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My dear Henry,

I was glad to get your letter of Saturday, and both I and Nicolette very much hope that you will be able to come next weekend. The mouse material is not very abundant this time, and leaves little doubt as to what new matings should be put up. In order to guard against depletion of stock in the event of their going badly during the winter, I have made up the matings in each lot to the maximum intended, so being rather less highly selective than usual. The results of the outcross matings now present a very regular appearance.

That has surprised me about eye-colour is the evidence of progressive changes in adult life to an extent which I had never before taken seriously. These are accompanied by considerable variations in sex ratio, one interpretation of which is that comparable changes commonly take place much earlier in women than in men. The whole thing presents a number of little puzzles.

I was exceedingly glad to read your further chapter, which I liked very much. It will perhaps suit you if I retain this until we can meet.

Yours sincerely,