

Imperial

Imperial University, Tokyo,  
Japan, 30th November 1892.

Dear Sir:

We deem it our duty to render you a few words of thanks, before you leave this institution, for the special interest you have so kindly <sup>taken</sup> in us. As the professor of philosophy, you have, for these six years, spared no efforts in <sup>fairly</sup> doing your work much to your credit as well as to the benefit of your students. Though now you are now on the point of departure at the expiration of your term, yet you will always be dearly remembered by every one of us, who <sup>we</sup> sincerely ~~attach~~ regret to miss such a competent professor like you. Indeed, we know no means of expressing our warmest feeling towards you, on this occasion, except by presenting something to you as a token of gratitude. This parting testimonial, a pair of vases, then, though nothing in itself, may remind you, in your distant home, of your former students who are so strongly attached to you. You have always been good to us and therefore <sup>we presume that you will</sup> do <sup>us</sup> your last favour by accepting this present from your former as well as present students.

We remain, Sir,  
Your most affectionate students,

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To Dr. Busse.

Before your final departure from the Imperial University the students of literature feel it a duty as well as a great pleasure to express to you their most cordial thanks for the special and kindly interest you have ever <sup>extended to them</sup> shown towards them.

During all these six years of activity we believe that you have spared no efforts in our behalf and that your work has been not only of great benefit to us but also of to the credit and advancement of the University.

Though this time of pleasant association with you is now at an end and you are going to quite different and distant fields of labor we beg to assure you that you will always be dearly remembered by every one of us, and that we cannot cease to regret the loss of so competent a professor.

We cannot in words express the warm feeling which we have towards you but would ask you to accept as a token of our gratitude the accompanying gift. This parting testimonial ~~the~~ a pair of vases though intrinsically of slight value may remind you, as we hope, of your students here in Japan who are so strongly attached to you.

Please to grant us then, in that spirit of kindness you have always shown towards us, a last favor in accepting this present from your former as well as present students.

Expression of regard