

The Hindu  
31/1/42.

Dear Dr. Krishnan,

Many thanks for the reprint  
of your article in Kalaimagal on  
the age of the Earth. I read it  
when it first appeared in  
that journal & was greatly  
struck, not only by the masterly  
case with which the subject  
was expounded for the  
benefit of a lay public —  
that, of course, we who have  
read reports of your English  
popular lectures have long  
learned to look for — but also  
by the aptness, the homeliness  
& above all the naturalness  
of your Tamil style. Mr.  
Rajagopalachari, as you no  
doubt know, published  
some time ago a Hindu book  
of Physics in Tamil with the

~~Also~~ challenging my title & id  
 is it a question? I am afraid  
 that, so far as one reads at  
 least was concerned, the  
 contents did not furnish  
 warrant for a hot off in metal.  
 But, having read your article,  
 I am prepared to say - ~~is~~  
~~is it a question?~~ ~~is it a question?~~  
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 The explanation, as  
 it seems to me, <sup>is</sup> that you  
 do not go along translating  
 mentally the English words  
 that rise spontaneously to express  
 the ideas, but the ideas come  
 first & get expressed in Tamil  
 as naturally as they are expressed  
 in English.

How I wish you could find  
 the time to edit a series of authori-  
 tative little books (some what like  
 the Home University Library series) on  
 the Sciences headed with a volume on  
 the New Physics. It would be a classic  
 with your best regards,  
 in Raghunatha