Arthur Circuit Court Deputy Secretary Nicholas Vlassoff, acting for Notary at Port Arthur at Circuit Court Office for Nobleman Constantine Zaliessky and Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff, residing at Port Arthur, personally known to me, and legally capable of executing deeds, - and acting, the first on the basis of original certificate presented to me, from Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District No 90, September 3/1903, and the second on the basis of a presented copy of Company agreement of Russian Far East Timber Company certified by Deputy Notary Tchernadubraffsky of Port Arthur, June 25/1903, No 86I. This agreement was signed by them in person in my presence by Messrs Zaliessky and Balasheff. Paragraph 137 of Notarial ~~Code~~ <sup>Regulation</sup> was declared. A tax of 40 kopeks was collected in favour of the town. No 1496. Deputy Notary Ivanoff. (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original submitted to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. Original taxed 40 kopeks. July 3/1906. No 623I. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by <sup>the above-mentioned</sup> ~~Lieutenant-Colonel~~ <sup>Mr.</sup> Nicholas Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In com-

paring this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered in the latter. The foregoing copy is taxed 50 kopeks, July 29/1906. No 7085. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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To the Mining Engineer attached to His Imperial Majesty's Viceroy in the Far East. Statement made by Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. On August 10th of this year I reported to the Chief of the Ostrovnoi District that I had organised a prospecting expedition under the superintendence of the Mining Engineer Lorenzoni and Clerk Goubine. The said expedition on August 11th started to search and prospect for gold and arrived at the Island Gu an loo do at its northern extremity and commenced prospecting. Discovering out-croppings of decayed quartz veins and separate quartz rock these were sampled and resulted in satisfactory traces of gold, consequently the expedition installed a claim post for gold ore in my name and in my favour with inscription: 19th August 1903, claimed, C. Zaliessky. The pole consists of a log with board nailed to it bearing the said inscription. The claim post is twenty sagues from the sea shore, one hundred and seventy sagues from the village Man-Touz, and forty sagues from the source of the spring. Fifty sagues east of the post there is a gully in which out-croppings of gold-bearing veins are seen. On the basis of the abovesaid I request you to enter my statement in the Register and to issue to me a regulation copy for which purpose I append three roubles for advertising and two Revenue Stamps of one rouble each. Port Arthur. August 31/1903. Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. This is a true copy of the original: Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District, Mining Engineer Counsellor of State (Signature) By my signature and seal I certify that the present statement was registered by the Mining Engineer attached to the Chief of the Quantung District in the Register under No 90, September 3/1903. Mining Engineer attached to ~~the Viceroy~~ Chief of Quantung District, Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State. (Signature) (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admir-

alty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. July 3/1906. No 622I. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy, presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7065. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

Translated from Copy.

September 20/1903. We, the undersigned, gold miner Constantine Zaliessky nobleman, and Hunt Master J.P. Balasheff by authority of the Russian Far East Timber Company have entered into the present agreement for the following: (1) I, Zaliessky, possess in rights of complete ownership, a gold claim on the Island Gu-an-lou-do, registered by Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East, No 90, September 3/1903. (2) The said gold-bearing claim with all rights and duties, I, Zaliessky, have sold for one hundred roubles to the Russian Timber Company and have received payment for same in full. The said claim has not been sold to any other previous party, and I shall protect the rights of the buyer as my own. (3) The Russian Timber Company has bought the above claim from Mr Zaliessky with all rights, and takes upon itself all duties in ownership of same and has paid Mr Zaliessky one hundred roubles for the same and takes upon itself all expenses in drawing up the present agreement. (4) The present agreement to be kept sacred and inviolate. Original to be in

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To the Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District. Statement made by Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. Having reported to the Chief of the Bydzeevo District the formation of a prospecting expedition under the superintendence of the Mining Engineer Lorenzoni and the Clerk Goubine, I started the same on a route indicated by myself. The said expedition on August 1st arrived at two mountains located about two versts north of the station Polundian and discovered out-croppings of decayed gold-bearing veins. Having taken samples of the decayed veins which resulted in reliable traces of gold these were returned to the prospectings. The expedition sunk two pits to the depth of one arshine and one arshine square. Distance between pits five sagenes. Distance from claim post - eighty five sagenes. The post is placed to right of railway 185 sagenes away, opposite the village Pa-o-Tzee on the other side of the bye road to the town Bydzeevo 125 sagenes northwards. Two Chinese graves exist near the post. Considering the locality reliable for working gold ore the expedition placed a claim post in my favour and in my name with following inscription: Stated August 2nd 1903, C. Zaliessky. On the basis of the abovesaid I request you to enter my statement in the register and to issue to me a regulation copy, for which purpose I append three roubles for advertising, and two Revenue Stamps of one rouble each. Port Arthur, August 9/1903. Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. This is a true copy of the original. Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East, Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State. (Signature). By my signature and seal I certify that the present statement was registered by the Mining Engineer attached to the Viceroy in the Far East, and was entered under No 86 on August 12/1903, in the Register. Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East, Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State. (Signature). (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian

Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 8/1906. No 6219. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7061. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). September 1/1903. We, the undersigned, Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman, and J. Balasheff, Hunt Master, authorised by the Russian Far East Timber and Mining Company have entered into the present agreement for the following: (1) Zaliessky, own, under right of entire possession, a gold claim near the station Polundian and the village Pa-o-Tzee, registered by Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East August 12/1903, No 86. (2) The said gold-bearing claim with all rights and duties I, Zaliessky, have sold for one hundred roubles to the Russian Timber and Mining Company and have received payment for same in full. The said claim is not sold to any other party, and I shall protect the buyer's rights as my own. (3) The Russian Timber and Mining Company has purchased the above-mentioned gold claim from Mr Zaliessky with all rights, takes upon itself all duties connected with ownership of the same, has paid Zaliessky one hundred roubles for said claim and takes upon itself all expenses in drawing up the present agreement. (4) This agreement to be kept sacred and inviolate. The original to be kept by the Russian Timber and Mining Company, Mr Zaliessky to have a certified copy. The Russian Timber and Mining Company has the

has the option of requesting the transfer of the said gold claim and shall present copies where necessary; Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff, by authority of the Russian Far East Timber Company. September 27/1903, the present agreement was registered by me, Deputy Secretary of Port Arthur Circuit Court Nicholas Ivanoff, Deputy Notary of Port Arthur, in the Court Office, for Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman and Hunt Master of the Imperial Court John Balasheff residing at Port Arthur, personally known to me, acting, the first on the basis of original certificate No 90, issued September 3/1903 by Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District, and the second on the basis of a copy of Company's agreement of the Russian Far East Timber Company, certified by Deputy Notary of Port Arthur Tchernadubraffsky, June 25th 1903, No 61. The present agreement was signed in my presence personally by Messrs Zaliessky and Balasheff. Paragraph 137 of Notary Code was declared. Tax in favour of town 40 kopeks. No 1494. Deputy Notary Ivanoff (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed 40 kopeks. July 3/1906. No 6227. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of foregoing copy, presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words were discovered. Foregoing copy is taxed 50 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7075. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal)

RE POLOUNDIAN GOLD  
CLAIM OF CONSTANTINE  
ZALIESSKY. AUGUST 9/1903.

AND

SALE OF CLAIM TO RUSSIAN FAR EAST TIMBER COMPANY. SEPTEMBER 1/1903.

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To the Mining Engineer attached to Chief of Quantung District. Statement made by Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. Having made a statement to the Chief of the Bydzeevo District concerning the organisation of a prospecting expedition under the superintendence of the Mining Engineer Lorenzoni and the Clerk Goubine I started the same on July 26th of this year on a route appointed by myself. The said expedition on July 29th arrived at the system of the Nam-bou-he rivulet and discovered on the left bank a spring Tou-ou-do-he, free from claims near the village Lee-de-tyn and commenced prospecting. 150 sagues from the junction of the spring with the rivulet Nam-bou-he the first pit was sunk on the left side of the source five sagues distant to a depth of one arshine and one by one arshine square. A second pit of similar dimensions was sunk 120 sagues away from this pit up the river opposite the village Lee-de-tyn. About five poods of sand was washed in each pit and resulted in reliable traces of gold being returned to the pits. Considering the gold sands reliable the expedition sent out by me placed a claim post in my favour and my name: consisting of a growing poplar on the right bank of the spring up the stream 120 sagues below the village Lee-de-tyn bearing an inscription: claimed Miner C. Zaliessky. August 1/1903. On the basis of the abovesaid I request you to enter my statement in the Register and to issue to me a regulation copy, for which purpose I append three roubles for advertising and two ~~roubles~~ Revenue Stamps of one rouble each. Port Arthur. 6th August 1903. Constantine Zaliessky, Miner and Nobleman. This is a true copy of the original. Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in Far East; Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State (Signature). By my signature and seal I certify that the present statement was registered by the Mining Engineer attached to the Viceroy in the Far East and was entered as No 85 in the Register. August 12/1903. Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in Far East; Mining Engineer, Counsellor of State (Signature) (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of

~~the original presented~~

the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 3/1906. No 6217. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal) I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7055. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

September 1st 1903. We, the undersigned, Constantine Zaliessky, Nobleman, and John Balasheff, Hunt Master authorised by the Russian Far East Timber, and Mining Company have entered into the present agreement for the following: (1) I, Zaliessky, own, under rights of entire possession, a gold claim at the Tou-ou-do-he spring, flowing into the rivulet Nam-bou-he, near the village Lee-de-tyn, registered by Mining Engineer attached to Viceroy in the Far East August 12 1903, No 85. (2) The said gold-bearing claim, with all rights and duties I, Zaliessky, have sold for one hundred roubles to the Russian Timber and Mining Company and have received payment for same in full. The said claim is not sold to any other party and I shall protect the buyer's rights as my own. (3) The Russian Timber and Mining Company has purchased the above-mentioned gold claim from Mr Zaliessky with all rights, takes upon itself all duties connected with ownership of the same, has paid Zaliessky one hundred roubles for said claim, and takes upon itself all expenses in drawing up the present agreement. (4) This agreement to be kept sacred and inviolate. The original to be kept by the Russian Timber and Mining Company, Mr Zaliessky to have a certified copy. The Russian Timber and Mining Company

Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 7/1906. No 6369. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassily Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, addition, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing opy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7080. *Deputy Notary V.*

*Bystrooumoff. (Seal).*

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RE TOU-OU-DO-HE GOLD CLAIM  
 OF CONSTANTINE ZALESSKY IN  
 QUANTUNG PENINSULA. AUG<sup>t</sup>  
 UST 6/1903, AND  
 SALE OF CLAIM TO THE RUSSIAN  
 FAR EAST TIMBER COMPANY SEP<sup>t</sup>  
 TEMBER 1/1903.

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- 28th, 1896, registered by Russian Imperial Embassy at Seoul August 29/1896, No 70. The same Agreement in Korean, and a Copy of the same Agreement, with an inscription by D. Neratoff, Attorney for J. Brunner, regarding the Transfer of all rights and duties under the same Agreement to sole ownership of N. Nyeporozhneff.
- (2) Power of Attorney from Julius Brunner, First Guild Merchant of Vladivostok, to Aulic Counsellor Dmitry Neratoff, dated May 5/1899, No 1550.
- (3) Deed of the Transfer of the Korean Timber Concession by Privy Counsellor Nicholas Nyeporozhneff to Honorary Counsellor of State Nicholas Matunin and Commercial Counsellor Matthew Albert, registered by St Petersburg Notary Andreeieff June 26/1899, No 5368, and a Certificate from Matunin and Albert stating the ownership of the rights under this Deed by the Russian Far East Timber Company, registered by St Petersburg Notary J. Zabielsky July 4/1906, No 6262.
- (4) Translation of Note of Korean Minister for Foreign Affairs to Russian Imperial Charge d'Affaires at Seoul, dated March 29/1901, certified by Russian Imperial Embassy at Seoul March 29/1901, No 13.
- (5) Report of Commencement <sup>ing the</sup> of Work of Felling Timber in the Plokton District of Northern Korea, drawn up December 5/1903 by ~~the~~ Chief of the Plokton District.
- (6) Copy of Deed, dated July 20/1903, new style, regarding Allotment by Korean Government to Russian Far East Timber Company of a Land Lot in the village Yongampho at the mouth of the ~~Yal~~ Yal River, certified by Russian Imperial Embassy at Seoul, dated September 8/1903, No 30.
- (7) Copy of Deed, dated October 1st, 1903, of Transfer by Korean Timber Industry Commissary Choo-Syn-Hep, to the Timber Company of a Land Lot at Yongampho on the basis of Deed, dated July 20/1903.
- (8) Twenty three (23) Deeds, written in Korean, for the purchase of Land Lots and Huts at Yongampho in Korea.
- ~~(9) Receipt of Russian~~

- (9) Receipt of Secretary of Russian Imperial Embassy at Seoul, dated December 24/1903, for the acceptance for safe <sup>guard</sup> ~~keep~~ of Eighty two (82) Title Deeds for Lots purchased by the Korean Timber Company at Yongampho.
- (10) Eight (8) Title Deeds in Korean for Land Lots at the village Tsinampho in Korea, executed June 28/1901, at the Imperial Russian Embassy, Nos 129-136, and a Certificate from N. Matunin that these Deeds belong to the Russian Far East Timber Company, registered by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky July 4/1906, No 6258.
- (11) Plan of Lots at Tsinampho.
- (12) Receipt of Vice-Consul Polianoffsky in acceptance of 450 yens for payment of Rent for Lots at Tsinampho.
- By power of attorney of sole owners of Russian Far East Timber Company, Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, Lieutenant-Colonel Starck, William Edward Smith, citizen of the United States of North America. I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signatures were made personally in my presence, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by parties personally known to me, namely, William Edward Smith, acting for himself, and Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck acting under power of attorney certified by St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky June 30/1906, No 6146, issued by Hunt Master of Imperial Court John Balasheff, as attorney for Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin by power of attorney registered at the office of St Petersburg Notary Zabielsky June 30/1906, No 6144, residing, Mr Smith - Admiralty District, Moika Embankment, No 81, and Mr Starck, - Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49: July 7/1906: No 6368. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zab

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LIST OF DOCUMENTS TRANSFERRED  
BY THE RUSSIAN FAR EAST TIMBER  
COMPANY TO W.E.SMITH. JULY 7/1906.  
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LIST OF DOCUMENTS.

- (1) Original Concession <sup>granted</sup> by Korean Government to Julius Brun-  
ner August ~~28~~ /1896.
- (2) Power of Attorney from Brunner to Neratoff to transfer his rights  
to Nyeporozhneff.
- (3) Deed of Transfer of Brunner Concession to Nyeporozhneff.
- (4) Postponement of Time Limit for beginning work.  
Certificate of Joint Ownership of Brunner Concession by Matunin  
and Abaza.
- (5) Report of Commencement of Work.
- (6) Deed of grant of land lot at Yongampho.
- (7) Deed of Transfer of Land Lot at Yongampho.
- (8) 23 Title Deeds to land lots in Yongampho.
- (9) Receipt for 82 Title Deeds.
- (10) Eight (8) Title Deeds to Land Lots in Tsinampho.
- (11) Plan of Land Lots at Yongampho.
- Certificate of Ownership of Land Lots in Yongampho.
- (12) Receipt for Rent on Lots in Tsinampho.
- Ditto.

SUMMARY.

of Documents transferred by the Russian Far East Timber Company in per-  
sons of sole owners of all rights and all property of the Company, Rear-  
Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite and Privy Counsellor  
Nicholas Matunin to William Edward Smith, citizen of the United States  
of North America, under agreement registered by St Petersburg Notary  
J.Zabielsky July 7/1906, No 6342:

(I) Agreement in Russian entered into with Korean Government August

~~28/1896, 1896~~

We, the undersigned, Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin and Commercial Counsellor Matthew Albert hereby certify that all rights acquired by us from Privy Counsellor Nicholas Nyeporozhneff under agreement registered by St Petersburg Notary Andreeieff June 26/1899, No 5368, on the basis of an agreement with the Korean Government registered by the Russian Imperial Embassy at Seoul August 29/1896, No 70, for working timber on government lands in Korea and the Island of Dagelet (Oul-leng-do) in the Sea of Japan are transferred by us to the Russian Far East Timber Company named in certain documents "the Korean Timber Company", or "the Russian Far East Timber and Mining Company", or "the Timber Company", and at the present time all the said rights belong to me, Matunin, in conjunction with Rear-Admiral Alexei Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite as the sole owners of all rights in general of the said company. Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin. Commercial Counsellor Matthew Albert. I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signatures were made personally in the presence of me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by ~~persons~~ <sup>parties</sup> personally known to me: Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, residing Liteiny District Preobrazhenskaya Street, No 24, and Commercial Counsellor Matthew Albert, at the residence of the latter, Moscow District, Bronnitskaia Street No 9, whither I, Deputy Notary, was invited. July 4/1906. No 6262. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 4/1906. No 6264. Deputy

Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7074. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

CERTIFICATE.

No 44.

I, the undersigned, Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, hereby certify that all rights under eight Korean Title Deeds to land lots in the ~~locality~~ locality Tsinampho in Korea executed in my name June 23/1901 at the Imperial Russian Embassy of Korea Nos 129/136 were property of the ~~Russia~~ Russia Far East Timber Company named in certain documents "The Korean Timber Company", or "The Russian Far East Timber and Mining Industry Company" or "The Timber Company", and now belong to me, Matunin, in conjunction with Rear-Admiral Alexeii Abaza of His Imperial Majesty's Suite as sole owners of all rights in general of the said company. Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin.

I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing signature was made personally in the presence of me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Privy Counsellor Nicholas Matunin, person (to me known), residing Liteiny District, Preobrazhenskaia Street, No 24. July 4/1906. No 6258. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 4/1906. No 6260. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy, presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed one rouble 25 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7070. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

No 35.

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CERTIFICATE OF JOINT OWNERSHIP OF  
BRUNNER CONCESSION BY N. MATUNIN &  
ADMIRAL ALEXEII ABAZA. JULY 4/1906.  
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No 41.

This receipt is given to the effect that upon December 24/1903 the Office of the Imperial Embassy at Seoul has accepted for safe-keep from Baron Gabriel Gunsburg, Russian subject, three unsealed envelopes, containing: -No. 1-32, Nos 2-33 and No 3-17 Title Deeds to Ground Lots purchased by the Korean Timber Company at Yongampho. All three envelopes are bound with cord and placed in the safe of the Embassy. Seoul. December 24/1903.

For Secretary of Embassy: Signature: (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing, Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 3/1906. No 6220. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed 15 kopeks. July 29/1906. Number 7058. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP  
 OF EIGHT KOREAN LAND LOTS  
 IN TSINAMPHO BY THE RUS-  
 SIAN FAR EAST TIMBER COM-  
 PANY. JULY 4/1906.  
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RUSSIAN FAR EAST TIMBER COMPANY.

April 6/1905

No 33.

ST PETERSBURG.

Dear Mr Matunin,

I beg to submit to Your Excellency for attaching to documents relating to Korean Timber Concession the Original Report of Commencing Work in felling trees in the PIOKTON District in Northern Korea, drawn up December 5/1903 by the Chief of the said District, which Report is of great importance for the company in consequence of the carrying into effect of the additional demand of the agreement re commencement of work, thus reserving the company rights to the Korean Timber Concession. I request Your Excellency to accept my assurances of my perfect respect and similar devotion. N. Starck. I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 7/1906. No 6351. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is not taxed. July 29/1906. No 7082. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

No 41.

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RECEIPT FROM IMPERIAL  
 RUSSIAN EMBASSY AT SEOUL  
 TO BARON GABRIEL DE  
 GUNSBURG FOR 82 TITLE  
 DEEDS TO GROUND LOTS AT  
 YONGAMPHO. DECEMBER 24/1903  
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NO 20. Received 430 yen for payment of rent for ground lots of His Excellency N. Matunin at Tsinampho from Engineer A. Meyrow. Vice-Consul Polianoffsky, Chemulpho. October 17/1903. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Vassily Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky in his office Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is not taxed. July 3/1906. No 6226. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7 by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Stark, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the foregoing copy no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed 15 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7064 Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

No 37.

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REPORT OF COMMENCEMENT  
OF WORK OF FELLING  
TIMBER IN RE KOREAN  
TIMBER CONCESSION.

DECEMBER 5/1903.

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crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The foregoing copy is taxed  
75 kopeks. July 29/1906. No 7045. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal).

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RECEIPT FOR RENT  
ON LOTS AT TSIL  
NAMPHO. OCTOBER 17/1903.  
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*x Sundry minor material*

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|                                                                |                 | Roubles;        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <del>Limestone, unquenched</del>                               | <del>2850</del> | <del>2850</del> |
| Limestone, unquenched                                          | poods 2850      | 2850            |
| Stone, cubic sages                                             | 197             | 3000            |
| Timber, cubic sages                                            | 1000            | 100000          |
| Roof Iron, poods                                               | 134             | 2500            |
| Market Iron, poods                                             | 60              | 1000            |
| Window and Door Fittings,                                      | sets 500        | 950             |
| Stove Fittings                                                 | sets 150        | 1500            |
| Sundry Pit Equipments                                          |                 | 7000            |
| Furniture                                                      |                 | 10000           |
| Telegraph Wire, poods,                                         | 2759            | 30000           |
| NEWLY RECEIVED, ENGINES, BOILERS, PUMPS, LIGHT RAILWAY, PIPING |                 |                 |

& SUNDRY TOOLS.

|                            |       |       |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|
| Blasting Dynamite          | 200   | 20000 |
| Pipes                      |       | 20000 |
| Engines                    |       | 32000 |
| Locomobile                 |       | 16000 |
| Boilers                    |       | 26000 |
| Rails and Tubs             |       | 20000 |
| Sundry Tools               |       | 3338  |
| Electric Equipment         |       | 2300  |
| Saddle Horses with saddles | 12    | 3600  |
| Mules                      | 3     | 900   |
| Chinese Cart               | 1     | 150   |
| Cart                       | 1     | 250   |
| Cattle for beef            |       | 950   |
| Preparatory Work           |       | 17000 |
| Coal for sale, poods       | 80000 | 20000 |

PERSONAL EFFECTS OF EMPLOYEES.

|                                                 |                |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Engineer Manager L. NOTOMBE                     | 5000           |
| HIS ASSISTANT MINING ENGINEER C. KOZHASHKOFFSKY | 2500           |
| MINER YAKOVENKO                                 | 1500           |
| MINER MEDVYEDETFSKY                             | 1000           |
| MECHANIC PROSVIRIAKOFF                          | 1500           |
| ACCOUNTANT BERSINE                              | 1800           |
| CASHIER BARBAN                                  | 1500           |
| INTERPRETER T. MAULINE                          | 300            |
| MALTSEFF                                        | 500            |
| KOLEZNIKOFF                                     | 300            |
| BRUHANOFF                                       | 150            |
| DEMESTCHENKO                                    | 200            |
| JAVERONKOFF                                     | 300            |
| KASTRONOFF                                      | 220            |
| REVKEE                                          | 100            |
| SALNIKOFF                                       | 100            |
| VOITSCHOFFSKY                                   | 100            |
| SHELAKINE                                       | 100            |
| LOBODA                                          | 90             |
| ZOUZULEE                                        | 75             |
| GOULKEE                                         | 95             |
| <del>BOURLACHENKO</del>                         | <del>100</del> |

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|                         | ROUBLES        |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| <del>BOURLACHENKO</del> | <del>100</del> |
| BOURLACHENKO            | 80             |
| PHILLIPCHUK             | 150            |
|                         | -----          |
|                         | 822898.00      |

Total value of property and real estate at Fushun Coal Mines, Roubles  
Eight Hundred and Twenty two Thousand, Eight Hundred and Ninety eight .  
(822898). Engineer Manager of Mines L. NOTOMBE. Accountant G. BERSINE. Com-  
mander of 43rd Company of Trans-Amur District of Frontier Guard Corps  
Captain - - (Signature). (Seal). Commander of 24th Company of Frontier  
Guard, Captain - - (Signature). Commander of 24th Company of Frontier  
Guard, Cornet - - (Signature). Cornet of 3rd Company of Trans-Amur Separate  
Corps of Frontier Guard KOVALEFFSKY. I, the undersigned, certify this  
to be a true copy of the original presented to me, Elijah Butkoffsky, St  
Petersburg Notary, in my office, Liteiny District, Nevski Prospekt, No 98,  
by Ivan Feodorovitch Panoff, Merchant residing Moscow District, Poushkin  
Street, No 10. In comparing this copy with the original taxed ---roubles  
---kopeks, in the latter no corrections, additions, crossed out words, etc,  
were discovered. November 18/1905. Register No 6307. Notary E. Butkoffsky  
(Seal). I, the undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the original  
presented to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary  
Julian Zabielsky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7  
by Lieutenant-Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great  
Prospekt, No 49. In comparing this copy with the original no corrections,  
additions, crossed out words, etc, were discovered. The original is taxed  
75 kopeks. July 3/1906. No 6224. Deputy Notary V. Bystrooumoff. (Seal). I the  
undersigned, certify this to be a true copy of the foregoing copy presented  
to me, Vassili Bystrooumoff, Deputy for St Petersburg Notary Julian Zabiels-  
ky, in his office, Admiralty District, Nevski Prospekt, No 7, by Lieutenant-  
Colonel Nicholas Starck, residing Petersburg District, Great Prospekt, No 49.

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INVENTORY  
OF FUSHUN COAL MINES PROPERTIES.  
~~DEED~~ FEBRUARY 7/1905.

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DEED.

February 17/1905. We, the undersigned, executed this Deed regarding the condition of real estate and moveable property of the Fushun Coal Mines at the village Yambaipu, Fushun District, Muñden Province, at valuation as below:

REAL ESTATE.

*without*  
YOU-ZE-ZEE SECTION.

|                                                               |   | Roubles. |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---|----------|
| Brick House, 4 Lodgings, with Veranda, roofed iron, 80 sq Sag | I | 16000    |
| Brick House, Office, with Lodgings, iron roof, 160 sq sqgenes | I | 32000    |
| Brick House, Corrugated iron roof, 60 sq sag                  | I | 12000    |
| Brick House <del>with</del> Trusses, 300 sq sag               | I | 22500    |
| Brick Bath House, Corrugated iron roof, 25 sq sag             | I | 2500     |
| Water Supply and Stoves                                       |   | 5500     |
| Powder Store with Concrete Arches, 10 sq sag                  |   | 5000     |
| Warehouse, Brick, Corrugated iron roof, 36 sq sag             | I | 3600     |
| Brick Forge, Corrugated Iron roof, with forges, 6 sq sag      | I | 1500     |
| Brick Huts, with stoves, gayolan roof, 25 sq sag each         | 2 | 2500     |
| Corrugated Iron Store Room, at pit                            | I | 50       |
| Corrugated Iron Store Room at inclined Pit No II              | I | 50       |
| Brick Store Room, Corrugated Iron Roof at Inclined Pit No I   | I | 200      |
| Brick Works with European Furnaces                            | I | 8000     |

PITS.

|                                 |   |        |
|---------------------------------|---|--------|
| Vertical, No I                  | I | 45000  |
| Inclined, with Air Shaft, No II | 2 | 120000 |
| Shaft                           | I | 30000  |
| Inclined No I                   | I | 40000  |
| Chinese Pits                    | 8 | 50000  |
| Ice Pit                         | I | 1500   |

LO-HOU-TAI SECTION.

|                                                               |   |       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---|-------|
| Brick Houses of 2 Lodgings, Iron Roof, each 25 sq sag         | 3 | 15000 |
| Chinese Brick Huts, with stoves, gayolan roof, each 25 sq sag | 3 | 3750  |
| Brick Store, iron roof, at Pit No III                         | I | 300   |
| Chinese Brick Works, with five kilns                          | I | 5000  |

PITS.

|                 |   |       |
|-----------------|---|-------|
| Inclined No III | I | 3000  |
| Shaft           | I | 3000  |
| CHINESE PITS    | 4 | 25000 |

MOVEABLE PROPERTY.

|                            |        |       |
|----------------------------|--------|-------|
| Materials. Building Bricks | 250000 | 10000 |
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