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January 18, 1936.

Dear Dr Fisher,

I am sorry not to have made an earlier reply to you very kind offer to send me such of your papers as I might express the wish to have. The reason was preoccupation with sickness in the family, my young daughter being seriously ill for a number of weeks ; she has now surmounted the critical stages. A secondary reason was that I did not possess the very latest edition of your book. What I am principally interested in is your approach to the problems of statistics, your work on likelihood, on the distribution of statistics and on estimation generally. If you could send me such of your papers as in your opinion bear on this question, the question of theoretical basis, I should count myself very fortunate.

There is some possibility that I may be paying a short visit to London in three or four months time. If this eventuates, I hope to be able to call on you.

I am,
Yours sincerely,

A. C. Aitken.

January, 20th, 1936

Dear Dr Aitken,

I have fished out 10 offprints, mostly recent, on likelihood, fiducial probability, etc; and two more which I should like you to see I am sending copies of, but these cannot properly be spared permanently. I hope you will return these after noting the points you want.

The paper on the theory of estimation is especially important, as, though the mathematics in it can be improved technically, I have no other paper which gives so comprehensive a view of the line of approach I have developed.

Yours sincerely,

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