Dear Professor Zieher,

Can I trouble you to scan the enclosed?

It was written in an attempt to come to grips with Professor Darlington's elusive arguments on the inheritance of the TH counselor... more for my peace of mind than for publication. I am still not certain that my discussion of his paper is wholly valid and I should be glad of your comments. I hasten to add that I am not sending this to you in your capacity as editor of Heredity. Your comments will I think influence me as to whether I should publish it or not. I feel that I am perhaps taking too seriously Prof. Darlington's not very closely reasoned paper. If there is any question of publication, which at present
I fear against, probably the proceedings of the Royal Dublin Society would be a suitable type of journal.

I am about to inflict on Professor Darlington a monstrously lengthy account of the distribution of ABO blood group frequencies in Ireland. Its length is due partly to an account of the laboratory methods and the methods of collecting the data together with a historical account of the settlement and population movements in Ireland during the last 1200 years. I hope that you won't ask for these sections to be shortened as it is intended to continue the survey over many years and to include later the detailed analysis of small areas, town vs. country studies, social stratification and detailed ABO grouping and when these are published it will be very convenient to be able to refer to one previous paper.
that contains all the necessary background information of techniques and the background historical knowledge required for interpreting the data. I am publishing it with Dr. Haskell, who was head of the transcription service here and who started the actual survey as a volunteer (C.S. Conway), who is head technician of the service, while not greatly contributing to the paper, has kept an eye on the records laboratory techniques and has been generally helpful in many ways.

With my very best wishes

Yours sincerely,

George Dawson.