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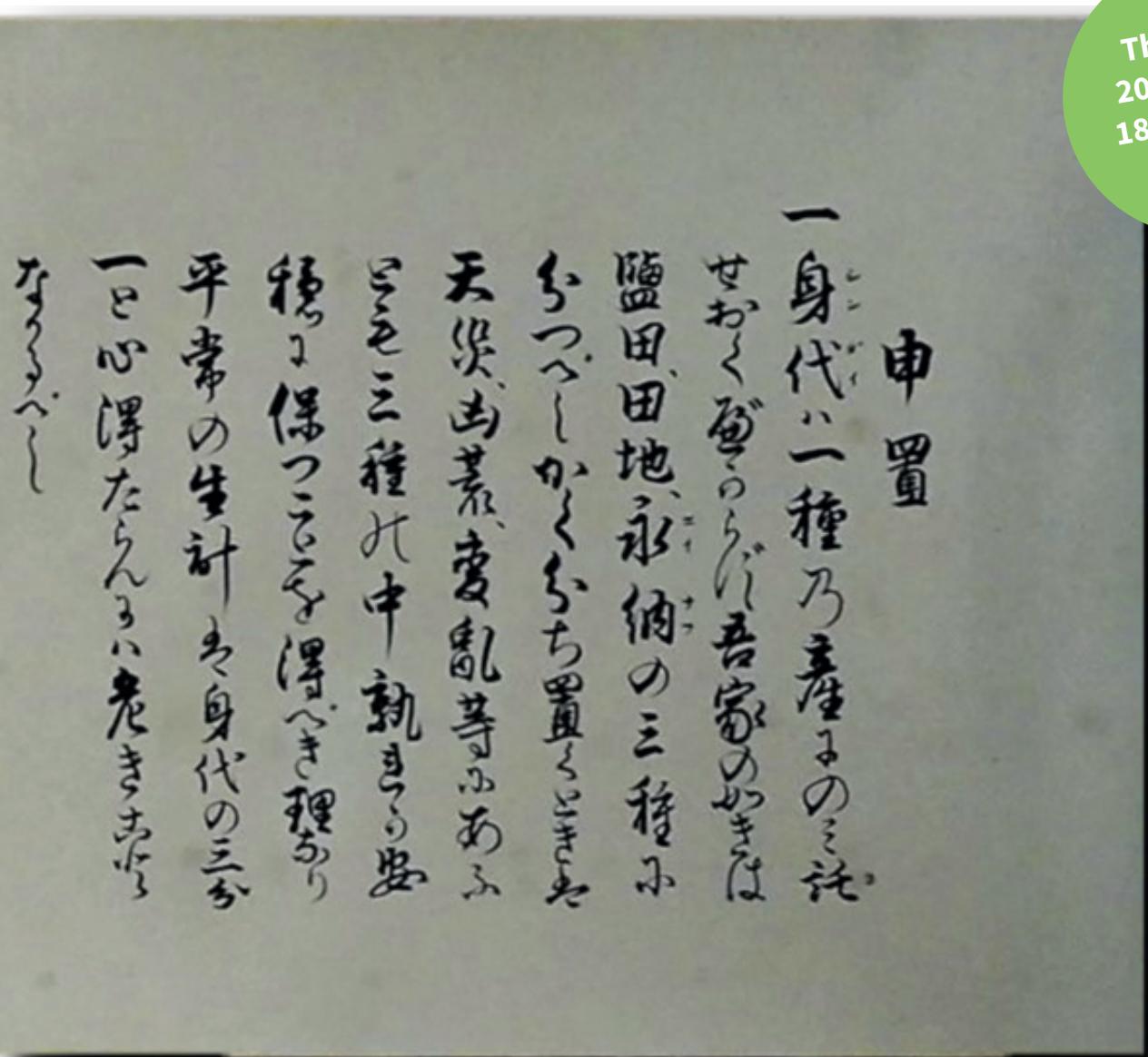
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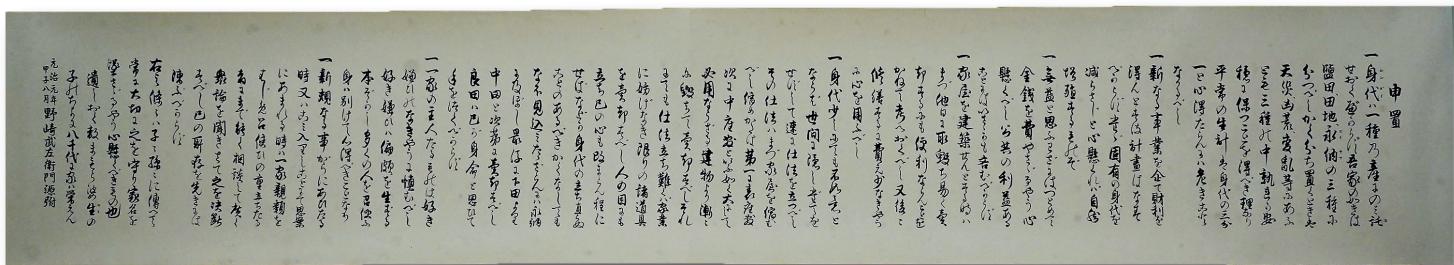
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Drawing on a preliminary reading of *The Secrets of Salt Making* 塩製秘録, an 1816 salt-making manual by a little-known Japanese salt-maker Miura Genzô 三浦源蔵 (?-1835), this lecture seeks to address the change in production dynamics in the Seto Inland Sea re-

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