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My dear & kind Friend

Let me thank you very much for your most interesting present. I can not tell you how much I shall value it. It is indeed a charming illustration of the peculiar formation of the Eye - Eye &, as you predicted, may well astonish the world.

We enjoyed our visit much more & you was succeeded by others guests who do not make up for your absence.

Always Yours affte & old friend
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