

5, APSLEY ROAD,
OXFORD.

March 22nd. 1939.

My dear Fisher,

Your letter has given me the greatest pleasure, and of course I am delighted to accept your exceedingly kind offer. It is really most good of you to have thought of such an arrangement. I shall feel proud to give the ~~George~~ Galton Lecture, and hope it will be a success.

The date you mention (August 17th;) will give a splendid

opportunity, with the Congress passing through London. As you suggest, I will present approximately what I talked about the other day - with, perhaps, a few additional facts by then! In the circumstances, I can see that really good coloured slides will be most important. How kind of de Beer to suggest co-operating over this, I will write to him about it. (No doubt it will be well to bring actual specimens also, in case anyone interested would

care to examine them afterward.)

Yes, I am not sure if I can get to Edinburgh. At any rate I could only stay for a couple of days or so. It really means that or continuing work on the Scillias, but not both.

For the Congress comes just when Polyommatus icarus, and the other possible species, are ~~on~~ on the wing. And I must say I should most awfully like to get better data on numbers there. I can see now various ways in which the

results could be improved (I should like to talk this over with you some time).

The kind way in which you speak of my work is a great satisfaction to me. As a matter of fact, it owes an immense amount to your own genetic analysis (as I think you know) — and to your encouragement.

With my grateful Thanks,

Yours sincerely,
E. B. Ford