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My dear Kendall,

Many thanks for your kind note. I am certainly looking forward to many new and old contacts at Cambridge. I do not know whether I shall be able to do much to influence the mathematical teaching, save indirectly through getting the genetical students to use competent methods in their own work. Here, of course, I'm being very selfish, for it is far pleasanter to explain methods to people who want to understand them and apply them in practice than to do the same with people who only want

to find faults and difficulties -- and mathematical departments are only too often the refuges of recluses who hate the rough contacts of the real world.

Yours sincerely,