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"WITHERNDEN" SCHOOL,  
CATERHAM VALLEY,  
SURREY.

9 Feb. 1880

Dear Sir,

I have the pleasure  
to forward copies of  
your letter. I am very  
glad to hear that you  
are engaged on the  
subject Ed<sup>l</sup> Statistics,  
you will be able to  
lead & guide us.

WITBENBEN SCHOOL

WILLYAM MARSHALL

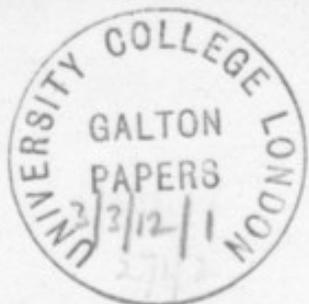
SURREY

I hope something will  
be done however on  
the practical side  
by our Society. I  
am too much occupied  
just now to do much  
but I am taking  
notes. I was dining

with W. W. Coker  
lately I was much interested  
with your work on  
types - this should  
throw light on Ed.  
Science. I want to  
read your article in  
nature: would you  
kindly send me a  
post-card with

f. 2v

date? Mr Hawksley was  
telling me you have in  
hand an instrument  
for testing audibility: a  
means of testing rapidity  
of mental action would  
give the teacher a good  
start. I use Ingham  
for testing Similarity &  
Difference & nascent  
Classification. I have  
several times thrown  
out an idea I have



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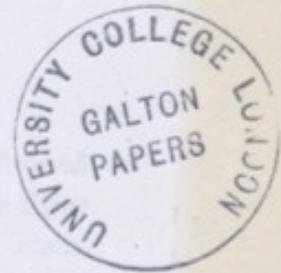
that Similarity is not  
a <sup>positive elementary</sup> distinct mental power  
but a particular state  
in the observation of

Difference. The last  
time I did so Rev. Mr.

Fleay said that he  
had long held the same

idea. I am, dear Sir,  
Faithfully yrs

F. Galton Esq. C. H. Lake



Society for the Development of the Science of  
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In preparing my recent Lecture on "Heredity," I applied to Mr. Francis Galton, F.R.S., the author of "A Theory of Heredity," in the *Contemporary Review*, in respect to certain difficulties I experienced. In course of the correspondence which followed, he expressed sympathy with the work of the Society, and he has since, at my request, very kindly recast his remarks in the accompanying form.

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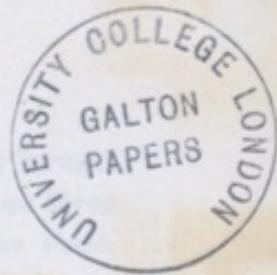
I have read the proposed programme of the Education Society with unusual interest, for it deals with many subjects whose furtherance I have much at heart. It cannot be too strongly enforced upon masters, that unequalled opportunities for psychological and many other kinds of statistical inquiry exist in their schools, that have hitherto been most strangely overlooked. Under no other conditions are human beings so carefully classed, brought together in so compact a mass, or so continually under close inspection, as they are in schools. Under no other conditions is the inspection more intelligent, or is the classification conducted under so strict a system of numerical estimation; inasmuch as the system of marks is carried out by universal consent with singular uniformity and nicety. It is at this moment open to any natural science master, who cares to devote attention to the phenomena of any faculty that takes his fancy, to write a monograph upon it that shall be received with gratitude by all scientific men. A vast field of psychological inquiry lies perfectly open to such masters as have energy, desire, and capacity to explore it.

In the hope of facilitating the labours of those who may desire to commence investigations, permit me to repeat what I have already urged in many scattered publications, as to the best plan of conducting them with a minimum of labour and yet with accuracy. It is to avoid scattering the effort of observation equally throughout all the members of a large class, and to concentrate it on a few of them, upon the following principle. First, classify the boys by intercomparison with respect to the amount they relatively possess of the quality under investigation. Then take

two or three boys from the *middle* of the newly formed class, for careful examination; similarly, take two or three from the middle of each of the two *halves* of the class, for the same purpose. The process may be repeated once more by taking boys from the middle of the *first* and *last* of the *quarters* into which the class has now been subdivided, the second and third quarters being disregarded. By the first process, a specimen of an average boy is obtained; by the others, specimens are obtained of boys who are exceptional in a strictly defined degree. It is obvious that this process is wholly independent of the number of boys in the class, except that the reliability of the result is increased as the number is larger. (Theoretically, as the square root of the numbers.) The middle boy will, for example, be always of the same height (nearly), whether the class should consist of 20, 200, or 2000 boys. Similarly, as regards the middle boy of the upper half, and of the lower half, respectively. Hence it is obvious that the results of different enquirers are directly comparable, and that they are produced in a most concise form, while they shew not only what are the averages of qualities, but also the degree of their variability, on a sound scientific basis. I strongly recommend this plan for all kinds of psychological inquiry, as being by far the simplest and the truest.

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FRANCIS GALTON.



Lancaster

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My dear Mr Galton

I think I can persuade one of our largest institutions here to start and maintain a Laboratory for Anthropometry if I supply the instruments necessary thereto.

Would you do me the favor to give me a list of all that you used at the Healttries, and let me know where I can order them and price, also the same information regarding other instruments that you would advise me to get.

I want to procure at once the instrument you have described giving the force of grip - and at the same time the record of time the force can be sustained. I will

forward a bill of exchange <sup>f. 2.</sup>  
for this instrument as soon  
as I can learn the amount.

Kindly say if possible the  
length of time necessary to  
prepare a ship the instrument  
as I shall probably at once  
prepare for their use.

I hope you will pardon me  
for troubling you in this mat-  
ter. If you could turn the  
matter over to the Mechanists  
who do your work, I could  
then secure my object without  
trespassing upon your valuable  
time.

I have the little instrument  
for measuring the wave length  
audible, procured at the Cambridge  
work shops. Is there anything more  
perfect since produced?

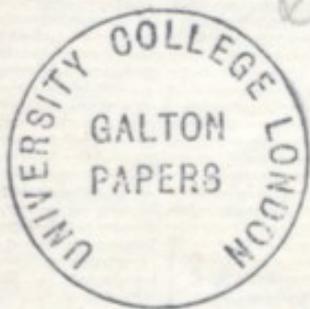
With kind regards to Mrs Gallon

Very sincerely yours

Robert H. Lombson  
32 Nassau St., New York

Lamborn

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Chicago

July 22<sup>nd</sup>

1893.

My dear Mr Galton.

In order to draw attention to the fact that, faculties which underlie usefulness may now be measured even tho' imperfectly. I have offered these prizes. The replies or competing definitions will reach some of our leading statesmen and will I believe provoke in them some novel trains of thought. A small book will be published by the Society containing the best results of this effort. We all hope that you will add a few paragraphs helping us to a definition, or to the methods of forming "a definition of the Most Useful Citizen".

I write to you from Chicago. Anthropology was never so fully represented at any exhibition in this country - perhaps never before. Several rooms are devoted to instruments for measuring.

and recording Human Faculty. <sup>f45</sup> and  
man. Sargent has just arrived  
with his Composite Statues that  
Everybody wants to see. Jastrow is  
here with a set of instruments which  
he is daily present to explain and  
use. The great building is full of  
means for showing the usefulness  
of Anthropology. and everywhere I see  
your ideas being worked out by active  
minds & hands.

With kindest regards to Mrs Fulton

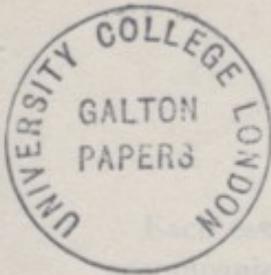
Yours sincerely

Robt H. Lamborn

32 Nassau St.

New York City.

Many thanks for your paper  
on the "Irish Peasants".



THE  
CITIZENSHIP PRIZES

OF THE  
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A member of THE ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON has placed in the hands of the Treasurer of the SOCIETY a sum of money to be awarded in prizes for the clearest statements of the elements that go to make up the most useful citizen of the United States, regardless of occupation. The donation has been accepted, and the SOCIETY has provided for the award of the following prizes during the present year (1893) under the following conditions:

Two prizes will be awarded for the best essays on the subject specified above, viz: A First Prize of \$150 for the best essay, and a Second Prize of \$75 for the second best essay among those found worthy by the Commissioners of Award.

These prizes are open to all competitors in all countries.

Essays offered in competition for the prizes shall not exceed 3,000 words in length, and all essays offered shall thereby become the property of THE ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON, the design being to publish the essays, at the discretion of the Board of Managers, in the official organ of the Society, the *American Anthropologist*, giving due credit to the several authors.

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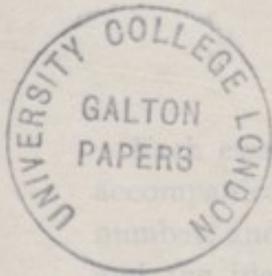
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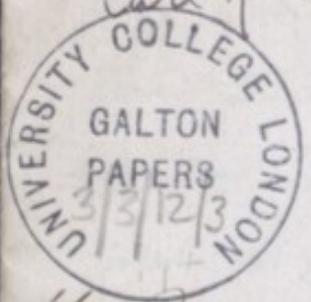
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Prof. S.P. Landley  
Case 1 B. W. Skiffley & Co  
Founders & Court  
Lothbury



ATHENEUM CLUB  
BALL MALL S.W.

April. 23. /85

My Dear Sir,

On receipt of your note I called at Hawkesley. but was unable to obtain the desired information. I will therefore venture to trouble you to inform me where I can find an explanation of a reference in the Lancet to the use of the whistle in "Insomnia." and that you will have the goodness to indicate the form of the instrument most likely to be useful to the Aurist, or general practitioner. I should perhaps explain that I am ignorant of such matters myself, but enquire for a medical friend, who is much interested in the whistle.

and for whom I desire to get  
 the most perfect form. The only  
 one I have seen (in America)  
 was of a quite different pattern  
 from Hawkesley's. In the latter  
 no vibrations lower than 8 or 10000 <sup>per sec</sup><sub>^</sub>  
 were audible, and I was not  
 able to learn whether this was  
 as it should be, or through a  
 defect of the particular instru-  
 ment exhibited.

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 the kindness to inform me on  
 the above points, you will  
 very much oblige me.

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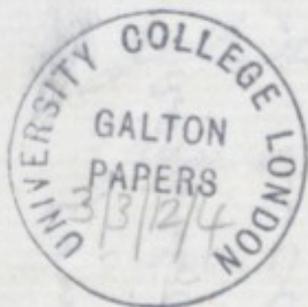
S. P. Langley.

Francis Galton Esq F.R.S.

Athenaeum Club,

Ray Lancaster

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45 GROVE END ROAD,  
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Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> 189?

My dear Mr. Galton.

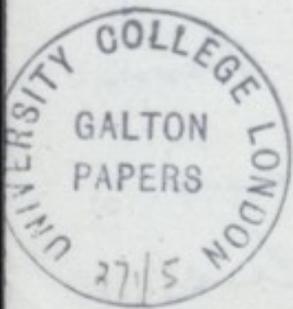
I was very glad to have your note. I hope almost at once to have the pleasure of reading your book. I think correlation of variations - which of course means in

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I hope to make some examination  
of young fish - trout-perch &c. in  
respect of range of congenital variation.  
I enclose a syllabus of the lecture  
which I gave last week. There was  
rather too much matter for the  
time at my disposal.

Yours very truly  
May Lawkesed.

the biological sense  
relation of internal  
mechanism - is  
one of the most  
important fields  
of enquiry. and  
is especially interesting  
when mental  
mechanism is  
brought under considera-  
tion. Plants seem  
to be better adapted  
for measurement  
than animals. Dyer  
could suggest some.  
The difficulty in  
animals is that.



we only as a <sup>4</sup>rule  
get the survivors out  
of a large brood - and  
no one seems really  
to have determined  
the range of congenital  
variation in any of  
the more variable  
species of animals.  
Plants on the other  
hand can be more  
readily raised & all  
the variations observed.  
Hence the correlation  
of strongly marked  
variations can be  
got at - and measured.



## SYLLABUS OF A LECTURE

ON  
“DARWIN *versus* LAMARCK.”

DELIVERED at the LONDON INSTITUTION, FINSBURY CIRCUS,  
on FEBRUARY 14th, 1889,

BY

PROF. RAY LANKESTER, LL.D., F.R.S.

(a.) Life of Lamarck (1744–1829).

(b.) His theory.

“I. In every animal which has not arrived at maturity  
“the increased and continued employment of any organ  
“strengthens that organ gradually, develops it, enlarges it,  
“and gives it a power proportional to the duration of its  
“employment: on the other hand, the continued disuse of  
“any organ gradually weakens it, deteriorates it, progres-  
“sively diminishes its faculties, and finally causes it to  
“disappear.

“II. Every feature which, under natural conditions,  
“individuals have gained or lost by the action of circum-  
“stances to which their race has been for some time  
“exposed—as, for instance, the results of excessive use or  
“disuse of an organ—is preserved in reproduction and  
“transmitted to the offspring, provided that the acquired  
“changes were present in both parents.”

The small changes thus produced and transmitted from  
generation to generation are increased in successive genera-  
tions by the action of the same causes which originated  
them, and thus in long periods of time the form and  
structure of the descendants of an ancestral organism may  
be completely changed as compared with the form and  
structure of the ancestor.

Given sufficient time these small changes can have produced man and the higher animals from simple primitive protoplasmic animalcules.

- (c.) Truth of first law of Lamarck.
- (d.) Preliminary objections to Lamarck's theory.
- (e.) Darwin. (1809—1882.)
- (f.) His theory.

1. All plants and animals produce offspring which resemble their parents on the whole (heredity); these offspring, however, exhibit also new and individual features differing from those of their parents (congenital variations).

2. In nature there is a severe struggle for existence. Only one pair out of the many thousands often produced by a pair of plants or animals survive to maturity, and in their turn produce offspring.

3. The survivors are those whose congenital variations have enabled them to gain advantage over their fellows.

4. The surviving forms *may* be almost exactly like their parents, but often a departure from the parental form must be an advantage, however small. Such departure or variation, when IN-BORN or CONGENITAL, not only enables its possessor to survive and produce offspring, but is handed on by heredity to that offspring.

5. A successful congenital variation is intensified in the new generation bred from parents in both of which it had congenitally appeared.

6. By this process of natural selection of advantageous congenital variations, operating in countless millions of successive generations, the transformation of simple into more elaborate forms of life has been effected.

- (g.) Difference between Lamarck's and Darwin's theories. Congenital variation, a fact; transmission of congenital variations, also a fact. Change of structure acquired during life—as stated by Lamarck—a fact, but limited. The

## SYLLABUS ( 3 ) LECTURE

transmission of these changes to offspring is NOT PROVED EXPERIMENTALLY; all experiment tends to prove that they can not be transmitted.—Semper's book.

- (h.) Causes of congenital variations. The "stirring up" of the germ-plasma by the process of fertilization.
- (i.) Very minute congenital variations can be useful, and, therefore, selected: *e.g.*, short-legged sheep; size and specific gravity; shade of colour.
- (j.) Congenital variations not necessarily minute.
- (k.) Correlated variations: great importance of these. Exemplified in a model.
- (l.) Successful explanation of cases by Darwinism where Lamarckism fails. Mimicry and protective colouring. Adaptation of flowers to insect visitors. Instincts of neuter insects. Lamarck's chosen case, the Giraffe.
- (m.) Breeders have never produced new varieties by transmission of acquired characters (Lamarckian), but always by transmission of congenital characters (Darwinian), Dachshund, &c.
- (n.) Darwin himself admitted Lamarckism as an explanation of some rudimentary organs (disuse), and of some instincts (transmission of acquired habit).
- (o.) Neo-Darwinians reject Lamarckism altogether, because—(1) The fundamental fact of transmission of a change of structure or habit acquired during the life of an individual by the action of external agencies, is not only not proved but is contrary to experience. (2) Such transmission is highly improbable in view of the structure and origin of the reproductive germs. (3) Even if admitted as possible, Lamarckism is not needed in order to explain the facts of the structure and habits of existing plants and animals, in addition to Darwinism.

Pure Darwinism is sufficient.

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(p.) Some cases advanced by Lamarckians and their Darwinian explanation.

1. Rudimentary organs—where the fully-developed organ would not be injurious, *e.g.*, intrinsic muscles of the human ear. Explained by Panmixia and parsimony of growth.

Doubtful if any organ is ever a matter of indifference.

2. Blind animals in caves and in the deep sea, *e.g.*, blind crayfish, *Thaumastocheles*, blind fishes.

3. Wingless insects and birds. Tame ducks.

4. Epileptic guinea-pigs.

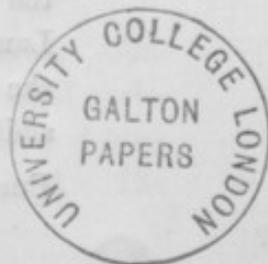
5. Instincts, *e.g.*, "shamming dead," nest-building, choice of food.

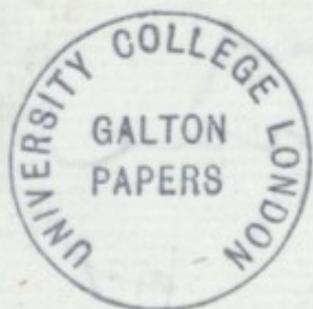
(q.) In proportion as our knowledge of any class of such facts is extensive and thorough, the Darwinian explanation is found to be correct and the Lamarckian inadequate and inapplicable.

(r.) The mental evolution of man according to Neo-Darwinism.

Results of education and circumstances—good or bad—can not be transmitted; hereditary qualities—good or bad—can not be eliminated except by selection in breeding.

Panmixia in civilized societies: transmission of acquired experience by tradition and books.





45 Grove End Road  
N.W.

June 1892

Dear Mr Galton -

To the best of  
my recollection I have  
not received the letter  
of which you speak  
appointing 3 on  
June 17<sup>th</sup> at Maybridge

But it does not  
matter - If you  
will send me

P.S. Will you come  
to a meeting at  
the Mansion House  
on July 1<sup>st</sup> - Monday -  
at 3 p.m. to express  
confidence in Pastors  
& to start a Mansion  
House Fund in aid  
of the Pastor Institute.  
The Lord Mayor calls  
the meeting & asks  
me to help in securing  
attendance. Paget,  
Lister, Roscoe & Bruntton  
have promised to come & speak.

your list - I will  
go & make additional  
selections - with  
or without Schiäfer -  
& finally the  
lot can be revised  
by you.

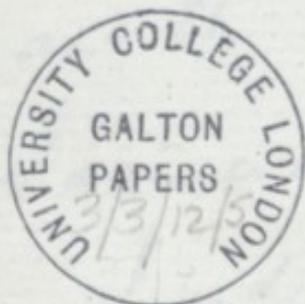
I am sorry your  
letter miscarried  
as I should have  
liked to look over the  
pictures with you.

Yours very truly  
May Lauckester



D. H. Lardell

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EYRE COTTAGE THE GROVE,  
BLACKHEATH S.E.

26 March 1891

Dear Sir,

I have recently returned  
from a journey of 50,000 miles  
to every Kingdom of Asia &c &c  
in the course of which I read  
and found very suggestive and  
helpful your 'Art of Travel'.

I called recently at your house  
when happening to be in the



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neighbourhood, partly, to tell you  
 this, and partly, because my  
 neighbour Mr Blaisie (Senr)  
 thought you might like to see  
 my route maps. I wished also,  
 seeing that you have studied  
 anthropology, to ask whether  
 you happen to have had your  
 attention directed to the Kalmyks.

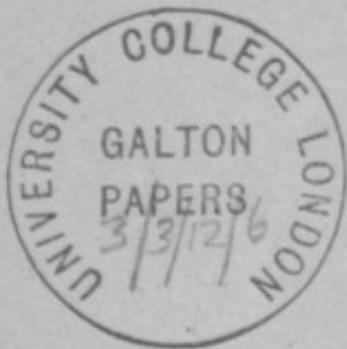
and the Uigurs, concerning whom  
I am writing:

I judge, however, by your being  
engaged on the two occasions I  
called that your hands are very  
full, and I feel that I must  
not intrude upon you further,  
especially just now, when perhaps  
you are leaving. I am, as I  
expect to do, next week.

Meanwhile please excuse  
the liberty I have taken & believe me  
Yours truly  
Henry Lansdell

Francis Galton Esq, M.P.

Montpellier 18 février 1898.



Monsieur,

J'ai reçu votre lettre avec le plus grand plaisir; toute autre avait en effet pour moi la valeur d'un exemplaire de *Hereditary Genius* venant de vous même, que celle d'un exemplaire acheté banalement chez un libraire. Je vous remercie donc infiniment de votre offre, et je serai très honoré de recevoir votre livre et les mémoires, que vous m'avez bien voulu promettre aussi.

La leçon que la *Revue Scientifique* n'a pas osé publier paraîtra quand même. Elle sera dans le n° du 15 mars de la *Revue d'Anthropologie*, et vous recevrez avant le 1 avril un exemplaire d'ouvrage à part.

Je suis de plus en plus complètement absorbé par mes travaux, et de plus un peu incommodé depuis quinze jours par un refroidissement qui ôte une

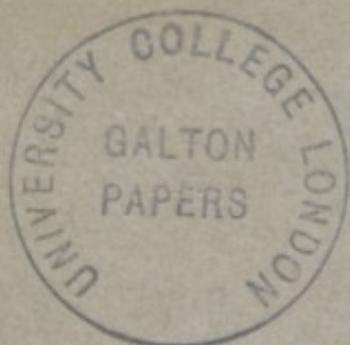
mon activité et me force à m'entretenir chaque jour  
au travail rigoureusement indispensable. C'est pour  
quoi je ne vous ai pas écrit plus tôt.

Je ne sais pas si vous avez reçu autrefois par  
M. Topinard mon mémoire sur la Maloie Biologi-  
que du droit de succession. C'est mon premier essai  
dans la voie actuelle. Il a paru il y a trois ans dans  
la Revue générale de droit et de législation. Il ne  
me reste plus d'exemplaires disponibles du tirage à  
part, mais le hasard m'a fait retrouver un exem-  
plaire en feuilles. Si vous le désirez, je vous le don-  
nerai volontiers.

Je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur, l'ex-  
pression de mes sentiments de respect et de  
sympathie.

G. de Lapouge  
7, Rue Maguol, Montp.

Montpellier 3 juin 1888.



Monsieur,

j'ai terminé mon cours sur l'hérédité, et les nombreuses que  
 vous avez bien voulu m'envoyer m'ont été fort utiles. Je travaille  
 maintenant à l'écrire et d'ici deux mois j'espère avoir mis en  
 état de paraître le développement des six lois dans lesquelles  
 j'essaie de faire rentrer tous les phénomènes de l'hérédité. Je  
 vous adresse en plaçant un résumé que j'ai fait paraître  
 dans le Bulletin de la société des Sciences naturelles de  
 Montpellier. Ce résumé très court n'a pas été lû à part. J'ai  
 cru cependant vous être agréable en le portant à votre con-  
 naissance. Vous m'avez informé que vous vous proposez  
 de publier un travail sur l'hérédité: j'ai préféré ne pas attendre  
 la publication du mien pour vous mettre en mesure d'utiliser  
 mes propres idées, si vous en avez l'occasion.

J'ai pas abandonné mon idée de la fondation d'un  
 périodique destiné à servir d'organe à la science politique  
 telle que nous travaillons à la faire à l'aide de données anthro-  
 pologiques. Je songe seulement à créer d'abord une association

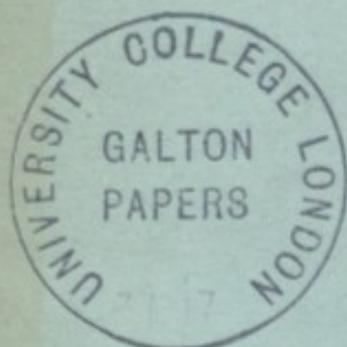
qui puisse le protéger et le faire accepter. Je pense que il  
 serait très utile de fonder un Institut international de Sciences  
 politiques, sur le modèle de l'Institut de droit international privé,  
 c'est à dire une société comprenant un nombre limité de membres  
 choisis avec soin, et un nombre illimité de sociétaires libres, sem-  
 blable à ceux qui composent les sociétés savantes ordinaires.  
 Si ce projet vous agréait, il conviendrait de le mettre le plus  
 tôt possible à exécution. Je crois que personne n'est mieux en  
 mesure que vous de le faire en Angleterre. En France je puis  
 compter sur Topinard, en Autriche sur Penka. Je n'ai pas  
 encore l'adhésion de M. de Caudolle ni de deux autres sa-  
 vants allemands à qui j'ai récemment écrit. Je mis  
 aussi en revanche du concours des spécialistes italiens. Vous  
 voyez que si la chose n'est parfaite elle est faisable, et cela  
 suffit à go ahead!

Recevez, après, Monsieur, l'expression de mes respec-  
 tueux et les plus distingués

S. Dr Laplace

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Montpellier, 30 janvier 1888.



Monsieur,

je vous envoie un tirage à part de mes leçons sur l'inégalité  
 parmi les hommes. J'ai leur ai donné le titre même des discours  
 célèbres de J. J. Rousseau, qui a été comme le premier symptôme  
 de l'évolution démocratique contre laquelle je m'efforce de résister  
 au nom de la science. Vous avez dû recevoir il y a deux mois envi-  
 ron la leçon sur les sélections sociales. Ces deux brochures redou-  
 nent avec la leçon d'ouverture toute la partie digne d'être  
 publiée de mon cours de l'année dernière. Quand vous aurez  
 fini de les lire, vous comprendrez pourquoi j'ai été persécuté l'an-  
 née dernière, et pourquoi on a cherché à me fermer la bouche.

Les tentatives d'ailleurs n'ont guère réussi, puisque mon cours  
 a lieu de se faire à la Faculté des Sciences au fait à la Faculté des  
 Lettres, et qu'à part ce changement de local, d'ailleurs sans importance,  
 rien n'est changé. J'ai toujours un auditoire aussi nombreux,  
 aussi attentif, j'expose toujours la même doctrine, et non seule-  
 ment j'continuerai à parler, mais je continuerai aussi à publier.

Je traite cette matière de l'hérédité et j'ai donné mon cours en trois parties: Exposé des faits, hérédité physique, physiologique, psychologique; recherche des causes, théories de Darwin, de Haeckel; formules des lois. Je vais commencer jeudi l'hérédité psychologique par celle des psychoses.

J'ai écrit la leçon d'ouverture, intitulée: l'hérédité dans la science politique. La fin comprenait un exposé succinct de votre théorie de l'eugénisme, et des moyens à employer pour réaliser la sélection systématique sans préjudice à aucun individu. Je voulais publier cette leçon dans la Revue Scientifique, mais celle-ci n'a pas voulu l'accepter; révisé à la Revue Politique, organe ferrayote, elle a une direction peu sympathique à nos idées. Je cherche ailleurs, mais il est probable que la leçon finira par aller rejoindre ses devancières, à la Revue d'Anthropologie.

Cet incident m'a fait songer très sérieusement à la fondation d'une revue spéciale, qui s'appellerait par exemple La Science politique, et aurait une direction générale rélectorienne, avec beaucoup d'indépendance de chaque collaborateur. Il faudrait l'organiser avec le concours et sous le patronage de tous ceux qui ont un nom dans la science et qui font des applications à la politique. Il faudrait que vous en soyez, et aussi de Caudolle, Haeckel, Lombroso, etc. Il y a là une lacune considérable à combler. Dites-moi, je vous prie, ce que vous pensez de mon idée.

Pour le moment je suis tout entier préoccupé par la préparation de la troisième partie de mon cours. Je cherche à arriver à des formules aussi précises que possible, à quelque chose de

génométrique, qui résume en une douzaine de théorèmes avec des  
cordilles toutes les lois de l'hérédité. en mettant en évidence leur dé-  
pendance des lois mécaniques qui régissent le mouvement des mol-  
écules et des atomes. J'aurai beaucoup à faire pour arriver à ce degré  
de précision, car il n'y a guère à ma connaissance dans cet ordre d'idées  
que vos travaux sur l'hérédité de la taille. Au reste c'est une chose  
étonnante, combien peu de chose il y a sur l'hérédité. Je ne connais  
qu'un seul travail général, celui du D<sup>r</sup> Lucas, qui date de trente ans  
Il y a ensuite une remarquable thèse de Dyerine, récente, sur l'hérédité  
des névroses et des psychoses. A part cela nous n'avons en France que  
des chapitres plus ou moins développés dans certains ouvrages de  
médecine et de zootechnie, ou bien des travaux soit à fait en l'air.  
A l'étranger le livre de Candolle en Suisse, peu de choses en Allemagne,  
en Angleterre quelques chapitres de Darwin et vos travaux, s'il en est,  
les plus récents qu'on ait faits jusqu'ici. Je ne parle pas de l'ouvrage  
de Ribot, qui est de records mais, ni de trouver comme celui de  
Jacoby que je n'ai d'ailleurs pu me procurer encore. Non seulement  
en effet, il y a relativement peu de bons ouvrages, mais encore il est dif-  
ficile de les trouver. Ainsi j'ai voulu faire acheter pour la B<sup>th</sup> de la  
que universitaires de Montpellier votre hereditary Genius, il a été  
impossible de le trouver dans le commerce un exemplaire usé ou  
neuf. Je serai obligé de m'en passer, et de même pour une foule  
d'autres ouvrages, surtout pour les plaquettes et tirages à part.  
A ce propos, vous serait-il possible de me procurer, ou pourrais-je  
me procurer de quelque autre façon, votre mémoire sur l'héré-  
dité de la taille? Quand j'en ai besoin je me fais communément quer  
par Copinard le volume où retrouver le mémoire, mais ce  
n'est pas très pratique, et j'aurais besoin d'en avoir constam-  
ment un exemplaire sous la main. Je pense qu'il a dû être  
fait un tirage à part d'un aussi important document, et je

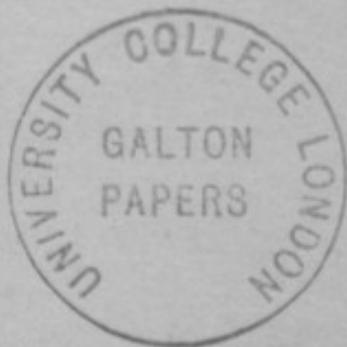
vrais Distributions de l'avoir. Je désirerais aussi savoir si depuis ces  
 mémoires vous en avez publié d'autres, et où, car depuis deux  
 ans que j'ai quitté Paris, je n'ai d'autre périodique scientifique  
 anglais à ma disposition que Nature. Il y a eu deux ou trois  
 notes de vous, et je suppose que vous avez dû publier ailleurs  
 des mémoires plus étendus.

Enfin, et si cela n'était pas abusif de votre complaisance, je  
 désirerais connaître l'adresse exacte actuelle de trois personnes  
 avec qui vous êtes vraisemblablement en relations: MM. Rowan,  
 Herbert Spencer et Gummer Mair. Je désirerais leur envoyer  
 le tirage à part de mes deux mémoires, et je ne voudrais pas que  
 la poste les égarât comme il arrive souvent quand les adresses  
 sont incomplètes.

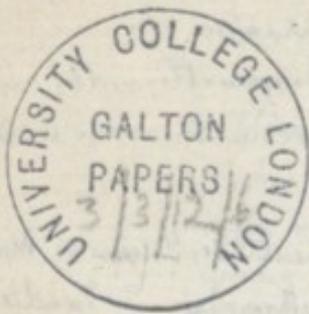
Je prie, après, Monsieur, l'expression de mes hauts  
 sentiments

S. de Laplace

7, Rue Maquod, Montpellier.



Montpellier 25 juillet 1887.



Monsieur,

j'ai été fort touché de la manière favorable dont vous avez bien  
 voulu apprécier ma leçon d'ouverture. Mes idées vous sont d'ailleurs  
 en grande partie empruntées, et j'y suis redevable d'une foule  
 de données importantes. Dans le prochain n° de la Revue d'An-  
 thropologie, vous pourrez lire mes leçons sur la sélection sociale.  
 Il y a bien peu de choses qui ne se trouvent déjà dans vos mémoires.  
 La rédaction de ces leçons m'a coûté beaucoup de travail, en  
 raison de la gravité des conclusions, et c'est pour ne pas rompre  
 le fil de mes idées que j'ai différé ma réponse. Ces leçons ne  
 seront portées à part, car j'ai l'intention de publier l'ensemble,  
 plus ou moins modifié sous le titre d'Introduction à la science  
 Politique, avec une division en trois parties: L'hérédité, La  
 lutte pour l'existence, l'Eugénisme.

C'est une tâche très dure que de faire accepter en France la  
 théorie de l'eugénisme. Mais, bien que nous sommes, par nos  
 volontés de ce principe démocratique que personne ne nous est  
 supérieur. Avec cela on va loin. Il faut à admettre des supériorités  
 héréditaires, alors donc! n'a-t-on pas fait la révolution, tout exprès

pour n'en plus voir les oreilles rebattues! En vain chacun s'opposait que nous sommes en retard d'un siècle par rapport au monde, personne ne veut en chercher la cause.

Comme des gens qui se bouchent les yeux et les oreilles, voilà donc fait mon programme. J'ai pas besoin de vous énumérer les détails, ils sont déjà procurés.

Vous me demandez, comment la Faculté des Sciences de Montpellier a été amenée à créer une chaire d'Anthropologie. La Faculté ne mérite pas les éloges que vous êtes disposé à lui accorder. Jugez au contraire du degré de mesquinerie de ses membres.

J'ai mis arrivés à Montpellier il y a un an, comme sous Bibliothécaire, de l'Université, et après être convenu avec Boyssard et le Directeur de l'Enseignement Supérieur au Ministère de l'Instruction Publique, de créer d'office l'anthropologie à Montpellier, (une des plus anciennes et plus importantes Universités). J'ai demandé à la Faculté des Sciences à quel cours Privé Docent un cours dont vous avez vu le programme dans les B. d'Anthropologie de janvier dernier. L'autorisation fut accordée sans trop de difficultés. Le cours commença et obtint un succès considérable. J'ai réuni à mes premières leçons 300 à 350 auditeurs, c'est à dire plus que la salle ne peut normalement contenir de personnes. J'ai fait une vingtaine de leçons, et à la dernière il restait encore au moins soixante auditeurs. J'ai organisé également des travaux pratiques, et j'en ai jusqu'à 12 élèves manipulant à la fois dans la salle qui servait de laboratoire provisoire. Ce succès surpris seulement quelques professeurs jaloux chez les professeurs titulaires, dont les cours sont pour la plupart, judicieusement désertés. L'opposition religieuse se manifeste avec énergie chez d'autres. Enfin le Ministère ayant proposé à propos de me accorder une indemnité de 1000<sup>f</sup> pour mon cours,

les collèges ne commencent plus de bonis. La Faculté se réunissait, accusa le Docteur de travailler à faire voter par le Ministère, une chaire d'Anthropologie à Montpellier, alors que certains membres des professeurs n'ont pas eu de chaire définitive. Le Docteur sortit de là avec un ordre du jour de blâme, et la Faculté refusa d'autoriser mon cours pour l'année prochaine. Elle fit plus, elle intervint auprès de la Municipalité, des députés et vota des fonds pour la création d'un Institut d'Anthropologie indépendante, et avorta l'affaire. Heureusement la Faculté des Sciences, animée d'un esprit moins mesquin ou jaloux de ses rivaux, m'a donné l'hospitalité, et le cours aura lieu quand même, mais il n'y aura que le cours public et plus de travaux pratiques, de moins tant que je n'aurai pas trouvé le moyen de créer un laboratoire indépendant.

Vous voyez que la Faculté des Sciences, ne méritait pas beaucoup d'éloges pour sa conduite libérale et pour la largeur de ses vues. Je dois faire exception pour le Docteur, M. de Rouville, un géologue estimé, qui m'a soutenu jusqu'au bout. La Faculté a même compris, elle même, le ridicule de ses attitudes, que le rapporteur, M. Sabatier, biologiste distingué mais clerical farouche, a éprouvé le besoin de me dire qu'il n'aurait pas voté contre moi s'il n'avait eu que je trouverais utile dans une autre Faculté!

Ces mesquineries, m'ont attristé comme manifestation de cette dangereuse forme de délire collectif qui s'empare aux corporations des collèges dont chaque membre serait individuellement incapable. Elles ne me décourageant pas, j'ai préparé mon cours de l'année prochaine, qui portera sur l'athéisme développé de l'hérédité. Je négocie en même temps avec le Ministère pour la création d'un laboratoire et d'un cours supplémentaire en ma faveur à Alger. L'enseignement d'Anthropologie n'existe pas encore dans l'Université de France, c'est à dire dans les Facultés. Le Ministère n'a trouvé d'autre moyen de m'y faire, une situation qui en me nommant professeur titulaire, ce qui me donne six heures de travail effectif par jour pour un traitement de 1900 francs par an. Encore faut-il ajouter que j'ai des



situation brillante à la chaire exceptionnelle de connaître personnellement le Directeur de l'Enseignement Supérieur, qui a été mon professeur de Philosophie autrefois! Toute autre personne aurait été obligée de recourir à quelque l'autorité quel anthropologie et la sociologie imparti chez nous au monde officiel. Si mon projet de faire un cours à Alger réussit, ce sera le premier cours officiel, mais j'ai rencontré une vive résistance, parce qu'on veut le second comprendre que l'enseignement de l'Anthropologie un fois introduit dans le programme d'Alger le sera bientôt partout.

Tout cela me fait perdre du temps, et je me résous à aller plus vite et passer à l'étranger à la première occasion favorable, et surtout à prendre des services dans des colonies étrangères, car l'anthropologie et la sociologie ne sont pas des sciences de cabinet, et j'ai des raisons bien profites de ce qui me rends de personnel pour visiter le globe. J'ai mis tout cela en ce moment par la demande qui est faite dans Nature d'un administrateur pour les Indes Néerlandaises à la Musée Raffles à Singapour. J'ai vu sans doute l'on exige la nationalité anglaise, mais je vais très probablement me mettre sur les rangs, en raison de l'importance exceptionnelle de Singapour pour les études anthropologiques.

J'ai publié jusqu'à présent, en dehors de mes notes de la Revue d'Anthropologie qu'un seul travail sur l'anthropologie, c'est le premier de la série sur les fondements et l'évolution du droit de succession. Il a été tiré à part, mais j'en ai plus un seul exemplaire. Si j'ai parvenu à m'en procurer un, je me permettrai de vous l'adresser. J'ai aussi changé autrefois M. Borjard de vous l'envoyer, mais j'en sais il l'a fait. Autres articles de la Revue Générale de Droit, publiés il y a trois ans. En dehors, j'ai publié que des articles de l'histoire de l'évolution, spécialement de droit comparé, dans la même Revue et la Revue Historique de Droit français et étranger. Daignez agréer, Monsieur, l'assurance de ma haute considération

J. de Lapouge  
7, Rue Maquart, Montpellier

W. F. Lawrence

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4. PRINCE'S GATE.

S.W.



Nov. 8. 10.

Dear Sir Francis

We were very  
glad to see that the  
Royal Society had  
so justly recognised  
the great value of

STAN. GEORGE

1872

Your work & your  
generous help towards  
carrying out the scheme  
described to put this  
work into a position  
to give effect to your  
desire to benefit the  
Race! We do long to see

you most heartily but  
 we feel inclined to con-  
 gratulate the R. S. still  
 more!

We have just heard from  
 M<sup>me</sup> Pasquier's daughter,  
 who tells us her dear  
 mother went to sleep



peacefully in the evening  
& did not wake again.

When we called a week  
while ago, to hear how you  
were, we rejoiced to have  
a good report & to hear  
you liked your present  
abiding place.

Our warmest regards  
Yrs most cordially  
L. E. Lawrence

of course no  
answer

Refer to my  
letter of 2.12.114  
& F.P. collection for sample

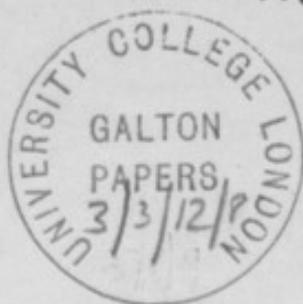
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Marischal College

Aberdeen.

5<sup>th</sup> June '99



Dear Sir

In the Anthropometrical  
Laboratory of this University we  
have taken records during the  
past two years, of the physical  
characteristics of 163 Policemen  
of this city & 124 Students for  
purposes of comparison. In the  
examination of their finger-prints  
we derived great assistance from  
your manual on that subject  
& it was in this connection that

we made the results which we  
enclose for your kind consideration  
& for any remarks on which  
we shall be much obliged.  
The fingers we took for  
consideration were the thumb  
index & middle of each hand.  
The prints were classified  
according to loops whorls  
& arches with the subdivisions  
of these which you enumerate  
in the blue-book on the Evidence  
given before the Commission on  
the Detection of habitual  
Criminals. In order to  
determine the extent to which  
the different combinations of

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prints occurred in the hands  
of policemen & students, the  
following 7 divisions were  
made. viz.

- 1 Those in which Loops & Arches alone were found
- 2 ————— Loops & Whorls —————
- 3 ————— Whorls & Arches —————
- 4 ————— Loops alone —————
- 5 ————— Whorls —————
- 6 ————— Arches —————
- 7 ————— Loops Whorls & Arches —————

The result is shown in No. I.

We then proceeded to discover  
what patterns occurred most  
frequently in the different fingers.  
The results are given in  
Nos 2 - 7.

In No 8. are given the percentages  
of cases in which a like

pattern was found in the f. 2v  
thumb of each hand & in  
No 9 are given the <sup>percentages of</sup> cases in  
which similar patterns were  
found on Right & left hands.

Seeing the close correspondence  
of the percentages in the two  
groups of individuals we are  
interested to hear your opinion  
on the matter & more particularly  
we wish to know if we may  
conclude that ~~a certain~~ <sup>one</sup> pattern  
occurs more frequently on ~~some~~ <sup>a certain</sup>  
finger than ~~to~~ another pattern.

Hoping you will excuse our  
troubling you in this matter

We remain

Yours Faithfully

J. C. & Ledingham M.A.

Francis Galton Esq. F.R.S. C.T. And over.  
London.

Sidney Lee

Oct 4 1904

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108, LEXHAM GARDENS,  
KENSINGTON, W.



4 October 1904

Dear Mr. Galton,

I of course am well acquainted  
with your name & have most of your  
books on my shelves.

I was sorry not to be at home  
when you called. I only returned from  
a short - tour in France a few days ago. It  
was no time in replying that it would give  
me great pleasure to hear from you  
again. I will call on you early next  
afternoon. I open for the afternoon

Check about 5. her answer you  
approve. I should be glad to be there.

Yours very truly,

Edwin Lee



Lidney Lee  
Oct 9 1904

F. 3r



108, LEXHAM GARDENS,  
KENSINGTON, W.

9 October 1904.

Dear Mr Galton,

I have been rather occupied since my  
return to town tomorrow I have for three  
or four days' visit to Stratford-on-Avon, where, as  
chairman of the Shakespeare Birthplace Trustees, I  
shall have much to do.

I have not yet reached any suggestion that  
would be of much service, I fear, in the organization  
of a bureau of heredity under a fit director. Few  
men combine together the scientific exactness  
needed for a general treatment of the subject with the  
aptitude for collecting biographical data, which, as I  
understand, enter largely into your scheme. Some  
of my assistants on the Dictionary of National  
Biography might be of service in the latter direction.

a man to hold an university-lectureship  
 or studentship, entailing lecturing duties, might be  
 questioned. I do not know whether Oxford or  
 Cambridge universities would ~~accept~~ accept an  
 offer to establish under their auspices ~~such~~ ~~kind~~ of  
 the academic machinery a breadth-tureau with  
 a journal attached, which might be published by  
 the university press. That would give perhaps  
 the scheme & make it known to a suitable  
 public quickly. To devise means by which a  
 large & fit public could be interested in, I think,  
 the main thing, & in that regard I attach chief  
 value to a properly edited publication, to be issued  
 at regular intervals. Possibly, with you as the  
 promoter, the thing might go on well in London  
 without academic sanction or with it in Oxford or  
 Cambridge.

I write, correct columns, without  
 any very fixed ideas, upon what I write is  
 not much to your purpose. Your attention is  
 far greater in such a matter than mine. But I  
 should be glad to be of any service that was  
 possible.

Yours very truly,

Lidaway Loe.

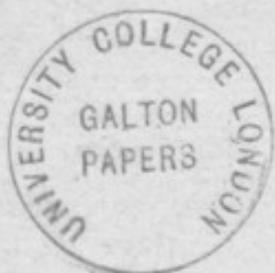


but I doubt their satisfactions in the former  
 direction, although your own books would give them  
 valuable clues as to how to work out the heredity problem  
 in history. I could give a name or two, although I  
 do not feel quite confident of their fitness.

To stimulate the public interest in the matter on  
 the biographical side, periodical publication of results  
 of the ~~of~~ character of the conclusions, which may be reached,  
 seems to me more important than anything else. I  
 should imagine that a periodical publication - quarterly  
 or ~~bi-monthly~~ half-yearly - which devoted itself wholly  
 to the matter would be best. It might, if properly  
 organized, be made to pay expenses. I should  
 think, nearly if not entirely. I believe the <sup>entire</sup> ~~entire~~  
 would prove more useful than if a few pages of  
 not very successful existing magazines were secured.  
 The <sup>editor</sup> ~~bureaukeeper~~ of editor of a publication of the  
 results accumulated in a bureau might well occupy  
 one man all his time. Whether such duties would permit

Sidney Lee

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108, LEXHAM GARDENS,

KENSINGTON . W.

Nov. 10. 1904

Dear Mr Galton,

I am much obliged to you for sending me your "Index to achievements". It is very interesting and suggestive. I read with great interest of your foundation of a fellowship in London University for the promotion of the study of National Eugenics. I hope you will find a very efficient holder of the office. I shall look forward with very great interest to the outcome of your generous experiment.

Yours very truly;

Sidney Lee.



Leffingwell

F. 7c

ALBERT LEFFINGWELL,  
AURORA,  
CAYUGA LAKE, NEW YORK.

Oct. 10. '08

Dear Professor Galton:

I am exceedingly gratified by your interest in my study of illegitimacy. Since publication of the little book, some sixteen years since, I have had annual opportunity for verification of the phenomena through the reports of your Registrar-General of Births, etc. The few conclusions which I ventured to make, I have seen no reason to change. In English counties, where the rates of illegitimacy a quarter century ago were high or low, they remain as they were, when compared with the general average for all England. A forecast of the future which

I ventured to make in 1891.  
 (on p. 9) was exactly fulfilled according  
 to facts given by the Registrar General's  
 report some years later.

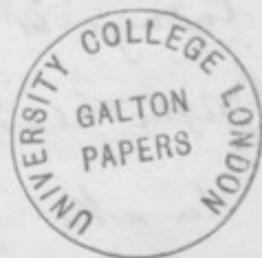
Some months since, I was asked  
 to make a study of illegitimacy in  
 London, - as a chapter of a book.  
 The proof-sheets had been duly corrected  
 and I presume the book is in press.  
 Unfortunately, at present writing, I  
 cannot put my hand on the address  
 of the Editor - (a Reverend James Marchant)  
 but as I understood the book was to  
 contain a chapter by the Bishop of London,  
 you might then ascertain whether the  
 book is yet published, - if it were  
 worth while.

A problem in Eugenics

and I remember your very kind  
 response. Not long after,  
 Messrs Sampson Low and Co  
 published a volume of "Rambles  
through Japan without a Guide,"  
 by "Albion Tracy," - a record of  
 my observations in a land now more  
 famous than it was then.

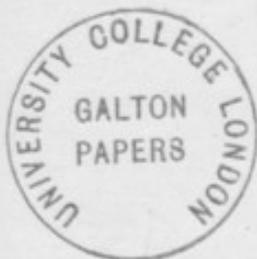
If I can have the aid of any assistance  
 pray command me.

Yours  
 Albion Tracy



Leffingwell

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ALBERT LEFFINGWELL,  
AURORA,  
CAYUGA LAKE, NEW YORK.

Oct 15, 08

My dear Sir:

I find that the  
Editor of the book which  
contains some further studies  
on "Illegitimacy," is

Rev. James Marchant,  
Creole House

Kingsway.

London W.C.

I remain  
Yours

Albert Leffingwell

Prof Francis Galton  
London.

ALBERT LEFFINGWELL,  
AUBORA,  
CAYUGA LAKE, NEW YORK.



New Orleans.

Nov 24. 08

Dear Professor Galton.

Your letter finds me

2000 miles from home on the Mexican Gulf.

That the proximate cause of the differences in illegitimate birth-rates is a local public sentiment which condemns or condones, I have no doubt whatever. The more difficult problem is to discern the causes which give rise to that public sentiment. - In this country, the horror of the Irish race for illegitimacy is quite as strong as in the old country; and altho' lapses occur, the influence of the Church secures the legality of the birth in innumerable instances, where.

in Scotland, for instance, the child would be illegitimate. —

It is interesting to speculate regarding the influence upon the race, of the legal sanctioning of all unions resulting in pregnancy. — Is it possible to conceive of a social state wherein women or men <sup>should</sup> decide sex-intimacy solely by considerations pertaining to the well-being of offspring? — Is not man's appreciation of beauty in the woman, <sup>possibly</sup> a sub-conscious desire for a betterment of his race? —

Here in New Orleans, it is said that for more than a century, there has been a peculiar mixing of races, which has led to the evolution of a Type of American Elsewhere unknown. — It is widespread indeed, that, in some cases, there has

Come into the Evolutionary process, one admixture, the mere suggestion of which is regarded here as a mortal insult, — however Evident it may seem to the on-looker. — In some parts of the United States, persons having a very slight admixture of Indian or negro blood, have only to change their residence and associations, to be enabled to "pass over" to the higher race. I know a lad in whose veins runs ancestral currents derived from English, Irish Scotch, French, American Indian and Negro; — but the white blood is so greatly dominant that he will always pass as white. —

I shall return home in a fortnight. If I can serve you in any way, pray count on my willingness; & believe me

Very truly Yours

Albion Leffingwell

Prof Francis Galton



*Dr. Albert Leffingwell,*

*54. Wendell Street.  
Cambridge, Mass.*



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(Danzville, New York

Nov 12, 1891

Dear Sir,

In the American newspapers  
a paragraph is going round, referring to  
certain investigations made by you  
on the Statistics of Marriage, the  
proportions of happily married couples;  
the chances of marriage at different  
periods of life, etc. &c.

Would you oblige me by stating in  
what form these facts have been  
published i.e. - in book or periodical?

Interest in your work of  
many years past, has led me  
into similar studies, & I hope

Swan Sonnenschein & Co. of London will  
 shortly publish a little book of mine  
 - Consisting of two Studies in Demography  
 which I shall ask them to send you.  
 - You will accept it, I trust as the  
 tribute of the pupil to the Master.

I had the pleasure of meeting you  
 for a moment which attended the  
 Congress of Hygiene & Demography last  
 August. - Though American by  
 birth, I have been resident many  
 years in England, and count it  
 my home, quite as much as America.

I am Dear Sir

Yours faithfully  
 Albert Lippman



The sum total of young men in Great Britain and Ireland is (say)

1,500,000

Between the ages of 18 and 23, some men are taken under 18, very few enlist over 23.

That is, supposing the 1,500,000 to be a 5 years growth,  $\frac{1}{5}$  or about 300,000 attain the age of enlistment annually.

The number required to recruit the Army and Militia annually may be taken at 60,000

or  $\frac{1}{5}$ th of the annual supply, = 20%

or  $\frac{1}{25}$ th = 4% of the whole number within the group of 5 years.

82, Queens Gate, S.W.

January 22, 1885

My dear Galton

Faithfully yours  
J. H. Jeffrey

3/3/12/115

I wish we could see  
that your time in the  
same light

It appears to me that  
your analogy of persons sub-  
jected to the chances of Ballot  
for 5 successive years is not  
a true one. There is so to  
speak only one Ballot. That  
is, one election whether a man  
will enlist or not enlist.

This accords to the whole

J Galton Esq

1,500,000 every year, and

60,000 of them are taken

$$\frac{60}{1,500,000} \text{ is } \frac{1}{25} \text{ or } 4\%$$

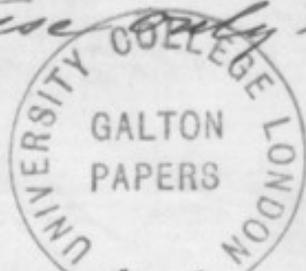
That is to say we annually require 4 per cent (accurately 4.5%) of all the young men in the country, of the age for enlistment, to enlist. That the individuals composing the class are not all the same for two consecutive years, does not appear to



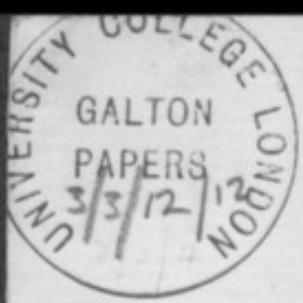
me.

to allow the case, the drain  
on the population is the same  
and it would be the same if  
they were actually taken by  
Ballot, as they are in France  
I am unable to see any fallacy  
in this reasoning, except that  
I have not allowed for those  
who enlisting at 18 return  
to civil life before they are  
25 and are included in  
the census figures although

not available, these <sup>only</sup> make  
the case stronger



I do not remember to have said  
or implied that the proportion  
5% (not  $\frac{1}{5}$ th, which is 20%)  
is contrary to fact. I only say  
it is barely within the limits  
of possible supply upon our  
present terms of voluntary  
enlistment, and forces us to  
descent to a stratum physi-  
cally very inferior. Of the army  
recruits of 1883, 10,900 were  
under 5ft 5in in height



Le Gros  
57, Brook Green

Hammersmith W.

15/9/80

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Dear Sir,

I am afraid I have but little information to give you — at all events by letter. I have had occasion to exercise my memory very steadily & the discipline has been of the greatest service to me. The how I can hardly explain. I shall, however, be glad to tell you all I can, & to assist you as far as lies in my power.

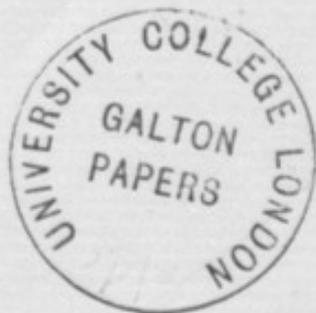
Whatever I do I must do by word of mouth, & I only speak my own language. If, at the commencement of the ensuing session, you will do me the honour to call on me at the Street School, I shall be very happy to confer

with you on the points you are considering. I may even be able to help you to some experiments — in drawing from memory — which might possibly be of interest to you.

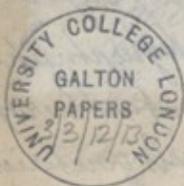
M. Solen lives, I believe, at Stoke Newington. He is employed by Messrs. Minton at their works there.

I am, Dear Sir,  
 very faithfully Yours  
A. Legros

Francis Galton Esq.



Paris 6 Août 1890



Monsieur

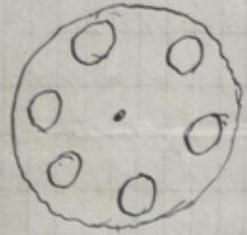
Je suis extrêmement sensible à l'honneur que vous avez bien voulu me faire de prendre la peine de répondre personnellement aux observations que j'avais soumises à M<sup>r</sup> Venn au sujet des photographies composites. J'attendais pour vous avec une impatience de votre savante communication de voir vu M<sup>r</sup> Marey, afin d'être à même de répondre en pleine connaissance de cause à la question que vous m'avez posée au sujet de ces recherches sur la respiration chez les sujets en voie d'entraînement physique. D'après ses propres enseignements, la seule publication dont ces recherches aient été l'objet est une note insérée dans les Comptes-rendus de l'Académie des Sciences, Tome 91 (Juillet-Décembre 1880) et intitulée: Modification des mouvements respiratoires par l'exercice musculaire. Note de M<sup>r</sup> Marey, avec le concours du Dr Hillairet attachée en 1894 à l'École de Gymnastique militaire.

Il est possible que la connaissance du nom du collaborateur du Dr Marey en cette circonstance m'aurait aidé à retrouver les travaux relatifs à d'autres points de statistique étudiés à l'École de Gymnastique militaire, dont j'ai parlé à M<sup>r</sup> Venn et que j'avais inutilement cherchés jusqu'ici.

Je crois avoir bien dit à M<sup>r</sup> Venn que les seules études sérieuses publiées en France et abondamment au principe des portraits composites dont j'ai connaissance étaient des études qui avaient pour objet de le confirmer, en établissant que la première impression eue par un visage sensible n'a essentiellement aucun influence prépondérante à l'égard des impressions qui peuvent venir ensuite.

Une de ces études est des Lumière père et fils (un nom prénommé) les

fabricants des plaques les plus rapides que je connaisse, et probablement, si je m'en rapporte à un mémoire de MM Sena et Scolik, (Photographische Rundschau März 88) des plaques les plus rapides qui se préparent en Europe. Ces Messieurs n'avaient pas en vue les portraits composites; mais ils voulaient répondre à cette assertion émise par certains théoriciens que, pour obtenir une image, il est nécessaire que les molécules de la couche sensible reçoivent d'abord un branlement plus intense que celui qui est strictement suffisant pour la continuation du travail photographique. Ils fabriquèrent un obturateur



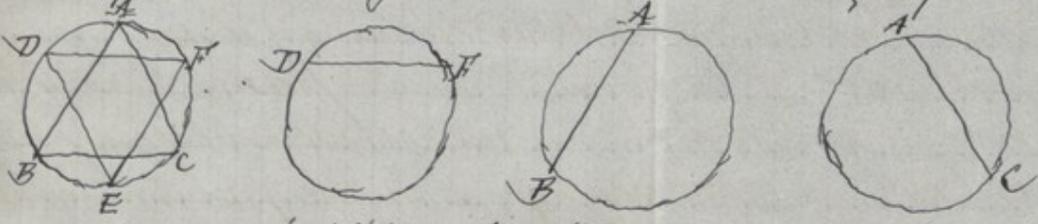
formé d'un disque métallique de grandes dimensions pouvant avoir autour de son axe un mouvement de rotation extrêmement lent ou extrêmement rapide, et portant vers sa circonférence un certain nombre de ouvertures

circulaires égales, séparées par des pleins plus larges que l'ouverture de l'objectif. Le mouvement était réglé de telle façon qu'une quelconque de ces ouvertures pouvait laisser l'objectif découvert pendant un temps variant depuis une ~~seconde continue~~ ou plusieurs secondes jusqu'à  $\frac{1}{20.000}$  de seconde. Après avoir constaté que, dans les conditions d'éclairage de leurs expériences, et avec le mode de développement employé, l'exposition de  $\frac{1}{20.000}$  ne donnait aucun trace d'une image, et reconnu le temps nécessaire pour obtenir par une exposition continue une image aussi satisfaisante que possible, ils constatèrent qu'ils obtenaient exactement la même image par une succession d'expositions de  $\frac{1}{20.000}$ , dès que le total de ces expositions partielles devenait égal à l'exposition unique résultant de la série précédente d'observations.

Cette expérience permit-il me semble de conclure aussitôt que l'image est complètement formée *in posse* dans tous ses détails dès la première exposition partielle de  $\frac{1}{20.000}$ , à la condition qu'il on trouve un révélateur assez énergique pour la développer. Elle peut peut-être à la critique près émettre un point, attendu que les adversaires que MM Lumière prennent à partie pourraient objecter que rien n'empêche que la durée de l'impression nécessaire pour vaincre le frottement au départ n'est pas inférieure au  $\frac{1}{20.000}$  de seconde; alors que M Marey arriva à obtenir des images complètes

en  $\frac{1}{5,000}$ .

Un autre expérimentateur, dont le nom m'uberge, a fait récemment, cette fois expressément en vue de la défense du principe des photographies composites, des expériences analogues aux vôtres. Il commença par tracer un cercle



et un polygone étoilé inscrit: ABCDEF, puis une série de cercles égaux enfermant chacun la représentation d'un seul côté ou de plusieurs côtés, ou d'un ou de plusieurs fragments de côtés de ce même polygone, de façon qu'aucun côté ou fragment de côté ne figurât plus d'une fois dans la totalité des représentations partielles. Il ferait donc n'importe quel ou une suite de chacune de ces images partielles; l'épreuve résultante obtenue ensuite en se conformant à la méthode des images composites étant toujours identique à elle-même.

Après avoir connu de ces faits, je n'avais aucunement le pensu de répondre à mon compte l'objection à laquelle ils répondent. C'est du côté opposé que j'étais cru voir une difficulté, que votre exposition même me permit peut-être d'énoncer sous une forme plus précise de finie. Si, dans la



quatrième exposition de votre disque, on remplaçait le verre le plus foncé par un autre encore plus foncé, y aurait-il une différence dans les résultats? Je crois que la réponse dépend de circonstances que l'on peut sous-entendre, mais dont il est nécessaire de tenir compte. Vous dites qu'en matière de portraits composites on n'arrive jamais au point où une difficulté pourrait être soulevée sous ce rapport. Il me semble que cela résulte d'une restriction que vous vous imposez dans votre pratique personnelle, mais que d'autres négligent sûrement si l'on n'a pas pris soin de leur en faire sentir la nécessité.

J'emploie habituellement le papier aristotypique Luseyans. Je trouve qu'il n'y a rien de comparable pour caractériser le caractère scientifique et documentaire des résultats obtenus. Or, dans les ins-

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tructions jointes à ce papier, il est dit de pousser le tirage jusqu'à la  
métallisation des grandes ombres. Il me semble peut-être que, dans  
cette manière de procéder, on dépasse beaucoup les limites au-delà desquelles  
la combinaison des images cesse d'être légitime.

Mon attention a été appelée sur ce point en particulier par un  
article publié il y a quelque temps par le journal *Français et Vétérin*  
je crois. L'article comprenait la reproduction d'un portrait composite  
de femmes et d'hommes, plusieurs de ces derniers fortement moustachus.  
L'image composite avait un caractère féminin sans aucun trace de  
moustaches.

Je ne saurais que vous indiquer d'autre procédé fournissant un  
critérium de l'énergie physique qu'au lieu que j'ai indiqué à M. Tenn.  
Cependant, en rapprochant la forme même de l'expression de votre question;  
(un caractère analogue à ceux auxquels s'en rapportent les auteurs de  
chevaux) au sujet de l'occasion de cette question se produisant; les  
variations de l'activité de la respiration; il me semble qu'il ne  
serait pas impossible de combiner sur cette base un système d'observation  
très expéditif, et en même temps assez délicat. Je suis officier d'infanterie,  
je n'ai jamais approché mon cheval que comme serviteur, comme  
camarade et comme confident; et jamais comme objet de trafic. Mais  
pour les officiers de cavalerie, par les moins, desquels passent nécessairement  
un grand nombre de chevaux; une des épreuves les plus usuelles consiste  
à faire faire à l'animal un temps de trot ou de galop, et à examiner  
le jeu de la respiration une fois que l'animal est arrêté. Je suis encore  
beaucoup moins physiologiste que cavalier, et je n'ai qu'une idée  
ébauchée de ce que sont les instruments dont ~~ils~~ <sup>les physiologistes</sup> disposent, mais je crois  
que leur arsenal, tel qu'il est actuellement constitué, en renferme quelques  
uns qui permettent de donner à ce genre d'observations une très grande  
précision; et il suffit de faire parvenir à la course la longueur de  
la courbe d'un rasoir pour apprécier même à l'œil nu quels  
sont les hommes qui sont sujets à l'essoufflement.

Sans des aubettes auxquelles je me suis jadis livré et que je

qu'il doit en être ainsi. Le rythme de la musique détermine assurément dans le mouvement de la marche des corps plus avertis; et tout cela correspond à une déperdition d'énergie.

Je serais désireux d'abord de constater si le fait est exact; et ensuite, d'arriver à une évaluation numérique de la déperdition d'énergie occasionnée par cette circonstance; et pour cela, l'ut au retourissement du pas à la suite d'un même parcours exécuté à la même vitesse que j'inclinerais à m'en rapporter. Les conclusions pourraient avoir une importance pratique considérable dans les cas où il s'agit d'obtenir d'une troupe donnée le rendement maximum qu'elle peut produire en matière de marche.

L'intervention de la musique ~~particuliers~~ dans des cas de nécessité rigoureuse peut avoir une influence particulièrement pernicieuse dans cette saison, où l'on entend fréquemment parler d'accidents occasionnés par la chaleur. J'ai la conviction que, par l'action de la musique, on peut arriver à tuer dans une colonne une proportion d'hommes incomparablement plus grande qu'il ne serait possible de la faire sans son assistance. Sous l'influence de l'entraînement produit par le rythme, les hommes continuent à marcher, alors que, sans cela, l'état de congestion déjà établi les contraindrait à s'arrêter; et ils ne s'arrêtent qu'effondrés. La musique produit ainsi dans la circulation du sang un phénomène analogue à celui de la surfusion dans les eaux courantes, qui continuent à couler à une température de beaucoup inférieure à celle de la congélation.

Je crois qu'une première série d'études bien complètes exécutées dans cette direction faciliterait beaucoup les applications ultérieures aux cas particuliers que l'on pourrait avoir à considérer; mais pour le moment, il n'y a encore pour ainsi dire qu'une conception théorique dont les indications ne peuvent être mises à profit que dans des conditions expérimentelles.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur, l'assurance de mes sentiments  
bien dévoués.

*[Signature]*

286 Rue St-Lazare, Paris.

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voudrais bien persuader à M. Marey de poursuivre, je suis arrivé à reconnaître un test de la fatigue ou de l'entraînement, qui pourrait également être considéré comme un test de l'énergie physique actuelle. Malheureusement il est d'une détermination tellement laborieuse que je ne sais pas s'il pourra jamais sortir du domaine de la spéculation pure.

Quand un homme faisant une longue route commencent à se fatiguer, on observe qu'on ne parvient pas à courir, alors que la vitesse effective de la marche, l'espace parcouru pendant l'unité de temps, reste constante, ou encore, lorsqu'on l'astrait à une cadence constante, qui l'oblige à faire dans le même temps le même nombre de pas. Je crois que j'aurais été le premier à entrevoir ce fait; mais je n'aurais fait qu'entrevoir, tandis que M. Marey, sans avoir eu connaissance de mes observations, est arrivé au même résultat et a pu donner quelques déterminations numériques. Or, il me semble que la quotité de la récupération est le meilleur test pour une évaluation numérique. Soit de l'énergie physique du sujet, soit de l'influence de la fatigue après un parcours déterminé exécuté dans des conditions nettement définies.

Le principe en apparence est assez simple; mais l'application est brisée de difficultés.

D'abord, pour la constatation la plus élémentaire, pour la mesure du rajeunissement, on ne peut observer une différence appréciable qu'après une marche de plusieurs heures. Alors vient la question de savoir si la marche a bien été effectuée dans des conditions uniformes et identiques. Quand il s'agit d'exercices violents, course, saut, l'altération de l'allure est beaucoup plus rapide; mais l'identité des conditions chez des sujets différents, ou chez un même sujet dans des épreuves différentes, est beaucoup plus difficile à constater.

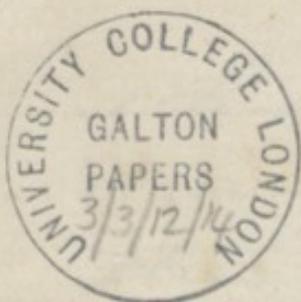
Cette difficulté est la cause qui m'a conduit à ne faire qu'entrevoir des résultats. Dans mon existence militaire, j'ai fait des observations sur la marche de certains individus pendant des milliers de kilomètres; pour quelques-uns, j'ai poursuivi l'observation pendant des marches

de vingt à trente kilomètres consécutifs. Mais ces marches étaient des marches ayant un objet pratique, exécutées sur des routes quelconques, présentant des difficultés variables et imprévues; et l'allure variait dans des proportions considérables selon ces difficultés ou selon l'objet de l'opération. Or, un kilomètre parcouru en montant ou en descendant, ou à travers des terres labourées, ou encore à une allure forcée, n'a pas du tout la même valeur, au point de vue de la dépense d'énergie qu'il réclame, qu'un kilomètre parcouru à une allure modérée sur une route horizontale. Le premier sera parfois équivalent au double, au triple, et au quadruple du second. En admettant même qu'après une marche laborieuse et accidentée, on se repose sur une portion de route horizontale pour faire une observation finale, on observera bien un raccourcissement au pas d'une quantité nettement définie; mais il sera impossible de dire à quelle longueur de trajet il doit aux conditions de l'uniformité et raccourcissement doit être attribué.



On ne peut donc se flatter d'arriver à des déterminations d'un caractère réellement scientifique qui par l'observation de marches purement expérimentales effectuées en dehors de tout but pratique sur une piste horizontale, et prolongées pendant plusieurs heures. Mais, pour des observations d'ordre aussi scientifique, la pratique militaire n'offre aucune difficulté particulière, si ce n'est qu'elle doit recueillir le bénéfice des résultats obtenus. Pour poursuivre avec fruit de semblables recherches, il faut posséder l'installation et l'autorité du Dr Marey.

L'objet qui me préoccupe en ce moment est l'influence de la musique sur la marche. Il n'est pas douteux que l'influence de la musique permet de franchir avec facilité des obstacles devant lesquels on se trouverait plus ou moins arrêté sans son assistance. Mais je crois avoir observé que, quand la musique cesse, la fatigue est plus grande qu'elle n'aurait pas été. Toutefois la théorie, tout aussi bien que mes impressions personnelles encore insuffisamment définies, me paraissent indiquer



Langham Hotel,

Portland Place, London. W.

June 26 1887

Dear Sir

I take the liberty  
of inviting you to attend  
my lecture at the R.S.L.  
on July, as there is cer-  
tainly nobody living  
whom I could so  
much desire to have  
present as yourself.  
The title is not a happy  
one, for the lecture will  
be on creating memory  
awakening Lin. Knapp's  
of perception - Visual  
Perception being a link  
between them, and cul-  
tivating the Constructive  
faculty, e.g. as shown  
in Industrial Art in

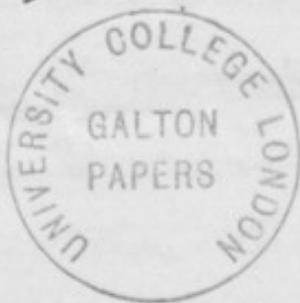
Schools. But I found  
it impossible to cover  
this with a brief title.

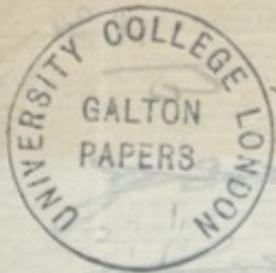
Yours faithfully

Charles G. Lohman

Francis Galton Esq.  
42 Rutland Gate.

Hyde Park. SW.





No 16 Oriental Place  
Brighton Dec 6 1887

My dear Mr Galton.

You may remember that I told you when I had the pleasure of seeing you last summer, that I said I had written a book on beginning Education by training the memory or developing it, before filling it, and in the system set forth what you wrote on Eye Memory or Visual Perception had a great influence. I have at last found a publisher for it, and have indeed almost finished reading the proofs.

Would you kindly

do me the favour to  
give me the names  
and addresses of  
a dozen or more of  
men who would be likely  
to take an interest in  
my book. I venture to  
think that Prof. Huxley  
and the leading scientists  
would all pay some  
attention to it, as it is  
based on the most ad-  
vanced scientific prin-  
ciples. Indeed the lecture  
on Eye Memory, which  
you have read, gave  
great offence to a  
number of old fashioned  
metaphysical savants  
who heard it in America  
and who ~~did not~~ were  
clever enough to de-  
test its "materialism".



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I am sorry to trouble  
you, but I do not know  
where else I could so  
well obtain what I  
want.

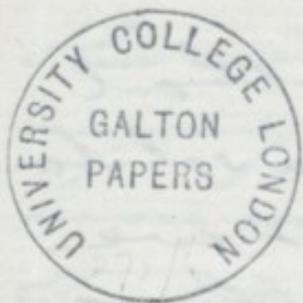
Yours sincerely

Charles S. Leland

P.S. I shall be at the  
above address for at  
least a month.

Francis Galton Esq.





Langham Hotel,

Portland Place, London. W.

July 7 1887

Dear friend

I am much obliged to you for your kindness in sending me the paper.

I cannot resist the temptation to give you an instance of hereditary manifestations, as remarkable as any contained in your book - and that is wonderful enough. Some time ago John Beyland who is descended from the same stock with myself, called my attention to the fact that for nearly 400 years there has hardly been a

generation of us without  
 an antiquary, or a scholar  
 of that ilk. First we  
 have Leonard the Flos  
 Grammaticorum, after  
 him John Leonard of the  
Itinerarium, then in the  
 time of Charles I, Charles  
 (Chr<sup>s?</sup>) Leonard appears as  
 Secretary of the "Society  
 of Antiquaries," and so  
 on down. My grandfather  
 was not suspected during  
 his life of any leanings  
 towards Archaeology -  
 but after his death the  
 discovery of a hoard of  
 specimens of all the early  
 coinage of the Republic,  
 and of a rather valuable  
 collection of (red) Indian  
 stone relics showed that

blood will tell. As for  
 myself music was not  
 more innate in Mozart  
 than a love for everything  
 antique - at 10 years of  
 age I had Percy's Reliques  
 by heart - and I believe  
 that my collection of  
 Algonquin sagas, songs  
 &c. is the most import-  
 ant one ever made  
 as to Indian lore. John  
 Beyland himself is how-  
 ever the antiquary of  
 this generation, having  
 written a valuable work  
 the Antiquities of Halifax.  
 John says that in England  
 (as in America) all the  
 family traditions indi-  
 cate in many ways a  
 really marvellous  
~~but~~ hankering and yearn-  
 ing for regnum restigia

renew — to live in the  
fascination of the Past.

Pictographs interested  
me very much. I learned  
to make Indian pictures  
by scraping on birch-  
bark and that so that  
the Indians themselves  
could not distinguish  
my work from their  
own. It is remarkable  
what character a ring  
or frame round the  
simplest drawing, gives  
to it. It abounds in  
Byzantine & Medieval  
art. The principle is one  
well known in decorative  
art, that it is easy to  
space a design — i. e. to  
adapt it to a given circle,  
triangle, square, &c. and  
difficult to draw it

47c  
abstractly. all Gothic  
tracery in fact illus-

Leningham Hotel,

Trates this.

Portland Place, London. W.

I have during some time  
contributed scores of  
designs to the Art  
Journal, and a good  
judge observed of  
them that they were  
strangely inspired by  
some Byzantine or  
Renaissance spirit.  
But I (like Miss Bugh  
when I spoke) owe a  
great deal of this to  
familiarity with Indian  
art. Your suggestion to  
make pictograph de-  
signs for art work is  
quite delightful. The  
Indian, quite free  
from any care as to  
correct design, produ-

as something which  
by its very freedom is  
charming.



Gluskap killeth Mooie (the  
Great Bear) It don't matter  
much whether one can draw  
or not for pictographs.  
Perhaps you would like  
to look over some birch  
bark scrapings of Indian  
pictures. I have some  
here with me (real In-  
dian - not mine.) My

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work on the Algonkian  
Legends is illustrated by  
pictures drawn expressly  
just by Indians. all  
on winter-birds. (bark)  
I can have any number  
sent to order at any  
time.

Before I published  
my Manual of Brass  
Repousse there was  
hardly a soul engaged  
at it in America in  
Great Britain or America.  
So Keall says, and he  
is the first <sup>art.</sup> metal worker  
in England. I was the  
first to discover that in-  
stead of using pit chisels  
sheet brass may be  
hammered cold on the  
face on wood. This re-  
duced the price of work-

ing, from a pound or two  
 to a six shillings for  
 all requisites, I suppose  
 there are 100,000 girls  
 hammering brass now,  
 in America & England.  
 Knell & others have  
 introduced my method  
 into their factories for  
 all beginners. It is not  
 necessary to work large.  
 One can reproduce very  
 well a medal, my girls  
 used to hammer out  
annies (5 penny pieces)  
 and work ornaments  
 on them. I can have  
 one made for you, or  
 will make it myself.

My lecture last  
 night was a success,  
 due chiefly to Sir  
 Jas. Crittton Brewer

who of the world are fully  
well, advocating my  
system. I do not ex-  
pect to meet any opposition  
to it from any of the  
advanced physiolo-  
gists.

Your pictographs  
could be exquisitely ex-  
ecuted on leather or card  
board and then ivorized.  
The process is easy &  
the result is like an  
ancient carving in  
ivory. It is easier than  
brass work.

If you will go with  
me to the Home Arts (over  
the way) you can see  
girls working reprints.  
I have published  
two works (one a very  
large one) and many

major articles are  
 rep<sup>re</sup>sent<sup>ed</sup>. It was the  
 Home Arts Association  
 which first spread it all  
 over England. I mean  
 the working cold. and we  
 were the first to teach  
 iron strip or band work  
 (Venetian) cold. you can  
 see that too at the rooms.

Excuse this gossiping  
 letter, but I have really  
 longed for years to  
talk to you.

Yours truly

Charles S. Leland.

Francis Colton Esq.



*P.W.*  
Bessie Terrace  
Lamington  
Lucas Dalton  
~~W. H. H. H.~~  
Hull  
Julia Tennant



~~W. H. H. H.~~  
Brighton  
London



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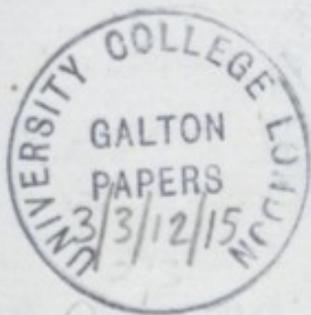


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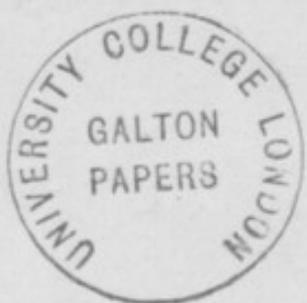
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Feb 9<sup>th</sup>

Dear Mr Galton

I have been  
so long a time in answering  
your letter that I am  
ashamed almost now  
to do so, but I have tried  
to obtain information  
from the few relatives  
left on my dear father's  
side, & have packed except  
in a few days. My

TRUSSARDI  
THEY BELONG

Dear Father, I have been  
 very reserved as to their  
 we used to call it Hallam's reserve,  
 early life, & he outlined  
 all his contemporaries at  
 Iton, & beyond. More than  
 that my dear Father on  
 our return from that  
 fatal journey in 1850  
 burnt many letters & papers  
 for fear of their falling  
 into any strange hands  
 after his death, which



He showed me how absurd he  
was to use things like a  
2. Geography being written  
unless it had been used  
taken by our previous  
Harry. It was the opinion  
also of some of my father's  
intimate friends after his  
death that there was nothing  
to take hold of <sup>in his life</sup> to make  
a Geography. That his works  
would be his best Memorial.

There was a slight sketch  
 drawn up by Dean Milner  
 for an obituary notice for  
 the Royal Society, which  
 I think has been printed  
 in the beginning of one of  
 the Works. Also Mr. Miquet's  
 very beautiful Epitaph, the  
 best they say that he ever  
 pronounced <sup>at the French Academy</sup> which, if you  
 have not seen I will  
 gladly send you my copy  
 to read -

My great grandfather  
 John Hallam was born  
 1693. was twice Mayor of

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Bristol Boston & died  
 in July 1762 aged 59. he  
 was a Surgeon Heber  
 & in a will he is styled

Alderman - in Leicester  
 of the family died fighting  
 on the Royal side in the  
 Battle of Sedgemoor. My great  
 grandfather married a  
 Miss Jane Wright <sup>of Boston</sup> but there  
 is nothing more that we  
 know of her.

My grandfather <sup>John Hallam</sup> was the

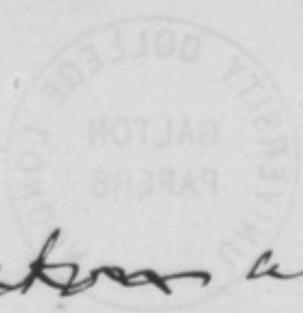


only child of John Hallam  
 & Jane Wright, who lived beyond  
 childhood. he was born  
 in 1722. he received his early  
 education at Boston grammar  
 school before he removed to  
 Ston in 1743. he entered King  
 College Cambridge in 1747.  
 He took orders & was made  
 Canon of Windsor & Dean  
 of Bristol, the latter he  
 resigned some years before  
 his death I believe. He

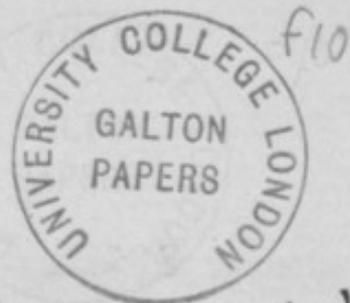


died in 1811 & was buried in  
St George's Chapel - He was  
offered the Bishopric of Chester  
which he declined. In his  
political opinions he was  
a decided Whig. I do not  
think he ever published  
any thing, but he must have  
been a remarkable man,  
my dear father wrote a beautiful  
epitaph for his tablet.

My grandfather married a  
Miss Gleason Roberts, daughter  
of a Dr Roberts, M.D.  
of a Dr Roberts, Halifax



~~doctor~~ at Aberystwyth -  
 who had other sons & daughters  
 one son was Provost of Iton -  
 My grand mother died <sup>at Windsor</sup> in  
 1825 at a great age - She must  
 have had a superior intellec-  
 tual mind from a family  
 brought <sup>to like my father</sup> that we have  
 a beautiful little miniature  
 Her children revered her  
 at the same time she was  
 of an excitable, over anxious  
 temperament, & their chief  
 care, especially my aunt's  
 was to soothe her needless  
 anxiety. They had



only two children that lived,  
 my father who was born  
 in 1777 - & my aunt Elizabeth  
 who was two years younger.  
 Those two were devoted to  
 one another - my aunt had  
 intellectual tastes, she used  
 to have her hours of study  
 in her room - & read a great  
 deal - she learnt languages  
 easily - taught herself Portuguese  
 so as to read it with comfort.

My father married Julia  
 Maria the daughter of  
 Sir Abraham Elton Bart  
 in 1807.

of Clevedon Court, Somerset  
 there - ~~her father~~ she had  
 3 brothers - & one sister who died  
 when she was grown up.

My eldest uncle Charles <sup>Senior</sup> Elton  
 was a person of literary tastes  
 published some Poems, &  
 translations from the Classics.  
 which were considered good.

If all had lived, my dear  
 Father would have had a  
 large family, as it is only  
 only 4 grew up - but there  
 was born in 1811 - & died in  
 1833. Eleanor was born



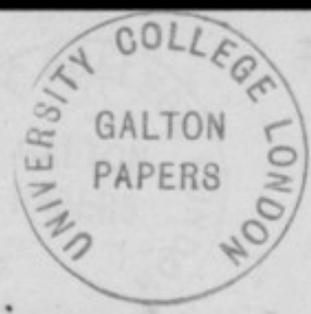
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in 1815. I died almost as  
suddenly after an attack of  
when we thought she was recovering  
fever in 1837. Those two  
were all in all to each other.  
I do not think my dear sister  
ever recovered his loss, tho' she  
bore it with heavenly submission,  
& she was from childhood  
delicate. She was in widow  
as clear  
judgement far above her  
years. We all bent upon her,  
joined to a striking humility,  
she had great abilities. I  
had inherited her aunt's  
taste for languages. When she

was taken, we felt as if the  
 staff of the house was gone.  
 My dear Mother followed  
 in the year 1840, & my Aunt in  
 1841. You knew what our  
 dear Harry was to us - in  
 him my dear Father used  
 to see a reflection of Arthur's  
 mind - & <sup>often</sup> called him  
 Arthur by mistake - he said  
 that Harry was more & more  
 like him -

I feel sure that the talents  
 & qualities that are reveren-  
 ced in those that are gone  
 have been transmitted  
 to them by those before them

Missed, that  
character of  
most dull  
occurred to  
the whole  
had been  
missed, that  
character of  
most dull  
occurred to  
the whole  
had been



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stability of  
character, if not by more  
shining talent, but one has  
no clue to trace it from  
father to son - I must beg  
you again to forgive my  
long silence, but really I  
have felt vexed at finding  
out so little about my  
grandfather & great grandfather  
I conclude you are returned  
to London, I hope all the stronger  
for your absence - I hope  
Mrs Galton is well - we have

all been more or less sailing  
this changeable weather.

I trust Emma is well. &

that she will not forget  
us if she comes to London.

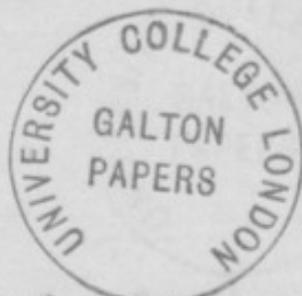
Believe me dear Mr. Galton

Yrs very truly

Julia Leonard

Pray remember me to your

wife - & Col. Leonard desires  
his kind regards.



I see I have not answered  
one or two questions you asked  
respecting my dear Father -  
He was educated at Ston,  
& left in 1794 for the Church  
of Oxford, & took his degree in

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I believe he had physical  
strength in childhood - I  
have never heard him  
speak of delicacy - certainly  
his constitution in old age  
was a very fine one -

I remember his telling me  
that he could read any book



at 4 years old - I wrote songs  
at 9 or 10 years old.

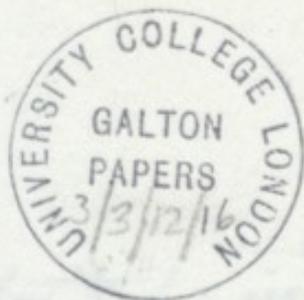
I believe he never changed  
his mind as to his Profession,  
he practiced at the Bar,  
& for some period the Oxford  
Circuit - till he received an  
appointment as Commissioner  
of the Stamp Office.

He was one of the earliest  
Contributors to the Edinburgh  
Review -

One characteristic of my dear  
Father was a certain simplicity  
& humility of character which  
was a great charm. I need to

Frank with bridge

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WITHAM,  
ESSEX.

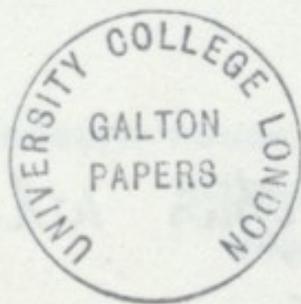
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Dear Uncle Frank,

I hope that  
all goes well with you +  
Eva Biggs. I expect you  
are in your new house  
by now, but I do not know  
its name, + they are sure to  
forward this. Sibbie is away  
for two nights at Cambridge.

ROSLYN HOUSE  
WITHAM  
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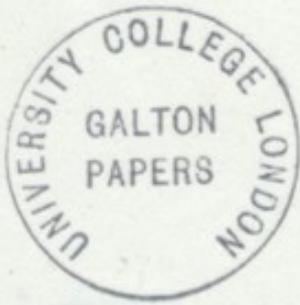
It is the first time that  
She has left all her  
family since the beginning  
of 1910; I think. We have  
had a young artist staying  
in Witham, he comes from  
New Zealand & has done  
a good pencil drawing  
of Edward; he is now  
at work on Susan. We



hope it will be as successful.

I was up at Cambridge not long ago for a conference on Physical Training. I was able to call at the Lodge & to see Uncle Montagu & Agnata. They both seemed well & were as kind as ever. Geoffrey took me to a College Feast at

Corpus where he is now  
Fellow you remember. He  
is in great form & the  
other fellows appear to  
like & appreciate him  
very much. He has got  
over 30 pupils in history  
which means very hard  
work. He thinks that next  
term he will not be able  
to take so many. His  
rooms are interesting.



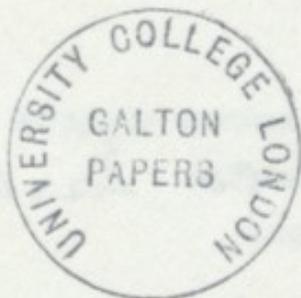
ROSLYN HOUSE,  
WITHAM,  
ESSEX.

The largest one is said  
(by him) to be the oldest  
inhabited room in Cam-  
bridge. Notwithstanding  
that it is quite comfortable.  
There is then a longish  
paragallery which is another  
sitting room leading to  
his bedroom which used  
to be the old infirmary.

His bedroom is right onto  
St Benet's Church (with a  
Saxon tower) & there used  
to be a window into  
the church, so that he would  
have been able to look  
into church from his bed.

It is now blocked up.

From the gallery a  
winding staircase leads



into a sort of crypt under  
the Church where there are  
bones; the crypt ~~is~~ has  
no doubt been used as a  
cellar at some time.

I am busy copying out  
& arranging my reports on  
the school premises of  
Essex. I have been to  
every village in the County

Since Easter!

I hope you do not  
mind this spell of cold  
weather.

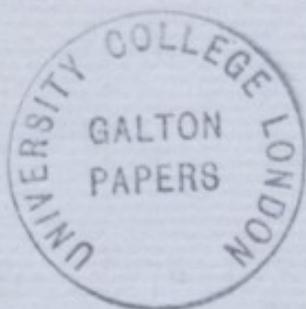
With love

Yours affectly

Frank.

Frank Beth Bridge

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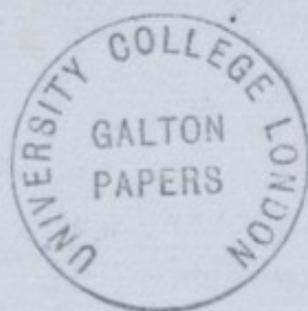
CHELSEFIELD HOUSE,  
CHELSEFIELD, KENT.

29.12.10

Dear Uncle Frank,

Sibbie + I are  
here with our family for  
a few weeks. I am looking  
over Hilton's papers. M<sup>rs</sup>.  
Norman is I hope distinctly  
better though she is still  
weak, + suffers from nettle  
rash. Sibbie + I went  
to London for Saturday night

for the Xmas dinner at  
2. Colvingham Place. We stayed  
with Harry + Kabel Richards  
Father + Mother both seemed  
to be well. We sat down  
18 to dinner, 9 of whom  
were children. White in  
When coming away from  
Ennismore gardens we  
walked through the Brompton  
Church yard to the 'Tube'.

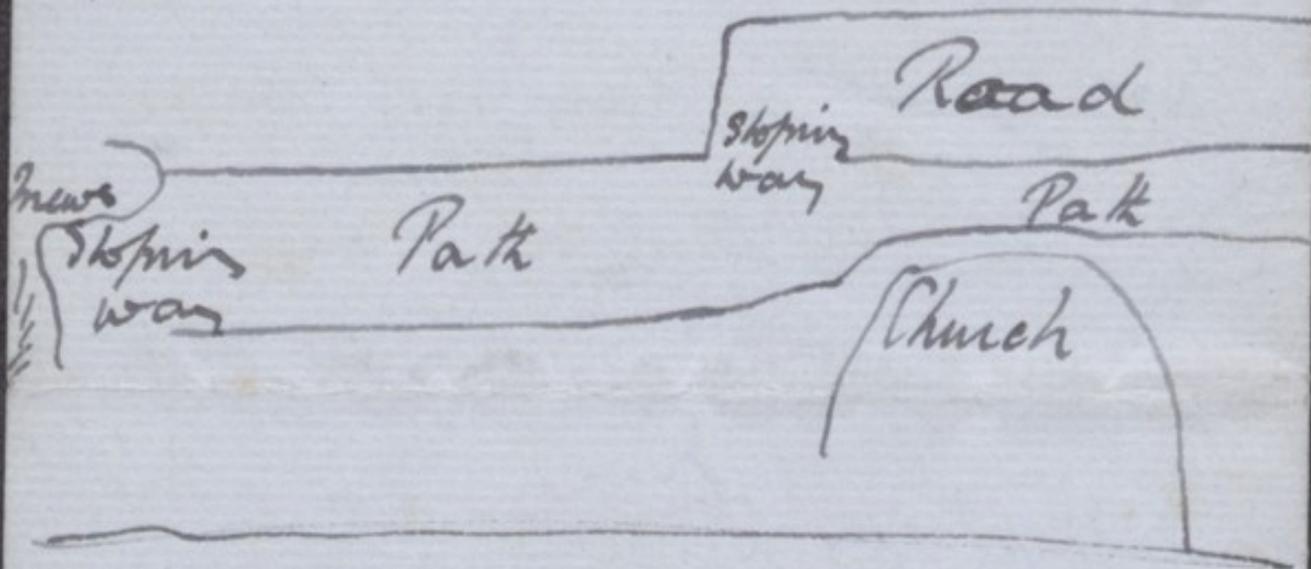


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The path has been much improved. It has been widened as far as the Church & then a <sup>stopping</sup> way <sub>n</sub> have has been made into that very dirty road which is now paved & clean.

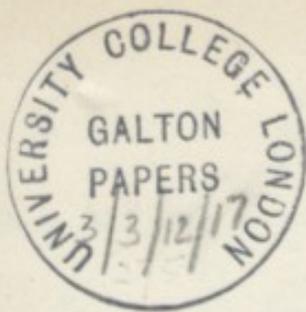
The steps at the end leading into the News have also been turned into a stopping way so that your Bath chair

will be able to be taken  
 into Prompton Road should  
 you wish it.



The Church yard is to be tidied  
 up & hear & laid out as a  
 garden.

+ Mrs. Briggs  
 Hope you have been keeping  
 well. Yesterday & today are  
 very sunny. Yrs. affectly  
 Frank.



May 17 - 1900 <sup>F16</sup>

KNOLE LODGE,

KNYVETON ROAD,

BOURNEMOUTH.

My dearest Uncle Francis,

Very many thanks for your kind letter - I shall be delighted to come to you on June 1<sup>st</sup> and as far as I know, I shall be able to stay as long as you care to have me, for during all June and possibly still longer, nobody is ~~at~~ the least likely to want my society, so that if I could be of the smallest fraction of use to you, no need to say what a very great pleasure it would be to me! - and if I can't even

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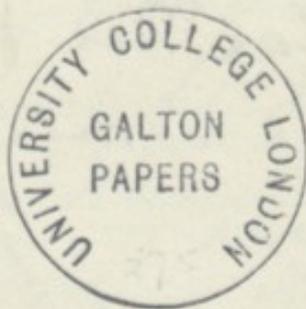
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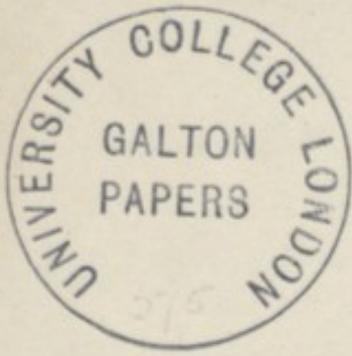
be of that fractional utility,  
well, my pleasure in being with  
you won't be a bit lessened by  
the knowledge of its being entirely  
selfish! — But please do  
not treat me as a visitor! Even  
if you were to go out every  
evening, I should be able to  
amuse myself quite well with  
my reading, writing & work — There  
is no excuse for ever feeling  
dull where one can have a good  
choice of books — besides if I  
should want society, there would  
always be my cousins to fall  
back upon — And if you should

want to leave home for a few days, you must not mind me a bit - I could either stay at Rattan Gate until you return, or not, just as you like - And above all, please say when you have had enough of me and want me to go! - Thank you very much for inviting Amy - I am sure she would be delighted to come for a few days, but we can see about that later on - Please give my love to Eva and thank her for her letter, which I will not answer as I hope to see her soon - You must both have had a glorious time, which I am going to enjoy by proxy for you will have to tell me

all your experiences! — I  
have long letters from all my  
soldiering boys last mail, quite  
satisfactory so far, although  
they are naturally having a  
very hard time of it — with  
best love

yours affectionately  
Millicent Galton Lethbride





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EDYMEAD.

BOVEY TRAGEY.

DEVON Sept. 27

My dearest Uncle Francis

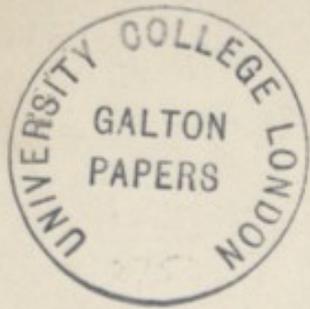
It is very kind of you to wish me to come to you for a little visit, and I should love to see you again - It is about as easy for me to leave home just now as for a snail to walk out of its shell! As soon as I make a plan, something or somebody in the family upsets it, but I really think I could get away about the 22<sup>nd</sup>

EDDYMEAD  
BOVEY TRAOEK  
DEVON

or so of October for a  
fortnight, which - if I may  
I would divide up between  
you and dear Anne Emma  
& 3 or 4 days at Hertford  
with Bob and Mary -  
What I should like still  
better would be to come to  
you much later on - but  
then perhaps you would  
be going abroad, and it

it quite possible I might not find it easier to leave then than now, so I think if it is quite convenient to you, the end of October would be best, and I could either come to you the first or the last part of my time, whichever plan suits you and Aunt Emma best. It seems ages since I saw you, and I am longing to ask you many things - and not least to see the medals!

It will be a real  
refreshment and delight  
 to spend some days with  
 you! I am so thankful  
 your cough is gone - (Surely  
 gone is gone, why say 'seems?')  
 I will not believe but  
 that it is gone for evermore  
 disgusted with your  
 parquet floors & absence of  
 germs! With best love to  
 you and dear Eva, ever  
 your very affectionate  
 Millicent G Lethbridge



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EDYMEAD,  
BOVEY TRACEY,  
DEVON.

Sept. 30

Dearest Uncle Francis

All my plans are  
upset! Amy has developed  
measles, so we must all  
be in quarantine a long  
time - Please make your  
plans quite independently  
of me, for if any others  
catch this stupid measles

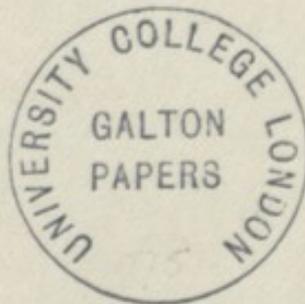
EDWARD  
BOVEY TRAYBY  
DEVON

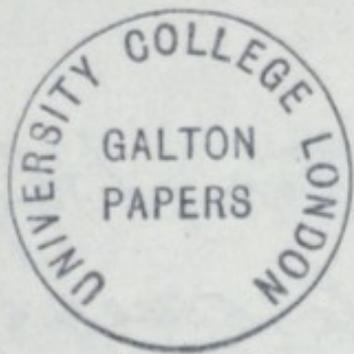
There is no knowing  
how long it may be  
before I am a safe  
guest to have ! I shall  
be grievously disappointed  
if you go abroad before  
I have seen you, but  
fear it is not at all  
improbable ! Army is

so far doing very well,

In haste and with  
much love, yours ever  
affectionately

M. G. Lethbridge





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Ravenscourt,  
Minehead,  
Somerset.

Jan 12.

Dear Uncle Francis

How very wrong of you  
to get a throat! However  
you are all in the fashion  
for everybody is having  
"throats" or "chest" or both  
combined. Din is in  
bed with both, but she  
is getting over them & I  
hope will be down in a  
day or two — Many thanks

for your last letter. Why  
apologize for newslessness,  
for your letters are always  
delightful, news or no news.

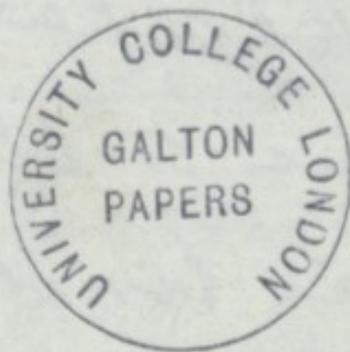
No; Guy was none the  
worse for his storm-adventure.  
Our luckless Squire, Mr  
Luttrell, however, will be  
the worse for the storm  
by several thousands of  
pounds, as the sea front  
here belongs to him, and  
the whole thing is ruined.

It is extraordinary to see what huge solid blocks of masonry the sea played pitch and toss with - The poor sailor folk on the quay had their little cottages & belongings more or less ruined, & the distress was terrible, until charitable people came to the rescue. Well, dear Uncle Francis, make haste and get well, - and thank Eva for her letter

I promise to let me  
have a Post Card tomorrow  
which I trust will reform  
convalescence —

With our best love  
always your affectionate

M. G. Lethbridge



at Whitwell Rectory  
in Mansfield. July 29  
with Letter

EDYMEAD, 1906

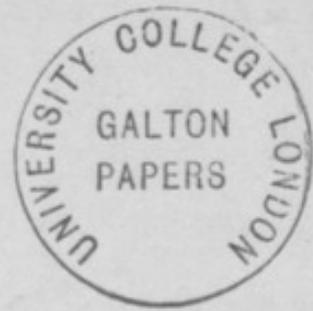
BOVEY TRACEY,

DEVON.

Dearest Uncle Francis

As Hugh is teaching at the School  
I have an hour's quiet & will  
write to you, though I won't post  
this letter until my return home.

First, let me thank you very  
very much for my happy visit  
and for all your kindness and  
spoiling — It was very pleasant  
and almost demoralizing, to be  
made so much of! — I wish  
I could have been more of a  
help to you, and have entered  
more thoroughly into your work,  
but alas! — limitations, limitations!  
— I can only follow you a little  
way intelligently, & then have to



EDYMEAD.  
BOVEY TRACEY  
DEVON.

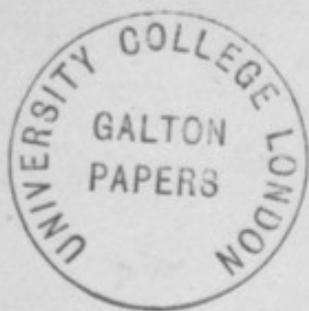
content myself with wishing  
you God-speed, when you rise  
to greater heights, & leave me  
lagging behind — well, to return  
to what I first said — I have had  
a delightful visit, & thank you  
many, many, many times — When  
you write to me next week you  
must tell me how you and Lou  
are enjoying yourselves at Okeham.  
I like to imagine you both making  
the most of what summer remains  
amongst trees & fields — Now I  
must tell you about Hugh — This  
morning I heard him preach for  
the first time, & was certainly  
greatly surprised, for although I  
and all of us were sure Hugh

would make a good hard-working  
 Parish Priest, we never expected he  
 would be much of a preacher, as in  
 conversation - or in telling a story -  
 he speaks too slowly & sometimes  
 has a tendency to stammer - So when  
 Hugh delivered a really eloquent  
 sermon, his voice filling the church,  
 & with - (I hope it isn't a Mother's  
 partiality, but I honestly think  
 it isn't!) an unusually good  
 delivery, I was quite taken aback  
 & do not understand it yet - for  
 it really seemed to me out of the  
 way good - Still of course Mother  
 always do think their Geese Swans,  
 so possibly I am only hallucinated  
 after all! Anyhow the people's  
 attention was rivetted - and I -  
 (subtract again for prejudiced  
 opinion!) - thought the sermon  
 excellent - So far so good, but  
 I am not equally pleased with  
 Hugh's surroundings. His Rector

is a very superior man - but  
 oh, such a wet blanket! If I  
 had to live with him entirely  
 as Hugh does, & never see another  
 man or woman in my own class  
 to exchange ideas with, I should  
 should go melancholy mad. No,  
 that is exaggeration, but I  
 really do think it a depressing  
 entourage for a young man.  
 Happily Hugh has plenty of work  
 & loves his miners, & there is  
 no possibility of mistaking  
 the fact that the people love  
 him, for in the afternoon we  
 walked together to another Mission  
 Church which Hugh works entirely  
 & there was not a man, woman  
 or child who had not a pleased  
 grin or nod for him - Don't  
 repeat what I have told you

July 29 1906

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EDYMEAD,  
BOVEY TRACEY,  
DEVON.

about Canon Mason's society  
not being exactly exhilarating.  
I shouldn't even have told you  
for he is very kind to Hugh -  
but you know "speaking to a  
friend is thinking aloud" -  
Also I wish Hugh's luggage  
were not so far from us all,  
as distance & expense quite  
prohibit his coming to see me  
when he has a couple of days  
free. However "Kommst Zeit,  
Kommst Rath" & grumbling  
is of no use -

July 31<sup>st</sup>. I came home yesterday  
& was warmly welcomed

EDYMEAD.  
BOVEY TRAVEY  
DEVON

by sons, servants & animals.  
The horse recognized me at  
once, & my small dog will  
not let me out of his sight  
& is quite foolishly happy -  
Gug had a delightful time with  
Edward Wheeler & gives a  
wonderful account of the  
Warwick Pageant - He is rather  
hopeful again about their  
Adjutantcy, for the Auxiliary  
Forces are most anxious  
to get Gug (General Mackinnon)  
because they know how capable  
he is, & the <sup>Army Council</sup> ~~Staff~~ would  
like him too, only they don't know

where to find a precedent, as  
 it seems against the rules  
 of the Medes & Persians. However  
~~to give an opportunity to a Revolver~~  
 he has to present himself at  
 the War Office again, and as  
 so many influential people <sup>have</sup>  
 doing their best for Guy, I  
 think we need not despair yet.

With best love to you &  
 dear Eva always

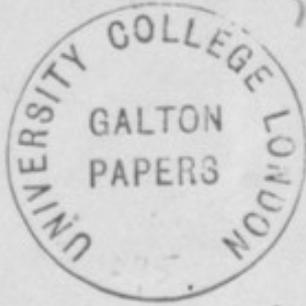
yours affectly

Millicent G. Lethbridge

Please forgive this untidy  
 letter!



every one affected  
by the disease of Lethbridge



Molly Lethbridge

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EDYMEAD,  
BOVEY TRACEY,  
DEVON.

Aug 8  
1906

My dearest Uncle Francis

Heartiest thanks for your delightful letter. Your descriptions and Carl's charming sketch enable me to see you in your pretty cottage almost as clearly as if I could "project my Astral Self" à la Madame Blavatsky, and pay you a visit there! The Machine will be the chief feature in its furniture, & you must tell me if it proves satisfactory in its working, and how the measurement of resemblance progresses? Shall you be able to take the Machine into the garden work as it out of doors, or will

that be impossible? The drawing  
will not be big enough to cover it  
and you simultaneously, I fear!

I am so glad you & Eva have  
found a worthy frame for your  
Portraits, for it was greatly needed,  
I hope I shall see it next year!

Daisy Studdy has kindly sent me  
some letters of my dear Mother's  
which she found amongst Aunt  
Wheler's things. You can think how  
happy I am to possess them - It  
seems almost like having a little  
bit of my Mother again with me -  
I enclose you 4 of the letters to read  
but please return them at your leisure

and when you have quite finished  
with them - How history repeats  
itself! My mother writing "Only  
think, sweet Francis sets off from  
Boulogne today week! Dearest child  
how rejoiced we shall be to kiss  
his dear freckled face again!" -  
and some 14 years ago I was using  
the very same words about my  
youngest child - - and now your  
childhood, my childhood, my children's  
childhood, all past and gone -

"Like as the waves make for the  
pebbled shore

So do our minutes hasten to their  
(end)

Each changing place with that  
which went before

In sequent toil all forwards do  
contend" - - -

Then there is that other letter  
with a copy of yours, saying you  
had learnt a great deal of

Louchoy, evidently allaying my  
 Mother's fears that you were not  
 caring enough for your studies!  
 She need not have been alarmed  
 dear Mother! if she had known!  
 Those letters of hers to my Grandfather  
 will interest you too, and perhaps  
 Uncle Erasmus would like to see  
 them? If you think so, I will  
 send them to him when you have  
 finished with them - but not  
 otherwise - There is a post-script  
 too of dear Aunt Emma's - I am  
 glad to send you these letters just  
 about this time of August which  
 is so full of memories - Two years  
 since Aunt Emma left us, and  
~~since~~ since Aunt Louise was laid  
 to rest in that lovely spot at  
 Clermont Ferrand - My letter is  
 growing too long & I must stop.  
 With best love from us all

My dear Mr. Lettbridge

Aug 16 - 1906.



EDYMEAD,  
BOVEY TRACEY,  
DEVON.

Dear Uncle Francis

I will not wait until Friday  
this time, as I have your  
question to answer as well as  
two letters to thank you for.  
Yes, the 1<sup>st</sup> of September will  
suit me perfectly, and I am  
very glad you prefer that to  
a later date, for we have every  
premonitory sign of a sadly  
early autumn, and I want  
you to come to me before it  
turns cold - Another reason I  
rejoice too, is that this horrible

EDYMED.  
BOVEY TRACEY  
MOVED

Drainage work will probably reach us about the middle of September, and I do not want you to come in for the disagreeableness of it! I wish dear Eva had been coming with you, however I must hope for her another time - Shall you bring The Machine? I hope so, and if the weather does not allow you to work in the Summerhouse, I think we could easily find space enough for it in your room, by expelling one of the two beds - Or else the dining room

will always be at your service  
except during Mealtimes - Our  
little Italian friend will be  
here until nearly the end of  
September, as her friend Princess  
Teano has changed her plans, and  
cannot escort her back till  
then - She is a charming little  
person, and we like her exceedingly.  
It is rather curious in this very  
out-of-the-way village, that  
just now we have 4 inhabitants  
of Rome within a stone's throw,  
as beside Magdalene Lotta, there  
is a Lady Butt & her daughter  
who have taken a cottage <sup>here</sup> for  
the summer, who both live in  
Rome, & also a Russian lady,  
niece of Prince (something) Mirsky  
who it was once hoped, was going  
to inaugurate a new era in Russia.

She also lives in Rome & is temporarily our neighbour.

Sir Rennell Rodd's Mother and Sister are also here for a month.

The sister caught fire 7 weeks ago, and though her mother & the servants soon extinguished the flames, her arms & chest were badly burnt. So you see little Boney is becoming quite

fashionable - my Croquet lawn has had to be aroused from its slumbers, and tea-picnics - varied by down-pours of rain - are the order of the day. In a few weeks we shall all go comfortably to sleep again!

Dear Uncle Francis! You can't think how I am looking forward to your visit! It will be such

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EDYMEAD,  
BOVEY TRACEY,  
DEVON.

a great, great-pleasure to  
get you here, and it is so  
good of you to come all this  
way! — With best love from  
us all to you and Eva  
always your affectionate

Millicent G. Lethbridge

Gipi's room will be on the  
same landing as yours, but  
not the next room — shall  
you mind?



Milly Tebbidge

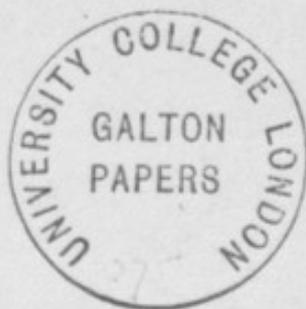
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BOVEY TRACEY,

DEVON. Aug 23  
1906

himself for her -  
Maggie's little  
managed it through  
some Cardinal as  
I think -

dearest Uncle Francis  
the poor Thumb is not  
healed yet? I am so sorry,  
although - with your genius  
of extracting interest out  
of everything - it has its  
good side as well as its bad.  
Perhaps it may induce you  
to add a Bioscope to your  
other many inventions, and  
if you re-incarnate in a  
century or two, you will find  
all the European Surgeons relying



EDDYMEAD  
BOVEY TRACEY  
DEVON

on something more accurate than their unassisted memory in dealing with wounded patients. "The Galton Bioscope" - It sounds quite nice! - Yes I have un-earthed 2 Tables for the Machine. One can go in your room & the other can be for the Summerhouse. But I wonder whether it would not be a good plan to bring down your hawing as well? It could be placed just where the light was best & the wind least - or you might vary

it with the Summerhouse  
according to the time of day  
& place of the sun, for I fancy  
you require a very good  
light for the Machine, do you  
not? The weather has changed  
and is very pleasant now,  
so I am in hopes it will  
continue like this during  
your visit, I do so want  
it to be fine whilst you  
are here — Poor Eva! I hope  
she did not hurt herself  
when she came down with  
her Hammock — it can't have  
been pleasant at best!  
Ockhem sounds absolutely

delightful ! I am afraid  
 Bovey cannot hope to rival  
 its charms, particularly with  
 a horrid Drain marching on  
 relentlessly towards us ! I  
 watch its progress with a  
 fascinated dread, because I  
 don't want it to reach us  
 until after your visit. I  
 don't mind what it does  
 then ! — With best love to  
 you and Eva from us all  
 ever, dear Uncle Francis

Your affectionate

Millicent G. Lethbridge  
 Amy is very pleased, the Pope having  
 appended his signature to a Photograph of

LLERGE LONDON  
TON  
ERS

Knole Lodge, Knayveton Road  
Bournemouth. Jan 30 - 1900.

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My dearest Uncle Francis,  
For your most delightful letter, a  
thousand thanks! It took me right-  
away from War anxieties, Boy-worries,  
and English winter & hyper-civilization  
for a little while, and gave me a real  
good time in the Mud Hut, and I think  
on your lady Doctor's horse as well!  
I am delighted that you and Eva are  
having such pleasant extra-bohemian  
experiences, and I don't at all see  
why you should feel "ashamed" of  
enjoying yourselves - In spite of  
your general youthfulness and being  
"the Baby of the Galton family" - you  
know you are not quite young enough  
to enlist, and Eva isn't a trained  
nurse, so she isn't wanted at the front  
either - It does not do a bit of good  
to sit at home and be miserable about

what is out of our power to help -  
 I should have written before, only I  
 was waiting to say something definite  
 re my boys - The Devon Yeomanry  
 fell through in Guy's case owing to  
 his being very ill with Influenza,  
 Bronchitis and other complications -  
 He was then at Trepan, and Eddy  
 took fright, and wrote frantic letters  
 to the effect that Guy was in a very  
 bad way, and that it would be  
 madness for him to go out at all,  
 especially as a Trooper where he would  
 have such a rough time - Then I  
 lost my head, and took fright too, and  
 what with Guy declaring he would  
 go, & Eddy declaring he shouldn't,  
 and the Launceston doctor siding  
 chiefly with Eddy - - altogether it was  
 not a pleasant time - However as  
 soon as Guy was well enough, he  
 came here & then affairs cleared up -

Dr Muspratt overhauled him and gave a satisfactory opinion so far as organic mischief was concerned, so the next step was for Guy to get enrolled in Paget's Corps, which will be so much pleasanter for him than the Devon Yeomanry that I am quite thankful he fell ill when he did — The Paget Corps is entirely composed of gentlemen, and though I suppose the work will be just as hard, it will make an immense difference to be with men who wash to say nothing of other things — On board ship too it will be make matters very much pleasanter to have clean companions, space & oxygen both being limited! — There seems to be a beautiful vagueness about Paget's Corps, but as far as Guy knows, he will be made sergeant — I expect his work will be pretty well cut out for him as the ideas of riding that prevail in these Yeomanry Corps are most elementary, and shooting de même!

The next family excitement was Frank enlisting in Compton's Horse as Trooper. I fancy Frank will have rather a rough time of it, but he is in excellent spirits and doesn't mind. I wish he were stronger and had not such bad varicose veins, however I hope for the best. Even Hugh has joined the Volunteers, so I think when I have 3 of my dear boys at the front, and another keeping ready for emergencies, I shall have done my duty by my country - We had a large family gathering on Sunday last, for Guy got 3 days leave, and Frank a few hours, so Edoly, Fred and Hugh all came here from different quarters to say Goodbye and I had all my children with me except my dear absent Bob. The terrible news however about Spion's Kop, and the too-probable abandonment of Ladysmith, sent Edoly back next day, as he naturally could not leave my alone in her anxiety, her only brother being out there. Well, I think I

may as well bring my letter to a close, for when I begin wondering if - and how - I shall ever again have all my children with me, my cowardly feelings get the upper hand, and I cannot pose satisfactorily as a Spartan mother any longer - So farewell, & store up all sorts of nice things to tell on your return, so that we stay-at-homes may enjoy Egypt by proxy - Is Eva designing hieroglyphical wall-papers? Give her <sup>our</sup> best love please -

Ever yours affectionately  
 Millicent G. Lethbridge



Do you happen to know the meaning of the enclosed seal? Bob brought it from Khartoum - I forget if I told you that Bob has had 2 bullets through his clothes, & the rock he was kneeling on was shattered but so far he is unscathed - He writes every mail regularly - Elsie has been staying here - she is well

a dear, & I am growing quite devoted to her - Only it would have been wiser if those two had waited a few years before falling in love with each other! However as matters are I am more than contented with my future daughter-in-law



...the on your return, so that we can be at home every day of the year - Is your business very busy? I shall be very glad to hear from you from time to time. I shall be very glad to hear from you from time to time. I shall be very glad to hear from you from time to time.

Wd



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Parrishurst,  
Ampthorp,  
Dorset.  
May 3. 87

My dear Mr. Galton

Holding as I do that the future of our race is intimately connected - in fact, hinges upon the great problem of heredity to which you have devoted so much time & thought, I look with anxiety to know what you propose to do to render permanent your researches - Permanent of course they must be in a literary sense - for books are our nearest approach to immortality this side of the grave - but (to give the question should it be indiscreet) is it not in the bounds of possibility that the matter could be dealt with by a 'Society' - a corporation of some sort who should hand on from one generation to another the sacred torch. It is indeed a matter of such moment that one might almost think it of National importance were

it not for the purblindness wh. afflicts humanity  
 & leads them will-o-the-wispring after pleasure  
 & self and the hundred other gew gaws with  
 which our eyes are dazzled -

Now, following out your views - which gave  
 me such pleasure in compiling the Record of  
 Family Faculties - I have got together a mass  
 of information, Genealogical & other, in respect  
 of the family of "Lewin" and I look with  
 dooming at the prospect of the whole collection  
 being probably burnt as rubbish at my death.

If there were any body corporate to whom  
 we could commit such documents I would  
 hand them over by will & what is more I  
 should be prepared to invest some hundreds  
 of pounds for the purpose of carrying on &  
 confirming the work in relation to the  
 said family. What are your views on the  
 subject?

I know you sometimes take your walks  
 into the country, why not some day come  
 down to Crawley on the A B & S C R, walk

Ⓜ across the lovely upland country - lunching at Parkhurst en route with my friend or friends you may have with you & so by Dorking back to town. Or I would meet you at some bustling place & fare along together. Will you think this over as a possibility - meantime do not trouble to answer this but believe me your true disciple & admirer

Thomas Herbert Dewar

My wife joins in my kind greetings & remembrances to Mr. Galton.

(RAILWAY ADDRESS)  
GOMSHALL S.E.R.



(POSTAL ADDRESS)  
F45  
PARKURST,  
ABINGER,  
DORKING.

June 6. 87

My dear Mr. Galton

Thanks for your letter. I fear the  
Pedigree Institute will not hatch. Had I only been  
younger & living in London I should have deemed  
it a proud privilege to work under your direction  
but as it is I am but a stranded waif in a pleasant  
backwater of life. The whole thing hinges on the  
finding of a good enthusiastic Hon. Sec. and

whether he will or will not turn up is problematical.  
You can command me in any way that lies in my  
power.

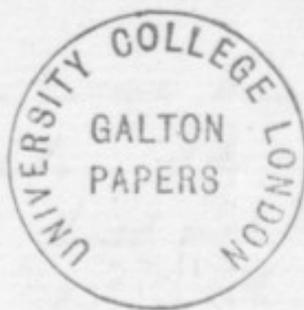
I enjoyed mightily seeing you here and wish heartily  
that you may think the visit worth repeating.

My wife desires to be very kindly remembered to Mrs  
Gallon as also does

Yours very truly

Thos. H. Lewis:

W.H.



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Parkhurst,  
Ampers,  
Dorking.  
22 Nov. 87

My dear Mr. Galton

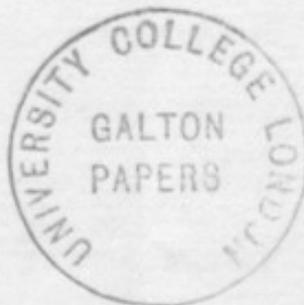
Thanks for your letter of 22<sup>nd</sup> received this morning to wh. I reply by return. You were on my mind as I had seen, with regret a note in the Times of your indisposition & I had intended & indeed intend calling at Putland Gate on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. to see how you are & to present my respects to Mr. Galton. I fear I shall not be able to get up for the lectures much as I should like to do so as I also have been rather shaky in point of health & one is obliged to 'manage' the machine in this pernicious winter weather - but I shall read your utterances with the greatest interest & if as I hope the lectures find a permanent form in print - hope to possess them.

I return herewith your proof with such small & unimportant notes as have occurred to me. Of course to my Indian official mind it seems a natural thing to suggest that the Government should interest themselves in so important an operation - and

Nothing would be easier than to apply your system  
 to Schools & Jails. I do not see also why the  
 Clubs of England should not be furnished with an  
 Anthropometric register in wh. members would delight,  
 and to wh. you as High Priest of the Science wd.  
 have access. I shall be much interested to hear  
 what response you get to your appeal to the general  
 public, made in your closing paragraph. I need  
 hardly say that you can count upon me for whatever  
 support it is in my power to give - I wish only that  
 Colliery property were paying any dividend where I should  
 have been able to do much more than I can hope to  
 do at present. I suppose your expenses would be met  
 by annual subscriptions of Members of the Anthrop.  
 Institute? I incline to South Kensington as a home if  
 it could be managed. With our united kind regards  
 to you & Mr. Galton believe me

Yours very faithfully

Thomas H. Hodgkin.



Adm. Likhatchof 3/3/12/19  
4, rue de Logelbacke Paris. Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1901. Fla

Dear Sir,

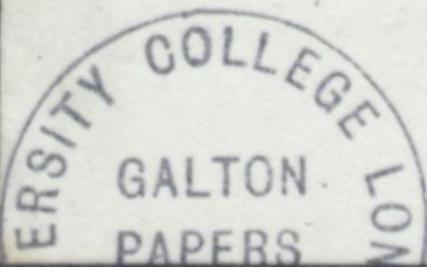
I have just had the  
pleasure <sup>to read</sup> in "Man" an abstract of  
your lecture on "the Possible  
Improvement of the Human Breed".  
It is a question which ought  
to be of so deep an interest to  
everybody that I hope you will  
excuse <sup>me</sup> if I venture to ask  
where can I find a fuller  
or more complete exposition of  
your ideas & views on this subject

I enclose by card & beg  
to remain

yours truly  
J. Likhatchof

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Vice Admiral J. Sitchachof.  
I. R. N.



4. rue de Logelbach,  
Paris.

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15 Nov/95

13, WETHERBY GARDENS,  
S.W.



My dear Galton,

I thought of  
the Athenaeum Library;

and, going there, I

found a paper

by Sir H. James,

in size answering

to the one he gave

me, and about the

Egyptian Pyramids,

but

not about their  
astronomical character.

The subject of this  
paper is the computation  
of the orbit by which  
they ought to be  
measured -

It is so long since  
I have seen the paper  
that I had from Sir  
H. James

that my recollection  
 is on of the subject  
 of it may be  
 wrong. The attuned  
 copy  
 contains the  
 name of Sir Isaac  
 Newton, and I  
 think it quite  
 possible that this  
 impression may  
 have dwelt on my

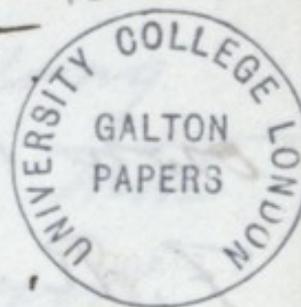
memory without its  
 context, and may  
 have suggested astro-  
 -nomy.

Please do not, therefore,  
 to trouble yourself  
 with searching, if  
 the result of your  
 first inquiry is negative  
 Yours very truly  
 Lingren

Low down

18 Nov<sup>r</sup> 95

13, WETHERBY GARDENS,  
S.W.



My dear Galton,

I want to ask  
you a curious question,  
in your character of  
F.R.S.

A good many years  
ago, the late Sir Henry  
James, at that time  
Director of the Ordnance  
Survey at Southampton,  
and I should think, as  
being rather an eminent  
man of science in his

own line, like yourself, being  
F. R. I, gave me ~~me~~  
a quarto brochure of  
a few pages, on the  
astronomical character  
of the Egyptian Pyramids.

The treatise was beyond  
me, and it lay for years  
on a shelf.

Some 3 or 4 weeks  
ago, I met Penrose, the  
architect, at dinner —  
with whom I had made  
acquaintance in Greece,

ing and who has been long  
pursuing a theory that  
the principal Greek  
temples are built  
under the aspect of the  
fixed star with which  
the God of the particular  
temple is connected.

I told him I would  
send him James's  
pamphlet, and, as  
usual, cannot find  
it in its place.

Is there a copy of  
it in the library, or  
on the shelves of the

Royal Society ?

If so, and if Penrose  
is F.R.S., I can tell  
him to look for it  
there; and, if he is  
not, I suppose the  
Secretary would let him  
see it, if he wished to  
do so.

Yours very truly

Lingard

trop tard pour que je fasse  
à ce n° aucun changement  
ou rectification.

je ne pouvais plus mentionner  
votre réclamation que dans le  
n° suivant, c'est à dire celui  
1<sup>er</sup> janvier - février 1880. Il  
vient de paraître hier  
30 Décembre, et il contient  
la note suivante, p. 160 :

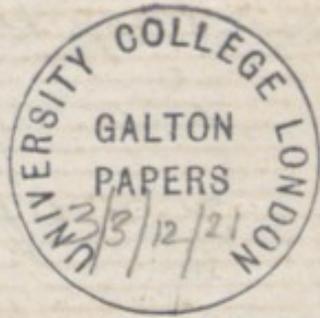
« Réclamation - - M. Francis  
Galton, auteur du mémoire intitulé  
Faits psychométriques, nous fait  
observer que l'annonce qui est à la  
couverture dans la table de  
juillet 1879 et qui porte :  
Faits psychométriques, Reoul

Paris, le 31 xbre 1879

lettre

Fl

Monsieur



Avant de porter une accusation, il faut bien examiner toutes les circonstances.

Votre première lettre, que j'ai sous les yeux, est datée de Londres, 31 octobre 1879. Je l'ai reçue à Paris au plus tôt le 1<sup>er</sup> novembre. Or, à ce même 1<sup>er</sup> novembre paraissait le n<sup>o</sup> 2. novembre - décembre, contenant la table dont vous vous plaignez. Donc, quand votre lettre m'est parvenue, il était

J'ai vu, pourrait faire croire  
 que l'auteur est Raoul Judy.  
 Ce serait une erreur bien  
 vite rectifiée par la page 50  
 du même numéro, où il est  
 dit: Article de M. Francis  
 Galton, F. R. S., traduit du  
Nineteenth Century, mars  
 1879, par Raoul Judy. Mais  
 il suffit que M. Galton se plaigne  
 du libellé de la table qui précède,  
 en effet, à une erreur, pour  
 que nous le changeions. On  
 mettra donc en place: Faith  
psychométrique, Francis Galton.

Agrées, Monsieur, l'  
 assurance de ma haute  
 considération  
 E. Littré

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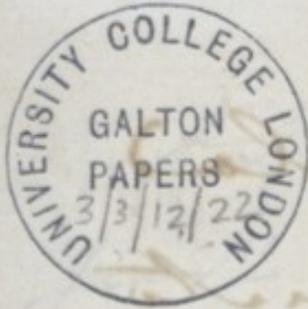
Francis Galton Esq  
Rutland Gate  
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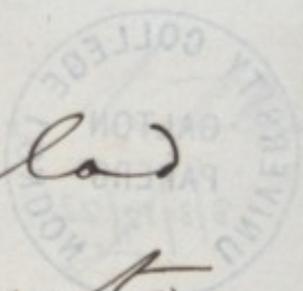


7 Stafford St  
Old Broad St.  
16. Feb. 1866

Dear Mr. Galton

I recd the  
last letter from Audrey  
fr your present. but  
I suppose there is <sup>no</sup> ~~is~~  
now on the way  
fr me.

As I send you  
a note to you the  
other d. I have great  
hopes he will  
save his leg.



Dear Mr. You are glad  
to see me. seems to  
be hobbying about  
his great work. the  
African Fauna.

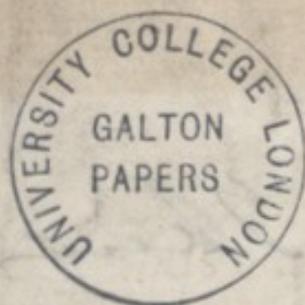
Believe me  
yours truly  
L. S. Selys

Frank Gattouly  
in 1882

P.S. - I myself have  
just come to terms  
with Doughty. and I  
will shortly send  
you the Prospectus.

The work will be  
well got up, and  
consequently an expensive  
one. It contains  
nothing, I should  
tell you, interesting to  
the general reader,  
but will do well  
enough for the

Drawing Room with  
 four windows to  
 the left. The  
 window is  
 with a  
 view of the  
 garden. The  
 room is  
 furnished  
 with a  
 table and  
 chairs. The  
 room is  
 very  
 comfortable  
 and  
 well  
 suited  
 for  
 the  
 purpose  
 of  
 a  
 drawing  
 room.



69. Gt. Russell St.,  
Bloomsbury W.C.  
23. Oct 66

Dear Mr. Galton

Have the kindness  
to inform me if you  
have seen Sir Rhoderick  
Murchison of late.  
as also, if he has  
said anything to you  
about a poor Anderson's  
talks of new  
Book? —

For the pass

Three Months I have  
 been in Sweden, to  
 see after my children,  
 as was detained  
 then must longer  
 than anticipated on  
 account of the Cholera  
 Epidemic, in place.  
 has committed

great damage in  
 West County -  
 In the small  
 Town of Wrentham.

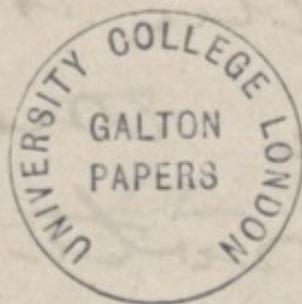
where, I reside. and  
 which only numbers  
 some 4,000. People.  
 about 600. have  
 sicked of that Malady,  
 of whom about  
 a third died; -

Have you  
 seen poor Anderson's  
 letter to me? - I mean  
 the one Mr. O  
 wrote to you  
 respects - a May

Months ago.

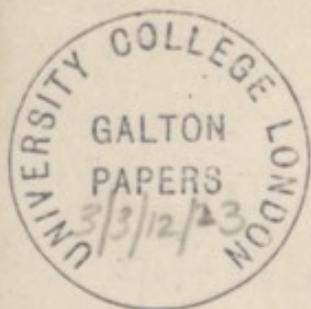
Believe me  
Yours truly  
Francis

Francis Galton



Lord Loch

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3 May 1966

44, ELM PARK GARDENS,

S.W.

Dear Mr Galton,

My many thanks  
for the very interesting  
prints. They are very  
curious - especially the  
different types - has any  
one yet endeavored to  
depict the various patterns  
as indicating different  
characters - on the  
principles of Palmistry -

44, ELM PARK GARDENS

S.W.

It seems true even  
 dividing the types under  
 the three heads, that it  
 must be immensely  
 difficult to compare,  
 as the number of  
 examples increase,  
 each new case with  
 that of previous criminals  
 to distinguish whether they

has ever been of use  
to you - Thanking you  
very much believe me

Yours very truly

Doct

Oliver Lodge



Mariemont,  
Edgbaston.

8 March 1907.

Dear Mr. Galton,

Could you, without much trouble, supplement your interesting letter in Nature called "Vox Populi" by a statement of what the average of all the votes would have been, and also what the weighted mean of the votes would have been, i.e. multiplying each estimate by the number of times it occurred? But in fact I perceive that this last would, in such a case as the present, be really the average.

In political voting unfortunately no such reasonable result seems possible; since the result is quite discontinuous, and it is the

fluctuating balance which oscillates from one side to the other that determines whether one side or the other shall be returned, giving the Minority no representation at all.

And this forsooth is subsequently spoken of as "a mandate".

It is interesting to see how near to the truth your advocated middle-most value arrived in the excellent case you have dealt with in this weeks Nature.

Yours very truly,  
 Oliver Lodge



Telephone N° 68.

THE UNIVERSITY,  
EDMUND STREET,  
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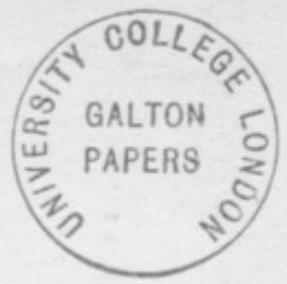


20 March 1907.

Dear Dr. Galton,

When I sent the papers last night I had not referred to "Nature", and did not realise that the average came out within three-quarters of a pound of the length — a singular coincidence, and one which seems to me to strengthen the idea I previously

*Oliver Lodge*



held, that the average is the best method of arriving at the essence of a vote of this kind, since the higher and lower discordances are duly cancelled out of it automatically, and yet allowed each its proper small weight.

I do not realise the advantage of your middle-most value, unless the discrepancies

from it are weighted by the  
number of times they occur;  
and if they are weighted,  
then the process is the same  
as taking the average.

If I am wrong you will  
correct me.

Believe me,

Faithfully yours,

Oliver Lodge



Telephone N° 68.

THE UNIVERSITY,  
EDMUND STREET,  
BIRMINGHAM.



19 March 1907.

Dear Dr Galton,

I sent your document to one of our Junior Lecturers in Mathematics who is interested in philosophical questions, asking him if he had a student whom he could put to it.

His reply I enclose, showing that he has done the work himself; and I also enclose his results, which I

have not checked over in any way,  
but perceive give an average of 1197.  
It is good of him to have taken this  
trouble, and I tell him that I  
shall inform you.

Believe me,

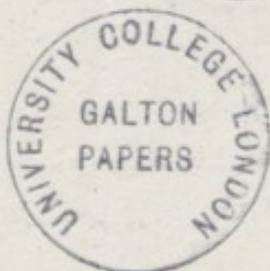
Yours very truly,

Oliver Lodge





Telephone N° 68.



THE UNIVERSITY,  
EDMUND STREET,  
BIRMINGHAM.

March 18<sup>th</sup> 1907

Dear Principal,

I could not find a suitable student to work out the average you require. They are generally better at differentiation than addition.

I was happy to oblige you myself, and spent an hour on Sunday at the work.

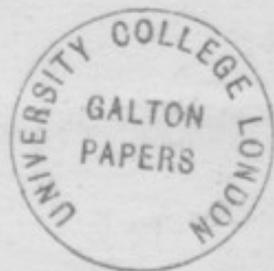
As Mr Galton wanted

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the figures erased after  
verification, I did not use  
his paper.

Yours faithfully

C. T. Pearce



Weight Judging Competition  
 calculation of Mean by Mr. C.T. Preese Junior Lecturer in Mathematics Brunel University 19  
 process for me by it Principal, Sir Oliver Lodge Page 1

Score	Frequency	Weighted Score
896	78	0
*906	79	1
912	80	2
923	243	6
929	85	8
934	87	6
936	264	24
955	89	45
957	182	20
962	184	33
972	186	24
973	94	14
982	480	15
987	97	16
1000	294	51
1004	198	54
1005	101	19
1009	212	42
1023	107	22
2056	432	69
1031	436	24
1038	220	75
1041	111	26
1051	224	54
2104	226	84
1054	114	87
1056	230	90
1059	232	155
1064	351	288
1065	590	68
1066	595	165
1071	120	36
1072	121	148
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39 cases	71 cases	83 cases

$1+2+3+\dots+83$   
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Carry 149 126  
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 143. 73.



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4	12	120
15	45	123
36	36	420
35	21	172
27	88	88
30	81	270
11	30	322
72	121	141
52	48	144
70	112	245
75	90	51
96	80	312
85	68	159
90	252	162
171	152	55
140	120	56
126	210	57
66	110	58
69	92	59
192	168	300
125	200	244
78	208	124
216	108	441
224	168	64
116	174	130
150	300	198
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64	192	204
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74	315	355
<u>191,160</u>	<u>283,975</u>	<u>158,953</u>
162 cases	233 cases	127 cases
Carry 150	115	143
166	137	145



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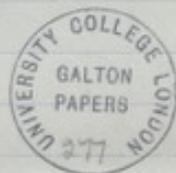
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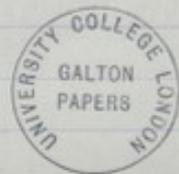
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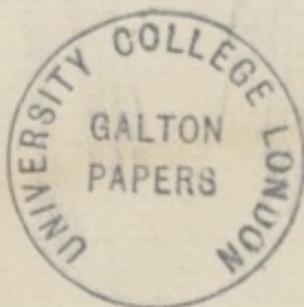
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Proposal for  
Fellowship and  
its acceptance

Oct 1904



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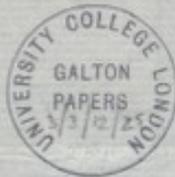
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Enclosure.

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TELEGRAMS—UNIVERSITY, LONDON.  
TELEPHONE—64, TREASURY.

SOUTH KENSINGTON,  
S.W.



October 11th 1904.

Dear Sir,

Your letter to the Principal conveying your generous offer to establish a Research Fellowship in Eugenics in the University was considered at the Meeting of the Academic Council yesterday; and I am directed by the Council to express to you their very sincere and grateful appreciation of your liberality and to ask if you would kindly consent to meet a small Committee consisting of:-

- Sir Edward Busk, ~~Baron~~,
- Professor Karl Pearson, and
- Mr Mackinder

in order to discuss the form in which it would be most convenient to present your offer to the Senate at their Meeting on the 26th inst.

It was thought that it would expedite matters greatly if your offer were conveyed to the Senate in such a form that it could be accepted, if possible, without amendment. It is suggested that the first Meeting of the Committee should take place at the University on Friday next, the 14th inst., at 3 p.m.

I shall be glad to know, at your earliest convenience, if this arrangement will suit you.

I am, dear Sir,

Faithfully yours,

*P. H. Artby*  
Academic Registrar.

Francis Galton Esq., D.C.L., F.R.S.,  
42 Rutland Gate.

S. W.

J.D.W.

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*Hartog about Miss Ada Read*

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TELEPHONE—64, TREASURY.

Private.

SOUTH KENSINGTON,  
S.W.

Enclosure.

June 21st, 1905.

Dear Mr Galton,

I understand from the Principal that you are making enquiries with regard to <sup>an</sup> ~~a~~ Secretary who might possibly be employed in connection with the work of the Galton Research Fellow. I do not know if you are seeking someone who is specially trained in Mathematics or Biology.

If you would be satisfied with a lady who has common sense and general capacity, I think I could recommend to you Miss Ada Read who is now Secretary of the King Alfred School Society, and a copy of whose testimonials I now enclose.

As you will see, she is very highly spoken of. She is the daughter of a London M.D. and the niece of Carveth Read, the Professor of Philosophy at University College. Her sister is a very capable Member of our Staff here, and from all I have seen of Miss Read herself, I think that she would be likely to do her work extremely well.

She knows typewriting and shorthand, she is used to having dealings with many people, and is obviously tactful.

I am,

Sincerely yours,

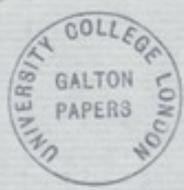
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8th May, 1906.

Dear Mr Galton,

I have received your letter <sup>of the 4th</sup> presumably forwarded by Mr Schuster.

According to the Minutes of the Senate, the Fellowship is tenable for one year in the first instance and for two subsequent years on favourable Report from the Committee at the end of the first and second year's tenure respectively. It hardly seems to me necessary for the Committee to meet to discuss the matter, if it can be arranged in writing.

I shall be glad to know what your view is ~~is~~ on the subject. Of course I will summon the Committee if you think it necessary.

Yours faithfully,

*F. Dalton*  
Academic Registrar.

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January 24th, 1907.

Dear Mr Galton,

I enclose a copy of the Minutes of the Senate with regard to the scheme for carrying on the work in the National Eugenics Laboratory.

May I express to you personally our thanks for the extremely generous and liberal way in which you have made this important donation, which I feel sure will prove fruitful in results?

With all good wishes, and trusting that this bitter weather is not affecting your health adversely,

I am,

Very truly yours,

Academic Registrar.

PS. I presume that we shall receive the cheque for £1,000 in due course.

Francis Galton, Esq., D.C.L., F.R.S.  
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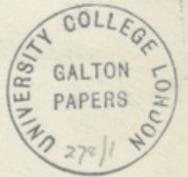
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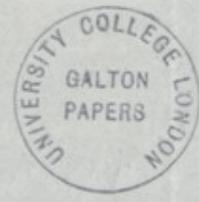


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SOUTH KENSINGTON,  
S.W.



28th January, 1907.

*Hartog*

Dear Mr Galton,

I believe a formal acknowledgment has already been sent to you for your kind cheque for one thousand pounds. I am glad that you approve of the scheme in its final form with which Professor Pearson is also, he tells me, perfectly satisfied.

Very truly yours,

*F. Hartog*  
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SOUTH KENNINGTON,  
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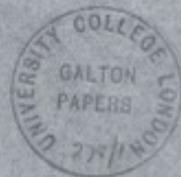
I am directed by the Academic Registrar to send  
you the enclosed copy of a Report by Mr Edgar Schuster.  
The Report is being circulated to all the members of the  
Galton Laboratory Committee and the Academic Registrar is  
of opinion that, in the event of its being unanimously  
approved, there will be no need to trouble the members to  
attend a Meeting of the Committee.

Yours faithfully,

*G. K. Menzies*

Secretary to the Academic  
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REPORT TO THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON.

By Edgar Schuster, late Francis Galton Research Fellow  
in National Eugenics.

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Gentlemen:

I beg to submit the following report:-



(1) In continuation of the work on "Noteworthy Families" inaugurated by Mr Galton, accounts of about 400 such families giving very brief biographies of their various members, were prepared by Miss Elderton. These were revised by myself and sent during the summer of 1906 to some member of each family with a short letter requesting that their errors and omissions might be rectified. The majority of the accounts were corrected and returned, often with considerable additions, and sometimes with expressions of interest concerning the work. On their receipt they were again examined by myself and then carefully retyped by Miss Elderton, in whose keeping, at the Eugenics Record Office, they are at present.

(2) The following memoirs have been written by Miss Elderton and myself in collaboration:-

Inheritance of Ability, a statistical examination of the Oxford class lists from the year 1800 onwards, and of the school lists of Harrow and Charterhouse.

Inheritance of Psychological Characters, being further statistical treatment of material collected and analysed by Messrs G. Heymans and E. Wiersma, and published by them in the "Zeitschrift für Psychologie", Band XLII, 1906.

These two papers are in the hands of Professor Karl Pearson.

(3) The following memoir has been written by myself, with some arithmetical assistance from Miss Elderton:-

The Promise of Youth and the Performance of Manhood, being a statistical examination into the relation existing between success in the examination for the B.A. Degree at Oxford and subsequent success in professional life. (The professions

considered were the Bar and the Church). It is intended to publish this paper in a memorial volume to the late Professor Weldon, which is to be written by his pupils.



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11th July, 1907.

Galton Laboratory Committee.

Dear Sir,

I am requested by Professor Pearson to inform you that it is proposed to place two rooms in University College, at the disposal of the Galton Laboratory in October in replacement of the rooms at 88 Gower Street. The new rooms will be next the Biometric Laboratory and it will be possible for the workers in the Galton Laboratory to use some of the calculators of the Biometric Laboratory when required. Professor Pearson also states that the proposed arrangement would enable him to give closer supervision to the work than he can do at present.

In these circumstances I feel sure that the change will approve itself to <sup>all</sup> the Members of the Committee and shall assume that you have no objection to it unless I hear from you further. You will no doubt remember that the only reason for placing the Galton Laboratory in a separate building was that there was no room available at University College when it was established.

Yours faithfully,

*Stuart*  
Academic Registrar.

F. Galton, Esq., D.C.L., F.R.S.

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SOUTH KENSINGTON,  
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January 29th, 1908.

Dear Mr Galton,

Professor Pearson writes to me that he is anxious that you should be consulted as to the question of his continuing to supervise the work of the Eugenics Laboratory. I understand from Professor Pearson that he is quite willing either to continue to supervise the work or to agree to the appointment of someone else to carry it on as the Committee may desire.

Professor Pearson appears to be under the impression that the arrangements for his supervision were made only for this year, but in the Resolutions passed by the Senate this does not appear, and the general scheme provides for the carrying on of the Laboratory for three years beginning February 1st, 1907. I do not propose, <sup>therefore</sup> ~~however~~, to consult any other Members of the Committee until I hear from you on this point.

Hoping that your health is good, and that you have not been affected by the <sup>recent</sup> unfavourable weather,

I am,

Very truly yours,

Academic Registrar.

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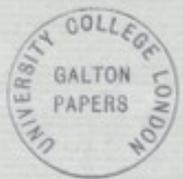
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SOUTH KENSINGTON,  
S.W.

9th March, 1909.



L Pearson

Dear Mr Galton,

I enclose a copy of Professor Pearson's report for the year February 1908 to February 1909.

I am sure that the Committee would prefer to delay the meeting required to consider the report until you are able personally to be present. I am sending the report to you in the first instance so that I may be able if possible to make some statement with regard to the probable date of the meeting. I presume that you will hardly now be back in town before May.

I sincerely hope that this bitter weather has not been unfavourable to you.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Academic Registrar.

F. Galton, Esq., D.C.L., F.R.S.,  
42 Rutland Gate, S.W.

I was so very sorry to hear that you had lost a brother recently.

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sent to the <sup>var</sup>ious contributors to that publication, and materially forwarded its progress. I feel strongly that for much scientific work like that of the Eugenics Laboratory a reading knowledge of a number of modern languages - a little out of the usual run - Swedish, Danish, Dutch - is very desirable. I think such knowledge is now-a-days rather less frequent than it was 25 years ago, and that the University might possibly adopt methods to encourage the study of other European languages as alternatives to French and German among *(or better still give extra marks for knowledge of several languages.)* its students of science. Of extra workers occasionally employed by the Laboratory I have to mention the services of Miss K. Ryley who has prepared nearly thirty plates of pedigrees, illustrating the inheritance of special characters in more than a hundred families. The draughtsmanship has been excellent and the Laboratory has been very fortunate in obtaining her aid. In view of the large amount of work to be done for the Treasury of Human Inheritance, I think, if our funds admitted, it would be desirable to ~~give~~ <sup>offer</sup> Miss Ryley a small paid appointment, say £45 per annum, instead of paying her by the plate.

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A further development of the work of the Laboratory this year has taken place on the teaching side. This appeared to me essential for the full training of the members of the staff. It was desirable that first attempts should be made

independently of any official laboratory arrangement. Mr Heron gave early in the session a largely attended lecture on Heredity in the North of London, and followed it up by a discourse on the work of the Eugenics Laboratory before ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~Galton~~ <sup>of which Mr Galton is Honorary President</sup> newly formed Eugenics Education Society. Miss Elder-  
ton followed with a lecture on the Marriage of First Cousins based upon her reduction of our Family Measurements and on information collected through enquiries in the British Medical Journal. I was so satisfied by these results that it seemed desirable to institute a regular course of lectures on the Science of Eugenics. These were started on February 23rd and will be continued weekly till May. Our object has been to obtain, not a popular audience, but students of the subject who will attend regularly, and really profit by what we have to teach. For this purpose a small fee was imposed, and no tickets were issued for single lectures. The attendance at the first two lectures, now over, has been about 50, and the audience has been of a very satisfactory type, involving a number of medical men and of persons interested in social work. It is probable that an annual course of this kind will be of value, but the preparation of special lectures must somewhat reduce the output of research work, to which the staff has hitherto been wholly devoted.

I turn now to what may be termed the routine work of the Laboratory. The collection of family histories has progressed steadily, if not so rapidly as we should like. Much help has, however, been received this year from various sources. In particular, the determination to publish a great Thesaurus of family pedigrees of pathological, physical and mental characters has occupied much of the energies of the staff. The first issue appears almost at the same time as this report. It contains thirteen pedigree plates, five plates

of ~~sk~~ diagrams and photographs illustrating the inheritance of abnormalities and accounts of 76 families in which some character has been transmitted. The extent of the work involved in organising this Treasury of Human Inheritance will hardly be realised by those who merely turn over its pages. It has involved days of work in libraries, obtaining scarce books from collections abroad and following up clues and suggestions of all kinds. In particular it demanded the evolution of special methods of forming, drawing and engraving pedigrees, and of briefly describing the character of individuals. In future it is hoped that a system having been evolved and a mass of material accumulated, as well as a circle of contributors formed, the work of editing and publishing will be lighter.\*

I must here acknowledge the splendid assistance I have received from contributors outside the Laboratory, above all to Dr W. Bullough of the London Hospital Medical College for his exhaustive treatment of heredity in Diabetes insipidus and Trochanteritis and also for his general account of Tuberculosis; to Dr F. Lewis of the University College Hospital Medical School for his contributions on inheritance in Polydactyly, Brachydactyly and Split-Foot; to Dr W. C. Rivers for his pedigree of pulmonary tuberculosis, and to Dr Jobson Horne for his introduction to the section on Deaf-Mutism. In the latter subject I have to thank the Rev. Mr Gilbey, Chaplain to the Royal <sup>Association in Aid of</sup> ~~Institution for~~ the Deaf and Dumb, for yeoman service in following up for us pedigrees, and Miss Barrington for an immense amount of work in collecting from most scattered sources the published pedigrees. We have had to break new ground, form new channels of information, devise new methods of representation, and these difficulties

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\* I ought to express here my thanks to the College Committee which, by releasing me from a portion of my duties for six months, has enabled me to get this and other Eugenic Publications at last through the Press.



must largely excuse the delay in the Laboratory publications this year, and any defects in the first issue of the Treasury. We believe that it will serve a real need and ultimately form one of the chief features of the work of the Laboratory, and a standard by which its efficiency will be judged.

Of other publications I have already briefly referred to Miss Barrington's joint memoir with myself entitled: A First Study of the Inheritance of Vision and of the Relative Influence of Heredity and Environment on Sight. This contains the results of fully a year's calculation and tabling. So far as I am aware it is the first attempt to compare the relative intensities of nurture and nature, environment and inheritance. We have to thank Mr B. Nettleship for much friendly criticism and advice. Miss Barrington has also completed the reduction of a series of measurements of the brain-weight of sane and insane. Her time in future will probably be largely taken up by work on the Treasury. Mr Heron has completed and reduced the whole of the data on the school-children of London which were placed in our hands by the County Council Education Committee. He is now writing his memoir on the Influence of Unfavourable Home Environment and Defective Physique on the Intelligence of School Children. This important paper should be ready before the summer, it has been delayed by Mr Heron's work for the present course of lectures on Eugenics, the main burden for the organisation and illustration of which has fallen ~~largely~~ on his shoulders. Miss Elderton has completed several pieces of work. A fairly exhaustive treatment of assortative mating in man, i.e., the tendency of men and women of like characteristics to intermarry, appeared as an appendix to a memoir by the late Mr E. C. Pope, "A Second Study of the Statistics of Pulmonary Tuberculosis - Marital Infection", edited by me and issued in the Drapers' Company Memoirs. She is also



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In conclusion, I would wish to say that personally I consider that the staff has worked with much energy and loyalty, and this under the circumstance that they have met and are likely to meet with much external and uninformed hostile criticism of their methods and publications. It must always be so when exact statistical methods are brought into touch with looser current processes of reasoning.

With regard to the future of the Laboratory, I think that in the course of the year, there should be a meeting of the Committee at such a time as may be convenient to Mr Galton,



to consider its future. I think this year covers the period for which provision was originally made. Should Mr Galton continue, as I hope, to support it, I think the general question of research fellows and scholars as against more permanent members of the staff, should be discussed. There is much to be said <sup>in favour of</sup> ~~for~~ temporary appointments of the scholarship nature, but the amount of training required for special work of this kind is so large, that I must confess I looked this year on the possible loss of a member of the staff as little short of a catastrophe. I think this point deserves very special consideration, and we ought to have some discussion of the matter. The fact that Mr Heron and Miss Elderton are lecturing and have assisted in demonstrating to students coming to us for short courses seems to me to indicate some balance of advantage in the permanent as against the scholarship form of appointment, which means a rapid flow of individuals not trained to the routine work of the Laboratory or to teaching functions.

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March 3rd, 1909.

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SOUTH KENSINGTON,  
S.W.

15th March, 1909.

Dear Mr Galton,

I am much obliged for your letter. We will summon the Meeting of the Committee as you desire, towards the end of May and fix the date so that it will not clash with other University Meetings. I think Professor Pearson's report showed an extraordinary good and interesting record of work. The investigations seem to me of first rate importance.

I hope your correspondence with Professor Pearson on the subject of the supervision of the Laboratory, if and when he goes away on a holiday, will lead to a satisfactory arrangement being made. The younger workers in the Laboratory seem to be doing very well.

With all good wishes,

I am,

Very truly yours,

Academic Registrar.

*Hartley*

Francis Galton, Esq., D.C.L., F.R.S.,  
Crown Hotel,  
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With regard to the future of the Laboratory, I think that in the course of the year, there should be a meeting of the Committee at such a time as may be convenient to Mr Galton,

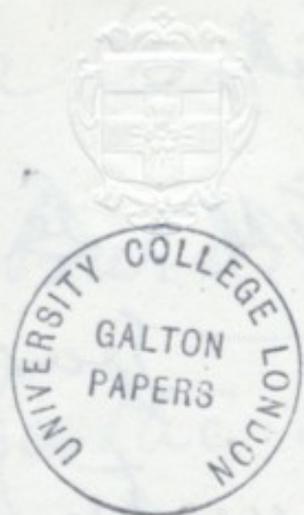
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KARE. PEARSON.

March 2nd, 1909.

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UNIVERSITY OF LONDON,

SOUTH KENSINGTON, S.W.

June 18<sup>th</sup> 1909.

Dear Mr Galton,

I am very sorry to hear that your health will not allow you to attend the meeting of the Committee on the 25<sup>th</sup> - I see by today's Times that you keep

Some what delayed with  
the hope that you might be  
able to attend after your  
return from the country)  
vote for up to the Senate  
on July 21st. & I vote to write  
to you immediately after  
that date.

With all good wishes,  
Very truly yours  
P. J. Harvey

P. T. O.

a keen look out for the  
 absurdities committed by  
 public speakers on the  
 subject of Influenza!

I note your generous offer  
 to contribute £500 to the  
 maintenance of the Laboratory  
 for 1910-11, subject to satisfactory  
 arrangements being made.

The report of the Committee  
 of which the meeting was

You will be pleased to  
hear that the Senate on  
Wednesday passed a special  
vote of thanks to Professor  
Pearson in connection  
with the work of his  
department.



Francis Galton, Esq., F.R.S. etc.



UNIVERSITY OF LONDON.

PRINCIPAL:  
HENRY A. MIERS, M.A., D.Sc., F.R.S.

TELEGRAMS—UNIVERSITY, LONDON.  
TELEPHONE—1486 WESTERN.



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SOUTH KENSINGTON,  
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26th June, 1909.

Dear Sir Francis Galton,

This is just an informal line to tell you of yesterday's proceedings at the Committee of which you will receive a formal printed report later.

The Committee accepted Professor Pearson's suggestions as far as possible and have recommended the continuance of the scheme as a whole for one year and the re-appointment of Mr Heron and Miss Elderton under the same conditions as before. They have also recommended the appointment of Miss K. Ryley to assist in the laboratory at a salary of £45 per annum for four days' work a week.

The Committee felt it was impossible to recommend permanent appointments in view of the fact that there is no permanent endowment of the Laboratory. I am sure you will understand that they did everytning <sup>in their power</sup> possible to meet Professor Pearson's views <sup>as</sup> expressed in his report which <sup>new</sup> the Committee understand that you share.

The Committee finally passed a vote of congratulation to you on your recent honour in which I hope I may be permitted to join.

Believe me,

Very truly yours,

Academic Registrar.

Sir Francis Galton, D.C.L., F.R.S.,  
42 Rutland Gate, W.

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SOUTH KENSINGTON,  
S.W.

23rd July, 1909.

Dear Sir,

A sum of 15 guineas has been received by the University on behalf of the Francis Galton Laboratory Committee in respect of lectures recently given at University College.

Professor Pearson proposes that the money should be allotted in the following way:—

To Mr Heron, Galton Research Fellow,	£5	6	0
To Miss Elderton, Galton Research Scholar,	£5	5	0
To <del>Budgets</del> Petty Cash, to cover cost of diagrams and other expenses,	£4	4	0
	<u>£15</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>0</u>

If you assent to the above proposal, will you kindly signify your assent on the enclosed postcard? If there should be any serious difference of opinion with regard to the matter I presume that it must stand over until the next meeting of the Committee.

I am, dear Sir,

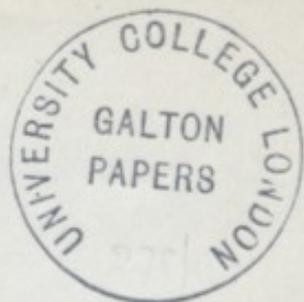
Yours faithfully,

Academic Registrar.

Sir Francis Galton, D.C.L., F.R.S.,  
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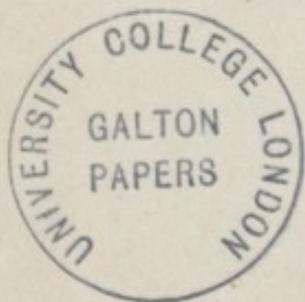
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Dear Sir Francis Galton,  
My offer you my  
sincere congratulations  
on the award to you of  
the Copley Medal? I have  
more than once read  
through the list of names

of those who have  
received it, <sup>known that</sup> & for a Scientific  
man, if it cannot mean  
an added honour, it means  
at any rate the Supreme  
recognition of his work.  
With all good wishes

I am very truly yours,  
P. J. Hartley





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TELEGRAMS—UNIVERSITY, LONDON.  
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July 23rd, 1909.

Dear Sir Francis Galton,

I am directed to inform you that the Senate at their last Meeting were informed of your donation of £500 for the maintenance of the Francis Galton Laboratory for the year February 1st, 1910 to January 31st, 1911, and that they passed the following Resolution in connection therewith:—

"That the cordial thanks of the Senate be conveyed to Sir Francis Galton for his continued liberal donation for the maintenance of the Francis Galton Laboratory for the study of National Eugenics."

I enclose herewith a copy of the Report of the Eugenics Laboratory Committee together with the other Resolutions passed in connection therewith.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Academic Registrar.

Sir Francis Galton, D.C.L., F.R.S.  
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## Francis Galton Laboratory Committee.

CONSIDERED :—

(1) A Report from the Francis Galton Laboratory Committee, adopted at their Meeting on June 25th, 1909 :—

Report on the work of the Francis Galton Laboratory for National Eugenics,  
February, 1908—June, 1909.

Considered :—

(1) The following Report by Prof. Karl Pearson on the work of the Francis Galton Laboratory for National Eugenics, February, 1908, to June, 1909 :—

The general work of the Laboratory has gone on very steadily during the year, and a great deal of heavy tabling and calculating work has been carried through. The personnel of the Laboratory remains unchanged. Mr. David Heron was re-appointed Research Fellow for a further year. Miss Ethel Elderton was during the year offered an important secretarial post in one of the Schools of the University, an indication that the value of her work and general ability were recognised outside the Laboratory. I am glad to report that Miss Elderton elected to remain on the Laboratory Staff, and that the University has approved the increase of her scholarship to the full amount sanctioned under the original scheme. Miss Amy Barrington has completed her work on the "Inheritance of Vision and the Influence of Environment on Eyesight," and this is now published as Laboratory publications, No. V. Besides her four days in the Eugenics Laboratory, she has hitherto held a teaching appointment at Bedford College for two days a week. On the termination of this, she most kindly placed the extra two days freely at my disposal for any calculating or other work going on in my department. The pressure of arrears in the Eugenics Laboratory has been so great, that hitherto I have asked for her additional voluntary labour in its service. I must take this opportunity of fully acknowledging her generosity in this matter, which has been of great help to the Laboratory. It has been of special service in the preparation of the first issue of the *Treasury of Human Inheritance*, because Miss Barrington possesses an extensive knowledge of modern languages, and her abstracts of Dutch, Italian, and other papers bearing on heredity have been sent to the various contributors to that publication, and materially forwarded its progress. I feel strongly that for much scientific work like that of the Eugenics Laboratory a reading knowledge of a number of modern languages, a little out of the usual run—Swedish, Danish, Dutch—is very desirable. I think such knowledge is nowadays rather less frequent than it was twenty-five years ago, and that the University might possibly adopt methods to encourage the study of other European languages as *alternatives* to French and German among its students of science, or, better still, give extra marks for knowledge of several languages. Of extra workers occasionally employed by the Laboratory I have to mention the services of Miss K. Ryley, who has prepared nearly thirty plates of pedigrees, illustrating the inheritance of special characters

in more than a hundred families. The draughtsmanship has been excellent, and the Laboratory has been very fortunate in obtaining her aid. In view of the large amount of work to be done for the *Treasury of Human Inheritance*, I think, if our funds admitted, it would be desirable to offer Miss Ryley a small paid appointment, say £45 per annum, instead of paying her by the plate for four days' work a week.

If we look at the publications which are completed and issued, we find that the cost of printing has been about £250, and up to date £80, or somewhat more than 30 per cent., has been repaid to the University by the sale of memoirs. I consider this sale as satisfactory, when it is noted that large numbers of the memoirs are given away, others are exchanged for periodicals and other publications, and further that the sale has been continuous, and will, I think, be steady. I believe that ultimately 50 to 60 per cent. of the cost of publication will be returned to the Eugenics fund. It must further be remembered that there has been practically no advertising,\* and that the price of each publication has been fixed so that a very moderate sale would suffice to cover the initial cost. It has been a difficult point to determine whether a much lower price would not have augmented the circulation, and again not easy to regulate the extent to which free copies have interfered with sales. Judging, however, from the sales of similar scientific memoirs, I think we have done well and that we shall do still better as our publications are better known and increase in range and number. Each new memoir serves as an effective advertisement of the older issues to a new group of readers.

An attempt is being made to issue a more popular series of papers under the title of the *Eugenics Laboratory Lecture Series*. It is proposed to publish in this series lectures delivered by members of the Eugenics Laboratory Staff which place in a simpler form the results of the research work conducted in the Laboratory. The first issue of this series is a reprint of the Boyle Lecture on the Scope of Eugenics, the earlier edition of this lecture by the Oxford Press having been exhausted and the only available copies being those of the German and American reprints. It has been followed by *The Groundwork of Eugenics*, the Introductory lecture to the course delivered this year by members of the Galton Laboratory, and two further lectures, *The Problem of Practical Eugenics* and *The Relative Difference of Nurture and Nature* is at press. We have found a considerable number of persons enquire at the Laboratory about various special points, and others are very desirous of understanding the general lines of our work, so that some publication of this kind, which while preserving a strictly academic character, is intelligible without special technical knowledge, has been much needed.

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I think the Committee should consider the future arrangements of the Laboratory.

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June, 1909.

KARL PEARSON.

(2) A letter, dated June 17th, 1909, from Sir Francis Galton, stating that he was prepared to forward to the University £500 for the maintenance of the Francis Galton Laboratory for the Study of National Eugenics during the year 1910-11, provided that satisfactory action were taken upon the Report of Professor Karl Pearson.

Recommended:—

That, subject to the receipt of a donation of £500 from Sir Francis Galton for the maintenance of the Laboratory, the Scheme for the Francis Galton Laboratory for the Study of National Eugenics set forth in Senate Minutes 321-25 of January 23rd, 1907, be continued as from February 1st, 1910, for a further period of one year; and

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M. J. M. HILL, Vice-Chancellor,  
in the Chair.

(2) A Statement by the Academic Registrar to the effect that he had received from Sir Francis Galton on June 28th, 1909, a cheque for £500 for the maintenance of the Francis Galton Laboratory for the Study of National Eugenics during the year 1910-11.

Resolutions of the Senate.

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*That the Senate express their high appreciation of the services rendered by Professor Karl Pearson to the Francis Galton Laboratory.*

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Elizabeth S. S. S. S. S.

University of London  
Faculty of Science  
Department of Chemistry  
In the year of incorporation of the University of London  
the Faculty of Science was established and the Department  
of Chemistry was created in the year 1827.  
The Department of Chemistry is one of the oldest  
and most distinguished departments of the University  
of London. It has a long and illustrious history  
and has produced many of the most eminent  
chemists of the world. The Department is now  
one of the largest and most active in the  
University and is engaged in a wide range  
of research in all branches of chemistry.  
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University of London  
July 1909  
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PRINCIPAL:  
SIR ARTHUR W. RÜCKER,  
M.A., D.Sc., LL.D., F.R.S.

SOUTH KENSINGTON,  
S.W.

TELEGRAMS—UNIVERSITY, LONDON.  
TELEPHONE—64, TREASURY.

23rd August, 1905.

Dear Sir,

I send you herewith a copy of the letter which I have  
just written to Miss Elderton. It will explain itself and  
I need only add that I will do what I can to give Miss  
Elderton a good start. Mr. Hartog is on vacation.

Yours faithfully,

Financial Secretary.

Francis Galton, Esq.,  
"The Rectory",  
Ockham,  
Surrey.



23rd August, 1905.

Dear Madam,

I have had handed to me a letter from Mr. Francis Galton to Mr. Hartog asking that you should be put in communication with someone at University College with a view to the supply of small requirements in connection with your office work at 135 Gower Street. I would suggest that, if convenient to you, you should come and see me here any time between 11 A.M. and 4 P.M. to-morrow or Friday, in order that I may explain to you the arrangements which were made for Mr. Shuster's convenience, when he started work in the same office. I think these arrangements would probably suit you. If you can manage it, to-morrow would suit me better than Friday. On Saturday I start for my summer vacation.

Yours faithfully,

Financial Secretary.

Miss Elderton,  
 Secretary, Eugenics Record Office,  
 University College,  
 Gower Street,  
 W.C.



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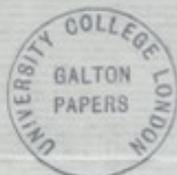


*It is requested that replies to this letter be addressed to the UNDERSIGNED, and that the following number be quoted:—*

Enclosure.

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TELEGRAMS—UNIVERSITY, LONDON.  
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SOUTH KENSINGTON,  
S.W.

October 27th 1904.

Dear Mr. Galton,

I am directed to inform you that at their Meeting yesterday the Senate considered the offer conveyed in your letter of the 10th instant and the Report relating thereto submitted by the Committee appointed by the Academic Council of which you were a member (a copy of which I enclose); and that the following Resolutions were passed with regard to your offer and to the Report:—

"That the above Report be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted accordingly".

"That the cordial thanks of the Senate be transmitted to Mr. Galton for his munificent gift".

"That the Special Committee indicated in Clauses (1) and (2) of the Scheme be constituted as follows:— Sir Edward Busk, Mr. Mackinder, Mr. Francis Galton and Professor Karl Pearson".

"That the Principal be directed to issue an advertisement of the Francis Galton Research Fellowship at the earliest possible date".

May I add to these formal Resolutions an expression of my personal appreciation of your great liberality?

I am,

Dear Mr. Galton,

Very truly yours,

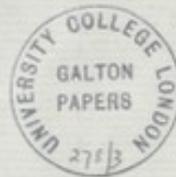
*Arthur W. Rücker*

Principal.

Francis Galton, Esq., D.C.L., F.R.S.,

42 Rutland Gate, S.W.

*Rücker 1904*



*REPORT BY THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL (MINUTES 53-55) TO CONSIDER THE OFFER OF MR FRANCIS GALTON TO FOUND A RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP IN NATIONAL EUGENICS, AT THEIR MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 14th, 1904, FOR PRESENTATION TO THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 17th.*

The Committee beg to report that they met on October 14th (Present,— Sir Edward Busk, Mr Francis Galton, Mr Mackinder, Prof. Karl Pearson, and the Principal), and to submit the following draft scheme of the Francis Galton Research Fellowship for the approval of the Academic Council and Senate :—

**DRAFT SCHEME FOR THE FRANCIS GALTON RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP IN NATIONAL EUGENICS.**

The term National Eugenics is here defined as the study of the agencies under social control that may improve or impair the racial qualities of future generations either physically or mentally.

It is proposed that the Francis Galton Research Fellowship be established on the following conditions :—

(1) That the Fellow be appointed by the Senate, on the recommendation of a Special Committee reporting through the Academic Council.

(2) That the Committee consist of four persons, of whom Mr Francis Galton be one, and that a right of veto on the first nomination be reserved to Mr Galton.

(3) That the recommendation of the Committee be made after advertisement, but not necessarily from among the Candidates who have answered the advertisement.

(4) That the value of the Fellowship be £250 per annum; that it be tenable for one year in the first instance, and for two subsequent years on favourable Report from the Committee at the end of the first and second year's tenure respectively.

(5) That the endowment not absorbed by the stipend of the Francis Galton Research Fellow be placed at the disposal of the Committee for the purpose of aiding his work, subject to the general approval of the Senate. In particular that an Assistant be appointed, if the Committee approve, to assist the Francis Galton Fellow in his researches, and further that, if the Committee report that the said Assistant is a suitable person, he be called the Francis Galton Scholar.

(6) That the duties of the Fellow be to devote the whole of his time to the study of Eugenics, subject to the approval and under the general direction of the Committee. In particular that he be required :—

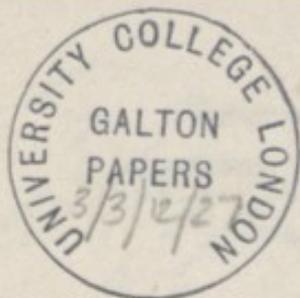
(a) To acquaint himself with statistical methods of enquiry, and with the principal researches which have been made in Eugenics, and to plan and carry out further investigations thereon.

(b) To institute and carry on such investigations into the history of classes and families as may be calculated to promote the knowledge of Eugenics.

(c) To prepare and present to the Committee, though not necessarily for publication, an annual Report on his work. To give from time to time, if required or approved by the Committee, short Courses of Lectures on Eugenics, and in particular on his own investigations thereon.

(d) To prepare for publication at such times and in such manner as may be approved by the Committee (and at least at the end of his tenure of the Fellowship), a Memoir or Memoirs on the investigations which he has carried out.

Private Rückert  
Oct 11. 1904



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UNIVERSITY OF LONDON,

SOUTH KENSINGTON, S.W.

Oct 11 1904.

Dear Mr Galton

Mr Hartog, to

Academic Registrar, is  
writing to you officially; but  
I must send a line to say  
that the Council were very  
much pleased at a  
grateful for your gift



The Senate is the supreme body, but ~~that~~ we decided that as you were anxious that the matter should be settled quickly no delays should be interrupted.

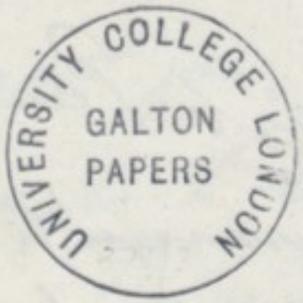
A small committee of which Pearson & ~~St~~ Mackenzie are members was therefore nominated to meet you, if you are kind enough to attend on Friday at 3. The meeting will be here & if we could

the question of a room at  
the London School of Economics  
ought to be carefully considered.  
If Pearson comes to the meeting  
we may be better able to  
judge whether to best course

I am

Very truly yours

Arthur W. Ricker



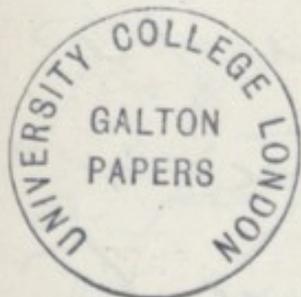
Mr. A. Nisbet

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UNIVERSITY OF LONDON,

SOUTH KENSINGTON, S.W.



Jan 28 1907.

Dear Mr Galton,

I must write  
a private line to you  
thanking you most sincerely  
for your generous gift of  
£1000, & the still more  
generous schemes you are  
developing.  
Your endowment is certainly



the most original as  
 I hope it will be one of the  
 most useful of those that  
 have been made since the  
 University was reorganised,  
 & it is a great pleasure to me  
 to find that so old & kind  
 a friend has selected the  
 University of London for his  
 gift. It is thus a solemn  
 sign of approval which  
 lightens a task, which like  
 all such work brings, involves.

detail which sometimes amounts  
 to dredging. In proof of the  
 fact that you have chosen  
 a progressive body may I tell  
 you one fact. The income of  
 the University 5 years ago was  
 £ 29,000. This year it is  
 £ 95,000 & including University  
 College (now incorporated) it  
 will next year be about £ 120,000  
 But we want not only the  
 public bodies like the L.C.C. the  
 Goldsmiths, & Drapers' Companies  
 to help us; we want distinguished  
 individuals to recognise the

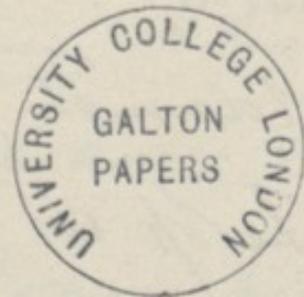
existence of the University  
amidst the better of London  
life. You are one of the  
few who have done this,  
& none have done it with  
more originality & generosity.

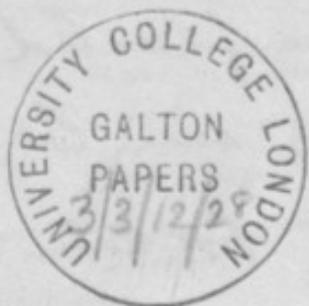
Please accept my warmest  
personal thanks &

Believe me

Very yours sincerely

Arthur W. Rüchler





1899 March 8

SHIRENEWTON HALL,  
CHEPSTOW,  
MON.

My Dear Sir

Before starting anything I thought  
that I should like you to see what  
I had done though the funds are now  
in bad condition & of course all  
the deciduous species are gone  
without funds, but it will give you  
some idea how I have succeeded in  
going more vigorous to the difficult parts  
of the funds, & also how I was able  
to get mericatal crispens in Sed.<sup>o</sup>  
which had not previously been done  
I saw a few Hybrid, & a number

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fronds that have not been planted  
at for 18 months, these will be  
a great success, at the bottom of  
the box are impressions on the  
decomposition of Aspidium any place  
which they now in bed and still  
to the subdivisions, with pinnales  
& when you have seen them in summer  
you will try are a great advance  
on what Colonel Jones had accomplished  
with decomposition of fronds. The  
small fronds of Aspid. ang. & Aspid. aculeat.  
Aspid. ang.  
are decomposition of fronds & with a  
cruciate & once pinnaled a. aculeat.

What I start now for your experiments  
will not give results for 2 or 3 years  
as it may happen that my dried fronds

will have shed their spores & there  
will be none other ripe for 3 or 4  
months.

I have sent the box by  
parcels post the goods will  
not alter much for this fresh  
appearance of put between blott  
sheets.

This year I shall have hundreds  
to develop & when in order hope  
that I may induce you to come over  
here - you could then see what  
S Watton has been doing.

Mr Charles Bathurst, address  
is Lydney Park (Lydney) Gloucestersh.  
but all the post office know where  
Lydney Park is, it is only a short

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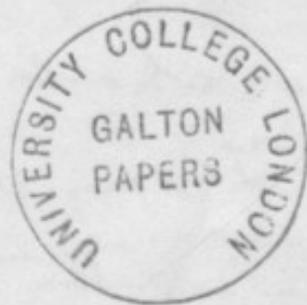
distance from Clanna Falls at  
Capt Marling's place Clanna, Lydney  
Gloucestershire.

I attended the British Association  
Meeting last Thursday <sup>at Bristol</sup> as a member  
of the General Committee for the  
Bristol meeting.

Believe me

Yours sincerely

E. J. Lowe





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1897 May 30

SHIRENEWTON HALL,  
CHEPSTOW,  
MON.

My dear Sir

It is now a long time since  
I wrote to you, but I put it  
off for a few days, as you said  
that I should receive some printed  
information & I thought that I  
would wait to refer to it but  
since I heard from you I have not  
received anything about the selection  
committee for any one.

I have also been much occupied  
with some law business & two of my  
best tenant farmers are dead.  
The last one we buried

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Yesterday. I have still been working  
at insemination, in fact what  
I did about a year ago with the  
cryptogamic botanists & called  
multiple parentage was of another  
name for insemination. I mixed  
diploid pollen together & affixed with  
a brush to one female organ is  
in reality insemination in flowers.

I mixed pollen of a number of varieties  
& species of *Aquilegia* & have  
some extraordinary results, but the  
most wonderful success has been in  
sowing spores of *Asplenium trichomanes* (making  
this the seed bearer) mixed with a mixture  
& a *Phlox peruviana* now *trichomanes*  
& *Marrubium* are both pin note in  
all the varieties in one or two instances

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Subbipinnate, which in a full sense  
the pinnas are often bipinnate. I have  
raised two breeds of the trichomanes  
that are bipinnate & show some of  
the pinnas like *a. maximum* (I am  
not alluding to the ramose or crested  
forms as these are now produced in  
many of the species & varieties as  
a common feature. I want to  
send some examples of the blooms  
of some of the flowers which you in order  
who had I both send them to?

I am trying to procure a Kerry  
or a Dexter bull to cross with  
my crossed short horns some of which  
are  $\frac{1}{2}$  bred  $\frac{3}{4}$  bred even more  
using an Alderney bull. My idea  
is that using my ears or seed beavers  
a Dexter or Kerry Bull would give  
me calves giving more milk. Stratter  
is crossing with the opposite direction

i.e. a shal horn bull to his  
 Kerry cows. My experience in iron-  
<sup>children</sup>  
 of flowers gives the purpose of seed beaver  
 having the ~~the~~ habit of beaver more a life a  
 copy of the female, the just difference  
 being in the flavour & seeds of the <sup>non-</sup>seed beaver  
 if this is the case with animals  
 (I am certain it is so in cows)  
 then Stratten's cows will <sup>increase</sup> the  
 size of the Kerry but <sup>with</sup> the milk,  
 Unfortunately I have not yet been  
 able to learn where I can get a  
 Kerry or a Dexter Bull, Stratten  
 has made enquiries, & I have written  
 to many of the men having Kerry cows  
 but none seem to have a bull to  
 part with. If I could get one a  
 year old I could crop the cows  
 at once. I am waly till S. Stratten



SHIRENEWTON HALL,  
CHEPSTOW,  
MON.

return for the West of England Show (at  
Southampton) in the hopes that he may have  
heard of some one.

Professor Morgan is at work on  
small birds, hatch eggs in an incubator  
& believes that if the young do not see  
the parents they will build different  
nests, this I believe will not be the  
case (at least not for some species)  
but the nests sometimes are altered  
under certain circumstances. In Nelly's house  
I had many swallow nests built (i.e.  
stuck up) under the roof eaves. We  
altered the roof & there was no place  
for the swallows to build <sup>when</sup> they returned with  
eggs they at once built their nests on  
beams in the cow shed, these did not

require plastering up with mud on  
 flat-timber, & so the Swallows did  
 not use the plastering. The cuckoo  
 lays its eggs in various bird nests  
 & the young are brought up in very  
 varied nests, but they go on laying in  
 other nests. <sup>& do not copy the nests they were in</sup> When I was a youth I  
 used to experiment on birds bringing  
 up other birds for eggs put in the  
 nests. I had Swallows bring up  
 Flycatchers, Flycatchers bring up Swallows  
 Hedge accretes bring up ~~birds~~  
 Linnets & the house sparrow bringing  
 up of differnt birds but I never find  
 these birds having differnt nests.

In the day week of last year I found  
 several *Periwinkle* shells that had no internal  
 plastering & I find some used the  
 mud of the animal of *Helix aspersa*

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2 *Felis nemoralis*, these they carried  
to a stone against which they broke  
the shells. In 1868 when Blackbirds  
& Thrushes could not get at water  
there were great heaps of broken shells  
along the highway at Stanton <sup>on the</sup>  
Wolds by the road stones, we saw  
these birds bringing them to break & eat.

I rear a number of cow calves  
& when I turn them out in the field,  
(at 2 & 3 months old) they react each  
other the same as cows do when  
they recognize the bull yet they are  
not with either bulls or cows.

Another remarkable fact is the  
manner in which my ~~young~~ young  
children behave to their dolls  
treating them as if alive & they the  
mother. I excuse this very much

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as I am in the midst of  
some important work.

Believe me

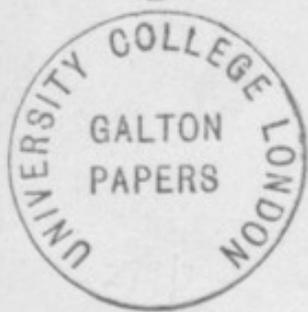
Yours very sincerely

S. J. Love

Could you inform me whether  
any circulars about the  
Evolution Committee have been  
issued during the past two  
months if so mine have  
not reached me

S. J. Lowe

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SHIRENEWTON HALL,  
1898 Jan 25 CHEPSTOW.

Dear Mr Galton

I shall be unable to  
be at your Evolution Committee  
meeting on Thursday I am recovering  
from an illness but my doctor  
says it would be dangerous to travel  
for just now. I have been working  
at the Biological Notes for the British  
Association & I expect it to be  
a great success. We shall have  
some interesting things to show in  
both animals & plants. They are

Send eight tanks for sea-  
-water specimens for Plymouth.

When had rather a small  
touch of internal bleeding lately  
& could not walk by down

Believe me

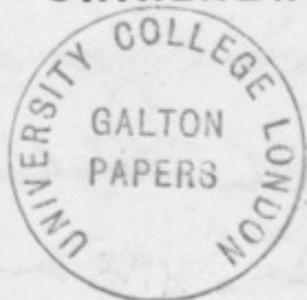
Yours very sincerely

E. J. Lowe

We had a very successful  
Conversazione given by the  
Mayor & General Local Committee  
to welcome the President  
elect.

E. G. Lowe 1898 iv 25<sup>114</sup>

SHIRENEWTON HALL,  
CHEPSTOW.



My Dear Sir

Have been laid up  
with an attack of giddiness owing  
to trying some American ear  
trumpets for Deafness & for some  
time could do nothing. I now write  
to report on my repetition of the  
experiment you have seen in my  
book on the Swan which laid a  
fertile egg in less than 18 hours after  
the male had been with her. This time  
I used a hen which was taken from  
a cock on March 5<sup>th</sup>. It laid  
eggs of 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> but not the 19<sup>th</sup>  
these eggs were dated & proved

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sterile, on 20<sup>th</sup> at 9.15 a.m. a cock  
was introduced & she laid an  
egg at 9 a.m. or a few minutes  
after & she laid on all the  
next four days. 1 on 26 27 & 28

I set these eggs under another hen  
on March 30<sup>th</sup> & the eggs hatched  
on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

Egg of 20<sup>th</sup> (laid 2 hours after being with  
the cock) produced a chick.

" 21<sup>st</sup> } produced chicks  
" 22<sup>nd</sup> }  
" 23<sup>rd</sup> }

" 24<sup>th</sup> hen broke this egg

" 26<sup>th</sup> } produced chicks  
" 27<sup>th</sup> }

" 28<sup>th</sup> hen broke this

Professor Lloyd Morgan says he  
was surprised to hear that Professor Huxley

had said that a wild swan  
 must have got to the female as he  
 along behind in egg big impregnated  
 some 16 to 18 hours after coition with a  
 cock. She showed that the egg was  
 not impregnated before the cock was  
 introduced & that two hours after the  
 egg had laid was impregnated.

I have a number of Ducks here  
 Duck + Goose eggs. With I want  
 to rear two chicks for me here  
 I see of the progeny by double  
 jek eggs.

I & co. this learned 20th

We shall have a very interesting Biological  
 exhibition at the time of the British Association  
 of which you will hear from the Committee  
 son Lord L. Cavendish is the Hon. President  
 & Sir John Lubbock has consulted to

Open to third.

Bellevue

W. J. Low

E. J. Low

E. J. Lowe

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1898 June 21

SHIRENEWTON HALL,  
CHEPSTOW.

My dear Sir

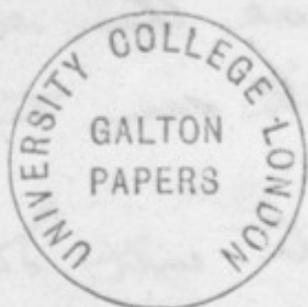
I expect that you are now home  
again. I shall be sensible to attend  
the Evolution Committee on Friday  
as we have a meeting of the Biological  
working Committee on that day & all  
the working party unfortunately visit  
with me, & I mean it to be a quiet  
success on another sheet - I  
send you report of what I have  
succeeded in doing with birds.

Believe me

Yours sincerely

E. J. Lowe





## SHIRENEWTON HALL,

## CHEPSTOW.

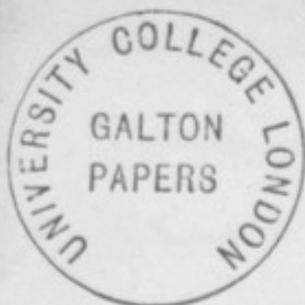
On March 5<sup>th</sup> a hen was separated  
 for a cock on 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> she laid  
 but not on 19<sup>th</sup> on 20<sup>th</sup> at 7-15 a  
 a cock was introduced to her & she  
 laid at 9 a.m. (less than 2 hours after)  
 I set a hen on 30<sup>th</sup> with the right  
 eyes the two laid before the cock was  
 introduced were sterile all the others  
 were hatched on 20<sup>th</sup> they were all  
 marked with dots the one laid on  
 20<sup>th</sup> 1  $\frac{3}{4}$  hours after the cock had  
 been introduced produced a chicken.  
 Our Keeper at the Clifton Zoo said  
 repeated the experiment he put the  
 cock in over night & there was a chicken  
 with egg next morning. Please now  
 a hen isolated, & when she begins to lay  
 (after the stop of one day) we shall introduce  
 the cock and only let him tread the hen

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once this will show if more than one  
egg can be impregnated at the same time

SHIREWTON HALL  
CHERTSWOOD  
I have been very unfortunate with double  
yolk eggs I have not hatched any duck  
geese eggs & only one double duck egg  
& one double hen egg. In some of one of  
the yolks has been impregnated & although  
the other has developed for more than half  
the time the sterile portion has killed the  
second half. A gentleman last year had  
6 replies for three double eggs & several  
others all we tried to get these but they  
had killed them all. I want to find  
birds for double yolk eggs to see if these  
eggs are double yolked. In this neighborhood  
there has been great mortality, in some cases  
no chickens or ducks have been hatched  
in several instances when I had double  
yolk eggs set amongst normal eggs none  
have been hatched. I had eggs with fine  
difficult farmers & the same mortality occurred  
with every one of them. Hens ducks & geese are

all alike as regards the small number that have been hatched.

You will see that my new experiments - as regards eggs being impregnated after the calcareous shell had been formed confirms the case of my swan, at the time Professor Huxley said that a wild male swan must have got to the female. Professor Lloyd Morgan says he cannot understand why this was doubted by Professor Huxley as his idea is that eggs must be ~~formed~~ impregnated not longer than 16 hours before they are laid saying the egg does not get sufficiently down the tube to receive the spermatozoon longer than that time.



E. J. Lowe.

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SHIRENEWTON HALL,  
CHEPSTOW.

Colour of calves is a  
short horns, alderney &  $\frac{1}{2}$  bred  
alderney females X with a  
my good Dexter Bull

calves born between 1/7 &  
September 1898.

a yellowish cow	calf black
red & white cow	calf black
red short horn cow	calf brown
red mouse alderney cow	calf mouse colour
alderney cow	calf black
lyft cow & alderney cow	calf black
white short horn cow	calf black
brown $\frac{1}{2}$ bred alderney	calf black (over)

next summer when these calves  
bred we shall be able to examine  
the quality & quantity of the milk  
from a number of cows run in  
calf.

I had to kill my Dexter Bull  
as he killed me head & head man  
his head is now in the Cambridge  
Museum as Professor Newton wish  
to have it.

In the "Gardeners Chronicle" of last  
week Nov 18<sup>th</sup> Dr Mackenzie Mackenzie  
describes my cross between the Dublin  
& the Suffolk as a dog then can be no  
doubt about it Mr F. C. Moore of  
Royal Garden, Florence come over  
to examine this cross & said that he  
was quite certain of it he & Miss May  
MacCallister of Royal College of Science

examined the flowers & leaves microscopically

I have had several illnesses this year that has somewhat hindered my work but not much, my Kaff me at home & now I am laid up with an accident to both legs & arms, as I fell down a hole that had been left ungraded.

I see with regret that there is an idea that the Soviet Committee will be abandoned, this Committee acts as an inducement to biologists to work at the subject & this work is as yet very just commenced. I have crossed Fern crossing now for 50 years & it is of late years that I have been enabled to succeed beyond anyone else, Mr Moore of Glasgow says there are no varieties any where that equal mine, I have planted most of my best varieties (i.e. divisions of the) with gardeners at

Glasnevin so that when they happen to  
me they will be able to be seen there.  
as regards ferns for 1857 for my own  
Belanda said a few could not be crossed  
& it is only in the last 20 years that this  
has been accepted then it was said  
that there was no force to carry the male pollen  
to another plant, I used the skipjack &  
that has been accepted, then I showed that  
pollen from a number of plants would produce  
multiple parentage, Belanda has not  
yet succeeded this but Mr Moore will  
tell you that my method produces varieties  
such as no other person has succeeded in  
producing. In all evolution experiments

there are many things requiring consideration  
so that time is required to produce experiments

I am confined at home & unable to  
attend your meeting & thought it best

to write you a note of explanation.

Working with a long pedigree is very difficult  
to do this with a short pedigree as can be

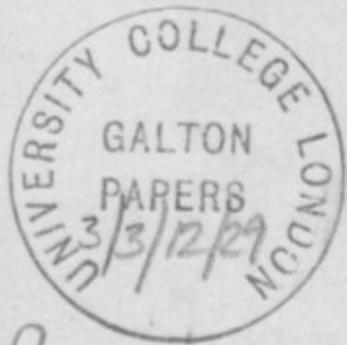
seen with Strutt's crosses of Kerry cows & a  
Shut Horn Bull

Yours sincerely

E. J. Lowe

Lord Avebury

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8 Nov 1910

My dear Galton

I must write  
abuse as one of your  
oldest friends, to  
congratulate you on the  
great honor of the  
Copley medal.

I hope you have

been keeping well.

Yours sincerely  
Albany