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My dear Taylor,

Thanks for your letter and the 1,000 cases from Sunderland, which are a very welcome addition to our collection from Northern England. They seem to conform well with the other Northern English series, bringing the frequency of B up, however, which I had thought before was somewhat low.

I recently had a further batch of 5,000 from Janet Vaughan, bringing her total up to nearly 30,000. She says these were done, I suppose at some subordinate centre, by the Sutton slide technique, and evidently had doubts as to whether they were so good as the rest of her material. On comparing the frequencies I find no deficiency in AB from the expectation based on O, A and B, but quite an indication of fewer A genes. This suggests, for what it may be worth, that A_2 's may be missed both in group A and in group AB. This suggestion requires that about half the A_2 's should be missed from each group. I should like to know if you think this possible, also whether you have yet had time to look at the new scores based on Miss Prior's titrations, done long ago now at University College.

I hope you will make an excuse some soon for coming to town. Remember that we ~~should~~ be delighted to put you up for the night

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if that were any convenience.

Yours sincerely,