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CRIPPS'S CORNER,
FOREST ROW,
SUSSEX.

Dear Fisher.

Odd that our letters should nearly have crossed. I will post the book soon. I don't care if I never see it again, which makes me doubt my wisdom in sending it! I will return your proof when read - probably without comments, as my old brain begins to boggle over Mendelsohn's problems, unless very simple.

On Monday I should have said I might never appear again in print. On Tuesday a letter from me to the Times was posted late in the afternoon, and today it appears ^{therein} ~~in the~~ Times - whether worth it or not I know not. I have occasionally written things

for my own amusement. For example²
a rather wild tirade on Free Will,
which you jumped on, and which
most certainly will go no further.
Then there is a long paper on the
uniformity of molar characters, which
lies in a drawer, where I guess it
had better remain, though you did give
it a mild pat on the back! You
may see my letter about - my
father in the Times.

I have now read the enclosed
with interest, though without sufficient
knowledge for criticism. I am very
glad you are pushing on with these
theoretical questions, for I am certain
that in this direction you will
continue to raise your reputation,
high as it is at present. I agree
with McDougall in wishing to see

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More good brains turned into
biology in place of physics.
There is plenty more to be done.

I wonder if you agree
that my father's work indicates
that domestication does considerably
raise the mutation rate. It seems
to me that this view can be
accepted without in the least
affecting your views on blending
inheritance.

You ought now to be on
a holiday, I think. I hope you
will get some. You ought to do so.

No answer

Yours sincerely

Samuel Darwin