

13th November 1933.

Major Darwin,
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Dear Major Darwin,

I think I agree with every word of your letter, except your inference in respect of practical policy. The attitude of Biologists to Eugenics has been disappointing, and will continue to do so I am afraid so long as they are treated in such a way as to arouse the sub-conscious motives which you suspect.

Some of course, are incapable of disinterested action anyhow, and they are no loss to the movement, but there are a great many who could be disinterestedly keen had they not felt on some occasion or other, that they were being lectured on a Biological subject by persons very little qualified to speak upon it.

It is meaner, easier and generally more consonant with human nature to react as an adverse critic, than to offer hard won technical knowledge in the service of some ass, who will not appreciate its merits.

Yours sincerely,