# 『小右記』 長徳二年[996 CE]

### [原文]

[[正月]前闕、今姑ク年月ヲ補フ、行幸女院事]

### [叙位讓事]

六日、丁未、叙位議、右大臣以下在陣、申剋應召參上、不着譲所、參入公卿右大臣・内
大臣[藤原伊周]・大納言二人(顯・公、)・中納言四人、(時、懷、余、隆[藤原隆家])、參譲八
人、(道[藤原道綱]・安・時・惟・公・誠・扶[源扶義]・俊、) 院宮御給 [大納キ]隆家奉之、
叙位廿人、右大臣書了奏覽之後召余、不給叙位薄[箫] <u>、入莒、</u> 湏執筆人取副笏退下、被
委附欤、佘給之出侍所、更取副叙位薄[箫]於笏退下、□[於力]陣召外記、仰所司令敷内
記座、召硯、位記 一々檢察、了奉右大臣直廬、次進御所、 (式・兵等也、加階
也、) 令奏了復陣、令合入一莒、次召 稱唯、跪小庭、仰云、印稱
[於カ]軒廊[少]納言引主鈴 鈴置 [了カ]退出、將監[源]忠規立、佘召中務、、、
少 [輔][良峯]遠高稱唯膝突[脱アラン]、余給位記、(宮入)、受之就案、令少納言捺了印、
遠高執筥進之、一々久[文力]令分入二筥、令持内記二人進御所奏覧、返給、以内記令次
第、以參議俊賢令書下名、式・兵各一通揷各筥、奏了退出、

#### [女叙位并男女叙位事]

十日、幸亥、參内、有女叙位十四人、・男叙位、正五位下藤原兼隆<mark>故右大臣子</mark>[藤原道兼]・從五位上藤原成周、(花山院御給、) 其次被定昇殿・侍中・雜色、(蔵人省内記[源キ]至光・大次亮橘行資雜色、・} 文章生源 [マ 、] 雜色、昇殿藤原廣業、雜色藤原周望・藤原賴經、右大臣參上、叙人薄[蒲]復陣之後下給大内記[紀]名、仰可作位記由、宮御給二通<sup>1</sup>、(一通者當年御給、加封、書名一字、藤原明子、一通者寛和二年御即位御給、未給、惟宗義子、同下着[マ、]、但不加封、) [右]大臣・内大臣・大納言二人・中納言二人(懷・余)・參議五人(安・扶・公・誠・悛、)於仗座定受領功過、深更退出、

十六日、	丁巳、	參内、	依右府命、	擬行女叙位位記請印事	、先奉位記於右	苻[府]直廬、此
間日漸暮	(女	叙位々記	請印依莭会	、[於右カ] ) 欲及御出、	仍令申事由	一府、停請印事、

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note from text: 底本改行、今<mark>讀</mark>ケタリ

明日可行也、申刻出御、  右大臣爲内弁、	i
後、叉致拝礼、[大失礼] 也、諸卿側目、	終事了、見參上達ア右大臣 ([顯
カ]・公、)・中納言四人(時・懐・忠・余、)参議	五人、(安・惟・公・誠・俊、)國、歸
家之後、右府悄息云、花山 [皇キ] (三條西家	家重書古文書一ノ諸記錄抄出ノ内二、同(野略抄)
長徳二年正月十六日、右府悄息云、花山法王・内大日	臣・中納言隆家相遇故一条太政大臣家、有闘乱事、
御董子二人?害取首持去云々トアリ)	

○此間底本脱落アリ

#### [二月]

[五日、丙子、]\_尉[源]致光及兄弟等宅、有隱居精兵之聽、遣廷尉可令搜撿、雖云五位以上宅、不奏事由直以可搜撿、又自余疑所々[可]搜撿者、件事似有事[疑力]、[菅原]董宣朝臣者內大臣[藤原伊周]家司也、致光又在彼宅 也、內苻[府]多養兵云々、承仰退出、詣右府、即歸 仰權佐[源]孝道朝臣及檢非違使等、入夜廷尉等歸來云、搜撿董定[宣]宅、董定[宣]朝臣向故入道三位([源]清延、)葬送所、但搜撿彼宅、有八人者、(弓・箭二腰、)則捕得者、參內可令奏聞之由仰了、又搜撿致光、無致光、隣保云、々[衍力]召使未來之前、七八人兵逃在[去力]已了者、件所々佐以下皆悉馳向、事類可驚、多是依京內不静所被行欤、京內及山々日々可搜撿之由、仰官人等了、

十一日、壬午、中宮[藤原定子]行啓延引之由云々、仍召外記相[林]門、取案内於宮及頭中將[藤原齊信]、今日無行啓云々、左[右カ]大臣、大納言[藤原]公季、中納言[源]時中、 参議[藤原]安親・[源]俊賢在陣、内大臣[藤原伊周]・中納言[藤原]隆家罪名可勘之由、[藤 原道長]頭中將出陣仰右大臣、満座傾嗟、秉燭退出、

行啓事面問頭中將、云、可隨後仰之由、去夕有仰者、

## 三月

二日、壬寅、參内、左武衛[藤原公任]相公同車參女院[藤原詮子]、彈正親王[爲尊]・帥々 [教道新王]・右大臣[藤原道長]・兩大納言[藤原顕光・同公季]・中納言二人([藤原]懷忠 余、)・參議六[マ、]人 ([藤原]道綱・[藤原]時光・[藤原]公任・[藤原]誠信・[源]後賢、)・三位三人 (懷[平]・[菅原]輔正・[藤原]有國)・同參、依當五巻日、有捧物事、依雨不廻庭中、只廻殿上、 多人無便、道綱重服人、雲上重服者皆在之中、前々不見事也、頭中將[藤原齊信]傳綸旨 云、明日中宮[藤原定子]出御里第者、召遣外記、且以此由仰遣大外記致時[中原]朝臣、 甚雨不能參內、外記遠[行脱力]不參來、

四日、甲辰、参内、今夜中宮出御二条北宮、外記申云、左馬寮依進怠状、不能供者、仍奏事由之處、仰云、今日免給了、早可令供奉者、即仰外記參中宮、(御坐軄御曹司、)時之 [々]雨降、入夜弥倍、左大弁[平]惟仲・右兵衛督[源]俊賢扈從、自余公卿皆悉申障、不用御輿、御檳榔毛御車、戌剋出御自陽明門、里第無饗、公卿以下立各分散、大納言[藤原]顕光卿子二剋着座、件時衰時々、一説又云、春辰着座得罪、大凶者、

十日、庚戌、參内、藤大納言[顕光]・左大弁[平惟仲]在陣、定季御<mark>読経闕請</mark>、余參女院、右大臣、中納言懐忠、參議時光・惟仲・輔正(散三位、)・[藤原]公任・[藤原]誠信・俊賢同參、廿八講了、公家給度者、有御諷誦、其後一兩所有諷誦、[納言]以下執<mark>請僧</mark>禄、秉燭退出、

十九日、己未、晚頭參內、令召二省、入夜參入、召外記[能登]守成、召々物、直物入筥持來、以外記令披封、外記守成三个座[度]申式ア候由、是例也、式ア丞菅原定義着靴立小廷、余云、万宇古、定義稱唯、來跪膝突、余以右手賜除目、定義插笏之間、太久前々也[マ、]如挿只置、不知前例欤、定義着淺履、着膝衝、賜直物、(當年者乍付籤\_\_\_賜之、舊年者[放力]枚重卷、指梜算共下給、)了退出、次兵ア丞藤原信經參入、賜直物、戌終退出、

#### [東三条院依御悩被行赦令事]

世八日、戊辰、自内有召、即參入、藏人頭[藤原]行成仰云、東三条院御悩不軽、可行赦令、犯八虐・強窃二盗・私鑄銭・常赦所不免者、非赦除限者、召外記[中原]致時朝臣、召見年々詔書、召遣内記・中務輔[良峰遠高]、又仰云、可令進未断囚勘文者、仰府生好兼[飛鳥部]、大内[記]斎[紀]名參來、仰詔書趣、入夜輩[草カ]了進之、見了奉右府、歸來之後、進御所奏聞、返給、令清書又奏、御画日了返給、後着仗座、召中務省(輔遠高、)給之、未断囚勘文令奏聞、仰云、輕犯者殊不見、相定可免給者、撰奏[者]儈一人・俗一人・女二人、相定奏聞、即有勅許、指點下給好兼、須詔書施行之後原免、而御惱不輕、叉有前例、忽以原免、以披[権]佐孝[源]道朝臣令書下宣旨、子一剋退出、

早朝參女院、謁右大臣、院御惱昨日極重、被停院号·年爵年官等事之由、昨夜被奏聞了、 叉云、或人咒咀云々、人々厭物自寝殿板敷下堀[掘]出云々、

# [訓読]

「[[正月]前闕、いま姑く年月を補う。行幸女院のこと]

#### じょい [叙位の<mark>議</mark>の事]

六日、丁未。叙位の議、右大臣以下陣に在す。 申 剋に召しに応じて、参上す。議所に 。 着 さず。参入の公卿、右大臣・内大臣[藤原伊周]・大納言二人(顕・公、)・中納言四人、 (時、懷、余、隆、)参議八人、(道・安・時・惟・公・誠・扶・俊、)院宮御給。 隆家之を奉る。叙位のもの、廿人。右大臣、書きおわりて、奏覽ののち、余を召す。 叙位薄に下し給ふ。(喜に入る。)すべからく執筆の人を笏に取り副て、退り下るべし。 養 附せらるか。余、これを給ひ、侍所を出づ。更に叙位薄を笏に取り副て、退き下る。陣 に於いて外記を召す。所司を仰す、内記の座を敷かしむ。「硯」を召す。位記 たできる。 検察す。了わりて、右大臣廬を直して奉る。次で、御所に進る。\_\_\_\_(式・覧等なり。 が階なり。奏せしめ了わりて、陣に復す。一萬に合わせ入れしむ。次で がしょう しょてい ひざまずく 稱唯す。小庭に跪く。仰せて云く、<mark>印稱</mark> に軒廊少納言引き主鈴 置きおわんぬ。將監[源の]忠規に立つ。余、中務を召す。少輔[良峯]遠高稱唯し、 膝突[脱アラン]。余位記を給ひ、(筥に入り、)これを受け、案に就き、少納言に印を捺 (おさ)しめ了わんぬ。遠高筥を執り、之を進る。一々の文を二筥に分け入れしむ。 内記二人に持たしめ御所に進み、奏覧す、返し給ふ。内記を以って次第せしむ。参議 [源の]俊賢を以て下名を書かしむ。式・兵各々一通を各々の筥に挿す、奏し了わり、 退出す。

十日、幸亥。参内す。女の叙位十四人、男の叙位有り。正五位下藤原兼隆 故右大臣の をりちか なりちか かざんいんごきゅう 子[藤原道兼]・従五位上藤原成周、(花山院御給)。其の次でに、昇殿・侍中・ 雑 を定 くろうどしょうないき みなもと これみつ おおい すけたちばなゆきすけぞうしき もんじょうしょうみなもとぞうしき しょうでん めらる。(蔵人省内記[源]至光・大炊の亮橘行資雑色・)文章生源雑色、昇殿藤原黄業、雑色藤原周望・藤原賴經。

右大臣參上す。叙人の薄、復陣の後、大内記の紀名に下し給ふ。位記を作るべきの由を できる。 宮の御給は二通、(一通は當年の御給。封を加ふ。名一字を書す。藤原明子。一通は寬和二年の御即位の御給。未だ給わず。惟宗の義子。同じく下す。着但し封を加はえず。)[右]大臣・内大臣・大納言二人・中納言二人(懷・余)・參議五人(安・扶・公・誠・悛、) 仗の座において、受領功過を定む。深更に退出す。

十六日、丁巳、参内す。右府に命に依り。女叙位の位記請印の事、行わんと擬す。先に位記に右府直廬於て入眼し奉る。此の間日漸く暮る。女叙位々請印に依て節ロロ 記す。御出に及ばんと欲す。依て、事の由を右府に於て申わしむ。請印の事を停む。明日行うべきなり。草の刻出御。右大臣を内弁と為す。藍会は恒の如く。但し右大將

ていほんだつらく 此の間底本脱落あり。

### [二月]

[五日、丙子、] 」尉の[源]致光及び兄弟等の宅、精兵を隠し居るの聴あり。廷尉を遣わし捜検せしむべし。五位以上の宅というといえども、事の由を奏さず。直に以て捜検すべし、又、首余疑わしき所々を捜検すべしてへり。件の事、事の疑いあるに似たり。[菅原]董宣朝臣は内大臣[藤原伊周]の家司なり。致光また彼の宅の\_―にあるなり。内府多く兵を養ふと云々、仰せを承りて退出す。右府に詣る、即ち\_―に帰りて権の佐孝道朝臣及び検非違使等に仰す。夜に入り、延尉等帰り来りて云く、「董の宅を捜撿す。董宣朝臣は故入道三位([源]清延、)葬送所に向かう。但し彼の宅を捜撿するに、八人の者あり、(弓・箭ニ腰、)則ち捕得す」てへり。参内して奏聞せしむべき之由仰せおわんぬ。又致光を捜撿するに、近ばまりおわんぬ」てへり。「々「行力」召し使い未だ来らざる之前に、七八人の兵はすでに逃げ去りおわんぬ」てへり。「仲の所々に佐以下の皆悉く馳せ向く。事を関り驚くべし、多く是京内は静ならざる依り、行われる所次。京内及山々を日々に捜撿すべき之由、官人等に仰せおわんぬ。

十一日、壬午、中宮[藤原定子]の行啓を延引のよしと云々。仍って外記相門[林]を召し、案内を宮に及び頭の中将[藤原齊信]に取る。今日行啓なしと云々、[右]大臣、大納言[藤原]公季、中納言[源]時中、参議[藤原]安親、[源]俊賢陣にあり。内大臣・中納言なの罪名を勘うべきの由、頭中將出陣し、右大臣に仰す。滿座の嗟げ傾く。乗燭退出す。

三月

二日、壬寅。参内す。左武衛の相公[藤原公任]と同車し、女院[藤原詮子]に参る。ためたか。左武衛の相公[藤原公任]と同車し、女院[藤原詮子]に参る。ためたか。 をきかった。ためたか。 そちの親王[為尊]・帥の[新王敦道]・右大臣[藤原道長]・両大納言[藤原顕光]・同公季・中納言二人([藤原]懷忠・余、)・参議六人([藤原]道綱・[藤原]時光・[藤原]公任・[藤原]誠信・[源]後賢、)三位三人(懷[平]・[菅原]輔正・[藤原]有國)同じく参る。五巻日に當るに依り、たまがもの事有り。雨に依り、庭中を廻らず、只殿上に廻る。人多くして便無し。近綱は重服の人なり。雲上重服の者は、皆これあるの中、前々見ざる事なり。頭中將ただのぶりんじったが、今日では、「明日、中宮[藤原定子]里第に出御す」てへり。外記を召し遣さんとす。 且此の由しを以て、大外記[中原]致時朝臣を仰せ遣す。雨 甚しく、参内すること能わず。外記遠行、参り来たらず。

四日、甲辰。參内す。今夜中宮二条の北宮に出御す。外記申して云く、「左馬寮たいじょう を進るに依り、供奉すること能ず」てへり。奏り事の由處(ところ/おる/おく)に仍て仰して云く、「今日免し給わり了んぬ。早く供奉せしむべし」てへり。即ち外記に仰せて、中宮に參る。時々雨降る。(御坐職の御曹司) 夜に入り 弥 倍す。左大弁[平]これなか・うひょうえのかみ [源]俊賢扈従す。自余の公卿皆 悉 障を申す。御輿をもって檳榔毛で御す。戌の剋、陽明門自り出御す。里第に饗無し。公卿以下立ちて、各々分散す。大納言[藤原]顕光卿子の二剋に着座す。件の時に衰時と云々。一説又云く。春の辰にちゃくぎ 罪を得る、大凶なりてへり。

十日、庚戌。参内す。藤大納言[顕光]・左大弁[平惟仲]陣にあり、季御読経の闕請を定む。余女院に参る、右大臣、中納言懐忠、参議時光・惟仲・輔正(散三位、)・[藤原] \*\*\* 公任・[藤原]誠信・俊賢同じく参る。廿八講おわんぬ。公家度者を給う。御諷誦あり。その後、一両所諷誦あり、納言以下請僧の禄を執る。秉燭退出す。

ひがしさんじょういんごのう [東三条院御悩に依り赦令を行わるる事]

世八日、戊辰。内自り召しあり。即ち参入す。蔵人頭[藤原]行成仰せて云く、「東三条院の御悩軽からず。赦令を行ふべし。人虐・強窃二盗・私鑄銭、常赦の所で免ぜさる所を犯すの者は、赦除の限りにあらず」てへり。外記[中原]致時朝臣を召し、年々の記書を召し見る。内記・中務の輔(良峰遠高)を召し遣わす。又仰せて云く、「東京にようしまないきを進らしむべき」てへり。府生[飛鳥部]好兼に仰す。大内記紀の斎名参り来る。詔書の趣きを仰す。夜に入りて草見了りて、これを進る。右府に奉る。これ帰り来るの後、御所に進み、奏聞し、返し給ふ。清書せしめ、又奏す。御画日了んぬ。返し給はるの後に仗座に着す。中務省のを召す。輔遠高。これを給ふ。

未断の囚の勘文を奏聞せしむ。仰せて云く。輕犯のものは殊に見えず。相定めて免した。 だまらべし。奏者の僧一人・俗一人・女二人を撰び、、相定めて奏聞す。即ち勅許あり。指點して好兼に下し給う。須べからく詔書を施行之後原発すべし。而れども御惱を動いらず。又前例あり。忽以て原発す。権の佐[源]孝道朝臣を以て宣旨を書き下さしむ、子一剋退出す。

早朝女院に参り、右大臣に謁す、院の御惱昨日極重し、院号・年爵・年官等之事を 停めらるるの由し、昨夜奏聞せられおわんぬ。又云く、或人の呪咀と云々、人々厭物 寝殿板敷の下より掘り出すと云々。

# **English**

[First month]

**Fifth day,** *hinoeuma* **{Forty-third day of the sexegenary cycle}.** Today the tennō visited the retired queen consort (*nyoin*) {his mother, [Fujiwara no Senshi]}. At the second quarter of the double hour of the horse {12 PM}, the tennō entered the royal palanquin, exited through the Kenshun and Yōmei Gates, and proceeded to the residence {of the retired queen consort}. At the middle gate, they set the palanquin down. After offering salutations, the retired queen consort offered the royal meal. Senior Counselor Fujiwara no [Akimitsu] served as their companion for the meal; the retired queen consort did not summon the other senior nobles. From the accompanying senior nobles to the lower-ranking guards, each received emoluments. Lord [Minamoto] no Narinobu was accepted as her {the retired queen consort's} royal intimate

At the time of his majesty's return, the royal palanquin was set down at the foot of the south stairs {of the main hall at Higashi Sanjō}, {although} the announcement of his majesty's

presence was as usual. Perhaps there was an order from the retired queen consort {Princess Shōshi²}. We returned to the palace before it reached evening. Those accompanying were: Minister of the Right [Fujiwara no Michinaga]; the two senior counselors ([Fujiwara no] Akimitsu and [Fujiwara no] Kinsue); the three middle counselors ([Minamoto no] Tokinaka, [Fujiwara no Kanetada], and myself); the four Council of State advisors ([Taira no Korenaka], [Fujiwara no] Kintō, [Fujiwara no] Sanenobu, and [Minamoto no] Toshikata). Council of State Advisor [Fujiwara no] Tokimitsu remained behind to look after the palace³. Director of the Ministry of Popular Affairs Fuminori {also} visited the residence {of the retired queen consort}. Council of State Advisor [Fujiwara] Yasuchika was serving the retired queen consort {likely as a member of her household}.

6<sup>th</sup> day, teibi {44<sup>th</sup> day of the sexagenary cycle}. At the ceremony for the conferring of ranks, nobles of the level of minister of the right and below were at the guard post. At the hour of the monkey {3 pm}, we followed the summons and went to the residential palace. We did not go to the Gisho Hall<sup>4</sup>. The participating nobles, Minister of the Right {Fujiwara no Michinaga} and Inner Minister [Fujiwara no Korechika], the two senior counselors (Fujiwara no Akimitsu and Fujiwara no Kinsue), the four middle counselors (Minamoto no Tokinaka, Fujiwara no Yoshichika, myself, Fujiwara no Takaie), the eight Council of State advisors (Fujiwara no Michitsuna, Fujiwara no Yasuchika, Fujiwara no Tokimitsu, Fujiwara no Korenori, Fujiwara no Kintou, Fujiwara no Sanenobu, Minamoto no Sukenori, Minamoto no Toshikata). Takaie presented the list of those nominated for promotion in rank by the royal family members<sup>5</sup>. Twenty people received conferment of rank. The Minister of the Right finished writing {the list}, and after the tenno reviewed it, he summoned me and gave me the list. (It was placed in the willow box.) The writer should have picked up the list of appointments together with his baton, but he passed it to me. I took it and retired. <sup>6</sup> Then, I took up the box together with the baton, and I summoned the council secretary from the guard post. I ordered the officials to lay out the seat of the residential palace secretary. I called for the inkstone. I examined each of the certificates of rank one by one. When I finished, I took the list to Minister of the Right's chambers in the back palace. Then, I presented {the list} to the tenno. ...({There were some from} civil and military ranks. Ranks were received.) After I had it memorialized to the tenno, I returned to the guard post. I had {them all} placed in the willow box. Then...I summoned.... {He} acknowledged {this summons}. In the little garden, he kneeled. 7 I commanded him, the seal...the junior counselor under the covered corridor, the officer...withdrew and placed [it]<sup>8</sup>... Lieutenant [Minamoto no] Tadanori of the inner palace guards stood up and I called the ministry of central affairs. Central Affairs Junior Second-Level Manager [Yoshimine no] Tōtaka acknowledged {the summons} and knelt. I gave him the letters of appointment, (which went into the box). He accepted this {box} and placed it on the desk. The Junior Counselor finished stamping the seals. Tōtaka took the box and presented it. I had him {go through} each certificate and put them into two boxes. I {then} had two residential palace secretaries bring them into the royal presence and present them to the tenno. He returned them, and I had the residential palace

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Need note: clarifying actors, palanquin protocol

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Need note: State-of-the-Union-like rules for non-attendance

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The ritual handbooks stipulated that they could hold the discussions regarding the *joi* at a separate place, the *Gisho* (a room in the eastern hall known as the *Givōden*), but on this occasion they did not do so.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Need a note

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Need note: tenjō no ma? not clear

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See previous note re: little garden in front of guard post

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The junior counselor seals the certificates, the *shurei* keeps the seal, and two officials attached to this ceremony of signing the certificates.

secretaries {put them} in order of rank. I had Council of State Advisor [Minamoto no] Toshikata write out the lists of {new} holders of fourth-rank and below. The one for the Ministry of Personnel and the one for the Ministry of Military Affairs went into separate boxes. After I memorialized {the lists to the tenno}, I withdrew.

Tenth day, *shingai* {forty-eighth of the sexagenary cycle}. I went to the residential palace. There were rank conferments for women—fourteen people—and rank conferments for men, including Senior Fifth Rank Lower Grade Fujiwara no Kanetaka son of the late Minister of the Right [Fujiwara no Michikane] and Junior Fifth Rank Upper Grade Fujiwara no Narichika, (nominated by Retired Tennō Kazan). After that, the royal intimates, residential palace secretaries, and lower staff of the Residential Palace Secretariat were determined. (Also: Royal Secretaries Junior Residential Palace Secretary Minamoto no Koremitsu, Second-Level Manager of the {Bureau of} Palace Kitchens Tachibana no Yukisuke, formerly a staff member of the Royal Secretariat), Student of Letters Minamoto, formerly a staff member of the Royal Secretariat; Royal Intimate Fujiwara no Hironari; and Royal Secretariat Staff Members Fujiwara no Chikamochi and Fujiwara no Yoritsune.

Minister of the Right went to His Majesty, {and consulted him regarding} the list of appointees. Then he returned to the guard post and passed {the list} to Senior Residential Palace Secretary Itsuna. {He} ordered that {Itsuna} should create the letters of appointment. {There were} two {letters for} nominees from the royals. (One {was} for the current year, sealed with a strip of paper and one character of a name, {for} Fujiwara no Meishi. One was for Kanna 2 {986 CE}, the nomination {given at the time of a tennō's} enthronement, which had not yet been used. Koremune no Yoshiko was similarly handed down, but there was no paper seal). Minister of the Right, Inner Palace Minister, two major counselors, two middle counselors (myself and Kanetada), and five Council of State Advisors (Yasuchika, Sukenori, Kintō, Sanenobu, and Shunken) decided at the guard-post on evaluations of provincial governors. We departed late at night.

Sixteenth day, *teishi* {fifty-fourth day of the sexagenary cycle}. I went to the residential palace. By order of Minister of the Right, the seals were to be stamped on certificates of rank for those promoted during the Women's Promotion in Rank Ceremony. First, I went to the Minister of the Right's office in the Back Palace and showed him the certificates of rank. In the meantime, night fell. His Majesty wished to appear in the Southern Hall. {The royal secretaries} told {this to} Minister of the Right, so the stamping of the certificates stopped. It should be completed tomorrow.

At the hour of the monkey {3:00-5:00 PM}, His Majesty arrived. The Minister of the Right was the master of inner ceremonies. The Dance and Song Royal Banquet [ $T\bar{o}ka$ ] went on as usual. However Senior Right General Akimitsu[...]; afterwards he returned the sake cup and bowed {before His Majesty}. [It was a great discourtesy]. People were shocked and staring. [...] Eventually {the banquet} was over. After all returned home, (Minister of the Right Fujiwara no Akimitsu, Senior Counselor Kinsuke), four middle counselors (Minamoto no Tokinaka, Fujiwara no Yoshichika, Fujiwara no Takaie, and myself), and five advisors (Fujiwara no Yasuchika, Fujiwara no Korenori, Fujiwara no Kintō, Fujiwara no Sanenobu, and Fujiwara no Toshikata). [...] country. After I had returned home, Minister of the Right conveyed the following in his letter. Kazan [...] (Filled in from an excerpt from the *Sanjō nishikejū komonjō*, in the *Yaryakushō* from Chōtoku Second Year First Month Sixteenth Day:

<sup>10</sup> Need note on how a second bow may have suggested he wanted another cup.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Probably the name of the tennō or nominator.

"Minister of the Right conveyed this in a letter: Kazan Hōō[note to explain this rank], Minister of the Interior, and Middle Counselor Takaie, were said to have met at the former premier minister's residence. There was an altercation. Two young servants were killed and their heads taken, it was said.")

This part of the original text lost.

# [2<sup>nd</sup> Month]

[Fifth day, hinoene {thirteenth of the sexagenary cycle}]. {The tenno ordered me,} "There are reports that soldiers are hidden at the house of Third-level Official [...]<sup>11</sup> [Minamoto no] Munemitsu and his brothers. Dispatched a third level official.<sup>12</sup> Even though this is a house of one above the fifth rank, you do not need to memorialize it.<sup>13</sup> Immediately investigate {this house} and any other suspicious locations."<sup>14</sup>

This matter seems quite suspicious. Lord [Sugawara no] Tadanobu is a household official of Inner Palace Minister [Fujiwara no Korechika]. Munemitsu is also the [...]<sup>15</sup> at this house. Rumor has it that Inner Palace Minister is provisioning many soldiers at his house. I received {His Majesty's order} and withdrew. I went to Minister of the Right {to appraise him of the order}, quickly returned to [...], <sup>16</sup> and commanded Provisional Second Level Manager Takamichi and the royal police {to follow the royal orders}.

Night fell, and the third-level officials returned and said, "We investigated Tadanobu's house, but he had gone to the funerary service of the late Novice Third Rank ([Minamoto] Kiyonobu). However, when we investigated Tadanobu's house, there were eight men (two sets of bows and arrows). We immediately seized them." I commanded them to go to the palace to memorialize {His Majesty}.

{Another group of guards} searched for Munemitsu, but he was not there. The block captain<sup>18</sup> said, "Before the police arrived, seven or eight soldiers had already taken flight." All the second-level managers and lower-ranking guards pursued them on horseback. This was all very surprising. Perhaps all of this was because of the recent state of lawlessness in the capital. <sup>19</sup> I commanded the officials to investigate the capital and surrounding mountains every day.

2<sup>nd</sup> month. 11<sup>th</sup> day. *Jingo* {19<sup>th</sup> day of the sexagenary cycle}. I heard that the progress by the second queen consort [Fujiwara no Teishi] was delayed. Therefore {I} summoned Council Secretary [Hayashi] Sukekado {and sent him to ask the household of} the second queen consort and the council secretary [Fujiwara no Tadanobu] about the situation. The answer was that there would be no progress today. Minister of the Right {Michinaga}, Senior Counselor [Fujiwara no] Kinsue, Middle Counselor [Minamoto no] Tokinaka, the Council of State advisors [Fujiwara no]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The text of his office is missing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Likely a gate guard (*emon*) also working as a royal police (*kebiishi*) to investigate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Normally they would need royal permission to enter a high-ranking household.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> This is likely a summary of orders given to Sanesuke by the tennō, as he held direct command of the royal police <sup>15</sup> Text is missing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Text is missing, likely to the Headquarters of the Gate Guards or the palace.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Funerary services were performed throughout the day and would have been crowded with those of higher rank, making it inappropriate for low level guards to enter.

The leader of the group of five households mandated by the ritsuryō codes for mutual surveillance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Ambiguous. It is unclear if only the current state of unease or the private provisioning of soldiers.

Yasuchika and [Minamoto no] Toshikata were in the guard post {for discussions}. The head of the royal secretariat *cum* middle captain came into the guard post to convey {the tennō's order} to the Minister of the Right that the senior nobles consider and report upon the crime of the inner minister {Korechika} and Middle Counselor Takaie. All those assembled bowed their heads and sighed. At early evening, everyone withdrew.

I asked head of the Royal Secretariat *cum* middle captain face-to-face about the matter of the royal visit. He said, "Last night there was an order that we should await later orders."

#### **Third Month**

Second day, *jinin* {thirty-ninth of the sexagenary cycle}. I went to the residential palace. {Then,} Palace Guard of the Left and Council of State Advisor [Fujiwara no Kintō] rode with me, and we went to the residence of Retired Queen Consort (*nyoin*) [Fujiwara no Senshi]. Prince of the Board of Censors [Tametaka], Prince of the Kyushu Government Headquarters [Atsumichi], Minister of the Right [Fujiwara no Michinaga], both senior counselors [Fujiwara no Akimitsu] and Kinsue, two middle counselors (Fujiwara no Kanetada and myself), six [sic] Council of State advisors (Fujiwara no Michitsuna, Fujiwara no Tokimitsu, Fujiwara no Kintō, Fujiwara no Sanenobu, and Minamoto no Toshikata), and three people of the third rank {without posts} (Kanehira, Sugawara no Sukemasa, and Fujiwara no Arikuni) also came.

Since it was the Day of the Fifth Scroll {of the Lotus Sutra Lectures}, there were offerings. Due to rain, {the monks} were unable to walk around the garden and could only walk around the floor of the residence. There were many people and little space. Michitsuna was dressed for deep mourning; of all those who have dressed for deep mourning, I have never seen any enter the royal presence. Head of the Palace Secretariat *cum* Middle Captain [Fujiwara no Tadanobu] conveyed the tennō's orders, saying, "Tomorrow, Second Queen Consort [Fujiwara no Teishi] will return to her home." I {sent a messenger} to summon a council secretary and also to tell the Senior Council Secretary Lord [Nakahara no] Munetoki that he should serve in this matter. Due to heavy rain, {I} was unable to go to the residential palace, and the council secretary was far away and did not come {to Higashisanjōin}.

Fourth day, kōshin {seventeenth day of sexagenery cycle.} I went to the residential palace. This evening the Second Queen Consort left for her palace on the northern side of Nijō Avenue. The council secretary reported, "The Bureau of Horses Left Division, sent their regrets, that for some reason they could not serve." I reported this to His Majesty, and he ordered: "Today let this be excused. Let them serve as soon as possible." I immediately gave orders to the council secretary and went to the Second Queen Consort (she was in her office in the Second Queen Consort's Household). It was raining on and off. As the night went on, the rain grew heavy. Senior Controller of the Left, [Taira no] Korenaka and Commander of the Right Military Guards, [Minamoto no] Toshikata were in attendance. Other than myself, the remainder of the senior nobles, every one of them, had some excuse and did not come. Her Majesty did not use the royal palanquin; she rode in the binrouge carriage instead. At the hour of the dog {8:00 PM}, Her Majesty left via the Yōmei Gate. In her private residence a banquet was not provided. The senior nobles and lesser officials stood waiting for her and then [after her arrival] dispersed.

Lord Senior Counselor, [Fujiwara no] Akimitsu, took up his new position<sup>20</sup> during the double hour {around midnight}. This was said to occur on an inauspicious day. Others said it was wrong to assume a new position during a dragon day<sup>21</sup> in spring because it was terribly unlucky.

Tenth day, kanoeinu {forty-seventh day of the sexagenary cycle}. I went to the palace. Middle Counselor Fujiwara [Akimitsu] and Senior Controller of the Left [Taira no Korenaka] were in the guardroom, where they decided {who would fill} the vacant positions for the seasonal sutra reading. I went to Retired Oueen Consort's {Senshi's} residence. Minister of the Right, Middle Counselor Kanetada, the Council of State advisors Tokimitsu, Korenaka, Sukemasa (third rank with no post), [Fujiwara no] Kintō, [Fujiwara no] Sanenobu, and Toshikata also went. The Twenty-eight Lectures {on the Lotus Sutra} ended. 22 The tenno gave Retired Oueen Consort the nominating authority to advance someone into Buddhist orders. There was a prayer petitioned to the Buddha. After that, one or two others offered prayers of petition, and the counselors and those below them offered emoluments to the monks. Everyone withdrew in the evening.

19<sup>th</sup> day, kibi {56<sup>th</sup> day of the sexagenary cycle}. In the early evening I visited the residential palace. I ordered someone to call the {representatives of} {the ministry of personnel and the ministry of military affairs. As night fell, {they} came to the residential palace.<sup>23</sup> I summoned Council Secretary Morishige, and {I} called for the things we needed. He placed the List of Corrections in a box and brought it with him. I had Council Secretary open the paper seal. Council Secretary Morishige said three times that the representatives of the Ministry of Personnel have presented themselves. The precedent was thus. Third Level Official of the Ministry of Personnel Sugawara no Sadayoshi put on his shoes and stood in the little garden {in front of the guard post}. I said, "Mōko,"<sup>24</sup> and Sadayoshi responded positively. He arrived at the hizatsuki cloth and knelt. I handed him the list of appointments with my right hand. Sadayoshi took too long to put the baton in his belt. The prior practice is to just put it down by his side. He doesn't know the precedent.

Sadayoshi put on the slippers, and arrived at the *hizatsuki* cloth {for the ceremony}, and he took the list of corrections. (This year, I handed over the list with these labels affixed {to indicate the corrections}. Last year, the numerous sheets were stacked and counted, and handed over {to the representative of the ministry of personnel)). When it was finished, he withdrew. Then, Aide for the Ministry of Military Affairs Fujiwara no Nobutsune came to the residential palace and I gave him the list of corrections. At the end of the hour of the dog {9:00 PM} I withdrew.

Twenty-eight day, boshin {fifth of the sexagenary cycle}. There was a summons from the tenno, and I immediately went in {to the residential palace}. Head of the Royal Secretariat [Fujiwara no] Yukinari ordered, "The illness of the Retired Queen-Consort of Higashisanjōin is grave. A general pardon should be issued. Those who have committed the eight unpardonable crimes, robbery or burglary, counterfeiting, and {other} crimes not covered by an ordinary pardon do not fall within the bounds of this general pardon."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Need note

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Tatsu no haru no setsumei

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Need note on lecture series

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Need note: probably to the guard post

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> A ceremonial word meaning "come."

I summoned Council Secretary Lord [Nakahara no] Munetoki and {ordered} several years' worth of royal edicts brought to look at. I called for a residential palace secretary and Second-Level Manager of the Ministry of Central Affairs (Yoshimine no Tōtaka). {Yukinari} further ordered, "A report regarding the accused whose crimes have not been determined should be presented." I gave orders {regarding this} to Constable [Asukabe no] Yoshikane.

Senior Residential Palace Secretary Tokina came. I gave him orders about the gist of the royal edict {of general amnesty}. Night fell and he finished the draft, which he presented {to me}. I finished looking at it and presented it to Minister of the Right. After I returned {from Minister of the Right's office}, I went to the tennō's presence and memorialized it. He returned it. I had a final copy made and memorialized it again. His Majesty added the date {in his own hand}. After he returned it, I went to the guard-post, summoned Second-Level Manager of the Ministry of Central Affairs Tōtaka, and handed this {edict} over.

The report regarding those accused whose crimes have not been determined was memorialized before His Majesty. The tennō commented "I don't see menial crimes {on this document}. Let them be decided upon. Choose those who should be pardoned and memorialize them." A monk, a laymen, and two women were decided upon and {their names} memorialized. I pointed at each name and gave it to Yoshikane {to carry out}. Amnesty should be carried out just as in the royal edict. When there is such grave illness, the precedent is to quickly grant such amnesty. Quickly the amnesty was carried out. Again this was by precedent. I ordered the secretary, Lord Minamato no Takamichi to write it, and at the first hour {just before midnight} withdrew. Early in the morning I came to the Retired Queen Consort, and then had an audience with the Minister of the Right. The Retired Queen Consort's illness yesterday was extremely grave. The Retired Queen Consort last night sent a memorial that her title as Queen Consort and the annual ability to nominate someone for rank and post, were to be canceled. He also said that it is thought that someone has cursed her. It is even said that they found the cursed object under the wooden floor of her residence.