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CRIPPS'S CORNER,

FOREST ROW,

SUSSEX.

Dear Fisher

Thanks for yours of
Aug. 5. I wonder if you will
think it worth while publishing
your results anywhere. A note
in the Review?

If a population is divided
into classes, each covering a
given range of differentiation,
then of course the class about the
mean will be largest. If we
imagine a given selective effect
acting on each class separately,
but on all individuals alike, then

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The greatest effect will be produced by the selection acting on the middle class, because it is the largest. But if we are looking to an increase in fertility of a non-selective character, the only effect of its action on the middle class will be to make the group more concentrated about the same centre. If we are considering the shifting of the centre by an increase in fertility, then it still seems to me that there are two most important classes, namely

those at the two points of
standard deviation. Is not that
so? But don't answer.

Yours sincerely

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