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Dear Miss Allan:

Thanks for your letter of 17 January 1933. Mrs. Fisher and the children are well and send their love. We shall all be delighted to see you again whenever you find it possible to visit England.

I am glad to hear that you are being consulted on statistical methods and I hope you are rubbing in the necessity of consulting you in the design as well as in the interpretation of the experiments. Otherwise a statistician gets to be regarded merely as a person who tells you that your data are not good enough, which is a melancholy reputation to acquire. Christian is still here, but I think he has to be in Australia during the summer.

If your sister Helen can possibly bring pouched mice she will be received with open arms. To bring them over under personal care, would, I am sure, be the

ideal way, as they will probably live well in captivity if sympathetically looked after, though, like all wild animals, I should expect them to be quite intolerant of neglect. I believe your first impression was that the Australian Zoos knew nothing about keeping them, but I judge from your hopeful tone that you are now in touch with somebody who knows about them.

Yours sincerely,