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My dear Dr. Altenburg,

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Actually, yours is the first occasion out of so many in which the form proposed many years ago has been thought to be inappropriate, and for my part there would be no hard feeling if you omitted any reference, which you find irksome, from the preface. It would, I think, be a good thing to retain somewhere a specification of the source of the table, if only as a guarantee of accuracy, for I find that a table recently published by Pearson and Hartley, covering the same problem as an earlier table of Yates and Fisher, is in fact grossly different in its application and results.

Yours sincerely,