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Dear Darlington,

Thanks for signing Yates's certificate. The other day I had a short talk with Roberts of the Press here, not primarily from the point of view of a new journal, but to broach the possibility of the Press acquiring and editing the Journal of Genetics and the Annals of Eugenics. I think we ought to consider rather carefully whether we want the Society to own the journal, which would thereafter rather govern our finances and perhaps involve the Society in permanent paid officers, or whether it would not be better for all this financial side of the matter to be handled by the Press with the Society appointing a small panel of Editors, each to serve for a fixed term, e.g. 6 years. The example of the Linnean, with its high subscription and heavy commitments, is one which I should take rather seriously. However, I do think that we ought to consider the matter in all its aspects so as to lose no possible opportunity of putting the Society in the right relation to the genetical literature of the country.

Yours sincerely,