Message of farewell from his colleagues to James Forbes, Inspector General of Army Hospitals, Superintendent General of Vaccination and Principal Civil Medical Officer, Ceylon

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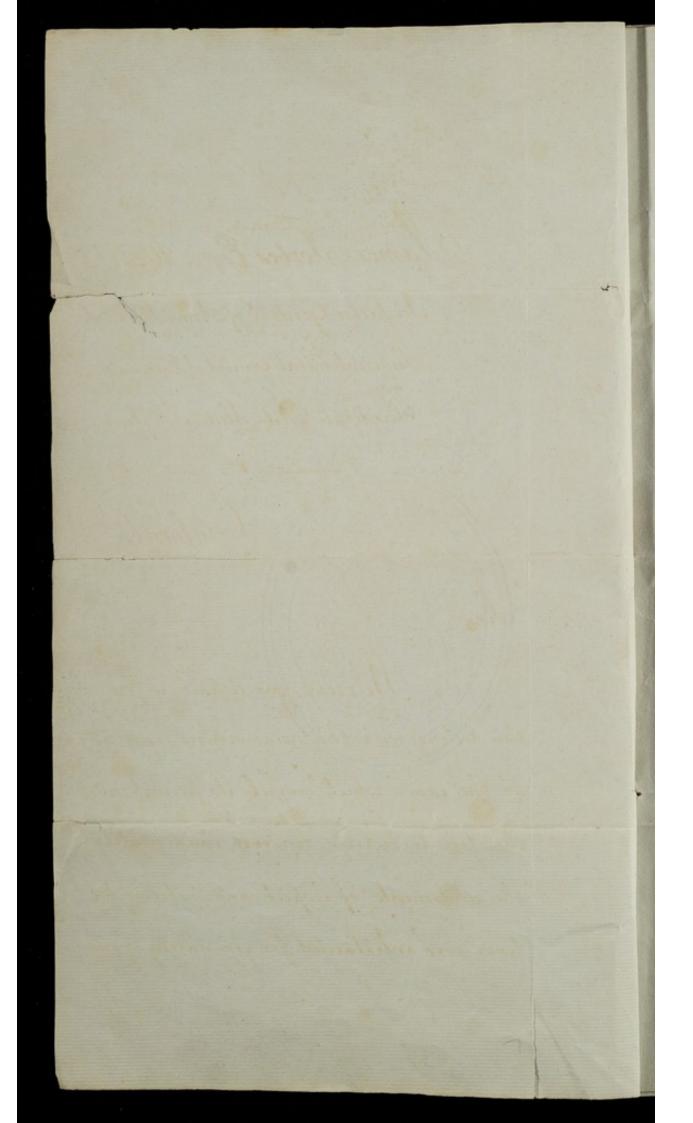
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Inspector General of Army Hospitals

Superintendent General of Vaccination, and

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Sir.

We view your departure from this bolony, with the same sincere regret as we do the cause which compels it: permit us therefore to express, however inadequately the sentiments of respect and esteem we have ever intertained for you during your official

The exemplary aid you have were been ready to afford us - the Kind solicitude you have always winced towards us, and the flattering encouragement you have on all

and advance ourselves in our Profession cannot but reflect the highest honor on yourself as the Head

of that Refession in beylon, and impress us with gratitude as lasting as sincere. Need we add that

the Department over which you have happily

presided has been through your auspices rapidly

advancing in knowledge in general improvement

and respectability.

But, Sir, it is not we nor that

Depart.

Department who are alone indutted to your. In the same proportion as the members of the profession are making rapid advances in knowledge is a binefit conferred on the public at large; and it cannot be denied that He who is the instrument for effecting so devirable an object, the mover, the incouragir, and supporter of it deserves, the fullest meed of praise and public gratitude .. He will not presume, Sir, to enter into your private character it not only needs no commendation from us, but we are convinced that it would be ill-timed and unacceptable-Of this however, we are afound, that it stands in as high Estimation as your public character .-

In conclusion we heartily wish you a

speedy recovery of your health and in the possession of every pure injoyment, and we indulge in the hope of seeing you again amonget us. But wherever your fortune may lead your, we beg you. to be assured that we will ever gratefully remember the fortering hand that helped us forward in the pathe of science and improvement .. We beg to remain Your very faithful and Golombo Febry 29# 1836} Obedient Servants. Mouls wints J. Coopman Med. Sub Aft. 4 Admins M.B. Wellilowa Theo that a pet Med Vers . Sporter MBalk huyson Mmi/20 I. R. Sheet Med! Sal Ass.

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