Colombo Museum
April 12th 1933.

Dear Dr Wood

Ans. Apr 13/33.

I am delighted to know you are back here again. I just returned from the Pearl Banks this morning and am up to my neck in work. I am mailing you some of my reprints of which one is on Lizards (not Ichthyology it is)

It may amuse you to know that I have cleaned up the reptiles of Ceylon (bar snakes already done by Wall)

brought me requests from R. de Sola of N. York & Some one from Vienna and the Curator of Reptiles of Leiden Museum for reprints of the paper on it. This trip I discovered a new marine turtle and a tree gecko so I am in luck.

I have a whole host of subjects to discuss with you and hope we meet Soon

Yours Sincerely

Paul E. P. Deraniyagala

and the Fauna of ~~Brit~~
British India has quoted me in the Turtle Section but the fishes have received less recognition from abroad.

I am seriously thinking of publishing a book on the Reptiles of Ceylon but have no idea how to set about it.

I am surprised to learn that there are no fishes in the Kandy lake.

It is probably the incessant tarring of the roads. The rain sweeps in the by-products liberated by the sun & this is very poisonous to the fishes.

There may be other causes and I should like to examine them at leisure. My fresh water fishes of Ceylon are nearly complete in instalments and I hope to clean up the lot some time this year.

My articles on the leathery turtle seem to have caught on for last mail

June 6th 1933

ans. June 24/33 Museum
asked Dr. Jayeoch's address

Dear Dr Wood

many thanks for your kind letter. I have annexed the copy you mailed my father so if you were to send me another copy it would be superfluous.

It is interesting to note the Rheotropic tendencies of the lake fishes. I shall mention the case today in my lecture on Tropisms to Toc H. at Mrs Tyrrell's house.

Yours Sincerely

P. E. P. Deraniyagala

I shall mail you a couple
of my reprints later.
One is an eye case so should
interest you. The other is on
Ichthyophis for which
there is quite a hunt by Dr
Jaycocks for some
American research workers
who wish to work on the
optic nerves I believe.

Chambo Museum
June 26. 1933.

Dear Dr Wood

Dr Gayrocks address
is The advisory Health
Officer, Torrington Square
Cinnamon Gds, Chambo.
The reprints have been
sent back to correct a
printers error. I shall
send them over as soon

as they arrive.

Yours sincerely

P. L. P. Dissanayake