My dear Yates,

I have only just received the list of the Council's proposals for this year, and do want to congratulate you most heartily on your election. I had heard that it was probable, but did not attend the meeting at which it was first announced in the highly confidential way in which these things seem now to be done. Anyway, it is a grand thing, particularly as non-statisticians, both among mathematicians and others, have often

such very vague ideas about statistical work. I think your being in the Society will be able work against the acceptance of questionable claims.

Yours sincerelly