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Dear Mather,

At present I am only breeding mice, - which you will probably know all about already - snails, on which there is nothing to read since an old paper of Lang's in German (by old I mean Archæon - about 1903), and gr^{üne} locusts, which are living, but not breeding. I shall also have for ^{another} a year or two a poultry experiment at Harpenden, designed to test the dominance of some of the alleged dominants in poultry.

In case you are filled with an insatiable appetite for literature during the Summer, I am sending 9 papers by Nabours and Robertson on the American grouse locusts. I have stacks more stuff in typescript of my own on the results of Nabours' collecting trips. Possibly you know his stuff - or at least Robertson's - already.

I am just now having a little paraffin incubator fitted, but shall want you in any case to overhaul the equipment and laboratory apparatus during your first year, with a view to your own convenience and facilities. I am not an absolute enthusiast for cytological work myself. It has, I believe, diverted a good many useful people from actual breeding work, but I have no idea of not giving you every facility that you think reasonable for following up any points you like.

Besides, I should ^{really} very much like to know something about the cytology of snails.

Yours sincerely,

The Evolution of Dominance in certain Polymorphic Species
- R.A. Fisher, Amer. Naturalist 1930 - also enclosed.