

Hardwick vic. 17 Feb. /74.

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My dearest Arthur,

I don't think I shall catch the post, but am trying. May thanks
be yours. - The fault in the reflector is perhaps in the eyepieces - or it may
lie in some bright spot in the tube not properly blacked. The great Chicago
achromat has a "milky" field from some internal reflection. Experiment w^d. probably
detect the cause. - Your poor clerk's death must have struck you much. It is
well to be brought face to face with the last enemy - as you have been several times -
not death with special meaning.

Yours very affect. old friend

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