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Dear Dr Lewis,

Thanks for your letter. I have not been ill, and so had not the excuse which Mrs Hodson made for me.

Any striking defect such as mental deficiency must of course be rare^d among triplets as among children by single births. Of 300 cases perhaps only 3 to 6 should show mental deficiency, and these might well be among the minority who are unwilling to supply information. On the other hand the triplet cases made available by the King's Bounty are more numerous than most investigations of twin cases can show.

I will draft a circular not alluding to defects, and leave you to decide whether you would like the addresses and dates of birth of either all I have, or of those that reply. My experience of the previous group is that the parents are inclined to be exceedingly helpful to a visitor.

Yours sincerely,