

his being arranged in this way. —

We have at last, I am thankful to say, been able to make all our arrangements for going over the water, & propose D.V. to leave this place on Monday 27. inst. — We may probably sleep at Gloucester that night, & reach Town next day, & leave again on Wed.^d evening for our niece's at Chislehurst. It will be a short stay, — but during that time we hope to see as much as possible of you — for life — especially our life — is fast hastening away. —

Have you any idea of going to the American Eclipse?

Mr. Jenner of Brit. Mus. to whom I entrusted my dear Father's MSS to catalogue with a view to sale, tells me that things have been going so badly of late in consequence no doubt of the depression of trade & the possibility of war, that he cannot, by waiting for another season.

Unless you should lean to the contrary, I think we shall turn up at Mr. Burri's ^{Board} Lodging House in Leinster Square, where you found us once before. I think I must be in Brit. Mus. for several hours, for which it is very convenient.

Calver has very kindly sent me a present of a very beautiful Kallum, which supplies the place of the breast of my eyeglasses which work with the microm. — With had lent me one, but I think mine the best. I had made up an intermediate one for myself with paper tubes — not to be sneezed at, I can assure you. —

Thank God — I say it very deliberately — I am on the point of finishing the first sketch of my continuation of my dear Father's book. There will be various additions to be made, but nothing is comparable, as to burden, with the conducting of the main stream to its designed end. It will be popular — but never mind!