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Dear Wishart,

Many thanks for your comments on the Committee's report. I have incorporated your suggested additions. I think we must accept the Tables as accurate on the internal evidence of Sheppard's manuscripts, where they are marked as checked with other copies, and have also certainly been checked extensively by using them for the construction of other Tables. They cannot be checked fully by differences: but, as they have his full authority, it would seem proper to print them as such.

I agree entirely that we should have no authority to replace the reduced derivatives by differences, even if these were sufficient for interpolation.

Yours sincerely,