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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
SUVA, FIJI.

May 14th, 1924.

Dear Dr.Wood,

Many thanks for your letter of the 7th March, and for your congratulations on my acting as Governor and High Commissioner. I must thank you also for having sent me your very charming essay,

Regarding Belcher, he has been given leave without pay from the 31st March to the end of May, during which time I hope that he will be able to complete your work. We will all look forward to reading your publications, and I am quite sure that no one could write a part of our natural history more thoroughly or more pleasantly than you will.

Your postscript regarding the correspondence between Lord Tavistock and Dr.Grinnell is particularly interesting, and I hope that the project of a Fiji aviary, expenses paid by British and American bird-lovers, may materialise.

I have not heard whether the Governor is returning next month or not. If he does, I will probably ask for some leave and try to get home for a spell. I think I may call it well-deserved, as I have virtually only had 7 months off duty in ten years, and

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times have not been easy.

With kind remembrances to Mrs.Wood,

Yours sincerely,

W. L. Fox.

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

SUVA, FIJI,

16th November, 1923.

Dear Dr. Wood,

On the eve of your departure from Fiji, I wish to express to you the appreciation of the Government for your kindness in having contributed an article on the "Birds of Fiji" to our Jubilee Handbook, and for your willingness to advise on questions relating to bird life in Fiji, and the economic value of certain species, when asked to do so.

Your collection of Fiji birds, and the pictures which you have had painted of them, are probably unique and will, it is hoped, prove valuable in the interests of science. The Government appreciates your courtesy in having given facilities for photographs of the pictures being taken for record in the Colony.

I trust that both you and Mrs. Casey Wood have spent an enjoyable time in Fiji, and that we may have the pleasure of welcoming you back once more in the not too distant future.

Yours very truly,

W.R. Fu

Colonial Secretary.

Dr. Casey A. Wood,

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