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Dear Mr. Morehouse,

Congratulations on your independent discovery of the new Comet Alcock! I note that Harvard Announcement Card 1604 gives the first sighting as June 19 and that several observations were made. Then, a few days later H.A.C. 1606 questions if a new comet had been discovered.

I have been busy for the past few weeks, and have not had a chance to look for this new comet yet. I hope to look for it on the next clear night.

Here is a list of C&N Search Areas requiring observations. Please let me know which ones you select.

Area 37	R.A. 05:30 - 06:20	Dec. 40 - 50 N
38	06:20 - 07:10	40 - 50 N
373	07:10 - 08:00	40 - 50 N
374	08:00 - 08:50	40 - 50 N
382	14:40 - 15:30	40 - 50 N
383	15:30 - 16:20	40 - 50 N
61	18:20 - 19:00	20 - 30 N
72	08:00 - 08:40	20 - 30 N
305	11:40 - 12:20	0 - 10 N
90	19:40 - 20:20	0 - 10 N
291	23:40 - 00:20	0 - 10 N

The usual method used in searching areas for Comets and Nova is to select about four (or more) areas, make up charts of them showing stars down to any given magnitude, and to identify every object with binoculars on each clear night. If nothing unusual is seen, a negative report form is filled out. However, you may prefer to search by other methods. This method is recommended to observers just starting to search. Remember, however, that negative search reports filled out can be important in case of a later discovery.

Best regards, and good observing,

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