Sussex
Cripps's Corner, Forest Row, Dec. 16. 26

My dear Fisher,

It is very good of you to draft a letter to Cripps. I am making slight alterations, and will then sign it. If you were going to sign, I should have left it alone. But as he wrote to me it may be more polite for me to reply. I can't say I have a great many of our Members dislike compulsory education. I guess I approve of it more than you do. The tone and morals of the hop pickers coming to Kent from East-Dulwich has improved to an extraordinary degree in the last fifty years, and the best witnesses I have asked put it down mainly to education. I don't mean the knowledge acquired but contact with decent people which slum birds have in no other way. To give it up would be a relapse to the old barbarism. Indeed when as an old East-Dulwich doctor told me in his youth there were places where he could by no possibility ride at night "even for a charity maternity case". That's mainly why I support the system.
I think I should have time before Jan 12 to draft an answer. You letter 4 you are pressed. But I think you would do it better than me.

I have drafted a Starzy in Bk, which I am inclined to enlarge and call a "Prescription", the Race & Starzy in Bk is putting in, for example, on the case again. The cause against Shahaji 4 the problem ended etc. 4 Starzy as Starzy.

Yours truly,

Dr. D