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Dear Stanley Gardiner,

I received a letter from Ceylon containing a rather puzzling passage, regretting that I had refused an offer of appointment at Cambridge. This is so far from my own intentions that I suppose some quite erroneous rumours have been current, and I am writing to you to make sure that, if they come your way, you may confidently disregard them. I suppose that a notice of vacancy is to be expected during the coming Winter and, in that case, I intend to retire from the Advisory Board to which I was appointed a few years ago. I was, indeed, much encouraged by being appointed Representative of the University of Cambridge at the International Genetical Congress held at the end of this month.

Yours sincerely,