

4th August, 1951.

My dear Crosby,

Thanks for your letter. I am very much in favour of the move which you propose, to discuss the formation of a separate section for Genetics.

*I do think*, however, that the officers and committee of the Genetical Society should be consulted and specifically represented at these meetings.

I have had fairly lengthy experience of the workings of the British Association, and the real difficulty of your proposal lies, I think, in the rather small number of professional geneticists in this country, with the accidental misfortune that they do not see very closely eye to eye. I believe, however, and this I am inclined to propose, that a suitable and flourishing section could be established by the inclusion of the group of quantitative biologists which, in recent years, have been organised as the Biometric Society. A section of "Biometry and Genetics" could, I fancy, make a very fruitful contribution to the meetings of the Association.

Let me know what you think.

Yours sincerely,