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Prof Facchini

Dear Sir

I enclose the proofs of an article which will appear in the February number of the American Journal. The paper was unfortunately printed before I saw your account in the "Memorie" or I should have been glad to make some extracts. If you think my article is suitable for the Memorie I should be glad to have

is inserted.

You will notice that I was more particularly interested in the steadiness of the air as bearing on celestial photography. In photography of stellar & planetary spectra atmospheric vicissitudes oppose serious obstacles.

I trust you received my letter of Dec 27th containing a photograph of my Equatorial Room and a note on Photography of the Spectra of Venus and α Lyrae.

It seems probable that an insular situation like Aetna or Teneriffe is more suited for astro-physics than the interior of our continent.

Yours truly
Henry Draper