

Table of Contents

Foreword	11
Sources	15
Sources used (with abbreviations):	15
Other Archives, Libraries and Museums	15
Acknowledgements	16
Introduction	17
Japanese names and titles	12
1. The Dutch-Japanese relations till 1859	21
The Dutch government and the East Indies	22
The conclusion of the first Dutch treaties with Japan	23
Trying to negotiate with the Japanese	26
A ship for the Shōgun	29
The Dutch-Japanese treaty of 1856	33
The Dutch commercial treaty with Japan	34
The Dutch government and the treaties	35
The Dutch-Japanese treaty of 1858	38
A quick look at the treaties of 1858	41
Japanese politics	45
Opening of the harbours	46
2. From Amsterdam to Dejima	49
From Batavia to Dejima	51
3. The journey to Edo and the conclusion of the Dutch-Japanese treaty of 1858	57
Arrival at Edo	63
Back to Dejima	65
De Graeff leaves for Kanagawa	69
4. Years of learning (1859-1863)	73
The first Dutch consulate in Japan	73
A visit to Edo	85

Murder in Yokohama	87
Exchange of money and other difficulties	91
Murder of De Vos and Dekker	95
The Consul and the merchants	99
Appointment of a Consul General	104
Donker Curtius and De Wit at Yokohama	108
The Prussian Mission in Japan	111
Murder of Henry Heusken	116
Von Siebold in Edo	120
A residence at Yokohama	123
A Japanese Mission to Europe	108
Murder on the Tōkaidō	131
The stranding of the <i>Guinee</i>	132
5. Years of war (1863-1864)	135
De Graeff appointed Consul General and Political Agent	135
The Swiss Mission in Japan	137
Attacks on western ships at Shimonoseki	139
A meeting with the Rōjū	149
Instruction for De Graeff	153
The Ikeda Mission	156
The Swiss consulate	158
Reopening of the Strait of Shimonoseki	163
6. Years of consolidation (1865-1867)	175
The first visit to Osaka and the ratification of the treaties	182
Again the Swiss consulate	185
A Dutch Hospital at Yokohama	187
Hitotsubashi Yoshinobu becomes Shōgun	189
The Great Fire of Yokohama	191
The second visit to Osaka	195
The Shōgun resigns	205
7. Year of chaos (1868)	207
Flight from Osaka	207
Attack on the foreigners at Hyōgo	211
The Boshin War	217
The opening of Niigata and trade with the Northern Alliance	221
Emperor Meiji in Tokyo	226
Departure to the Netherlands	231

8. Back in the fatherland (1869-1916)	232
Notes	241
Literature	263
Dutch Ministers	266
List of Illustrations	267
Index	271