

colours with Sn's plates - but these plates
have helped me to form an ideal scale
which answers sufficiently for me. -

My specula are going fast ahead. My
friend Bruce has one of 12 in. which
Sadler pronounces equal to Dorsah in
light & superior in definition.

My wife sends kind love

Always your very affectionate

J. W. Webb.

NB. I can procure noble specula
unmounted, very reasonably, if you
know of any opening.

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My dearest Arthur,

I have not written more than some rum
card & don't know when - & it is quite time I
did - first to apologise for my rudeness in telling
the British Assoc to send their book to your
care without asking your leave - & next to
reply to your kind enquiry about my foot,
which I thank God is practically well at
last, only a few specks of eczema remaining.
I think she must have been XYZ emma -
& I don't like her at all. My irregularity
of circulation is also fast disappearing & I
see - to speak seriously - what deep cause of
thankfulness I have for such a restoration
at my age. And that too notwithstanding
the season, which however cheerful as you
say for young people is disagreeable & almost
depressing to me - in fact to us both. We
are sunken birds. - I want to know
how the memoir of your dear Mother