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Dear Matt

Thank you very much for your helpful answer. I will change chapter 15 to make it consistent with your remarks. It is a relief to see that you do not find much more wrong with it. Thank you also for the Chemical Weapons book which tells me a lot that I didn't know. I like your introduction particularly.

Oddly enough, your idea, that Moreau made beasts into men because of the superior moral qualities of the beasts, is not to be found in Wells' book. You must have thought of that yourself. Moreau himself was not concerned with morality. "You see, I went on with this research just the way it led me. That is the only way I ever heard of research going. I asked a question, devised some method of getting an answer, and got — a fresh question."

The other thing in your letter that surprised me is the ending. You say the theme of my book is that "a deep knowledge of life processes must be used only to reinforce what is essentially human in us." This is a fine statement but it is not mine. What I am saying is a bit more complicated. The moral is clear. You should be writing the book to present your theme to the public. I hope you will.

Since your reply was so friendly, I take the liberty also to send you chapter 13 (about ACDA and military questions) and chapter 18 (about languages). In chapter 18 I am using some biological jargon and I would like to know if either the facts or the terminology are wrong.

Thanks again for your help.

Yours

Freeman.