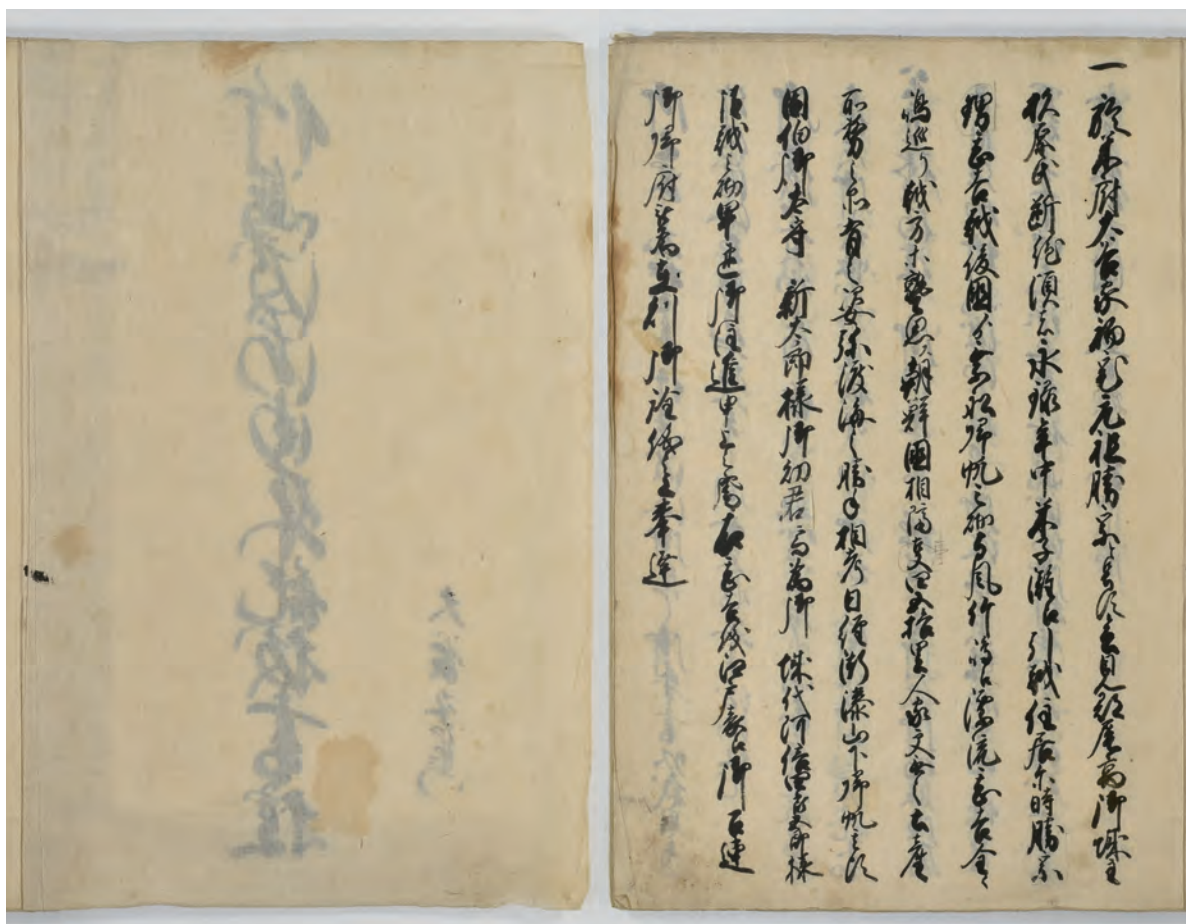


Period I (1)-i. Documents about the passage to Utsuryo Island and Takeshima

Documents of the OYA family that describe the particulars of the passage to Utsuryo Island
No. 1 Copy of *Takeshima Tokai Yurai-ki Nukigaki*
 (Excerpts from the Record of Origins of Sailing for Takeshima)
 (An incident that led to the passage to Utsuryo Island)

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Overview

Records of the background to the passage to Utsuryo Island in the OYA family's documents. Jinkichi OYA, on his return from Echigo, had drifted to Utsuryo Island and conducted a survey of the island. Based on this, he learned that Utsuryo Island was 40 to 50 miles from Korea and, although it was uninhabited, offered many products that could be sold. This led to his idea of making passage to the island.

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Excerpt [English translation]

The founder of the OYA family line, who built its first house in Yonago, was Katsumune. It was around the years of Eiroku when he broke off from Lord Sugihara of Odaka Castle in Aimi County, moved to Yonago, and built a house to live in. On one occasion, Jinkichi, the nephew of Katsumune, happened to drift to Utsuryo Island while sailing back from Echigo Province. Jinkichi went around to all parts of Utsuryo Island, and gave serious consideration to various matters. Utsuryo Island is 40 to 50 miles from Korea, completely uninhabited, and had various products that could be sold. Against this backdrop, he came up with the idea to make passage to the island in the future.