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Dear Taylor,

Many thanks for sending me Hart's paper. In the state to which you have reduced it, I think it will be quite a useful contribution to the Annals, though if it had been possible I should have preferred a more extensive summary, or perhaps better a discussion underlining the ethnographical importance of the English surnames being still distinguishable, for I think that is the most remarkable result of the enquiry and there is literally no discussion. However, that is not the sort of thing one can easily do for anyone else.

I shall be amused by the War Office's reactions. I suppose your procedure is to obtain an authorized copy from them and then send it to me for publication. You may notice I have altered a few words, the most important being one in the title; so you may judge the importance of the others.

Ford tells me he is going over soon to visit you and Race and I do hope you will get all details straight so as to make full use of the really grand opportunity which the co-operation of the Radcliffe Infirmary opens up.

Yours sincerely,