

March 3rd.

My dear Ron,

I do think you have drafted that letter to Mary well. It was awfully good of you to undertake this - when I am sure controversy is as detestable to you as it is to me. One ought not, I know, to mind the sort of letter Mary wrote, but yet I do find it distressing; but far less so after your help and guidance in the matter.

Your set of 4 quotations make it clear that you are treating the matter perfectly fairly. I am so glad to have them.

With your approval, I propose to send off your letter to Mary, with a brief note from myself to say that I am in full agreement with it. I enclose this note, and would be most grateful if you would let me know if you think it all right. Mary

seems so concerned to show that we have misrepresented Knight, a point absolutely covered by what you say, that he seems to overlook the fact that Knight misrepresented us.

There remains the question of what to do with the joint-note he offered to Mary. It is only too clear that if we make no reply to Knight's article in Evolution, we shall be misleading others into thinking we accept his criticisms. That, I feel, we ought not to do. What do you feel about sending it - somewhere?

With my most grateful thanks,

Yours ever,
Henry