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Bob Heyes's belief that Eric Robinson "has always encouraged and assisted" other editors of John Clare's poetry (Letters, November 16) is unsustainable. It is well documented that in 1999 Robinson threatened Simon Kővesi with legal action for publishing an unauthorised edition of Clare's Love Poems. That threat, has still not been withdrawn.

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