

cented, as it is a Trisyllable. (that this has
very generally neglected in books.)
~~you will be pleased I think~~

As to the action of paints in time you have touched
a most curious question. (which I think however
I ^{have} seen mentioned before) but one quite out of my
depth. Do you keep memoranda of these ideas
as they occur to you? If not please be assured
did by a sincere friend to do so. They may prove of
more value than you are aware of at the time.
I now jot down any difficulties of a theoretical
nature that occurs to me, for an explanation
which sometimes makes me ready to "write me down
an ep." - but which at other times I don't get
at all! - When shall we meet? If you
will come here in the summer, I will promise
you a dose of scientific nuts much too hard for
my teeth. - & if you don't find some of them too
hard for anybody, I shall be much surprised. -
We hope D.V. to be in London - if my dear
Father is able to manage it - after Whitmas-
tide - & I trust we may meet there - but I

don't mean that to be a substitute for your visit
here. -

What an awful thing, Shewell's death! I
hope it may produce a good impression. Truly
the time is short: ~~but~~ though that is not indeed the
correct interpretation of the Apostle's words - but
how impressive is the fact - & how important
that we should walk before Him & be found
ready at His coming! -

You will be glad I think to hear that my
dear father has just made me present of a
 $\frac{3}{4}$ inch silvered speculum - of very fine
quality. It divides (I have seen it do so last
Wednesday evening, in very indifferent air,)
AB & Cuvier. ~~with~~ into 370. Will your
Northumbrian Telescope do that? It may,
but ??? -

If you happen to come across any great pans
loaded with fluorescence, & ready to discharge
their contents, please ask them whether Prof;

Stokes's ideas upon that subject are fully ac-
cepted? Do we then in a peculiar fascination do
these "invisible" rays. ~~and~~ and indeed the whole
subject of the Spectrum. If I have not - as I sup-
pose ??? I must have - misinterpreted what
he said in the R. Soc. Minutes for 1853 - he must
be in a muddle. - At any rate, with my present
ideas about it there must be a point of long
view between us. When I have seen, in London
Phil. Trans. I shall better be able to ascertain
their appropriation. -

We are often thinking about you here, & hoping
you are not over-testing yourself. At any rate it
signifies less - but oh your time of life it is very
important not to overdo that wonderful mechanism
through which mind acts. We unite in kindest
regards & best wishes & believe me always,

Yours very friend,

Yours very affectionately

J. W. Webb.