

5th February, 1939.

Dear Watkin Williams,

Thanks for sending me your paper on Heterosis, which I have as yet only glanced at but which I hope will in the end appear in Heredity. Your paper reminds me of the fact that some time or other you and Hale here ought to collaborate in a short note setting out the moral of your sweet cherry data, which was in my opinion even more worthwhile than you could have thought when you wrote gathering it.

I think it is important that your data showed not only considerable and calculable selective advantages to some of the alleles over others, but also a very significant interaction between certain pairs of these alleles. Of course I would not dogmatize as to where this is due to the alleles themselves, or to short lengths of strand associated with them in the foundation material of our cultivated cherries.

Sincerely yours,

W. Williams, Esq.