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ERITISH ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE FOR CYTOLOGY AND GENETICS

Dear Professor Fisher,

At a meeting of this Committee last year, it was agreed that if Genetics was to be efficiently represented at meetings of the Eritish Association, this Committee ought to have a greater degree of autonomy, possibly with the formation of a separate section or sub-section of Genetics. This view was put to the Section K (Botany) Committee, who suggested that during this year's meeting at Edinburgh there should be a discussion between representatives of our Committee, of Sections K and D, and of officers of the Association, to discuss this possibility. Steps are being taken to bring this about.

It is desirable that the representatives of this Committee should have some definite proposals to put forward; the matter was discussed further at a meeting last autumn, but most members of the Committee seemed rather vague about the sectional organisation of the Association, and nothing useful came out of the meeting. It seemed to me that more useful proposals were likely to come from a further Committee meeting between those members of this Committee who were actually at Edinburgh this August, and I propose, if you agree, to call a meeting to formulate proposals to put before the joint discussion meeting. A convenient time for this meeting would be on the Friday afternoon (10th), after the two genetics papers which form the first half of the afternoon session in Section K. If you are agreeable, I will circulate members to this effect.

Yours sincerely, .

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30.7.51. P.C. se. V. agreeing.

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