

June 15, 1939

Dear Miss Allan,

Thanks for your letter of May 31st about D.J.Finney. He tells me that he has just accepted the offer of a post as Yates' assistant at Rothamsted, but that he is decidedly interested in such posts as you are engaged in filling.

I have not any closely comparable candidate over here in view; but, as you ask me about salary, I think you might find it necessary to offer £400 to ^{£450}~~£500~~ initially and, while making it clear that a mathematical statistician without real research interests would be no use to you, there is no reason in your proposal to discourage the applications of the man who thinks he might go far in mathematical statistics. I mention this, as part of your third paragraph might be so read, and I guess this is not really your intention.

Yours sincerely,