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Dear Professor Hardy,

Thanks for your letter of March 8th. I did not expect an earlier reply after I heard that my letter had been addressed to New College.

It would, I think, be unreasonable to ask you, or the Committee, for any definite undertaking to publish Yates' paper before it has been seen. He would not, however, submit it, save in the belief that he would not be treated in the same way as I was, i.e., that the Committee would not adhere, as a matter of amour propre, to a decision which has exposed them to some criticism. It is only in the hope that this may be so that I am advising him to send it in, rather than publishing it elsewhere.

My previous correspondence was all with Wilson, but, in spite of this, I doubt if he is personally to blame, apart from the impatient ~~tone~~^{note} of some of his letters.

Yours sincerely,