

Summary

Preface to the Morningside Edition

Introduction

Sakamoto's Japan

The Tokugawa Setting

Tosa

Tosa at Mid-Century

The Response to the West

The Tokugawa Response

Reforms in Tosa

The Education of Sakamoto Ryōma

The Loyalist Years

The Shishi Type and Ideal

The Tosa Loyalist Party

The Shishi in National Politics

The Decline of Loyalist Extremism

Service with Katsu

 Katsu Rintaro

Sakamoto and Katsu

The Hyōgo Naval Academy

The Dismissal of Katsu

The Satsuma–Chōshū Alliance

 Saigō Takamori and Satsuma

 Nakaoka Shintarō and Chōshū

From Shishi to Statesmen

The Alliance

The Kaientai

The Attack in the Teradaya

The Second Chōshū Expedition

Changes in Tosa

The Nagasaki Scene

Reinstatement and Support for the Kaientai

The Eight-Point Program

The Advantage of Tosa Support

The Shōgun Yoshinobu (Keiki)

The Kyoto Conference

Program for a New Government

The Icarus Affair

Restoration

 Yōdo's Petition to Keiki

 Preparations for War

 The End of the Bakufu

Sakamoto and the New Government

The Warriors Become Kami

The Restoration in Tosa

The States of Response to the West

The Leaders and Their Aims

The Problem of Class Interest

Chronological Tables

List of Works Cited

A Note on Sources

Biographical Notes

Index