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Professor R.A. Fisher,
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Cambridge.

My dear Ronnie,

I am enclosing the paper on systematic sampling which I have now completed. I hope you will like it. The approach is more experimental than has been usual in work hitherto done on the subject but I think it has yielded useful dividends.

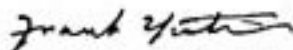
I do not know whether you will consider it worth publication in the Transactions of the Royal Society. If so, I would be glad to have your opinion whether it is best for you to submit it, in which case I suppose it will be refereed by someone else, or whether I had better get Thornton to submit it in the hope that it will be refereed by you. You will remember that the earlier paper of mine on quasi-factorial designs which you submitted to the Royal Society was returned on the ground that it merely dealt with specialised applications. The subsequent widespread adoption of these designs in a number of fields has, I think indicated that they were wrong in their judgement.

P.T.O.

I am sending you copies of the figures. The originals are available for reproduction when required.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Frank Yates".

F. Yates