My dear Lowndes,

It was very good of you to come to my talk and I am particularly glad that you thought it was clear. I was, as one often is, a little disappointed with the discussion, not that I expected it to keep closely to the point, which of course it never does, but because the two speakers personally acquainted, one with the study of dominance, and the other with poultry - I mean Ford and Pease - did not do themselves justice. Ford, apparantly because he felt inhibited from giving a sample account of what he was thinking of, namely of polymorphism of mimetic butterflies and Pease apparently because he felt it necessary to perform a rear-guard action, or should one say administration, on behalf of Punnett. Really both of them could have done much better.

Yours sincerely,