

26th November, 1952.

Dear Cyril,

I have now looked at and discussed Huxley's paper in which he extends a not very forward looking method used by Helder to the case of sib matings following an initial cross. So far as I can judge it will be practically unreadable to most of those who receive the journal, and as a contribution to natural knowledge it is very slight. It is, therefore, not the sort of paper that I would, from this department, submit for publication in Heredity, but rather suggest a biometrical or statistical journal.

In saying all this, I am not objecting to its publication, but merely using this paper as a peg for us to discuss policy on, since the question of how much mathematical printing we want to undertake must, I suppose, always be born in mind. Our subject, in its modern development, certainly needs some mathematics, but I do not think it needs a reiteration of comparatively primitive methods such as the use of the Fibonacci series in types of work which have received a more comprehensive discussion. Anyway, these are my feelings on the matter.

Yours sincerely,