

S. Thomas's Parsonage, Monmouth, 7 April 1877. (166) #

Old Cockatoo being on the wing just now - on his return from Eloster ~~to~~ (where he had spent a business day) to this here place last night found his good friend's letter to which he replies by first post.

I had on Easter Day a call from E. M. Green the astro-artist. L^d Lindsay knows who - who is going to take a noble mirror to Madras to observe \odot of \odot^{\uparrow} - and he says wonders are done, as to improved steadiness, by turning reflector tubes into lattice work - I have long had some such vague idea, & he says he has converted with in bottles. I have to go to Haf Herp's visitation next Wed & shall hear what with says - if he ditto's Green, I shall cut up ~~my~~ my tube with holes, & strongly recommend you to keep double or your cousin or any friend, waiting to hear the result - for I