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My dear Fisher,

Thank you very much for your letter. The Lythrum work is exceptionally interesting and I shall look forward so much to learning of this year's data.

I am so glad that you like the Callimorpha dominata results. I had expected further emergences, but only one more (a deformed bimaculata) has come out. The other pupae have died off: they may have been kept rather too long. It is not easy to hit off the right conditions. So the results now stand as -  
offspring from medionigra x medionigra :-

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| <u>dominata</u>   | 16 |
| <u>medionigra</u> | 35 |
| <u>bimaculata</u> | 17 |

In addition, my friend H.B. Williams

writes to tell me that he has secured (last year)  
a pairing of medionigra x bimacula. There was a  
heavy mortality, but he has now got from them:-

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| <u>medionigra</u> | 2  |
| <u>bimacula</u>   | 13 |

Yes, I had hoped that now that  
approximately 20% of the population are heterozygotes,  
there might be some modification of the heterozygote  
during spread to an extent which might perhaps  
be detected. I am greatly interested in your  
comments, and to know that you feel the  
matter so well worth studying.

Yours sincerely,  
Henry Ford