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Dear Halldane,

I enclose the paper on *Lythrum* with a slight explanatory foreword.

I doubt if satisfactory counts will easily be obtainable from wild populations they are worth collecting. I think much more useful results would be obtained by planting out seedlings on an experimental open-pollinated plot for a succession of years say a thousand plants annually for five years using mixed seeds to start with. Such a plot would have the advantage of providing good normal material as required from time to time if Genetical work were undertaken, I should be very glad if you would support the idea of growing such a plot at Merton but would certainly not wish to press the subject if Sir Daniel feels in any reluctant.

Yours Sincerely,