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Dear Ron,

Thank you for your letter about Oliver and Boyd. I will discuss the reprint cost question with them on the lines you suggest. At the present moment the prices seem difficult to understand since they follow not a curve but a corrugation! Thank you for Margaret Wallace's paper, safely received.

I am finding the work of editing Heredity now rather more than I can manage. I have, so to speak, not had a holiday for ten years and cannot easily go away for more than a month without the danger of holding up a number. I have no assistant to take over this responsibility, owing to my change of habitat and the present understaffing in this Department. I am hoping, however, next year, that I shall be able to transfer the work to someone else; but to find a partner who is at all competent will not be easy. It may be that a committee of three could carry the burden jointly.

There is another consideration that may come in. It is that, if Haldane withdraws to the Orient (or perhaps to Egypt) the problem of genetic publication will become somewhat fluid and ought to be considered on a very general basis involving a fusion of journals. If this would involve collaboration with Penrose, of course, I can be counted out at once.

Yours ever,

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