

Naval Observatory

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Professor P. Tachini

My dear Sir:

On the receipt of your letter I wrote to the chief of Engineers, and am informed that a copy of Prof. Safford's catalogue of 2018 stars has been sent to you.

We are all well here, with pretty good weather for observations. The comet

Bornard has been observed
here on several days. It is
a faint object.

What is called the
"Kra Katwa" dust is still
seen occasionally in the
evening. I hope it will
get out of the atmosphere
before Saturn comes round
in Oct.

Did you get a taste
of the Hop Bitters from
Mr Trouvelot's two bottles?

Mr J. seems to think
that he saw the planet
Vulcan. I hope the
Bitters did not turn
his head.

Yours truly
A. Hall