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Dear Mather,

Thanks for letting me know of progress with the Lythrum seedlings. Fabergé has managed to raise here large numbers of the other families, so we ought to have a good bedful.

On your greenhouse problem you do not tell me quite how the 5 F₁'s are related to the 7 parents, i.e., which of such schemes as these

	1	2	3	4	5	6
AB	AD	AC	AB	AB	AD	
BC	AB	AD	AC	AC	AB	
AC	BE	AE	AD	AD	BC	
DE	CF	BF	B&E	AE	CE	
FG	CG	BG	FG	FG	FG	

you have to do with. I don't think any of these fit the greenhouse particularly well. However, without putting the relationships to any particular use, you can certainly subdivide your 12 into 3 sub-committees of 4 each ^{α, β, γ} and grow blocks $\alpha\beta$ $\alpha\gamma$ and $\beta\gamma$, getting somewhat less precision between sub-committees than within them, i.e., 2 degrees of freedom out of 11 are partially confounded, though you cannot choose particularly worthless comparisons to suffer this fate.

Yours sincerely,