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CRIPPS'S CORNER,  
FOREST ROW,  
SUSSEX.

My dear Fisker.

The point I was driving at was that which I dealt with in my paper on N.S. I send a copy, which I don't want back, as the easiest way of saying what I want to say.

The reason why I guess single factor qualities can change quickly is because there is no regression. But I see that there may be many pitfalls, very easy to fall into.

As to your point, it seems to me a very interesting one.

I don't see how it is to be tested. Is there any domestic animal in regard to which man has for long been selecting in opposite qualities? It is catch you meaning, that is the sort of case you want to work on. But I don't know of any such case.

A paper by Woods in the current J. of Heredity indicates that, taking each stratum separately, selection in favour of intelligence is still going on in all ranks. That, if true, is rather important.

Does your result mean that where selection for intelligence has been going on for long, there

there will be less regression to the mean? I  
put this as a question not to be answered,  
but to indicate my thoughts.

In fact I look on my letters to you in the  
light of pins, the pin pricks to urge you on  
with your great work on the mathematical  
theory of inheritance!

Yours sincerely

Demetrius Dawson