

16th January, 1956.

My dear Fortuyn,

Thank you for your letter. I am glad you like the offprints. It will be most interesting to see the results of your very extensive experiments.

The problem of what to do with very large accumulations of numerical data is one that has not perhaps received sufficient attention, and perhaps no solution is perfect. Some years ago, however, a committee, of which I was secretary, was successful in inducing the South Kensington Museum, known as the British Museum (Natural History), to establish archives for their reception where they are properly indexed, preserved, and made accessible to subsequent students. In many ways this method has advantages over that of printing the material in extenso. In any case, you may be glad to know of the existence of these archives.

Sincerely yours,