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Dear Kikuchi

I wish you a happy new year. A step farther, the nearer the time of seeing you here. Here the weather has got very warm - so warm that we can stand even without fire, but I am afraid we shall have a very cold weather soon again. The last Christmas was very unpleasant one as it was very very foggy the whole day. I had enough of turkey which I found most indigestive especially when I could not go out from the morning till the night. I am glad to tell you that Nishikawa will be here within a few days. He has already arrived at Paris. He is to serve as the attachi of the Legation. Mr. Mori will be here too, he is the minister to the court of St. James. Iriye and Sagisaka will leave [from] for Germany and Belgium respectively before long. Your letter came to me of course, the answer has been much delayed. Last July the temperature of London never went above 75 degrees. The last summer, I have been told, was exceptionally cool one, but you shall be all right without any preparation for the summer. Better take a frock-coat or a morning coat as you like and if you find London too warm them [lea] you can have a suit of summer dress quite cheap. You can have it here at the price between 2£, and 3£. I must add that you can make your preparation for the voyage much cheaper in London than in America. Here let me tell you one thing more-that is between Liverpool and London you shall take the third class carriage, as it is much better than the second class in any other line. Ishimatsu is now in Owen's College, Manchester. He is an assistant of chemistry. He finds his position most satisfactory one.

> Your truly K. Kawakami