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Dear Major Darwin:

I am so sorry I bothered you about that paper as I found it almost at once and Mrs. Mason sent her copy back.

A new American or International Journal of Philosophy, Mathematics, and Science have^d asked me for a contribution to an early number, and I shall offer them something of the kind, though not quite as written.

I do not think really that you need disagree with me. Indeterminism is a wider hypothesis than Determinism, and should have precedence, until facts can be found which exclude it. If it did contradict any intuition, which I am not convinced about, that would only make things fair, for Determinism certainly does.

I happened to be at the Linnean at a meeting last year to hear a paper about some plants on African mountains; the main paper given, however, was by Hinton on rodent control,

and as he very contemptuously dismissed the plan of killing the females, and releasing the bucks, without apparently being aware of their infanticidal instinct, I was led to put on record a few facts, which interested me very greatly when I observed them, and which I think you may find interesting.

Yours sincerely,