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Dear Fisher.

My address this year
will deal with birth limitation, a
subject on which I fear we differ.
I am careful to say there are
such differences of opinion. I
showed what I had written to
the Dean as a person with whom
I am in general agreement. In
my paper I say "as to highly
developed sexual passions, it is
doubtful if they should be included
in this list or not [eg of 'natural'
qualities] tending to encourage or

promote birth limitation] for
though they promote all methods
of birth limitation, except abstinence,
by making abstinence difficult, yet,
on the other hand, they stand in
the way of such practices by
temporarily dictating all
thoughts of the future" Then in
a note I say "It seems like the
irony of fate that abstinence in
marriage is the only method of
birth limitation which seems
certain to increase the power of
the sexual passions in the coming
generations". The Dean in his

Comments said this note
made him jump! Ought it
to have done so? I see no
flaw in it yet. I should be
obliged by a brief reply.

Yours sincerely

L. Darwin