27th January, 1956.

Dear Mr. Cirker,

Thank you for your note acknowledging MS. of revisions for "The Genetical Theory of Natural Selection". As you see, I have been tempted to try and improve this work in various ways, but am very unwilling to undertake the serious business of a self-sufficing new edition which would not be out of date in 1985.

I hope your editor, and later readers, may forgive this patchwork effort.

I wonder if you could spare me, when the edition is ready, some half dozen copies for personal use and gifts to colleagues?

Sincerely yours,

27th January, 1956.

Dear Mr. Mott-Smith,

I have had a shot at answering the queries, but have had occasionally to rely on memory owing to the only interleaved copy being in your hands. There are, therefore, one or two probably inconsequential marks in this copy of which I know nothing at present.

I believe, rather than letting your chaps worry about unintelligible marks on these blank pages, it would be better to rely exclusively on my revision of proofs, probably at the page proof stage, and be resigned to finding, as one always does, some errors of arrangement or misunderstandings of symbols in these proofs.

Sincerely yours,