

## Fig. 9. Polaroid picture of the optical absorption lines of $^6H_{15/2}$ to $^4I_{15/2}$ transitions of DyVO<sub>4</sub>, at 4·2 K and under a stress of 5·85 kg/mm². The magnetic field was first increased and then decreased through the pseudospin flop transition in 0·5 kOe steps. The light was polarized parallel to the stress.