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Bicragge,
Hardwick.

My R. S. O

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My dear Arthur

I thank you much
for yr. friendly letter, &
I assure you we shall look
forward with much
pleasure to seeing you
in our Chatterham Lodge
& I hope we shall also
be more of your

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Post. This morning (Thursday) comes a letter
from Rev. H. Z. Dove, Wilmore, Stratf. on Avon
Mr. Brothers' friend, which I forward at
once. I told you that the O.G. has been
known to split yr. Andr. w an unastrom-
mical eye. -

What he says about the Browning 12 1/4 means
this - that Mr. your friend prefers that re-
flector, he (Mr. Dove) might purchase the
Brothers Achromatic. But I sh. counsel him
not to make the transfer. Not that I quite
like that reflector as it is - though very good -
but retouched by Wrth, & remounted in cell
(where I think is something wrong) it might
beat the Munich O.G. "into fits." Wrth
has now 6 1/2 "speculars bearing 800 to 1000
or stars! - Mr. Dove's reflector was nearly
equal to Gladhill's 9 1/2 Cooke O.G. - but Mr.
could do still finer work now.