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Monday eve.

Dear Dad

I was down town this evening and stopped in at  
a book shop to look out up the prices of the  
Thalman & Clearchus. It is too much, so do  
not bid on it on the old Hazlitt's Webster, since  
it has come. Your letter ~~arrived~~ came an  
hour ago. I will return the Swiss born catalogue.  
I found an old English coin on the title fly leaf  
of which is written 'Robert Burton' 1698. What  
Burton could this be? Surely the Robert had been  
dead for 50 years at this date? There is a  
possibility that the date does not belong to the  
name so ~~well~~ do you know what you think  
about it as the book is only 3 or 4 shillings  
much less.

Rever.