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My dear Fisher

I have no doubt you remember reading a paper of mine, when you felt foul of my ideas of multiple allelomorphs. I should not care for your opinion a straw if you did not suppress it frankly, and I am grateful for that frankness. I have been going over the whole paper again, rewriting  $9/10^{\text{th}}$  of it, but finding that my opinion on all essential matters remained unchanged. This has made me wonder whether

you did not fully grasp what I was driving at. You gave me the impression in your letter, if I also may be frank, that you had not fully realized the criticisms of Bateson and others against 'Darwinism'. I have in my paper <sup>given</sup> a brief account of the criticisms that seem to me valid. Then as to multiple allelomorphs, I have tried to get over that difficulty by dropping the name!! Now I wonder if you could find time

to read it once again, with the  
pledge to be as frank as before if  
you don't like it. I don't know  
who would give me a good  
biological opinion on its merits.  
I don't want to write anything on  
Evolution over the name of  
Darwin which can be described  
as nonsense. Don't suppose to  
say you are too busy, but if you  
have a little time to spare, where  
shall I send the paper? When  
do you take up your new-  
work?

Yours sincerely,

Herbert Darwin

Read the summary at the end first  
to get a general idea what my aim  
is.