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CRIPPS'S CORNER,  
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SUSSEX.

My dear Fisher.

I was glad to hear from you again, especially as it was to vindicate my niece. But I cannot pretend to make any intelligent remarks on the subject. I shall be 93 next June; my sight is bad, and probably my brains have gone slightly down the hill, and technical nomenclature terms constitute now a considerable difficulty. You seem to be carrying on as hard as ever, on which I congratulate you. I am sure my father would have been very much pleased to know that the Lytton puzzle had been solved.

I wonder if you heard Hanley broadcast. I thought his part very good. But such a performance should be either a lecture or a play. I disliked the other performances greatly. I am trying to read

Hawley's new big work, but it is so full of technical terms that I don't understand a lot of it.

However I am naturally pleased that he backs up my father's views on some big questions.

I live here very quietly, with my old staff taking great care of me, and occasional visits from nephews and more frequent visits from nieces. One bomb, <sup>fall</sup> within 120 yards of us, which hardly shook us, I think because it fell in a deep bed of clay -

I wish you had told me something of your own family, of which I have heard nothing for a few years. I hope all goes well with them; and if anything induces you to write again, please let me know.

Yours ever

Leonard Dawson