

Pasoevean 26 July 1932

Mr. R. A. Fisher

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Dear Mr. Fisher,

During my visit to the Rothamsted
Experimental Station I had the opportunity to tell you
something about the field trials organization of our
Sugar Experiment Station. If perchance you have
not seen the publication yourself, I may draw your
attention to "Mededeelingen van het Proefstation
van de Java Suikerindustrie," no. 14.
De resultaten der blanco proeven met 2870 F of van
oogstjaar 1931 by E. Demandt. (p. 1079-1140)
which contains the results seen from a purely
technical standpoint, of 203 blanco-experiments.
each of each consisting of a field planted with 2870 F of
(sugarcane variety), divided into 36 squares, and
thus calculated as experiments with 2 objects, 18
squares each, 3 of 12 squares of each, 4
objects, 9 squares of each, and of 6 objects, 6 squares
of each. On p. 1080 is stated that the Experiment
Station is willing to submit this rich material
to experts who wish to study this material from a
more mathematical standpoint. It is believed
that ^{such an} material of this size has not yet been collected
elsewhere.

There is no doubt, that when you ask for this
material, it will be sent to you. From a personal
standpoint, I shall appreciate it very much. if you
write for it, it may be better not to refer to my
letter, but to the sentence on p. 6000 of the publication
only

Yours sincerely

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Dear Mr. Posthumus,

I am obliged for your letter of July 26, which I have just received. The material you mention should be of great value to students for the designing of experiments with sugar cane. I am travelling at once to the U.S.A. for the Genetical Congress, but I hope to see the publication you refer to later.

Yours sincerely,