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Dear Jeffreys,

Thanks for sending me the book, which I shall be very glad to see. No, I have never done any serious work on the pendulum problem, though I think it is the right one to tackle for a good many nearly periodic phenomena. I suppose the displacement can be expressed as the sum of a number due to recent disturbances, converging as these grow more remote in time, but it may be more complicated than this suggests.

Yours sincerely,