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Dear Dr Milne,

Many thanks for your letter which explains the situation perfectly. I imagine that 20 sheep would be an entirely suitable number to take as a unit, though I should need to know much more than I do - and perhaps more than is known at all - to say that it is absolutely the most suitable for your purposes.

I have not yet the offprints from my paper in the Annals of Eugenics on the Negative Binomial, but will send you one when I have it. I think it likely that there will be further work on this distribution from different standpoints.

I hope I can keep the Annals going in spite of the heavy loss of foreign subscriptions, at least if various people come to the rescue. Do you think your department would like to become a subscriber?

Yours sincerely,