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CRIPPS'S CORNER,
FOREST ROW,
SUSSEX.

Dear Fisher

We are having a regular
Correspondence, though I don't want
to give you the trouble of writing
unnecessarily. But let me know
if at any time you have anything
to say about the Gallon. Lab.
You know my very dimmed views,
but I think you know also how
very willing I should be to help
you if ever I saw a chance.

I have received a request
sufficiently authoritative to make
me feel that I ought to send
in a memo. about the Society's
future, though whether ^{it is} really
wise of me to do so I have some
doubts. I am of course out of touch

with current drifts of feelings
and events, and, as I shall say,
my views ought to be discounted
accordingly. All views ought to
be heard before a final opinion
is given, and I should like what
I say to be regarded as an opinion
which I might well be persuaded
to change. I only know your views
with any certainty from an
incidental remark you made
in a letter. There are dangers
ahead whatever path is taken,
and all that can be done is
to select that with fewest
pitfalls.

And here I want to say for
the last time that as long as
Blacker is secretary, I hold that it
most important that you should
get on well with him. I took
some time to get to like him, but

Now I like him much. You will
never get to this stage until
you have had a good many
long and friendly talks with
him alone. I do wish you would
try for this. I regard you as
head and shoulders above the
rest in clearness of vision on all
theoretical views. And I have
gathered that Blacker has often
or sometimes felt a loss to him
when he turned to for wise advice.
You would in friendly talks be
sure to differ on some points, but
after such talks it is easier to
agree to differ. Little differences
anyhow would disappear as the
result of frank questioning. Now
do not answer all this; for I
shall not allude to it again.

On somewhat the same topic,
I am always rather afraid of
the Society going off on some issue,

and here again your presence
must be most valuable. I see
there is to be another talk on
Marriage Laws, which may or
may not be an instance of - what
I mean. Dad S. did not know
how to begin to discuss from the
point of view of racial effects. I
urged keeping Devorce out of our
programme in the Preface to the
American Edition of my little book,
which you may have seen. I note
on p. 260 of the last Eugenic Review
~~that the Society - I suppose the Council~~
- "is seriously interested in the bearing
of wedism upon sex education". I
wonder how the Council has proved
this serious interest. Anyhow I hope
that in this cold weather I shall
not be expected to lecture to
ladies when stark naked!
Seriously we want men like you
to keep the Eugenic train on the
rails of racial progress. Forgive this
long preaching by sympathetic silence!
Yours sincerely
d. Dawson