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My dear Taylor,

Many thanks for your letter. I will have the bill met out of Galton Laboratory funds. I am so glad to hear that Ford's visit to you was ~~successful~~.

About the shortage of AB's, I think I should wait a little longer to see whether another six months or a year makes the discrepancy more decisive. A X^2 of 2.56 in the right direction has about $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ expected frequency and, I think, leaves little doubt of the reality of what we anticipated, especially as a worker of the quality of Friedenreich has given you data with the same tendency.

Both Fraser Roberts from Bristol and I from Yorkshire now have concordant evidence of A/A+O being higher in men than in women. This is also so in small samples from the Midlands, but not from the London area, where the best data, i.e. Janet Vaughan's, give almost the same ratio for the two sexes. I presume this is due to the London area constantly receiving immigrants on a ~~fairly~~ large scale from ~~fairly~~ far afield, Scotland, Ireland and North
th Wales, which would certainly lower the ratio for the men more than for the women.

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I do not much want to publish this without the further light which I hope age-distribution may throw on it, but I shall not object if Fraser Roberts wants to publish, as I think he does, including some of my results.

I have just heard that Stanbury's data from Yorkshire has now run out. Perhaps you are in touch with other centres which we could usefully count. Of course, outlying places like the Isle of Man are particularly interesting from this point of view.

Yours sincerely,