

October 9<sup>th</sup> [1927?]

My dear Fisher,

Thanks for your letter, and for the very clear way in which you ~~have~~ put your proposals before me. The matter does however seem to me to need great consideration, and before I could agree I must feel sure that my colleagues see the possible disadvantages of the scheme.

In the first place there has on his occasions to my knowledge been very little, acting in ways which Mrs. Hodgson would I am sure not have acted. He greatly irritated both MacBride and some one at the Pearson Laboratory. I doubt if he knows nearly as much as Mrs. Hodgson on subjects connected with Eugenics. She recruited him, as it were, and to push her out entirely or to put him over her head might cause very considerable friction. I don't understand

What you propose as to her position in regard  
to the Receipt nor do I know if she has  
been in any way spoken to on the subject.  
I have I believe a much higher opinion  
of her value to the Society than you have,  
and this makes us possibly view the  
matter rather differently. I fear the scheme  
won't go well unless there is real and  
fairly constant supervision with  
possibly meetings of the Committee once  
a week. For this purpose we want  
some London members on that Committee.  
How would it be to ask Husley to join?  
The scheme I have been passing in my  
own mind was to put the Receipt  
under a committee consisting of  
Mallet, Husley, & Moore with Mrs  
Hudson carrying on under them as at-  
present. Please understand that if my

Colleagues I am your proposal I shall certainly agree to it. I know from Professor East and others that Mr. Keewat has a high reputation in America and this we must be careful not to lose.

I think therefore we ought to get a private meeting on Wednesday next and I should be much obliged if you would arrange it - at the time and place where most members could attend.

Tuesday afternoon is also available at any time. I go to the Burlington Hotel Cork Street on Tuesday and the meeting might be held there in which case please ask the members to lunch with me if that seems the best plan. Lunch at one o'clock if that seems the best time. Tuesday would be the best day in my

Yours sincerely  
L. Darwin

P. S. When you have fixed time and place of meeting send me a telegram addressed (P.T.O.) Darwin Sharp Thorne that is sufficient address

I hope Darwin will ask me

Hayell cannot be at the Council Meeting.  
I am anxious that Le and Smalley should be  
at the private meeting.