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My dear Page,

Thanks for your letter which I was very glad to have, though I suppose correspondence is a burden in your climate. I fancy the American Statistical Society were distinctly pleased at having your note.

In respect of cost of living I suppose a system of proportional increments for dependant children has never seriously been considered by the Indian Civil Service.

Apart from its sugenic effects which interest me greatly, it has certain economic advantages in which all parties share. I.e. a given salary fund will maintain a higher standard of living, or the same standard of living can be maintained with smaller total expenditure, if it wouldes family allowances, than if it excludes them.

Thanks for thinking about the moths. If it is mites

pyridine poured on cotton wool in a <u>closed</u> tin will deal with

them finely, or napthalene (moth balls) are pretty good at a

high temperature. This may be worth trying for they will

destroy things of more value than entomological specimens.

Yours sincerely,