29th October, 1955.

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Dear Sir.

I see that I have not answered your letter of October 18th in which you mention that you would like to publish as soon as possible. I am therefore writing to let you know what I have done so far, since I do not wish to embarrass you by an unexpected quantity of material for inclusion.

In the first chapter, on the nature of inheritance, I am suggesting a number of verbal corrections, the only important addition being the enclosure, which I have marked 'addition to p. 21', intended to be the last paragraph of the chapter. In the second chapter I am proposing a large addition to the end of the section on p.34, enclosure B, followed by a rewrite of the first page and the first two lines of p.35 on the section on natural selection (enclosure C). D is an addendum following the section on natural selection, which at present ends at the foot of page 37, while E is intended for insertion before the summary on page 46. For the later chapters I have, so far,

prepared only F, replacing the last three lines of page 49 and on page 50 to the end of the paragraph.

I imagine that nearly all the rewritten or new material that I should want to include would be in the first five chapters, and that in the third chapter, in particular, I must make it plain that I have left old material for its historical interest, and that very much more new material is available than can be added.

I should be glad of reassurance that the sort of thing that
I am doing is really consonant with your intention of publishing
a revised reprint of this old book. I am, as you see, taking
the opportunity not only to revise the notation and wording,
but to express my current point of view when it seems apposite.

I could send you the interleaved copy on which I have been working whenever you wish to see it.

Sincerely yours,