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Dear Dr Fischer,

I have received your letter of January 5th with great pleasure, and I am most glad to hear that Statistical Methods and Design of Experiments have been useful in the work you are doing in plant improvement in Uruguay. I had to prepare a second edition of ^{The} Design of Experiments last Summer, and I am expecting to receive it almost at once. It is not greatly altered, though the combinatorial properties arising from the Latin Square, and their applications, especially in experiments in which a large number of variates ^{etc} are to be compared, have been dealt with more thoroughly. My friend, Mr Frank Yates, who is now in charge of the Statistical Department at Rothamsted, has been particularly successful in these applications of confounding, so that there is now little difficulty in experimenting with a number of variates ^{etc}, up to 100, simultaneously without loss of efficiency in the design.

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