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My dear Tippett,

I was much interested in the paper you gave to the Manchester Statistical Society on Applications of Statistical Methods to the Control of Quality in Industrial Production. It seems to me exactly the sort of paper which is wanted at the present time.

Naturally I was particularly interested in your Greco-Latin square design for testing the separate parts of spindles. I do not know anyone else who has had the enterprise to use higher squares in this way, and of course one would hesitate to advocate its widespread use, owing to the entangling of some main effects with the possible interaction of others.

If you can let me have the data I should much like to include the example in the next edition of The Design of Experiments, for which my publishers are already asking. I shall be glad at the same time to correct any numerical errors, and I am afraid there have been several which you may have noticed in the first edition. As you say, the detailed results of your trial are not given in your paper, and it would be necessary to have these to discuss the design properly. I should not, however, be obliged to give any
facts which may be confidential as between your Department and the firm for whom the work was done.

Yours sincerely,