

April 11<sup>th</sup> [1921?] J.H.B.

CRIPPS CORNER,

FOREST ROW,

SUSSEX.

My dear Fisher,

Thanks for your letter.

I am glad you are looking into the intervals between helms a little. I keep bombarding you with problems. I want to say something at Edinburgh to make a professional class audience "sit-up". Would it be true do you think to speak as follows - ?

"X is fairly safe to say that it is as likely as not

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that if we go on as we are,  
5 centuries hence no one  
on earth will be able to claim  
descent from anyone in this  
room. Could I defend such a  
proposition? I should be  
grateful for a line in reply  
but please don't trouble to  
say much more than yes  
or no.

Yours sincerely