

[142r]

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Mr Dear M^r De Morgan. [something crossed out]

I said Wed^{dy}. At least I meant to do so. On Tuesday I have already an engagement in the morning. Perhaps you have written Tuesday by mistake. But of you cannot come on Wed^{dy}, then I must put off my Tuesday's engagement, that I may see you then. If it is the same to you however, I should much prefer Wed^{dy}.

Can you kindly give me one line tomorrow to say which it is to be. I shall get ['it' inserted] in the evening in St James' Sq^{re}. _ Now I proceed to business :

1^{stly}: You have mistaken my intentions I think about the formulae of pages 155, 156. My enclosures 1 & 2 will explain. _

2^{ndly}. Enclosure 3 contains the demonstration of "Exercise" page 159

3^{dly}. Enclosure 4 "Exercise" page 158

4^{thly}: About the Constant in page 141 : I still am [142v] unsatisfied. I perfectly understand that "any value" consists with everything in page 141. The principle is I conceive exactly the same as that by which in page 149, y is made $= a + \sin .x$ instead of $y = \sin x$.

I only mean that this result seems inconsistent with page 116 when it is shown that the Constant must $= \frac{w}{2}$. _

5^{thly}: page 161, (line 14 from the top):

$$\varphi''(x + \theta h, y + k) - \varphi''(x + \theta h, y) = \varphi_1'''(x + \theta h, y + vk).k$$

$v < 1$

Why is v introduced at all? _

I have as follows :

$$\frac{\varphi''(x+\theta h, y+k) - \varphi''(x+\theta h, y)}{k} = \varphi_1'''(x + \theta h, y)$$

if k diminishes without limit ; (k being = Δy)

or $\varphi''(x + \theta h, y + k) - \varphi''(x + \theta h, y) = \varphi_1'''(x + \theta h, y)k$

But I do not see how v comes in. _

6^{thly} : I have several remarks to make altogether on the Article Operation. I will only now subjoin two. I believe on the whole that I understand the

Article very well.

See page 443, at the top, (2nd Column) :

$\varphi^2 + 2\varphi\psi + \psi^2$, or $(x^2)^2 + 2(x^3)^2 + (x^3)^3$
should be it appears to me $\varphi^2 + 2\varphi\psi + \psi^2$, or $(x^2)^2 + 2x^3 \cdot x^3 + (x^3)^2$
or $(x^2)^2 + 2(x^3)^2 + (x^3)^2$
= $(x^2)^2 + 3(x^3)^2$

[143r] I only allude to $(x^3)^3$, instead of $(x^3)^2$ as I make it.

See page 444, at the bottom, (2nd column) :

“Where $B_0, B_1, \&c$ are the values of fy and its

“successive diff-co’s [*sic*] when $y = 0, \&c, \&c$ ”

Surely it should be when $y = 1$.

The same as when immediately afterwards, (see page

445, 1st column, at the top), in developping [*sic*] $(2 + \Delta)^{-1}\varphi x$;

$B_0, B_1 \&c$ are the values of fy & its Co-efficients

when $y = 2, \&c, \&c$. ____

I have referred to Numbers of Bernoulli

& to Differences of Nothing ; in consequence of

reading this Article Operation. And find that

I must read that on Series also. ____

I left off at page 165 of the Calculus ; &

suppose that I may now resume it ; (when I return
here that is). ____

I will not trouble you further in this letter.

But I have a formidable list of small matters

down, against I see you. ____

Yours most sincerely

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