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CRIPPS'S CORNER,  
FOREST ROW,  
SUSSEX.

Dear Fisher,

I bombard you with  
letters. I send you enclosed  
because you may like to read  
the article on family allow-  
-ances. When finished  
please send it on to Bedford  
College in enclosed en-  
-velope. If disposed to do  
so please send a notice  
of this article in our  
Review. I have read it

very carelessly and as I  
cannot be bothered to read it  
again I may be mistaken  
in what I say. This seems  
to me a preliminary  
enquiry and I gather that  
the main result may be  
quite erroneous because  
industrial conditions in  
1891 were to the best of my  
belief worse than in 1811.  
As to the further enquiry  
which I understand they are  
going to undertake they  
say what they hope to prove.

What went ye out for to see?  
In this case we know the  
answer to this question, and  
if their verdict is contrary to  
their hopes or faith in  
their conclusions will be  
all the greater. (They do  
not mention the fact I  
think that allowances have  
the death rate and therefore  
the birth rate and consequently  
the birth rate might be lowered  
whilst the rate of multiplica-  
-tion increased as suggested  
in my book page 422.

Yours sincerely

Herbert Darwin