My dear Henry,

You are so sedulous in taking care of correspondence and its courtosies that I have been puzzled at getting no reaction or guidance from you in respect of the proposed B.B.C. addresses, as I understand it, for the Darwin-Wallace Centenary. As I expect I made clear, I should very much value your opinion as to whether the short remarks that I drafted will fit in well with what is in view for the other speakers.

Nor have I heard who the other speakers are, though I prosume you will be giving the principal address. This is just to let you know how much in the dark I am, but it may be that I have drafted remarks that are quite inappropriate. If so, do not hesitate to tell me quickly.

Sincerely yours,