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# CALENDAR 1915

## JANUARY

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## SEPTEMBER

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## NOVEMBER

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## DECEMBER

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## PREFACE

The HANDBOOK for 1915 differs from that for last year chiefly in the omission of the brief review of astronomical progress, and the addition of (1) a table of double stars, (2) a table of variable stars, and (3) a table containing 272 stars and 5 nebulæ. This last table was prepared by Mr. W. E. Harper, M.A., and gives in a concise form a mass of useful and interesting information regarding the brighter stars. It will be found a valuable feature. Other minor alterations and corrections have been made which will render the work more usable.

The Editor is indebted to those whose names are mentioned in the body of the book, to Mr. R. M. Stewart, M.A., and to some of his assistants at the University of Toronto.

THE EDITOR.

TORONTO, December, 1914.

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### ANNIVERSARIES AND FESTIVALS, 1915

<p>New's Year's Day . . . . . Fri., Jan. 1</p> <p>Epiphany . . . . . Wed., Jan. 6</p> <p>Septuagesima Sunday . . . . . Jan. 31</p> <p>Quinquagesima (Shrove Sunday) Feb. 14</p> <p>Ash Wednesday . . . . . Feb. 17</p> <p>St. David . . . . . Mon., Mch. 1</p> <p>St. Patrick . . . . . Wed. Mch. 17</p> <p>Palm Sunday . . . . . Mch. 28</p> <p>Good Friday . . . . . Apl. 2</p> <p>Easter Sunday . . . . . Apl. 4</p> <p>St. George . . . . . Fri., Apl. 23</p> <p>Rogation Sunday . . . . . May 9</p> <p>Ascension Day (Holy Thursday) May 13</p> <p>Pentecost (Whit Sunday) May 23</p>	<p>Victoria Day . . . . . Mon., May 24</p> <p>Trinity Sunday . . . . . May 30</p> <p>Corpus Christi . . . . . Thur., June 3</p> <p>St. John Baptist . . . . . Thur., June 24</p> <p>Dominion Day . . . . . Thur., July 1</p> <p>Labour Day . . . . . Mon., Sept. 6</p> <p>St. Michael (Michaelmas Day) Wed., Sept. 29</p> <p>All Saints Day . . . . . Mon., Nov. 1</p> <p>First Sunday in Advent. Nov. 28</p> <p>St. Andrew . . . . . Tues., Nov. 30</p> <p>Conception Day . . . . . Wed., Dec. 8</p> <p>St Thomas Day . . . . . Tues., Dec. 21</p> <p>Christmas Day . . . . . Sat., Dec. 25</p>
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King George V., born June 3, 1865; began to reign May 6, 1910.

Queen Mary, born May 26, 1867.

Prince of Wales, born June 23, 1894.

## SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

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### SIGNS OF THE ZODIAC

♈ Aries . . . . . 0°	♌ Leo . . . . . 120°	♐ Sagittarius . . . . . 240°
♉ Taurus . . . . . 30°	♍ Virgo . . . . . 150°	♑ Capricornus . . . . . 270°
♊ Gemini . . . . . 60°	♎ Libra . . . . . 180°	♒ Aquarius . . . . . 300°
♋ Cancer . . . . . 90°	♏ Scorpio . . . . . 210°	♓ Pisces . . . . . 330°

### SUN, MOON AND PLANETS

☉ The Sun.	☾ The Moon generally.	♃ Jupiter.
☾ New Moon.	☿ Mercury.	♄ Saturn.
☽ Full Moon.	♀ Venus.	♅ or ♁ Uranus.
☾ First Quarter	♁ Earth.	♆ Neptune.
☾ Last Quarter.	♂ Mars.	

### ASPECTS AND ABBREVIATIONS

- ♌ Conjunction, or having the same Longitude or Right Ascension.  
 ♍ Opposition, or differing 180° in Longitude or Right Ascension.  
 ☐ Quadrature, or differing 90° in Longitude or Right Ascension.  
 ♁ Ascending Node; ♁ Descending Node.  
*a* or A. R., Right Ascension; *δ* Declination.  
*h, m, s*, Hours, Minutes, Seconds of Time.  
*° ' "*, Degrees, Minutes, Seconds of Arc.

### THE GREEK ALPHABET

Α, α, Alpha.	Ι, ι, Iota.	Ρ, ρ, Rho.
Β, β, Beta.	Κ, κ, Kappa.	Σ, σ, ς, Sigma.
Γ, γ, Gamma.	Λ, λ, Lambda.	Τ, τ, Tau.
Δ, δ, Delta.	Μ, μ, Mu.	Υ, υ, Upsilon.
Ε, ε, Epsilon.	Ν, ν, Nu.	Φ, φ, Phi.
Ζ, ζ, Zeta.	Ξ, ξ, Xi.	Χ, χ, Chi.
Η, η, Eta.	Ο, ο, Omicron.	Ψ, ψ, Psi.
Θ, θ, ϑ, Theta.	Π, π, Pi.	Ω, ω, Omega.

## SOLAR AND SIDEREAL TIME

In practical astronomy three different kinds of time are used, while in ordinary life we use a fourth.

1. *Apparent Time*—By apparent noon is meant the moment when the sun is on the meridian, and apparent time is measured by the distance in degrees that the sun is east or west of the meridian. Apparent time is given by the sun-dial.

2. *Mean Time*—The interval between apparent noon on two successive days is not constant, and a clock cannot be constructed to keep apparent time. For this reason *mean time* is used. The length of a mean day is the average of all the apparent days throughout the year. The *real sun* moves about the ecliptic in one year; an imaginary *mean sun* is considered as moving uniformly around the celestial equator in one year. The difference between the times that the real sun and the mean sun cross the meridian (*i. e.* between apparent noon and mean noon) is the *equation of time*. (See next page).

3. *Sidereal Time*—This is time as determined from the stars. It is sidereal noon when the Vernal Equinox or First of Aries is on the meridian. In accurate time-keeping the moment when a star is on the meridian is observed and the corresponding mean time is then computed with the assistance of the Nautical Almanac. When a telescope is mounted equatorially the position of a body in the sky is located by means of the sidereal time.

4. *Standard Time*—In everyday life we use still another kind of time. A moment's thought will show that in general two places will not have the same mean time; indeed, difference in longitude between two places is determined from their difference in time. But in travelling it is very inconvenient to have the time varying from station to station. For the purpose of facilitating transportation the system of *Standard Time* was introduced in 1883. Within a certain belt approximately  $15^{\circ}$  wide, all the clocks show the same time, and in passing from one belt to the next the hands of the clock are moved forward or backward one hour.

In Canada we have six standard time belts, as follows;—60th meridian or Atlantic Time, 4h. slower than Greenwich; 75th meridian or Eastern Time, 5h.; 90th meridian or Central Time, 6h.; 105th meridian or Mountain Time, 7h.; 120th meridian or Pacific Time, 8h.; and 135th meridian or Yukon Time, 9h. slower than Greenwich.

Notice also that in civil reckoning the day lasts from midnight to midnight, while in astronomical reckoning it begins at noon and lasts until the next noon.

1915, EPHEMERIS OF SUN. AT GREENWICH MEAN NOON.

Date	Right Ascension			Declination		Equation of Time +, add to } -, subtr. from } Apparent Time		Sidereal Time or R. A. of Mean Sun		
	h	m	s	°	'	m	s	h	m	s
Fri. Jan. 1	18	43	32	S. 23	4 30	+	3 18.8	18	40	13.2
Wed. " 6	19	5	33		22 35 50		5 37.1	18	59	56.0
Mon. " 11	19	27	24		21 55 59		7 44.7	19	19	38.8
Sat. " 16	19	49	0		21 5 26		9 38.4	19	39	21.6
Thur. " 21	20	10	19		20 4 48		11 15.1	19	59	4.4
Tues. " 26	20	31	20		18 54 48		12 32.5	20	18	47.2
Sun. " 31	20	52	0		17 36 13		13 29.6	20	38	30.0
Fri. Feb. 5	21	12	19		16 9 49		14 6.4	20	58	12.7
Wed. " 10	21	32	19		14 36 26		14 23.2	21	17	55.5
Mon. " 15	21	51	59		12 56 53		14 20.9	21	37	38.3
Sat. " 20	22	11	21		11 12 8		14 0.0	21	57	21.1
Thurs. " 25	22	30	26		9 23 2		13 22.1	22	17	3.8
Tues. Mar. 2	22	49	16		7 30 28		12 29.0	22	36	46.6
Sun. " 7	23	7	53		5 35 12		11 23.4	22	56	29.4
Fri. " 12	23	26	20		3 38 0		10 8.0	23	16	12.1
Wed. " 17	23	44	40	S. 1	39 41		8 45.0	23	35	54.9
Mon. " 22	0	2	54	N. 0	18 55		7 16.6	23	55	37.7
Sat. " 27	0	21	6		2 17 1		5 45.2	0	15	20.5
Thur. Apr. 1	0	39	17		4 13 52		4 13.4	0	35	3.2
Tues. " 6	0	57	30		6 8 50		2 44.0	0	54	46.0
Sun. " 11	1	15	48		8 1 11		1 19.6	1	14	28.8
Fri. " 16	1	34	14		9 50 12	+	0 2.3	1	34	11.5
Wed. " 21	1	52	48		11 35 8	-	1 6.3	1	53	54.3
Mon. " 26	2	11	33		13 15 16		2 4.6	2	13	37.1
Sat. May 1	2	30	29		14 49 56		2 51.1	2	33	19.9
Thur. " 6	2	49	39		16 18 32		3 24.1	2	53	2.6
Tues. " 11	3	9	3		17 40 24		3 42.7	3	12	45.4
Sun. " 16	3	28	41		18 54 53		3 46.8	3	32	28.2
Fri. " 21	3	48	34		20 1 22		3 36.9	3	52	11.0
Wed. " 26	4	8	40		20 59 18		3 13.9	4	11	53.8
Mon. " 31	4	28	58		21 48 12		2 38.9	4	31	36.6
Sat. June 5	4	49	26		22 27 41		1 52.9	4	51	19.4
Thur. " 10	5	10	4		22 57 22	-	0 57.9	5	11	2.1
Tues. " 15	5	30	48		23 16 57	+	0 3.5	5	30	44.9
Sun. " 20	5	51	36		23 26 17		1 8.1	5	50	27.7
Fri. " 25	6	12	23		23 25 17		2 12.6	6	10	10.5
Wed. " 30	6	33	8	N. 23	14 1	+	3 14.5	6	29	53.3

Observe that the sum of the 4th and 5th columns equals the 2nd.

1915, EPHEMERIS OF SUN. AT GREENWICH MEAN NOON.

Date	Right Ascension			Declination	Equation of Time +, add to } -, subtr. from } Apparent Time		Sidereal Time or R.A. of Mean Sun							
	h	m	s		h	m	s	h	m	s				
Mon. July 5	6	53	48	N. 22	52	34	+	4	11	4	6	49	36	1
Sat. " 10	7	14	20	22	21	10		5	0	8	7	9	18	9
Thur. " 15	7	34	42	21	40	6		5	40	0	7	29	1	7
Tues. " 20	7	54	51	20	49	49		6	6	8	7	48	44	5
Sun. " 25	8	14	47	19	50	47		6	19	5	8	8	27	3
Fri. " 30	8	34	27	18	43	31		6	17	4	8	28	10	0
Wed. Aug. 4	8	53	54	17	28	31		6	0	7	8	47	52	8
Mon. " 9	9	13	5	16	6	24		5	29	3	9	7	35	6
Sat. " 14	9	32	2	14	37	46		4	43	4	9	27	18	4
Thur. " 19	9	50	45	13	3	21		3	43	6	9	47	1	2
Tues. " 24	10	9	15	11	23	49		2	31	0	10	6	43	9
Sun. " 29	10	27	34	9	39	45		+	1	7	10	26	26	7
Fri. Sept. 3	10	45	45	7	51	48		-	0	24	10	46	9	5
Wed. " 8	11	3	49	6	0	38		2	3	4	11	5	52	2
Mon. " 13	11	21	48	4	6	58		3	46	7	11	25	35	0
Sat. " 18	11	39	45	2	11	31		5	32	7	11	45	17	8
Thur. " 23	11	57	42	N. 0	15	0		7	18	9	12	5	0	6
Tues. " 28	12	15	41	S. 1	41	56		9	2	3	12	24	43	3
Sun. Oct. 3	12	33	46	3	38	38		10	40	2	12	44	26	1
Fri. " 8	12	51	59	5	34	19		12	9	9	13	4	8	9
Wed. " 13	13	10	22	7	28	14		13	29	3	13	23	51	6
Mon. " 18	13	28	58	9	19	31		14	36	3	13	43	34	4
Sat. " 23	13	47	48	11	7	25		15	28	8	14	3	17	2
Thur. " 28	14	6	56	12	51	10		16	4	3	14	22	59	9
Tues. Nov. 2	14	26	22	14	29	57		16	20	8	14	42	42	7
Sun. " 7	14	46	8	16	2	54		17	0	16	15	2	25	5
Fri. " 12	15	6	16	17	29	9		17	15	15	15	22	8	3
Wed. " 17	15	26	44	18	47	49		17	15	15	15	41	51	1
Mon. " 22	15	47	33	19	58	8		17	14	1	16	1	33	8
Sat. " 27	16	8	42	20	59	22		17	30	12	16	21	16	6
Thur. Dec. 2	16	30	9	21	56	37		18	50	3	16	40	59	4
Tues. " 7	16	51	53	22	31	42		18	49	2	17	0	42	2
Sun. " 12	17	13	50	23	1	38		6	35	3	17	20	25	0
Fri. " 17	17	35	55	23	20	10		4	12	4	17	40	7	8
Wed. " 22	17	58	6	23	27	3		-	1	44	17	59	50	6
Mon. " 27	18	20	18	S. 23	22	11		+	0	44	18	19	33	4

Notice that the sum of the 4th and 5th columns equals the 2nd.

## OCCULTATIONS OF STARS BY THE MOON, 1915

PREPARED BY R. M. MOTHERWELL

The following predictions were prepared for Ottawa, and so it will be necessary for observers at other places to allow for differences in longitude and latitude. All stars down to magnitude 4.5 have been included.

Star	Mag.	Date	*Immersion		*Emersion		Position Angle	
			h	m	h	m	Immer.	Emer.
$\tau$ Scorpii	2.9	January 11	19	15.1	20	9.6	145	243
$\varphi$ Tauri	4.3	February 21	0	23.1	1	15.1	103	212
$\nu$ Leonis	4.5	March 29	9	43.6	10	53.6	132	295
$\tau$ Scorpii	2.9	April 3	14	4.7	14	22.2	180	208
$\epsilon$ Capricorni	4.3	May 5	14	53.2	16	00.2	42	269
$\pi$ Scorpii	3.0	June 24	6	08.8	6	34.3	44	352
$\theta$ Capricorni	4.2	October 16	11	34.3			45	
$\epsilon$ Geminorum	3.2	November 24	8	35.6	9	27.6	123	235
17 Tauri	3.8	December 18	5	04.7	6	06.2	90	228
$\varphi$ Tauri	4.3	December 18	5	47.0	6	18.0	3	310
20 Tauri	4.1	December 18	5	42.6	6	49.6	52	266
$\epsilon$ Geminorum	3.2	December 21	17	09.2	18	08.2	88	305

\* Eastern Standard Astronomical Time (Hours numbered from noon).

### TIMES OF SUNRISE AND SUNSET

In the tables on pages 10 to 21 are given the times of sunrise and sunset for places in latitudes 44°, 46°, 48°, 50° and 52°, which cover pretty well the populated parts of Canada. The times are given in Mean Solar Time, and in the table on page following this are given corrections to change these times to the Standard or Railroad times of the cities and towns named or for places near them.

#### *How the Tables are Constructed*

The time of sunrise and sunset at a given place, in mean solar time, varies from day to day, and depends principally upon the declination of the sun. Variations in the equation of time, the apparent diameter of the sun and atmospheric refraction at the points of sunrise and sunset also affect the final result. These quantities, as well as the solar declination, do not have precisely the same values on corresponding days from year to year, and so it is impossible to give in any general table the exact time of sunrise and sunset day by day.

With this explanation the following general table has been computed, giving the rising and setting of the upper limb of the sun, corrected for refraction, using the values of the solar declination and equation of time given in the Nautical Almanac for 1899; these are very close average values and may be accepted as approximately correct for years. It must also be remembered that these times are computed for the sea horizon, which is only approximately realised on land surfaces, and is generally widely departed from in hilly and mountainous localities. The greater or less elevation of the point of view above the ground must also be considered, to get exact results.

*The Times for Any Station*

In order to find the time of sunrise and sunset for any place on any day, first from the list below find the approximate latitude of the place and the correction, in minutes, which follows the name. Then find in the monthly table the time of sunrise and sunset for the proper latitude, on the desired day, and apply the correction.

44°		46°		48°		50°		52°	
	mins.		mins.		mins.		mins.		mins.
Barrie	+ 17	Charlotte-		Port Arthur	+ 57	Brandon	+ 40	Calgary	+ 36
Brantford	+ 21	town	+ 13	Victoria	+ 13	Indian		Edmon-	
Chatham	+ 29	Fredericton	+ 26			Head	- 5	ton	+ 34
Göderich	+ 27	Montreal	- 6			Kamloops	+ 2	Prince	
Guelph	+ 21	Ottawa	+ 3			Kenora	+ 18	Albert	+ 4
Halifax	+ 14	Parry Sound	+ 20			Medicine		Saska-	
Hamilton	+ 20	Québec	- 15			Hat	+ 22	toon	+ 6
Kingston	+ 6	Sherbrooke	- 12			Moosejaw	+ 2		
London	+ 25	St. John,				Moosomin	+ 40		
Orillia	+ 18	N. B.	+ 24			Nelson	- 11		
Owen Sound	+ 24	Sydney	+ 1			Portage La			
Peterboro	+ 13	Three Rivers	- 10			Prairie	+ 33		
Port Hope	+ 14					Regina	- 2		
Stratford	+ 24					Vancouver	+ 12		
Toronto	+ 18					Winnipeg	+ 28		
Windsor	+ 32								
Woodstock	+ 23								
Yarmouth	+ 24								

*Example.*—Find the time of sunrise at Owen Sound, also at Regina, on February 11.

In the above list Owen Sound is under “44°”, and the correction is + 24 min. On page 11 the time of sunrise on February 11 for latitude 44° is 7.05; add 24 min. and we get 7.29 (Eastern Standard Time). Regina is under “50°”, and the correction is - 2 min. From the table the time is 7.18, and subtracting 2 min. we get the time of sunrise 7.16 (Central Standard Time).

## JANUARY

Day of Month	Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 52°	
	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset
1	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
2	7 35	4 33	7 42	4 26	7 50	4 18	7 59	4 9	8 9	3 59
3	7 35	4 34	7 42	4 26	7 50	4 19	7 59	4 10	8 8	4 0
4	7 35	4 35	7 42	4 27	7 50	4 20	7 59	4 11	8 8	4 2
5	7 35	4 35	7 42	4 28	7 50	4 21	7 58	4 12	8 7	4 3
6	7 35	4 37	7 42	4 29	7 50	4 22	7 58	4 13	8 7	4 4
7	7 35	4 38	7 42	4 30	7 49	4 23	7 58	4 14	8 6	4 6
8	7 35	4 39	7 42	4 32	7 49	4 24	7 58	4 16	8 6	4 7
9	7 34	4 40	7 41	4 33	7 49	4 25	7 57	4 17	8 5	4 8
10	7 34	4 41	7 41	4 34	7 49	4 26	7 57	4 18	8 5	4 9
11	7 34	4 42	7 41	4 35	7 48	4 27	7 56	4 19	8 4	4 11
12	7 34	4 43	7 40	4 36	7 48	4 29	7 56	4 21	8 4	4 12
13	7 33	4 44	7 40	4 38	7 47	4 30	7 55	4 22	8 3	4 14
14	7 33	4 45	7 39	4 39	7 47	4 31	7 55	4 23	8 2	4 15
15	7 32	4 46	7 39	4 40	7 46	4 33	7 54	4 25	8 1	4 17
16	7 32	4 48	7 38	4 41	7 45	4 34	7 53	4 26	8 0	4 19
17	7 31	4 49	7 38	4 42	7 45	4 36	7 52	4 28	8 0	4 21
18	7 30	4 50	7 37	4 44	7 44	4 37	7 52	4 29	7 59	4 22
19	7 30	4 52	7 36	4 45	7 43	4 38	7 51	4 31	7 58	4 24
20	7 29	4 53	7 35	4 47	7 42	4 40	7 50	4 32	7 57	4 26
21	7 28	4 54	7 34	4 48	7 41	4 41	7 49	4 34	7 56	4 27
22	7 28	4 55	7 34	4 49	7 40	4 43	7 48	4 36	7 55	4 29
23	7 27	4 57	7 33	4 51	7 40	4 44	7 46	4 37	7 54	4 31
24	7 26	4 58	7 32	4 52	7 39	4 46	7 45	4 39	7 52	4 32
25	7 25	4 59	7 31	4 54	7 38	4 47	7 44	4 41	7 51	4 34
26	7 25	5 1	7 30	4 55	7 36	4 49	7 43	4 42	7 50	4 36
27	7 24	5 2	7 29	4 56	7 35	4 50	7 42	4 44	7 49	4 38
28	7 23	5 3	7 28	4 58	7 34	4 52	7 40	4 46	7 47	4 39
29	7 22	5 5	7 27	4 59	7 33	4 54	7 39	4 47	7 46	4 41
30	7 21	5 6	7 26	5 1	7 32	4 55	7 38	4 49	7 45	4 43
31	7 20	5 8	7 25	5 3	7 30	4 57	7 36	4 51	7 43	4 44
31	7 18	5 9	7 23	5 4	7 29	4 58	7 35	4 52	7 42	4 46

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## FEBRURAY

Day of Month	Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 52°	
	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset
	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
1	7 17	5 10	7 22	5 5	7 28	5 0	7 33	4 54	7 40	4 48
2	7 16	5 12	7 21	5 7	7 26	5 1	7 32	4 56	7 38	4 50
3	7 15	5 13	7 20	5 8	7 25	5 3	7 30	4 58	7 36	4 52
4	7 14	5 14	7 19	5 10	7 24	5 5	7 29	4 59	7 34	4 54
5	7 13	5 15	7 18	5 11	7 22	5 6	7 27	5 1	7 33	4 56
6	7 12	5 17	7 17	5 12	7 21	5 8	7 26	5 3	7 31	4 57
7	7 10	5 18	7 15	5 14	7 19	5 9	7 24	5 5	7 29	4 59
8	7 9	5 20	7 13	5 15	7 18	5 11	7 23	5 6	7 27	5 1
9	7 8	5 21	7 12	5 17	7 16	5 13	7 21	5 8	7 25	5 3
10	7 6	5 23	7 11	5 18	7 15	5 14	7 19	5 10	7 23	5 5
11	7 5	5 24	7 10	5 19	7 13	5 16	7 18	5 11	7 21	5 7
12	7 3	5 25	7 8	5 21	7 12	5 17	7 16	5 13	7 19	5 9
13	7 2	5 27	7 6	5 23	7 10	5 19	7 14	5 15	7 18	5 10
14	7 1	5 28	7 4	5 24	7 8	5 21	7 12	5 17	7 16	5 12
15	6 59	5 29	7 3	5 26	7 6	5 22	7 10	5 18	7 14	5 14
16	6 58	5 31	7 1	5 27	7 5	5 24	7 9	5 20	7 12	5 16
17	6 56	5 32	7 0	5 29	7 3	5 26	7 7	5 22	7 10	5 18
18	6 55	5 34	6 58	5 30	7 1	5 27	7 5	5 23	7 9	5 19
19	6 53	5 35	6 56	5 32	6 59	5 29	7 3	5 25	7 7	5 21
20	6 52	5 36	6 54	5 33	6 58	5 30	7 1	5 27	7 5	5 23
21	6 50	5 38	6 53	5 35	6 56	5 32	6 59	5 29	7 3	5 25
22	6 48	5 39	6 51	5 36	6 54	5 33	6 57	5 30	7 0	5 27
23	6 47	5 40	6 49	5 38	6 52	5 35	6 55	5 32	6 58	5 29
24	6 45	5 42	6 47	5 39	6 50	5 36	6 53	5 34	6 56	5 31
25	6 44	5 43	6 46	5 41	6 49	5 38	6 51	5 35	6 54	5 33
26	6 42	5 44	6 44	5 42	6 47	5 39	6 49	5 37	6 51	5 34
27	6 40	5 45	6 42	5 43	6 45	5 41	6 48	5 38	6 49	5 36
28	6 38	5 47	6 41	5 45	6 43	5 42	6 45	5 40	6 47	5 38

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## MARCH

Day of Month	Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 52°			
	Sunrise	Sunset										
	h	m	h	m	h	m	h	m	h	m	h	m
1	6	37	5	48	6	39	5	46	6	41	5	44
2	6	35	5	49	6	37	5	47	6	39	5	45
3	6	34	5	50	6	35	5	49	6	37	5	47
4	6	32	5	52	6	33	5	50	6	35	5	48
5	6	30	5	53	6	31	5	52	6	33	5	50
6	6	28	5	55	6	30	5	53	6	31	5	51
7	6	26	5	56	6	28	5	54	6	29	5	53
8	6	25	5	57	6	26	5	56	6	27	5	54
9	6	23	5	58	6	24	5	57	6	25	5	56
10	6	21	6	0	6	22	5	59	6	23	5	57
11	6	19	6	1	6	20	6	0	6	21	5	59
12	6	18	6	2	6	18	6	1	6	19	6	0
13	6	16	6	4	6	16	6	3	6	17	6	2
14	6	14	6	5	6	15	6	4	6	15	6	3
15	6	12	6	6	6	13	6	5	6	13	6	5
16	6	10	6	7	6	11	6	7	6	11	6	6
17	6	8	6	8	6	9	6	8	6	9	6	8
18	6	7	6	10	6	7	6	9	6	7	6	9
19	6	5	6	11	6	5	6	11	6	5	6	11
20	6	3	6	12	6	3	6	12	6	3	6	12
21	6	1	6	13	6	1	6	14	6	1	6	14
22	5	59	6	14	5	59	6	15	5	59	6	15
23	5	58	6	16	5	57	6	16	5	56	6	17
24	5	56	6	17	5	55	6	17	5	54	6	18
25	5	54	6	18	5	53	6	19	5	52	6	20
26	5	52	6	19	5	51	6	20	5	50	6	21
27	5	50	6	21	5	49	6	22	5	48	6	23
28	5	48	6	22	5	47	6	23	5	46	6	24
29	5	47	6	23	5	46	6	24	5	45	6	25
30	5	45	6	24	5	44	6	25	5	44	6	27
31	5	43	6	25	5	42	6	27	5	40	6	28

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## APRIL

Day of Month	Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 52°	
	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset
	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
1	5 41	6 27	5 40	6 28	5 38	6 30	5 36	6 31	5 34	6 34
2	5 39	6 28	5 38	6 30	5 36	6 31	5 34	6 33	5 32	6 36
3	5 38	6 29	5 36	6 31	5 34	6 33	5 32	6 35	5 30	6 37
4	5 36	6 30	5 34	6 32	5 32	6 34	5 30	6 36	5 27	6 39
5	5 34	6 32	5 32	6 33	5 30	6 36	5 28	6 38	5 25	6 41
6	5 32	6 33	5 30	6 34	5 28	6 37	5 26	6 39	5 23	6 43
7	5 30	6 34	5 28	6 36	5 26	6 38	5 24	6 41	5 21	6 44
8	5 29	6 35	5 26	6 37	5 24	6 40	5 21	6 42	5 19	6 46
9	5 27	6 36	5 24	6 39	5 22	6 41	5 19	6 44	5 16	6 48
10	5 25	6 37	5 23	6 40	5 20	6 43	5 17	6 46	5 14	6 49
11	5 24	6 38	5 21	6 41	5 18	6 44	5 15	6 47	5 11	6 51
12	5 22	6 40	5 19	6 43	5 16	6 45	5 13	6 49	5 9	6 53
13	5 20	6 41	5 17	6 44	5 14	6 47	5 11	6 50	5 7	6 54
14	5 18	6 42	5 15	6 45	5 12	6 48	5 9	6 52	5 5	6 56
15	5 17	6 43	5 14	6 46	5 10	6 50	5 7	6 53	5 3	6 58
16	5 15	6 45	5 12	6 48	5 8	6 51	5 5	6 55	5 1	7 0
17	5 13	6 46	5 10	6 49	5 6	6 53	5 2	6 56	4 58	7 1
18	5 11	6 47	5 8	6 50	5 5	6 54	5 1	6 58	4 56	7 3
19	5 10	6 48	5 6	6 52	5 3	6 55	4 59	6 59	4 54	7 5
20	5 8	6 49	5 5	6 53	5 1	6 57	4 57	7 1	4 52	7 6
21	5 7	6 50	5 3	6 54	4 59	6 58	4 55	7 2	4 50	7 8
22	5 5	6 52	5 1	6 56	4 57	7 0	4 53	7 4	4 48	7 10
23	5 3	6 53	4 59	6 57	4 55	7 1	4 50	7 6	4 46	7 11
24	5 2	6 54	4 58	6 58	4 54	7 3	4 49	7 7	4 44	7 13
25	5 0	6 56	4 56	7 0	4 52	7 4	4 47	7 9	4 42	7 14
26	4 59	6 57	4 54	7 1	4 50	7 5	4 45	7 10	4 40	7 16
27	4 57	6 58	4 53	7 2	4 48	7 7	4 43	7 12	4 38	7 18
28	4 56	6 59	4 51	7 3	4 47	7 8	4 41	7 13	4 36	7 19
29	4 54	7 0	4 50	7 5	4 45	7 10	4 39	7 15	4 34	7 21
30	4 53	7 1	4 48	7 6	4 43	7 12	4 38	7 16	4 32	7 22

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## MAY

Day of Month	Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 52°	
	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset
	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
1	4 51	7 3	4 47	7 7	4 42	7 12	4 36	7 18	4 30	7 24
2	4 50	7 4	4 45	7 9	4 40	7 14	4 34	7 20	4 28	7 26
3	4 48	7 5	4 43	7 10	4 38	7 15	4 32	7 21	4 26	7 27
4	4 47	7 6	4 42	7 11	4 37	7 17	4 31	7 23	4 24	7 29
5	4 46	7 8	4 41	7 13	4 35	7 18	4 29	7 24	4 22	7 31
6	4 44	7 9	4 39	7 14	4 34	7 19	4 27	7 26	4 21	7 33
7	4 43	7 10	4 38	7 15	4 32	7 21	4 26	7 27	4 19	7 34
8	4 42	7 11	4 36	7 16	4 31	7 22	4 24	7 29	4 17	7 36
9	4 40	7 12	4 35	7 17	4 29	7 23	4 22	7 30	4 15	7 38
10	4 39	7 13	4 34	7 19	4 28	7 25	4 21	7 32	4 13	7 39
11	4 38	7 14	4 32	7 20	4 26	7 26	4 20	7 33	4 11	7 41
12	4 37	7 16	4 31	7 21	4 25	7 28	4 18	7 34	4 10	7 42
13	4 36	7 17	4 30	7 23	4 24	7 29	4 16	7 36	4 8	7 44
14	4 35	7 18	4 49	7 24	4 22	7 30	4 15	7 37	4 7	7 45
15	4 34	7 19	4 28	7 25	4 21	7 31	4 14	7 39	4 5	7 47
16	4 32	7 20	4 26	7 26	4 20	7 33	4 12	7 40	4 4	7 48
17	4 31	7 21	4 25	7 27	4 18	7 34	4 11	7 42	4 3	7 50
18	4 30	7 22	4 24	7 28	4 17	7 35	4 10	7 43	4 1	7 51
19	4 30	7 23	4 23	7 30	4 16	7 36	4 8	7 44	4 0	7 52
20	4 29	7 24	4 22	7 31	4 15	7 38	4 7	7 46	3 58	7 54
21	4 28	7 25	4 21	7 32	4 14	7 39	4 6	7 47	3 57	7 55
22	4 27	7 26	4 20	7 33	4 13	7 40	4 5	7 48	3 56	7 56
23	4 26	7 27	4 19	7 34	4 12	7 41	4 4	7 49	3 55	7 58
24	4 25	7 28	4 18	7 35	4 11	7 43	4 3	7 51	3 53	7 59
25	4 24	7 29	4 17	7 36	4 10	7 44	4 2	7 52	3 52	8 1
26	4 24	7 30	4 16	7 37	4 9	7 45	4 0	7 53	3 51	8 2
27	4 23	7 31	4 16	7 38	4 8	7 46	3 59	7 54	3 50	8 3
28	4 22	7 32	4 15	7 39	4 7	7 47	3 58	7 56	3 49	8 5
29	4 22	7 33	4 14	7 40	4 6	7 48	3 58	7 57	3 47	8 6
30	4 21	7 34	4 14	7 41	4 5	7 49	3 57	7 58	3 46	8 8
31	4 21	7 34	4 13	7 42	4 5	7 50	3 56	7 59	3 45	8 9

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## JUNE

Day of Month	Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 52°	
	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset
	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
1	4 20	7 35	4 12	7 43	4 4	7 51	3 56	8 0	3 45	8 10
2	4 19	7 36	4 12	7 44	4 4	7 52	3 55	8 1	3 44	8 11
3	4 19	7 37	4 11	7 44	4 3	7 52	3 54	8 2	3 44	8 11
4	4 18	7 38	4 11	7 45	4 3	7 53	3 54	8 3	3 43	8 12
5	4 18	7 39	4 10	7 46	4 2	7 54	3 53	8 4	3 43	8 13
6	4 17	7 39	4 10	7 47	4 2	7 55	3 52	8 4	3 43	8 14
7	4 17	7 40	4 10	7 48	4 1	7 56	3 52	8 5	3 42	8 15
8	4 17	7 41	4 9	7 48	4 1	7 57	3 52	8 6	3 42	8 15
9	4 17	7 41	4 9	7 49	4 1	7 57	3 51	8 7	3 41	8 16
10	4 16	7 42	4 9	7 49	4 0	7 58	3 51	8 8	3 41	8 17
11	4 16	7 42	4 9	7 50	4 0	7 59	3 50	8 8	3 41	8 18
12	4 16	7 43	4 9	7 51	4 0	7 59	3 50	8 9	3 41	8 18
13	4 16	7 43	4 8	7 51	4 0	8 0	3 50	8 10	3 40	8 19
14	4 16	7 44	4 8	7 52	4 0	8 0	3 50	8 10	3 40	8 19
15	4 16	7 44	4 8	7 52	4 0	8 1	3 50	8 11	3 40	8 20
16	4 16	7 45	4 8	7 53	4 0	8 1	3 50	8 11	3 40	8 21
17	4 17	7 45	4 8	7 53	4 0	8 2	3 50	8 12	3 40	8 21
18	4 17	7 45	4 8	7 54	4 0	8 2	3 50	8 12	3 39	8 22
19	4 17	7 46	4 8	7 54	4 0	8 2	3 50	8 12	3 39	8 23
20	4 17	7 46	4 8	7 54	4 0	8 3	3 50	8 13	3 39	8 23
21	4 17	7 46	4 8	7 54	4 0	8 3	3 50	8 13	3 39	8 23
22	4 18	7 46	4 9	7 55	4 0	8 3	3 50	8 13	3 39	8 23
23	4 18	7 46	4 9	7 55	4 1	8 3	3 51	8 13	3 40	8 23
24	4 18	7 47	4 10	7 55	4 1	8 3	3 51	8 13	3 40	8 23
25	4 18	7 47	4 10	7 55	4 1	8 3	3 51	8 13	3 40	8 23
26	4 19	7 47	4 10	7 55	4 2	8 3	3 52	8 13	3 41	8 23
27	4 19	7 47	4 11	7 55	4 2	8 3	3 52	8 13	3 41	8 23
28	4 19	7 47	4 11	7 55	4 3	8 3	3 53	8 13	3 42	8 23
29	4 20	7 47	4 12	7 55	4 3	8 3	3 53	8 13	3 42	8 23
30	4 20	7 47	4 12	7 54	4 4	8 3	3 54	8 13	3 43	8 23

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## JULY

Day of Month	Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 52°	
	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset
	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
1	4 21	7 47	4 13	7 54	4 4	8 3	3 55	8 12	3 44	8 23
2	4 21	7 46	4 14	7 54	4 5	8 2	3 56	8 12	3 45	8 22
3	4 22	7 46	4 14	7 54	4 6	8 2	3 56	8 12	3 46	8 22
4	4 22	7 46	4 15	7 54	4 6	8 2	3 57	8 11	3 47	8 21
5	4 23	7 46	4 15	7 53	4 7	8 2	3 58	8 11	3 48	8 21
6	4 24	7 45	4 16	7 53	4 8	8 1	3 59	8 10	3 48	8 20
7	4 24	7 45	4 17	7 53	4 9	8 1	4 0	8 10	3 49	8 20
8	4 25	7 45	4 18	7 52	4 10	8 0	4 0	8 9	3 50	8 19
9	4 26	7 44	4 18	7 52	4 10	8 0	4 1	8 9	3 51	8 19
10	4 27	7 43	4 19	7 51	4 11	7 59	4 2	8 8	3 52	8 18
11	4 28	7 43	4 20	7 50	4 12	7 59	4 3	8 7	3 53	8 17
12	4 29	7 42	4 21	7 50	4 13	7 58	4 4	8 7	3 54	8 16
13	4 29	7 42	4 22	7 49	4 14	7 57	4 5	8 6	3 56	8 15
14	4 30	7 41	4 23	7 48	4 15	7 56	4 6	8 5	3 57	8 14
15	4 31	7 40	4 24	7 48	4 16	7 56	4 7	8 4	3 58	8 13
16	4 32	7 40	4 25	7 47	4 17	7 55	4 8	8 3	3 59	8 12
17	4 33	7 39	4 26	7 46	4 18	7 54	4 10	8 2	4 0	8 11
18	4 34	7 38	4 27	7 45	4 19	7 53	4 11	8 1	4 2	8 10
19	4 34	7 38	4 28	7 44	4 20	7 52	4 12	8 0	4 3	8 9
20	4 36	7 37	4 29	7 43	4 21	7 51	4 13	7 59	4 4	8 8
21	4 37	7 36	4 30	7 42	4 23	7 50	4 15	7 58	4 5	8 7
22	4 38	7 35	4 31	7 41	4 24	7 49	4 16	7 57	4 7	8 5
23	4 39	7 34	4 32	7 40	4 25	7 48	4 17	7 56	4 8	8 4
24	4 40	7 33	4 33	7 39	4 26	7 47	4 18	7 54	4 10	8 2
25	4 40	7 32	4 34	7 38	4 27	7 46	4 20	7 53	4 11	8 1
26	4 41	7 31	4 35	7 37	4 28	7 44	4 21	7 52	4 12	8 0
27	4 42	7 30	4 36	7 36	4 30	7 43	4 22	7 50	4 14	7 58
28	4 44	7 29	4 38	7 35	4 31	7 42	4 24	7 49	4 15	7 57
29	4 45	7 28	4 39	7 34	4 32	7 40	4 25	7 47	4 17	7 55
30	4 46	7 27	4 40	7 33	4 33	7 39	4 26	7 46	4 18	7 54
31	4 47	7 26	4 41	7 32	4 35	7 38	4 28	7 44	4 20	7 52

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Day of Month	Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 52°	
	Sunrise	Sunset								
	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m
1	4 48	7 24	4 42	7 30	4 36	7 36	4 29	7 43	4 21	7 50
2	4 49	7 23	4 44	7 29	4 37	7 35	4 31	7 41	4 23	7 49
3	4 50	7 22	4 45	7 27	4 39	7 33	4 32	7 40	4 24	7 47
4	4 51	7 21	4 46	7 26	4 40	7 32	4 33	7 38	4 26	7 45
5	4 52	7 19	4 47	7 24	4 41	7 30	4 35	7 37	4 28	7 43
6	4 53	7 18	4 48	7 23	4 43	7 29	4 36	7 35	4 29	7 41
7	4 54	7 17	4 49	7 22	4 44	7 27	4 38	7 33	4 31	7 40
8	4 56	7 15	4 51	7 20	4 45	7 26	4 39	7 32	4 32	7 38
9	4 57	7 14	4 52	7 19	4 46	7 24	4 40	7 30	4 34	7 36
10	4 58	7 12	4 53	7 17	4 48	7 22	4 42	7 28	4 36	7 34
11	4 59	7 11	4 54	7 16	4 49	7 21	4 44	7 26	4 37	7 32
12	5 0	7 9	4 56	7 14	4 51	7 19	4 45	7 25	4 39	7 30
13	5 2	7 8	4 57	7 12	4 52	7 17	4 47	7 23	4 40	7 28
14	5 3	7 6	4 58	7 11	4 53	7 16	4 48	7 21	4 42	7 26
15	5 4	7 5	4 59	7 9	4 55	7 14	4 50	7 19	4 44	7 24
16	5 5	7 3	5 1	7 8	4 56	7 12	4 51	7 17	4 45	7 22
17	5 6	7 2	5 2	7 6	4 57	7 10	4 53	7 15	4 47	7 20
18	5 7	7 0	5 3	7 4	4 59	7 9	4 54	7 13	4 48	7 18
19	5 8	6 59	5 4	7 3	5 0	7 7	4 55	7 12	4 50	7 16
20	5 10	6 57	5 6	7 1	5 2	7 5	4 57	7 9	4 52	7 14
21	5 11	6 55	5 7	6 59	5 3	7 3	4 59	7 7	4 53	7 12
22	5 12	6 54	5 8	6 57	5 4	7 1	5 0	7 5	4 55	7 10
23	5 13	6 52	5 9	6 56	5 6	6 59	5 2	7 3	4 56	7 8
24	5 14	6 50	5 11	6 54	5 7	6 57	5 3	7 1	4 58	7 6
25	5 15	6 49	5 12	6 52	5 8	6 56	5 4	7 0	5 0	7 4
26	5 16	6 47	5 13	6 50	5 10	6 54	5 6	6 57	5 1	7 2
27	5 18	6 45	5 14	6 48	5 11	6 52	5 8	6 55	5 3	7 0
28	5 19	6 44	5 16	6 46	5 12	6 50	5 9	6 53	5 4	6 58
29	5 20	6 42	5 17	6 45	5 14	6 48	5 10	6 51	5 6	6 56
30	5 21	6 40	5 18	6 43	5 15	6 46	5 12	6 49	5 8	6 54
31	5 22	6 38	5 19	6 41	5 17	6 44	5 14	6 47	5 10	6 51

For an explanation of this table and its use at various places, see pages 8 and 9

## SEPTEMBER

Day of Month	Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 52°	
	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset
	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
1	5 23	6 36	5 20	6 39	5 18	6 42	5 15	6 45	5 11	6 49
2	5 24	6 35	5 22	6 37	5 19	6 40	5 16	6 43	5 13	6 46
3	5 25	6 33	5 23	6 35	5 21	6 38	5 18	6 40	5 15	6 44
4	5 27	6 31	5 24	6 33	5 22	6 36	5 20	6 38	5 17	6 42
5	5 28	6 29	5 26	6 31	5 23	6 34	5 21	6 36	5 19	6 39
6	5 29	6 28	5 27	6 29	5 25	6 32	5 23	6 34	5 20	6 37
7	5 30	6 26	5 28	6 27	5 26	6 30	5 24	6 32	5 22	6 34
8	5 31	6 24	5 30	6 26	5 27	6 28	5 25	6 30	5 24	6 32
9	5 32	6 22	5 31	6 24	5 29	6 26	5 27	6 28	5 26	6 30
10	5 33	6 20	5 32	6 22	5 30	6 24	5 28	6 25	5 27	6 27
11	5 34	6 19	5 33	6 20	5 31	6 22	5 30	6 23	5 29	6 25
12	5 36	6 17	5 34	6 18	5 33	6 20	5 31	6 21	5 30	6 23
13	5 37	6 15	5 36	6 16	5 34	6 17	5 33	6 19	5 32	6 21
14	5 38	6 13	5 37	6 14	5 36	6 15	5 34	6 17	5 33	6 18
15	5 39	6 11	5 38	6 12	5 37	6 13	5 36	6 14	5 35	6 16
16	5 40	6 9	5 39	6 10	5 38	6 11	5 38	6 12	5 36	6 14
17	5 41	6 8	5 41	6 8	5 40	6 9	5 39	6 10	5 38	6 11
18	5 42	6 6	5 42	6 6	5 41	6 7	5 41	6 8	5 39	6 9
19	5 44	6 4	5 44	6 4	5 42	6 5	5 42	6 5	5 41	6 7
20	5 45	6 2	5 45	6 2	5 44	6 3	5 43	6 3	5 42	6 4
21	5 46	6 0	5 46	6 0	5 45	6 1	5 45	6 1	5 44	6 2
22	5 47	5 58	5 47	5 58	5 47	5 59	5 46	5 59	5 46	6 0
23	5 48	5 56	5 48	5 56	5 48	5 56	5 48	5 56	5 48	5 58
24	5 49	5 55	5 50	5 54	5 50	5 54	5 50	5 54	5 49	5 55
25	5 50	5 53	5 51	5 52	5 51	5 52	5 51	5 52	5 51	5 53
26	5 52	5 51	5 52	5 50	5 52	5 50	5 52	5 50	5 53	5 51
27	5 53	5 49	5 54	5 48	5 54	5 48	5 54	5 48	5 54	5 48
28	5 54	5 47	5 55	5 46	5 55	5 46	5 55	5 46	5 56	5 46
29	5 55	5 45	5 56	5 44	5 57	5 44	5 57	5 44	5 58	5 44
30	5 56	5 43	5 57	5 43	5 58	5 42	5 58	5 41	5 59	5 41

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## OCTOBER

Day of Month	Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 52°	
	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset
	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m
1	5 58	5 41	5 58	5 41	5 59	5 40	6 0	5 39	6 1	5 39
2	5 59	5 40	6 0	5 39	6 1	5 38	6 2	5 37	6 3	5 37
3	6 0	5 38	6 1	5 37	6 2	5 36	6 3	5 35	6 5	5 35
4	6 1	5 36	6 2	5 35	6 4	5 34	6 5	5 33	6 6	5 32
5	6 2	5 34	6 4	5 33	6 5	5 32	6 6	5 31	6 8	5 30
6	6 4	5 32	6 5	5 31	6 7	5 30	6 8	5 28	6 10	5 28
7	6 5	5 31	6 6	5 30	6 8	5 28	6 10	5 26	6 11	5 25
8	6 6	5 29	6 8	5 28	6 9	5 26	6 11	5 24	6 13	5 23
9	6 8	5 27	6 9	5 26	6 11	5 24	6 12	5 22	6 15	5 21
10	6 9	5 25	6 10	5 24	6 12	5 22	6 14	5 20	6 16	5 19
11	6 10	5 24	6 12	5 22	6 14	5 20	6 16	5 18	6 18	5 17
12	6 11	5 22	6 13	5 20	6 15	5 18	6 17	5 16	6 19	5 15
13	6 12	5 20	6 14	5 18	6 17	5 16	6 19	5 14	6 21	5 13
14	6 13	5 19	6 16	5 16	6 18	5 14	6 21	5 12	6 23	5 10
15	6 15	5 17	6 17	5 14	6 20	5 12	6 22	5 10	6 24	5 8
16	6 16	5 15	6 18	5 13	6 21	5 10	6 24	5 7	6 26	5 6
17	6 17	5 13	6 20	5 11	6 22	5 8	6 26	5 5	6 27	5 4
18	6 19	5 12	6 21	5 9	6 24	5 6	6 27	5 3	6 29	5 1
19	6 20	5 10	6 22	5 8	6 25	5 5	6 28	5 2	6 31	4 59
20	6 21	5 9	6 24	5 6	6 27	5 3	6 30	5 0	6 33	4 57
21	6 22	5 7	6 25	5 4	6 28	5 1	6 32	4 57	6 35	4 55
22	6 24	5 6	6 27	5 2	6 30	4 59	6 34	4 56	6 37	4 53
23	6 25	5 4	6 28	5 1	6 31	4 58	6 35	4 54	6 39	4 51
24	6 26	5 2	6 30	4 59	6 33	4 56	6 37	4 52	6 40	4 48
25	6 28	5 1	6 31	4 57	6 34	4 54	6 38	4 50	6 42	4 46
26	6 29	4 59	6 32	4 56	6 36	4 52	6 40	4 48	6 44	4 44
27	6 30	4 57	6 34	4 54	6 38	4 50	6 42	4 46	6 46	4 42
28	6 32	4 56	6 35	4 52	6 39	4 48	6 43	4 44	6 48	4 40
29	6 33	4 55	6 37	4 51	6 41	4 47	6 45	4 42	6 50	4 38
30	6 34	4 54	6 38	4 49	6 42	4 45	6 47	4 41	6 52	4 36
31	6 35	4 52	6 40	4 48	6 44	4 44	6 48	4 39	6 53	4 35

For an explanation of this table and its use at various places, see pages 8 and 9

## NOVEMBER

Day of Month	Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 52°	
	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset
	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
1	6 37	4 51	6 41	4 46	6 45	4 42	6 50	4 37	6 55	4 35
2	6 38	4 49	6 42	4 45	6 47	4 41	6 52	4 36	6 57	4 34
3	6 40	4 48	6 44	4 44	6 48	4 39	6 53	4 34	6 59	4 29
4	6 41	4 47	6 45	4 42	6 50	4 38	6 55	4 32	7 1	4 27
5	6 42	4 45	6 47	4 41	6 51	4 36	6 57	4 31	7 2	4 26
6	6 43	4 44	6 48	4 39	6 53	4 35	6 58	4 29	7 4	4 24
7	6 44	4 43	6 49	4 38	6 54	4 33	7 0	4 28	7 6	4 22
8	6 46	4 42	6 51	4 37	6 56	4 32	7 2	4 26	7 8	4 21
9	6 47	4 41	6 52	4 36	6 58	4 30	7 3	4 25	7 9	4 19
10	6 49	4 40	6 54	4 35	6 59	4 29	7 5	4 23	7 11	4 18
11	6 50	4 38	6 55	4 33	7 1	4 28	7 7	4 22	7 13	4 16
12	6 51	4 37	6 56	4 32	7 2	4 26	7 8	4 20	7 15	4 15
13	6 53	4 36	6 58	4 31	7 4	4 25	7 10	4 19	7 16	4 13
14	6 54	4 35	6 59	4 30	7 5	4 24	7 11	4 18	7 18	4 12
15	6 55	4 34	7 1	4 29	7 7	4 23	7 13	4 16	7 20	4 10
16	6 57	4 33	7 2	4 28	7 8	4 21	7 15	4 15	7 21	4 9
17	6 58	4 32	7 4	4 27	7 10	4 20	7 16	4 14	7 23	4 7
18	6 59	4 32	7 5	4 26	7 12	4 19	7 18	4 13	7 25	4 6
19	7 0	4 31	7 6	4 25	7 13	4 18	7 20	4 11	7 26	4 5
20	7 2	4 30	7 8	4 24	7 14	4 17	7 21	4 10	7 28	4 4
21	7 3	4 29	7 9	4 23	7 15	4 17	7 23	4 9	7 30	4 3
22	7 4	4 28	7 10	4 22	7 17	4 16	7 24	4 8	7 32	4 2
23	7 6	4 28	7 12	4 22	7 19	4 15	7 26	4 7	7 33	4 0
24	7 7	4 27	7 13	4 21	7 20	4 14	7 28	4 6	7 35	3 59
25	7 8	4 26	7 14	4 20	7 21	4 13	7 29	4 5	7 37	3 58
26	7 9	4 26	7 16	4 19	7 23	4 12	7 31	4 4	7 38	3 57
27	7 10	4 25	7 17	4 19	7 24	4 12	7 32	4 4	7 40	3 56
28	7 12	4 25	7 18	4 18	7 25	4 11	7 33	4 3	7 41	3 55
29	7 13	4 24	7 19	4 18	7 27	4 10	7 35	4 2	7 43	3 55
30	7 14	4 24	7 21	4 17	7 28	4 10	7 36	4 2	7 44	3 54

For an explanation of this table and its use at various places, see pages 8 and 9

## DECEMBER

Day of Month	Latitude 44°		Latitude 46°		Latitude 48°		Latitude 50°		Latitude 52°	
	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset	Sunrise	Sunset
	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m	n m
1	7 15	4 23	7 22	4 16	7 29	4 9	7 37	4 1	7 46	3 54
2	7 16	4 23	7 23	4 16	7 31	4 9	7 39	4 1	7 47	3 53
3	7 17	4 23	7 24	4 16	7 32	4 8	7 40	4 0	7 48	3 52
4	7 18	4 23	7 25	4 16	7 33	4 8	7 41	4 0	7 50	3 52
5	7 19	4 22	7 26	4 15	7 34	4 8	7 42	3 59	7 51	3 51
6	7 20	4 22	7 27	4 15	7 35	4 8	7 43	3 59	7 53	3 51
7	7 21	4 22	7 29	4 15	7 36	4 7	7 45	3 59	7 54	3 50
8	7 22	4 22	7 30	4 15	7 37	4 7	7 46	3 59	7 55	3 50
9	7 23	4 22	7 30	4 15	7 37	4 7	7 47	3 58	7 56	3 50
10	7 24	4 22	7 31	4 15	7 38	4 7	7 48	3 58	7 57	3 50
11	7 25	4 22	7 32	4 15	7 40	4 7	7 49	3 58	7 58	3 50
12	7 26	4 22	7 33	4 15	7 41	4 7	7 50	3 58	7 59	3 50
13	7 26	4 22	7 34	4 15	7 42	4 7	7 51	3 58	7 59	3 49
14	7 27	4 22	7 35	4 15	7 43	4 7	7 52	3 58	8 0	3 49
15	7 28	4 23	7 36	4 15	7 44	4 7	7 53	3 58	8 1	3 49
16	7 29	4 23	7 36	4 15	7 44	4 7	7 53	3 58	8 2	3 49
17	7 30	4 23	7 37	4 16	7 45	4 8	7 54	3 59	8 3	3 49
18	7 30	4 24	7 38	4 16	7 46	4 8	7 55	3 59	8 4	3 50
19	7 31	4 24	7 38	4 16	7 46	4 8	7 55	3 59	8 4	3 50
20	7 31	4 24	7 39	4 17	7 47	4 9	7 56	4 0	8 5	3 51
21	7 32	4 25	7 39	4 17	7 47	4 9	7 56	4 0	8 5	3 51
22	7 32	4 25	7 40	4 18	7 48	4 10	7 57	4 1	8 6	3 52
23	7 33	4 26	7 40	4 18	7 48	4 10	7 57	4 1	8 6	3 52
24	7 33	4 27	7 41	4 19	7 49	4 11	7 58	4 2	8 7	3 53
25	7 34	4 27	7 41	4 20	7 49	4 12	7 58	4 3	8 7	3 53
26	7 34	4 28	7 42	4 20	7 50	4 12	7 58	4 3	8 8	3 54
27	7 34	4 28	7 42	4 21	7 50	4 13	7 59	4 4	8 8	3 54
28	7 34	4 29	7 42	4 22	7 50	4 14	7 59	4 5	8 8	3 55
29	7 35	4 30	7 42	4 22	7 50	4 15	7 59	4 6	8 8	3 56
30	7 35	4 31	7 42	4 23	7 50	4 16	7 59	4 7	8 8	3 57
31	7 35	4 32	7 42	4 24	7 50	4 17	7 59	4 8	8 8	3 58

For an explanation of this table and its use at various places, see pages 8 and 9

## THE SKY FOR JANUARY

POSITION OF PLANETS ON THE 15TH

	♿ Mercury	♀ Venus	♂ Mars	♃ Jupiter	♄ Saturn	♅ Uranus	♆ Neptune
R. A.	20h 13m	16h 35m	19h 21m	21h 52m	5h 47m	20h 53m	8h 5m
Decl.	22° 6' S.	17° 30' S.	23° 4' S.	13° 52' S.	22° 20' N.	18° 9' S.	19° 58' N.
Transit	12:38	9:00	11:46	14:17	22:09	13:21	0:32

The position is given for Greenwich Mean Moon. The time of transit is in Local Mean Time, hours numbering from midnight.

*The Sun.*—During January the sun's R. A. increases from 18h 44m to 20h 52m and its Decl. changes from 23° 4' S. to 17° 36' S. The equation of time (see p. 6) increases from 3m 19s to 13m 30s, and on account of this rapid rise in value the time of mean noon appears to remain, for the first ten days, at the same distance from the time of sunrise, *i. e.*, the forenoons as indicated by our clocks are of the same length (see p. 10). The earth is nearest the sun at 1 p.m. on January 2 (see opp. page).

*The Moon.*—For its phases and conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. On the 12th at 7 a.m. the moon occults  $\tau$  Scorpii, (see page 8).

*Mercury* is in superior conjunction with the sun on the 5th, and is too close to the sun to be seen during the month.

*Venus*, is still a beautiful morning star and, as will be seen from the above table, crosses the meridian about 3 hours before the sun. It attains maximum brilliancy on the 2nd, at which time its stellar magnitude is  $-4.4$ , and in a telescope magnifying 45 times it appears exactly like the moon four days old and of the same size if the latter is seen by the naked eye. (See *Young*, General Astronomy, Art. 567).

*Mars*, as will be seen from the above table, is still near the sun having been in conjunction with it on December 24, 1914. On the 15th it is 223 millions of miles from the earth.

*Jupiter* can still be seen in the S.W. as an evening star, but it is not well-placed for observation. On the opposite page is given the configuration of the satellites until the 23rd and their eclipses, etc., are given on page 46.

*Saturn* is still a beautiful object all night long, its stellar magnitude being about  $-0.1$ . The rings are wide open, the southern face being visible. The planet is retrograding, and by applying the position given above to Map II. of the Constellations it will be seen that it is near the eastern boundary of Taurus.

The positions of *Uranus* and *Neptune* are given above. By referring to Maps IV. and II. of the Constellations their positions with respect to the stars can be obtained.

For the minima of Algol, see next page.

**JANUARY**  
**ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA**

(75th Meridian Time, Hours Numbering from Midnight)

		Minima of Algol	Configuration of Jupiter's Satel- lites at 6h 25m
☺ Fri.	1 7h 20m·5 Full Moon; 14h ♂ ♃ ♂, ♃ 0° 48' S.	h m	10324
Sat.	2 7h ♀ Greatest Brilliancy; 13h ⊕ in Perihelion;		23014
Sun.	3 [19h 13m ♂ ♃ ♃, ♃ 2° 53' S	5 54	31204
Mon.	4		30124
Tues.	5 11h ♂ ♃ ☉ Superior.		2104●●
Wed.	6	2 43	21034
Thur.	7 2h ♀ in Perihelion.		02143
☾ Fri.	8 16h 12m·6 Moon's Last Quarter.	23 32	211032
Sat.	9		42301
Sun.	10		43210
Mon.	11	20 21	43012
Tues.	12 6h 21m ♂ ♃ ♃, ♀ 9° 42' N.; 9h 1 ♃ in Perigee.		43102
Wed.	13		24203
Thur.	14 22h 52m ♂ ♂ ♃, ♂ 2° 23' N.	17 10	4013●
☉ Fri.	15 9h 41m·9 New Moon; 18h ♃ Greatest Hel. Lat. S.;		41023
Sat.	16 13h 26m ♂ ♃ ♃, ♃ 0° 52' N. [21h 57m ♂ ♃ ♃,		24301
Sun.	17 17h 37m ♂ ♃ ♃, ♃ 0° 54' S. [8 0° 7' N.	13 59	32104
Mon.	18		30124
Tues.	19		31024
Wed.	20 0h ♂ ♃ ☉.	10 48	20134
Thur.	21 5h ♂ ♃ ♃, ♃ 1° 20' S.		034●●
Fri.	22		10234
☾ Sat.	23 0h 32m·3 Moon's First Quarter.	7 37	212014
Sun.	24 3h·7 Moon in Apogee.		
Mon.	25		
Tues.	26	4 26	
Wed.	27 12h 59m ♂ ♃ ♃, ♃ 5° 37' S.		
Thur.	28		
Fri.	29 0h ♀ Greatest Hel. Lat. N.	1 15	
☽ Sat.	30 1h 34m ♂ ♃ ♃, ♃ 2° 56' S.; 23h 41m·3 Full Moon.		
Sun.	31	22 3	

Key to Symbols.—♂ Conjunction; ♀ Opposition; □ Quadrature; ☉ Ascending Node; ☊ Descending Node; ☉ Sun; ♃ Mercury; ♀ Venus; ⊕ Earth; ♂ Mars; ♃ Jupiter; ♃ Saturn; ♃ Uranus; ♃ Neptune. For Jupiter's satellites the circle O represents the disc of the planet; ♃ signifies that the satellite is on the disc; ● signifies that the satellite is behind the disc or in the shadow. Configurations are for an inverting telescope.

## THE SKY FOR FEBRUARY

### POSITION OF PLANETS ON THE 15TH

	☿ Mercury	♀ Venus	♂ Mars	♃ Jupiter	♄ Saturn	♅ Uranus	♆ Neptune
R. A.	22h 32m	18h 39m	21h 2m	22h 20m	5h 40m	21h 0m	8h 2m
Decl.	6° 1' S.	20° 13' S.	18° 2' S.	11° 20' S.	22° 23' N.	17° 40' S.	20° 8' N.
Transit	12·54	9·01	11·24	12·42	20·01	11·23	22·22

The position is given for Greenwich Mean Noon. The time of transit is in Local Mean Time, hours numbering from midnight.

*The Sun.* — During February the sun's R.A. increases from 20h 56m to 22h 42m, and the Decl. changes from 17° 20' S. to 8° 16' S. The equation of time reaches its maximum value 14m 25s on the 12th. See table on page 6. On the 13th there is an annular eclipse, invisible in Canada. (See page 53).

*The Moon.* — For its phases and conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. The moon occults  $\gamma$  Tauri on 21st (see page 8).

*Mercury* reaches greatest elongation, 18° 14' E., on the 6th, and as this is a good time of the year to observe an eastern elongation the planet should be visible in the west just after sunset for some days before and after the date given. It will appear like a first-magnitude star. It reaches inferior conjunction on the 21st (see opposite page).

*Venus* continues a prominent morning star and on the 15th has still a stellar magnitude - 4.0. See remarks on Venus for January. On the 13th it attains its greatest elongation west (see opposite page).

*Mars* is slowly separating from the sun and at the same time approaching the earth from which on the 15th it is distant 218 millions of miles. It will be months before it will be suitably placed for observation.

*Jupiter* during the month is too near the sun for observation. It reaches conjunction on the 24th (see opposite page).

*Saturn*, as seen in the above table, is on the meridian at about 8 p.m. and hence is well-placed for observation. From the R.A. and Decl. there given, it is seen to be slightly west of its position last month. It continues retrograding until the 26th when it becomes stationary and after that it will move eastward.

The positions of *Uranus* and *Neptune* are given in the above table. See note for January.

The minima of Algol are given on the opposite page.

**FEBRUARY**

**ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA**

(75th Meridian Time, Hours Numbering from Midnight)

		Minima of Algol		Configuration of Jupiter's Satellites
		h	m	
Mon.	1	9h		Invisible on account of proximity to sun.
Tues.	2	2h		
Wed.	3	18h		
Thur.	4		52	
Fri.	5			
Sat.	6	1h		
☾Sun.	7	0h		
Mon.	8	9h		
Tues.	9		30	
Wed.	10	6h		
Thur.	11	23h		
Fri.	12	23h		
☉Sat.	13	1h		
Sun.	14	15h		
Mon.	15		8	
Tues.	16			
Wed.	17			
Thur.	18	11h		
Fri.	19			
Sat.	20		46	
☾Sun.	21	0h		
Mon.	22			
Tues.	23	20h		
Wed.	24	10h		
Thur.	25			
Fri.	26	0h		
Sat.	27		24	
Sun.	28			

Key to Symbols.—♄ Conjunction; ♀ Opposition; ☽ Quadrature; ☾ Ascending Node; ♁ Descending Node; ☉ Sun; ☿ Mercury; ♀ Venus; ⊕ Earth; ♂ Mars; ♃ Jupiter; ♄ Saturn; ♅ Uranus; ♆ Neptune. For Jupiter's satellites the circle ○ represents the disc of the planet; ♃ signifies that the satellite is on the disc; ● signifies that the satellite is behind the disc or in the shadow. Configurations are for an inverting telescope.

## THE SKY FOR MARCH

POSITION OF PLANETS ON THE 15TH

	♃ Mercury	♀ Venus	♂ Mars	♃ Jupiter	♄ Saturn	♅ Uranus	♆ Neptune
R. A.	21h 56m	20h 50m	22h 28m	22h 46m	5h 41m	21h 6m	7h 59m
Decl.	12° 49' S.	16° 58' S.	10° 50' S.	8° 53' S.	22° 29' N.	17° 16' S.	20° 15' N.
Transit	10·28	9·21	11·00	11·18	18·12	9·39	20·30

The position is given for Greenwich Mean Noon. The time of transit is in Local Mean Time, hours numbering from midnight.

*The Sun.* — On March 1st the sun's R.A. is 22h 46m and its Decl. 7° 53' S. It reaches the equator on the 21st (see opposite page) and on the 31st its R.A. is 0h 36m, Decl. 3° 51' N. During the month the equation of time changes from 12m 41s to 4m 32s. See table on page 6.

*The Moon.* — For its phases and conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. On the 29th the moon occults  $\nu$  Leonis, (see page 8).

*Mercury* is stationary on the 5th and reaches greatest elongation, 27° 44' W., on the 20th. About this time it should be visible as a morning star as it rises about an hour and a half before the sun.

*Venus* is still a prominent morning star. By marking on Map IV. of the Constellations the positions of Mercury and Venus as given for the 15th in the above table it will be seen that they are both in the constellation Capricornus, Venus being about 16° west and south of Mercury. On the 20th the stellar magnitude of Mercury is 0·4 and that of Venus - 3·7. They should both be seen as morning stars for some days before and after the 20th.

*Mars*, on the 15th is 212 millions of miles from the earth, and the above table shows that it is in Aquarius (Map IV. of the Constellations) but it is still unfavorably placed for observation.

*Jupiter* during the month is not well placed for observation.

*Saturn*, is on the meridian at about 6 p.m. and so can still be seen during the evening. It is now moving eastward, is still in Taurus, and its stellar magnitude is 0·2, the same as Arcturus.

The positions of *Uranus* and *Neptune* are given in the above table. See note for January.

The minima of Algol are given on the opposite page.

**MARCH**  
**ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA**

(75th Meridian Time, Hours Numbering from Midnight)

		Minima of Algol	Configuration of Jupiter's Satel- lites at 5 <sup>h</sup> 15m
☾ Mon.	1 2h ♂ ♀ ♂, ♀ 4° 14' N.; 13h 32m·6 Full Moon.	h m 14 13	Invisible on account of proximity to sun.
Tues.	2		
Wed.	3		
Thur.	4 22h·0 ☾ in Perigee.	11 2	
Fri.	5 19h ♀ Stationary.		
Sat.	6		
Sun.	7	7 51	
☾ Mon.	8 7h 27m·6 Moon's Last Quarter.		
Tues.	9		
Wed.	10 [Lat. S.	4 40	
Thur.	11 20h 32m ♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 3° 0' N.; 21h ♂ Greatest Hel.		
Fri.	12 11h 15m ♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 0° 33' N.		
Sat.	13 8h 44m ♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 0° 16' N.	1 29	
Sun.	14 1h 32m ♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 1° 59' S.; 3h ♀ in ☾; 12h 13m		
☾ Mon.	15 14h 42m·3 New Moon. [♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 2° 20' S.	22 18	
Tues.	16		
Wed.	17 4h ☐ ♄ ☉.		
Thur.	18	19 7	
Fri.	19 1h ♂ ♀ ♄, ♀ 1° 10' N.		
Sat.	20 10h ♀ Greatest Elong. W. 27° 44'; 20h·2 ☾ in Apogee.		
Sun.	21 11h 51m ☉ enters Aries, Spring commences.	15 56	
Mon.	22		
☉ Tues.	23 5h 38m ♂ ♄ ☾, ♄ 5° 22' S.; 17h 48m Moon's First		
Wed.	24 8h ♀ in Aphelion. [Quarter.	12 45	
Thur.	25 18h 12m ♂ ♄ ☾, ♄ 2° 55' S.		
Fri.	26 2h ♀ in ☾.		
Sat.	27	9 33	
Sun.	28		
Mon.	29 20h ♂ ♀ ♄, ♄ 1° 18' S.		
Tues.	30	6 22	
☾ Wed.	31 0h 37m·7 Full Moon.	23 14	

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## THE SKY FOR APRIL

POSITION OF PLANETS ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup>

	♿ Mercury	♀ Venus	♂ Mars	♃ Jupiter	♄ Saturn	♀ Uranus	♆ Neptune
R. A.	0 <sup>h</sup> 33 <sup>m</sup>	23 <sup>h</sup> 11 <sup>m</sup>	23 <sup>h</sup> 58 <sup>m</sup>	23 <sup>h</sup> 12 <sup>m</sup>	5 <sup>h</sup> 49 <sup>m</sup>	21 <sup>h</sup> 11 <sup>m</sup>	7 <sup>h</sup> 59 <sup>m</sup>
Decl.	1° 8' N.	6° 26' S.	1° 24' S.	6° 14' S.	22° 37' N.	16° 55' S.	20° 18' N.
Transit	11·03	9·41	10·28	9·42	16·18	7·42	18·27

The position is given for Greenwich Mean Noon. The time of transit is in Local Mean Time, hours numbering from midnight.

*The Sun*-- During April the sun continues its rapid rise above the equator and the days rapidly increase in length. On the 1st the R. A. 0<sup>h</sup> 39<sup>m</sup>, Decl. 4° 14' N.; on the 30th the R. A. is 2<sup>h</sup> 27<sup>m</sup>, Decl. 14° 31' N. For the equation of time see page 6.

*The Moon*-- For its phases and conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. On the 4th at about 2 a.m. the moon occults  $\tau$  Scorpii.

*Mercury* during the month continually moves in towards the sun, reaching superior conjunction on May 1. Hence it cannot be well observed during April.

*Venus* still rises about two and a half hours before the sun and hence is well seen as a morning star. Its stellar magnitude is about - 3.5.

*Mars*, as seen from the above table, crosses the meridian about an hour and a half before the sun and so is a morning star. From the table its position (on Map IV. of the Constellations) can be marked, and it will be found to be in Pisces. But the planet is still (on the 15th) 206 millions of miles from the earth, and hence is a faint object.

*Jupiter* is now well seen as a morning star. It is very near Venus, the two being in conjunction on the 15th (see opposite page). As the stellar magnitude of Jupiter is - 2.4, the appearance of the two bodies at this time of the month should be very beautiful. For the configuration of the satellites, see opposite page and for their eclipses, etc., see page 46.

*Saturn*, now crosses the meridian soon after 4 p.m. (see above table) and sets rather too early for good evening observations.

The positions of *Uranus* and *Neptune* are given in the above table. See note for January.

The minima of Algol are given on the opposite page.

**APRIL**

**ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA**

(75th Meridian Time, Hours Numbering from Midnight)

		Minima of Algol		Configuration of Jupiter's Satellites at 4h 53m
		h	m	
Thur.	1	18h'6		21C34
Fri.	2			21O123
Sat.	3	21h	♂ ♀ ♀, ♀ 1° 25' S.	41O23
Sun.	4			2142O3
Mon.	5	11h	♂ in Perihelion.	0 0432O1
☾ Tues.	6	15h 12m·4	Moon's Last Quarter.	431O2
Wed.	7			20 4943O21
Thur.	8	19h	♂ ♃, ♃ 0° 18' N.; 19h ♄ Stationary.	421O●
Fri.	9			4O213
Sat.	10	22h 6m	♂ ♀ ♀ ♃, ♀ 2° 36' S.	17 381O23●
Sun.	11	7h 9m	♂ ♃, ♃ 3° 6' S.	2O143
Mon.	12	5h 4m	♂ ♃, ♃ 4° 12' S.; 20h 48m ♂ ♃, ♃ 6° 14' S.	23O4●
Tues.	13	17h	♀ Greatest Hel. Lat. S.	14 2731O24
☽ Wed.	14	6h 35m·7	New Moon.	3O214
Thur.	15	11h	♂ ♀ ♃, ♀ 0° 9' S.	213O4
Fri.	16			11 16O134●
Sat.	17	10h'6	♃ in Apogee.	1O234
Sun.	18	15h	☐ ♄ ●.	2O143
Mon.	19	16h 23m	♂ ♃, ♃ 5° 0' S.	8 5243O●
Tues.	20			341O2
Wed.	21			43O12
☽ Thur.	22	2h 25m	♂ ♄ ♃, ♄ 2° 41' S.; 10h 39m·1 Moon's First [Quarter.	4 544213O
Fri.	23			42O13
Sat.	24			41O23
Sun.	25			1 4342O13
Mon.	26			21421O
Tues.	27			22 322134O2
Wed.	28			3O124
☽ Thur.	29	8h	♀ in Aphelion; 9h 19m·3 Full Moon.	231O4
Fri.	30	2h'2	♃ in Perigee.	19 212O134

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## THE SKY FOR MAY

### POSITION OF PLANETS ON THE 15TH

	☿ Mercury	♀ Venus	♂ Mars	♃ Jupiter	♄ Saturn	♅ Uranus	♆ Neptune
R. A.	4h 27m	1h 24m	1h 23m	23h 34m	6h 2m	21h 13m	8h 0m
Decl.	23° 41' N.	6° 56' N.	7° 44' N.	4° 1' S.	22° 43' N.	16° 47' S.	20° 14' N.
Transit	12 59	9 56	9 54	8 06	14 33	5 46	16 31

The position is given for Greenwich Mean Noon. The time of transit is in Local Mean Time, hours numbering from midnight.

*The Sun*-- On the 1st the sun's R. A. is 2h 30m, Decl. 14° 50' N.; on the 31st the R. A. is 4h 29m, Decl. 21° 48' N. The equation of time is 2m 51s on the 1st, rises to 3m 47s on the 15th (a maximum) and then falls to 2m 39s on the 31st. See page 6.

*The Moon*-- For its phases and conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. It occults  $\iota$  Capricorni on the 6th at about 3 a.m., (see page 8).

*Mercury* is in superior conjunction with the sun on the 1st and so will be invisible during much of the month, but on the 31st it attains greatest elongation 23° 18' E. For several days on each side of this date the planet should be easily seen. As soon as possible after sunset examine the sky above the sunset point, and the planet will appear like a first magnitude star. Its stellar magnitude at this time is 0.7; almost the same as Procyon. If any difficulty is experienced in locating the planet with the naked eye use an opera glass at first.

*Venus*, as will be seen from the above table, is about two hours ahead of the sun, and so can easily be seen as a morning star. Its stellar magnitude is - 3.3. About 88 per cent. of its disc is now illuminated.

*Mars*, is also a morning star, close to Venus in the sky, as will be seen from the above table. Its stellar magnitude is about 1.5. On the 15th it is 200 millions of miles from the earth.

*Jupiter* is in Pisces, of stellar magnitude - 1.8, and is a prominent morning star.

*Saturn*, sets about 2½ hours after the sun and is still an evening star.

The positions of *Uranus* and *Neptune* are given in the above table. See note for January.

The minima of Algol are given on the opposite page.

MAY				Minima of Algol	Configuration of Jupiter's Satel- lites at 3h 38m
ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA					
(75th Meridian Time, Hours Numbering from Midnight)					
				h	m
Sat.	1	13h ☿ ♀ ☿ Superior.			10234
Sun.	2	17h ♀ in ☿.			02134
Mon.	3			16	1021C34
Tues.	4				30124
Wed.	5				3042●
☾Thur.	6	0h 22m ♄ Moon's Last Quarter; 2h 8m ☿ ☽ ☾, ☽ 0° [2' S.		12	5932410
Fri.	7	0h ☐ ☽ ☿; 8h ♀ in Perihelion.			42031
Sat.	8				41023
Sun.	9	0h 9m ☿ ♃ ☾, ♃ 3° 54' S.		9	4840213
Mon.	10				42103
Tues.	11	4h 57m ☿ ♀ ☾, ♀ 6° 28' S.; 7h 54m ☿ ♂ ☾, ♂ 5°			4301●
Wed.	12			6	3743102
☾Thur.	13	22h 31m New Moon.			213420
Fri.	14	8h ☿ ♀ ♂, ♀ 0° 56' S.; 16h ♄ ☾ in Apogee.			2401●
Sat.	15	9h 26m ☿ ♀ ☾, ♀ 2° 51' S.		3	2610243
Sun.	16				02134
Mon.	17	4h 0m ☿ ♃ ☾, ♃ 4° 36' S.; 15h ♀ Greatest Hel. Lat. N.			21034
Tues.	18			0	153014●
Wed.	19	9h 51m ☿ ♃ ☾, ♃ 2° 23' S.			31024
Thur.	20			21	432014
☾Fri.	21	12h ☽ Stationary; 22h ♀ Greatest Hel. Lat. S.; 23h [50m 0 Moon's First Quarter.			204●●
Sat.	22				10423
Sun.	23			17	5240123
Mon.	24				42103
Tues.	25				43201
Wed.	26			14	41431C2
Thur.	27				214301
☾Fri.	28	12h ♄ ☾ in Perigee; 16h 32m ♀ Full Moon.			4230●
Sat.	29			11	30214023
Sun.	30				40123
Mon.	31	9h ☿ ♀ ♃, ♀ 2° 29' N.; 16h ♀ Greatest Elong. E. [23° 18'.			21043

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## THE SKY FOR JUNE

POSITION OF PLANETS ON THE 15TH

	♿ Mercury	♀ Venus	♂ Mars	♃ Jupiter	♄ Saturn	♅ Uranus	♆ Neptune
R. A.	6h 40m	3h 50m	2h 51m	23h 50m	6h 18m	21h 12m	8h 3m
Decl.	21° 46' N.	18° 48' N.	15° 45' N.	23° 25' S.	22° 43' N.	16° 53' S.	20° 5' N
Transit	13.09	10.19	9.21	6.20	12.47	3.43	14.32

The position is given for Greenwich Mean Moon. The time of transit is in Local Mean Time, hours numbering from midnight.

*The Sun.*—The sun's R. A. on the 1st is 4h 33m, and on the 30th it is 6h 33m. During the month the declination slowly rises from 21° 57' on the 1st to 23° 27' on the 22nd, which is the winter solstice, at which time our days are longest. It then falls to 23° 14' on the 30th. The equation of time is zero on the 15th. It then rises to 3m 14s on the 30th. See page 6. The increase in the equation of time, taken with the decreasing length of the day, causes the time of sunset, stated in mean time, to appear constant for several days at the end of June and the beginning of July. (See table on pages 15 and 16).

*The Moon.*—For its phases and conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. On the 24th it occults  $\pi$  Scorpii, (see page 8).

*Mercury* is at greatest elongation east on May 31st and should be well seen as an evening star for some days at the beginning of June (see note for last month). Then it closes in towards the sun and reaches inferior conjunction on the 27th, (see opposite page).

*Venus*, is still more than 1½ hours before the sun, and can be seen as a morning star. Its stellar magnitude is still - 3.3, and 9t per cent. of its disc is now illuminated.

*Mars* as will be seen from the above table, is on the meridian between 9.00 and 9.30 a.m., and hence is a morning star. It is in Aries and its stellar magnitude is about 1.4. On the 15th it is 192 millions of miles from the earth.

*Jupiter* crosses the meridian soon after 6 a.m., and reaches quadrature with the sun on the 19th (See opposite page). Its stellar magnitude is - 2.0 and hence it is a prominent morning star, rising almost exactly at the east point at about midnight.

*Saturn* is too near the sun to be observed. It comes into conjunction on the 28th (see opposite page), after which it becomes a morning star.

The positions of *Uranus* and *Neptune* are given in the above table. See note for January.

For the minima of Algol, see opposite page.

## JUNE

### ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA

(75th Meridian Time, Hours Numbering from Midnight)

		Minima of Algol	Configuration of Jupiter's Satel- lites at 2h 23m
Tues.	1	h m	
Wed.	2 9h 55m ♂ ♂ ☾, ♂ 0° 20' S.	8 19	212014 31C24
Thur.	3		30214
☾ Fri.	4 11h 32m I Moon's Last Quarter.	5 8	23104 01234
Sat.	5 15h 8m ♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ 4° 38' S.		0234●
Sun.	6		
Mon.	7	1 57	21043 20341
Tues.	8		
Wed.	9 8h 55m ♂ ♃ ☾, ♂ 6° 1' S.	22 46	34102 43C21
Thur.	10 2h ♃ in ♃; 10h 17m ♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 6° 38' S.; 19h 4 ☾		42310
Fri.	11 <i>(Northern Lights)</i> [in Apogee]		
☾ Sat.	12 13h 57m 3 New Moon. <i>See 9-10 pm. Ray</i>	19 35	4013● 4023●
Sun.	13 16h 22m ♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ 4° 16' S.; 23h ♃ Stationary.		42103 42031
Mon.	14 2h 42m ♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ 4° 18' S.	16 24	34102 30421
Tues.	15 17h 2m ♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ 2° 8' S.		
Wed.	16 <i>Northern Lights etc.</i>	13 13	32104 0314●
Thur.	17 <i>Northern Lights Flickering Clouds.</i>		
Fri.	18		
Sat.	19 6h ☾ ♃	10 2	212034 20134
☾ Sun.	20 8h ♀ in Aphelion; 9h 24m 3 Moon's First Quarter.		31024 32104
Mon.	21		42301
Tues.	22 7h 29m ☾ enters Cancer, Summer commences.		11023 214013
Wed.	23		4203●
Thur.	24	6 51	43102
Fri.	25 2h ♂ ♃ ♃, ♃ 3° 14' S.; 21h I ☾ in Perigee.		
☾ Sat.	26 23h 27m 4 Full Moon.		
Sun.	27 0h ♂ ♃ ☾ Inferior.	3 40	
Mon.	28 12h ♂ ♃ ☾		
Tues.	29 18h 30m ♂ ♂ ☾, ♂ 0° 28' S.		
Wed.	30	0 29	

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## THE SKY FOR JULY

POSITION OF PLANETS ON THE 15TH

	☿ Mercury	♀ Venus	♂ Mars	♃ Jupiter	♄ Saturn	♅ Uranus	♆ Neptune
R. A.	6h 10m	6h 25m	4h 19m	23h 57m	6h 35m	21h 9m	8h 8m
Decl.	20° 8' N.	23° 15' N.	21° 7' N.	1° 50' S.	22° 34' N.	17° 8' S.	19° 53' N.
Transit	10:41	10:56	8:50	4:29	11:06	1:43	12:39

The position is given for Greenwich Mean Noon. The time of transit is in Local Mean Time, hours numbering from midnight.

*The Sun*-- During the month the sun's R. A. changes from 6h 37m, to 8h 38m, and the Decl. from 23° 11' N. to 18° 29' N. The earth is farthest from the sun on the 5th (see opposite page).

*The Moon*-- For its phases and conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page.

*Mercury* on the 18th reaches greatest elongation, 20° 23' W., and the planet should be seen without difficulty for some days before and after this date, though the dawn may somewhat interfere. Use an opera glass and search the sky just above the point where the sun will rise.

*Venus*, is still a morning star, but as it rises only about an hour before the sun it cannot be observed so easily as for several months past. Its stellar magnitude is - 3.3, and 96 per cent. of its disc is now illuminated.

*Mars*, can be seen during the latter half of the night. On the 15th it is about 4° north and slightly west of Aldebaran, and slightly fainter than that star. At that date it is 183 millions of miles from the earth.

*Jupiter* rises at about 10.30 p.m. and is visible all the rest of the night, reaching the meridian, on the 15th, at 4.29 a.m. (see above table). Stellar magnitude - 2.2. For the configuration of Jupiter's satellites see next page and for their eclipses, etc., see page 46.

*Saturn*, is a morning star, but too close to the sun to be well observed.

The positions of *Uranus* and *Neptune* are given in the above table. See note for January.

The minima of Algol are given on the opposite page.

**JULY**  
**ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA**

(75th Meridian Time, Hours Numbering from Midnight)

		Minima of Algol	Configuration of Jupiter's Satel- lites at 1h 38m
		h	m
Thur.	1		43 <sup>○</sup> 12
Fri.	2	21	18 43 <sup>2</sup> 1 <sup>○</sup>
Sat.	3		2 <sup>○</sup> 1 <sup>●●</sup>
☾Sun.	4		1 <sup>○</sup> 42 <sup>3</sup>
Mon.	5	18	7 0 <sup>○</sup> 21 <sup>4</sup> 3
Tues.	6		2 <sup>○</sup> 34 <sup>●</sup>
Wed.	7		9 <sup>1</sup> 3 <sup>○</sup> 24
Thur.	8		5 <sup>h</sup> 8 <sup>′</sup> ☾ in Apogee; 8 <sup>h</sup> 0 <sup>m</sup> ♂♂ ☾, ♂♂ 5° 30′ S.; 8 <sup>h</sup> 8 <sup>′</sup> [Stationary.
Fri.	9		16 <sup>h</sup> ♀ Greatest Hel. Lat. S.; 23 <sup>h</sup> ♂♂ ♀, ♀♂ 3° 50′ S.
Sat.	10		15 <sup>h</sup> 13 <sup>m</sup> ♂♀ ☾, ♀ 4° 7′ S.; 15 <sup>h</sup> 50 <sup>m</sup> ♂♀ ☾, ♀♂ 7° 57′ S.;
Sun.	11		5 <sup>h</sup> 33 <sup>m</sup> ♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 4° 0′ S.
☽Mon.	12		4 <sup>h</sup> 30 <sup>m</sup> ·8 New Moon.
Tues.	13		0 <sup>h</sup> 51 <sup>m</sup> ♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 1° 59′ S.
Wed.	14		
Thur.	15		8 34 2 <sup>1</sup> 4 <sup>○</sup> 1 <sup>●</sup>
Fri.	16		43 <sup>○</sup> 12
Sat.	17		43 <sup>1</sup> 2 <sup>○</sup>
Sun.	18		5 23 42 <sup>3</sup> ○1
☾Mon.	19		22 <sup>h</sup> ♀ Greatest Elong. W. 20° 23′.
Tues.	20		16 <sup>h</sup> 8 <sup>m</sup> ·8 Moon's First Quarter; 21 <sup>h</sup> ♃ Stationary.
Wed.	21		4 <sup>○</sup> 12 <sup>3</sup>
Thur.	22		2 11 21 <sup>4</sup> ○3
Fri.	23		0 <sup>○</sup> 31 <sup>4</sup> ●
Sat.	24		23 0 3 <sup>○</sup> 24 <sup>●</sup>
Sun.	25		31 <sup>2</sup> ○4
☽Mon.	26		0 <sup>h</sup> ·4 ☾ in Perigee.
Tues.	27		32 <sup>○</sup> 14
Wed.	28		19 49 1 <sup>○</sup> 32 <sup>4</sup>
Thur.	29		7 <sup>h</sup> 11 <sup>m</sup> ·0 Full Moon.
Fri.	30		3 <sup>h</sup> 1 <sup>m</sup> ♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 0° 27′ S.
Sat.	31		16 38 2 <sup>○</sup> 31 <sup>4</sup>
			34 <sup>○</sup> 2 <sup>●</sup>
			17 <sup>h</sup> ♀ in ☽.
			13 <sup>h</sup> 0 <sup>m</sup> ♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ 5° 29′ S.
			42 <sup>1</sup> 34 <sup>○</sup> ●
			13 27 43 <sup>2</sup> ○1

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## THE SKY FOR AUGUST

POSITION OF PLANETS ON THE 15TH

	♿ Mercury	♀ Venus	♂ Mars	♃ Jupiter	♄ Saturn	♅ Uranus	♆ Neptune
R. A.	9h 43m	9h 7m	5h 49m	23h 53m	6h 51m	21h 4m	8h 13m
Decl.	15° 37' N.	17° 40' N.	23° 34' N.	2° 26' S.	22° 19' N.	17° 30' S.	19° 33' N.
Transit	12·11	11·35	8·18	2·23	9·20	23·31	10·42

The position is given for Greenwich Mean Noon. The time of transit is in Local Mean Time, hours numbering from midnight.

*The Sun*-- During August the sun's R. A. increases from 8h 42m to 10h 35m and the Decl. changes from 18° 14' N. to 8° 57' N. The equation of time falls from 6m 12s on the 1st to 0m 31s on the 31st. For fuller details see page 7. On the 10th is an annular eclipse of the sun, invisible, however, in Canada. (See page 50).

*The Moon*-- For its phases and conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page.

*Mercury* during the month is too near the sun for observation. It reaches superior conjunction on the 14th (see opposite page).

*Venus* is also too near the sun for observation.

*Mars*, as will be seen from the above table, is on the meridian on the 15th at 8.18 a.m., that is, it is about four hours ahead of the sun and so can be seen as a morning star. By marking on Map II. of the Constellations the position given in the above table, it will be seen that on the 15th the planet is near the boundary between Taurus and Gemini, and about midway between Aldebaran and Castor. Its stellar magnitude then is 1.4 and its distance from the earth is 170 millions of miles.

*Jupiter* on the 15th rises at about 8.30 and is visible all the rest of the night. Stellar magnitude - 2.4. For the configuration of the satellites, see opposite page; and for their eclipses, etc., see page 46.

*Saturn*, as will be seen from the above table, crosses the meridian on the 15th at 9.20 a.m. and so can be seen as a morning star. Saturn's stellar magnitude, 0.4.

The positions of *Uranus* and *Neptune* are given in the above table. See note for January.

The minima of Algol are given on the opposite page.

AUGUST		Minima of Algol	Configuration of Jupiter's Satel- lites at oh 53m
ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA (75th Meridian Time, Hours Numbering from Midnight)			
		h	m
Sun.	1		41032
☾ Mon.	2	16h 27m·3	40123
Tues.	3	7h ♀ in Perihelion.	16 42103
Wed.	4	7h ♂ ♀ ♀, ♀ 0° 18' N.; 7h ♂ ♀ ♀, ♀ 1° 21' N.;	42013
Thur.	5	[8h ♂ ♀ ♀, ♀ 1° 3' N.; 21h·6 ☾ in Apogee.	43102
Fri.	6	5h ♂ in ☽; 5h 38m ♂ ♂ ☽, ♂ 4° 22' S.	7 530142
Sat.	7	2h ♂ ☽; 19h 23m ♂ ♀ ☽, ♀ 3° 47' S.	3204●
Sun.	8	[♀ 0° 2' S.	13024
Mon.	9	9h 49m ♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 1° 54' S.; 23h 6m ♂ ♀ ☾,	3 54 01234
☾ Tues.	10	10h 14m ♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 1° 18' N.; 17h 52m·4 New Moon;	12034
Wed.	11	[☽ Annular Eclipse invisible in Canada.	20134
Thur.	12		0 4331024
Fri.	13	14h ♀ Greatest Hel. Lat. N.	30124
Sat.	14	5h ♂ ♀ ☽ Superior.	21 3204●
Sun.	15		4130●
Mon.	16		40123
☽ Tues.	17	21h 17m·4 Moon's First Quarter.	18 21 41203
Wed.	18		42013
Thur.	19	18h ♀ in Perihelion.	41302
Fri.	20	9h·2 ☾ in Perigee.	15 10 43012
Sat.	21		43210
Sun.	22		21430●
Mon.	23	10h 26m ♂ ☽ ☾, ☽ 0° 20' S.	11 59 01423
☺ Tues.	24	16h 40m·5 Full Moon.	12043
Wed.	25		20134
Thur.	26	18h 22m ♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 5° 27' S	8 48 41302
Fri.	27		13024
Sat.	28		30124
Sun.	29		5 37 32104
Mon.	30		01432
Tues.	31		21403

Key to Symbols.—♂ Conjunction; ♀ Opposition; ☐ Quadrature; ☽ Ascending Node; ☿ Descending Node; ☼ Sun; ☿ Mercury; ♀ Venus; ⊕ Earth; ♂ Mars; ♃ Jupiter; ♄ Saturn; ♅ Uranus; ♆ Neptune. For Jupiter's satellites the circle ○ represents the disc of the planet; ♃ signifies that the satellite is on the disc; ● signifies that the satellite is behind the disc or in the shadow. Configurations are for an inverting telescope.

## THE SKY FOR SEPTEMBER

POSITION OF PLANETS ON THE 15TH

	☿ Mercury	♀ Venus	♂ Mars	♃ Jupiter	♄ Saturn	♅ Uranus	♆ Neptune
R. A.	12h 53m	11h 34m	7h 14m	23h 40m	7h 4m	21h 0m	8h 17m
Decl.	6° 58' S.	4° 21' N.	22° 59' N.	3° 55' S.	22° 3' N.	17° 48' S.	19° 26' N.
Transit	13·19	12·01	7·41	0·08	7·31	21·25	8·44

The position is given for Greenwich Mean Noon. The time of transit is in Local Mean Time, hours numbering from midnight.

*The Sun.*—The sun's R.A. increases during the month from 10h 38m to 12h 23m. On the 1st the declination is 8° 35' N., the sun reaches the equator on the 23rd (the autumn equinox), and on the 30th its declination is 2° 29' S. (For fuller details, see p. 7.)

*The Moon.*—For the phases of the moon and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page.

*Mercury* during the early part of the month is near the sun, but on the 28th it attains greatest elongation, 26° 2' E. It is pretty low in the south-western sky and so is not well placed for observation.

*Venus* reaches superior conjunction with the sun on the 12th and cannot be observed all month. After this date it becomes an evening star, but it will be some time before the planet will be far enough from the sun for convenient observation.

*Mars* rises at about midnight and so can be seen all the rest of the night. On the 15th it is 154 millions of miles from the earth, its stellar magnitude is 1·3 and it is about 5° S. and slightly W. of Pollux.

*Jupiter* is in opposition to the sun on the 17th (see opposite page) and hence can be seen all night long. Its stellar magnitude is now - 2·5. For the configuration of the satellites, see opposite page; and for their eclipses, etc., see page 46.

*Saturn* is now near Mars in the sky and hence can be seen during the latter half of the night. The two planets are in conjunction on the 10th (see next page) Stellar magnitude 0·4.

The positions of *Uranus* and *Neptune* are given in the above table. See note for January.

The minima of Algol are given on the opposite page.

## SEPTEMBER

### ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA

(75th Meridian Time, Hours Numbering from Midnight)

		Minima of Algol	Configuration of Jupiter's Satel- lites at oh 8m
		h	m
☾Wed.	1 9h 56m·6 Moon's Last Quarter; 16h·2 ☾ in Apogee.	2	26 42C13
Thur.	2		41O32
Fri.	3	23	15 43O12
Sat.	4 2h 3m ☽ ♂ ☾, ♂ 2° 45' S.; 9h 6m ☽ ♃ ☾, ♃ 3° 31' S.		4321O
Sun.	5 19h 54m ☽ ♃ ☾, ♃ 1° 48' S.		432O1
Mon.	6 1h ♀ in ♃.	20	4 4O32●
Tues.	7		41O23
Wed.	8		24C13
☽Thur.	9 5h 52m·7 New Moon; 7h 23m ☽ ♀ ☾, ♀ 4° 19' N.	16	53 1O324
Fri.	10 17h ♀ Greatest Hel. Lat. N.; 18h ☽ ♂ ♃, ♂ 1° 8' N.		3O124
Sat.	11 oh 51m ☽ ♃ ☾, ♃ 3° 50' N.		321O4
Sun.	12 13h ☽ ♀ ☽ Superior.	13	41 32O14
Mon.	13		1O324
Tues.	14 1oh·3 ☾ in Perigee.		24O234
Wed.	15	10	30 2O143
☽Thur.	16 2h 21m·3 Moon's First Quarter; 7h ♀ in Aphelion.		1O43●
Fri.	17 7h ♂ ♃.		34O12
Sat.	18	7	19 4312O
Sun.	19 16h 11m ☽ ♃ ☾, ♃ 0° 18' S.		432O1
Mon.	20		41O2●
Tues.	21	4	8 4O123
Wed.	22 2oh 23m ☽ ♃ ☾, ♃ 5° 11' S.		42O3●
☽Thur.	23 4h 35m·2 Full Moon; 22h 24m ☽ enters ♃, Autumn		41O3●
Fri.	24	0	57 43O12
Sat.	25		312O4
Sun.	26	21	46 32O14
Mon.	27		13O24
Tues.	28 oh ♀ Greatest Elong. E., 26° 2'.		O1234
Wed.	29 11h·8 ☾ in Apogee.	18	35 2O34●
☾Thur	30 23h 39m·8 Moon's Last Quarter.		21C34

Key to Symbols.—☽ Conjunction; ☽ Opposition; ☽ Quadrature; ☽ Ascending Node; ☽ Descending Node; ☽ Sun; ♀ Mercury; ♀ Venus; ⊕ Earth; ♂ Mars; ♃ Jupiter; ♃ Saturn; ♃ Uranus; ♃ Neptune. For Jupiter's satellites the circle ○ represents the disc of the planet; ♃ signifies that the satellite is on the disc; ● signifies that the satellite is behind the disc or in the shadow. Configurations are for an inverting telescope.

## THE SKY FOR OCTOBER

POSITION OF PLANETS ON THE 15TH

	♿ Mercury	♀ Venus	♂ Mars	♃ Jupiter	♄ Saturn	♅ Uranus	♆ Neptune
R. A.	14h 9m	13h 52m	8h 27m	23h 26m	7h 10m	20h 58m	8h 19m
Decl.	16° 9' S.	10° 37' S.	20° 24' N.	5° 20' S.	21° 53' N.	17° 56' S.	19° 18' N.
Transit	12·37	12·20	6·56	21·53	5·40	19·25	6·48

The position is given for Greenwich Mean Moon. The time of transit is in Local Mean Time, hours numbering from midnight.

*The Sun.*—The sun's R. A. increases during October from 12h 27m to 14h 19m and the Decl. changes from 2° 52' to 13° 51' S. The equation of time rises from 10m 2s to 16m 17s, to be subtracted from apparent time. For fuller details, see page 7.

*The Moon.*—For the phases of the moon and its conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. On the 16th the moon occults  $\theta$  Capricorni (see page 8).

*Mercury* comes to inferior conjunction with the sun on the 22nd, after which it becomes a morning star, but it does not get far enough from the sun to be observed conveniently until about the 6th of the next month.

*Venus* is still too near the sun for observation.

*Mars* rises an hour or less before midnight and so is visible all the latter half of the night. On the 15th it is 135 millions of miles from the earth, its stellar magnitude is 1·1, and it is very near the cluster Praesepe in Cancer.

*Jupiter* is well placed for observation during the month. Its stellar magnitude is - 2·4. The planet is in Pisces and is retrograding. For the configuration of its satellites, see next page; and for their eclipses, etc., see page 46.

*Saturn* is in quadrature to the west of the sun on the 10th, that is, it is 6h ahead of the sun then. It rises about 10 o'clock and hence can be observed much of the night. Its stellar magnitude is 0·3. It begins to retrograde on the 29th.

The positions of *Uranus* and *Neptune* are given in the above table. See note for January.

For the minima of Algol, see opposite page.

**OCTOBER**  
**ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA**

(75th Meridian Time, Hours Numbering from Midnight)

		Minima of Algol	Configuration of Jupiter's Satel- lites at 22h 38m
		h m	
Fri.	1 21h 23m ♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ 3° 13' S.		3○124
Sat.	2 20h 40m ♂ ♂ ☾, ♂ 0° 43' S.	15 24	2131○4
Sun.	3 6h 7m ♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ 1° 36' S.		32○41
Mon.	4		413○2
Tues.	5		413○2
Wed.	6 16h ♀ Greatest Hel. Lat. S.	12 13	421○3
Thur.	7		42○13
☿ Fri.	8 16h 42m ·1 New Moon.		
Sat.	9 9h 30m ♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 6° 10' N. [Stationary.	9	243○2●
Sun.	10 6h 40m ♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 1° 41' N.; 8h ☐ ♃ ☿; 15h ♀		431○2
Mon.	11 7h 1' ☾ in Perigee; 14h ♂ ♂ ♃, ♂ 1° 28' N.	5 51	342○1
Tues.	12		134○2
Wed.	13		○1432
Thur.	14		21○34
☾ Fri.	15 8h 51m ·5 Moon's First Quarter.	2	402○134
Sat.	16 21h 8m ♂ ☽ ☾, ☽ 0° 26' S.	23 29	21○24●
Sun.	17 12h ♂ ♀ ♀, ♀ 3° 30' S.		31○24
Mon.	18		32○14
Tues.	19 21h 24m ♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ 4° 57' S.		13○4●
Wed.	20		○1432
Thur.	21		214○3
☿ Fri.	22 9h ♂ ♀ ☿ Inferior; 16h ☽ Stationary; 19h 15m ·5	17 7	41○32
Sat.	23 [Full Moon.		2143○2
Sun.	24		432○1
Mon.	25 16h ♀ in ☽.	13 56	431○●
Tues.	26 22h ☐ ♃ ☿.		4○312
Wed.	27 6h 1' ☾ in Apogee.		412○3
Thur.	28	10 45	2○13●
Fri.	29 6h 40m ♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ 2° 53' S. 19h ♃ Stationary.		1○324
☾ Sat.	30 7h ♀ in Perihelion; 15h 9m ♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ 1° 18' S.;		213○24
Sun.	31 11h 37m ♂ ♂ ☾, ♂ 1° 34' N. [21h ♀ Stationary; 23h	7 34	32○4●
	[39m ·8 Moon's Last Quarter.		

Key to Symbols.—♄ Conjunction; ♀ Opposition; ☐ Quadrature; ☽ Ascending Node; ♁ Descending Node; ☉ Sun; ☿ Mercury; ♀ Venus; ⊕ Earth; ♂ Mars; ♃ Jupiter; ♄ Saturn; ☽ Uranus; ♃ Neptune. For Jupiter's satellites the circle ○ represents the disc of the planet; ♃ signifies that the satellite is on the disc; ● signifies that the satellite is behind the disc or in the shadow. Configurations are for an inverting telescope.

## THE SKY FOR NOVEMBER

POSITION OF PLANETS ON THE 15TH

	☿ Mercury	♀ Venus	♂ Mars	♃ Jupiter	♄ Saturn	♅ Uranus	♆ Neptune
R. A.	14h 15m	16h 26m	9h 28m	23h 20m	7h 10m	20h 59m	8h 19m
Decl.	11° 31' S.	22° 7' S.	17° 0' N.	5° 50' S.	21° 55' N.	17° 51' S.	19° 16' N.
Transit	10·41	12·53	5·55	19·45	3·38	17·24	4·47

The position is given for Greenwich Mean Noon. The time of transit is in Local Mean Time, hours numbering from midnight.

*The Sun.*—The sun's R.A. during the month increases from 14h 22m to 16h 22m, and the Decl. changes from 14° 11' to 21° 31' S. The equation of time rises to a maximum on the 4th, at which time it is 16m 22s. The true sun crosses the meridian this much earlier than the mean sun.

*The Moon.*—For its phases and conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. On the 24th the moon occults  $\epsilon$  Geminorum (see page 8).

*Mercury* reaches greatest elongation, 18° 57' W., on the 7th, at which time it is well-placed for observation as a morning star. For the greater part of the month the planet should be easily seen just above the sunrise point. If an opera glass is convenient use it first to locate the planet, after which it will be easily 'picked up' with the naked eye.

*Venus* is slowly separating from the sun, and as it rises about an hour after the sun it can be seen as an evening star. It is still too near the sun, however, for convenient observation.

*Mars* is continually improving its position for observation. During the month it passes from Cancer into Leo and at the end of the the month is about 4½° N.W. of Regulus. On the 15th its stellar magnitude is 0·7 (Regulus is 1·3), its distance from the earth is 112 millions of miles. It is visible from about 11 p.m. on during the night.

*Jupiter* is still well-placed for observation during the evening. It continues to retrograde until the 15th. For the configuration of the satellites, see next page; and for their eclipses, etc., see page 46.

*Saturn* is on the meridian on the 15th at 3.38 (see above table) and hence can be observed during the most of the night. It is in Gemini, about 7° S.W. of Pollux (on the 15th), and its stellar magnitude 0·1.

The positions of *Uranus* and *Neptune* are given in the above table. See note for January.

The minima of Algol are given on the opposite page.

## NOVEMBER

### ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA

(75th Meridian Time, Hours Numbering from Midnight)

		Minima of Algol	Configuration of Jupiter's Satel- lites at 2 h 8m
		h	m
Mon.	1		31204
Tues.	2		03124
Wed.	3	4	211034
Thur.	4		20143
Fri.	5		10423
Sat.	6	1	34012
☉Sun.	7	2h 52m	3 New Moon; 5h 8 Greatest Elong. W. 18° 57'.
☽Mon.	8	5h 36m	♂ ♀ ☾, ♀ 4° 46' N.; 9h 3 ☾ in Perigee.
Tues.	9	13h	♀ Greatest Hel. Lat. N.; 22h ☐ ♂ ♀.
Wed.	10		40120
Thur.	11	18	4942013
Fri.	12		41030
☾Sat.	13	3h 20m	♂ ☽ ☾, ☽ 0° 43' S.; 18h 3m 0 Moon's First [Quarter.
Sun.	14		15 38 32104
Mon.	15	3h	♃ Stationary.
Tues.	16	0h 54m	♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ 4° 59' S.
Wed.	17		30240
Thur.	18	12	2710234
Fri.	19		20134
Sat.	20		10340
☉Sun.	21	12h 36m	4 Full Moon.
Mon.	22		32104
Tues.	23	18h 7	☾ in Apogee.
Wed.	24		6 543020
Thur.	25	12h 8m	♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ 2° 41' S.
Fri.	26	22h 2m	♂ ♃ ☾, ♃ 1° 3' S
Sat.	27		2 5411203
Sun.	28	19h 17m	♂ ♂ ☾, ♂ 3° 52' N.
☾Mon.	29	17h 10m	5 Moon's Last Quarter.
Tues.	30		23 4343120
			34201
			34102

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## THE SKY FOR DECEMBER

POSITION OF PLANETS ON THE 15TH

	♿ Mercury	♀ Venus	♂ Mars	♃ Jupiter	♄ Saturn	♅ Uranus	♆ Neptune
R. A.	17h 25m	19h 10m	10h 6m	23h 26m	7h 3m	21h 2m	8h 18m
Decl.	24° 29' S.	23° 57' S.	14° 48' N.	5° 6' S.	22° 8' N.	17° 35' S.	19° 22' N.
Transit	11.53.	13.38	4.35	17.53	1.33	15.30	2.47

The position is given for Greenwich Mean Moon. The time of transit is in Local Mean Time, hours numbering from midnight.

*The Sun.*—During December the sun's R. A. increases from 16h 26m to 18h 38m. On the 1st the Decl. is 21° 41' S.; this slowly changes until it becomes 23° 27' on the 22nd, (the winter solstice, see next page); and by the 31st it has come back to 23° 10'.

*The Moon.*—For its phases and conjunctions with the planets, see opposite page. On December 18 the moon occults three of the Pleiades, and on the 21st,  $\epsilon$  Geminorum (see page 8).

*Mercury* is in superior conjunction with the sun on the 15th, and is not suitably placed for observation during the month.

*Venus*, is now far enough from the sun to be seen as an evening star and its position is improving every day.

*Mars*, can now be seen from about 10 o'clock on through the night. On the 15th it is 89 millions of miles from the earth and its stellar magnitude is + 0.2, the same at Capella. On the 31st the magnitude is - 0.2. On the 13th the planet is in conjunction with Regulus from which it is 2½° north.

*Jupiter* on the 12th is in quadrature with the sun, and so can be seen during the first half of the night. For the configuration of the satellites, see next page; and for their eclipses, etc., see page 46.

*Saturn* now rises at about 6.30 p.m. and is visible during the entire night. It continues to retrograde during the month. Stellar magnitude - 0.1.

The positions of *Uranus* and *Neptune* are given in the above table. See note for January.

For the minima of Algol, see next page.

<b>DECEMBER</b>		Minima of Algol	Configuration of Jupiter's Satel- lites at 20h 8m
<b>ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA</b>			
(75th Meridian Time, Hours Numbering from Midnight)			
Wed.	1	h m	
Thur.	2	20 32	210423
Fri.	3		20143
Sat.	4		12034
Sun.	5	17 21	03124
☿ Mon.	6		213104
♃ Tues.	7		32014
♁ Wed.	8	10 31	31024
♂ Thur.	9		0124●
♀ Fri.	10	59	21203●
Sat.	11		40312
Sun.	12		43102
☾ Mon.	13	7 48	31021
♃ Tues.	14		4310●
♁ Wed.	15		40312
♂ Thur.	16	4 37	4203●
Fri.	17		24103
Sat.	18		01342
Sun.	19	1 26	31024
♃ Mon.	20		32014
☺ Tues.	21	22 15	3104●
♁ Wed.	22		30124
♂ Thur.	23		21034
♀ Fri.	24	19 4	212034
Sat.	25		01423
Sun.	26		31402
♃ Mon.	27	15 53	34201
Tues.	28		43120
☾ Wed.	29	12 42	43012
♂ Thur.	30		41203
Fri.	31		42013

Key to Symbols.—♃ Conjunction; ♀ Opposition; □ Quadrature; ☽ Ascending Node; ☿ Descending Node; ☼ Sun; ☿ Mercury; ♀ Venus; ⊕ Earth; ♀ Mars; ♃ Jupiter; ♄ Saturn; ♅ Uranus; ♆ Neptune. For Jupiter's satellites the circle ○ represents the disc of the planet; ♃ signifies that the satellite is on the disc; ● signifies that the satellite is behind the disc or in the shadow. Configurations are for an inverting telescope.

## PHENOMENA OF JUPITER'S SATELLITES

E = eclipse, O = occultation, T = transit, S = shadow, D = disappearance, R = re-appearance,  
 I = ingress, e = egress. The numbers in the fifth column denote the satellites.  
 Eastern Standard Time, Hours numbering from Midnight.

JANUARY					JULY (Continued)																			
d	h	m	s		d	h	m	s		d	h	m	s		d	h	m	s						
5	18	50		II SI	16	18	16		III Se	31	0	57		I Se	31	3	24		II Te					I OR
6	17	44		I Se	20	18	38		I TI	1	14			II Se	23	15								
13	18	56		I Te	21	18	44	08	I ER	2	02			I Te										
14	19	07	57	II ER	23	18	42		III SI															
APRIL					AUGUST																			
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										2	51			I Se	23	29			I TI					II ED
										2	59			II TI	23	0	48	13	II ED					I Se
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										9	0	19	40	III ER	23	36			II Te					III TI
										1	11			III OD	26	21	36		III TI					III Se
										3	58			III OR	22	20			III Se					III Te
										14	2	27		I SI	27	0	22		III Te					I SI
										3	18			I TI	29	3	34	40	I ED					I TI
										3	37			II SI	30	0	44		I SI					I Se
										4	45			I Se	1	13			I TI					I Se
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										15	2	07		IV Se	3	29			I Te					I ED
										2	48			I OR	22	03	18		I ED					I OR
										21	44			I TI	31	0	45		I OR					IV Se
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										2	33			II OR	22	12			II SI					III ER
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										4	38			III OD	23	25			IV Te					
JULY					SEPTEMBER																			
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					22	1	12	35	II ED	2	20	12		II OR	1	21			II TI					
6	1	11		II SI	2	17			I SI	23	14			III SI	3	41			II Se					
					2	21			III Se	3	0	53		III TI	4	09			II Te					
					3	20			I TI	2	21			III Se	20	55			I OR					
					4	11			III TI	3	41			III Te	9	0	46	35	IV ED					
7	1	15	57	I ED	23	33	05		I ED	6	2	38		I SI	5	05			IV OR					
					23	3	00		I OR	2	56			I TI	22	25			II OR					
					8	0	48		I Se	1	29			I Se	10	3	15		III SI					
					23	04			I Se	2	07			I Te	23	58	12		III TI					
					24	0	14		I Te	7	2	29		II SI	13	4	33		I SI					
13	1	23		IV Te	24	0	59		II Te	21	07			I SI	20	41			III OR					
					29	3	08		III SI	21	22			I TI	14	1	53	13	I ED					
					3	47	02		II ED	23	24			I Se										
14	3	10	13	I ED	4	11			I SI															
					4	22			IV SI															
15	0	24		I SI	30	1	27	29	I ED															
					30	22	22		II SI															
					22	40			I SI															
					23	45			I TI															
15	3	56		I OR	31	0	36		II TI															

SEPTEMBER—(Continued)

d	h	m	s	I	OR	d	h	m	s	I	ER
14	4	13		I	OR	23	0	30	07	I	TI
	23	01		I	SI		19	14		I	TI
	23	05		I	TI		19	24		I	SI
15	1	19		I	Se		21	31		I	Te
	1	22		I	Te		21	42		I	Se
	3	28		II	SI	24	0	03		II	OD
	3	36		II	TI		3	11	31	II	ER
	20	22	02	II	ED		18	58	51	I	ER
	22	39		I	OR	25	18	58		II	TI
16	19	47		I	Se		19	24		II	SI
	19	47		I	Te		21	46	04	IV	ER
	21	50		II	OD		21	46		II	Te
17	0	38		II	OR		22	15		II	Se
18	19	31		II	Te	28	0	22		III	OD
	19	37		II	Se		4	23	16	III	ER
20	21	06		III	OD	29	2	32		I	TI
21	0	22	27	III	ER		2	51		I	SI
	3	40		I	OD		23	50		I	OD
22	0	49		I	TI	30	2	25	14	I	ER
	0	56		I	SI		20	58		I	TI
	3	05		I	Te		21	19		I	SI
	3	13		I	Se		23	15		I	Te
	22	06		I	OD		23	36		I	Se

OCTOBER

1	2	17		II	OD	16	0	44	32	I	ER
	18	22		III	Se		2	24		III	Se
	20	53	59	I	ER		18	54		I	TI
	2	21	13	II	TI		19	38		I	SI
	22	02		II	SI		21	11		I	Te
3	0	02		II	Te		21	55		I	Se
	0	53		II	Se	17	1	49		II	TI
4	1	50		IV	TI		19	13	26	I	ER
	4	05		IV	Te	18	19	58		II	OD
	19	05	13	II	ER	19	0	17	42	II	ER
5	3	39		III	OD	20	18	57		IV	Te
7	1	35		I	OD		19	27		II	Se
	22	43		I	TI	21	0	03		IV	SI
	23	14		I	SI		2	43		IV	Se
8	0	59		I	Te	22	2	14		I	TI
	1	31		I	Se		23	33		I	OD
	19	22		III	SI		23	58		III	TI
	20	01		I	OD	23	2	39	56	I	ER
	20	07		III	Te		20	41		I	TI
	22	23		III	Se		21	33		I	SI
	22	49	13	I	ER		22	58		I	Te
9	19	46		I	Te		23	50		I	Se
	20	00		I	Se	24	18	00		I	OD
	23	30		II	TI		21	08	51	I	ER
10	0	40		II	SI	25	18	19		I	Se
	2	20		II	Te		22	17		II	OD
	3	30		II	Se	26	20	27	02	III	ER
11	21	41	20	II	ER	27	19	15		II	SI
14	3	20		I	OD		20	10		II	Te
15	0	28		I	TI		22	05		II	Se
	1	09		I	SI		28	22	22	IV	OD
	2	45		I	Te	29	1	13		IV	OR
	20	32		III	TI	30	1	21		I	OD
	21	47		I	OD		22	29		I	TI
	23	25		III	SI		23	29		I	SI
	23	30		III	Te	31	0	46		I	Te

OCTOBER—(Continued)

31	1	46	I	Se	31	23	04	19	I	ER
	19	48	I	OD						

NOVEMBER

1	17	58	I	SI	15	20	36		I	TI	
	19	13	I	Te		21	49		I	SI	
	20	15	I	Se		22	53		I	Te	
2	0	39	II	OD	16	0	06		I	Se	
	17	33	09	I	ER	17	56		I	OD	
	20	22	III	OR		21	24	15	I	ER	
	21	43	06	III	ED	17	0	39	III	OD	
3	0	28	21	III	ER	18	34		I	Se	
	19	44	II	TI	18	0	38		II	TI	
	21	53	II	SI	19	18	45		II	OD	
	22	34	II	Te	20	0	04	01	II	ER	
4	0	42	II	Se	17	30			III	Te	
5	18	49	31	II	ER	19	38		III	SI	
6	18	27	IV	SI	22	31			III	Se	
	20	52	IV	Se	21	19	16		II	Se	
7	0	18	I	TI	22	22	27		I	TI	
7	1	24	I	SI	22	23	45		I	SI	
	21	37	I	OD	23	0	08		IV	TI	
8	0	59	51	I	ER	19	48		I	OD	
	18	45	I	TI	23	19	49		I	ER	
	19	53	I	SI	24	18	14		I	SI	
	21	02	I	Te	19	13			I	Te	
	22	10	I	Se	20	30			I	Se	
9	19	28	41	I	ER	25	17	48	44	I	ER
	20	57	III	OD	26	21	16		II	OD	
10	0	00	III	OR	27	18	14		III	TI	
	22	10	II	TI	21	21			III	Te	
11	0	31	II	SI	23	41			III	SI	
	1	00	II	Te	28	19	04		II	SI	
12	21	26	40	III	ER	19	16		II	Te	
13	18	29	III	Se	21	53			II	Se	
14	23	28	I	OD	30	21	41		I	OD	

DECEMBER

1	18	49	I	TI	12	21	36		II	TI
	20	09	I	SI	14	21	16	32	II	ER
	20	39	12	IV	ED	15	19	24	III	OR
	21	06	I	Te	15	21	59	48	III	ED
	22	13	28	IV	ER	22	40		I	TI
	22	26	I	Se	16	22	00		I	OD
2	19	44	19	I	ER	17	18	30	I	SI
3	23	49	II	OD	19	26			I	Te
4	22	10	III	TI	20	46			I	Se
5	18	59	II	TI	18	18	04	17	I	ER
	21	42	II	SI	21	18	24		II	OD
	21	51	II	Te	22	20	23		III	OD
7	18	38	32	II	ER	23	19	02	II	Se
	23	35	I	OD	21	57			I	OD
8	17	56	50	III	ED	24	19	06	I	TI
	20	35	15	III	ER	20	26		I	SI
	20	44	I	TI	21	23			I	Te
	22	05	I	SI	22	42			I	Se
	23	01	I	Te	25	19	59	47	I	ER
9	17	44	IV	TI	26	18	39		III	Se
	18	04	I	OD	28	21	06		II	OD
	21	00	IV	Te	30	18	51		II	SI
	21	39	53	I	ER	19	06		II	Te
10	17	30	I	Te	21	38			II	Se
	18	50	I	Se	31	21	04		I	TI

## EPHEMERIS FOR PHYSICAL OBSERVATIONS OF THE SUN.

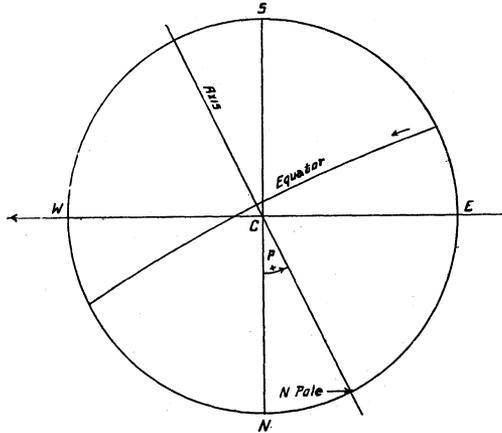
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In the ephemeris for Physical Observations of the Sun,  $P$  is the position angle of the  $N$  end of the Sun's axis measured  $E$  from  $N$  point of the disc, *i. e.*, in direction  $N E S W$  around the edge of the disc.  $P$  will therefore be positive when the  $N$  point of the Sun's axis is  $E$  of the  $N$  point of the disc and negative when it is  $W$  of this point.

" $Lat.$ " is the heliographical latitude of the centre of the Sun's disc, *i. e.*, the angle measured on the surface of the Sun in a direction  $N$  of the Sun's equator. " $Lat.$ " will therefore be positive when the centre of the Sun's disc is  $N$  of the Sun's equator and negative when the centre of the disc is  $S$  of it.

" $Long.$ " is the heliographical longitude of the centre of the Sun's disc referred to the meridian which passed through the ascending node on January 1, 1854, Greenwich Mean Noon, as zero meridian.

In preparing this ephemeris it has been assumed that the inclination of the Sun's axis to the ecliptic is  $82^{\circ}750$ , the longitude of the ascending node for 1914.0 is  $74^{\circ}560$  and the period of the Sun's sidereal rotation is 25.38 days (according to the deductions of Carrington from his sun-spot measurements).



The accompanying Figure shows the relative positions of various points for a selected time, October 9, 12:00 noon, "Eastern" Time, *i. e.*, 5:00 Greenwich Mean Time, when  $P = + 26^{\circ}41$ , " $Lat.$ " =  $+ 6^{\circ}23$  and " $Long.$ " =  $337^{\circ}97$ . In the Figure,  $N E S W$  are the North, South, East and West points on the disc of the Sun. These points are determined on an image of the Sun by allowing it to drift due to the Earth's rotation, from East to West tangentially to a line which will therefore give the "East and West" line, thus fixing the diameters,  $E W$  parallel to it and  $N S$  perpendicular to it. The axis is shown making an angle of  $+ 26^{\circ}41$  with  $N S$  and having the North Pole on the positive side of it, *i. e.*, eastward from  $N$ ; and the equator is shown intersecting the edge of the disc at points the same angle from  $E$  and  $W$ , and passing  $S$  of the centre of the disc,  $C$  which is at " $Lat.$ " +  $6^{\circ}23$  and " $Long.$ "  $337^{\circ}97$ .

If the ephemeris is to be used frequently it will be found very convenient to have the values plotted on a large scale on section-paper so that the angles for any particular hour may be read off quickly, care being taken to use the hour corresponding to Greenwich Mean Noon, *e. g.* in "Eastern" Time 7 a.m.

**EPHEMERIS FOR PHYSICAL OBSERVATIONS OF THE SUN\***

Greenwich Mean Noon	<i>P</i>	Lat.	Long.	Greenwich Mean Noon	<i>P</i>	Lat.	Long.
Jan. 1 +	2°25'	3°11'	91°07'	July 5 -	1°11' +	3°38'	169°30'
6 -	0°20'	3°68'	25°21'	10 +	1°16'	3°90'	103°12'
11	2°62'	4°22'	319°37'	15	3°41'	4°39'	36°96'
16	4°99'	4°72'	253°54'	20	5°63'	4°85'	330°80'
21	7°30'	5°19'	187°70'	25	7°78'	5°28'	264°65'
26	9°54'	5°62'	121°87'	30	9°86'	5°68'	198°51'
Feb. 31 -	11°67'	6°00'	56°04'	Aug. 4 +	11°87' +	6°04'	132°39'
5	13°70'	6°34'	350°20'	9	13°77'	6°35'	66°28'
10	15°60'	6°63'	284°37'	14	15°57'	6°62'	0.18
15	17°37'	6°86'	218°53'	19	17°26'	6°84'	294°09'
20	18°99'	7°04'	152°69'	24	18°83'	7°02'	228°02'
25	20°48'	7°17'	86°84'	29	20°26'	7°15'	161°96'
Mar. 2 -	21°81'	7°24'	20°98'	Sept. 3 +	21°57' +	7°23'	95°91'
7	22°97'	7°25'	315°10'	8	22°73'	7°25'	29°88'
12	23°98'	7°20'	249°21'	13	23°75'	7°22'	323°86'
17	24°82'	7°10'	183°31'	18	24°61'	7°14'	257°85'
22	25°49'	6°96'	117°40'	23	25°31'	7°02'	191°85'
27	25°97'	6°76'	51°46'	28	25°85'	6°83'	125°85'
Apr. 1 -	26°29'	6°51'	345°50'	Oct. 3 +	26°22' +	6°59'	59°88'
6	26°43'	6°21'	279°52'	8	26°41'	6°30'	353°91'
11	26°38'	5°87'	213°54'	13	26°41'	5°98'	287°95'
16	26°14'	5°48'	147°52'	18	26°23'	5°60'	222°00'
21	25°73'	5°05'	81°49'	23	25°86'	5°17'	156°05'
26	25°14'	4°59'	15°43'	28	25°30'	4°71'	90°11'
May 1 -	24°36'	4°10'	309°35'	Nov. 2 +	24°54' +	4°21'	24°18'
6	23°40'	3°58'	243°26'	7	23°59'	3°68'	318°26'
11	22°25'	3°04'	177°15'	12	22°43'	3°13'	252°34'
16	20°94'	2°47'	111°02'	17	21°08'	2°54'	186°43'
21	19°47'	1°90'	44°88'	22	19°55'	1°93'	120°52'
26	17°84'	1°31'	338°73'	27	17°84'	1°31'	54°62'
June 31 -	16°07'	0°71'	272°56'	Dec. 2 +	15°96' +	0°68'	348°72'
5	14°17'	0°11'	206°39'	7	13°94' +	0°04'	282°84'
10	12°17'	+ 0°49'	140°21'	12	11°79'	- 0°60'	216°96'
15	10°06'	1°09'	74°03'	17	9°54'	1°24'	151°08'
20	7°89'	1°68'	7°85'	22	7°19'	1°87'	85°21'
25	5°66'	2°27'	301°66'	27	4°79'	2°48'	19°35'
30 -	3°39'	+ 2°83'	235°48'	32 +	2°36'	- 3°07'	313°50'

\* Taken from *The Nautical Almanac*.

## METEORS AND SHOOTING STARS

On almost any clear night any one observing the sky for a few minutes will see one or more shooting stars. They are particularly numerous during the autumn months, and on account of the rotation of the earth are better seen during the early morning hours than in the evening.

At certain times there are striking displays, located in particular portions of the sky. These are considered to be due to *meteor swarms*. The principal ones are given in the following table.

Name of Shower	Duration	Greatest Display	Radiant Point		
			R. A.	Decl.	
Quadrantids	Dec. 28-Jan. 9	Jan. 3	h 15	m 20	+ 53
Aurigids	Feb. 7-23	Feb. 10	5	0	+ 41
Lyrids	April 16-22	April 21	18	4	+ 33
$\eta$ Aquarids	April 29-May 8	May 4-6	22	32	- 2
Herculids	May 13-29	May 24	16	36	+ 30
Scorpiids	May-June Ju'y	June 4	16	48	- 21
Sagittids	June July	July 28	20	12	+ 24
Capricornids	July-Aug.	July 22	20	20	- 12
$\delta$ Aquarids	July 18-Aug. 12	July 28-31	22	36	- 11
$\alpha$ - $\beta$ Perseids	July-Aug.-Sept.	Aug. 16	3	12	+ 43
Perseids	July 8-Aug. 25	Aug. 11-12	3	4	+ 57
Draconids	Aug. 18-25	Aug. 23	19	24	+ 61
$\epsilon$ Perseids	Aug.-Sept.	Sept. 15	4	8	+ 35
Arietids	{ Aug.-Sept.-Oct.	Sept. 21	2	4	+ 19
	{ Sept.-Oct.	Oct. 15	2	4	+ 9
Orionids	Oct. 9-29	Oct. 19	6	8	+ 15
$\mu$ Ursids Maj.	Oct.-Nov.-Dec.	Nov. 16-25	10	16	+ 41
Taurids	November	Nov. 21	4	12	+ 23
Leonids	Nov. 9-20	Nov. 14-15	10	0	+ 23
Andromedes	Nov. 20-30	Nov. 20-23	1	40	+ 43
Geminids	Dec. 1-14	Dec. 11	7	12	+ 33

Of these the chief ones are the Perseids, the Leonids and the Andromedes.

The Perseids furnish an annual display of considerable strength, and are perhaps the best known of all. The swarm appears to have an orbit identical with that of the great Comet 1862 III., the period of which is 120 years.

The Leonids follow in the orbit of Tempel's Comet of 1866, of period 33 years.

The Andromedes are thought to be remnants of Biela's Comet. They were especially numerous in 1872, 1885, 1898, but in recent years have not been so prominent.

The above table was prepared for the HANDBOOK by Mr. W. F. Denning, F.R.A.S., of Bristol, England; and for further interesting information regarding this subject (and almost any other subject in which the amateur is interested) reference may be made to his *Telescopic Work for Starlight Evenings*.

## PRINCIPAL ELEMENTS OF THE SOLAR SYSTEM

NAME	MEAN DISTANCE FROM SUN		SIDEREAL PERIOD		MEAN DIAM'T'R MILES	MASS $\oplus = 1$	DENSITY Water $= 1$	VOLUME $\oplus = 1$	AXIAL ROTATION
	$\oplus = 1$	MILLIONS OF MILES	MEAN SOLAR DAYS	YEARS					
	☿ Mercury...	0.387	36.0	87.97	0.24	3030	0.0476	4.7(?)	0.056	88d
♀ Venus.....	0.723	67.2	224.70	0.62	7700	0.82	4.94	0.92	225d
⊕ Earth.....	1.000	92.9	365.26	1.00	7917.6	1.00	5.55	1.00	23 <sup>h</sup> 56 <sup>m</sup> 4 <sup>s</sup>
♂ Mars.....	1.524	141.5	686.95	1.88	4230	0.108	3.92	0.152	24 <sup>h</sup> 37 <sup>m</sup> 23 <sup>s</sup>
♃ Jupiter....	5.203	483.3	4332.58	11.86	86500	317.7	1.32	1309	9 <sup>h</sup> 55 <sup>m</sup> ±
♄ Saturn.....	9.539	886.0	10759.2	29.46	73000	94.8	0.72	760	10 <sup>h</sup> 14 <sup>m</sup> ±
♅ Uranus....	19.183	1781.9	30686.8	84.02	31900	14.6	1.22	65	10 <sup>h</sup> 45 <sup>m</sup> ±
♆ Neptune...	30.055	2971.6	60181.1	164.78	34800	17.0	1.11	85	?
☉ Sun.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	866400	332000	1.39	1300000	25 <sup>d</sup> 7 <sup>h</sup> 48 <sup>m</sup> ±
☾ Moon.....	From $\oplus$	238,840 mls	27.32	0.075	2163	1/81.5	3.39	0.020	27 <sup>d</sup> 7 <sup>h</sup> 43 <sup>m</sup>

## SATELLITES OF THE SOLAR SYSTEM

NAME	STELLAR MAGNITUDE	MEAN DISTANCE IN MILES	SIDEREAL PERIOD d. h. m. s.	DISCOVERER	DATE
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### THE EARTH

The Moon..	13	238,840	27 7 43 11		
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### MARS

1. Phobos....	14	5,850	7 39 15	Asaph Hall....	Aug. 17, 1877
2. Deimos....	13	14,650	1 6 17 54	Asaph Hall....	Aug. 11, 1877

### JUPITER

5. (Nameless).	13	112,500	11 57 23	Barnard.....	Sept. 9, 1892
1. Io.....	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	261,000	1 18 27 33	Galileo.....	Jan. 7, 1610
2. Europa....	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	415,000	3 13 13 42	Galileo.....	Jan. 8, 1610
3. Ganymede .	6	664,000	7 3 42 33	Galileo.....	Jan. 7, 1610
4. Callisto...	7	1,167,000	16 16 32 11	Galileo.....	Jan. 7, 1610
6. (Nameless).	14	7,372,000	265 00 d.	Perrine .....	Dec. 1904
7. (Nameless).	16	7,567,900	276 67 d.	Perrine .....	Jan. 1905
8. (Nameless).	17	15,600,000	789 d.	Melotte .....	Jan. 1908
9. (Nameless).	19	18,900,000	3 years	Nicholson....	July 1914

### SATURN

1. Mimas.....	15	117,000	22 37 6	W. Herschel...	July 18, 1789
2. Enceladus..	14	157,000	1 8 53 7	W. Herschel...	Aug. 29, 1789
3. Tethys.....	11	186,000	1 21 18 26	J. D. Cassini...	Mar. 21, 1684
4. Dione.....	11	238,000	2 17 41 9	J. D. Cassini...	Mar. 21, 1684
5. Rhea.....	10	332,000	4 12 25 12	J. D. Cassini...	Dec. 23, 1672
6. Titan.....	9	771,000	15 22 41 23	Huygens.....	Mar. 25, 1655
7. Hyperion...	16	934,000	21 6 39 27	G. P. Bond....	Sept. 16, 1848
8. Iapetus....	11	2,225,000	79 7 54 17	J. D. Cassini...	Oct. 25, 1671
9. Phoebe.....	17	8,000,000	546.5 d.	W.H.Pickering	1898
10. Themis.....	17	906,000	20 20 24 0	W.H.Pickering	1905

### URANUS

1. Ariel.....	15	120,000	2 12 29 21	Lassell.....	Oct. 24, 1851
2. Umbriel....	16	167,000	4 3 27 37	Lassell.....	Oct. 24, 1851
3. Titania....	13	273,000	8 16 56 29	W. Herschel...	Jan. 11, 1787
4. Oberon....	14	365,000	13 11 7 6	W. Herschel...	Jan. 11, 1787

### NEPTUNE

1. (Nameless).	13	221,500	5 21 2 44	Lassell.....	Oct. 10, 1846
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### ECLIPSES IN 1915.

There will be two Eclipses in 1915, both of the Sun, but neither will be visible in Canada.

I. An Annular Eclipse of the Sun, February 13, 1915. The path of the central eclipse begins in the Indian Ocean directly south of Madagascar Island and, crossing the north-west part of Australia and New Guinea, ends in the Pacific Ocean in Longitude  $174^{\circ} 48'$  east and Latitude  $13^{\circ} 12'$  north.

II. An Annular Eclipse of the Sun, August 10, 1915. The path of the central eclipse begins east of Formosa Island and, extending across the Pacific Ocean, ends in Longitude  $106^{\circ} 36'$  west and Latitude  $22^{\circ} 00'$  south.

### DOUBLE STARS

Even with telescopes of small aperture it is possible to resolve a comparatively large number of double stars, and hence this kind of observation has much interest for the amateur. It permits one, also, to determine the optical value of the instrument he employs, as the power to separate the images is directly proportional to the diameter of the objective.

The usual test of excellence is that an objective of one-inch diameter should be able to separate star images at a distance of  $4''.56$  between their centres. This power should vary according to the following table:—

Diam. of Objective	1 in.	2 in.	3 in.	4 in.	5 in.	6 in.	10 in.	20 in.	40 in.
Limiting distance between stars	$4''.56$	$2''.28$	$1''.52$	$1''.14$	$0''.91$	$0''.76$	$0''.45$	$0''.23$	$0''.11$

In choosing a double-star for testing a telescope care should be taken that a binary, with varying distance between the components, be not selected.

## I. THE MOST LUMINOUS PAIRS

STAR	MAGS.	DIST. "	STAR	MAGS.	DIST. "
Mizar....	2.4, 4.0	14.5	$\gamma$ Leonis....	2.5, 4.0	3.0
Castor...	2.5, 3.0	5.6	$\beta$ Scorpii...	2.5, 5.5	13.0
$\gamma$ Virginis...	3.0, 3.2	5.0	$\theta$ Serpentis.	4.4, 6.0	21.0
$\gamma$ Arietis...	4.2, 4.5	8.9	44i Boötis....	5.0, 6.0	4.8
$\zeta$ Aquarii..	3.5, 4.4	3.5	$\pi$ Boötis....	4.3, 6.0	6.0

## II. THE FINEST COLORED PAIRS

STAR	MAGNITUDES	DISTANCE "	COLORS
$\gamma$ Andromedæ..	2.2, 5.5	10	Orange, Green.
$\alpha$ Canum Venat.	3.2, 5.7	20	Golden, Lilac.
$\beta$ Cygni.....	3.3, 5.5	34	Golden, Sapphire.
$\epsilon$ Boötis.....	2.4, 6.5	2.9	Golden, Sapphire.
95 Herculis....	5.5, 5.8	6	Golden, Azure.
$\alpha$ Herculis....	4, 5.5	4.7	Ruby, Emerald.
$\gamma$ Delphini....	3.4, 5	11	Golden, Bluish Green.
32 Eridani.....	4.7, 7	6.7	Topaz, Bright Green.
$\epsilon$ Hydræ.....	3.5, 7.5	3.5	Yellow, Blue.
$\zeta$ Lyræ.....	4.5, 5.5	44	Yellow, Green.
$\iota$ Cancri.....	4.5, 5	30	Pale Orange, Blue.
$\circ$ Cygni.....	4.3, 7.5, 5.5	337.8, 106.8	Yellow, Blue.
24 Coma Beren..	5.6, 7	21	Orange, Lilac.
$\circ$ Cephei.....	5.4, 8	2.5	Golden, Azure.
94 Aquarii.....	5.5, 7.5	11	Rose, Greenish.
39 Ophiuchi....	5.7, 7.5	12	Yellow, Blue.
41 Aquarii.....	5.8, 8.5	4.8	Yellow Topaz, Blue.
2 Canum Venat	6, 9	11	Golden, Azure.
52 Cygni.....	4.6, 9	7	Orange, Blue.
55 Piscium.....	6, 9	6	Orange, Blue.
$\kappa$ Geminorum..	3.8, 9	9	Orange, Blue.
$\rho$ Orionis.....	5.1, 9	6.8	Orange, Blue.
54 Hydræ.....	5.2, 8	9	Yellow, Violet.
$\eta$ Persei.....	4.2, 8.5	28	Yellow, Blue.
$\phi$ Draconis....	4.8, 6	31	Yellow, Lilac.
$\circ$ Draconis....	4.7, 8.5	32	Golden, Lilac.
$\eta$ Cassiopeiaë..	4.7, 7	5.7	Golden, Purple.
23 Orionis.....	5.4, 7	32	White, Blue.
$\delta$ Herculis....	3.6, 8	18	White, Violet.
$\circ$ Capricorni...	6.3, 7	22	Bluish.
17 Virginis.....	6.5, 7	20	Rose.
$\xi$ Boötis.....	4.5, 6.5	4.2	Reddish Yellow.

The colors given above are according to Flammarion. For slight variations and also for a much longer list consult Webb's "Celestial Objects."

## A SHORT LIST OF VARIABLE STARS

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The brighter of the following stars can be found on the star maps in this volume; for the others a good star-atlas be will required. The times of maxima and minima are given in *Popular Astronomy* (monthly) and in the 'Companion' to the *Observatory*.

NAME	LIMITING MAGS.	PERIOD			CLASS	DISCOVERER
		d.	h.	m.		
U Cephei.....	7.0- 9.2	2	11	49.6	V.	W. Ceraski..... 1880
o Ceti.....	1.7- 9.5	331.7			II.	Fabricius..... 1596
$\rho$ Persei.....	3.4- 4.2		Irr.		III.	Schmidt..... 1854
G. 1904 Cephei.....	8.6- 9.1	32.3			V.	Blajko..... 1904
$\beta$ Persei (Algol)...	2.1- 3.2	2	20	48.9	V.	Montanari..... 1669
$\lambda$ Tauri.....	3.3- 4.2	3	22	52.2	V.	Baxendell..... 1848
W Eridani.....	8.1-<12.5	369			II.	Fleming..... 1898
RW Tauri.....	8-11	2	18	27.2	V.	Fleming..... 1905
R. Leporis.....	6-8?	436.1			II.	Schmidt..... 1855
$\alpha$ Orionis.....	1- 1.4		Irr.		III.	J. Herschel..... 1840
U Orionis.....	5.8-12.3	375			II.	Gore..... 1885
$\eta$ Geminorum.....	3.2- 4.2	231.4			III.	Schmidt..... 1865
T Monocerotis.....	5.7- 6.8	27.0			IV.	Gould..... 1871
$\zeta$ Geminorum.....	3.8- 4.3	10	3	41.5	IV.	Schmidt..... 1847
R Geminorum.....	6.6-13.3	370.2			II.	Hind..... 1848
R Canis Maj.....	5.7- 6.3	1	3	15.8	V.	Sawyer..... 1887
S Cancri.....	8.0-10.2	9	11	37.8	V.	Hind..... 1848
S Antliæ.....	6.3- 6.8	0	7	46.8	IV.	Paul..... 1888
W Ursæ Maj.....	7.9- 8.6	0	4	0.2	V.?	Müller & Kempf.. 1903
R Leonis.....	4.6-10.5	312.8			II.	Koch..... 1782
R Hydræ.....	3.5- 9.7	425.1			II.	Montanari..... 1670
$\delta$ Libræ.....	5.0- 6.2	2	7	51.4	V.	Schmidt..... 1859
$\alpha$ Herculis.....	3.1- 3.9		Irr.		III.	W. Herschel..... 1795
U Ophiuchi.....	6.0- 6.7	0	20	7.7	V.	Gould..... 1871
X Sagittarii.....	4.4- 5.4	7	0	17.1	IV.	Schmidt..... 1866
R Scuti.....	4.8- 7.8		Irr.		III.	Pigott..... 1795
$\beta$ Lyræ.....	3.4- 4.1	12	21	59.2	IV.	Goodricke..... 1784
$\chi$ Cygni.....	4.5-13.5	406.0			II.	Kirch..... 1686
$\eta$ Aquilæ.....	3.7- 4.5	7	4	14.0	IV.	Pigott..... 1784
S Sagittæ.....	5.5- 6.1	8	9	11.8	IV.	Gore..... 1885
14. 1904 Cygni.....	10.7-11.6	0	3	14.2	IV.	Ceraski..... 1904
Y Cygni.....	7.1- 7.9	1	11	57.5	V.	Chandler..... 1886
$\delta$ Cephei.....	3.7- 4.6	5	8	47.7	IV.	Goodricke..... 1784
U Pegasi.....	9.3- 9.9	0	8	59.7	IV.	Chandler..... 1894

Several attempts have been made to classify the variable stars; but a scientific system of classification, in harmony with the chief deductions of theory, as well as the facts of observation, is still wanting. The best-known system is that formu-

lated by Prof. E. C. Pickering in 1880, and reproduced (with slight additions) in his "Provisional Catalogue of Variable Stars" (1903). This includes five classes, two of which are sub-divided, as follows ;—

	EXAMPLES
I. New or temporary stars . . . . .	Nova, 1572
II. Variables of long period ;	
a. Ordinary stars of this class . . . . .	o Ceti.
b. Stars subject to "occasional sudden and irregular outbursts of light which gradually diminishes" . . . . .	U Geminorum.
III. "Variables of small range or irregular variation, according to laws as yet unknown" . . . . .	a Orionis.
IV. Variables of short period ;	
a. "Ordinary" cases . . . . .	δ Cephei.
b. Stars with "minima successively bright and faint" . . . . .	β Lyrae.
V. Stars of the Algol type . . . . .	ζ Persei.

## THE STARS

THEIR DISTANCES, VELOCITIES, SPECTRAL TYPES, ETC.

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The accompanying table contains the chief known facts regarding 272 stars and 5 nebulae. The first 256 stars are those listed as brighter than 3.51 visual magnitude in Harvard *Annals*, Vol. 50. The remaining 16 range in magnitude from 5 to 8.3, and they and the 5 nebulae are given here on account of their exceptionally high radial velocities.

In the case of visual double stars, the most important of which are preceded a ||, the magnitude of the components combined is given. The spectral type is also taken from the publication just named. (For a brief outline of the system of notation Campbell's *Stellar Motions*, p. 31, may be consulted). The proper motion is from Boss's *Preliminary General Catalogue*,  $\mu$  being the annual motion in R.A. and  $\mu'$  that in Decl. The parallax is taken from many sources, principally Kapteyn's compilations. Those in brackets are least trustworthy. To obtain the distance in light-years, divide the number given in the column into 3.26, this being the number of light-years corresponding to a parallax of 1". For example, the parallax of  $\alpha$  Andromeda is ".06; its distance is therefore  $3.26 \div .06 = 54$  light-years. Where the parallax is negative, it indicates that the star is farther away than the faint comparison stars used. The radial velocities are taken from various Lick Observatory *Bulletins*, and the first decimal place is given only when the velocities are fairly well determined. A \* placed after the velocity indicates that the star is a spectroscopic binary, and the velocity of the system is given. About 80 of these appear. The masses are given relative to the sun. These can be determined only for visual binaries or for spectroscopic binaries which show spectra of both components. In the latter case there is also uncertainty due to lack of knowledge of the inclination of the orbital plane to the line of sight.

Star	R. A. 1900	Decl. 1900	Mag.	Type	Proper Motion		Parallax	Rad. Vel. km./sec.	Mass
					$\mu$	$\mu'$			
$\alpha$ Andromedæ	h m	s			s				
$\beta$ Cassiopeiæ	0 3 +28 32	2'2	A	+ '010	- '16	( '06)	- 13'0*		
$\tau$ Pegasi	4 +58 36	2'4	F5	+ '068	- '18	'074	+ 12'8		
$\beta$ Hydri	8 +14 38	2'9	B2	'000	- '01		+ 6'5*		
$\alpha$ Phœnicis	20 -77 49	2'9	G	+ '702	+ '32	'143	+ 22'8		
$\delta$ Andromedæ	21 -42 51	2'4	K	+ '018	- '40		+ 76 *		
$\alpha$ Cassiopeiæ	34 +30 19	3'5	K	+ '011	- '09		+ 5 *		
$\beta$ Ceti	35 +55 59	2'2-2'8	K	+ '006	- '03	( '04)	- 3'8		
$\gamma$ Cassiopeiæ	39 -18 32	2'2	K	+ '016	+ '04		+ 14'6		
$\beta$ Phœnicis	51 +60 11	2'2	Bp	+ '004	- '00	( '01)	- 3 *		
$\beta$ Andromedæ	1 2 -47 15	3'4	K	- '094	- '01		- 0'5		
$\delta$ Cassiopeiæ	4 +35 5	2'4	Ma	+ '015	- '11	( '07)	+ 2 *		
$\alpha$ Ursæ Minoris	19 +59 43	2'8	A5	+ '040	- '05	( '01)	+ 9'0		
$\gamma$ Phœnicis	23 +88 46	2'1	F8	+ '138	+ '00	'047	- 17 *		
$\alpha$ Eridani	24 -43 50	3'4	K5	- '003	- '22		*		
$\epsilon$ Cassiopeiæ	34 -57 45	0'6	B5	+ '011	- '03	'051			
$\beta$ Arietis	47 +63 11	3'4	B5	+ '006	- '02		- 9		
$\alpha$ Hydri	49 +20 16	2'7	A5	+ '007	- '11		- 1'0*		
$\gamma$ Andromedæ	56 -62 3	3'0	F	+ '036	+ '04		- 5		
$\alpha$ Arietis	58 +41 51	2'2	Kp	+ '004	- '05	'007	- 10'7		
$\beta$ Trianguli	2 2 +22 59	2'2	K2	+ '014	- '15	'088	- 14'0		
$\sigma$ Ceti	4 +34 31	3'1	A5	+ '012	- '05		- 2 *		
$\theta$ Eridani	14 - 3 26	1'7-9'6	Md	'000	- '24	'142	+ 62'3*		
$\alpha$ Ceti	54 -40 42	3'0	A2	- '006	+ '02				
$\gamma$ Persei	57 + 3 42	2'8	Ma	- '001	- '08		- 25'1		
$\rho$ Persei	58 +53 7	3'1	Gp	000	- '01		+ 2 *		
$\beta$ Persei	59 +38 27	3'4-4'2	Mb	+ '012	- '11	'087	+ 28'6		
$\alpha$ Persei	3 2 +40 34	2'1-3'2	B8	+ '001	'00	'029	+ 4'1*		
$\delta$ Persei	17 +49 30	1'9	F5	+ '003	- '03	( '09)	- 2'2		
$\eta$ Tauri	36 +47 28	3'1	B5	+ '003	- '03				
$\zeta$ Persei	41 +23 48	3'0	B5	+ '001	- '05		+ 15		
$\gamma$ Hydri	48 +31 35	2'9	B1	+ '001	- '02		+ 20'4		
$\epsilon$ Persei	49 -74 33	3'2	Ma	+ '011	- '12		+ 16		
$\gamma$ Eridani	51 +39 43	3'0	B	+ '002	- '03		*		
$\lambda$ Tauri	53 -13 47	3'2	K5	+ '005	- '11		+ 62'5		
$\alpha$ Reticuli	55 +12 12	3'3-4'2	B3	000	- '01		+ 10 *		
$\alpha$ Tauri	4 13 -62 43	3'4	G5	+ '005	+ '06		+ 35'4		
$\alpha$ Doradus	30 +16 18	1'1	K5	+ '005	- '19	'073	+ 55'1		
$\pi^3$ Orionis	32 -55 15	3'5	Ap	+ '006	'00		+ 26'0		
$\iota$ Aurigæ	44 + 6 47	3'3	F8	+ '032	+ '02		+ 25'0		
$\epsilon$ Aurigæ	50 +33 0	2'9	K2	+ '001	- '03		+ 18'0		
$\eta$ Aurigæ	55 +43 41	3'4-4'1	F5p	000	- '01		- 9 *		
$\beta$ Leporis	5 0 +41 6	3'3	B3	+ '003	- '08		+ 3		
$\epsilon$ Eridani	1 -22 30	3'3	K5	+ '002	- '07		+ 1'1		
$\beta$ Eridani	3 - 5 13	2'9	A2	- '006	- '08		- 15'0		

Star	R.A.		Decl.	Mag.	Type	Proper Motion		Parallax	Rad. Vel. km./sec.	Mass
	1900	1900				$\mu$	$\mu'$			
$\mu$ Leporis	5	8	0 16 19	3.3	Ap	+0.03	-0.03	"	+28.0	
$\alpha$ Aurigæ	9	+45	54 0.2	0.2	G	+0.008	-0.43	0.056	+30.2*	2.0
$\beta$ Orionis	10	-8	19 0.3	0.3	B8p	0.00	0.00	0.07	+22.6*	
$\eta$ Orionis	19	-2	29 3.4	3.4	B1	0.00	0.00		+35.5*	$21.8 / \sin^3 i$
$\gamma$ Orionis	20	+6	16 1.7	1.7	B2	0.00	-0.02	-0.003	+18	
$\beta$ Tauri	20	+28	31 1.8	1.8	B8	+0.02	-0.18	(0.06)	+11	
$\beta$ Leporis	24	-20	50 3.0	3.0	G	0.00	-0.09		-13.7	
$\delta$ Orionis	27	-0	22 2.4	2.4	B	0.00	0.00		+23.1*	
$\alpha$ Leporis	28	-17	54 2.7	2.7	F	0.00	0.00		+24.9	
$\iota$ Orionis	31	-5	59 2.9	2.9	Oe5	0.00	0.00		+21.3*	
$\xi$ Orionis	31	-1	16 1.8	1.8	B	0.00	0.00		+24.5*	
$\zeta$ Tauri	32	+21	5 3.0	3.0	B3	0.00	-0.03		+16.4*	
$\zeta$ Orionis	36	-2	0 1.8	1.8	B	0.00	-0.01		+2.0	
$\alpha$ Columbæ	36	-34	8 2.8	2.8	B5p	0.00	-0.04			
$\kappa$ Orionis	43	-9	42 2.2	2.2	B	0.00	0.00		+2.2	
$\beta$ Columbæ	47	-35	48 3.2	3.2	K	+0.04	+0.39		+89.2	
$\alpha$ Orionis	50	+7	23 1.0-1.4	1.4	Ma	+0.02	+0.01	0.030	+21*	
$\beta$ Aurigæ	52	+44	56 2.1	2.1	Ap	-0.04	0.00	0.14	-18.1*	$4.4 / \sin^3 i$
$\theta$ Aurigæ	53	+37	12 2.7	2.7	Ap	+0.04	-0.09		+28.5*	
$\eta$ Geminorum	6	9	+22 32 3.2-4.2	4.2	Ma	-0.04	-0.02	0.44		*
$\zeta$ Canis Majoris	17	-30	1 3.1	3.1	B3	+0.01	0.00		+24*	
$\mu$ Geminorum	17	+22	34 3.2	3.2	Ma	+0.04	-0.11		+54.6	
$\beta$ Canis Majoris	18	-17	54 2.0	2.0	B1	0.00	0.00		+33.7*	
$\alpha$ Carinæ	22	-52	38 -0.9	0.9	F	+0.02	+0.01	0.07	+20.8	
$\gamma$ Geminorum	32	+16	29 1.9	1.9	A	+0.03	-0.05		-11.0*	
$\nu$ Puppis	35	-43	6 3.2	3.2	B8	0.00	-0.02		+26*	
$\epsilon$ Geminorum	38	+25	14 3.2	3.2	G5	0.00	-0.02		+9.6	
$\xi$ Geminorum	40	+13	0 3.4	3.4	F5	-0.08	-0.20		+27	
$\alpha$ Canis Majoris	41	-16	35 -1.6	1.6	A	-0.037	-1.21	0.376	-7.4*	3.4
$\alpha$ Pictoris	47	-61	50 3.3	3.3	A5	-0.011	+0.26			
$\tau$ Puppis	47	-50	30 2.8	2.8	K	+0.003	-0.09		+37*	
$\epsilon$ Canis Majoris	55	-28	50 1.6	1.6	B1	0.00	0.00		+29.2	
$\zeta$ Geminorum	58	+20	43 3.7-4.3	4.3	G	0.00	-0.01		+6.8*	
$\sigma^2$ Canis Majoris	59	-23	41 3.1	3.1	B5p	0.00	-0.01		+49*	
$\delta$ Canis Majoris	7	4	-26 14 2.0	2.0	F8p	0.00	0.00		+35.5*	
L2 Puppis	10	-44	29 3.4-6.2	6.2	Md	+0.009	+0.32			
$\pi$ Puppis	14	-36	55 2.7	2.7	K5	-0.01	0.00		+16.4	
$\beta$ Canis Minoris	22	+8	29 3.1	3.1	B8	-0.003	-0.04			
$\sigma$ Puppis	26	-43	6 3.3	3.3	K5	-0.006	+0.18			
$\alpha$ Geminorum	28	+32	6 1.6	1.6	A	-0.014	-0.11	0.069	-1.0*	$4.8 \pm$
$\alpha$ Canis Minoris	34	+5	29 0.5	0.5	F5	-0.047	-1.03	0.324	+6.2*	1.3
$\beta$ Geminorum	39	+28	16 1.2	1.2	K	-0.047	-0.06	0.054	-0.5*	
$\xi$ Puppis	45	-24	37 3.5	3.5	G	0.00	0.00		+3.9	
$\zeta$ Puppis	8	0	-39 43 2.3	2.3	Od	-0.003	+0.01		+4.2	
$\rho$ Puppis	3	-24	1 2.9	2.9	F5	-0.006	+0.04		+4.6*	

Star	R. A.		Decl.		Mag.	Type	Proper Motion		Parallax	Rad. Vel. km./sec.	Mass
	1900		1900				$\mu$	$\mu'$			
$\gamma$ Velorum	8	6	-47	3	2.2	Oap	.00C	''00	"		
$\epsilon$ Carinae	20	-59	11		1.7	Kp	-.004	+ .01		+ 12	
$\circ$ Urs. Majoris	22	+61	3		3.5	G	-.017	-.11	.087	+19.4	
$\epsilon$ Hydræ	41	+6	47		3.5	F8	-.013	-.05	(.25)	+37*	3.3
$\delta$ Velorum	42	-54	20		2.0	A	+ .003	-.09			
$\zeta$ Hydræ	50	+6	20		3.3	K	-.007	+ .01		+23.1	
$\iota$ Urs. Majoris	52	+48	20		3.1	A5	-.044	-.25	.061	+6.0	
$\lambda$ Velorum	9	4	-43	2	2.2	K5	-.002	.00		+19.2	
$\beta$ Carinae	12	-69	18		1.8	A	-.031	+ .10		-14.0	
$\iota$ Carinae	14	-58	51		2.2	F	-.003	.00		+13.3	
$\alpha$ Lyncis	15	+34	49		3.3	K5	-.018	+ .01	-.057	+38.6	
$\kappa$ Velorum	19	-54	35		2.6	B3	-.002	.00		+21.9*	
$\alpha$ Hydræ	23	-8	14		2.2	K2	-.001	+ .03		-3.5	
$\theta$ Urs. Majoris	26	+52	8		3.3	F8	-.103	-.55	.092	+15.7	
N Velorum	28	-56	36		3.0	K5	-.005	.00		-13.5	
$\epsilon$ Leonis	40	+24	14		3.1	Gp	-.003	-.02		+5.0	
$\nu$ Carinae	45	-64	36		3.1	F	-.003	+ .01		+13.8	
$\alpha$ Leonis	10	3	+12	27	1.3	B8	-.017	.00	.033		
$\rho$ Carinae	14	-60	50		3.4	K5	-.006	-.01		+8.3	
$\gamma$ Leonis	14	+20	21		2.3	K	+ .022	-.18	-.035	-35	
$\mu$ Urs. Majoris	16	+42	0		3.2	K5	-.007	+ .02	.051		*
$\theta$ Carinae	39	-63	52		3.0	B	-.003	+ .01		+16	
$\eta$ Carinae	41	-59	10		1.0-7.4	Pec.	.000	.00			
$\mu$ Velorum	42	-48	54		2.8	G5	+ .005	-.06		+7.4	
$\nu$ Hydræ	45	-15	40		3.3	K	+ .006	+ .19		-1.1	
$\beta$ Urs. Majoris	56	+56	55		2.4	A	+ .010	+ .03	(.08)	-16.8*	
$\alpha$ Urs. Maj.	58	+62	17		2.0	K	-.017	-.07			*
$\psi$ Urs. Majoris	11	4	+45	2	3.2	K	-.006	-.04		-3.4	
$\delta$ Leonis	9	+21	4		2.6	A2	+ .011	-.14			
$\theta$ Leonis	9	+15	59		3.4	A	-.004	-.09		+7.7	
$\lambda$ Centauri	31	-62	28		3.3	B9	-.006	-.02		+11	
$\beta$ Leonis	44	+15	8		2.2	A2	-.034	-.12	.129	-4.0	
$\gamma$ Urs. Majoris	49	+54	15		2.5	A	+ .011	.00		-9	
$\delta$ Centauri	12	3	-50	10	2.9	B3p	-.004	-.02			
$\epsilon$ Corvi	5	-22	4		3.2	K	-.005	+ .01		+4.8	
$\delta$ Crucis	10	-58	12		3.1	B3	-.006	-.02		+25	
$\delta$ Urs. Majoris	10	+57	35		3.4	A2	+ .014	.00			
$\gamma$ Corvi	11	-16	59		2.8	B8	-.011	+ .01		-7*	
$\alpha$ Crucis	21	-62	33		1.0	B1	-.007	-.02	.055	+7	
$\delta$ Corvi	25	-15	58		3.1	A	-.014	-.14			
$\gamma$ Crucis	26	-56	33		1.5	Mb	+ .002	-.27		+22	
$\beta$ Corvi	29	-22	51		2.8	G5	.000	-.06		-7.1	
$\delta$ Muscæ	31	-68	35		2.9	B3	-.006	-.02		+13.5	
$\gamma$ Centauri	36	-48	24		2.4	A	-.020	-.02		-7.0	
$\gamma$ Virginis	36	-0	54		2.9	F	-.038	.00	.058	-20.0	

Star	R.A. 1900	Decl. 1930	Mag.	Type	Proper Motion		Parallax	Rad. Vel. km./sec.	Mass
					$\mu$	$\mu'$			
$\beta$ Muscæ	12 40	0 67 34	3.3	B3	-0.005	-0.03	"		
$\beta$ Crucis	42	-59 9	1.5	B1	-0.006	-0.03	0.008	+13	
$\epsilon$ Urs. Majoris	50	+56 30	1.7	Ap	+0.014	-0.01	(.08)	-10.0*	
$\alpha$ Can. Venat.	51	+38 51	2.8	Ap	-0.020	+0.04		-2.0	
$\epsilon$ Virginis	57	+11 30	3.0	K	-0.018	+0.02		-13.2	
$\gamma$ Hydræ	13 13	-22 39	3.3	G5	+0.005	-0.05		-5.6	
$\iota$ Centauri	15	-36 11	2.9	A2	-0.028	-0.09		+2.0	
$\zeta$ Urs. Majoris	20	+55 27	2.2	A	+0.016	-0.04	0.033	-10.0*	
$\alpha$ Virginis	20	-10 38	1.2	B2	-0.003	-0.04	-0.012	+1.6	15.4 / sin <sup>3</sup> i
$\zeta$ Virginis	30	-0 5	3.4	A2	-0.019	+0.03			
$\epsilon$ Centauri	34	-52 57	2.6	B1	-0.003	-0.03		+6	
$\eta$ Urs. Majoris	44	+49 49	1.9	B3	-0.012	-0.02	(-0.05)	-6	
$\mu$ Centauri	44	-41 59	3.3	B2p	-0.002	-0.02		+12.6	
$\zeta$ Centauri	49	-46 48	3.1	B2p	-0.006	-0.05			
$\eta$ Boötis	50	+18 54	2.8	G	-0.004	-0.37		-0.2*	
$\beta$ Centauri	57	-59 53	0.9	B1	-0.004	-0.03	0.037	+12	
$\tau$ Hydræ	14 1	-26 12	3.5	K	+0.003	-0.16		+27.3	
$\theta$ Centauri	1	-35 53	2.3	K	-0.044	-0.53		+1.5	
$\alpha$ Boötis	11	+19 42	0.2	K	-0.078	-2.00	0.075	-3.9	
$\gamma$ Boötis	28	+38 45	3.0	F	-0.010	+0.14		-35	
$\eta$ Centauri	29	-41 43	2.6	B3p	-0.003	-0.04		0	
$\alpha$ Centauri	33	-60 25	0.0	(G {K5	-0.487	+0.73	0.759	-22.2	1.9
$\alpha$ Circini	34	-64 32	3.4	F	-0.031	-0.24			
$\alpha$ Lupi	35	-46 58	2.9	B2	-0.002	-0.03		+8 *	
$\epsilon$ Boötis	41	+27 30	2.6	K	-0.004	+0.01		-16.4 *	
$\alpha^2$ Libræ	45	-15 38	2.9	A2	-0.007	-0.08			
$\beta$ Urs. Minoris	51	+74 34	2.2	K5	-0.007	0.00	(.02)	+17.2	
$\beta$ Lupi	52	-42 44	2.8	B2p	-0.004	-0.05		0 *	
$\kappa$ Centauri	53	-41 42	3.4	B3	-0.002	-0.03		+10	
$\sigma$ Libræ	58	-24 53	3.4	Mb	-0.006	-0.06		-3.5	
$\zeta$ Lupi	15 5	-51 43	3.5	K	-0.012	-0.07		-9.4	
$\gamma$ T Australis	10	-68 19	3.1	A	-0.011	-0.02			
$\beta$ Libræ	12	-9 1	2.7	B8	-0.007	-0.03			
$\delta$ Lupi	15	-40 17	3.4	B2	-0.001	-0.03			
$\gamma$ Urs. Minoris	21	+72 11	3.1	A2	-0.003	+0.01	(.04)	-8	
$\iota$ Draconis	23	+59 19	3.5	A	-0.001	+0.01		-10.0	
$\gamma$ Lupi	28	-40 50	3.0	B3	-0.001	-0.04			
$\alpha$ Cor. Borealis	30	+27 3	2.3	A	+0.009	-0.10	(-0.04)	+0.4*	
$\alpha$ Serpentis	39	+6 44	2.8	K	+0.009	+0.04		+3.4	
$\beta$ T Australis	46	-63 7	3.0	F	-0.030	-0.39			

Star	R.A. 1900	Decl. 1900	Mag.	Type	Proper Motion		Parallax	Rad. Vel. km./sec.	Mass
					$\mu$	$\mu'$			
$\pi$ Scorpii	h 15	m 53	3.0	B2p	-0.001	-0.04	"	*	
$\delta$ Scorpii		54	2.5	B	-0.001	-0.04		*	
$\beta$ Scorpii	16	0 - 19 32	2.8	B1	-0.002	-0.03		*	
$\delta$ Ophiuchi		9 - 3 26	3.0	Ma	-0.003	-0.15		-19.5	
$\epsilon$ Ophiuchi		13 - 4 27	3.3	K	+0.005	+0.03		-9.2	
$\sigma$ Scorpii		15 - 25 21	3.1	B1	-0.001	-0.03		*	
$\eta$ Draconis		23 + 61 44	2.9	G5	-0.002	+0.06		-14.0	
$\alpha$ Scorpii		23 - 26 12	1.2	Map	0.00	-0.03	.029	-3 *	
$\beta$ Hercules		26 + 21 42	2.8	K	-0.008	-0.02		-25.5 *	
$\tau$ Scorpii		30 - 28 1	2.9	B	-0.001	-0.04		+1.5	
$\zeta$ Ophiuchi		32 - 10 22	2.7	B	+0.001	+0.02			
$\zeta$ Hercules		38 + 31 47	3.0	G	-0.036	+0.38	.142	-7.0 *	
$\alpha$ T Australis		38 - 68 51	1.9	K2	+0.003	+0.03		-3.6	
$\epsilon$ Scorpii		44 - 34 7	2.4	K	-0.050	-0.26		-2.2	
$\mu$ Scorpii		45 - 37 53	3.1	B3p	-0.001	-0.03		*	
$\zeta$ Arae		50 - 55 50	3.1	Ma	-0.003	-0.04		-6.6	
$\kappa$ Ophiuchi		53 + 9 32	3.4	K	-0.020	-0.01		-55.9	
$\eta$ Ophiuchi	17	5 - 15 36	2.6	A	+0.002	+0.09		-1.0	
$\eta$ Scorpii		5 - 43 6	3.4	F2	+0.002	-0.29		-28	
$\zeta$ Draconis		8 + 65 50	3.2	B5	-0.002	+0.02		-14.7	
$\alpha$ Hercules		10 + 14 30	3.1-3.9	Mb	-0.001	+0.03		-32.2	
$\delta$ Hercules		11 + 24 57	3.2	A	-0.002	-0.16	(.05)		
$\pi$ Hercules		12 + 36 55	3.4	K2	-0.002	.00	(.11)	-25.6	
$\theta$ Ophiuchi		16 - 24 54	3.4	B3	0.00	-0.03		-0.9	
$\beta$ Arae		17 - 55 26	2.8	K2	-0.002	-0.03		-1.2	
$\nu$ Scorpii		24 - 37 13	2.8	B3	0.00	-0.04		+17 *	
$\alpha$ Arae		24 - 49 48	3.0	B3p	-0.003	-0.08		+2 *	
$\lambda$ Scorpii		27 - 37 2	1.7	B2	.000	-0.04		+3	
$\beta$ Draconis		28 + 52 23	3.0	G	-0.002	+0.01		-20.5	
$\theta$ Scorpii		30 - 42 56	2.0	F	0.00	-0.01		+5	
$\alpha$ Ophiuchi		30 + 12 38	2.1	A5	+0.008	-0.24	.074	*	
$\kappa$ Scorpii		36 - 38 58	2.5	B2	-0.001	-0.03			
$\beta$ Ophiuchi		39 + 4 37	2.9	K	-0.003	+0.15		-11.8	
$\iota$ Scorpii		41 - 40 5	3.1	F5p	0.00	0.00			
$\mu$ Hercules		43 + 27 47	3.5	G5	-0.024	-0.75	.106	-15.6	
$G$ Scorpii		43 - 37 1	3.2	K2	+0.005	+0.02		+24.5	
$\nu$ Ophiuchi		54 - 9 46	3.5	K	-0.001	-0.12		+12.9	
$\gamma$ Draconis		54 + 51 30	2.4	K5	-0.001	-0.03	.107	-27.0	
$\gamma$ Sagittarii		59 - 30 26	3.1	K				+22 *	
$\eta$ Sagittarii	18	11 - 36 48	3.2	Mb	-0.012	-0.17		0.0	
$\delta$ Sagittarii		15 - 29 52	2.8	K	+0.003	-0.04		-20.2 *	

Star	R.A. 1900	Decl. 1900	Mag.	Type	Proper Motion		Parallax	Rad. Vel. km./sec.	Mass	
					$\mu$	$\mu'$				
	<sup>h</sup>	<sup>m</sup>	<sup>s</sup>		<sup>s</sup>	<sup>"</sup>				
$\eta$ Serpentis	18	16	0	3.4	K	-0.38	-0.70		+9.5	
$\epsilon$ Sagittarii	18	-34	20	2.0	A	-0.04	-0.13		-11.0	
$\lambda$ Sagittarii	22	-25	29	2.9	K	-0.04	-0.19		-43.1	
$\alpha$ Lyrae	34	+38	41	0.1	A	+0.17	+0.28	0.94	-13.8	
$\phi$ Sagittarii	39	-27	6	3.3	B8	+0.04	0.00		*	
$\beta$ Lyrae	46	+33	15	3.4-4.1	B2p	0.00	-0.01		-7.8* 30.6	
$\sigma$ Sagittarii	49	-26	25	2.1	B3	+0.01	-0.07		-1	
$\gamma$ Lyrae	55	+32	33	3.3	A	0.00	-0.01		-20*	
$\zeta$ Sagittarii	56	-30	1	2.7	A2	-0.02	0.00		+26.0	
$\tau$ Sagittarii	19	1	-27	49	3.4	K	-0.04	-0.26		*
$\zeta$ Aquilae	1	+13	43	3.0	A	-0.01	-0.10			
$\pi$ Sagittarii	4	-21	11	3.0	F2	0.00	-0.04		-10.5*	
$\delta$ Draconis	13	+67	29	3.2	K	+0.17	+0.09		+25.6	
$\delta$ Aquilae	21	+2	55	3.4	F	+0.17	+0.08			
$\beta$ Cygni	27	+27	45	3.1	Kp	0.00	-0.01	-0.021	-24*	
$\gamma$ Aquilae	42	+10	22	2.8	K2	+0.01	0.00		-1.9	
$\delta$ Cygni	42	+44	53	3.0	A	+0.05	+0.04			
$\alpha$ Aquilae	46	+8	36	0.9	A5	+0.36	+0.38	0.238	-33.0	
$\theta$ Aquilae	20	6	-1	7	A	+0.02	0.00		-28.0* 0.6 / sin <sup>3</sup> i	
$\beta$ Capricorni	15	-15	6	3.2	Gp	+0.02	0.00		-18.8*	
$\alpha$ Pavonis	18	-57	3	2.1	B3	0.00	-0.09		+2.0*	
$\gamma$ Cygni	19	+39	56	2.3	F8p	0.00	0.00	-0.106	-5.1	
$\alpha$ Indis	31	-47	38	3.2	K	+0.04	+0.06		-1.7	
$\alpha$ Cygni	38	+44	55	1.3	A2	0.00	0.00	-0.004	-4.0	
$\epsilon$ Cygni	42	+33	36	2.6	K	+0.029	+0.32	-0.182	-10*	
$\zeta$ Cygni	21	9	+29	49	3.4	K	0.00	-0.06		+17*
$\alpha$ Cephei	16	+62	10	2.6	A5	+0.22	+0.05			
$\beta$ Aquarii	26	-6	1	3.1	G	+0.01	-0.01		+6.9	
$\beta$ Cephei	27	+70	7	3.3	B1	+0.02	0.00		-5*	
$\epsilon$ Pegasi	39	+9	25	2.5	K	+0.02	0.00		+5.0*	
$\delta$ Capricorni	42	-16	35	3.0	A5	+0.18	-0.30		*	
$\gamma$ Gruis	48	-37	50	3.2	A	+0.09	-0.02		-3.0	
$\alpha$ Aquarii	22	1	-0	48	3.2	G	+0.01	-0.01		+7.5
$\alpha$ Gruis	2	-47	27	2.2	B5	+0.12	-0.16	0.024		
$\alpha$ Tucanae	12	-60	45	2.9	K2	-0.11	-0.03		+41*	
$\beta$ Gruis	37	-47	24	2.2	Mb	+0.12	-0.02		+1.2	
$\eta$ Pegasi	38	+29	42	3.1	G	+0.01	-0.04		+4.3*	
$\alpha$ P Australis	52	-30	9	1.3	A3	+0.025	-0.17	0.138	+6.7	
$\beta$ Pegasi	59	+27	32	2.2-2.4	Mb	+0.14	+0.13		+8.4*	
$\alpha$ Pegasi	59	+14	40	2.6	A	+0.04	-0.04		*	
$\gamma$ Cephei	13	35	+77	4	3.4	K	-0.18	+0.16		-42.2

SOME LARGE RADIAL VELOCITIES

Star	R.A. 1900	Decl. 1900	Mag.	Type	Annual Motion	Parallax	Rad. Vel. km./sec.	Mass
$\mu$ Cassiopeiae	h m	° ' "						
	1 2	+54 26	5.3	G5	3.8	0.11	- 97	
Lalande 1966	1 3			F3		0.08	- 325	
Cordoba Zones								
5h 243	5 8	-44 59	8.3	G-K	8.7	0.32	+242	
A.G.C. 7195	5 59	-26 17	5.2	G			+185	
1830 Groom- bridge	11 47	+38 26	6.5	G-K	7.0	0.10	- 97	
11 Libræ	14 45	- 1 53	5.0	K			+ 83	
$\omega$ Pavonis	18 49	-60 20	5.1	K			+184	
$\nu^2$ Sagittarii	18 49	-22 47	5.0	K			-106	
A.G.C. 27600	20 5	-36 21	5.3	K5			-132	
Lalande 4855	2 33	+30 28	7.2	G			-120	
Lalande 5761	3 3	+26 0	8.0	F			-153	
Groombridge 864	4 35	+41 58	7.3	G			+101	
Lalande 15290	7 48	+30 54	8.2	G			-242	
Lalande 28607	15 38	-10 39	7.3	A			-170	
31 $\delta$ Aquilæ	19 21	+11 45	5.2	G			- 96	
Lalande 37120-1	19 30	+33 0	6.6	G			-162	
NEBULÆ								
Andromedæ	0 37	+40 43		G			-300	
N.G.C. 5873	15 6	-37 43					-136	
N.G.C. 6644	18 26	-25 12					+191	
N.G.C. 4732	18 28	-22 45					-148	
N.G.C. 4594 (Virgo)							1000	

## THE CONSTELLATIONS

The accompanying maps, which contain the stars down to the fifth magnitude, are intended primarily for beginners ; but as the right ascension and declination lines are drawn in, the position of any other object, (such as a comet, a planet or a fainter star) if its R. A. and Decl. are known, can be located with respect to the brighter stars.

The constellations are arranged according to months. Those given for any month are on the meridian at approximately 9 p.m. on the 15th of that month ; but, of course, these constellations can be seen in the same position during the month before or that after by looking two hours later or earlier, respectively.

The double-stars and other objects given below are suitable for a small telescope (say, of aperture 3 inches) or sometimes for an opera glass.

For the positions of the sun and the planets consult pages 22, 24, 26, etc.

### JANUARY

**Camelopardalis** (The Giraffe) is a large circumpolar constellation, north of Auriga and Perseus and extending almost to the pole by a long lane which constitutes the neck and head of the animal. The constellation contains no stars brighter than the fourth magnitude.

**Auriga** (The Charioteer) may readily be recognised by Capella, its brightest star, which crosses the meridian not far from the zenith at 9 p.m. on January 24. Capella, Vega and Arcturus are the three brightest stars of the northern hemisphere, each being approximately of magnitude 0.2. Sirius, which is slightly south of the celestial equator, and which is the brightest star in the entire sky, is the only other star visible in our latitudes which rivals these three. In the mythological drawing of this constellation the charioteer holds in his left arm a goat (Capella) and two kids, represented by the three faint stars  $4^{\circ}$  or  $5^{\circ}$  S. W. of Capella. The south-western half of the constellation is traversed by the Milky Way and contains many fine star clusters.

Capella is 30 light years distant and is receding from us at the rate of 21 miles per second.

*Clusters.* (1) M. 37; R.A. 5<sup>h</sup> 44<sup>m</sup>, Decl. 32° 31', nearly on the line from  $\theta$  Aurigæ to  $\zeta$  Tauri. A fine cluster, resolvable into about 500 stars from the tenth to the fourteenth magnitude. "Even in smaller instruments extremely beautiful, one of the finest of its class. Gaze at it well and long."—*Webb.* (2) M. 38, R.A. 5<sup>h</sup> 21<sup>m</sup>, Decl. 35° 47'. A fine cluster described by Admiral Smyth as "an oblique cross, with a pair of large stars in each arm, and a conspicuous one in the centre, the whole followed by a bright individual of the seventh magnitude." The whole region is very beautiful.

**Taurus** (The Bull), directly S. W. of Auriga. It is most easily recognised by the little dipper-shaped group called the Pleiades, which crosses the meridian about 9 p.m. on January 1. In this group six stars are easily visible, but on a dark night a good eye will see nine. It is a beautiful sight in an opera glass, and with a 3-inch telescope 100 stars are visible. Aldebaran, the brightest star, of a ruddy color, is at one end of a group of stars forming a V and well-known as the Hyades. The only other conspicuous star is  $\beta$  or Nath, to the N. E. of Aldebaran and almost south of Capella: it is of the second magnitude. The brightest of the Pleiades is called Alcyone.

*Nebula.* M. 1, R.A. 5<sup>h</sup> 27<sup>m</sup>, Decl. 21° 56', about 1° west and a little north of  $\zeta$ , the so-called Crab Nebula. Its accidental discovery by Messier when following a comet in 1758 led to the formation of his catalogue of nebulae, in which it is number one.

**Orion**, which is named from a giant of mythological history is one of the few constellations really suggesting the figure of the object it is supposed to represent. It is also the most beautiful and brilliant constellation of all, being studded with stars of the first, second and third magnitudes. The three stars of second magnitude in a close row form the belt; the upper one of these is on the celestial equator. From these depend three others, known as the Sword of Orion; the centre one,  $\theta$ , appears slightly hazy to a good eye; when examined with a telescope it is seen to be quadruple, and to be surrounded by a nebula, the Great Nebula of Orion. The left foot of the giant is marked by Rigel, of the first magnitude, the right knee by  $\kappa$ , of the second; the two shoulders by Betelgeuse and Bellatrix, of the first and second magnitudes respectively; the head is a small triangle formed by one star of the fourth and two of the fifth magnitude.

*Double Stars.* (1)  $\beta$  (Rigel), mags. 1 and 8; distance 0".1; both white; the brilliancy of the primary renders the companion more difficult. (2)  $\delta$  (the

westernmost star in the belt), mags. 2 and 7; distance 53". (3)  $\zeta$  (the easterly star of the belt), triple; mags. 2, 6, 9; distances 2''·2, 57''; colors, yellow, purplish, grey. (4)  $\iota$ , triple; mags. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 11; the lowest star in the sword, just below the nebula. (5)  $\theta$ , multiple, the trapezium situated in the densest part of the great nebula; mags. 6, 7, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 8. (6)  $\sigma$ , triple, a beautiful star of the fourth magnitude. In most ordinary telescopes it presents an appearance described by Sir Wm. Herschel as "a double-treble star, or two sets of treble stars almost similarly situated." In larger instruments both sets are seen to be quadruple.

*Nebula.* M. 42; the finest in the sky. The fainter portions extend over an immense space; shown by photography to cover a large part of the constellation.

## FEBRUARY

**Canis Major** (The Great Dog), lies to the south-east of Orion. It is marked by Sirius, the Dog Star, which is by far the brightest of the fixed stars, forming a magnitude by itself. It is at a distance of about nine light-years; hence it must be of stupendous magnitude and brilliancy. From irregularities in its proper motion it was shown that it must have a dark companion revolving about it. This was confirmed by Alvan Clark's discovery in 1862 of a companion of the tenth magnitude. The period of revolution is about fifty years, the companion having about one-half the mass of Sirius, and about equal to that of our sun. About five or six degrees west of Sirius is  $\beta$ , of the second magnitude; further to the south are  $\delta$  and  $\epsilon$ , of the second magnitude, and two other stars of the third, all in the same constellation.

*Cluster.* M. 41, 4° S. of Sirius; a fine group with a red star near the centre.

**Canis Minor** (The Lesser Dog) is to the east of Orion and slightly higher. The name of its brightest star, Procyon, signifies "Before the Dog," being given to it because it rises shortly before Sirius; it forms an equilateral triangle with Sirius and Betelgeuse. From the proper motion of Procyon it was shown theoretically by Bessel that it must, like Sirius, have a companion revolving around it. This companion was discovered at the Lick Observatory by Professor Schaeberle in 1896, very nearly in the predicted position.

**Gemini** (The Twins) is the third sign and the fourth constellation of the zodiac. It derives its name from the Twin Stars, Castor and Pollux, of the first magnitude; they are separated by about four and a half degrees, and lie to the south-east of Capella, and some distance directly to the north of Procyon.

Castor is a double star, the components revolving about one another in about 1000 years. Some distance to the south-west is  $\gamma$ , of the second magnitude; the constellation also includes several third and fourth magnitude stars.

*Double Stars.* (1)  $\alpha$  (Castor), mags.  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ; distance  $5''\cdot5$ . A beautiful object in a small telescope. The larger of the pair has been shown to be a spectroscopic binary of period about 3 days. (2)  $\delta$ , about half-way between  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ , and just south of the ecliptic. Mags. 3 and 8; distance  $7''$ . (3)  $\mu$ , mags. 3, 11; distance  $80''$ .

### MARCH

**Lynx**, a modern constellation just east of Auriga. It contains no stars above magnitude 4.

*Double Star.*  $\rho$  Lyncis, R. A.  $9^h 11^m$ ; Decl.  $37^\circ 21'$ ; mags. 4 and  $7\frac{1}{2}$ ; distance  $2''\cdot9$ ; white and lilac.

**Cancer** (The Crab), south of the Lynx and east of Gemini. This does not contain any star brighter than the fourth magnitude.

*Double Star.*  $\iota$ , R.A.  $8^h 40^m$ , Decl.  $29^\circ$ ; mags. 4,  $6\frac{1}{2}$ ; distance  $30'$ ; orange and blue.

*Cluster.* Præsepe ("Beehive") a well-known coarse cluster, easily recognised by the naked eye and resolvable by an opera glass. The line from Castor to Pollux produced about  $12^\circ$  passes near it.

### APRIL

**Ursa Major** (The Great Bear). This is the most familiar of the circumpolar constellations and in our latitudes is always above the horizon. In April it is above the pole. The best known feature is the "Big Dipper," but this is but a small part of the constellation. The stars  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are known as the "Pointers" because a line from  $\beta$  through  $\alpha$ , and produced about five times the distance between them passes near the Pole Star.

*Double Stars.* (1)  $\zeta$  (Mizar, at the bend in the handle). Near it is a little star Alcor, the "rider on his horse," easily observed by the naked eye. Mizar in a small telescope is seen to be double. Mags. 3 and 5; distance  $14''\cdot5$ . The large star of this pair is also a spectroscopic binary—the first one discovered. (2)  $\xi$ , R.A.  $11^h 13^m$ , Decl.  $32^\circ 6'$ ; mags. 4 and 5; distance about  $3''$  (rapidly changing). A binary having a period of 61 years. Discovered by Sir W. Herschel in 1780. The first binary whose orbit was computed.

*Nebulae.* M. 81 and M. 82. R.A.  $9^h 45^m$ , Decl.  $69^\circ 44'$ . Two nebulae about half a degree apart, one pretty bright.

*The Plough  
or  
Charles' wain*

**Leo** (The Lion). East of Cancer. Regulus, its brightest star, is of the first magnitude, and it is on the ecliptic. The well-known configuration "The Sickle," in which Regulus is at the end of the handle, is easily recognisable.

*Double Stars.* (1)  $\gamma$ , the third star in the Sickle. Mags. 2,  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ; distance  $3''\cdot4$ ; a binary with a period of about 400 years. (2)  $\epsilon$  (about  $5^\circ$  S. W. from  $\beta$ ); mags. 4 and 7; distance  $2''\cdot5$ ; yellow and bluish.

## MAY

**Canes Venatici** (The Hunting Dogs). With these dogs Boötes pursues the Great Bear around the pole. Most of the stars are small but  $\alpha$  (which is known as Cor Caroli — the heart of Charles II. of England) is of magnitude  $2\frac{1}{2}$ .

*Double Star.*  $\alpha$  (Cor Caroli); mags. 3 and 5; distance  $20''$ ; white.

*Nebulae.* (1) M. 51; R.A.  $13^h 25^m$ , Decl.  $47^\circ 49'$ . Faint in small telescopes, but the wonderful spiral, in modern photographs. (2) M. 3; about  $12^\circ$  N. W. from Arcturus; a bright cluster, discovered in 1895 to be variable.

**Coma Berenices** (The Hair of Berenice). A little constellation, containing many 5 and 6 mag. stars.

**Virgo** (The Virgin), east of Leo and south of Coma Berenices. Its brightest star is  $\alpha$  or Spica, mag.  $1\frac{1}{2}$ , a fine white star forming with Denebola ( $\beta$  Leonis) and Arcturus an almost equilateral triangle.

*Double Stars.* (1)  $\gamma$ ; mags. 3 and 8; distance  $6''\cdot2$ ; a binary with period 185 years. Yellowish. (2)  $\theta$  (two-fifths of the way from Spica to  $\delta$ , just north of ecliptic); mags.  $4\frac{1}{2}$ , 9, 10.

## JUNE

**Ursa Minor** (The Lesser Bear). This small constellation is, of course, always high above the horizon, and it has the high distinction of containing our Pole Star. This star is of the second magnitude and is easily located by means of the Pointers of the "Big Dipper." There are seven stars forming the "Little Dipper," the Pole Star being at the end of the handle. The stars  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are known as the "Guardians of the Pole."

*Double Star.* Polaris has a companion; mag.  $9\frac{1}{2}$ ; distance  $18''\cdot6$ .

**Boötes** (The Herdsman). A fine and large constellation, extending from the celestial equator to within  $30^\circ$  of the pole. Its principal star Arcturus may be easily located by prolonging the sweep of the handle of the Dipper. It is second only to

Sirius in brilliancy and has been seen *with the naked eye* 24<sup>m</sup> before sunset. Its distance is about 140 light-years. The spectroscope shows that it is approaching us at the rate of 4 miles a second, but its velocity at right angles to the line drawn from the star to us is probably 250 miles a second. Arcturus, Spica and Denebola form a great triangle, as already remarked.

*Double Stars.* (1)  $\epsilon$ , mags. 3 and 6; distance 3''·1; orange and greenish blue. (2)  $\zeta$  (about 9° S. E. from Arcturus); mags. 3·5, 4; distance 0''·8; requires a good 4-inch telescope to separate this.

**Corona Borealis** (Northern Crown) is a pretty half-circle of stars about 20° N. E. of Arcturus. Its principal star, Alphecca, is of the second magnitude. It was in this constellation that a *Nova* of the second magnitude suddenly appeared on May 10, 1866. In a short time it faded to the ninth magnitude, in which condition it still remains. Its position is 1½° S. E. of  $\epsilon$ , the most easterly star in the semi-circle.

**Libra** (The Balance). This is a large but inconspicuous constellation, there being no stars of the first or second magnitude and only two,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , of the third. The star  $\delta$  is a remarkable variable, usually being of the 4½ or 5 magnitude, but at times running down nearly two magnitudes.

## JULY

**Hercules**, a large constellation, is bounded on the north by Draco and on the south by Ophiuchus, and extends east and west nearly from Arcturus to Vega. It has no very conspicuous stars, but contains many good telescopic objects. It is interesting as marking that part of the heavens towards which the solar system is at present travelling.

*Double Stars.* (1)  $\alpha$ , mags. 3 and 6; distance 4''·5; colors, yellow and intense blue; one of the finest objects in the heavens. (2)  $\zeta$ , at the S. W. corner of the "Keystone" (see Map); mags. 3, 6½; distance 1''·5 (1905); a binary of period 34 years. (3)  $\rho$ , (2½° east of  $\pi$ ); mags. 4 and 5; distance 4''; white, emerald green. (4)  $\delta$ , mags. 3 and 8; distance 18''; white, light blue.

*Clusters.* (1) M. 13, R.A. 16<sup>h</sup> 37<sup>m</sup>, Decl. 36° 41'. The finest of all the clusters, containing 25,000 stars. (2) M. 92, R.A. 17<sup>h</sup> 13<sup>m</sup>, Decl. 43° 16'. Fine but not equal to M. 13.

**Ophiuchus** (The Serpent-Bearer) is south of Hercules, and though occupying a considerable space in the sky, is not a very conspicuous constellation. The highest part of this constellation is marked by the star  $\alpha$ , of the second magnitude, about

half-way between Antares and Vega, and forming with Vega and Altair a nearly equilateral triangle.

**Serpens** (The Serpent) is a divided constellation, the principal part being to the north-west of Ophiuchus ; with one corner to the south-east of the latter. The ancients probably considered it to consist of a trail of stars stretching across, or, perhaps, coiled around, Ophiuchus, whence arose the name of the latter. It contains no stars brighter than the third magnitude.

*Double Stars.* (1)  $\lambda$  Ophiuchi, R.A. 16h 28m, Decl.  $2^{\circ} 20' N.$ ; mags. 4 and 6; distance  $1''.2$ . (2)  $\gamma$  Ophiuchi, R.A. 18h 1m, Decl.  $2^{\circ} 32' N.$ ; mags.  $4\frac{1}{2}$ , 6; distance (1905)  $2''$ ; a well-known binary of period 93 years. (3)  $\delta$  Serpentis, R.A. 15h 30m, Decl.  $10^{\circ} 51'$ ; mags. 4 and 5; distance  $4''$ . (4)  $\theta$  Serpentis, R.A. 18h 51m, Decl.  $4^{\circ} 4' N.$ ; mags. 4 and  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ; distance  $21''$ ; yellowish and white; a fine wide pair.

*Cluster.* M. 23, R.A. 17h 50m, Decl.  $19^{\circ} 0' S.$ ; a fine low-power field.

**Scorpio** (The Scorpion), south of Ophiuchus, the ninth constellation of the zodiac, is of irregular shape. It is only by virtue of two long projections to the north that it is ranked as a zodiac constellation at all, as nearly all the stars belonging to it are some distance south of the ecliptic. The sun spends only nine days out of twenty-five in Scorpio, the other sixteen being occupied in passing through Ophiuchus, which, however, is not counted among the zodiac constellations. Scorpio's principal star is Antares, of the first magnitude, color a decided red. Viewed through the telescope Antares' color appears interspersed with intermittent flashes of green, which is explained by the presence of a close green companion. Under ordinary atmospheric conditions this companion can not be separated from the rays of Antares itself.

*Double Stars.* (1)  $\alpha$ , mags. 1 and 7; distance  $3''.5$  (see above). (2)  $\beta$ , triple; mags. 2, 4, 10; distances  $13''$ ,  $0''.9$ . (3)  $\nu$  ( $2^{\circ} E.$  of  $\beta$ ), quadruple; mags. 4, 5, 7, 8.

*Clusters.* (1) M. 80, half-way between  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ; a very fine cluster. (2) M. 4,  $1\frac{1}{2}^{\circ} W.$  of  $\alpha$ ; not so fine as the preceding.

## AUGUST

**Draco** (The Dragon), a very large and winding constellation, is in the neighborhood of the pole. Draco contains several second magnitude stars between Vega and the pole, and extends westward in a wide curve around Ursa Minor. The star  $\alpha$ , of

magnitude  $3\frac{1}{2}$ , 4700 years ago was the pole-star, being much nearer to the pole than Polaris now is.

**Lyra** (The Lyre), though a small constellation, contains several fairly bright stars. The principal of these is Vega, which rank second or third in the heavens in brightness. Vega is of a brilliant bluish-white color and cannot fail to be easily identified. It crosses the meridian at 9 p.m. on August 15, when it is only a few degrees south of the zenith. This star is always visible in our latitudes at some hour of the night throughout the year. Twelve thousand years from now it will be the pole star, though not so near the pole as Polaris now is.

*Double Stars.* (1) Vega has a companion, of mag. 11,  $48''$  from it. (2)  $\beta$  has three small stars near it, a pretty object with low power. (3)  $\epsilon$ , the well-known "double-double," about  $2^\circ$  east of Vega. Visible in an opera glass as a double and to some with the naked eye. Each is again double; mags. 5, 6, 5, 5.

*Nebula.* M. 57, the Ring Nebula; between  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ , one-third of the way from  $\beta$ .

**Sagittarius** (The Archer), the tenth constellation of the zodiac, passes low in the south when Vega is on the meridian. It contains a group of seven fairly bright stars, about  $30^\circ$  to the east of Antares and at about the same altitude. The sun passes through Sagittarius in December and January.

*Clusters.* (1) M. 22 ( $3^\circ$  N. W. of  $\lambda$ ). (2) M. 25 ( $7^\circ$  N. and  $1^\circ$  E. of  $\lambda$ ); visible to naked eye. (3) The Trifid Nebula, R.A.  $17^h 55^m$ , Decl.  $23^\circ 2' S.$ , a well-known and beautiful object.

## SEPTEMBER

**Cygnus** (The Swan) is marked by five stars forming a conspicuous cross in the heavens, which may, without unduly stretching the imagination, be likened to the outline of a flying swan. It is in the Milky Way, which here begins to separate into two streams, and contains telescopic fields of great magnificence. Its brightest star  $\alpha$ , sometimes known as Arided or Deneb, crosses the meridian two hours and five minutes after Vega and a few degrees higher, almost exactly in the zenith; it is between the first and second magnitudes, but has no appreciable parallax or proper motion, being, therefore, at an immense distance, and possibly surpassing Vega or even Sirius in size; it is approaching us at the rate of about forty miles per second. About  $15^\circ$  east of  $\alpha$  there suddenly appeared, in 1876, a Nova of the 3rd magnitude, which later faded irregularly to the 14th magnitude.

*Double Stars.* (1)  $\beta$ , mags.  $3\frac{1}{2}$ , 7; distance  $35''$ ; orange and blue; the finest of colored pairs for a small telescope. (2)  $\epsilon$  Cygni, at one corner of a parallelogram, of which  $\alpha$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\epsilon$  form the other corners; mags.  $5\frac{1}{2}$ , 6; distance  $22''$ ; our *second nearest* neighbor, its distance having been first determined by Bessel in 1838.

*Clusters.* The Milky Way in Cygnus affords fine views for a low power.

**Vulpecula** (The Fox) and **Sagitta** (The Arrow) are two small constellations immediately south of Cygnus, between it and Aquila. Neither of them contains any bright stars, but as both are traversed by the Galaxy the telescopic fields are good. Vulpecula, in particular, contains one of the prettiest of telescopic objects, the well-known Dumb-Bell Nebula. M. 27, R. A.  $19^h 54^m$ , Decl.  $22^\circ 23'$ .

**Delphinus** (The Dolphin), otherwise known as Job's Coffin, is another small constellation to the immediate north-east of Aquila, containing a little group of five stars of the third magnitude.

*Double Star.*  $\gamma$  (at the N. E. angle of quadrilateral); mags. 4 and 7; distance  $11''\cdot 3$

**Aquila** (The Eagle) is on the meridian about nine o'clock at the beginning of September, being then about half-way from the horizon to the zenith. It is conspicuously marked by Altair, a fine star of the first magnitude, which crosses the meridian seventy minutes after Vega. Though Aquila is a large constellation it contains only three other moderately bright stars, all of the third magnitude.

## OCTOBER

**Cepheus** one of the polar constellations, extends northward to the pole between Draco and Cassiopeia, and southward as far as Cygnus. Though a large constellation, it contains only three stars of the third magnitude and four of the fourth; however, it atones for this by the comparatively large number of interesting double and variable stars, several of the latter being of quite short period.

*Double Stars.* (1)  $\beta$ , mags. 3 and 8; distance  $14''$ . (2)  $\delta$ , mags.  $3\cdot 7$  to 5 (larger star variable) and 7; distance  $41''$ .

**Pegasus**, the winged horse of Grecian mythology, lies S. E. of Cygnus; three bright stars in it form with Alpherat, in Andromeda, a large and conspicuous figure known as the Square of Pegasus, each side of the square being about  $14^\circ$  in length.

The boundaries of the constellation extend a considerable distance to the west and south-west, taking in the bright star  $\epsilon$ , which lies west and a little south of the star in the right-hand lower corner of the square.

**Aquarius** (The Waterman), a large and irregularly shaped constellation, lies to the east and north of Capricornus. It is the eleventh sign and twelfth constellation of the zodiac, and is occupied by the sun from the middle of February till the middle of March; it contains seven third magnitude and eight fourth magnitude stars. It is not conspicuous, but if attentively examined the stars in the south-eastern part of it will be found to have a trend downwards, which, doubtless, gave occasion to the idea of water flowing from a jar.

**Piscis Australis** (The Southern Fish), which is not to be confounded with the zodiac constellation of Pisces, lies to the south of Aquarius and Capricornus. Its brightest star, Fomalhaut, is the most southerly of the first magnitude stars visible in these latitudes; it is on the meridian at nine o'clock on the 20th of October, when it is only about  $15^\circ$  above the southern horizon.

**Capricornus** (The Goat), the eleventh constellation of the zodiac, contains four stars of the third magnitude and four of the fourth. It may be readily recognised by two stars pointing directly to Altair, which pass the meridian twenty-seven minutes after it, about  $20^\circ$  lower.

*Double Stars.* (1)  $\alpha$ , mags. 3 and 4; distance  $6' 13''$ ; use a very low power.  
(2)  $\beta$ , mags.  $3\frac{1}{2}$  and 7; distance  $3' 25''$ .

## NOVEMBER

**Cassiopeia**, one of the two bright circumpolar constellations, is named from a queen of Grecian mythology; and sometimes known by the name of *The Lady in her Chair*. During November it is on the meridian, directly above the pole and opposite the Dipper, about nine o'clock. The constellation is very easily recognised by five bright stars arranged in a zigzag figure like a wide inverted W, which in certain positions is said to resemble the outline of a chair. Lying as it does, in the galaxy, it contains many fine telescopic fields.

*Double Star.*  $\eta$ , about half-way between  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$ , a little off the line; mags. 4 and  $7\frac{1}{2}$ ; distance  $5''\cdot 5$ ; orange and purple.

**Andromeda** is directly to the south of Cassiopeia, and passes the meridian slightly south of the zenith. Its brightest star Alpherat, passes the meridian at the same time as the most westerly of the five bright stars in Cassiopeia,  $\beta$  passes the meridian an hour after Alpherat, and about  $7^\circ$  nearer to the zenith.

*Double Stars.* (1)  $\gamma$ , mags. 3 and 5; distance  $11''$ ; orange and greenish-blue; very fine. (2)  $\pi$  ( $2^\circ$  N. and a little W. of  $\delta$ ); mags. 4 and 9; distance  $36''$ ; white and blue.

*Nebula.* M. 31; the Great Nebula, visible to the naked eye; prolong the line from  $\beta$  to  $\mu$  its own length beyond  $\mu$ .

**Pisces** (The Fishes), is to the southeast and east of Pegasus and south of Andromeda. It is the first constellation of the zodiac; although containing quite a large number of stars, none of them are brighter than the fourth magnitude, and it is a quite inconspicuous constellation.

*Double Star.*  $\alpha$ , mags. 4 and  $5\frac{1}{2}$ ; distance  $3''$ .

**Cetus** (The Whale), is a fairly large constellation lying to the southeast of Pisces. It contains two stars,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , of the second magnitude, and eight of the third.  $\beta$  may be identified by prolonging the eastern side of the Square of Pegasus about two and a half times its own length to the south:  $\alpha$  lies about  $40^\circ$  towards the northeast. About one-third of the way from  $\alpha$  to  $\beta$ , in a direct line between them, lies Mira (The Wonderful), a variable star, having a period of about eleven months; at its maximum brilliancy this star is somewhat brighter than the second magnitude, though it does not attain this degree of brightness in every period; its minimum is about the ninth magnitude.

*Double Star.*  $\gamma$ , mags.  $3\frac{1}{2}$ , 7; distance  $2''\cdot 5$ ; yellow and blue.

## DECEMBER

**Perseus**, named after a hero of Grecian mythology, lies to the east of Andromeda. Its brightest star,  $\alpha$ , is known by the name of Mirfak; it is of the second magnitude, and crosses the meridian slightly north of the zenith at nine o'clock (local time) on December 26. About ten degrees a little west of south from it is Algol (The Demon), the best known variable star in the heavens. Ordinarily of the second magnitude, but once in every period of two days and nearly twenty-one hours it is partially

eclipsed by a companion which revolves around it ; the eclipse occupies eight or ten hours, during about half an hour of which the star is only of the fourth magnitude. It is easily located by noting that it is a little less than half way from the Pleiades to Cassiopeia. Another interesting feature of this constellation is the double cluster, lying about half way between Mirfak and Cassiopeia.

*Double Star.*  $\epsilon$ , mags.  $3\frac{1}{2}$  and 9 ; distance  $8''\cdot4$ .

**Aries** (The Ram), lies immediately to the north-east of Pisces. Its brightest star  $\alpha$ , otherwise known as Hamal, is of the second magnitude ; it is situated directly east from the centre of the Square of Pegasus, at a distance of about double the diameter of the latter ; near it, to the south-west, is  $\beta$ , of the third magnitude ; the constellation contains no other stars brighter than the fifth magnitude.

**Triangulum** (The Triangle), is a small constellation marked by a right-angled triangle of three stars of the third magnitude. The centre of the triangle lies about ten degrees directly north of Hamal.

## COMETS OF 1914

The most conspicuous comet during 1914 was discovered by Delavan at La Plata, Argentine, on December 17, 1913, and which was known as Comet 1913*f*. It was about the eleventh magnitude when discovered and increased steadily in brightness until by August 1914, it was visible to the naked eye. During September and October it was a conspicuous object in the morning and evening sky, a tail of about  $8^\circ$  being visible at its maximum brightness. It reached perihelion on October 26, and moving southward, steadily decreased in brightness. The most striking feature was the presence of a long narrow tail of sharp structure, and a short diffuse one, the former being much more active photographically, than the latter.

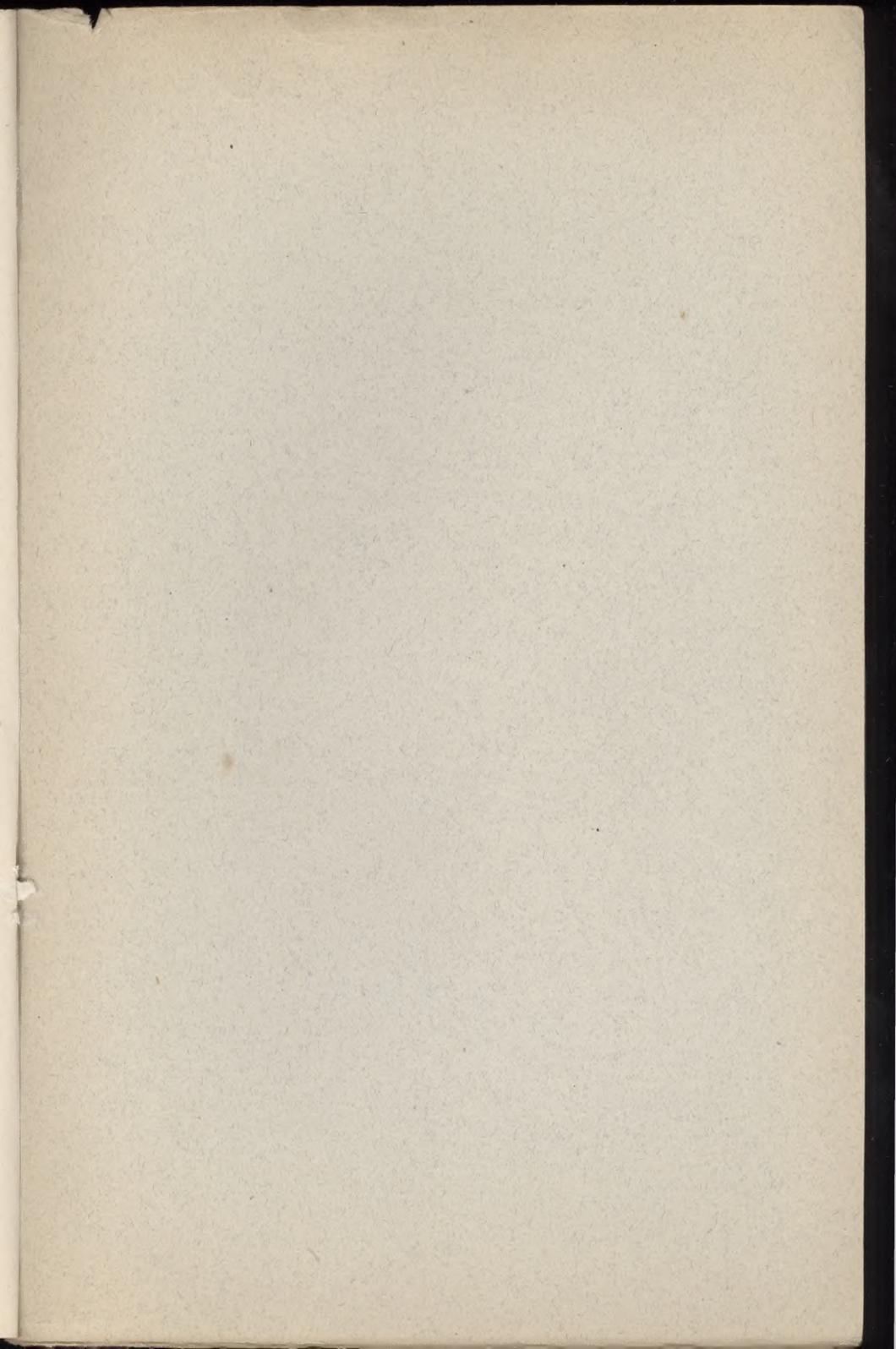
Kritzinger of Bothkamp, Germany, discovered the first comet of 1914, on March 29 in the constellation of Scorpio. It was a faint object when discovered and never became very bright. Perihelion was reached May 31 and it was soon invisible except to the larger telescopes.

Comet 1914*b*, discovered by Zlatinsky at Mitau, Russia, about May 15, was quite bright at first, being visible to the naked eye until near the end of May. Photographs by Professor Barnard showed a tail of  $12^\circ$ . However, it had passed perihelion on May 8 and soon became a telescopic object.

Neujmin discovered Comet 1914*c* at Simeis, Crimea, on June 27. Perihelion passage was on July 24, but the comet was visible only in large telescopes and decreased in brightness very rapidly.

The fourth comet to be discovered in 1914 was Encke's, which was photographed on September 17 by Professor Barnard. Its magnitude as given by Backlund from an observation on September 20, was fourteen. This comet has a period of 3.315 years, being first discovered by Méchain, Paris, in 1786, and observed on several returns. It is called Encke's because Encke first discovered its periodicity in 1818.

1914*e* was discovered by Campbell at Arequipa, Peru, on September 18, an independent discovery being made by Haggerty at State College, New Mexico, on September 25. It was a naked eye object when discovered but soon became faint.



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