## Dear Professor Frechet,

Thank you for your letter and courtesy in sending me your critical commentary. I shall not be inclined to argue the matter, and no doubt the great statisticians whem you mention will discover in time how the matter should properly be expressed. It seems to me obvious that serious mental obstacles must always have existed to the apprehension of a form of reasoning which seems to me new and valuable, and that they should exist in

illustrious minds trained in earlier ideas is not at all to me surprising. I should be glad if anyone reading my works should take what good they may find in them and make good use of it, and trouble themselves little about what they think to be false or defective.

Yours sincerely,