6. The Universal Theorem. We add d and f each three times,  $7^9$  twice, and  $n^9$  (n=8-13,15) each once, as in Theorem 10, this Bulletin (vol. 39 (1930), p. 710), and find that 140 powers suffice from h to  $L_0=58221534000$ . By Theorem 12, ibid., page 711, with t=841, we find that 981 powers suffice from h to  $L_t$ , where log log  $L_t=43.356$ . By R. D. James' recent work for odd powers, every integer > C is a sum of 981 ninth powers if log log C=43.198. Since  $L_t>C$ , we have the following result.

THEOREM 3. All integers  $\geq 2d + f$  are sums of 981 ninth powers.

By  $(1_1)$  the integers  $\geq 0$  and < b are x+ya ( $x \leq 511$ ,  $y \leq 37$ ) and z+38a ( $z \leq 226$ ), and hence are sums of 548 powers. Adding b thirteen times, we see that 561 suffice to 14b and hence beyond c. Adding c seven times, we see that 568 suffice to 8c > d. Adding d five times, we see that 573 suffice to 6d > f. Hence 575 suffice to 2d+f.

THEOREM 4. Every positive integer is a sum of 981 ninth powers.

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## A NOTE

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M. Maurice Fréchet, of the University of Paris, has informed me that Cantelli published the following inequality in the Bollettino dell' Associazione degli Attuari Italiani (Milan, 1910):

$$P_{|X-Y|} \ge \epsilon \ge \frac{M_{2r} - M_r^2}{(\epsilon^r - M_r)^2 + M_{2r} - M_r^r},$$

where  $M_r$  is the mean of  $|X-Y|^r$ . As Fréchet pointed out in his letter to me, this inequality includes as a particular case  $(Y=\overline{X}, \epsilon=t\sigma, r=1)$  the inequality (2) given in my paper, Some new theorems on limits of variation, published in this Bulletin, December, 1933.

The journal in which Cantelli's paper appeared is not, so far as I have been able to ascertain, available in New York City.

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