

22nd July, 1958.

My dear Luca,

Thanks for your letter. I do not suppose there is a hope of you finding cases of twins reared apart, for these are not a normal constituent of the population, but occur, I suppose, usually only when the family has something to conceal. You may recall my publishing in the Annals of Eugenics a nice case from Glasgow of two identical boys recorded by the Brashes. I have no doubt they are now old enough to have their smoking habits recorded. I imagine that Eliot Slater had such a large batch of children separated at birth because his hospital is one particularly for psychotics, and it may be that foster-mothers are ordinarily found for the children of the insane, but this is only a guess.

I had expected yours to be the first contribution to human genetics of this kind, but even though there will now be others discussed first, it will be none the less important to obtain corroborative evidence from countries with different social traditions, customs, etc. The difference between monozygotic and dizygotic pairs in the similarity of their smoking habits has so far been very striking and unmistakable, and without complete separation it might be possible to gain other sidelights on the possibility that this is partly due to mutual influence. With Slater's girls, I suppose it must be mutual influence by telepathy, but it could be that different countries are different in this respect.

I expect you will not be in Brussels, where I am talking under the auspices of the Société Adolphe Quetelet to I think an International Pharmaceutical Congress. It is both an I.S.I. and a Biometric show.

It will be delightful if you can visit Cambridge. With love to your family,

Yours sincerely,