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Dear Dr. Fisher,

Your letter referring to the relative abundance of different species of ducks has been passed to me. I am sorry to say we do not possess any information on this question which would be at all reliable; and as far as I can find out there is no information to be derived from ornithological literature. But Miss Rintoul, Lahill, Largo, Fifeshire, has been working at the subject lately and has, I believe, published something in regard to Scottish birds.

At any rate she would perhaps be able to answer your question from the Scotch side. Of course, Nicholson, Tucker, and Alexander of Oxford, would gladly answer any questions of this sort if you wrote. We are just starting a National Ornithological Trust for this and other purposes. This is ~~not~~ to be launched, if possible, in the Spring and has been promoted by the Oxford people.

Yours sincerely,

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