

19th. January, 1946.

Dear Race,

Thanks for your note which I had not received when I saw you last night. I need hardly say that I value greatly the generous things you have to say. I feel sure that you will at some time or other be exposed to the annoyance I mentioned and am thankful that you are inclined to recognise it for what it is worth. I do hope that the new post will give you the independence and freedom of action which your work so far has earned and which I had planned to give you in other ways.

I did not mention last night, as I had meant to, the proposal which had crossed my mind that you should write a full length account of rhesus for the Royal Society Proceedings. I should like your name to be known to fellows of the society and I do not see why tolerably soon the admirable material provided by your work should not be used in one of the annual lectures for which the society is responsible.

There would be, I believe, no occasion to suppress the clinical aspects of the situation, though probably the society would look askance at a paper of purely medical interest. The genetic findings, however, have been so important that there is really no danger of that.

Sir Joseph Barcroft is now chairman of the Physiology and Medical Sciences sectional committee, but I have not consulted anyone before making this proposal.

Yours sincerely,