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Dear Father,

Thanks for your letter. If you learn anything further of Timiryazev, I should, of course, be glad to hear it, though, as you may, there is nothing to build high hopes on. It is only too common, both in England and abroad, for biological writers, even those capable of meticulous care and self-criticism in matters of factual detail, to be entirely without these restraints in abstract or theoretical statements.

Levit, however, who had, I think, a central laboratory in Moscow on human genetics, was lecturing on the Genetical Theory very soon after its publication, and had a panel, I suppose of his students, at work on its translation into Russian. I remember being offered 1000 couples, apparently in compensation for the infringement of copyright. I remember it because they were only available at the expense of visiting Russia where they could be expended. Any way my book was well known in Russia quite early Yours sincerely,