

5, APSLEY ROAD,
OXFORD.

December 7th 1939.

My dear Fisher,

I enclose a postal order
for 2/6 for the reprints. Thank
you so much for arranging for
them.

Of course I should like
very much indeed to send in
the substance of the Gallon Lectures
for the Annals. Knowing the
difficulty of publication in war
time, I had felt that there might
hardly be much opportunity for

its publication at present: though I had intended to ask you about this — while the chance of a coloured plate is certainly more than I had any hope of, though of course it would be highly advantageous.

On one or two points I should like your opinion at the outset. Several of the subjects dealt with represent an extract from much more extensive work. Thus I have made a complete

Survey of the occurrence of certain pigments in the major groups of the Lepidoptera, from which I took one or two relevant facts for the lecture. On the other hand, the combined genetic and ecological study of the moth Callimorpha dominula is yet in progress, and I mentioned only one or two points so far established. Of course I need these as I was anxious to have the opportunity of quoting some new facts for the

lecture. I like it - that, in its
publication, the account should go
(substantially) no further than
the lecture did: full details of
each piece of work to be published
separately later. (When written
up, and/or completed, I will
send along the M.S. of these
to you, and get your opinion
on them and on place of
publication, if I may!).

By the way, I wonder if
you have heard anything more of

The fate of the butterfly paper
(Scilly Isles). I remember you
said at Edinburgh that, if
delay seemed indefinite, you
would be prepared to take it
for the Annals - which I should
be very glad for if there seemed
no present chance of publication;
as the sooner it is out the better.
After all the circulation
of the Annals is, in quality, a
particularly good one.

Thank you for suggesting
such a delightful opportunity for
publishing the fall lecture - which
I have felt so grateful for your
invitation to give: & thing I
shall always look back to with
particular satisfaction.

With kind regards to Mrs. Fisher,

Yours sincerely,
E. B. Ford