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Dear Sir William,

I communicated your reply about F—s [a German contribution] Friedländer's paper to Herringham. He writes to say that he thinks we do not quite appreciate the position, which is this:—

1. the matter is urgent.
2. conciliatory letters have already passed.
3. Friedlander says that he will not give an independent communication to any one section, and will only give it to a combination of the three sections—Neurology, Psychiatry & Medicine."

Herringham is anxious to know as soon as possible if we agree to a joint meeting of the three sections, one of the afternoons, as Friedländer would like an answer by the end of the month.

I do not know the man or his work sufficiently to express an opinion whether it would pay us to sacrifice one fifth of our independent communications to hear him...

Will you kindly let me know what you think about it at
your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,

L. Pasteur

P.S. It seems to me rather a large order to ask an impor-
tant section, like ours, to sacrifice one fifth of its inde-
pendent papers to listen to a communication of which it
only knows the bare title.