11th February, 1965.

Mr. David Lesh, Cassel, CALIFORNIA...U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Lesh.

Thank you for your letter of the 25th January. The climate appears rather cool for beams to mature before frost kills the vines. Only fully dried pods on the vine are useful. However it would be valuable for another person to duplicate my experiments and see if similar results are secured. Try to get some rapidly growing, fast maturing variety of climbing bean. If the bean is marked with two colours you can look for colour inversions. The plants may be grown in a glass house if one is available. Even an unheated one will keep up the might temperatures.

Another possibility is to search the local countryside for native twining vines and demesticate a few. Choose some with large seed peds. Discourse is a genus widely distributed. It has peds with three wings a half to an inch long. Wild types of Phaseolus have peds similar to peas or small beans, often covered with fine fur.

Enclosed is a reprint from Journal of Genetics. I will be much interested to learn your progress.

Best regards,

Yours sincerely,

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