

cannot operate successfully without a gallery, and as a person can't carry a gallery around amongst the Indians, I intend to construct a tent about 18 feet or so in length, and of proportionate breadth, in which I can operate in windy or any weather, the same as a gallery, and which I can pack up in a box and easily transport over the mountains and rivers of the North Shore; but as I have never seen a suitable tent, I would wish very much to have your advice on the subject, as without it I cannot successfully work. I would wish to construct one without any woodwork whatever about it, except three sticks and a few little pegs, or even less if it were possible to do so, as any woodwork would be very inconvenient to carry. Please let me know the best kind of cotton to construct it of, how much of the space above the latter ought to be darkened, and the best way to darken it. Would the space above the Camera require to be also darkened? Would sufficient light fall on the sitter if the cotton spanned the whole roof? or would a space require to be left open to represent the glass roof in a gallery? A Photo informed me that such a tent would be improved by varnishing it. Another told me that varnishing it would spoil it. Please give me your advice about it, and all the information you think I may require. Let me know the easiest and best way of toning and fixing vignettes. State particulars in full.

" I remain, dear Sir,

" Sincerely yours,

" H. C. FRASER,  
" Photo."

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#### About our Prize.

We have many enquiries regarding our prizes and conditions, and shall try to make them plain. Time for receiving names of intending competitors extended to 1st April. We require six C. D. V. and six cabinet pictures from different negatives, which ought to be from different subjects; at least all the C. D. V. must be from different subjects; also the cabinet, though the same subjects may be chosen for cabinet and C. D. V. This will make the competition a better test of ability. We have been requested to reduce the number of pictures to six of each kind, and believe wisely, as twenty-four negatives would be too many. The only