

that adhere to any of those Hypotheses, should seek for other Causes of these Effects, unless (to use the Objector's Argument) *they will multiply Entities without Necessity.*

The *third* Thing to be considered is, the Condition of the Animadversor's Concessions, which is, That I would explicate my Theories by his Hypothesis: And if I could comply with him in that Point, there would be little or no Difference between us: For he grants, That, without any respect to a different Incidence of Rays, there are different Refractions; but he would have it explicated, not by the different Refrangibility of several Rays, but by the splitting and rarefying Æthereal Pulses. He grants my third, fourth, and sixth Propositions; the Sense of which is, That uncompounded Colours are unchangeable, and that compounded Ones are changeable only by resolving them into the Colours of which they are compounded: and that all the Changes which can be wrought in Colours, are effected only by variously mixing or parting them: But he grants them on Condition that I will explicate Colours by the two Sides of a split Pulse, and so make but two Species of them, accounting all other Colours in the World to be but various Degrees and Dilutings of those two. And he further grants, that Whiteness is produced by the Convention of all Colours; but then I must allow it to be not only by Mixture of those Colours, but by a farther uniting of the Parts of the Ray supposed to be formerly split.

If I would proceed to examine these his Explications, I think it would be no difficult Matter to shew, that they are not only insufficient, but in some respects (to me at least) unintelligible: For though it be easy to conceive, how Motion may be dilated and spread, or how parallel Motions may become diverging; yet I understand not, by what Artifice any linear Motion can by a refracting Superficies be infinitely dilated and rarefied, so as to become superficial: Or, if that be supposed, yet I understand as little, why it should be split at so small an Angle only, and not rather spread and disperse through the whole Angle of Refraction. And further, though I can easily imagine, how unlike Motions may cross one another; yet I cannot well conceive, how they should coalesce into one uniform Motion, and then part again, and recover the former Unlikeness; notwithstanding that I conjecture the Ways by which the Animadversor may endeavour to explain it. So, that the direct, uniform, and undisturb'd Pulses should be split and disturbed by Refraction; and yet the oblique and disturbed Pulses persist without splitting, or further Disturbance, by following Refractions, is (to me) as unintelligible: and there is as great a Difficulty in the Number of Colours; as you will see hereafter.

But whatever be the Advantages or Disadvantages of this Hypothesis, I hope I may be excused from taking it up, since I do not think it needful to explicate my Doctrine by any Hypothesis at all: For if Light be considered abstractedly without respect to any Hypothesis, I can as easily conceive, that the several Parts of a shining Body may emit Rays of different Colours and other Qualities, of all which Light is constituted, as that the several Parts of a false or uneven String, or of unevenly agitated Water in a Brook or Cata-

fact, or the several Pipes of an Organ inspir'd all at once, or all the Variety of sounding Bodies in the World together, should produce Sounds of several Tones, and propagate them thro' the Air confusedly intermixed. And if there were any natural Bodies that could reflect Sounds of one Tone, and stifle or transmit those of another; then, as the Echo of a confused Aggregate of all Tones would be that particular Tone, which the echoing Body is disposed to reflect; so, since (even by the Animadversor's Concessions) there are Bodies apt to reflect Rays of one Colour, and stifle or transmit those of another; I can as easily conceive, that those Bodies, when illuminated by a Mixture of all Colours, must appear of that Colour only which they reflect.

But when the Objector would insinuate a Difficulty in these Things, by alluding to Sounds in the String of a musical Instrument before Percussion, or in the Air of an Organ-Bellows before its Arrival at the Pipes; I must confess, I understand it as little, as if one had spoken of Light in a Piece of Wood before it be set on Fire, or in the Oil of a Lamp before it ascend up the Match to feed the Flame.

You see therefore how much it is beside the Business in Hand to dispute about Hypotheses. For which Reason I shall now, in the last Place, proceed to abstract the Difficulties in the Animadversor's Discourse, and without having regard to any Hypothesis, consider them in general Terms. And they may be reduced to these three Queries:

1. *Whether the unequal Refractions, made without respect to any Inequality of Incidence, be caused by the different Refrangibility of several Rays; or by the splitting, breaking, or dissipating the same Ray into diverging Parts?*
2. *Whether there be more than two Sorts of Colours?*
3. *Whether Whiteness be a Mixture of all Colours?*

The *first* of these *Queries* you may find determined above, by an Experiment: The Design of which was to shew, that the Length of the colour'd Image proceeded not from any Unevenness in the Glass, or any other contingent Irregularity in the Refractions. Amongst other Irregularities, I know not what is more obvious to suspect, than a fortuitous Dilating and Spreading of Light, after some such manner, as *Des Cartes* has described in his *Æthereal Refractions*, for explicating the Tail of a Comet; or as the Animadversor now supposes to be effected by the splitting and rarefying of his æthereal Pulses. And to prevent the Suspicion of any such Irregularities, I told you, that I refracted the Light contrary ways, with two Prisms successively, to destroy thereby the regular Effects of the first Prism by the second, and to discover the irregular Effects by augmenting them with iterated Refractions. Now, amongst other Irregularities, if the first Prism had spread and dissipated every Ray into an indefinite Number of diverging Parts, the second should in like manner have spread and dissipated every one of those Parts into a further indefinite Number, whereby the Image would have been still more dilated, contrary to the Event. And this ought to have happened, because those linear diverging Parts depend not on one another for the manner of their Refraction,

but are every one of them as truly and compleatly Rays, as the whole was before its Incidence; as may appear by intercepting them severally.

The Reasonableness of this Proceeding will, perhaps, better appear by acquainting you with this further Circumstance. I sometimes placed the second Prism in a Position transverse to the first, on Design to try if it would make the long Image become four-square, by Refractions crossing those that had drawn the round Image into a long one. For if, amongst other Irregularities, the Refraction of the first Prism did, by splitting, dilate a linear Ray into a superficial; the cross Refractions of that second Prism ought, by further splitting, to dilate and draw that superficial Ray into a pyramidical Solid. But, upon Trial, I found it otherwise; the Image being as regularly oblong as before, and inclined to both the Prisms at an Angle of 45 Degrees.

I tried also all other Positions of the second Prism, by turning the Ends about its middle Part; and in no case could observe any such Irregularity. The Image was ever alike inclined to both Prisms, its Breadth answering to the Sun's Diameter, and its Length being greater or less, according as the Refractions more or less agreed or contradicted one another.

And by these Observations, since the Breadth of the Image was not augmented by the cross Refraction of the second Prism, that Refraction must have been performed without any splitting or dilating of the Ray; and therefore at least the Light incident on that Prism must be granted an Aggregate of Rays *unequally Refrangible* in my Sense. And since the Image was equally inclined to both Prisms, and consequently the Refractions alike in both, it argues that they were performed according to some constant Law, without any Irregularity.

To determine the *second Query*, The Animadversor refers to an Experiment made with two Wedge-like Boxes, recited in the *Micrography* of the ingenious Mr. Hook, *Observ. 10. Pag. 73.* The Design of which was to produce all Colours out of a Mixture of two. But there is, I conceive, a double Defect in this Instance: For it appears not, that by this Experiment all Colours can be produced out of two; and if they could, yet the Inference would not follow.

That all Colours cannot by that Experiment be produced out of two, will appear by considering, that the Tincture of Aloes, which afford one of those Colours, was not all over of one uniform Colour, but appeared Yellow near the Edge of the Box, and Red at other Places where it was thicker; affording all Variety of Colours, from a pale Yellow to a deep Red or Scarlet, according to the various Thickness of the Liquor. And so the Solution of Copper, which afforded the other Colour, was of various Blues and Indicoes. So that instead of two Colours, here is a great Variety made use of for the Production of all others. Thus, for Instance, to produce all Sorts of Greens, the several Degrees of Yellow and pale Blue must be mix'd; but to compound Purples, the Scarlet and deep Blue are to be the Ingredients.

Now if the Animadversor contend, that all the Reds and Yellows of the one Liquor, or Blues and Indicoes of the other, are only various Degrees and Dilutings of the same Colour, and not divers Colours; that is a begging of the

the Question : And I should as soon grant, that the Two Thirds or Sixths in Musick are but several Degrees of the same Sound, and not divers Sounds. Certainly it is much better to believe our Senses, informing us, that Red and Yellow are divers Colours ; and to make it a philosophical Query, Why the same Liquor doth, according to its various Thickness, appear of those divers Colours ; than to suppose them to be the same Colour, because exhibited by the same Liquors. For if that were a sufficient Reason, then Blue and Yellow must also be the same Colour, since they are both exhibited by the same Tincture of Nephritic Wood. But that they are divers Colours, you will more fully understand by the Reason, which in my Judgment is this : The Tincture of Aloes is qualified to transmit most easily the Rays endued with Red, most difficultly the Rays endued with Violet, and with intermediate Degrees of Facility, the Rays endued with intermediate Colours. So that where the Liquor is very thin, it may suffice to intercept most of the Violet, and yet transmit most of the other Colours ; all which together must compound a middle Colour, that is, a faint Yellow. And where it is so much thicker, as also to intercept most of the Blue and Green, the remaining Green, Yellow, and Red, must compound an Orange. And where the Thickness is so great, that scarce any Rays can pass through it besides those endued with Red, it must appear of that Colour, and that so much the deeper and obscurer, by how much the Liquor is thicker. And the same may be understood of the various Degrees of Blue, exhibited by the Solution of Copper, by reason of its Disposition to intercept Red most easily, and transmit a deep Blue or Indico Colour most freely.

But supposing that all Colours might, according to this Experiment, be produced out of two by Mixture ; yet it follows not, that those two are the only original Colours ; and that for a double Reason : First, Because those two are not themselves original Colours, but compounded of others ; there being no Liquor, nor any other Body in Nature, whose Colour in Day-light is wholly uncompounded. And then, because though those two were original, and all others might be compounded of them, yet it follows not that they cannot be otherwise produced. For I said that they had a double Origin, the same Colours to Sense being in some Cases compounded, and in others uncompounded ; and sufficiently declared in my *third* and *fourth Propositions*, and in the *Conclusion*, by what Properties the one might be known and distinguish'd from the other. But because I suspect by some Circumstances, that the Distinction might not be rightly apprehended, I shall once more declare it, and further explain it by Examples.

That Colour is Primary or Original, which cannot by any Art be changed, and whose Rays are alike refrangible : And that Compounded, which is changeable into other Colours, and whose Rays are not alike refrangible. For Instance : To know whether the Colour of any green Object be compounded or not, view it through a Prism ; and if it appear confused, and the Edges tinged with Blue, Yellow, or any Variety of other Colours, then is that Green compounded of such Colours as at its Edges emerge out of it : But if it appear distinct, and well defined, and entirely Green to the very Edges,

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without any other Colours emerging, it is of an original and uncompounded Green. In like manner, if a refracted Beam of Light, being cast on a white Wall, exhibit a green Colour, to know whether that be compounded, refract the Beam with an interposed Prism; and if you find any Difformity in the Refractions, and the Green be transformed into Blue, Yellow, or any Variety of other Colours, you may conclude that it was compounded of those that emerge: But if the Refractions be uniform, and the Green persist without any Change of Colour, then is it original and uncompounded. And the Reason why I call it so is, because a Green endued with such Properties cannot be produced by any mixing of other Colours.

Now if two green Objects may to the naked Eye appear of the same Colour, and yet one of them through a Prism seem confused and variegated with other Colours at the Edges, and the other distinct and entirely green; or if there may be two Beams of Light, which falling on a white Wall, do to the naked Eye exhibit the same green Colour, and yet one of them, when transmitted through a Prism, be uniformly and regularly refracted, and retain its Colour unchanged, and the other be irregularly refracted, and made to divaricate into a Multitude of other Colours: I suppose these two Greens will in both Cases be granted of a different Origin and Constitution. And if by mixing Colours, a Green cannot be compounded with the Properties of the unchangeable Green, I think I may call that an uncompounded Colour, especially since its Rays are alike refrangible and uniform in all Respects.

The same Rule is to be observed in examining whether Red, Orange, Yellow, Blue, or any other Colour, be compounded or not. And, by the way, since all white Objects through the Prism appear confused and terminated with Colours, Whiteness must, according to this Distinction, be ever compounded, and that the most of all Colours, because it is the most confused and changed by Refractions.

There now remains the *third* Query to be considered, which is, Whether Whiteness can be an uniform Colour, or a dissimilar Mixture of all Colours? The Experiment which I brought to decide it, the Animadversor thinks, may be otherwise explained, and so concludes nothing. But he might easily have satisfied himself by trying what would be the Result of a Mixture of all Colours. And that very Experiment might have satisfied him, if he had pleased to examine it by the various Circumstances. One Circumstance I there declared, of which I see no Notice taken; and it is, That if any Colour at the Lens be intercepted, the Whiteness will be changed into other Colours: If all the Colours but Red be intercepted, that Red alone in the Concourse or crossing of the Rays, will not constitute Whiteness, but continues as much Red as before; and so of the other Colours. So that the Business is not only to shew how Rays, which before the Concourse exhibit Colours, do in the Concourse exhibit White; but to shew, how, in the same Place, where the several Sorts of Rays apart exhibit several Colours, a Confusion of all together makes White. For Instance, If Red alone be first transmitted to the Paper at the Place of Concourse, and then the other Colours be let fall on that Red, the Question will be, Whether they convert it into White by mixing with it only,

as Blue falling on a Yellow Light is supposed to compound Green? Or whether there be some further Change wrought in the Colours by their mutual acting on one another, until, like contrary *peripatetic Qualities*, they become assimilated? And he that shall explicate this last Case mechanically, must conquer a double Impossibility. He must first shew, that many unlike Motions in a Fluid can by clashing so act on one another, and change each other, as to become one uniform Motion; and then, that an uniform Motion can of itself, without any new unequal Impressions, depart into a great Variety of Motions regularly unequal. And after this he must further tell me, why all Objects appear not of the same Colour; that is, why their Colours in the Air, where the Rays that convey them every Way are confusedly mix'd, do not assimilate one another, and become uniform before they arrive at the Spectator's Eye?

But if there be yet any doubting, 'tis better to put the Event on further Circumstances of the Experiment, than to acquiesce in the Possibility of any hypothetical Explications: As for Instance, by trying what will be the Apparition of these Colours in a very quick Consecution of one another. And this may be easily performed by the rapid Gyration of a Wheel with many Spokes or Coggs in its Perimeter, whose Interstices and Thicknesses may be equal, and of such a Largeness, that, if the Wheel be interposed between the Prism and the white Concourse of the Colours, one half of the Colours may be intercepted by a Spoke or Cogg, and the other half pass through an Interstice. The Wheel being in this Posture, you may first turn it slowly about, to see all the Colours fall successively on the same Place of the Paper, held at their aforesaid Concourse; and if you then accelerate its Gyration, until the Consecution of those Colours be so quick, that you cannot distinguish them severally, the resulting Colour will be a Whiteness perfectly like that, which an unrefracted Beam of Light exhibits, when in like manner successively interrupted by the Spokes or Coggs of that circulating Wheel. And that this Whiteness is produced by a successive Intermixture of the Colours, without their being assimilated, or reduced to any Uniformity, is certainly beyond all Doubt, unless Things that exist not at the same Time, may notwithstanding act on one another.

There are yet other Circumstances, by which the Truth might have been decided; as by viewing the white Concourse of the Colours through another Prism placed close to the Eye, by whose Refraction that Whiteness may appear again transformed into Colours: And then, to examine their Origin, if an Assistant intercept any of the Colours at the Lens before their Arrival at the Whiteness, the same Colours will vanish from amongst those, into which that Whiteness is converted by the second Prism. Now, if the Rays which disappear be the same with those that are intercepted, then it must be acknowledged, that the second Prism makes no new Colours in any Rays, which were not in them before their Concourse at the Paper. Which is a plain Indication, that the Rays of several Colours remain distinct from one another in the Whiteness, and that from their previous Dispositions are derived the Colours of the

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second Prism. And, by the Way, what is said of their Colours may be applied to their Refrangibility.

The aforesaid Wheel may also here be made use of; and, if its Gyration be neither too quick nor too slow, the Succession of the Colours may be discern'd thro' the Prism, whilst to the naked Eye of a By-stander they exhibit Whiteness.

There is something still remaining to be said of this Experiment. But this, I conceive, is enough to enforce it, and so to decide the Controversy. However, I shall now proceed to shew some other Ways of producing Whiteness by Mixtures, since I persuade myself, that this Assertion above the rest appears paradoxical, and is with most Difficulty admitted. And because the Animadversor desires an Instance of it in Bodies of divers Colours, I shall begin with that. But in order thereto it must be consider'd, that such colour'd Bodies reflect but some Part of the Light incident on them; as is evident by the *13th Proposition*: And therefore the Light reflected from an Aggregate of them will be much weaken'd by the Loss of many Rays. Whence a perfect and intense Whiteness is not to be expected, but rather a Colour between those of Light and Shadow, or such a Grey or dirty Colour as may be made by mixing White and Black together.

And that such a Colour will result, may be collected from the Colour of Dust found in every Corner of an House, which hath been observ'd to consist of many colour'd Particles. There may also be produced the like dirty Colour, by mixing several Painters Colours together. And the same may be effected by painting a Top (such as Boys play with) of divers Colours. For when it is made to circulate by whipping it, it will appear of such a dirty Colour.

Now the compounding of these Colours is proper to my Purpose, because they differ not from Whiteness in the Species of Colour, but only in a Degree of Luminousness: Which (did not the Animadversor concede it) I might thus evince. A Beam of the Sun's Light being transmitted into a darkened Room, if you illuminate a Sheet of white Paper by that Light, reflected from a Body of any Colour, the Paper will always appear of the Colour of that Body, by whose reflected Light it is illuminated. If it be a Red Body, the Paper will be Red; if a Green Body, it will be Green; and so of the other Colours. The Reason is, that the Fibres or Threads, of which the Paper consists, are all transparent and specular; and such Substances are known to reflect Colours without changing them. To know, therefore, to what Species of Colour a Grey belongs, place any Grey Body (suppose a Mixture of Painters Colours) in the said Light, and the Paper being illuminated by its Reflection, shall appear White. And the same Thing will happen, if it be illuminated by Reflection from a Black Substance.

These therefore are all of one Species; but yet they seem distinguish'd not only by Degrees of Luminousness, but also by some other Inequalities, whereby they become more harsh or pleasant. And the Distinction seems to be, that Greys, and perhaps Blacks, are made by an uneven Defect of Light, consisting as it were of many little Veins or Streams, which differ either in Luminousness, or in the unequal Distribution of diversly colour'd Rays; such as ought to be

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caused by Reflection from a Mixture of White and Black, or of diversly coloured Corpufcles. But when fuch imperfectly mix'd Light is by a fecond Reflection from the Paper more evenly and uniformly blended, it becomes more pleafant, and exhibits a faint or shadowed Whitenefs. And that fuch little Irregularities as thefe may caufe thefe Differences, is not improbable, if we confider, how much Variety may be caufed in Sounds of the fame Tone, by irregular and uneven Jarrings. And befides, thofe Differences are fo little, that I have fometimes doubted, whether they be any at all, when I have confidered, that a Black and White Body being placed together, the one in a ftrong Light, and the other in a very faint Light, fo proportioned that they might appear equally luminous, it has been difficult to diftinguifh them, when viewed at Difance, unlefs when the Black feemed more Bluifh, and the White Body in a Light ftill fainter, hath, in Comparifon of the Black Body, itfelf appeared Black.

This leads me to another Way of compounding Whitenefs; which is, that, if four or five Bodies of the more eminent Colours, or a Paper painted all over in feveral Parts of it with thofe feveral Colours in a due Proportion, be placed in the faid Beam of Light, the Light reflected from thofe Colours to another White Paper, held at a convenient Difance, fhall make that Paper appear White. If it be held too near the Colours, its Parts will feem of thofe Colours that are neareft them; but by removing it further, that all its Parts may be equally illuminated by all the Colours, they will be more and more diluted, until they become perfectly White. And you may further obferve, that if any of the Colours be intercepted, the Paper will no longer appear White, but of the other Colours which are not intercepted. Now that this Whitenefs is a Mixture of the feverally coloured Rays, falling confufedly on the Paper, I fee no reafon to doubt; becaufe, if the Light became uniform and fimilar before it fell confufedly on the Paper, it muft much more be uniform, when at greater Difance it falls on the Spectator's Eye; and fo the Rays, which come from feveral Colours, would in no Qualities differ from one another, but all of them exhibit the fame Colour to the Spectator, contrary to what he fees.

Not much unlike this Instance it is, that if a polifh'd Piece of Metal be fo placed, that the Colours appear in it as in a Looking-Glafs, and then the Metal be made rough, that by a confufed Reflection thofe apparent Colours may be blended together, they fhall difappear, and by their Mixture caufe the Metal to look White.

But further to enforce this Experiment: If inftead of the Paper, any White Froth, confifting of fmall Bubbles, be illuminated by Reflection from the aforefaid Colours, it fhall to the naked Eye feem White, and yet through a good Microfcope the feveral Colours will appear diftinct on the Bubbles, as if feen by Reflection from fo many fpherical Surfaces. With my naked Eye, being very near, I have alfo difcerned the feveral Colours on each Bubble; and yet at a greater Difance, where I could not diftinguifh them apart, the Froth hath appeared entirely White. And at the fame Difance, when I look'd intently, I have feen the Colours diftinctly on each Bubble; and yet by ftraining

my Eyes, as if I would look at something afar off beyond them, thereby to render the Vision confused, the Froth has appeared without any other Colour than Whiteness. And what is here said of Froths, may easily be understood of the Paper, or Metal, in the foregoing Experiments. For their Parts are specular Bodies, like these Bubbles; and perhaps with an excellent Microscope the Colours may also be seen intermixedly reflected from them.

In proportioning the several colour'd Bodies to produce these Effects, there may be some Niceness; and it will be more convenient to make use of the Colours of the Prism, cast on a Wall, by whose Reflection the Paper, Metal, Froth, and other white Substances may be illuminated. And I usually made my Trials this Way, because I could better exclude any scattering Light from mixing with the Colours to dilute them.

To this Way of compounding Whiteness may be referred that other, by mixing Light after it hath been trajected through transparently colour'd Substances. For Instance, if no Light be admitted into a Room, but only through colour'd Glass, whose several Parts are of several Colours in a pretty equal Proportion; all white Things in the Room shall appear White, if they be not held too near the Glass: And yet this Light, with which they are illuminated, cannot possibly be uniform; because, if the Rays, which at their Entrance are of divers Colours, do in their Progress through the Room suffer any Alteration to be reduced to an Uniformity, the Glass would not in the remotest Parts of the Room appear of the very same Colour, which it doth when the Spectator's Eye is very near it: Nor would the Rays, when transmitted into another dark Room through a little Hole in an opposite Door or Partition-Wall, project on a Paper the Species or Representation of the Glass in its proper Colours.

And, by the by, this seems a very fit and cogent Instance of some other Parts of my *Theory*, and particularly of the 13th *Proposition*. For in this Room all natural Bodies whatever appear in their proper Colours. And all the Phænomena of Colours in Nature, made either by Refraction or without it, are here the same as in the open Air. Now the Light in this Room being such a dissimular Mixture, as I have described in my *Theory*, the Causes of all these Phænomena must be the same that I have here assigned. And I see no reason to suspect, that the same Phænomena should have other Causes in the open Air.

The Success of this Experiment may be easily conjectured by the Appearances of Things in a Church or Chapel, whose Windows are of colour'd Glass; or in the open Air, when it is illustrated with Clouds of various Colours.

There are yet other Ways by which I have produced Whiteness; as by casting several Colours from two or more Prisms upon the same Place; by refracting a Beam of Light with two or three Prisms successively, to make the diverging Colours converge again; by reflecting one Colour to another, and by looking through a Prism on an Object of many Colours; and (which is equivalent to the above-mentioned Way of mixing Colours by concave Wedges filled with coloured Liquors) I have observed the Shadows of a painted Glass-
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Window to become White, where those of many Colours have at a great Distance interfered. But yet for further Satisfaction, the Animadversor may try, if he please, the Effects of four or five such Wedges fill'd with Liquors of as many several Colours.

Besides all these, the Colours of Water-bubbles, and other thin pellucid Substances, afford several Instances of Whiteness produced by their Mixture; with one of which I shall conclude this Particular. Let some Water, in which a convenient Quantity of Soap or Washball is dissolv'd, be agitated into Froth, and after that Froth has stood a while without further Agitation, 'till you see the Bubbles, of which it consists, begin to break, there will appear a great Variety of Colours all over the Top of every Bubble, if you view them near at hand; but if you view them at so great a Distance that you cannot distinguish the Colours one from another, the Froth will appear perfectly White.

Thus much concerning the Design and Substance of the Animadversor's Considerations. There are yet some Particulars to be taken notice of, before I conclude; as the Denial of the *Experimentum Crucis*. On this I chose to lay the whole Stress of my Discourse; which therefore was the principal Thing to have been objected against. But I cannot be convinced of its Insufficiency by a bare Denial, without assigning a Reason for it. I am apt to believe it has been misunderstood; for otherwise it would have prevented the Discourses about rarefying and splitting of Rays; because the Design of it is to shew, that Rays of divers Colours considered apart, do at equal Incidences suffer unequal Refractions, without being split, rarefied, or any ways dilated.

VI. 1. Methinks that the most important Objection which is made against Mr. *Newton* by way of Query, is that, Whether there be more than two sorts of Colours? For my part, I believe, that an Hypothesis, that should explain Mechanically, and by the Nature of Motion, the Colours Yellow, Green, and Blue, would be sufficient for all the rest, in regard those others, being only more deeply charged, (as appears by the Prisms of Mr. *Hook*) do produce the dark or deep Red and Blue; and that of these four all the other Colours may be compounded. Neither do I see why Mr. *Newton* doth not content himself with the two Colours, Yellow and Blue; for it will be much more easy to find any Hypothesis by Motion, that may explicate these two Differences, than for so many Diversities as there are of other Colours. And 'till he hath found this Hypothesis, he hath not taught us, what it is wherein consists the Nature and Difference of Colours, but only this Accident (which certainly is very considerable) of their *different Refrangibility*.

As for the Composition of White made by all the Colours together, it may possibly be, that Yellow and Blue might also be sufficient for that: Which is worth while to try; and it may be done by the Experiment which Mr. *Newton* proposeth, by receiving against a Wall of a darkened Room the Colours of the Prism, and to cast their reflected Light upon white Paper. Here you must hinder the Colours of the Extremities, *viz.* the Red and Purple, from striking against the Wall, and leave only the intermediate Colours, Yellow, Green, and Blue, to see whether the Light of these alone would not make the

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Paper appear White, as well as when they all gave Light. I even doubt, whether the lightest Place of the Yellow Colour may not all alone produce that Effect, and I mean to try it at the first Conveniency; for this Thought never came into my Mind but just now. Mean time you may see, that if these Experiments do succeed, it can no more be said, that all the Colours are necessary to compound White, and that 'tis very probable, that all the rest are nothing but Degrees of Yellow and Blue, more or less charged.

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N. 97. p. 6103.
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2. It seems to me, that *N.* takes an improper Way of examining the Nature of Colours, whilst he proceeds upon compounding those that are already compounded. Perhaps he would sooner satisfy himself by resolving Light into Colours, as far as may be done by Art, and then by examining the Properties of those Colours apart, and afterwards by trying the Effects of re-joining two or more, or all of those; and lastly, by separating them again, to examine what Changes that Re-conjunction had wrought in them. I have formerly shewn, That all Colours cannot practically be deriv'd out of the Yellow and Blue, and consequently that those Hypotheses are groundless, which imply they may. If you ask, what Colours cannot be derived out of Yellow and Blue? I answer, None of those which I defined to be Original; and if he can shew by Experiment how they may, I will acknowledge myself in an Error. Nor is it easier to frame an Hypothesis by assuming only two original Colours, rather than an indefinite Variety; unless it be easier to suppose that there are but two Figures, Sizes, and Degrees of Velocity or Force of the Æthereal Corpuscles or Pulses, rather than an indefinite Variety; which certainly would be a harsh Supposition. No Man wonders at the indefinite Variety of Waves of the Sea, or of Sands on the Shore; but, were they all but two Sizes, it would be a very puzzling Phænomenon. And I should think it as unaccountable, if the several Parts or Corpuscles, of which a shining Body consists, which must be supposed of various Figures, Sizes, and Motions, should impress but two Sorts of Motion on the adjacent Æthereal Medium, or any other Way beget but two Sorts of Rays. But to examine how Colours may be explain'd hypothetically, is beside my Purpose. I never intended to shew wherein consists the Nature and Difference of Colours, but only to shew, that *de facto* they are original and immutable Qualities of the Rays which exhibit them; and to leave it to others to explicate by mechanical Hypotheses, the Nature and Difference of these Qualities; which I take to be no difficult Matter. But I would not be understood, as if their Difference consisted in the *different Refrangibility* of those Rays; for that *different Refrangibility* conduces to their Production no otherwise, than by separating the Rays whose Qualities they are. Whence it is, That the same Rays exhibit the same Colours when separated by any other Means; as by their *different Reflexibility*, a Quality not yet discoursed of.

In the next Particular, where *N.* would shew, that it is not necessary to mix all Colours for the Production of White; the Mixture of Yellow, Green and Blue, without Red and Violet, which he propounds for that End, will not produce White, but Green; and the brightest Part of the Yellow will afford no other Colour but Yellow, if the Experiment be made in a
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Room well darkened, as it ought; because the coloured Light is much weakened by the Reflection, and so apt to be diluted by the mixing of any other scattering Light. But yet there is an Experiment or two formerly mentioned, by which I have produced White out of two Colours alone, and that variously; as out of Orange and a full Blue, and out of Red and a pale Blue, and out of Yellow and Violet, as also out of other Pairs of intermediate Colours. The most convenient Experiment for performing this, was that of casting the Colours of one Prism upon those of another, after a due Manner. But what *N.* can deduce from hence, I see not; for the two Colours were compounded of all others, and so the resulting White (to speak properly) was compounded of them all, and only decomposed of those two. For Instance, the Orange was compounded of Red, Orange, Yellow, and some Green; and the Blue, of Violet, full Blue, light Blue, and some Green, with all their intermediate Degrees; and consequently the Orange and Blue together made an Aggregate of all Colours to constitute the White. Thus if one mix Red, Orange, and Yellow Powders to make an Orange; and Green, Blue and Violet Colours to make a Blue; and lastly, the two Mixtures to make a Grey; that Grey, though decomposed of no more than two Mixtures. is yet compounded of all the six Powders, as truly as if the Powders had been all mixed at once.

This is so plain, that I conceive there can be no further Scruple; especially to them who know how to examine, whether a Colour be simple or compounded, and of what Colours it is compounded; which having explain'd in another Place, I need not now repeat. If therefore *N.* would conclude any Thing, he must shew how White may be produced out of two uncompounded Colours: Which when he hath done, I will farther tell him, why he can conclude nothing from that. But I believe there cannot be found an Experiment of that Kind; because, as I remember, I once try'd, by gradual Succession, the Mixture of all Pairs of uncompounded Colours; and though some of them were paler, and nearer to White than others, yet none could be truly called White. But it being some Years since this Trial was made, I remember not well the Circumstances, and therefore recommend it to others to be tried again.

3. Seeing that Mr. *Newton* maintains his Opinion with so much Concern, *I list not to dispute.* But what means it, I pray, that he saith, *Though I should shew him, that the White could be produced only of two uncompounded Colours, yet I could conclude nothing from that?* And yet he hath affirm'd, that to compose the White, all primitive Colours are necessary. *A Reply, by Monsieur N. N. 97. p. 6112.*

4. In my saying, that when Monsieur *N.* hath shewn how White may be produced out of two uncompounded Colours, I will tell him, why he can conclude nothing from that; my Meaning was, That such a White (were there any such) would have different Properties from the White which I had respect to, when I described my *Theory*, that is, from the White of the Sun's immediate Light, of the ordinary Objects of our Senses, and of all white Phænomena that have hitherto fallen under my Observation. And those different Properties would evince it to be of a different Constitution: Insomuch, that such a Production *Answered, by Mr. Newton. N. 96. p. 6087. July, An. 1673.*

of White would be so far from contradicting, that it would rather illustrate and confirm my Theory; because by the Difference of that from other Whites, it would appear, that other Whites are not compounded of only two Colours like that. And therefore if Monsieur N. would prove any Thing, it is requisite that he do not only produce out of two primitive Colours a White, which to the naked Eye shall appear like other Whites, but also shall agree with them in all other Properties.

But to let you understand wherein such a White would differ from other Whites, and why from thence it would follow that other Whites are otherwise compounded, I shall lay down this Position.

That a compounded Colour can be resolved into no more simple Colours than those of which it is compounded.

Fig. 76.

This seems to be self-evident, and I have also tried it several Ways, and particularly by this which follows: Let α represent an oblong Piece of White Paper about $\frac{1}{3}$ or $\frac{1}{4}$ of an Inch broad, and illuminated in a dark Room, with a Mixture of two Colours cast upon it from two Prisms, suppose a deep Blue and Scarlet, which must severally be as uncompounded as they can conveniently be made; then, at a convenient Distance, suppose of six or eight Yards, view it through a clear Triangular Glass or Crystal Prism held parallel to the Paper, and you shall see the two Colours parted from one another in the Fashion of two Images of the Paper, as they are represented at β and γ ; where suppose β the Scarlet, and γ the Blue, without Green, or any other Colour between them.

Now from the aforesaid *Position* I deduce these two *Conclusions*; 1. That if there were found out a Way to compound White of two simple Colours only, that White would be again resolvable into no more than two. 2. That if other Whites, as that of the Sun's Light, &c. be resolvable into more than two simple Colours (as I find by Experiment that they are) then they must be compounded of more than two.

To make this plainer, suppose that A represents a white Body, illuminated by a direct Beam of the Sun transmitted through a small Hole into a dark Room, and α such another Body, illuminated by a Mixture of two simple Colours; which, if possible, may make it also appear of a white Colour exactly like A: Then, at a convenient Distance, view these two Whites through a Prism, and A will be changed into a Series of all Colours, Red, Yellow, Green, Blue, Purple, with their intermediate Degrees succeeding in Order from B to C. But α , according to the aforesaid Experiment, will only yield those two Colours of which it was compounded, and those not conterminate like the Colours at B C, but separate from one another, as at β and γ , by means of the different Refrangibility of the Rays to which they belong. And thus by comparing these two Whites, they would appear to be of a different Constitution, and A to consist of more Colours than α . So that what Monsieur N. contends for, would rather advance my Theory by the Access of a new Kind of White, than conclude against it. But I see no Hopes of compounding such a White.

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As for Monsieur N. his Expression, *That I maintain my Doctrine with some Concern*, I confess it was a little ungrateful to me, to meet with Objections which had been answered before, without having the least Reason given me why those Answers were insufficient. Those Answers were to shew, that there are other simple Colours besides Blue and Yellow; I instanced in a simple or homogeneal Green, such as cannot be made by mixing Blue and Yellow, or any other Colours. And I also shew'd why, supposing that all Colours might be produced out of two, yet it would not follow that those two are the only original Colours. The Reasons I desire you would compare with what hath now been said of White. And so the Necessity of all Colours to produce White, might have appear'd by that Experiment, where I say, That if any Colour at the Lens be intercepted, the Whiteness (which is compounded of them all) will be changed into (the Result of) the other Colours. *Vid. Suppl. p. 149, & seq.*

However, since there seems to have happened some Misunderstanding between us, I shall endeavour to explain myself a little further in these Things, according to the following Method.

Definitions.] 1. I call that Light homogeneal, similar, or uniform, whose Rays are equally refrangible.

2. And that heterogeneal, whose Rays are unequally refrangible.

Note, There are but three Affections of Light, in which I have observed its Rays to differ, *viz. Refrangibility, Reflexibility, and Colour*; and those Rays which agree in Refrangibility, agree also in the other two, and therefore may well be defined homogeneal, especially since Men usually call those Things homogeneal, which are so in all Qualities that come under their Knowledge, tho' in other Qualities, that their Knowledge extends not to, there may possibly be some Heterogeneity.

3. Those Colours I call simple, or homogeneal, which are exhibited by homogeneal Light.

4. And those compounded or heterogeneal, which are exhibited by heterogeneal Light.

5. Different Colours, I call not only the more eminent Species, Red, Yellow, Green, Blue, Purple, but all other the minutest Gradations; much after the same manner that not only the more eminent Degrees in Musick, but all the least Gradations are esteemed different Sounds.

Propositions.] 1. The Sun's Light consists of Rays differing by indefinite Degrees of Refrangibility.

2. Rays which differ in Refrangibility, when parted from one another, do proportionally differ in the Colours which they exhibit. These two *Propositions* are Matter of Fact.

3. There are as many simple or homogeneal Colours, as Degrees of Refrangibility: For to every Degree of Refrangibility belongs a different Colour, by *Prop. 2.* and that Colour is simple, by *Def. 1.* and 3.

4. Whiteness, in all Respects like that of the Sun's immediate Light, and of all the usual Objects of our Senses, cannot be compounded of two simple Colours

Colours alone: For such a Composition must be made by Rays that have only two Degrees of Refrangibility, by *Def.* 1, and 3; and therefore it cannot be like that of the Sun's Light, by *Prop.* 1; nor, for the same Reason, like that of ordinary white Objects.

5. Whiteness, in all Respects like that of the Sun's immediate Light, cannot be compounded of Simple Colours, without an indefinite Variety of them: For to such a Composition there are requisite Rays endued with all the indefinite Degrees of Refrangibility, by *Prop.* 1. And those infer as many Simple Colours, by *Def.* 1, and 3. and *Prop.* 2, and 3.

To make these a little plainer, I have added also the *Propositions* that follow.

6. The Rays of Light do not act on one another in passing through the same *Medium*. This appears by several former Passages, and is capable of further Proof.

7. The Rays of Light suffer not any Change of their Qualities from Refraction.

8. Nor afterwards from the adjacent quiet Medium. These two Propositions are manifest *de facto* in homogeneal Light, whose Colour and Refrangibility is not at all changeable, either by Refraction, or by the Contermination of a quiet Medium. And as for heterogeneal Light, it is but an Aggregate of several Sorts of homogeneal Light; no one Sort of which suffers any more Alteration than if it were alone, because the Rays act not on one another, by *Prop.* 6. and therefore the Aggregate can suffer none. These two Propositions also might be further proved apart by Experiments, too long to be here described.

9. There can no homogeneal Colours be educed out of Light by Refraction, which were not commixt in it before; because by *Prop.* 7. and 8. Refraction changeth not the Qualities of the Rays, but only separates those which have diverse Qualities, by means of the different Refrangibility.

10. The Sun's Light is an Aggregate of an indefinite Variety of homogeneal Colours; by *Prop.* 1, 3, and 9. And hence it is, that I call homogeneal Colours also primitive or original.

*Animadversions
on this Theory of
Light and Co-
lours; by Mr.
Fr. Linus.
N. 110. p. 217.
Jan. An. 1675.*

VII. 1. I doubt not of what Mr. *Newton* affirms; and have myself sometimes in like Circumstances observed the like Difference between the Length and Breadth of the coloured *Spectrum*; but never found it so when the Sky was clear and free from Clouds, near the Sun: But then only appeared this Difference of Length and Breadth, when the Sun either shined thro' a white Cloud, or enlightened some such Clouds near unto it. And then indeed it was no marvel, the said *Spectrum* should be longer than broad; since the Cloud or Clouds so enlightened, were in order to those Colours like to a great Sun, making a far greater Angle of Intersection in the Hole, than the true Rays of the Sun do make; and therefore are able to enlighten the whole Length of the Prism, and not only some small Part thereof, as we see enlightened by the true Sun-Beams coming thro' the same little Hole. And this we behold also in the true Sun-Beams, when they enlighten the whole Prism; for altho' in a clear Heaven, the Rays of the Sun passing thro' the said Hole, never make a
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Spectrum longer than broad,¹ because they then can occupy but a small Part of the Prism; yet if the Hole be so much bigger as to enlighten the whole Prism, you shall presently see the Length of the Spectrum much exceed its Breadth; which Excess will always be so much the greater, as the Length of the Prism exceeds its Breadth. From whence I conclude, That the Spectrum, this *Learned Author* saw, much longer than broad, was not effected by the true Sun-Beams, but by Rays proceeding from some bright Cloud, as is said; and by Consequence, that the *Theory of Light* grounded upon that *Experiment* cannot subsist.

What I have here said, needs no other Confirmation than meer Experience, which any one may quickly try: neither have I only tried the same upon this Occasion, but near 30 Years ago shew'd the same, together with divers other Experiments of Light, to that worthy Promoter of Experimental Philosophy, Sir *Kenelm Digby*, who coming into these Parts to take the *Sparw-Waters*, resorted oftentimes to my darkned Chamber*, to see the various Phænomena* *At Leige.* of Light, made by divers Refractions and Reflections, and took Notes upon them; which Industry if they also had us'd, who endeavour to explicate the aforesaid Difference between the Length and Breadth of this colour'd *Spectrum*, by the received Laws of Refraction, would never have taken so impossible a Task in Hand.

2. These Animadversions seem to need no other Answer but this, that you would be pleased to consider the Scheme in Mr. *Newton's* second Answer to *P. Parides*, and rest assured, that the Experiment, as 'tis represented, was tried in clear Days, and the Prism placed close to the Hole in the Window, so that the Light had no room to diverge, and the coloured Image made not parallel (as in that Conjecture) but transverse to the Axis of the Prism.

3. If these Assertions be admitted, they do indeed directly cut off what I said of Mr. *Newton's* being deceived by a *bright Cloud*. But if we compare them with Mr. *Newton's* first Relation of the Experiment, it will evidently appear, they cannot be admitted, as being directly contrary to what is there delivered. For there he tells us, *The Ends of the coloured Image, he saw on the opposite Wall near five times as long as broad, seem to be semicircular.* Now these *semicircular Ends* are never seen in a clear Day, as Experience shews. From whence follows against the *first* Assertion, that the Experiment was not made in a clear Day. Neither are those *semicircular Ends* ever seen when the Prism is placed close to the Hole; which contradicts the *second* Assertion. Neither are they ever seen when the Image is transverse to the Length or Axis of the Prism; which directly opposes the *third* Assertion. But if in any of these three Cases, the Image be made so much longer than broad (as easily it may, by turning the Prism a little about its Axis, near *five times* as long as broad) then the one End thereof will run out into a sharp Cone or Pyramis like the Flame of a Candle, and the other into a Cone somewhat more blunt; both which are far from seeming *semicircular*: Whereas, if the Image be made not in a clear Day but with a bright Cloud, and the Prism not placed close to the Hole but in a competent Distance from the same, then these *semicircular Ends* always appear, with the Sides thereof, streight Lines, just

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A Reply by Mr.
Fr. Linus.
N. 121. p. 499.
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as Mr. *Newton* describes them. Neither is the Length of the Image transverse, but parallel to the Length of the Prism. Out of all which it evidently follows, that the Experiment was not made in a clear Day; nor with the Prism close to the Hole; nor yet with the Image transverse, but by a bright Cloud and a parallel Image (as I conjectured); and I hope you will also now say, I had good Reason so to conjecture, since it so well agrees with the Relation. And Experience will also shew you, if you please to make Trial, as it was made in a dark Chamber, and observe the Difference between such an Image made by a bright Cloud, and another made by the immediate Rays of the Sun: For the former you shall always find parallel, with the Ends semicircular; but the latter you shall find transverse, with the Ends pyramidical, as aforesaid, whensoever it appears so much longer than broad.

More might be said out of the same Relation, to shew that the Image was not transverse. For if it had been transverse, Mr. *Newton*, so well skill'd in *Optics*, could not have been surprized (as he says he was) to see the Length thereof so much to exceed the Breadth; it being a Thing so obvious and easy to be explicated by the ordinary Rules of Refraction. That other Place also (where he says the *Incident* Refractions were made in the Experiment *equal to the Emergent*) proves again, that the said oblong Image was not transverse, but parallel. For it is impossible the transverse Image should be so much longer than broad, unless those two Refractions be made very unequal; as both the Computation according to the common Rules of Refraction and Experience testify.

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Newton.
N. 121. p. 501.
N. 123. p. 556.
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4. What it is that imposes upon Mr. *Line* I cannot imagine; but I suspect he has not try'd the Experiment since he acquainted himself with my Theory, but depends upon his old Notions, taken up before he had any Hint given to observe the Figure of the coloured Image. I shall desire him therefore, before he returns any Answer, to try it once more for his Satisfaction, and according to this Manner.

Let him take any Prism, and hold it so that its Axis may be perpendicular to the Sun's Rays, and in this Posture let it be placed as close as may be to the Hole through which the Sun shines into a dark Room, which Hole may be about the Bigness of a Pea. Then let him turn the Prism slowly about its Axis, and he shall see the Colours move upon the opposite Wall, first towards that Place to which the Sun's direct Line would pass, if the Prism were taken away, and then back again. When they are in the Middle of these two contrary Motions, that is, when they are nearest that Place to which the Sun's direct Ray tends, there let him stop; for then are the Rays equally refracted on both Sides the Prism. In this Posture of the Prism let him observe the Figure of the Colours, and he shall find it not round, as he contends, but oblong, and so much the more oblong as the Angle of the Prism, comprehended by the refracting Planes, is bigger, and the Wall, on which the Colours are cast, more distant from the Prism; the Colours Red, Yellow, Green, Blue, Purple, succeeding in Order, not from one Side of the Figure to the other, as in Mr. *Line's* Conjecture, but from one End to the other; and the Length of the Figure being not parallel but transverse to the

Axis of the Prism. After this manner I used to try the Experiment; and it will not succeed well if the Day be not clear, and the Prism placed close to the Hole, or so near at least, that all the Sun's Light that comes from the Hole may pass through the Prism also, so as to appear in a round Form, if intercepted by a Paper immediately after it has passed the Prism.

When Mr. *Line* has try'd this, I could wish he would proceed a little further, to try that which I call'd the *Experimentum Crucis*. For when he has try'd them (which by his denying them, I know he has not done yet as they should be try'd) I presume he will rest satisfied. It may be try'd (tho' not so perfectly) even without darkning a Room, or the Expence of any more Time than half a Quarter of an Hour.

5. Mr. *Linus* (now deceased) try'd the Experiment again and again, and called divers on purpose to see it, nor ever made Difficulty to shew it to any one, who either by Chance came into his Chamber as he was doing it, or shewed the least Desire to see the same, so that for Point of Experience, Mr. *Newton* cannot be more confident on his Side, than we are here on the other; who are fully persuaded, that, unless the Diversity of placing the Prism, or the Bigness of the Hole, or some other such Circumstance, be the Cause of the Difference betwixt them, Mr. *Newton's* Experiment will hardly stand.

6. By Mr. *Gascoigne's* Letter one might suspect, that Mr. *Linus* try'd the Experiment some other Way than I did; and therefore I shall expect, till his Friends have try'd it according to my late Directions. In which Trial it may possibly be a further Guidance to them, to acquaint them that the Prism casts from it several Images. One is, that oblong One of Colours which I mean; and this is made by two Refractions only. Another there is made by two Refractions and an intervening Reflexion; and this is round and colourless, if the Angles of the Prism be exactly equal; but if the Angles at the reflecting Base be not equal, it will be colour'd, and that so much the more, by how much unequal the Angles are, but yet much more unround, unless the Angles be very unequal. A third Image there is, made by one single Reflection, and this is always round and colourless. The only Danger is, in mistaking the *Second* for the *First*. But they are distinguishable not only by the Length and lively Colours of the *First*, but by its different Motion too: For, whilst the Prism is turned continually the same Way about its Axis, the *Second* and *Third* move swiftly, and go always on the same Way, till they disappear; but the *First* moves slow, and grows continually slower, till it be Stationary, and then turns back again, and goes back faster and faster, till it vanish in the Place where it began to appear.

If, without darkning their Room, they hold the Prism at their Window in the Sun's open Light, in such a Posture that its Axis be perpendicular to the Sun-Beams, and then turn it about its Axis, they cannot miss of seeing the first Image; which having found, they may double up a Paper once or twice, and make a round Hole in the middle of it, about $\frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{3}{4}$ of an Inch broad, and hold the Paper immediately before the Prism, that the Sun may shine on the Prism through that Hole; and the Prism being stay'd, and held steddily in that Posture which makes the Image stationary, if the Image

The Experiment of Mr. Line affirmed by Mr. Gascoigne, N. 121. p. 503. marg.

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Answered by Mr. Newton, Ibid. N. 123.

p. 556. Mar. An. 1676.

then fall directly on an opposite Wall, or on a Sheet of Paper placed at the Wall, suppose 15 or 20 Feet from the Prism, or further off; they will see the Image in such an oblong Figure as I have described, with the Red at one End, the Violet at the other, and the bluish Green in the Middle: And if they obscure their Room as much as they can, by drawing Curtains, or otherwise, it will make the Colours the more conspicuous.

This Direction I have set down, that no Body, into whose Hands a Prism shall happen, may find Difficulty and Trouble in trying it. But when Mr. *Linus*'s Friends have try'd it thus, they may proceed to repeat it in a dark Room with a less Hole made in their Window-shut. And then I shall desire that they will send a full and clear Description how they try'd it. I should be glad too, if they will favour me with a Description of the Experiment as it hath been hitherto try'd by Mr. *Linus*; that I may have an Opportunity to consider what there is in that which makes against me.

Exceptions by
Mr. Lucas.
N. 128. p. 692.
Aug. An. 1676.

7. Mr. *Gascoigne* wanting Convenience to make the Experiment, according to the fresh Directions from Mr. *Newton*, requested me to supply this Want. The vertical Angle of my Prism was 60 Degrees; the Distance of the Wall, whereon the coloured *Spectrum* appeared from the Window, about 18 Feet; the Diameter of the Hole in the Window-shuts about $\frac{1}{2}$ Inch, which, upon Occasions, I contracted to half the said Diameter, but still with equal Success as to the main of the Experiment. The Refractions on both Sides the Prism were, as near as I could make them, equal; and consequently about 48 Deg. 40 Min. the refractive Power of Glass being computed according to the Ratio of the Sines 2 to 3. The Distance of the Prism from the Hole in the Shuts was about 2 Inches; the Room darkned to that Degree as to equal the darkest Night, while the Hole in the Shuts was covered.

Now as to the Issue of my Trials; I constantly found the Length of the coloured Image (transverse to the Axis of the Prism) considerably greater than its Breadth, as often as the Experiment was made on a clear Day; but if a bright Cloud were near the Sun, I found it sometimes exactly as Mr. *Line* wrote to you, namely, broader than long, especially while the Prism was placed at a great Distance from the Hole: Which Experiment will not, I conceive, be question'd by Mr. *Newton*, it being so agreeable to the received Laws of Refractions. And indeed the Observations of these two learned Persons, as to this Particular, are easily reconcileable to each other, and both to Truth; Mr. *Newton* contending only for the Length of the Image (transverse to the Axis of the Prism) in a very clear Day; whereas Mr. *Line* only maintained the Excess of Breadth, parallel to the same Axis, while the Sun is in a bright Cloud. Tho' as to what is further deliver'd by Mr. *Newton*, and opposed by Mr. *Line*, namely that the Length of the coloured Image was *five times* the Diameter of its Breadth; I never yet have found the Excess above thrice the Diameter, or at most $3\frac{1}{2}$, while the Refractions on both Sides the Prism were equal. So much as to the Matter of Fact.

Now as to Mr. *Newton*'s *Theory of Light and Colours*, I confess his neat Sett of very Ingenious and Natural Inferences was to me, upon the first Perusal, a strong Conjecture in Favour of his new Doctrine; I having formerly

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merly observed the like Chain of Inferences upon Search into natural Truths. But since several Experiments of Refractions remain still untouched by him, I conceived a further Search into them would be very proper, in order to a further Discovery of the Truth of his Assertion. For accordingly as they are found, either agreeing with, or disagreeing from his new Theory, they must needs much strengthen, or wholly overthrow the same. The Experiments I pitched upon for this Purpose are as follow :

1. Having frequently observed, that the Form of Objects viewed in the Microscope (or rather of the Microscope itself) consists almost in an indivisible Point, I concluded two very small Pieces of Silk, the one Scarlet, the other Violet Colour, placed near together, should, according to Mr. *Newton's* Theory, appear in the Microscope in a very different Degree of Clarity, in regard their unequal Refrangibility must cause the Scarlet Rays, or Species, to over-reach the *Retina*, while placed in the due Focus of the Violet ones, and consequently must occasion a sensible Confusion in the Vision of the former, one and the same Point of the Scarlet Object affecting several Nerves in the *Retina*. Yet upon frequent Trials I have not been able to perceive any Inequality in this Point.

2. The second Experiment I made in Water. I took a Brass Ruler, and fastning thereunto several Pieces of Silk, Red, Yellow, Green, Blue, and Violet, I placed it at the bottom of a Square Vessel of Water : Then I retired from the Vessel so far, as not to be able to see the aforesaid Ruler and coloured Silks, otherwise than by the Help of the refracted Ray. Now, did Mr. *Newton's* Doctrine hold, I conceived I should not see all the mentioned Colours in a streight Line with the Ruler, in regard the unequal Refrangibility of different Rays must needs displace some more than others. Yet in Effect, upon many Trials, I constantly found them in as streight a Line, as the bare Ruler had appeared in.

3. To advance this Experiment, I adjoined a second Refraction to the former of Water, by placing my Prism so, as to receive perpendicularly the refracted Species of the Silk and Ruler ; whereby only the emergent Species suffered a second Refraction : but still with equal Success, as to their appearing in a streight Line to the Eye placed behind the Prism.

4. To these two Refractions I further added a third, by receiving the coloured Species obliquely upon the Prism ; whereby both incident and emergent Species suffered their respective Refractions : But still with the same Success as formerly, as to the streight Line they appeared in.

For further Assurance in this Experiment, lest Prepossession, occasion'd from previous Knowledge of the Silk's Situation in a streight Line, might possibly prejudice the Judgment of the Eye (as sometimes I have observ'd to happen to the Judgment the Eye passeth upon the Distance of Objects) I call'd into the Room some unconcern'd Persons, wholly ignorant of what the Experiment aim'd at ; and demanding whether they saw not the coloured Silks and Ruler in a crooked Line, they answer'd in the Negative.

5. The next Experiment I made in uncompounded Colours (as Mr. *Newton* terms them, *Prop. 5. and 13.*) as follows. Having cast two coloured Images
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upon the Wall, so as the Scarlet Colour of the one did fall in a streight Line (parallel to the Horizon) with the Violet of the other; I then looked upon both through another Prism, and found them still appear in a streight Line parallel to the Horizon, as they had formerly done to the naked Eye. Now according to Mr. *Newton's* Assertion of different Refrangibility in different Rays, I conceive the Violet Rays should suffer a greater Refraction in the Prism at the Eye, than the Scarlet ones; and consequently both Colours should not appear in a streight Line parallel to the Horizon.

6. Another Experiment I made, in order to some further Discovery of that surprizing Phænomenon of the coloured Image, which occasioned Mr. *Newton's* ingenious Theory of Light and Colours, as also of his excellent Invention of the reflecting Telescope and Microscope. Having then sometimes suspected, that not only the direct Sun-Beams, but also other extraneous Light, might possibly influence the coloured *Spectrum*, I hoped to discover the Truth of this Suspicion by means of the Sun-Spots, made to appear in the coloured Image, by placing a Telescope behind the Prism. But my Endeavours proving ineffectual herein, by reason of some intervening Difficulties, I thought at length of a more feasible Method, in order to the designed Discovery; as in the following Experiment.

Fig. 77.

I fastned a very white Paper-Circle (about an Inch in Diameter) upon my Window shuts; and beholding it thro' my Prism, I found a coloured Image painted thereby upon my *Retina*, answerable in almost all respects to the former of the Sun-Beams upon the Wall, especially when the Paper-Circle was indifferently well illuminated. This Image indeed appeared contrary to the former, as to the Situation of Colours, that is, the Scarlet appearing above, the Violet below, tho' but faint. But this I was not surprized at, having observed upon dissecting the Eye, that Objects are painted on the *Retina* after a contrary Posture to what they appear to sight. Having thus rendered the coloured Image much more tractable than formerly it was, I conceived good Hopes of some further Discovery in the Point mentioned.

In Pursuance then of my former Suspicion, having fixed my Prism in a steady Posture, I caused the Paper C to be applied close up to the Paper-Circle *a b d*; whereupon the former Violet *d*, and the Scarlet Colour of C, vanished into Whiteness. Next I removed the mentioned Circle from the Shuts, and placed it in the open Window, supported only by the Edge *d*: whereupon, to my Astonishment, all the former Colours exchanged Postures in the *Retina*; the Scarlet now appearing below, the Violet above, the intermediate Colours scarce discernible. And here, by the by, 'tis very remarkable, that during this Observation I clearly perceived both Blue and Scarlet Light to be transparent, I being able to discern several Objects thro' both, namely, Steeples opposite to my Window: Whence it follows, that these Colours do in great Part arise from the neighbouring Light. Lastly, I placed the Paper-Circle anew, so as the one half *b* was fastned to the Shuts, the other Semicircle *a* being exposed to the open Air. Whereupon the Semicircle *a* became bordered with Violet above, Scarlet below; but the other Semicircle *b*, quite contrary. Hence I make the following Inferences.

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First, That not only the Light reflected from the Paper-Circle, but also from the ambient Air, hath great Influence upon the coloured Image, especially as to the Violet and Scarlet Colours. Whence, perchance, it will not hereafter seem strange that the coloured Spectrum on the Walls is so long, but only that the Breadth is not greater. Secondly, Were there a more luminous Body behind the Sun, we should in all likelihood have the Colours of the Spectrum in a contrary Situation to what they appear in at present: Whence, Thirdly, it seems to follow, that the present Situation and Order of Colours ariseth not from any intrinsical Property of *Refrangibility*, (as maintained by Mr. *Newton*) but from contingent and extrinsical Circumstances of neighbouring Objects: For accordingly as the Body behind the Paper-Circle was more or less illuminated than the Circle itself, all the several Colours changed their Situation.

8. The next Experiment was made in order to Mr. *Newton's* Doctrine of primary Colours, as *Prop. 5.* Having covered the Hole in the Window-shuts with a thin Slice of Ivory, the transmitted Light appeared Yellow; but upon adding three, four, or more Slices, it became Red. Whence it seems to follow, that Yellowness of Light is not a primary Colour, but a Compound of Red, &c.

9. The last Experiment was made in reference to Mr. *Newton's* 12. *Prop.* where from his own Principles he renders a very plausible Reason of a surprising Phænomenon, related by Mr. *Hooke*; namely, of two Liquors, the one Blue, and the other Red, both severally transparent; yet both, if placed together, became opaque. The Reason whereof, saith Mr. *Newton*, is, because if one Liquor transmitted only Red, the other only Blue, no Rays could pass thro' both.

In reference then to this Point, I filled two small Glasses with flat polished Bottoms, the one with *Aqua fortis* deeply died Blue, the other with Oil of Turpentine died Red, both to that Degree, as to represent all Objects thro' them respectively Blue or Red: Then placing the one upon the other, I was able to discern several Bodies thro' both. Whereas, according to Mr. *Newton's* Theory, no Object should appear through both Liquors; because if one transmit only Red, the other only Blue, no Rays can pass thro' both.

P. S. Just upon the close of the adjoined Letter, I received from Mr. Gascoigne yours of May the 4th; wherein you are pleased to favour us with an exact Account of the famous Experiment of the coloured Spectrum, lately exhibited before the Royal Society. I was much rejoiced to see the Trials of that Illustrious Company agree so exactly with ours here; tho' in somewhat ours disagree from Mr. *Newton*.

8. The Things opposed by Mr. *Line* being upon Trials found true and granted me, I begin with the new Question about the Proportion of the Length of the Image to its Breadth: And it is no wonder that Mr. *Lucas* found the Image shorter than I did, seeing he tried the Experiment with a less Angle.

Answered by
Mr. *Newton*..
Ibid. p. 698.

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The Angle indeed which I used was but about 63 Degrees, 12 Min. and his is set to 60 Degrees; the Difference of which from mine being but 3 Deg. 12 Min. is too little to reconcile us; but yet it will bring us considerably nearer together. And if this Angle was not exactly measured, but the round Number of 60 Degrees set down by guess, or by a less accurate Measure (as I suspect by the conjectural Measure of the Refraction of his Prism, by the Ratio of the Sines as 2 to 3, set down at the same Time, instead of an Experimental one) then might it be two or three Degrees less than 60 Deg. if not still less: And all this, if it should be so, would take away the greatest Part of the Difference between us.

But however it be, I am well assured my own Observation was exact enough. For I have repeated it divers times since the Receipt of Mr. *Lucas's* Letter, and that without any considerable Difference of my Observations, either from one another, or from what I wrote before: And that it might appear experimentally, how the Increase of the Angle increases the Length of the Image, and also that no body, who has a mind to try the Experiment exactly, might be troubled to procure a Prism which has an Angle just of the Bigness assigned by me, I tried the Experiment with divers Angles, and have set down my Trials in the following Table; where the first Column expresses the Angles of two Prisms which I used, which are measured as exactly as I could, by applying them to the Angle of a Sector; and the second Column expresses, in Inches, the Length of the Image made by each of those Angles; its Breadth being two Inches, its Distance from the Prism 18 Feet and 4 Inches, and the Breadth of the Hole in the Window shut $\frac{1}{4}$ of an Inch.

<i>Angles</i>	<i>Lengths</i>		<i>Angles</i>	<i>Lengths</i>
The first Prism	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 56^{\circ} \ 10' \\ 60 \ 24 \\ 63 \ 26 \end{array} \right\} \left \begin{array}{l} 7\frac{1}{4} \\ 9\frac{1}{2} \\ 10\frac{1}{3} \end{array} \right.$	The second Prism	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 54^{\circ} \ 0' \\ 62 \ 12 \\ 63 \ 48 \end{array} \right\} \left \begin{array}{l} 7\frac{2}{3} \\ 10\frac{1}{3} \\ 10\frac{3}{4} \end{array} \right.$	

You may perceive, that the Length of the Images, in respect of the Angles that made them, are something greater in the second Prism than in the first; but that was because the Glass, of which the second Prism was made, had the greater refractive Power.

The Days in which I made these Trials were pretty clear, but not so clear as I desired; and therefore, afterwards meeting with a Day as clear as I desired, I repeated the Experiment with the second Prism, and found the Lengths of the Image made by its several Angles, to be about $\frac{1}{4}$ of an Inch greater than before; the Measures being those set down in the Table.

<i>Angles</i>	<i>Lengths</i>
The second Prism	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 54^{\circ} \ 0' \\ 62 \ 12 \\ 63 \ 48 \end{array} \right\} \left \begin{array}{l} 7\frac{2}{3} \\ 10\frac{1}{2} \\ 11 \end{array} \right.$

The Reason of this Difference, I apprehend, was, that in the clearest Days the Light of the White Skies, which dilutes and renders invisible the faintest Colours at the Ends of the Image, is a little diminished in a clear Day, and so gives leave to the Colours to appear to a great Length; the Sun's Light at the same time becoming brisker, and so strengthening the Colours, and making the faint ones at the two Ends more conspicuous: For I have observed, that in Days something cloudy, whilst the Prism has stood unmoved at the Window, the Image would grow a little longer or a little shorter, accordingly as the Sun was more or less obscured by thin Clouds which passed over it; the Image being shortest while the Cloud was brightest, and the Sun's Light faintest. Whence it is easy to apprehend, that if the Light of the Clouds could be quite taken away, so that the Sun might appear surrounded with Darkness, or if the Sun's Light were much stronger than it is, the Colours would still appear to a greater Length.

In all these Observations the Breadth of the Image was just two Inches. But observing that the Sides of the two Prisms I used were not exactly plain, but a little Convex, (the Convexity being about so much as that of a double Convex-Glass of a sixteen or eighteen Foot Telescope) I took a third Prism, whose Sides were as much Concave as those of the other were Convex; and this made the Breadth of the Image to be two Inches and a third Part of an Inch; the Angles of this Prism, and the Lengths of the Image made by each of those Angles, being those expressed in this Table.

Angles	Lengths
58°	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
59 $\frac{1}{2}$	9
62 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 $\frac{1}{2}$

In this Case you see the Concave Figure of the Sides of the Prism, by making the Rays diverge a little, causes the Breadth of the Image to be greater in proportion to its Length than it would be otherwise. And this I thought fit to give you notice of, that Mr. Lucas may examine, whether his Prism hath not this Fault. If a Prism may be had with Sides exactly plain, it may do well to try the Experiment with that; but 'tis better if the Sides be about so much Convex as those of mine are, because the Image will thereby become much better defined: For this Convexity of the Sides does the same Effect, as if you should use a Prism with Sides exactly plain, and between it and the Hole in the Window-shut, place an Object-Glass of an 18 Foot Telescope, to make the round Image of the Sun appear distinctly defined on the Wall when the Prism is taken away, and consequently the long Image made by the Prism to be much more distinctly defined (especially at its streight Sides) than it would be otherwise.

One Thing more I shall add: That the utmost Length of the Image, from the faintest Red at one End, to the faintest Blue at the other, must be measured. For in my first Letter about Colours, where I set down the Length to be five Times the Breadth, I called that Length the utmost Length of

the Image; and I measured the utmost Length, because I account all that Length to be caused by the immediate Light of the Sun, seeing the Colours (as I noted above) become visible to the greatest Length in the clearest Days, that is, when the Light of the Sun transcends most the Light of the Clouds. Sometimes there will happen to shoot out from both Ends of the Image a glaring Light a good way beyond these Colours; but this is not to be regarded, as not appertaining to the Image. If the Measures be taken right, the whole Length will exceed the Length of the streight Sides by about the Breadth of the Image.

By these Things set down thus circumstantially, I presume Mr. *Lucas* will be enabled to accord his Trials of the Experiment with mine; so nearly at least, that there shall not remain any very considerable Difference between us. For if some little Difference should still remain, that need not trouble us any further, seeing there may be many various Circumstances which may conduce to it; such as are not only the different Figures of Prisms, but also the different refractive Power of Glasses, the different Diameters of the Sun at divers Times of the Year, and the little Errors that may happen in measuring Lines and Angles, or in placing the Prism at the Window; though, for my part, I took Care to do these Things as exactly as I could. However, Mr. *Lucas* may make sure to find the Image as long or longer than I have set down, if he take a Prism whose Sides are not hollow ground, but plain, or (which is better) a very little convex, and whose refracting Angle is as much greater than that I used, as that he hath hitherto tried it with, is less; that is, whose Angle is about 66 or 67 Degrees, or (if he will) a little greater.

Concerning Mr. *Lucas's* other Experiments, I am much obliged to him that he would take these Things so far into Consideration, and be at so much Pains for examining them; and I thank him so much the more, because he is the first that hath sent me an experimental Examination of them. But yet it will conduce to his more speedy and full Satisfaction, if he a little change the Method which he has propounded, and, instead of a Multitude of Things, try only the *Experimentum Crucis*: For it is not Number of Experiments, but Weight to be regarded; and where one will do, what need many?

The main Thing he goes about to examine is, the *Different Refrangibility of Light*; and this I demonstrated by the *Experimentum Crucis*. Now if this Demonstration be good, there needs no further Examination of the Thing; if not good, the Fault of it is to be shewn: For the only way to examine a demonstrated Proposition is to examine the Demonstration. Let that Experiment therefore be examined in the first Place, and that which it proves be acknowledged; and then, if Mr. *Lucas* wants my Assistance to unfold the Difficulties which he fancies to be in the Experiments he has propounded, he shall freely have it. At present I shall say nothing in Answer to his Experimental Discourse, but this in general, That it has proceeded partly from some Misunderstanding of what he writes against, and partly for want of due Caution in trying Experiments; and that amongst his Experiments, there is one, which, when duly tried, is, next to the *Experimentum Crucis*, the most conspicuous

spicuous Experiment, I know, for proving the different Refrangibility of Light, which he brings it to prove against.

By the Postscript of Mr. *Lucas's* Letter, one not acquainted with what has passed, might think that he quotes the Observation of the *Royal Society* against me; whereas the Relation of their Observation, which you sent to *Liege*, contained nothing at all about the just Proportion of the Length of the Image to its Breadth according to the Angle of the Prism, nor any Thing more (so far as I can perceive by your last) than what was pertinent to the Things then in Dispute, *viz.* that they found them succeed as I had affirmed. And therefore, since Mr. *Lucas* has found the same Success, I suppose, that when he expressed, That *he much rejoiced to see the Trials of the R. Society agree so exactly with his*, he meant only so far as his agreed with mine.

P. S. I had like to have forgotten to advise, that the Experimentum Crucis, and such others as shall be made for knowing the Nature of Colours, be made with Prisms that refract so much, as to make the Length of the Images five Times its Breadth, and rather more than less; for otherwise, Experiments will not succeed so plainly with others, as they have done with me.

VIII. I took a stiff Piece of brown Paper, and pricking a small Hole therein, I held it at a little Distance from me; then applying a Needle to my Eye, I was surprized to see the Point of it inverted. The nearer the Needle was to the Hole, it was so much the more magnified, but less distinct; and if it were so held, as that its Image was near to the Edge of the Hole, its Point seemed crooked. So that, it seems, these small Holes, or somewhat in them, perform the Effects of a Concave Speculum; and so I take leave to call them *Aerial Speculums*.

An Optical Experiment; by Mr. Steph. Gray. N. 221. p. 286. June, An. 1696.

IX. 1. Having this Opportunity I send you a Construction of the Problem of *Alhazen*, which my Colleges here approve of very much. The Problem is this: *A Concave or Convex Speculum being given, also the Eye and a Point of the Object, to find the Point of Reflexion.*

A Problem of Alhazen, solved by Mr. Chr. Huygens. N. 97. p. 6119. Oct. An. 1673. Fig. 78.

Let the Speculum be a Part of a Sphere whose Center is the Point A, let the Eye be at B, and the visible Point at C, and let the Plain drawn through A, B, C, make a Circle *Dd* in the Sphere, in which the Points of Reflexion are to be found. Through the three Points A, B, C, let the Circumference of a Circle be described, whose Center is Z: Let *AE* produced meet it in R, being perpendicular to *BC*, and to the two Lines *RA*, *OA*, let *NA* be a third Proportional, and *NM* parallel to *BC* will be one of the Asymptotes. Again, let these be Proportionals *EA*, $\frac{1}{2}$ *AO*, *AI*, and the Sum *IY* being equal to *IN*, let *YM* be drawn parallel to *AZ*; which will be the other Asymptote. Lastly taking *IX*, *IS*, each of which is equal in Power to half the Square *AO*, together with the Square *AI*; the Points *x* and *s* will be in the Hyperbola, or the opposite Sections *Dd* to be described to the Asymptotes now found, whose Intersections with the Circumference *DO* will shew the Points of Reflexion required. This Construction takes Place in every

Case in which the Problem is solid, except in one, wherein a Parabola and not an Hyperbola is to be described. That is, when the Circumference through the Points A, B, C, touches the Right Line A E.

By Mr. Slufius,
ibid.

2. When I reduced the Construction of the ingenious Mr. *Huygens* to Calculation, I found he had follow'd the same Analysis as myself. But since two Effections may be derived from it, each of them by the Hyperbola about its Asymptotes, he made Choice of one, and I of the other as being the easier. Now it is plain, that nothing else is required in this Problem, if we reduce it to mere Geometrical Terms, unless that in a given Circle, whose Center is A and Radius A P, some Point as P should be found, from whence drawing Right Lines P E, P B, to the given Points E, B, at an unequal Distance from the Center A, the Right Line A P being produced may bisect the Angle E P B. Now this admits of a Variety of Cases. Either the Perpendicular from A upon the Right Line E B, that is A O, falls between E and B, or beyond B. If beyond, the Rectangle E O B is either equal to the Square of A O, or is greater or less. Concerning the Case of Equality we shall see afterwards; now we shall comprehend the other three Cases nearly in the same Construction. Let a Circle pass through the three Points A, E, B, to the Circumference of which let A O be produced to D. And if the Point O falls between E and B, the Right Line A O is to be produced towards O; but if it falls beyond B, and the Rectangle E O B be greater than the Square of A O, it must be produced towards A; but if that Rectangle be less than the Square, the Circle will cut the Right Line A O in the Point D. Then drawing A X parallel to E B, cutting the given Circle in N, let it be made, as the Rectangle D A O is to the Square of A N, so $\frac{1}{2}$ A X to A H, which must be taken towards X if O falls between E and B, or the Rectangle E O B be less than the Square of O A, or on the contrary Side if it be greater. Now let us suppose O Q to be equal to A H, (directly to E B in the first and second Case, but towards E in the third) then let these be made Proportionals X A, N A, H K, to be taken in all Cases towards X; and A O being divided in V, that K A to A V may have the same Ratio as A D to A X; let K V be joined, and produced till it meet the Right Line Q M, parallel to O A, indefinitely produced in the Point L. Then in every Case K L and Q L will be the Asymptotes of the Hyperbola, which being described through the Point O will answer the Purpose: Yet with this Difference, that in the first and second Case an Hyperbola through O will solve the Problem in the Convex Speculum, but the Section opposite to it in the Concave. But in the third Case on the contrary, the Hyperbola through O will serve for the Concave, and the opposite Hyperbola for the Convex. And thus it will be when the Point V falls between A and O; for if it should fall beyond O, one Hyperbola alone described between the same Q L, K L, would suffice both for the Concave and Convex. But if V should fall upon the Point O, then the Problem would become plane, and the Right Lines L Q, L K, would perform it. Whence it appears, that there are infinite Cases of this Problem, which may be solved by what is called *Locus planus*: So that they seem to deserve to be forgiven, who have thought it may be solved universally by the

the same *Locus*; because thus sometimes the Calculation has been successful. For no Position can be given of the three Points A, E, B, (as to the Case of Equality between the Rectangle E O B and the Square O A, we shall see presently) which does not admit that some Circle may be described from the Center O, at whose Circumference the Problem may be solved by a plane Place. Now the Radius of this Circle, if it be worth while, may thus be found. In the first and second Case of the Construction above, let it be made, as the Square of A X together with the double of the Rectangle O A D, to the double Square of A D, so the Square of A O to the Square of A N; A N will be the Radius required. But in the third Case it must be made, as the Square of A X subtracting the double Rectangle O A D, to the double Square of A D, so is the Square of A O to the Square of A N.

Now there remains another Case to be constructed, that is, when the Rectangle E O B is equal to the Square of A O, or in which the Circle described through the Points A, E, B, touches the Right Line A O. For Mr. *Huygens* has rightly admonished, that in this Case a Parabola must be described. Which yet is not so to be understood, as though it could not be solved by an Hyperbola, since it admits of either an Hyperbola, or an Ellipsis, nay an infinite Number of them, if any one shall proceed by our Method. However it admits of a Solution by a Parabola, which the other Cases refuse. For the same Reason that must be limited when he says, that his Construction takes Place in every Case where the Problem is solid; for he means, that by a small Alteration an Hyperbola may always be found, which will serve the Purpose; which will appear to any one that shall compare the Cases above constructed with his Construction. Now that I may return to the Case of Equality, and that I may not seem to have made a rash Assertion, here you have not one but two Parabola's, and opposite Hyperbola's besides, that will answer the Purpose. Let the given Points be E, B, as before; let a Circle be described with Center A, and another through the three Points A, E, B, whose Tangent is A O, and Center D. Drawing the Diameter N A D X, let there be three Proportionals X A, N A, Z A, the half of which is A L. Again let there be three Proportionals 2 O A, N A, I A, whose half is K A, and let the Rectangle L A O V be compleated; and L V being produced to S, till V S be a third Proportional to A I, O V; with Axis S L and *latus rectum* A I, and Vertex S, let a Parabola be described; for this will cut the Circle in the Points required, P, P. Another will do the same Thing; thus the Rectangle D A K C being compleated, and K C being produced to T, so that C T may be a third Proportional to A Z, D C, it may be described about the Axis T K, with the Vertex T, and the *latus rectum* Z A; for it will meet the Circle in the same Points P, P. The Construction is still easier by the opposite Sections; for making as before the three Proportionals X A, N A, Z A, let fall the Perpendicular Z I, being a third Proportional to the double of A O, and A N. Therefore will Z I be greater than Z A, since the double of A O is less than X A. Then in the Point I let the Right Lines I Q, I M, be inclined to the Right Line I Z on both Sides to half a Right Angle, and be produced indefinitely both

Ways.

Fig. 82.

Fig. 83.

Ways. Then about them as Asymptotes let an Hyperbola be described through A, and another opposite to it; for this will satisfy the Problem in the Convex Speculum, and the other in the Concave. But since ZI is always greater than ZA, as we have shewn, the Right Line IM will never pass through A. Therefore there will be no Case in which by this Construction (as in the former) the Problem can be solved by the Asymptotes themselves. And yet this sometimes may admit a *Locus Planus*, when it happens, that the Right Line XO, drawn to the Center D, may touch the Circle NPP; for then the Point of Contact itself will satisfy the Question. And so much concerning a Problem, which has exercised the Wits of many, and whose Solution I compleated some Years ago.

Overwise by Mr.
Slusius. *ibid.*
p. 6123.
Fig. 84.

I send you here my second Thoughts about the Problem of *Alhazen*.

Let a Circle be given whose Center is A; and D and *d* are Points given. Let that which is inquired be supposed to be done, and let the incident Ray be DE; the reflected Ray Ed, and from the Point of Reflexion E let the Perpendicular EI fall upon the joined Line DA; and upon the same the Perpendicular dN from *d*, and let the Tangent EC and the Ray dE meet the same produced in B. Now make DA = *z*, AI = *a*, NA = *n*, EI = *e*, dN = *b*, BA = *y*, AE = *q*, and CA = *x*. Therefore, since the Angles DEC and CEB are equal, and CEA is a Right Angle, by the Hypothesis the three Lines DA, CA, BA, will be Harmonically Proportionals, which is easily shewn. Therefore it will be as DA to BA so is DC to CB; or in Analytical Terms; $z.y :: z - x . x - y$, and $2zy - xy$

= zx , or $\frac{2zy}{z+y} = x$. Now since the Rectangle CAI, or xa , is equal to

the Square of AE, or qq , it will be $x = \frac{qq}{a}$, and consequently $\frac{2zy}{z+y} =$

$\frac{qq}{a}$, or $\frac{zqq}{2za - qq} = y$. Again, it is as dN to EI, so is NB to IB; or

$b.e :: y - n . y - a$. Therefore $ye - ne = by - ba$, and $y = \frac{ba - ne}{b - e}$.

Therefore $\frac{zqq}{2za - qq} = \frac{ba - ne}{b - e}$, or $2zbaa - 2znae - qqba + qqne$

= $bzqq - zqqe$. Which is an Equation to the Hyperbola about its

Asymptotes, the Construction of which with a given Circle satisfies the Problem. But because of the Circle, since it is $qq = aa + ee$, if instead of

$2bzbaa$ its Value $2bzqq - 2bzee$ is substituted, we shall have $bzqq -$

$2bzee - 2znae - qqba + qqne = -zqqe$, which is another Equation

to the Hyperbola about the Asymptotes. And by this Method, or by that which we have explained in our Treatise of Analysis, infinite Equations will

come out to Hyperbolas and Ellipses, which with a given Circle will perform the Problem; except that the Effections will generally become so intricate, as it may not be worth while to attempt them. Yet they may be constructed after that Manner which we have made use of in the Ellipsis.

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We have reduced, as you will perceive, the Sum of our Calculation to the Line DA ; but you may observe, that with the same ease it might have been referred to dA , which is also given, by drawing those Lines which in the Scheme are shadowed out by Points. But there is no need of the Labour of a new Calculation. For if you apply to the Right Line dA and to its Parts the same Analytical Terms as before, that is, if you make $dA = z$, $Dn = b$, $nA = n$, $AI = a$, $iE = e$, &c. the same Equation will come out as before, and you will obtain infinite other Hyperbola's and Ellipses, which with the given Circle will satisfy the Problem. I should be tiresome if I was to pursue all the Cases, since their Equations differ only by the Signs $+$ and $-$. I except only one, which is when dAD is a right Angle; for its Equation will be had only by expunging out of the former those Terms which are effected by n , which then vanishes into nothing. Which Equation will be this, $2zbaa - qqba = bzqq - zqqe$; or this, $zbqq - qqba = 2zbee - zqqe$, instead of $2zbaa$ writing its Value.

Yet it is to be observed, that although by referring the Analysis to the right Line DA , two Hyperbola's in the Equation presently offer themselves; and others as many different from the former, when the Calculation is referred to the Right Line dA ; yet the very same Parabola's come forth, when the Analysis is referred to either of the Right Lines dA or DA . The Reason of which you will perceive by a little Consideration.

Now give me Leave, learned Sir, to apply the foregoing Analysis to all the Problems which are used to be proposed about the Reflection of Spherical *Specula*, and that by a new Scheme. Therefore let there be a Circle as before, whose Center is A , D a point given, and from that an incident Ray DE , whose reflected Ray is EQ . Let DA be joined, and to it be drawn the Tangent EC , and perpendicular EI . Let the Right Line QEB be produced to the same, and the Parts be denominated as before; that is, $DA = z$, $CA = x$, $AE = q$, $BA = y$, $AI = a$, $IE = e$. Now because of the three Lines harmonically Proportionals DA , CA , BA , and the three Geometrically Proportionals CA , AE , AI , we shall always have the Equation

$y = \frac{zqq}{2za - qq}$, upon whatever point of the Circle the Ray DE may fall.

Therefore if the Point E be required, in which if the Ray DE falls, it may be reflected parallel to the Diameter LA perpendicular to DA , the reflected Ray QE produced will pass through I , as is plain; and I and B will

coincide. Therefore $a = y = \frac{zqq}{2za - qq}$, or $aa - \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{qqa}{z} = \frac{1}{2} qq$, and

the Problem will be solved by Plains.

If the Point be required, from whence a Ray may be reflected parallel to any other Line, as AK drawn from the Center A ; from the point L draw a Tangent to it $KL = d$; it is plain the Triangles AKL , EIB , will be similar, since all the Sides of one are parallel to the Sides of the other.

Therefore AL to LK , as EI to IB , or $q.d :: e.a - y$; and $\frac{qa - de}{q} =$
 $y =$

$y = \frac{zqq}{2za - qq}$; and $zq^3 = 2qzaa - 2zdae - q^3a + qqde$, or for aa putting $qq - ee$, $zq^3 = 2zq^3 - 2zqee - 2zdae - q^3a + q^2de$. But either of the Equations is to an Hyperbola about the Asymptotes, which with a given Circle solves the Problem.

Let it now be proposed to cause, that the reflected Ray shall pass through a given Point N, as in the Problem of *Albazen*, or that being produced towards the Point of Reflection E, it may meet the given Point N. From N let $NO = n$ fall perpendicularly upon AL , and make $AO = b$. It is plain it will be, as AO to the difference of ON and AB , so is EI to IB ; that is, $b.n - y :: e.a - y$: Or $b.y - n :: e.y - a$. Therefore $\frac{ba - ne}{b - e} = y = \frac{zqq}{2za - qq}$. Whence $2zbaa - 2znae - qqba + qqne = bzqq - zqqe$; which is the very Equation of *Albazen's* Problem, which

we deduced above. Or in the second case $\frac{ba + ne}{b + e} = y = \frac{zqq}{2za - qq}$ or $2zbaa + 2znae - qqba - qqne = zbqq + zqqe$.

And these are the Problems commonly proposed about the Point of Reflection, in which hitherto we have supposed the Distance of the point D to be finite. But the Analysis will be easier if we suppose it infinite. For CA being divided equally in G , it is plain from the Property of the three harmonical Proportionals DA , CA , BA , that the three Lines DG , CG , BG , will be Geometrical Proportionals, whatever the Distance of the point D is supposed to be. Therefore if it is supposed infinite, BG will become nothing, and the Points B , G , will coincide. Therefore AB will always be equal to BC , and $CA = 2y$, and the Rectangle CAI being equal to the Square of

AE , will give in Analytical Terms $2ay = qq$, or $y = \frac{qq}{2a}$. And since the

Distance of the Point D is supposed infinite, ED will be parallel to AC . Therefore if the reflected Ray parallel to AL is required, because in this

Case a and y coincide, it will be $a = y = \frac{qq}{2a}$, or $aa = \frac{1}{2}qq$; if it is desired

to be parallel to AK , it will be again $q.d :: e.a - y$, and $\frac{qa - de}{q} = y =$

$\frac{qq}{2a}$, or $2qaa - dae = q^3$. If it is required to pass through N, it will be as

above $\frac{ba + ne}{b + e} = y = \frac{qq}{2a}$, and therefore $2baa + 2nae = bq + qqe$.

Which Equations are also to Hyperbola's about their Asymptotes, unless when the Point N is supposed to be in AL ; for whereas then n becomes nothing, taking away those Terms from the Equation in which n is found, the remaining Terms will give an Equation to a Parabola, as we have taken Notice before.

You cannot expect, learned Sir, that as hitherto I have given Examples only in concave Speculum's, so now I should proceed to convex. For you know the Analysis is the same in both, and their Equations differ only in varying the Signs + and -. You know the Parabola or Ellipsis that satisfies one, will satisfy the other also; and if the Hyperbola solves the Problem in the Convex, the opposite Hyperbola will do the same in the Concave. Therefore omitting these I shall only add, that by the same Analysis in concave Speculum's we may find their Focus's, and the Spaces taken up by the Rays in the Axis, at any distance of the lucid Point: But with great Facility when the Rays come parallel, which yet I have seen demonstrated by some in a round-about way. For in the Concave Speculum E E, whose Center is A, if the extreme Ray is supposed to be reflected to the Axis A R in B, Fig. 86. drawing the Tangent E C it will be $CB = BA$. Let the Semiaxis A R be bisected in Q; therefore Q will be the Focus; and Q B will be the Space required. But Q B is half C R, because of the Equals A Q, Q R, A B, B C, that is, half of the Excess of the Arch E R above the whole Sine. Therefore if the Arch E R, for Example, be Nine Degrees, A C will be 101246, and $BQ = \frac{623}{100000}$ of A R.

4. This is the Compendium that I found at the same time, about the first Construction communicated to you at first. Drawing the Line A T, parallel Otherwise by Mr. Huygens, N. 98. p. 6140. D. An. 1673. Fig. 87, 88. to C B, and that being bisected in V, this is that point through which one of the opposite Hyperbola's ought to pass, whose Asymptotes are found to be Y M, M N.

But here is that genuine Construction which is sufficient in all cases. Let the given Circle be E D whose Center is A, and the points given B and C. Drawing the Lines A B, A C; let these be Proportionals, B A, the Radius of the Circle, and F A; and likewise C A, the Radius of the Circle, and G A. Then let F G be joined, and let it be bisected in H. Through this Point let the Lines L H K, M H N, be drawn, intersecting one another at Right Angles, of which let L H K be parallel to the Line which bisects the Angle B A C. These are the two Asymptotes of the Hyperbola's to be described through the Points F and G, one of which will pass also through the Center A; whose Intersections with the Periphery of the Circle will mark out the Points of Reflection required.

5. Here the great *Huygens* has well observed, how the Equilateral Hyperbola may be accommodated to all the cases, which, as I insinuated in my former, immediately offered itself in the case of a Right Angle. Also of those infinite Ellipses which might be used, one may be chosen of no difficult Construction. But it is tedious to dwell so long upon one Problem. But one thing still remains of no disagreeable Speculation: That is, since the Sections which with the given Circle are made use of for the Solution of the Problem, cut it in four Points, of which only two can serve for the Reflexion; it may be inquired, what Problem is solved by the other two, and how is the Proposition to be expressed so as to include all those four Cases? And again, do



not those four Cases occur, when those Points are equally distant from the Center?

Again ib.

The learned *Huygens* makes use of no other than my Analysis, which admits of a Parabola only in one Case. That this may appear more evidently to you, I will here produce the Equation which he has constructed. Recollect (if you please) what I wrote to you, when I sent you my second Thoughts, and you will find, that I assign'd two Equations proper for solving the Problem by an Hyperbola about its Asymptotes. They were these following.

$$2zbaa - 2znae - qqba + qqne = bzqq - zqqe,$$

$$\text{And } bzqq - 2znae - qqba + qqne = 2zbee - zqqe;$$

Then I added, that by a small Alteration (for instance, by substituting for qq its Value $aa + ee$;) infinite Hyperbola's and Ellipses might be found, which with the given Circle would solve the Problem. Now in the former of these Equations for $bzqq$ let its Value be substituted; then

$$zbaa - 2znae - qqba + qqne = bzee - zqqe;$$

$$\text{Or, } aa - \frac{qqa}{z} = ee - \frac{qqe}{b} + \frac{znae}{b} - \frac{qqne}{zb}.$$

And this is the Equation which that very learned Gentleman has constructed, with great Ingenuity and equal Facility.

Again ib.
Fig. 89.

I happened lately upon the following Construction, which I could not forbear submitting to your Judgment and Censure, believing that a shorter can hardly be given. Let the given Points be E, B, the Circle with Center A. Joining EA, BA, cutting the Circle in F and C; let EA, FA, VA, be three Proportionals, and three others BA, CA, XA. Then VX being joined and produced at Pleasure, with Vertex X, *latus transversum* VX, and *latus rectum* equal to it, let the Hyperbola XP be described, whose Ordinates to the Diameter VXG are parallel to the Right Line AB. For this satisfies the Proposition in the Case of a Convex Speculum, and its opposite in the Case of a Concave. If you desire to have the Asymptotes they will easily be found, by producing VX till it meets EB produced in L. Then bisecting VX in I, and taking LD equal to LI; for DI being joined will be one of the Asymptotes, upon which the other falls perpendicularly at I.

Fig. 90.

But perhaps it will not be unacceptable to you to know how I arrived at this Construction. Know then that I deduced it thus from my former Analysis. The same things being given as before, let fall the Perpendicular AO upon EB, and let the Point desired be P, from which let PR fall perpendicularly upon AO. Make AO = b, EO = z, OB = d, AP = q, PR = e, AR = a. Then this Equation is easily derived.

$$\frac{2zdae + 2bbae - 2bqqe}{zb - bd} + ee = aa - \frac{qqa}{b}, \text{ which may be changed}$$

into these,

$$\frac{zdae + bbae - bqqe}{zb - bd} = aa - \frac{1}{2}qq - \frac{\frac{1}{2}qqa}{b},$$

$$\text{And } \frac{zdae + bbae - bqqe}{zb - bd} + ee = \frac{1}{2}qq - \frac{\frac{1}{2}qa}{b}.$$

The

The Construction of this last I have sent to you already, and Mr. *Huygens* has sent you the Construction of the other. But as to the first, tho' it presently came into my View, yet I almost neglected it, because its Construction seemed to be difficult. But I find myself to have been deceived by a needless Fear, since I have lately found it to bring me to this Construction which I now send you. For the sake of abbreviating the Calculation, make $z - d = k$,

$z d + b b = b m$; it will be $e e + \frac{2 m a e - 2 q q e}{k} = a a - \frac{q q a}{b}$. And ad-

ding $\frac{q^4 + m^2 a^2 - 2 q^2 m a}{k k}$ on both Sides, it will be $e e + \frac{m a e - 2 q q e}{k} +$

$\frac{q^4 + m m a a - 2 q q m a}{k k}$ (that is, the Square of $e - \frac{q q + m a}{k}$) = $a a -$

$\frac{q q a}{b} + \frac{q^4 + m^2 a^2 - 2 q^2 m a}{k k}$. Therefore there will be this Analogy, $k k . k k$

$+ m m :: a a - \frac{k k q q a}{b k k} - \frac{2 q q m a + q^4}{k k + m m}$. And the Square of $e -$

$\frac{q q + m a}{k}$. Which may be reduced to an easier Equation, if making $k k$

$+ m m = p p$, it shall be $\frac{k y}{p} = a$. At length it is, the Square of $e - \frac{q q}{k}$

$+ \frac{m y}{p} = y y - \frac{q q k y}{b p} - \frac{2 q q m y}{k p} + \frac{q^4}{k k}$, which Equation you will find to an-

swer the former Construction, if you undertake the Calculation. And at the same time you will observe, to which ever of the Lines EA, AB, BE, the Analysis is refer'd, the same Sections will always arise, though by a longer Process and very different Equations.

From this Equation by Analogy we may deduce an Effect of the other Problem, that is, when a Point is sought from whence the Reflected Ray shall be parallel to any given Line. Thus if the luminous Point B being given, and the Circle with Center A, the reflected Ray parallel to the Right Line AE were sought. For it is the same thing as if in the other Problem the Distance of the Points A and E were supposed infinite. In which Case the third Proportional to EA and FA would vanish into nothing, and the Points A and V would coincide. Therefore VX would be equal to AX, and AE parallel to PE. Therefore apply the foregoing Construction and you will solve the Problem. That is, with Vertex X, and *latus transversum* VX or AX, and *latus rectum* equal to it, describe the Hyperbola XE, whose Ordinates to the Diameter AX are parallel to the Right Line AE.

6. It is true, and likewise wonderful, that the Construction I sent you formerly, may also be found by Mr. *Slusius's* Calculation, after the Change of $q q$ into $a a + e e$. But this seems to be done by chance, nor does the Simplicity of the Construction appear there, till after we have apply'd ourselves to it.

The Problem of Alhazen] A Circle being given whose Center is A, Radius AD, and two Points B, C; to find a Point H in the Circumference of the given Circle

Fig. 91.

By Mr. Huygens.
ibid. p. 6143.
Fig. 92.

Circle, whence drawing the Lines HB , HC , they shall make equal Angles at the Circumference.

Suppose it found, and drawing the Right Line AM which shall bisect the Angle BAC , draw HF perpendicular to it, as also BM , CL . Then join AH , to which let HE be perpendicular, and let HM meet the Lines BH , HC , in the Points K , G .

Now let it be $AM = a$, $MB = b$, $AL = c$, $LC = n$, Radius $AD = d$, $AF = x$, and $FH = y$. Now because the Angles KHE and CHZ are equal, as also EHG ; and EHA is a Right Angle; it will be as KE to EG , so KA to AG . And because BM to MD , so HF to FK , it will be as $BM \perp HF$ to HE , so is MF to FK . That is, $b \perp y \cdot y :: a - x$.
 $\frac{ay - xy}{b \perp y}$. Add $FA = x$, then $KA = \frac{ay \perp bx}{b \perp y}$.

Again, because CL to LG , as HF to FG , it will be *permutando* & *dividendo*, $CL - HF$ to HF , so is LF to FG . That is, $n - y \cdot y :: c - x$.
 $\frac{cy - xy}{n - y}$. Which being taken away from $AF = x$, tis $GA = \frac{nx - cy}{n - y}$.

But it is $EA = \frac{dd}{x}$, because FA , AH , AE , are Proportionals. Therefore
 $EA - GA = EG = \frac{dd}{x} - \frac{nx \perp cy}{n - y}$. And $KA - EA = KE = \frac{ay \perp bx}{b \perp y} - \frac{dd}{x}$.

But we have said it is KE to EG , so is KA to AG . That is, $\frac{ay \perp bx}{b \perp y}$
 $\frac{dd}{x} \cdot \frac{dd}{x} - \frac{nx \perp cy}{n - y} :: \frac{ay \perp bx}{b \perp y} \cdot \frac{nx - cy}{n - y}$. Whence is found
 $2anxxxy \perp 2bnx^3 - ddbnx - ddnxxy = naddy \perp nbddx - 2acxyy$
 $- 2bcxxy \perp ddbcy \perp ddcyy - addyy - bddxy$.

And because $n = \frac{bc}{a}$, it becomes $\frac{2bbc}{a}x^3 - \frac{bbddcx}{a} - \frac{2bbcyyx}{a}$, be-
 cause $xx = dd - yy$. But it is $\frac{2bbc}{a}x^3 = \frac{2bbcd dx}{a} - \frac{2bbcyyx}{a}$, be-
 cause $xx = dd - yy$. Therefore $\frac{2bbcxxy}{a} - \frac{ddbcxy}{a} - 2acxyy \perp$
 $ddcyy = -addy - bddxy$. And dividing all by y , and multiplying
 by a ,

$-2bbcxxy - ddbcx - 2aacxy \perp ddca y = -aaddy - bddax$
 $abddx - cbddx \perp acddy \perp aaddy = 2aacxy \perp 2bbcxxy$
 $abddx - cbddx \perp acddy \perp aaddy$

$\frac{2aac \perp 2bbc}{2aac \perp 2bbc} = xy$, which is an Equation
 to an Hyperbola.

Or

Or because $bc = na$, $\frac{abddx - anddx + acddy + aaddy}{2aac + 2bbc} = xy$.

Let $\frac{add}{aa + bb} = p$; therefore $\frac{pbx - pnx + pcy + pay}{2c} = xy$.

Now from hence the following Construction was not difficult to find. Let Fig. 93^a
 BA, AC, be joined, and the Square of the Radius AD being separately applied to each, let AP and AQ be produced by that Application. Then joining PQ let it be bisected in R, and through the Point R let RD, RN, be drawn cutting each other at Right Angles, of which let RD be parallel to AD, which bisects the Angle BAC. Now RD, RN, will be the Asymptotes of the opposite Hyperbolas, one of which must pass through the Center A, and which will cut the Circumference in H the Points required. Also the Hyperbolas will pass through the Points P, Q.

The Reason of the Construction appears, when P γ , Q ζ , are drawn, perpendicular to AM. For it is $A\gamma = \frac{add}{aa + bb} = p$, and $A\zeta = \frac{ap}{c}$.

Also $P\gamma = \frac{pn}{c}$ and $Q\zeta = \frac{pb}{c}$. Therefore $AO = \frac{pc + pa}{2c}$, and $OR = \frac{pb - pn}{2c}$. Whence the rest will be easy.

7. You will cease to wonder, learned Sir, that in the Problem of *Albazen* By Mr. Slufius. ib. p. 6145. Fig. 94. the same Construction should be derived from different Equations, when you consider that all we have hitherto made use of, are contained in one and the same general Analysis. Now to shew this, let a Circle be given whose Center is A, the Points H and I; and let the Point required be K, to which from the Points I and H let be drawn the Right Lines HK, IK, and the Tangent KD. Then from A let any Line AG be drawn, meeting HK in E, IK in B, the Tangent KD in D; the Lines if needful being produced. These Things supposed it is plain, because of equal Angles EKD and DKB, and the Right Angle AKD, that the three Lines AE, BE, DE, will be Harmonically Proportional. Therefore drawing KC, IF, HG, perpendicular to AE, and calling $AK = q$, $AC = a$, $CK = e$, $HG = b$, $AG = d$, $FA = z$, $FI = n$, by the Method I formerly used in my second Analysis of this Problem, we shall have this general Equation, $ndaa - bzaa - nqqa + bqqa = ndee - zbee + 2bnae + 2zdae - dqqe - zqqe$.

Now suppose AG to be perpendicular to HI; there will be no Variety in the Equation, except that AF and AG (that is d and z) will be equal. Writing therefore d for z , the Equation will become $ndaa - bdaa - nqqa + bqqa = ndee - dbee + 2bnae + 2ddae - 2dqqe$. Or applying all to $nd - db$, the Equation is $aa - \frac{qqa}{d} = ee + \frac{2bnae + 2ddae - 2dqqe}{nd - db}$.

Which

Which is the same that I deduced from my first Analysis, though another Way, and which I lately sent you constructed after an easy Manner.

Then suppose $A G$ to coincide with $A H$; therefore $H G$ or b vanishes into nothing. Therefore the Terms being expunged in which b is found, there will remain $n d a a - n q q a = n d e e + 2 z d a e - d q q e - q q z e$. This as you may remember I gave you as my second Thoughts, and another like to it, in the Case wherein the Right Line $A G$ passes through I .

Then let us suppose the Right Line $A G$ to bisect the Angle $H A I$; then because of the Similitude of the Triangles $H A G$, $I A F$, it will be as $H G$ to $G A$, so is $I F$ to $F A$; or $b . d :: n . z$, or $n d = b z$. Therefore taking away Equals, 'tis $b q q a - n q q a = 2 b n a e + 2 z d a e - d q q e - q q z e$. The same which, as I understand by your Letters, Mr. *Huygens* has constructed.

Lastly, let it be supposed that the Right Line $H G$ bisects the Right Line $H I$; therefore $H G = I G$, or $b = n$. Then it will be by taking away Equals, $b d a a - b z a a = b d e e - b z e e + 2 b b a e + 2 z d a e - d q q e - q q z e$. This though no difficult one, none of us have yet constructed. But these, and the general Equation itself, may be divided into two others, by substituting (as you know) for $a a$ or $e e$ their Values $q q - e e$ or $q q - a a$.

You see therefore that whatever has been done yet may be resolved into the same Analysis, which comprehends also infinite other Constructions by the given Circle and an Hyperbola. But to investigate them is of no great Consequence, since in this Problem, though formerly Solutions were wanting, yet now we have Plenty enough. I will only add a Construction by the Parabola, and that two Ways; which though it may seem more operose than those by the Hyperbola, yet it makes amends by the Simplicity of the Curve, in which the Parabola has the Advantage of the other Conic Sections.

Fig. 95

The same Things then being given, let $A I$ be joined and produced to S , 'till $A S$ become equal to $A H$, and $H S$ be joined, bisect IS in M , and through M let $R M Q$ be drawn perpendicular to $H S$, upon which let fall the Perpendicular $A Q$, parallel to $M Q$ let the Ray $A C$ be drawn. Then making three Proportionals $I A$, $A C$, $A E$, let it be as $S A$ to $A E$, so is $M Q$ to $A D$, and $R S$ to $A P$, in the Right Line $A Q$ towards Q . And in the same on the other Side take $D O$ equal to $D C$. Then bisect $P D$ in X , and let the Right Line $V X L$ be inclined through X in half a Right Angle to $A X$, meeting the Perpendicular erected at D , in the Point V , and upon which from O let fall the Perpendicular $O B$. I say, if it be $V X$ to $X B$, so is $X B$ to $B L$, the Point L will be the Vertex, $L V$ the Axis, and $X V$ the *latus rectum* of the Parabola, which will satisfy the Problem in every Case. For it will cut the given Circle in the Points K , of which the highest and last will belong to the Problem of *Albaxen*, and the rest to some other Problem.

Another Parabola may also be given, as I have hinted already, which will do the same as this, and whose Description may easily be deduced from this, so that there is no Occasion for any other. For let $A \delta$ be taken directly to $D A$, and equal to it; and $A \omega$ directly to $O A$, and also equal to it. Then bisect

bisect

bisect $P \delta$ in ξ , and through ξ let the Right Line $\varepsilon \xi \beta$ be drawn perpendicular to $X B$, meeting with $\delta \varepsilon$, perpendicular to $O A$, in ε , and upon which let the Perpendicular $\omega \beta$ fall. Then let it be as $\varepsilon \xi$ to $\xi \beta$, so is $\xi \beta$ to $\beta \lambda$. Then λ will be the Vertex, $\lambda \xi$ the Axis, and $\varepsilon \xi$ the *latus rectum* of the Parabola, which will cut the given Circle in the same Points with the former.

X. Let $B E \beta$ be a double Convex Lens, C the Center of the Segment $E B$, and K the Center of the Segment $E \beta$; $B \beta$ the Thickness of the Lens, D a Point in the Axis of the Lens; and it is required to find the Point F , at which the Beams proceeding from the Point D are collected therein, the Ratio of Refraction being as m to n . Let the Distance of the Object $D B = D A = d$, (the Point A being supposed the same with B , but taken at a Distance therefrom, to prevent the Coincidence of so many Lines) the Radius of the Segment towards the Object $C B$, or $C A = r$, and the Radius of the Segment from the Object $K \beta$, or $K \alpha = \rho$, and let $B \beta$, the Thickness of the Lens, be $= t$, and then let the Sine of the Angle of Incidence $D A G$, be to the Sine of the Refracted Angle $H A G$, or $C A \phi$, as m to n ; and in very small Angles the Angles themselves will be in the same Proportion; whence it will follow, that, as d to r , so the Angle at C to the Angle at D , and $d \div r$ will be as the Angle of Incidence $G A D$; and again, as m to n ,

To find the principal Focus of Optick Glasses universally; by Mr. Edm. Halley. N. 205. p. 960.

Fig. 96.

so $d \div r$ to $\frac{d n \div r n}{m}$, which will be as the Angle $G A H = C A \phi$. This being taken from $A C D$, which is as d , will leave $\frac{m - n d - n r}{m}$ analogous to the Angle $A \phi D$; and the Sides being in this Case proportional to the Angles they subtend, it will follow, that as the Angle $A \phi D$ is to the Angle $A D \phi$, so is the Side $A D$ or $B D$, to $A \phi$ or $B \phi$: that is, $B \phi$ will be $= \frac{m d r}{m - n d - n r}$,

which shews in what Point the Beams proceeding from D would be collected by means of the first Refraction: but if $n r$ cannot be subtracted from $m - n d$, it follows, that the Beams after Refraction do still pass on diverging, and the Point ϕ is on the same Side of the Lens beyond D . But if $n r$ be equal to $m - n d$, then they proceed parallel to the Axis, and the Point ϕ is infinitely distant.

The Point ϕ being found as before, and $B \phi - B \beta$ being given, which we will call δ , it follows by a Process like the former, that βF , or the Focal Distance sought, is equal to $\frac{\delta \rho n}{m - n \delta \div m \rho} = f$. And in the room of δ substituting $B \phi - B \beta = \frac{m d r}{m - n d - n r} - t$, putting ρ for $\frac{n}{m - n}$, after due

Reduction this Equation will arise, $\frac{m \rho d r \rho - n d \rho t \div n \rho r \rho t}{m d r \div m d \rho - m \rho r \rho - m - n d t \div n r t} = f$.

Which *Theorem*, however it may seem operose, is not so, considering the great Number of Data that enter the Question, and that one half of the

Terms

Terms arise from our taking in the Thickness of the Lens, which in most Cases can produce no great Effect; however, it was necessary to consider it, to make our Rule perfect. If therefore the Lens consist of Glass, whose Re-

fraction is as 3 to 2, 'twill be $\frac{6 dr \rho - 2 d \rho t + 4 r \rho t}{3 dr + 3 d \rho - 6 r \rho - dt + 2 r t} = f$. If of Water, whose Refraction is as 4 to 3, the *Theorem* will stand thus:

$\frac{12 dr \rho - 3 d \rho t + 9 r \rho t}{4 dr + 4 d \rho - 12 r \rho - dt + 3 r t} = f$. If it could be made of Diamant, whose Refraction is as 5 to 2, it would be

$$\frac{\frac{10}{3} dr \rho - 2 d \rho t + \frac{4}{3} r \rho t}{5 dr + 5 d \rho - \frac{10}{3} r \rho - 3 dt + 2 r t} = f.$$

And this is the universal Rule for the Foci of double Convex Glasses exposed to diverging Rays. But if the Thickness of the Lens be rejected as

not sensible, the Rule will be much shorter, *viz.* $\frac{p dr \rho}{dr + d \rho - p r \rho} = f$; or

in Glass, $\frac{2 dr \rho}{dr + d \rho - 2 r \rho} = f$. All the Terms wherein t is found being omitted, as equal to nothing. In this Case, if d be so small, as that $2 r \rho$ exceed $dr + d \rho$, then will it be $-f$, or the Focus will be Negative, which shew that the Beams after both Refractions still proceed diverging.

To bring this to the other Cases, as of Converging Beams, or of Concave Glasses, the Rule is ever composed of the same Terms, only changing the Signs of $+$ and $-$; for the Distance of the Point of Concourse of Converging Beams from the Point B, or the first Surface of the Lens, I call a Negative Radius, or $-r$ if it be the first Surface, and $-e$, if it be the second Surface. Let then converging Beams fall on a double Convex of

Glass, and the *Theorem* will stand thus $\frac{-2 dr e}{-dr - d e - 2 r e} = +f$, which shews, that in this Case the Focus is always Affirmative.

If the Lens were a *Meniscus* of Glass, exposed to diverging Beams, the Rule is $\frac{-2 dr e}{-dr + d e + 2 r e} = f$: Which is Affirmative, when $2 r e$ is less than $dr - d \rho$, otherwise Negative: But in the Case of converging

Beams falling on the same *Meniscus*, 'twill be $\frac{+2 dr e}{+dr - d e + 2 r \rho} = f$. And it will be $+f$, whilst $d e - dr$ is less than $2 r \rho$; but if it be greater than $2 r e$, it will always be found Negative or $-f$. If the Lens be double Concave, the Focus of converging Beams is Negative, where it was Affirmative in the

Case of diverging Beams on a double Convex, *viz.* $\frac{-2 dr e}{+da + dr - 2 r e} = f$: which is Affirmative only when $2 r e$ exceeds $dr + d e$: But diverging Beams

Beams passing a double Concave, have always a Negative Focus, viz.

$$\frac{2dr\epsilon}{+dr + d\epsilon + 2r\epsilon} = -f.$$

The *Theorems* for converging Beams are principally of use to determine the Focus resulting from any sort of Lens placed in a Telescope, between the Focus of the Object-Glass and the Glass itself; the Distance between the said Focus of the Object-Glass and the interposed Lens being made $= -d$.

In case the Beams are parallel, as coming from an infinite Distance (which is supposed in the case of Telescopes) then will d be supposed infinite, and in

the Theorem $\frac{pdr\epsilon}{dr + d\epsilon - pr\epsilon}$ the Term $pr\epsilon$ vanishes, as being finite, which is no Part of the other infinite Terms; and dividing the Remainder by the infinite Part d , the *Theorem* will stand thus $\frac{p\epsilon r}{r + \epsilon} = f$, or in Glass $\frac{2r\epsilon}{r + \epsilon} = f$.

In case the Lens were plano-convex exposed to diverging Beams, instead of $\frac{pdr\epsilon}{dr + d\epsilon - pr\epsilon}$, r being infinite, it will be $\frac{pd\epsilon}{d - p\epsilon} = f$, or $\frac{2dr}{d - 2\epsilon} = f$, if the Lens be Glass.

If the Lens be double-convex, and r be equal to ϵ , as being formed of Segments of equal Spheres, then will $\frac{pd\epsilon r}{dr + d\epsilon - pr\epsilon}$ be reduced to $\frac{pdr}{2d - pr} = f$; and in case d be infinite, then it will be yet farther contracted to $\frac{1}{2}pr$, and p being $= \frac{n}{m - n}$, the Focal Distance in Glass will be $= r$, in Water $1 \frac{1}{2}r$, but in Diameter $\frac{1}{3}r$.

This is not only useful to discover the Focus from the other proposed Data; but from the Focus given, we may thereby determine the Distance of the Object, or from the Focus and Distance given we may find of what Sphere it is requisite to take another Segment, to make any given Segments of another Sphere cast the Beams from the Distance d to the Focus f : As likewise from the Lens, Focus, and Distance given, to find the Ratio of Refraction, or of m to n , requisite to answer these Data. All which, it is obvious, are fully determined from the Equation we have hitherto used, viz. $pd\epsilon r = drf + d\epsilon f - pr\epsilon f$. For to find d , the *Theorem* is

$\frac{p r \epsilon f}{r f + \epsilon f - p \epsilon r} = d$, the Distance of the Object; for ϵ , the Rule is

$\frac{p d r + d f + p r f}{d \epsilon r + f \epsilon r} = \epsilon$; but for p , it will be $\frac{d r f + d \epsilon f}{d \epsilon r + f \epsilon r} = p$; which lat-

ter determines the Ratio of Refraction, m being to n as $1 + p$ to p .

I shall not expatiate on these Particulars, but leave them for the Exercise of those that are desirous to be informed in Optical Matters, which I am bold to say are comprehended in these three Rules, as fully as the most Inquisitive can desire them, and in all possible Cases, Regard being had to the Signs $+$ and $-$, as in the former Cases of finding the Focus. I shall only shew two considerable Uses of them; the one to find the Distance whereat an Object being placed, shall by a given Lens be represented in a Species as large as the Object itself, which may be of singular Use in drawing Faces, and other Things in their true Magnitude, by transmitting the Species by a Glass into a dark Room, which will not only give the true Figure and Shades, but even the Colours themselves, almost as vivid as the Life. In this Case d is equal to f ; and substituting d for f in the Equation, we shall have $p d r e = d d r + d d e - d p e r$; and dividing all by d , $p r e = d r + d e - p r e$, that is, $\frac{2 p r e}{r + e} = d$; but if the two Convexities be of the same Sphere, so as $r = e$, then will the Distance be $= p r$, that is, if the Lens be Glass $= 2 r$; so that if an Object be placed at the Diameter of a Sphere distant, in this Case the Focus will be as far within as the Object is without, and the Species represented thereby will be as big as the Life; but if it were a Plano-Convex, the same Distance will be $= 2 p r$, or, in Glass, to four Times the Radius of the Convexity.

A second Use is to find what Convexity or Concavity is required to make a vastly distant Object be represented at a given Focus, after the one Surface of the Lens is formed; which is but a *Corollary* to our *Theorem* for finding e , having p , d , r , and f , given; for d being infinite, the Rule becomes $\frac{r f}{p r - f} = p$, that is, in Glass, $\frac{r f}{2 r - f} = p$; whence, if f be greater than $2 r$, p becomes Negative, and $\frac{r f}{f - 2 r}$ is the Radius for the Concave sought.

But to return to their first *Theorem*, which, accounting for the Thickness of the Lens, we will here again resume, *viz.*

$$\frac{m p d r e - n d e t - n p r e t}{m d r + m d e - m p p r - m - n d t - n r t} = f.$$

And let it be required to find the Focus, where a whole Sphere will collect the Beams proceeding from an Object at the Distance d . Here t is equal to $2 r$, and $r = e$; and after due Reduction, the *Theorem* will stand thus, $\frac{m p d r - 2 n d r + 2 n p r r}{2 n d + 2 n r - m p r} = f$: But if d be infinite, it is contracted to $\frac{m p r}{2 n} - r = \frac{2 n - m}{2 m - 2 n} r = f$; wherefore a Sphere of Glass collects the Sun's Beams at half the Semidiameter of the Sphere without it, and a Sphere of

of Water at a whole Semidiameter. But if the Ratio of Refraction m to n be as 2 to 1, the Focus falls on the opposite Surface of the Sphere; but if it be of greater Inequality, it falls within.

Another Example shall be, when a Hemisphere is exposed to parallel Rays, that is, d and p being infinite, and $t = r$, and, after due Reduction, the *Theorem* results $\frac{nn}{m m - m n} r = f$; that is, in Glass it is at $\frac{4}{3} r$, in Water at $\frac{2}{3} r$; but if the Hemisphere were Diamond, it would collect the Beams at $\frac{4}{5}$ of the Radius beyond the Center.

Lastly, As to the Effect of turning the two Sides of a Lens towards an Object; it is evident, that if the Thickness of the Lens be very small, so as that you neglect it, or account $t = 0$, then in all Cases the Focus of the same Lens, to whatsoever Beams, will be the same, without any Difference upon the turning the Lens: But if you are so curious to consider the Thickness, (which is seldom worth accounting for) in the case of parallel Rays falling on a Plano-Convex of Glass, if the plane-side be towards the Object, t does occasion no Difference, but the Focal Distance $f = 2 r$. But when the Convex Side is towards the Object, it is contracted to $2 r - \frac{2}{3} t$; so that the Focus is nearer by $\frac{2}{3} t$. If the Lens be Double Convex, the Difference is less; if a *Meniscus*, greater. If the Convexity on both Sides be equal, the Focal Length is about $\frac{1}{6} t$ shorter than when $t = 0$. In a *Meniscus*, the Concave Side towards the Object increases the Focal Length, but the Convex towards the Object diminishes it. A general Rule for the Difference arising on turning the Lens, where the Focus is Affirmative, is this $\frac{2 a t - 2 p t}{3 r - 3 - t}$ for double Convexes of different Spheres. But for *Menisci* the same Difference becomes $\frac{2 r t + 2 p t}{3 r - 3 p + t}$; of which I need give no other Demonstration, but that by a due Reduction it will follow from what is premised, as will the *Theorems* for all sorts of Problems relating to the Foci of Optick Glasses.

XI. 1. Let D B and E C be opposite Hyperbola's, whose transverse Axis is B C, Center A, and one of the Asymptotes G P; also let O M be drawn through the Center at Right Angles to B C. Wherefore if the Hyperbola's are converted about the Axis O M, it is plain, by such a Revolution an Hyperbolical Cylindroidal Body will be generated, whose Bases and Sections parallel to the Base will be Circles. I say moreover, if the same Body be cut through the Asymptote G P, the Section will be a Parallelogram.

Let it be cut through the transverse Axis by a Circular Section B N C, also through O and M into equal Circles equally distant from the Center; also through the Axis into a generating Figure, whose half is B D E C, in the

Plain of which will be the Asymptote GP , through which at Right Angles let the Plain BDE be cut in the Plain FHP ; lastly let HO be joined.

Because of the Right-angled Triangle OGH , the Square of OH or OD , subtracting the Square of OG , is equal to the Square of GH . And because DO is parallel to BA , and cuts the Asymptote in G , it will be (by the Properties of the Hyperbola demonstrated in the Conics) the Square of OG together with the Square of BA , equal to the Square of OD . That is, the Square of OD lessened by the Square of OG is equal to the Square of AB , or the Square of AN . Therefore the Square of GH is equal to the Square of AN , and thence GH is equal to AN , and they are at Right Angles to GA : And the like may be demonstrated of all other Sections parallel to the Base. Wherefore the Hyperbolic Cylindroid is truly cut through the Asymptote into a Parallelogram. *Q. E. D.*

Coroll. Hence it appears that in the Superficies of the Cylindroid, though it consists of a double Flexure, innumerable Right Lines may nevertheless be drawn. It appears also, that there is another Way of generating this Body, that is, by the Revolution of a Parallelogram about the Axis at rest, in an Angle to the Axis equal to GAO ; or lastly, the generating Line HR remaining immoveable, and forming or cutting the Mass as it turns about.

And if the very sharp and streight Edge of the Chissel be disposed in respect of the Axis after the manner of the generating Line, while the Mandrel turns about; it is plain, that by the Lathe as true Hyperbolas as Circles may be described, since nothing more is required for forming a Cylindroid than a Cylinder; unless that in the Cylinder the Edge of the Chissel must be parallel to the Axis, whereas it must be inclined to it to form a Cylindroid.

Therefore we must observe, that the Species of the Hyperbola will be varied, according to the different Inclination or Magnitude of the Angle GAO ; so that it is more easily accommodated to a given Hyperbola, than to need any Demonstration. But if the same Angle remaining, the generating Line approaches nearer to the Center, thence will arise a lesser Hyperbola, but of the same Species as before.

The Application thereof to the Grinding of Hyperbolicall Optick Glasses; by Sir Christ. Wren.

N. 53. P. 1059. Nov. An. 1669. Fig. 98.

2. Let there be three Bodies fit for Grinding, P, Q, R ; of which let P and Q be equal, and formed in the Shape of a Pillar, but let the Body R be in the Shape of a Lens. Let P have a Rotation about the Axis AB , Q about CD , and R about EG . But let AB and CD be in different Plains, yet so that EG produced may be at Right Angles to both AB and CD . Lastly, let the Bodies approach to one another, as much as necessary, yet so as that the same Inclination of the Axes may be still preserved.

I say, that by the Revolution and mutual Attrition of the Bodies before supposed, new Geometrical Bodies will arise, of which P and Q will be equal Hyperbolicall Cylindroids, and R an Hyperbolicall Conoid, of a given Species and Magnitude.

We have the Demonstration at hand, as also a Model of the Machine itself, which is intended for the grinding of Hyperbolicall Lenses. To describe which by the laborious Apparatus of a Picture, and a tedious Explication,

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tion, would be more troublesome to me and the Engraver, than it would be to any ingenious Man to find the like. For after the Geometrical Principles are now explained, it is easy to guess what sort of an Instrument it is. The Parts are three oblong Boards, plain, strong, moveable, and placed upon one another. The lowest and middlemost support the unequal Puppets (or Handles that sustain the Mandrel) placed alternately. This is required by the Obliquity and as it were Decussation of each of the Mandrels. The Puppets of the uppermost Board are equal, and disposed according to the Length of the Board; and the Mandrel is let through the nearest Puppet, being perforated for that End. I shall not mention the Wheels, Rollers, Thongs, Weights, Skrews, and other Things necessary for the expeditious Motion and Strength of the Machine. P belongs to the lowest Board, Q to the middlemost, R to the uppermost. R is a Lens of Glass; Q is the Model grinding the Lens; P is the Pattern that corrects the Model; which as it is carried by an oblique Motion, and different from the Motion both of the Lens and the Model, continually grinds and wears away whatever Imperfection is communicated to the Model by the Attrition of the Lens and the Matter.

Wherefore since the Generation of the Hyperbolic Conoid is so simple and natural, being produced only by Circular Motions; and since the Motion is double and various; it is probable that Hyperbolic Lenses may be formed upon these Principles, if upon any at all.

XII. This Phænomenon appears very easily explicable, from the Consideration of placing Glasses in a Tube; which is thus: After the Object-Glass, the first Eye-Glass is placed so much distant (towards the Eye) from the Focus of the Object-Glass, as is the Focus of the Eye-Glass; then the middle Eye-Glass is placed so much distant from the Focus of the first Eye-Glass, as is the Focus of the middle Eye-Glass: Lastly, the nearest Eye-Glass is placed so much distant from the Focus of the middle Eye-Glass, as is the Focus of this nearest Eye-Glass; and the Eye looking through them all, is placed in the Focus of the nearest Eye-Glass.

Why four Convex Glasses in a Telescope shew Objects Erect; by Mr. William Molineux. IS N. 183. p. 169. Jul. An. 1686.

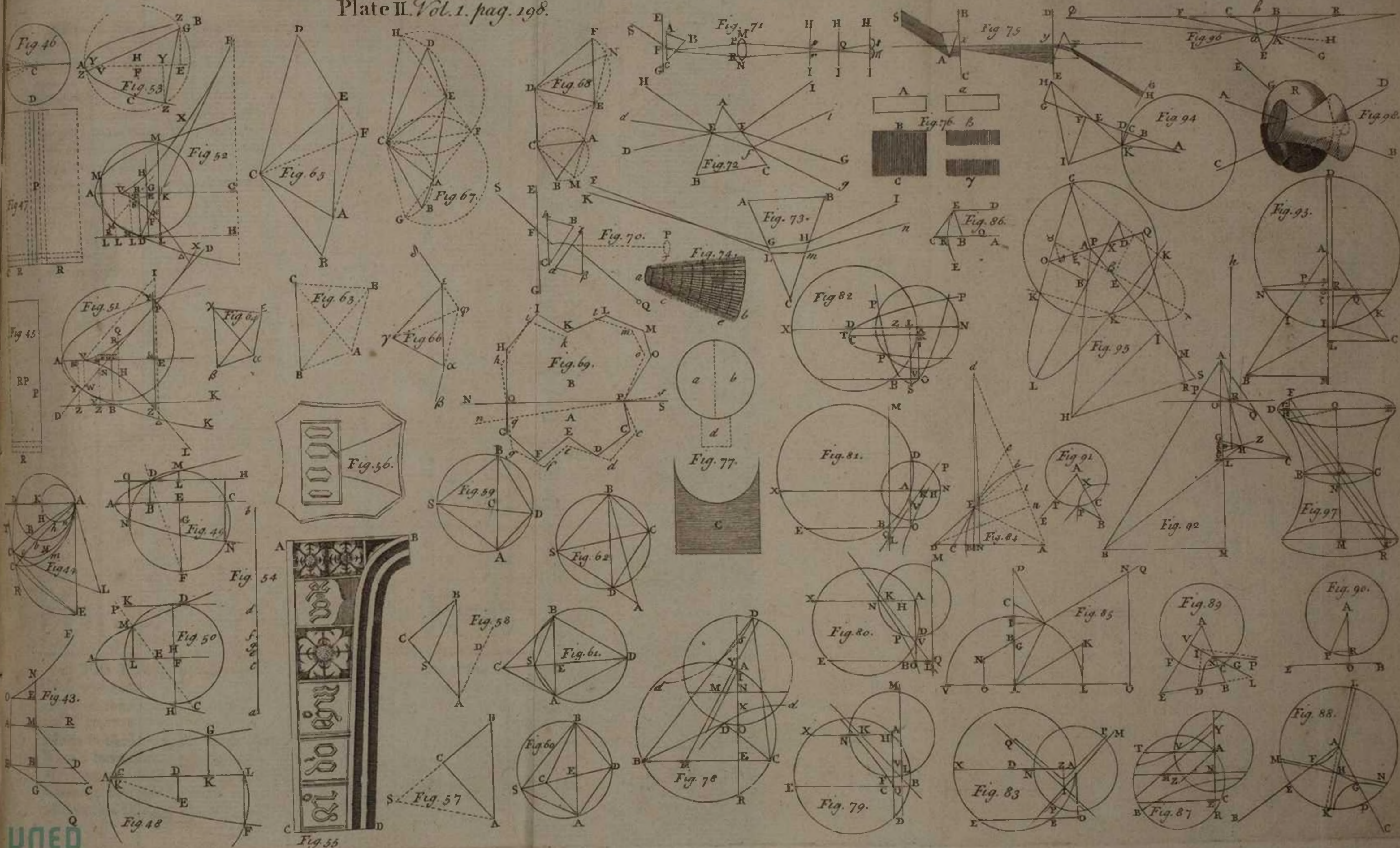
I say therefore, 1. That one single Convex-Glass cannot properly be said by itself to shew Objects Erect or Reverse, but in respect of the placing of the Eye that looks through it: For if the Eye, that looks through a single Convex-Glass, be placed nigher thereto than the Glass's Focus, the Objects are Erect; if the Eye be placed just in the Focus, the Objects are neither Erect nor Reversed, but all in Confusion between both; and if the Eye be placed further from the Glass than the Focus, the Objects are Reversed. I mean here distant Objects, the Rays flowing from any Point whereof may be counted to come Parallel towards the Object-Glass.

2. The Object-Glass of a Telescope reverses the Object, both to the Eye-Glass and the Eye that looks through it: For the Eye-Glass is placed farther from the Object-Glass than is the Focus of the Object-Glass: But the Eye-Glass does nothing towards the Rectification, or Reversion; the Eye being placed just in its Focus.

3. If the second Eye-Glass (the first being that next the Object-Glass) be placed, as it ought, in a Telescope, place the Eye nearer in this middle Eye-Glass than its Focus, and it sees the Object inverted and confused: Place the Eye in the Focus, and it sees the Object all in Confusion, neither Erect nor Reversed; for here again there is a distinct Representation of the Objects to be received on a Piece of Paper, as in the Focus of an Object-Glass; and the Eye being placed at any Time at this Place (which is usually call'd the Distinct Base) sees all in Confusion: But then let the Eye be placed farther from this middle Glass than its Focus, and it perceives the Objects erect and confused.

Lastly, The third, or immediate Eye-Glass, does nothing towards the Erecting or Reversing the Species, which it receives Erect from the middle Eye-Glass; no more than in a Telescope of two Convex-Glasses, the Eye-Glass does to the Species it receives from the Object-Glass; as we have shewn before. The Reason that this last or immediate Eye-Glass has nothing to do in the Erecting or Reversing the Species, is the same as in the Telescope of two Convex-Glasses, *viz.* The Eye placed in its Focus, and therefore sees the Species as 'tis represented in the Distinct Base; that is, the Species is inverted in the Distinct Base of the Object-Glass, and therefore a single Convex Eye-Glass brings it to the Eye Inverted; but in the Distinct Base of the middle or second Eye-Glass the Species is Erect, and therefore the third or immediate Eye-Glass brings it to the Eye Erect.

Wherefore we are to consider the Telescope consisting of an Object-Glass and three Eye-Glasses, as two Telescopes, each consisting of two Convex Glasses. The first consists of the Object-Glass and first Eye-Glass, and this inverts the Species; that is, the Species is inverted in the Distinct Base of the Object-Glass, and so brought into the Eye. The second Telescope consists of two immediate Eye-Glasses, and this Erects what the former Inverted; that is, the Species in the Distinct Base of the middle Eye-Glass is Erect, and is so brought into the Eye by the Eye-Glass; the Eye-Glasses themselves in neither Case having any thing to do with the Erecting or Inverting, but merely in representing in the same Posture the Species immediately before them. So that one Convex-Glass, as posited in a Telescope, Inverts; the second (that is, the first Eye-Glass) does nothing towards the Erecting or Reversing, but represents the Image as it is in the Distinct Base of the Object-Glass before it, that is Inverted; the third Glass Erects, or rather Restores, what was before Inverted; the fourth represents the Image as it receives it from the Distinct Base of the third, that is, Erect.



XIII. 1. Mr. *Auzout* has found that the Apertures, which Optic-Glasses can bear with Distinctness, are in about a subduplicate Proportion to their Lengths: And, accordingly, he hath made the following Table.

*The Apertures
of Telescopes;
by M. Auzout.
N. 4. p. 55.
Jun. An. 1665.*

Lengths of Glasses.	Apertures for			Lengths of Glasses.	Apertures for		
	Excellent	Good	Ordinary		Excellent	Good	Ordinary
Feet. In.	In. Lin.	In. Lin.	In. Lin.	Feet. In.	In. Lin.	In. Lin.	In. Lin.
4	4	4	3	25	3 4	2 10	2 4
6	5	5	4	30	3 8	3 2	2 7
9	7	6	5	35	4 0	3 4	2 10
1 0	8	7	6	40	4 3	3 7	3 1
1 6	9	8	7	45	4 6	3 10	3 2
2 0	11	10	8	50	4 9	4 0	3 4
2 6	1 0	11	9	55	5 0	4 3	3 6
3 0	1 1	1 0	10	60	5 2	4 6	3 8
3 6	1 2	1 1	11	65	5 4	4 8	3 20
4 0	1 4	1 2	1 0	70	5 7	4 10	4 0
4 6	1 5	1 3	1 1	75	5 9	5 0	4 2
5 0	1 6	1 4	1 1	80	5 11	5 2	4 5
6	1 7	1 5	1 2	90	6 4	5 6	4 7
7	1 9	1 6	1 3	100	6 8	5 9	4 10
8	1 10	1 8	1 4	120	7 5	6 5	5 3
9	1 11	1 9	1 5	150	8 0	7 0	5 11
10	2 1	1 10	1 6	200	9 6	8 0	6 9
12	2 4	2 0	1 8	250	10 6	9 2	7 8
14	2 6	2 2	1 9	300	11 6	10 0	8 5
16	2 8	2 4	1 11	350	12 6	10 9	9 0
18	2 10	2 6	2 1	400	13 4	11 5	9 8
20	3 0	2 7	2 2				

2. This Theory of Apertures seems to me not very clear: For the same Glass will endure greater or lesser Apertures, according to the lesser or greater Light of the Object; if it be for looking on the Sun and *Venus*, or for seeing the Diameters of the fixed Stars, then smaller Apertures do better; if for the Moon in the Day-light, or on *Saturn*, or *Jupiter*, or *Mars*, then the largest. Thus I have often made use of a 12 Foot Glass to look on *Saturn* with an Aperture of almost 3 Inches, and with a single Eye-Glass of 2 Inches double Convex; but when, with the same Glass, I looked on the Sun or *Venus*, I used both a smaller Aperture, and shallower Charge.

*Considered by
Dr. Hook.
ibid. p. 67.*

To measure Distances at one Station; by M. Auzout. N. 7. p. 125. Dec. An. 1665.

XIV. I have found long since a Way to measure, with a great Telescope, the Distance of Objects upon the Earth from one Station. The Practice indeed does not altogether answer the Theory, because that the Length of the Telescopes admits of some Latitude; yet one comes near enough, and perhaps as just as by most of the Ways ordinarily used with Instruments. That which I am proposing, I doubt not but Mr. *Hook* will soon understand, and see the Determination of all Cases possible. I shall only say, That if we look upon the sole Theory, we may make use of an ordinary Telescope, whereof the Eye-Glass is to be Convex: For by putting the Glasses at a little greater Distance than they are, proportionably to the Distance for which it is to serve, and, by adding to it a new Eye-Glass, the Object will be seen distinct, tho' obscure; and if the Eye-Glass be Convex, the Object will appear Erect. They may be done two manner of Ways; either by leaving the Telescope in its ordinary Situation, the Object-Glass before the Eye-Glass; or by inverting it, and putting this before that. But if any will make use of two Object-Glasses, whereof the Focus's are known, the Distances of them will be known. If it be supposed, that the Focus of the first be B, and that of the second C, and the Distance given, $B + 2 D$, and that $D - C$ be equal to F; for this Distance will be equal to $B + C + F - r F^2 C^2$. And if you have the Focus of the first Object-Glass equal to B, the Distance where you will put the second Glass, equal to $B + C + D$, the Focus of the second Glass will be

found equal to $\frac{CD}{C+D}$. And if you will that the Object shall be magnified as much with these two Glasses as it would be with a single one, whereof the Focus should be of the Distance given, having the Focus of the Object-Glass given equal to B, and the Distance given to $B + D$; the Distance between the first and second Glass will be equal to $\frac{2 B^2 + 2 B D}{2 B + D}$; whence, subtracting B (the Focus of the Object given) there remains $\frac{B D}{2 B + D}$. And if this Sum be composed equal to C, we shall easily know by the precedent Rule, the Focus of the second Glass.

To make a Plano-convex Glass of a small Sphere, collect the Rays at a great Distance; by Dr. Hook. N. 4. p. 66. N. 12. p. 102. June, An. 1665. May, An. 1666.

XV. Prepare two Glasses, the one exactly flat on both Sides, the other flat on the one Side, and convex on the other, of what Sphere you please. Let the flat Glass be a little broader than the other. Then let there be made a Cell or Ring of Brass, very exactly turned, into which these two Glasses may be so fastened with Cement, that the plain Surfaces of them may lie exactly parallel, and that the Convex Side of the Plano-convex Glass may lie inward; but so, as not to touch the Flat of the other Glass. These being cemented into the Ring very closely about the Edges, by a small Hole in the Side of the Brass Ring or Cell; fill the interposed Space between these two with Water, Oil of Turpentine, Spirit of Wine, Saline Liquors, &c. then stop the Hole with a Screw: And according to the differing Refraction of the interposed Liquors, so shall the Focus of this Compound Glass be longer or shorter.

But this I would have only look'd upon as one Instance of many (for there may be others) of the Possibility of making a Glass, ground in a smaller Sphere, to constitute a Telescope of a much greater Length: Though (not to raise too great Expectation) I must add, That, of Spherical Object-Glasses, those are the best which are made of the greatest Sphere, and whose Substance hath the greatest Refraction.

XVI. 1. *S. Campani* pretends to have found a Way to work great Optic-Glasses with a Turn-tool, without any Mould: And that he useth three Eye-Glasses for his great Telescopes, without finding any Rainbow Colours.

Telescopes and other Optic-Glasses; by Campani and Divini. N. 1. p. 2. Mar. An. 1665. N. 8. p. 131. Jan. An. 1666.

The Great Duke of *Tuscany*, and Prince *Leopold* his Brother, upon Trial made of the Glasses of *Campani* and *Divini*, have found that those of *Campani* excel the other; and with them they have been easily able to distinguish People at 4 Leagues Distance.

But *Eustachio Divini* pretends, that in all the Trials made with them, his great Glasses have performed better than those of *Campani*; and that *Campani* was not willing to do what was necessary for well comparing one with the other, viz. to put equal Eye-Glasses in them, or to exchange the same Glasses.

N. 12. p. 209.

2. 'Tis now above ten Years since I invented a peculiar Way of grinding Optic-Glasses, and reduced it also into Practice; by which 'tis easy, without any considerable Danger of failing, to make and polish Optic-Glasses of any Conic Section, and that (which is most notable) in any Dish of any Section of a Sphere. I have already made several Glasses by it, which many learned Men have seen and tried.

By M. Hevelius. N. 6. p. 98. Nov. An. 1665.

Mr. *Huygens* also intends very shortly to try something in that kind.

By M. Huygens. Ibid.

3. *M. du Sons* doth at present employ himself in *London*, to bring Telescopes to Perfection, by grinding Glasses of a *Paraboli- cal* Figure. I have seen two Eye-Glasses of that Shape, about one Inch and a half deep, and one Inch and a quarter broad, wrought by this eminent Artist with a rare Steel Instrument of his own Contrivance and Workmanship, and by himself also polish'd to Admiration. And certainly it will be wondered at by those, who shall see these Glasses, how they could be truly wrought to such a Figure, with such a Cavity; and yet more, when they shall hear the Author undertake to excavate other such Eye-Glasses to above 2 Inches, and Object-Glasses of 5 Inches Diameter. He hath likewise already begun his Object-Glasses for the mentioned two ocular ones, of the same Figure of about 2 Inches Diameter, which are to be left all open, yet without causing any Colours.

By M. du Sons. Ibid p. 99. N. 7. p. 119. Dec. An. 1665.

4. The Optic-Glasses of *M. Burattini* in *Poland*, are perfectly well wrought and polish'd. He hath sent two to *Paris*, but they are only the one of 10, the other of 8 Foot. They bear a great Aperture in respect of their Length.

By M. Burattini. N. 19. p. 348. N. 21. p. 374.

5. *Mr. Fr. Smethwick* having found a Way of grinding Glasses not Spherical, produced before the Royal Society (*Feb. 27. 1667.*) certain Specimina of that Invention; which were, a Telescope, a Reading, and two Burning-Glasses.

By Mr. Francis Smethwick. N. 33. p. 631.

The Telescope was about 4 Foot long, furnished with four Glasses, whereof the three ocular ones, Plano-convex, were of this newly invented *not-Spherical* Figure, and the fourth a Spherical Object-Glass. This being compared with a common, yet very good Telescope, longer than it by about 4 Inches, and turn'd to several Objects, was found by those of the said Society that look'd through them both, to exceed the other in Goodness, by taking in a greater Angle, and representing the Objects more exactly in their respective Proportions, and enduring a greater Aperture free from Colours.

The Reading-Glass of the same Figure being compared with a common Spherical Glass did far excel it, by magnifying the Letters to which it was applied up to the very Edges, and by shewing them distinctly from one Brim through the Center to the other; which the Spherical Glass came far short of.

Lastly, The two burning Concaves of this new-invented Figure, were the one of 6 Inches Diameter, its Focus 3 Inches distant from the Center thereof; the other of the same Diameter, but less Concave, and its Focus 10 Inches distant. These, when approached to a large Candle lighted, did somewhat warm the Faces of those that were 4 or 5 Foot distant at least; and when held to the Fire, burned Gloves and Garments at the Distance of about 3 Foot from the Fire.

The Bishop of *Salisbury*, Dr. *Seth Ward*, was by at another Time, when the deeper of the two Concaves turned a Piece of Wood into Flame in the Space of 10 Sec. of Time, and the shallower in 5 Sec. at most, in the Season of *Autumn*, about Nine of the Clock in the Morning, the Weather gloomy. The Inventor adds, That the deeper Concave, when held to a lucid Body, would cast a Light strong enough to read by at a considerable Distance; and that exposing the same to a Northern Window, on which the Sun shined not at all, or very little, he had perceived that it would warm one's Hand sensibly, by collecting the warmed Air in the Day-time, which it would not do after Sun-set.

By an Artist at
Paris. N. 40.
p. 795.
Oct. An. 1668.

6. We have an Artist at *Paris* that polishes Optic-Glasses on a Turn. I have seen a Glass of his Workmanship, which is very good. He turns those Glasses as he does Wood, that is, with the same Facility.

By M. Borelli.
N. 128. p. 691.
Aug. An. 1676.

7. M. *Borelli* hath found out a sure and very easy Method to work all sorts of great Glasses. He hath already made one of them very good of 200 Foot, wrought on both Sides on the same Rule. His Desire of advancing Astronomical Discoveries hath induced him to make Presents of them to several Persons capable to make use of them. He hath entrusted the Secret to one of the *Royal Academy of Sciences*.

N. 140. p. 1005.
July, An. 1678.

Campani and *Divini* have commonly sold their Glasses at a Pistole the Foot. Sometimes they have far exceeded that Price. One of *Divini's*, of 12 Foot, was sold for 400 Livres; and another of *Campani's*, of 34 Foot, for 2000 Livres. Notwithstanding which, *S. Borelli* is willing to part with the best of his own Glasses, of 50, 60, or 65 Foot, for 500 (*French*) Crowns; and the small Glasses, from 6 to 12 Foot, at a (*French*) Crown a Foot; from 12 to 18, at half a Pistole; and from 18 to 26, at a Pistole.

8. Though

8. Though it be commonly believed, that *Rock Crystal* is not fit for Optic-Glasses, because there are many Veins in it; yet *Eustachio Divini* made one of it, which he said proved an excellent one, though full of Veins: But perhaps they were only superficial Strictures and slight Scratches, not Veins.

Optic Lens of Rock Crystal; by Eust. Divini. N. 23. p. 362. Dec. An. 1666.

9. Drops of fair Water being let fall on a Piece of plain Glass, form themselves into Plano-convexes, having a Convexity proportionable to the Heights from which they descend; from a greater Height a less, from a less a greater Degree of Convexity. I applied some of these as Reading-Glasses for single Words of small Letters, as on the Globes and Maps, and found no other Inconveniency, than that the Fluidity of the Water obliges one to keep the Glass Horizontal, which I after devised a Way to remedy. I took a sufficient Quantity of Ising-Glass, and dissolved it in Water over the Fire, and whilst it was warm I dipt a Stick into the Solution, and let some Drops of it fall on the Glass as before; and in a quarter of an Hour they acquire a Consistency, that permits them to be held in any Position; and though they are not altogether so transparent, yet this is little or no Impediment to their Use. The Drops of this Solution are more exactly defined than those of common Water, having their Edges exactly circular; and one may make them of a much longer Focus than those.

Of Water; by Mr. Stephen Gray. N. 228. p. 539. May, An. 1697.

A thin flat Ring of Brass, not exceeding 4 Tenths of an Inch Diameter in its interior Circle, being cemented to a plain Piece of Glass, and filled with Water, or the Solution now mentioned; then by pressing the Finger into it, 'till what is superfluous be taken off, there will be formed a Plano-concave, which may serve as an Eye-Glass to a Perspective, or to any other optical Use Concave Glasses are applicable to.

I have tried what would be the Success of combining Portions of Water by the help of Brass Rings, and plain Pieces of Glass, to give them their true Figure and requisite Apertures, and inserted them at the Ends of Tubes of several Lengths; and find, that though these *Natural Lentes* may serve as Eye-Glasses, yet when used as Object ones, either to Telescopes, or double Microscopes, the Effects will not compensate the Trouble there is in using them.

XVII. 1. When I had found, that *Light consists of Rays differently refrangible*, I left off my Glass-works; for I saw, that the Perfection of Telescopes was hitherto limited, not so much for want of Glasses truly figured according to the Prescriptions of Optic Authors, (which all Men have hitherto imagined) as because that *Light* itself is an heterogeneous Mixture of *differently Refrangible Rays*: So that were a Glass so exactly figured as to collect any one sort of Rays into one Point, it could not collect those also into the same Point, which having the same Incidence upon the same Medium, are apt to suffer a different Refraction. Nay, I wondered, that seeing the Difference of Refrangibility was so great as I found it, Telescopes should arrive to that Perfection they are now at: For, measuring the Refractions in one of my Prisms, I found, that supposing the common Sine of Incidence upon one

The Advantages of Reflection to Optic Instruments; by Mr. Newton. N. 80. p. 3079. Feb. An. 1672.

of its Planes was 44 Parts, the Sine of Refraction of the utmost Rays on the red End of the Colours, made out of the Glass into the Air, would be 68 Parts, and the Sine of Refraction of the utmost Rays on the other End 69 Parts; so that the Difference is about a 24th or 25th Part of the whole Refraction. And consequently, the Object-Glass of any Telescope cannot collect all the Rays which come from one Point of an Object, so as to make them convene at its Focus in less room than in a circular Space, whose Diameter is the 50th Part of the Diameter of its Aperture; which is an Irregularity, some hundreds of times greater, than a circularly figured *Lens*, of so small a Section as the Object-Glasses of long Telescopes are, would cause, by the Unfitness of its Figure, were Light uniform.

This made me take Reflections into Consideration; and finding them regular, so that the Angle of Reflection of all sort of Rays was equal to their Angle of Incidence, I understood that by their Mediation Optic Instruments might be brought to any Degree of Perfection imaginable, provided a reflecting Substance could be found, which would polish as finely as Glass, and reflect as much Light as Glass transmits, and the Art of communicating to it a parabolic Figure be also attained. But these seemed very great Difficulties, and I have almost thought them insuperable, when I farther consider'd that every Irregularity in a reflecting Superficies makes the Rays stray five or six times more out of their due Course, than the like Irregularities in a refracting one: So that a much greater Curiosity would be here requisite, than in figuring Glasses for Refraction.

Amidst these Thoughts I was forced from *Cambridge*, Anno 1666, by the intervening Plague, and it was more than two Years before I proceeded further. But then having thought on a tender way of polishing, proper for Metal, whereby, as I imagined, the Figure would be corrected to the last, I began to try what might be effected in this kind, and by degrees so far perfected an Instrument (in the essential Parts of it like that I sent to *London*) by which I could discern *Jupiter's* four Concomitants, and shewed them divers times to two others of my Acquaintance. I could also discern the Moon-like *Phase* of *Venus*, but not very distinctly, nor without some Niceness in disposing the Instrument.

From that time I was interrupted till this last *Autumn*, when I made another. And as that was sensibly better than the first (especially for Day-Objects) so I doubt not, but they will be still brought to a much greater Perfection by their Endeavours, who, as you inform me, are taking Care about it at *London*.

2. This new Instrument is composed of two Metalline Speculums, the one Concave (instead of an Object-Glass) the other Plain: and also of a small Plano-convex Eye-Glass; as in the Figure, where *AB* is a Concave Speculum, of which the Radius or Semidiameter is $12\frac{2}{3}$ or 13 Inches.

CD, another Metalline Speculum, whose Surface is flat, and the Circumference oval.

GD, an Iron Wire, holding a Ring of Brass, in which the Speculum *CD* is fixed.

F, a

*A new Catadi-
optical Telescope
invented by
Mr. Newton.
N. 82. p. 4004.
Mar. An. 1672.
Fig. 99.*

F, a small Eye-Glass, flat above, and convex below, of the 12th Part of an Inch Radius, if not less.

GGG, the fore Part of the Tube (which is open) fastened to a Brass Ring HI. to keep it immoveable.

PQKL, the hinder Part of the Tube, fastened to another Brass Ring PQ.

O, an Iron Hook fastened to the Ring Ring PQ, and furnished with a Screw N, thereby to advance or draw back the hinder Part of the Tube, and so by that means to put the Specula in their due Distance.

MQGI, a crooked Iron sustaining the Tube, and fastened by the Nail R to the Ball and Socket S, whereby the Tube may be turned every Way.

The Center of the flat Speculum CD, must be placed in the same Point of the Tube's Axe, where falls the Perpendicular to this Axe, drawn to the same from the Center of the little Eye-Glass; which Point is here marked at T.

And to give the Reader some Satisfaction to understand in what Degree it represents Things distinct, and free from Colours, and to know the Aperture by which it admits Light, he may compare the Distances of the Focus E from the Vertexes of the little Eye-Glass and the Concave Speculum; that is, EF, $\frac{1}{2}$ of an Inch, and ET V, $6 \frac{1}{3}$ Inches; and the Ratio will be found as 1 to 38; whereby it appears, that the Objects will magnified about 38 times; and be represented bigger by $2 \frac{1}{2}$ times in Diameter, when seen thro' this, than thro' an ordinary Telescope of about two Foot long.

Thus far as to the Structure of this Telescope. Concerning the metalline Matter, fit for these Reflecting Speculums, the Inventor hath also considered the same, and gives this Caution, that whilst Men seek for a white, hard, and durable metalline Composition, they resolve not upon such an one as is full of small Pores, only discoverable by a Microscope: For tho' such an one may, to Appearance, take a good Polish, yet the Edges of those small Pores will wear away faster in the polishing, than the other Parts of the Metal; and so, however the Metal seem polite, yet it shall not reflect with such an accurate Regularity as it ought to do. Thus Tin-Glass mixt with ordinary Bell-Metal makes it more white, and apt to reflect a greater Quantity of Light; but withal, its Fumes raised in the Fusion, like so many aerial Bubbles, fill the Metal full of the microscopical Pores. But white Arsenick both blanches the Metal, and leaves it solid, without any such Pores, especially if the Fusion hath not been too violent. What the Stellate-Regulus of *Mars* (which I have sometimes used) or rather such like Substance, will do, deserves particular Examination.

To this he adds this further Intimation, that Putty, or other such like Powder, with which it is polished, by the sharp Angles of its Particles, fretteth the Metal, if it be not very fine, and fills it full of such small Holes as he speaketh of. Wherefore Care must be taken of that, before Judgment be given, whether the Metal be throughout the Body of it porous or not.

But not having tried, as he saith, many Proportions of the Arsenick and Metal, he does not affirm which is absolutely best, but thinks there may conveniently

veniently be used any Quantity of Arsenick equalling in Weight between a sixth and an eighth Part of the Copper ; a greater Proportion making the Metal brittle.

The Way which he used was this : He first melted the Copper alone, then put in the Arsenick, which being melted, he stirred them a little together, bewareing, in the mean time, not to draw in Breath near the pernicious Fumes. After this he put in Tin ; and again, so soon as that was melted (which was very suddenly) he stirred them well together, and immediately poured them off.

He saith, he knows not, whether by letting them stand longer on the Fire after the Tin was melted, a higher Degree of Fusion would have made the Metal porous ; but he thought that Way he proceeded to be the safest.

He adds, that in the Metal, which he sent to *London*, there was no Arsenick, but a small Proportion of Silver ; as he remembers, one Shilling in three Ounces of Metal. But he thought withal, that the Silver did as much harm in making the Metal soft, and so less fit to be polished, as good in rendering it white and luminous.

At another time he mixed Arsenick one Ounce, Copper six Ounces, and Tin two Ounces ; and this an Acquaintance of his hath, as he intimates, polished better than he did the other.

As to the Objection, that with this kind of Perspectives, Objects are difficultly found ; he answers, That that is the Inconvenience of all Tubes that magnify much ; and that after a little Use, the Inconvenience will grow less, seeing that himself could readily enough find any Day Objects, by knowing which way they were posited, from other Objects that he accidentally saw in it. But in the Night, to find Stars he acknowledges it to be more troublesome ; which yet may, in his Opinion, be easily remedied by two Sights affixed to the Iron Rod, by which the Tube is sustained, or by an ordinary Perspective-Glass fastened to the same Frame with the Tube, and directed towards the same Object ; as *Des Cartes* in his *Dioptrics* hath described, for remedying the same Inconvenience of his best Telescopes.

Approved by M.
Hugens de Zu-
lichem. *Ibid.* p.
4008.

3. I see by the Description you have sent me of Mr. *Newton's* admirable Telescope, that he hath well considered the Advantage which a Concave Speculum hath above Convex-Glasses in collecting the parallel Rays ; which certainly, according to the Calculation I have made thereof, is very great. Hence it is, that he can give a far greater Aperture to that Speculum, than to an Object-Glass of the same Distance of the Focus ; and consequently, that he can much more magnify Objects this Way, than by an ordinary Telescope. Besides, by it he avoids an Inconvenience, which is inseparable from Convex Object-Glasses, which is the Obliquity of both their Surfaces, which vitiateth the Refraction of the Rays that pass towards the Sides of the Glass, and does more hurt than Men are aware of. Again, by the mere Reflection of the metalline Speculum there are not so many Rays lost as in Glasses, which reflect a considerable Quantity by each of their Surfaces, and besides intercept many of them by the Obscurity of their Matter.

Mean time the main Business will be, to find a Matter for this Speculum that will bear so good and even a Polish as Glasses, and a Way of giving this Polish

Polish without vitiating the Spherical Figure. Hitherto I have found no Specula that had near so good a Polish as Glass: And if Mr. *Newton* hath not already found a way to make it better than ordinarily, I apprehend his Telescope will not so well distinguish Objects as those with Glasses. But 'tis worth while to search for a Remedy to this Inconveniency, and I despair not of finding one. I believe that Mr. *Newton* hath not been without considering the Advantage, which a Parabolical Speculum would have above a Spherical one in this Construction; but that he despairs, as well as I do, of working other Surfaces than Spherical ones with due Exactness; tho' else it be more easy to make a Parabolical, than Elliptical or Hyperbolical ones, by reason of a certain Propriety of the Parabolic Conoid, which is, that all the Sections parallel to the Axis make the same Parabola.

But though Mr. *Newton* (with M. *Hugens*) despairs of performing that Work by Geometrical Rules, yet he doubts not but that the thing may in some measure be accomplished by mechanical Devices. *Ibid. p. 4009.*

4. In my last Letter I gave you occasion to suspect that the Instrument which I sent you is in some respect or other indisposed, or that the Metals are tarnished; and by yours I am fully confirmed in that Opinion: For, whilst I had it, it represented the Moon in some Parts of it as distinctly as other Telescopes usually do which magnify as much as that. Yet I very well know, that that Instrument hath its Imperfections both in the Composition of the Metal, and in its being badly cast, as you may perceive by a scabrous Place near the Middle of the Metal of it on the polished Side, and also in the Figure of that Metal near that scabrous Place: And in all those Respects that Instrument is capable of further Improvement. *A further Account of this Instrument; by Mr. Newton. Ibid.*

You seem to intimate, that the Proportion of 38 to 1, holds only for its magnifying Objects at small Distances. But if for such Distances, suppose 500 Feet, it magnify at that Rate, by the Rules of Optics it must for the greater Distance imaginable magnify more than $37\frac{3}{4}$ to 1, which is so considerable a Diminishing, that it may be even then as 38 to 1.

Here is made another Instrument like the former, which does very well. Yesterday I compared it with a six Foot Telescope, and found it not only to magnify more, but also more distinctly: And to Day I found, that I could read in one of the Philosophical Transactions, placed in the Sun's Light, at 100 Foot Distance, and that at 120 Foot Distance I could discern some of the Words. When I made this Trial, its Aperture (defined next the Eye) was equivalent to more than an Inch and a third Part of the Object-Metal. This may be of some Use to those that shall endeavour any thing in Reflections; for hereby they will in some measure be enabled to judge of the Goodness of their Instruments.

5. I know that the Aperture was $1\frac{1}{3}$ of an Inch, by trying that an Obstacle of that Breadth was requisite to intercept all the Light which came from one Point of the Object. *The Apertures and Charges of these Instruments; by Mr. Newton. N. 82. p. 4032. April, An. 1672.*

I should tell you also, that the little plain Piece of Metal next the Eye-Glass is not truly figured: Whereby it happens, that Objects are not so distinct at the Middle as at the Edges. And I hope that by correcting its Figure (in which

which I find more Difficulty than one would expect) they will appear all over distinct, and distincter in the middle than at the Edges. And I doubt not but that the Performances will then be greater.

But yet I find, that there is more Light lost by Reflection of the Metal which I have hitherto used, than by Transmission through Glasses: For which Reason a shallower Charge would probably do better for obscure Objects; suppose such a one as would magnify 34 or 32 times. But for bright Objects at any Distance, it seems capable of magnifying 38 or 40 times, with sufficient Distinctness. And for all Objects, the same Charge, I believe, may with Advantage be allowed, if the steely Matter, employed at *London*, be more strongly reflective than this which I have used.

The Performances of one of these Instruments of any Length being known, it will appear by this following Table, what may be expected from those of other Lengths by this Way, if Art can accomplish what is promised by the Theory. In the first Column is expressed the Length of the Telescope in Feet; which doubled, gives the Semidiameter of the Sphere on which the Concave Metal is to be ground. In the second Column are the Proportions of the Apertures for those several Lengths. And in the third Column are the Proportions of the Charges, or Diameter of the Spheres, on which the Convex Superficies of the Eye-Glasses are to be ground.

Lengths.	Apertures.	Charges.	Lengths.	Apertures.	Charges.
$\frac{1}{2}$	100	100	8	800	200
1	168	119	10	946	211
2	283	141	12	1084	221
3	383	157	16	1345	238
4	476	168	20	1591	251
5	562	178	24	1824	263
6	645	186			

The Use of this Table will best appear by Example: Suppose therefore a half Foot Telescope may distinctly magnify 30 times with an Inch Aperture, and it being required to know, what ought to be the analogous Constitution and Performance of a four Foot Telescope: By the second Column, as 100 to 476; so are the Apertures, as also the Number of Times which they magnify. And consequently since the half Foot Tube hath an Inch Aperture and magnifieth 30 times, a four Foot Tube proportionally should have $4\frac{7}{8}$ Inches Aperture, and magnify 143 times. And by the third Column, as 100 to 168; so have their Charges. And therefore if the Diameter of the Convexity of the Eye-Glass for a half Foot Telescope be $\frac{1}{7}$ of an Inch; that for a four Foot should be $\frac{1}{5}$, that is about $\frac{1}{5}$ of an Inch; and so of other Lengths. But what the Event will really be, we must wait to see determined by Experience. Only this I thought fit to insinuate, that they which intend to make Trial in other Lengths, may more readily know how to design their Instruments. Thus for a four Foot Tube, since the Aperture should be 5 or 6 Inches,

Inches, there will be required a Piece of Metal 7 or 8 Inches broad at least, because the Figure will scarcely be true to the Edges. And the Thickness of the Metal must be proportional to the Breadth, lest it bend in the Grinding. The Metals being polished, there may be Trials made with several Eye-Glasses, to find what Charge may with best Advantage be made use of.

XVIII. 1. I doubt not but *M. A.* will allow the Advantage of Reflection in the Theory to be very great, when he shall have informed himself of the *different Refrangibility* of the several Rays of Light. And for the practick Part, it is in some Measure manifest by the Instruments already made, to what Degree of Vivacity and Brightness a metalline Substance may be polished. Nor is it improbable but that there may be new Ways of polishing found out for Metal, which will far excell those that are yet in Use. And when a Metal is once well polished, it will be a long while preserved from tarnishing, if Diligence be used to keep it dry and close shut up from Air: For the principal Cause of Tarnishing seems to be the condensing of Moisture on its polished Surface, which, by an acid Spirit, wherewith the Atmosphere is impregnated, corrodes and rusts it; or at least at its exhaling leaves it covered over with a thin Skin, consisting partly of an earthly Sediment of that Moisture, and partly of the Dust, which, flying to and fro in the Air, had settled and adhered to it.

Where there is not occasion to make frequent Use of the Instrument, there may be other Ways to preserve the Metal for a long time; as perhaps by immersing it in Spirit of Wine, or some other convenient Liquor. And if they chance to tarnish, yet their Polish may be recovered by rubbing them with a soft Piece of Leather, or other tender Substance, without the Assistance of any fretting Powders, unless they happen to be rusty; for then they must be new polished.

I am very sensible, that Metal reflects less Light than Glass transmits; and for that Inconvenience, I gave you a Remedy in my last Letter, by assigning a shallower Charge in Proportion to the Aperture, than is used in other Telescopes. But as I have found some metalline Substances to be more strongly reflective, and to polish better, and be freer from tarnishing than others; so I hope there may in time be found out some Substance much freer from these Inconveniencies than any yet known.

2. The *Considerer* is pleased to reprehend me for laying aside the Thoughts of improving Optics by Refractions. If he had obliged me by a private Letter on this Occasion, I would have acquainted him with my Success on the Trials I have made of that kind, which, I shall now say, have been less than I sometimes expected, and perhaps than he at present hopes for. But since he is pleased to take it for granted, that I have let this Subject pass without due Examination, I shall refer him to my former Letters, by which that Conjecture will appear to be ungrounded. For what I said there was in respect of Telescopes of the ordinary Construction, signifying, that their Improvement is not to be expected from the well figuring of Glasses, as Opticians

*Some Objections
of Mr. —
Answered, by
Mr. Newton.
ib. p. 4034.*

*The Considerations
of — Answered
by Mr. Newton.
N. 88. p. 5084. Nov.
An. 1672.*

cians have imagined; but I despaired not of their Improvement by other Constructions, which made me cautious, to insert nothing that might intimate the contrary. For although successive Refractions that are all made the same Way, do necessarily more and more augment the Errors of the first Refraction; yet it seemed not impossible for contrary Refractions so to correct each other's Inequalities, as to make their Difference regular; and if that could be conveniently effected, there would be no further Difficulty. Now to this end, I examined what may be done, not only by Glasses alone, but more especially by a Complication of divers successive Mediums, as by two or more Glasses or Chrystals with Water or some other Fluid between them; all which together may perform the Office of one Glass, especially of the Object-Glass, on whose Construction the Perfection of the Instrument chiefly depends.

To the Assertion, that Rays are less true, reflected to a Point by a Concave, than refracted by a Convex, I cannot assent; nor do I understand, that the Focus of the latter is a less Line than that of the former. The Truth of the contrary you will rather perceive by the following Table, computed for such a reflecting Concave, and the refracting Convex, on Supposition that they have equal Apertures, and collect parallel Rays at an equal Distance from their Vertex; which Distance being divided into 15000 Parts, the Diameter of the Concave Sphere will be 60000 of those Parts, and of the Convex 10000; supposing the Sines of Incidence and Refraction to be, in round Numbers, as 2 to 3. And this Table following shews, how much the exterior Rays, at several Apertures, fall short of their principal Focus.

<i>The Diameter of the Aperture.</i>	<i>The Parts of the Axis intercepted between the Vertex and the Rays.</i>		<i>The Errors by</i>	
	<i>Reflected.</i>	<i>Refracted.</i>	<i>Reflection.</i>	<i>Refraction.</i>
2000	14991 $\frac{2}{3}$	14865	8 $\frac{1}{3}$	135
4000	14966	14449	33	551
6000	14924	13699	76	1301
8000	14865	12475	135	2525
10000	14787	9472	213	5528

By this you may perceive, that the Errors of the refracting Convex are so far from being less, that they are more than 16 Times greater than the like Errors of the reflecting Concave, especially in great Apertures; and that without respect to the heterogeneous Constitution of Light. So that, however the contrary Supposition might make the Author of these Animadversions reject Reflections as useless for the promoting of Optics; yet I must for this, as well as other Considerations, prefer them in the Theory before Refractions.

Whether

Whether the *Parabola* be more difficult to describe than the *Hyperbola*, or *Ellipsis*, may be a Query; but I see no absolute Necessity of endeavouring after any of their Descriptions. For if Metals can be ground truly Spherical, they will bear as great Apertures, as I believe Men will be well able to communicate an exact Polish to. And for Dioptrique Telescopes, I told you, that the Difficulty consisted not in the Figure of the Glass, but in the Difformity of Refractions; which if it did not, I could tell you a better and more easy Remedy than the Use of the *Conic Sections*.

3. We see that a Picture made by an Object-Glass of 12 Foot in a dark Room, is too distinct, and too well defined, to be produced by Rays, that should stray the 50th Part of the Aperture.

Objections; by
M.
N. 96. p. 6087.
July, An. 1673.

To take away this Difficulty, I must acquaint you, that though I put the greatest Lateral Error of the Rays from one another to be about $\frac{1}{50}$ of the Glass's Diameter; yet their greater Error from the Points on which they ought to fall, will be but $\frac{1}{100}$ of that Diameter: And then, that the Rays, whose Error is so great, are but very few in Comparison to those, which are refracted more justly; for the Rays which fall upon the middle Parts of the Glass, are refracted with sufficient Exactness, as also are those that fall near the Perimeter, and have a mean Degree of Refrangibility; so that there remain only the Rays which fall near the Perimeter, and are most or least refrangible, to cause any sensible Confusion in the Picture. And these are yet so much further weakened by the greater Space through which they are scattered, that the Light which falls on the due Point, is infinitely more dense than that which falls on any other Point round about it. And by this Excess of Density, the Light which falls in or invisibly near the just Point, may, I conceive, strike the *Sensorium* so vigorously, that the Impress of the weak Light, which errs round about it, shall, in Comparison, not be strong enough to be animadverted, or to cause any more sensible Confusion in the Picture than is found by Experience. But if this satisfy not, N. may try, if he please, how distinct the Picture will appear, when all the Lens is cover'd, excepting a little Hole next its Edge on one Side only: And if in this Case he please to measure the Breadth of the Colours thus made at the Edge of the Sun's Picture, he will perhaps find it to approach nearer to my Proportion than he expects.

Answered by
Mr. Newton.
N. 97. p. 6110.
Oct. An. 1673.

4. I am satisfied with the manner whereby Mr. *Newton* reconciles the Effect of Convex Glasses with his Theory; but then he is also to acknowledge, that this Aberration of the Rays is not so disadvantageous to Optic-Glasses, as he seems to have been willing to make us believe. His Invention is very good; but the Defect of the Metal seems to render it as impossible to execute, as the Difficulty of the Form obstructs the Use of the *Hyperbole* of M. *Des Cartes*.

A Reply by
M.
Ibid. p. 6112.

If M. N— pleases to compare the Errors of a Glass and Speculum that collect Rays at equal Distances, he will find how much he is mistaken; and that I have not been extravagant, as he imagines, in preferring Reflections. And as for what he says of the Difficulty of the *Praxis*, I know it is very difficult; and by those Ways which he attempted it, I believe it im-

Answered, by
Mr. Newton.
N. 96. p. 6091.
July, An. 1673.

practicable. But there is a Way insinuated above, by which it is not improbable, but that as much may be done in large Telescopes as I have thereby done in short ones; but yet not without more than ordinary Diligence and Curiosity.

A Cata-Dioptrical Telescope,
by M. Cassegrain. N. 83.
p. 4056.
May, An. 1672.
fig. 100.

XIX. 1. M. Cassegrain has communicated the Figure of a Telescope, almost like that of Mr. Newton.

A B C D is a strong Tube, in the bottom of which there is a great Concave Speculum C D, pierced in the middle E.

F is a Convex Speculum, so disposed, as to its Convexity, that it reflects the Species, which it receives from the great Speculum, towards the Hole E, where is an Eye-Glass, which one looketh through.

The Advantage which I find in this Instrument above that of Mr. Newton, is, 1. That the Mouth or Aperture A B of the Tube may be of what Bigness you please; and consequently you may have many more Rays upon the Concave Speculum, than upon that of which you have given us the Description. 2. The Reflection of the Rays will be very natural, since it will be made upon the Axis itself, and therefore more vivid. 3. The Vision of it will be so much the more pleasing, in that you shall not be incommoded by the great Light, by reason of the bottom C D, which hideth the whole Face. Besides, you'll have less Difficulty in discovering the Objects, than in that of Mr. Newton.

Considered by
Mr. Newton.
Ibid. p. 4057.

2. When I first applied myself to try the Effects of Reflections, Mr. Gregory's *Optica Promota* (printed in the Year 1663.) being fallen into my Hands, where there is an Instrument (described p. 94.) like that of Mr. Cassegrain, with a Hole in the midst of the Object Metal, to transmit the Light to an Eye-Glass placed behind it; I had thence an Occasion of considering that sort of Constructions, and found these Disadvantages in it; viz. 1. There will be more Light lost in the Metal by Reflection from the little Convex Speculum, than from the oval Plane. For it is an obvious Observation, That Light is most copiously reflected from any Substance when incident most obliquely. 2. The Convex Speculum will not reflect the Rays so truly as the oval Plane, unless it be of an hyperbolic Figure; which is incomparably more difficult to form than a Plane; and if truly formed, yet would only reflect those Rays truly which respect the Axis. 3. The Errors of the said Convex will be too much augmented by the too great Distance, through which the Rays reflected from it must pass, before their Arrival at the Eye-Glass. For which Reason, I find it convenient to make the Tube no wider than is necessary, that the Eye-Glass be placed as near to the oval Plane as is possible, without obstructing any useful Light in its Passage to the Object-Metal. 4. The Errors of the Object-Metal will be more augmented by Reflection from the Convex than from the Plane, because of the Inclination or Deflexion of the Convex on all sides, from the Points on which every Ray ought to be incident. 5. For these Reasons there is requisite an extraordinary Exactness in the Figure of the little Convex; whereas I find by Experience that it is much more difficult to communicate an exact Figure to such small Pieces of

Metal,

Metal, than to those that are greater. 6. Because the Errors of the Perimeter of the Concave Object-Metal, caused by the Sphericalness of its Figure, are much augmented by the Convex, it will not with Distinctness bear so large an Aperture as in the other Construction. 7. By reason that the little Convex conduces very much to the magnifying Virtue of the Instrument, which the oval Plane does not, it will magnify much more in Proportion to the Sphere, on which the great Concave is ground, than in the other Design; and so magnifying Objects much more than it ought to do in Proportion to its Aperture, it must represent them very obscure and dark; and not only so, but also confused, by reason of its being over-charged. Nor is there any convenient Remedy for this. For if the little Convex be made of a larger Sphere, that will cause a greater Inconvenience, by intercepting too many of the best Rays; or if the Charge of the Eye-Glass be made so much shallower as is necessary, the Angle of Vision will thereby become so little, that it will be very difficult and troublesome to find an Object; and of that Object, when found, there will be but a very small Part seen at once.

By this you may perceive, that the three Advantages, which Mr. *Cassegrain* propounds to himself, are rather Disadvantages. For according to his Design, the Aperture of the Instrument will be but small, the Object dark and confused, and also difficult to be found. Nor do I see, why the Reflection is more upon the same Axis, and so more natural in one Case than in the other; since the Axis itself is reflected towards the Eye by the oval Plane, and the Eye may be defended from external Light, as well at the Side as at the Bottom of the Tube.

Mr. *Gregory* speaking of these Instruments, in the aforesaid Book, p. 95. saith; I shall say nothing about the Mechanism of these *Specula* and *Lenses*, which has been tried in vain by others; and as to myself, I am but little versed in Mechanics. So that there have been Trials made of these Telescopes, but yet in vain. And I am informed, that about 7 or 8 Years since, Mr. *Gregory* himself, at *London*, caused one of 6 Foot to be made by Mr. *Reive*, which I take to have been according to the aforesaid Design described in his Book; but, though made by a skilful Artist, yet it was without Success.

XX. *S. Salvetti* hath made a Prospective-Glass according to Mr. *Newton's* new Invention. It was not above half a Foot long, but had the same Effect of one of two. He is now making another after the Conceit of Mr. *Cassegrain*, though he agrees not with him in making Convex the little Speculum, which one looks into through the Eye-Glass, but believes the *French* Author only devised that to disguise as much as was possible his pretended new Invention, which he endeavours to make anterior to Mr. *Newton's* most noble one.

*A Cata-Dioptric
Telescope, by
S. Salvetti.
N. 87. p. 5065.
Sept. An. 1672.*

XXI. 1. Opposite to the Place or Wall, where the Apparition is to be, let a Hole be made of about a Foot in Diameter, or bigger: If there be a high Window, that hath a Casement in it, 'twill be so much the better. Without this Hole or Casement opened, at a convenient Distance (that it

*To make the Pi-
cture of any
thing appear in
a Light Room;
by Dr. Hook.
N. 28. p. 741.
Aug. An. 1688.*

may

may not be perceived by the Company in the Room) place the Picture or Object, which you will represent inverted, and by means of Looking-Glasses placed behind, if the Picture be transparent, reflect the Rays of the Sun so, as that they may pass through it towards the Place where it is to be represented; and to the End that no Rays may pass besides it, let the Picture be encompassed on every Side with a Board or Cloth. If the Object be a Statue, or some Living Creature, then it must be very much enlightened by casting the Sun-Beams on it by Refraction, Reflection, or both. Between this Object and the Place where 'tis to be represented, there is to be placed a broad Convex-Glass, ground of such a Convexity, as that it may represent the Object distinct on the said Place; which any one, that hath an Insight in the Optics, may easily direct. The nearer it is placed to the Object, the more is the Object magnified on the Wall, and the further off the less; which Diversity is effected by Glasses of several Spheres. If the Object cannot be inverted (as 'tis pretty difficult to do with Living Animals, Candles, &c.) then there must be two large Glasses of convenient Spheres, and they placed at their appropriated Distances (which are very easily found by Trials) so as to make the Representations erect, as well as the Object.

These Objects, Reflecting and Refracting Glasses, and the whole Apparatus; as also the Persons employed to order, change, and make use of them, must be placed without the said high Window or Hole, so that they may not be perceived by the Spectators in the Room; and the whole Operation will be easily performed.

Whatsoever may be done by means of the Sun-Beams in the Day-time, the same may be done with much more ease in the Night, by the help of Torches, Lamps, or other bright Lights, placed about the Objects, according to the several sorts of them.

2. There are every where made of these Lanthorns to represent and magnify Figures upon a Wall; but then 'tis only in the Dark: wherefore to give Variety of Colours, take Oil of Spike, and therein mix the several Colours, wherewith you will have your Glass to be stained; paint them finely on, they dry presently, and penetrate any Glass.

XXII. Having found by many Trials, that some short-sighted Persons could find little or no Relief by the Use of Concave-Glasses for seeing Objects at any Distance distinct, and that any one may be made short-sighted, and to be able to distinguish nothing but what is placed very near his Eye, but within certain Limits of Distance, by putting on and looking through a very deep Pair of Spectacles, such as ancient Men use: I concluded that what Glasses should make this Man, whilst looking thro' these Spectacles, to see Things at a greater Distance, would also help any other Person that should be short-sighted by Nature. I then consider'd, that by the help of a Convex Glass, placed between the Object and the Eye, the Image of the Object may be made to appear at any Distance from the Eye; and consequently all Objects may thereby be made to appear in any convenient Distance from the Eye: So that the short-sighted Eye shall contemplate the Picture of the Object,

*The Magick
Lanthorn im-
prov'd, by Sir
Rob. Southwell.
N. 245. p. 364.
Oct. An. 1698.*

*A Way to help
Short-sightedness.
by Dr. Hook.
Pb. Coll.
N. 3. p. 59.
Dec. An. 1687.*

Object, in the same manner as if the Object itself were in that Place. But then, because the Pictures themselves are so inverted, and therefore will be uncouth to one, not used to see them in that Posture, I consider'd of these Expedients to help that Defect also:

First, If it be only for reading of a Book, or Writing, there needeth nothing but the Inversion of the Book, and then holding the Convex at a due Distance; for the Picture of the Letters will appear erected in the due Place, for the Eye to see and distinguish them very plainly.

Secondly, For seeing to write, I thought this would be the best Expedient, That the Person short-sighted should first learn to read with his naked Eye (both printed Letters and also written Hand) upside downwards, which is quickly attained to by one that can do both the right Way.

Thirdly, For distinguishing Objects at a Distance, I can assert by my own Experience, that with a little Use of contemplating Objects inverted, one shall have as good an Idea, and as true a Knowledge of all manner of Objects, as if they were seen erected in their natural Posture.

XXIII. 1. *Eustachio Divini* hath made a Microscope of a new Invention, wherein, instead of an Eye-Glass Convex on both Sides, there are two Plano-Convex-Glasses, which are so placed, as to touch one another in the middle of their Convex Surface. It hath this Peculiar, that it shews the Objects flat and not crooked; and although it takes in much, yet nevertheless magnifieth extraordinarily.

Microscopes; by S. Divini. N. 42. p. 842. Dec. An. 1668.

It is almost $16\frac{1}{2}$ Inches high, and adjusted at four different Lengths. In the first, which is the least, it shews Lines 41 times bigger than they appear to the naked Eye; in the second 90 times; in the third 111 times; and in the fourth 143 times: Whence one may easily calculate how much it augments Surfaces and Solidities.

2. *S. Salvetti* lately shew'd one of his Microscopes, made in Imitation of those of *Divini* and *Campani*, to the Great Duke of *Tuscany*, which was judged by all much better than any of the best his Highness hath. It was found, for Magnifying, Defining, and Clearness, to be very excellent.

By S. Piet. Salvetti. N. 87. p. 5065. Oct. An. 1672.

3. *M. Leeuwenboeck* hath lately contrived Microscopes, excelling those that have been hitherto made by *Eustachio Divini*, and others.

By M. Leeuwenboeck. N. 94. p. 6037. May, An. 1673.

4. I have Microscopes of the manner lately brought out of *Holland* by *Mr. Huygens*, of several Fashions ready made. I have tried several Ways for the making of Glasses of the Bigness of a great Pin's Head and less; as in the Flame of a Tallow-Candle, and of one of Wax. But the best Way of all I have yet found, to make them clear and without Specks, is with the Flame of Spirit of Wine well rectified, and burned in a Lamp. Instead of Cotton I make use of very small Silver-Wire, doubled up and down like a Skein of Thread; which being wet with the Spirit of Wine, and made to burn in the Lamp, giveth through the Veril of the Lamp, a very ardent Flame. Then take your beaten Glass, being first washed very clean, upon the Point of a Silver Needle filed very small, and wet with Spittle. Hold it thus in the Flame till it be quite round, and no longer, for fear of burning it; and

By Mr. Butterfield. N. 141. p. 1026. Sept. An. 1678.

if the side of the Glass next the Needle be not melted, you may put it off, and take it up with the Needle on the round side, presenting the rough side to the Flame, till it be every where round and smooth, then wipe and rub one or several of them together with soft Leather, which makes them much the better. Then put them between two Pieces of thin Brass, the Apertures very round and without Bur, and that towards the Eye so big almost as the Diameter of the Glass, and so placed in a Frame with the Object conveniently for Observation.

By Mr. Stephen
Gray. N. 221.
p. 280.
June, An. 1626.

5. I took a small Particle of Glass, about the Bigness I designed my Globule, and laying it on the End of a Charcoal, I could, by the Help of a Blast-Pipe, with the Flame of a Candle, soon melt it into a Spherule; and by this means could make them indifferently clear, and the smallest very round, and I could make them much larger, than by the unassisted Heat of the Candle: but these latter were attended with an Inconvenience; they were, on that side that rested on the Coal, flatted, and received a rough Impression from it. To remedy this Inconvenience, I was wont to grind them and polish them on a Brass-Plane, and so reduce them to Hemispherules; but I found the clear small Globules, not to mention that they magnify more, shew Objects more distinctly.

A Water Micro-
scope; by Mr.
Stephen Gray.
N. 221. p. 281.
N. 223. p. 353.

Fig. 101.

XXIV. 1. A B, I call the Frame of the Microscope. It may be about $\frac{1}{8}$ of an Inch in Thickness. At A there is a small Hole, near $\frac{1}{4}$ of an Inch Diameter; this serves for the Aperture of the Water, being in the Center of a larger Spherical Cavity, about $\frac{1}{8}$ of an Inch Diameter, and in Depth somewhat more than half the Thickness of the Brass. Opposite to this, at the other side, there is another Concave, but half the Breadth of the former; which is so deep, as to reduce the Circumference of the small Hole in the Center, to almost a sharp Edge. In these Cavities the Water is to be placed, being taken upon a Pin, or large Needle, and conveyed into them till there be formed a double Convex Lens of Water; which, by the Concave's being of different Diameters, will be equivalent to a double Convex, of unequal Convexities. By this means, I find the Object is rendered more distinct than by a Plano-convex of Water, or by a double one, formed on the plain Surface of the Metal.

C D E, is the Supporter, whereon to place the Object; if it be Water, in the Hole G; if a solid Object, on the Point F. This is fix'd to the Frame of the Microscope by the Screw E, where 'tis bent upwards, that its upper Part may stand at a Distance from the Frame: 'tis moveable on the Screw as a Center, to the end that either the Hole C, or the Point F, may be exposed before the Microscope; and that the Object may be brought to, and fix'd in its Focus. There is another Screw, about half an Inch in Length, which goes through the round Plate into the Frame of the Microscope A E, the Screw and Plate taking hold of the Supporter about D, where there is a Slit somewhat larger than the Diameter of the Screw, which is requisite for the Admission of the Hole C, or Point F, according to the Nature of the Object, into the Focus of the Glass; for by turning the Screw G, the

G, the Supporter is carried to or from the same; which may be sooner done, if whilst one turns the Screw with one Hand, the other hold the Microscope by the End B, and one continue looking through the Water till the Object be seen most distinctly.

The Supporter must be made of a thin Piece of Brass well hammer'd, that by its Spring it may the better follow the Motion of the Screw. I chose rather to fix the Supporter by the Screw E, than by a Rivet; because it may now, by help of a Knife, be unscrew'd, and by the other Screw G, be brought close to the Frame of the Microscope without weakening its Spring, and so become more conveniently portable. If the Hole at G be filled with Water, but not so as to be Spherical, all Objects that will bear it, are seen therein more distinctly.

2. Having observ'd some irregular Particles in Globules of Glass, and finding them distinct, but prodigiously magnified, when held close to the Eye; I concluded that if I convey'd a small Globule of Water to my Eye, and that there were any opacous or less transparent Particles than the Water therein, I might see them distinctly. I therefore took on a Pin a small Portion of Water, which I knew to have in it some minute Animals, and laid it on the End of a small Piece of Brass Wire (that lay then by me) of about $\frac{1}{4}$ of an Inch Diameter, till there was formed somewhat more than an Hemisphere of Water; then keeping the Wire erect, I applied it to my Eye, and standing at a proper Distance from the Light, I saw them and some other irregular Particles, as I had predicted, but most enormously magnified; for whereas they are scarce discernible by my Glass-Microscopes, or first Aqueous one, within the Globule they appeared not much different both in their Form, nor less in Magnitude than ordinary Pease. They cannot well be seen by Day-light, except the Room be darkened after the manner of the famous Dioptrical Experiment, but most distinctly by Candle-light; they may be very well seen by the full Moon-light. If the Water be conveyed into the Hole B (which may be about $\frac{1}{8}$ of an Inch Diameter) till there remain near an Hemisphere of Water on each side of the Hole, the Objects are seen more distinctly; and the Spherical Form of the Water is this way better secured, than on the Point of a Pin-Wire.

The Reason of this Appearance may be thus explained. Let the Circle DBBD represent a Sphere of Water, A an Object placed in its Focus, sending forth a Cone of Rays, two of which are AB, AB, which, Opticians know, coming into the Water at B and B, will be refracted from their direct Course, and become BD, BD; at D they will, at their passing into the Air, be again refracted into DE, DE, and so run parallel to one another, and to the Axis of the Sphere AFCG. Now 'tis a known and fundamental Principle in Optics, that the Angle of Reflexion is equal to the Angle of Incidence: wherefore let the Rays BD, BD, be imagined to come from some Point of an Object placed within a Sphere of Water, by being reflected from the interior Surface of the Sphere at BB; CBD is the Angle of Reflexion; to which making CBF equal, F will be the Place where an Object sending forth a Cone of Rays, two of which are FB, FB, which are reflected

Another. Ibid.
N. 221. p. 282.

N. 223. p. 355.

N. 221. p. 285.

Fig. 102.

reflected into the Rays B D, B D, and then coming to the other side the Sphere at D and D, they are refracted into D E, D E, as before; and consequently be as fit for distinct Vision, whether the Object be placed in F within, or in A without the Sphere, if its interior Surface be considered as a Concave Reflecting Speculum.

Microscopes improved; by Mr. Newton.
N. 83. p. 5096.

XXV. From the Distinction I have elsewhere given between *Compounded* and *Uncompounded Colours*, I take occasion to communicate a Way for the Improvement of Microscopes by Refraction; *viz.* By illuminating the Object in a darkened Room with Light of any convenient Colour not too much *Compounded*; for by that means the Microscope will with Distinctness bear a deeper Charge and larger Aperture, especially if its Construction be such as I may hereafter describe; for the Advantage in ordinary Microscopes will not be so sensible.

A Reflecting Microscope; by Mr. Newton.
N. 80. p. 3080.

Fig. 103.

XXVI. 1. I have sometimes thought to make a Microscope, which should have, instead of an Object-Glass, a reflecting Piece of Metal. For these Instruments seem as capable of Improvement as Telescopes, and perhaps more; because but one reflective Piece of Metal is requisite in them, as you may perceive by the Diagram, where A B representeth the Object-Metal, C D the Eye-Glass, F their common Focus, and O the other Focus of the Metal, in which the Object is placed.

By Mr. Stephen Gray.
N. 228. p. 541.

Fig. 104.

2. A represents a small flat Ring of Brass, whose interior Circle must not much exceed $\frac{4}{5}$ of an Inch Diameter, and about $\frac{1}{5}$ of an Inch thick: This we may call the Frame or Cell of the Glass; it must be prepared for Use after the following manner. Take a small Globule of Quick-silver, and dissolve it in a few Drops of *Aqua Fortis*, to which you may add 10 Parts of common Water; dip the End of a Stick in this Liquor, and rub the inward Circle of the Ring with it; so as it will have acquired a mercurial Tincture, and being wiped dry, be fit for Use. Then let it be laid on the Table, and pour a Drop of Quick-silver within it, which press gently with the Ball of the Finger, and it will adhere to the Ring; then cleanse it with a Hare's Foot, and you will have a Convex Speculum. Take up the Ring and Speculum carrying it Horizontal, and lay it on the Brims of the hollow Cylinder B; so will the Mercury become a Concave Reflecting Speculum, which from the Smallness of the Sphere of which it seems to be a Section, may be used as a Microscope. The Cylindric Vessel B has a Screw-Hole at the Bottom, by which it is screw'd to the Top of the Pedestal C D; C E F G is the Supporter of the Object-Plate, which, as you see, may be raised higher, or let lower, as there is Occasion, by the Screw on the Pedestal: The Object-Plate must be of Glass cemented to the Ring G.

This Instrument, with a little Variation, may be made a Microscope of Water, if, instead of the Ring G, there be only a small Arm with a Hole in it to receive a Drop of Water, and the Cylindric Vessel B be either taken away, or screwed on with its Bottom upwards, so as to make an Object-Plate.

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This will be more convenient for viewing the Textures of opacous Objects, than that above described, which is more fit for fluid and transparent ones.

XXVII. 1. The Figure of it is round, being 30 Inches and somewhat better in Diameter. On one side it hath a Frame of a Circle of Steel, to the end that it may keep its just Measure. 'Tis easy to remove it from Place to Place, tho' it be above an Hundred Weight, and 'tis easily put in all sorts of Postures. The Burning Point is distant from the Center of the Glass about 3 Foot. The Focus is about half a *Louis d'Or* large. One may pass one's Hand through it, if it be done nimbly; for if it stay there the time of a Second of a Minute, there is danger of receiving much hurt. Green Wood takes Fire in it in an instant, as do also many other Bodies.

*A Burning Con-
cave at Lyons;
made by M. de
Vilette, N. 6.*

Seconds.

A small Piece of Pot-Iron was melted, and ready to drop down, in	-	40
A Silver Piece of Fifteen Pence was pierced, in	— — — —	24
A Gros Nail (called <i>le Clou de Pisan</i>) was melted, in	— — — —	30
The End of a Sword Blade of <i>Olinde</i> was burned, in	— — — —	43
A Brass Counter was pierced, in	— — — — — — — —	6
A Piece of Red Copper was melted ready to drop down, in	— —	42
A Piece of a Chamber Quarry-Stone was vitrified, and put into a Glass-Drop, in	— — — — — — — — — — } — — — — — — — — — — }	45
Steel, whereof Watchmakers make their Springs, was found melt- ed, in	— — — — — — — — — — } — — — — — — — — — — }	9
A Mineral-Stone, such as is used in Harquebusses <i>à rouët</i> , was calcined and vitrified, in	— — — — — — — — — — } — — — — — — — — — — }	1
A Piece of Mortar was vitrified, in	— — — — — — — — — —	52

In short, There is hardly any Body which is not destroy'd in this Fire. If one would melt by it any great Quantity of Metal; that would require much Time, the Action of Burning not being performed but within the Bigness of the Focus, so that ordinarily none but small Pieces are exposed to it. One *M. de Alibert* buys it, paying for it 1500 Livres.

You incline to believe, that the Glasses of *Maginus* and *Septalius* do approach to that of *Lyons*; but I can assure you they come very far short of it. You may consult *Maginus* his Book, where he describes his; and there are some Persons here who have seen one of his best, which had but about 20 Inches Diameter; so that this of *Lyons* must perform at least twice as much. As to *Septalius*, we expect the Relation of it from Intelligent and Impartial Men. It cannot well be compared with that of *Lyons*, but in Bigness; and in this Case, if it have five Palms (as you say) that would be but $3\frac{1}{2}$ Foot *French*, and so it were a Foot bigger, which would make it half as much greater in Surface: But as to the Effects, seeing it burns so far off, they cannot be very violent. And I have heard one say, that had seen it, that it did not set Wood on Fire but after the time of saying a *Miserere*. You may judge of the Difference of the Effects, since that of *Lyons* gathers its Beams

Ibid. p. 97.

together within the Space of 7 or 8 Lines; and that of *Septalius* must scatter them in the Compass of 3 Inches.

N. 49. p. 986.

Another by the same.

N. 49. p. 986.

It was disposed of to the King of *Denmark*.

The same *M. de Vilette* of *Lyons* hath made another Burning Concave. It is of 34 Inches Diameter, and melts all sorts of Metals, and Iron itself of the Thickness of a Silver Crown, in less than a Minute of Time, and vitrifies Brick in the same Time; and as for Wood, whether green or dry, it sets it on Fire in a Moment. The King hath seen it, and the Performances of it, with great Satisfaction; and his Majesty is likely to make it his, and then to bestow it on his *Royal Academy* of Philosophers, for making of farther Experiments with it.

By - - - -
Ibid. p. 987.

This kind of Concaves burning the most forcibly of any Fire we know of, would be of great Use, if they could be so contrived as to have a Focus of any considerable Largeness, to take in a good Quantity of combustible Matter at once.

By *S. Settalla*.
N. 40. p. 796.

3. *S. Settalla* at *Milan* causeth to be made a Burning-Glass of 7 Foot in Diameter. He pretends to make it burn at the Distance of 50 Palms, which is about 33 Foot.

A burning Concave in Germany; by
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N. 188. p. 252.

4. The outer Circle of the Concave Burning Speculum, which I lately caused to be made in *Lusace*, is near 3 *Leipsick* Ells in Diameter, exceeding that great one at *Paris* by $\frac{3}{8}$ of such an Ell. It is made of a Copper Plate scarce twice so thick as the Back of an ordinary Knife, and may therefore be easily removed from Place to Place, and order'd for Use: And the Workmanship of it may, by the Contrivances I have invented, be easily, and in little Time performed by one Man. The Polish thereof is very good, and represents by distinct Reflections all those Appearances which arise from the Concave Figure thereof.

The Force of this Speculum is incredible. For, 1. A Piece of Wood put into the Focus (which is 2 Ells off) flames in a Moment, so as a fresh Wind can hardly put it out. 2. Water applied in an Earthen Vessel presently boils, so as to boil an Egg; and the Vessel being held there some Time, the Water evaporates all away. 3. A Piece of Tin or Lead 3 Inches thick, as soon as it is put into the Focus, melts away in Drops; and held there a little Time, is in a perfect Fluor, so as in two or three Minutes to be quite pierced through. 4. A Plate of Iron or Steel placed in the Focus, immediately is seen to be red-hot on the Backside, and soon after a Hole is burnt through: I have made three such Holes in a Plate in six Minutes Time. 5. Copper, Silver, and the like, applied to the Focus, melt; which I have tried with several Sorts of Coin; among the rest, with a *Rix-Dollar*; and the same happened to it as to the afore-said Iron Plate in five or six Minutes. 6. Things not apt to melt, as Stones, Brick, and the like, soon become red-hot like Iron. 7. Slate at first is red-hot, but in a few Minutes turns into a fine sort of black Glass; of which, if any Part be taken in the Tongs and drawn out, it runs into Glass Threads. 8. Tiles, which had suffered the most intense Heat of Fire, in a little Time melt down in a yellow Glass: As do, 9. Pot-Shreads, not only well burnt at first, but much used in the Fire, into a black-

a blackish yellow Glass. 10. Pumice-Stone, said to be that of Burning Mountains, in this Solar Fire melts into a white transparent Glass. 11. A Piece of a very strong Crucible put into the Focus, in eight Minutes was melted into a Glass. 12. I have seen Bones turned into a kind of opaque Glass, and a Clod of Earth into a yellow or greenish Glass.

These Experiments were made in *August* and *September*, when the Sun has not the same Force as when he is about the Summer Solstice. The Beams of the Full Moon, concentrated by this Speculum, did not produce any Degree of Heat, tho' the Light was not a little increased.

5. Some Years ago, Dr. *Hook* made a Proposal to the *Royal Society* concerning the same Thing. He conceives one may be made of many Foot Diameter, for a small Price, being hammered out of a Copper Plate, and tinned over with a Mixture of Tin, Lead, and Tin-Glass, which is found to bear a very good Polish. Such a Speculum might be of great Use in perfecting the Art of Pastes, or fictitious Jewels, which require the most intense Degree of Heat, to bring them to an exact Mixture.

By Dr. Hook.
Ibid. p. 354.

XXVIII. A Linnen-Cloth, first being wet in fair Water, and then laid on a Concave Cylinder, as the Verge of a Sieve, Keeler, or the like, its central Parts will descend so as to form a very regular Concave Superficies. And a Thread, being first wet in common Water, and then suspended with its two Ends, or any two Points nearer than their utmost Extent, so as it might touch the Center of the suspended Cloth, and its two opposite Points on the Ring, was found to have the same Curvature. My Business was then to examine the Figure of the Thread thus suspended; which I did in manner following. On the side of a Wall I described *Parabola's* of several Species, whose Axes were perpendicular, and Perimeter horizontal; to which the Line being applied, so as it might touch the Vertex, pass'd very nearly through all the intermediate Points of the *Parabola*, much nearer than the Portion of a *Circle*, which passed through the Extremity of the Perimeter, and *Latus rectum*, would do.

Concave Specula
nearly of a Parabolic
Figure
attempted by
Mr. Stephen
Gray.
N. 228. p. 542.
N. 235. p. 787.

From hence I conclude, That a ponderous and pliable Substance, being suspended on a Ring or hollow Cylinder, so as that its central Parts may descend, will form itself into a Figure that is more commodious for Burning-Glasses than the Spherical, of which they are now made, being much nearer their most absolute Figure, the *Parabola*.

Now if there may be a Way found to give to Cloth or Leather a metalline Surface, or a Varnish that may bear a good Polish; or if this be found impracticable, perhaps Plates of Metal may be beat out so thin, as being suspended on a large Ring, will by their own Gravity receive their true Figure; one may make Speculums of what Largeness he pleaseth.

Upon this Consideration, I devised the following Experiment. There was taken a sufficient Quantity of Potter's Clay, of which there was formed a plain circular Plate, by help of an Iron Ring about 13 Inches Diameter. This was laid on a lesser Ring, which was supported by four Feet; and it immediately became a very regular Concave on its upper, and Convex on its

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its under Superficies; but notwithstanding 'twas set to dry in the Shade, yet before it was dry enough, its central Parts extended so as to become almost plain, not without some Defects; if it had continued in its Regularity, I designed to have burned and glazed it in a Potter's Furnace.

To make the
Globe Looking-
Glazs; by Sir
R. Southwell.
N. 245. p. 363.

XXIX. Take Quicksilver, Marchasite of Silver, each three Ounces; Tin and Lead, each half an Ounce; these two first throw on the Marchasite, and last of all the Quicksilver; stir them well together; but they must be taken from the Fire, and be towards cooling before the Quicksilver be added; let your Glazs be well warmed, and pour in the Mixture, and roll it from Side to Side.

Note, This will do also when cold, but 'tis best when the Glazs is heated and very dry.

Note also, That if at the Glazs-House your Ball be of yellow Glazs, then all will shine like Gold.

XXX. Papers (of less General Use) omitted.

Optic-Glasses by
a Turn-Lathec.
N. 2. p. 31.
N. 4. p. 56.

1. **D**R. Hook having (in his *Micrographia*) described a new Engine for Grinding Optic-Glasses of very great Lengths, M. Auzout (in a small *French Treat*) objects several Difficulties to this Engine itself: But however he thinks it impracticable to make any Glasses of above 300 or 400 Foot at most (and fears that neither Matter nor Art will go even so far) which will be very far from shewing us *Plants* or *Animals* in the *Moon*; and then proposes Remedies to some of the Inconveniencies of the Turn. To all this, Dr. Hook here replies; He answers the Objections, and rejects the proposed Expedients.

Ibid. p. 63.

Upon a Plane.
N. 42. p. 838.

2. Carlo Ant. Mancini having, in his *Occhiale all' Occhio*, described a particular Way for making Convex-Glasses upon a Plane, his Method is here translated from the *Italian* into *English*. But 'tis added, That though the Contrivance be ingenious, yet it is conceived by skilful Artists, that it will be very difficult to put it into Practice.

XXXI. Accounts of Books omitted.

N. 79. p. 3068.

1. **P**hysico-Mathesis de Lumine, Coloribus, & Irade, &c. Auth. Franc. Maria Grimaldo, S. J. Bononiæ 1665. in 4to.

N. 71. p. 2163.

2. Cogitationes Physico-Mechanicæ de Natura Visionis. Auth. Jo. Ott. Schaphusa Helvetio. Heidelbergæ 1670. in 4to.

N. 32. p. 626.

3. Synopsis Optica. Auth. Honorato Fabri. Soc. Jesu. Lugduni 1667. in 4to.

N. 42. p. 837.

4. L' Occhiale all' Occhio, ovvero Dioptrica Prattica del Carlo Ant. Mancini, in Bologna 1660. in 4to.

N. 75. p. 2258.

5. Lectiones xviii; Cantabrigiæ in Scholis publicis habitæ, in quibus Opticorum Phænomenon genuinæ Rationes investigantur, & exponuntur, ab Isaaco Barrow. Lond. 1669. in 4to.

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6. *La Dioptrique Occulaire, par le Pere Cherubin d' Orleans, Capucin.* A N. 78. p. 3045. Paris, 1671. in Folio.

7. *Christiani Hugeni Astroscopia Compendiaria, Tubi Optici molimine liberata: or, The Description of an Aerial Telescope.* Hague, 1684. in 4to. N. 161. p. 668.

8. *A Treatise of Dioptrics.* By *Will. Molineux, Esq; F. R. S.* in 4to. N. 205. p. 967.

9. *Catoptrica & Dioptrica Elementa.* Auctore *Davide Gregorio, D. M.* N. 219. p. 214. Oxon. 1695. in 8vo.

C H A P. IV.

A S T R O N O M Y.

I. **T**HE Island *Ween* (vulgarly termed the *Scarlet-Island*) famous for the Observations of *Tycho Brahe*, that renowned *Danish Astronomer* (with all Submission to better Judgments) was none of the fittest for Astronomical Observations of all sorts, such as the taking the exact Time of the true Rising and Setting of Celestial Bodies, together with their respective Amplitudes; because the Island lies low, and is Land-lock'd on all the Points of the Compass, save three. Besides, the sensible Land-Horizon of the *Ween* is extremely uneven and rugged, the North and Eastern Parts thereof being some rising Hills in the Province of *Schonen*; and the Western Part is mostly overspread with Trees on the Island *Zealand*; from the remotest of which Coasts the *Ween* is not distant above three Leagues.

The Observatory of Tycho Brahe; by Mr. Gourdon. N. 266. p. 692.

II. *M. Weighelius* hath invented an Instrument, which he calls *Astrodieticum*, by the means whereof very many Persons shall be able at one and the same Time to behold one and the same Star. He hath also invented an exceeding great Globe of the World, capable of 10 Persons to sit in it all at once, and to behold the Motions of the celestial Bodies, &c.

A new Astronomical Instrument by M. Weighelius. N. 74. p. 2219.

III. The Bigness of this Globe is only of four Inches Diameter. The Body of the Globe of burnished Steel, where all the Figures of the Constellations are designed in Silver-Colour, but the Stars themselves of all Magnitudes are put on in embossed Gold.

A Celestial Globe; by M. Didier, P. Alleman. N. 136. p. 905.

This Globe moves from East to West in 24 Hours; and you may there see the Sun exactly rise and set as in the great World, together with the Moon, as also the Stars of the Constellations; likewise, how the Sun of this Globe comes to his Meridian, with an admirable Regularity, conform to the *Primum Mobile*. And you may also there perceive the mean Motions of the Sun and Moon from West to East, and all the Lunations; and by the Diurnal Motion of the Moon, it shews the Flux and Reflex of the Sea.

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The Meridian serveth for a Needle to shew the Hours, which hath two main Rays, one whereof goeth directly Northward, the other Southward. That of the North marks the Way, or Degree, which the Sun maketh from West to East upon the Signs of the Zodiack, and upon a Circle of Silver, where the 360 Degrees of the Circle are marked. The other Ray of the South, marks upon another Circle of Silver the Days of the Month, where the 365 Days are noted. The Circles of the Longitude of the Stars, which separate the Signs, and which come from the Poles of the Zodiack, are marked by Gold-Wires; as also the Equator, the Tropicks, and the Polar Circles.

There is but one great Spring, the *Primum Mobile*, which puts all the rest in Motion: It is wound up by the *Antarctick* Pole, and you may wind it up to the Right or Left Hand, without wronging any contrary Motion: And by the *Arctick* Pole, you may advance and retard this Movement, if you should find any Inequality, without altering at all the great Spring.

A Way to measure the Diameters of the Planets, and the Parallax of the Moon; by M. Auzout. N. 21. p. 373. Jan. An. 1666.

IV. I applied myself the last Summer to the taking of the Diameters of the Sun, Moon, and the other Planets, by a Method which M. *Picard* and myself have, esteemed by us the best of all those that have been practised hitherto; since we can take the Diameters to Second Minutes, being able to divide one Foot into 24000 or 30000 Parts, scarce failing so much as in one only Part, so as we can in a manner be assured not to deceive ourselves in 3 or 4 Seconds. I shall not now tell you my Observations; but I may very well assure you, that the Diameter of the Sun has not been much less in his *Apogee*, than 31 min. 37 or 40 sec. and certainly not less than 31 min. 35 sec. and that at present in his *Perigee* it passes not 32 min. 45 sec. and may be less by a Second or two: That which is at the present troublesome, is, that the vertical Diameter, which is the most easy to take, is diminished, even at Noon, by 8 or 9 sec. because of the Refractions, which are much greater in Winter than Summer at the same Height; and that the horizontal Diameter is difficult, because of the swift Motion of the Heavens.

As for the Moon, I never yet found her Diameter less than 29 min. 44 or 45 sec. and I have not seen it pass 33 min. or if it hath, it was only by a few Seconds. But I have not yet taken her in all the Kinds of Situations of the *Apogees* and *Perigees* which happen, with the Conjunctions and Quadratures. I do not mention all that can be deduced from thence; I shall only tell you, that I have found a Way to know the *Parallax* of the Moon, by the means of her Diameter: *viz.* If on a Day, when she is to be in her *Apogee* or *Perigee*, and in the most Boreal Signs, you take her Diameter towards the Horizon, and then towards the South, with her Altitudes above the Horizon. For if the Observation of the Diameters be exact, as in these Situations the Moon changes not considerably her Distance from the Earth in 6 or 7 Hours, the Difference of the Diameters will shew the Proportion there is of her Distance with the Semidiameter of the Earth. I do not enlarge, because that as soon as one hath this Idea, the rest is easy. The same would yet be practised better in the Places where the Moon passes through the Zenith, than here; for the greater the Difference is of the Heights, the greater is that of
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the Diameters. I do not note (for it easily appears) that if one were under the same Meridian or the same *Azimuth*, in two very distant Places, and took at the same Time the Diameter of the Moon, one would do the same Thing; tho' this Method goes not to Preciseness.

From what has been said may be collected the Reason of the Observation, which M. *Hevelius* made in the last Eclipse of the Sun (*July 2. St. N. 1666.*) touching the Increase of the Moon's Diameter about the End. I am exceeding glad, that a Person, who probably knew not the Cause of it, has made the Experiment; but it is strange, that until now no Astronomer has foreseen that that should happen, nor given any Precepts for the Change of the Moon's Diameter in the Eclipses of the Sun, according to the Places where they should happen, and according to the Hour and Height the Moon should have: For what happened in that Eclipse, of Augmentation, would have fallen out contrarily, if it had been in the Evening; for the Moon, which in that Eclipse that began in the Morning was higher about the End than at the Beginning, was nearer us, and consequently was to appear bigger: But if the Eclipse should happen in the Evening, she would be lower at the End, and therefore more distant from us, and consequently appear lesser. So also in two different Places, whereof one should have the Eclipse in the Morning, and the other at Noon, the Moon should appear bigger to him that hath it at Noon: And she must likewise appear bigger to those who shall have a lesser Elevation of the Pole under the same Meridian, because the Moon will be nearer them.

V. 1. I should be looked upon as a great Wronger of our Nation, should I not let the World know, that I have, out of some scattered Papers and Letters that formerly came to my Hands, of one Mr. *Gascoigne's*, found out, that before our late *Civil Wars* he had not only devised an Instrument of as great a Power as M. *Auzout's*, but had also for some Years made use of it; not only for taking the Diameters of the Planets, and Distances upon Land; but had farther endeavoured, out of its Preciseness, to gather many Certainties in the Heavens; amongst which I shall only mention one, *viz. The finding the Moon's Distance*, from two Observations of her Horizontal and Meridional Diameters; which I the rather mention, because the *French Astronomer* esteems himself the first that took any such Notice, as thereby to settle the Moon's Parallax: For our Countryman fully considered it before, and imparted it to an Acquaintance of his, who thereupon proposed to him the Difficulties that would arise in the Calculation; with Considerations upon the strange Niceties, necessary to give him a Certainty of what he desired. The very Instrument he first made, I have now by me, and two others more perfected by him; which doubtless he would have infinitely mended, had he not been slain unfortunately in his late Majesty's Service. He had a *Treatise of Optics* ready for the Press; but though I have used my utmost Endeavour to retrieve it, yet I have in that Point been totally unsuccessful: But some loose Papers and Letters I have, particularly about this Instrument for taking of Angles, which was far from perfect. Nevertheless, I find it so much to exceed

*An Account of
M. Gascoigne's
Micrometer; by
Mr. Richard
Townley.
N. 25. p. 457.
May, An. 1667.*

ceed all others, that I have used my Endeavours to make it exact, and easily tractable; which above a Year since I effected to my own Desire, by the Help of an ingenious and exact Watchmaker: Since which time, I have not altogether neglected it, but employed it particularly in taking the *Distances* (as Occasion served) of the *Circum-jovialists*, towards a perfect settling their Motion. I shall only say of it, That it is small, not exceeding in Weight, nor much in Bigness, an ordinary Pocket-Watch, exactly marking above 40000 Divisions in a Foot, by the help of two Indexes; the one shewing Hundreds of Divisions, the other Divisions of the Hundred; every last Division in my small one containing $\frac{1}{100}$ of an Inch, and that so precisely, that, as I use it, there goes about $2\frac{1}{2}$ Divisions to a Second. Yet I have taken Land-Angles several Times to one Division, tho' (for the Reason mentioned by M. *Auxout*) it be very hard to come to that Exactness in the Heavens, (*viz.* the swift Motion of the Planets.) Yet, to remedy that Fault, I have devised a *Rest*, in which I find no small Advantage, and not a little pleasing those Persons who have seen it, being so easy to be made, and by the Observer managed without the help of another; which second Convenience my yet nameless Instrument hath in great Perfection, and is, by reason of its Smallness and Shape, easily applicable to any Telescope.

*A Description
of it; by
Dr. Hook.
N. 29. p. 542.
Nov. An. 1667.*

Fig. 105.

2. *a a a a*, is a small oblong Brass Box, serving both to contain the Screws and their Sockets, or Female Screws, and also to make all the several moveable Parts of the Instrument to move very true, smooth, and in a simple direct Motion. To one End hereof is screwed on a round Plate of Brass *b b b b*, about 3 Inches over; the extreme Limb of whose Outside is divided into 100 equal Parts, and numbred by 10, 20, and 30, &c. Through the Middle of this Plate, and the Middle of the Box *a a a a*, is placed a very curiously wrought Screw, of about the Bigness of a Goose-Quill, and of the Length of the Box; the Head of which is, by a fixed Ring or Shoulder on the Inside, and a small springing Plate *d d* on the Outside, so adapted to the Plate, that it is not in the least subject to shake. The other End of this Screw is by another little Screw (whose small Points fill the Center or Hole made in the End of the longer Screw for this Purpose) rendered so fixed and steady in the Box, that there appears not the least Danger of shaking. Upon the Head of this Screw, without the springing Plate, is put on a small Index *e e*, and above that a Handle *m m*, to turn the Screw round as often as there shall be Occasion, without at all endangering the displacing of the Index, it being put on very stiff upon a cylindrical Part of the Head, and the Handle upon a Square. The Screw hath that Third of it, which is next the Plate, bigger than the other two Thirds of it, by at least as much as the Depth of the small Screw made on it: The Thread of the Screw of the bigger Third is as small again, as that of the Screw of the other two Thirds. To the grosser Screw is adapted a Socket *f*, fastened to a long Bar or Bolt *g g*, upon which is fastened the moveable Sight *b*, so that every Turn of the Screw promotes the Sight *b*, either a Thread nearer, or a Thread farther off from the fixed Sight *i*. The Bar *g g*, is made exactly equal, and fitted into two small Staples *k k*, which will not admit of any shaking. There are 60 of these
Threads,

Threads, and answerable thereto are made 60 Divisions on the Edge of the Bolt or Ruler $g g$, and a small Index l fixed to the Box $a a a a$, denotes how many Threads the Edges of the two Sights b and i are distant; and the Index ee , shews on the circular Plate what Part of a Revolution there is more; every Revolution, as was said before, being divided into 100 Parts. At the same Time that the moveable Sight b is moved forwards or backwards, one or more Threads of the coarser Screw, is the Plate $p p$, by the means of the Socket q , to which it is screwed, moved forward or backward, one or more Threads of the finer Screw: So that this Plate being fixed to the Telescope by the Screws $r r$, so as the middle betwixt the Sights may lie in the Axis of the Glafs, however the Screw be turned, the midst betwixt the Sights will always be in the Axis, and the Sights will equally either open from it, or shut towards it.

Fig. 106.

It is conceived by some ingenious Men, that it will be more convenient, instead of the Edges of the two Sights b and i , to employ two Sights r and s , fitted with the Hairs t and v , so that they may be conveniently used in the Place of the solid Edges of the Sights b and i .

Fig. 107.

The Instrument is thus applied to the Telescope. The Tube $A D$ is divided into three Lengths, of which (as in ordinary ones) $B C$ is to lengthen or contract, as the Object requires: But $A B$ is here added, that at A you may put such Eye-Glasses as shall be thought most convenient, and to set them still at the Distance most proper from the Indexes or Pointers, which here are supposed to be at B , which Length alters also in respect of divers Persons Eyes. E is a Screw, by which the great Tube can be fixed so, as by the help of the Figures any smaller Part of it can immediately be found, measuring only, or knowing the Divisions on $B C$, the Distance of the Object-Glafs from the Pointers. F is the angular Piece of Wood, that lies on the upper Screw of the Rest.

Fig. 108.

Fig. 109.

This Rest, (by Dr. *Hook's* Suggestion) may be rendered more convenient, if, instead of placing the Screw Horizontal, it be so contrived, that it may be laid parallel to the Equinoctial, or to the Diurnal Motion of the Earth; for, by that Means, the same Thing may be performed by the single Motion of one Screw, which in the other Way cannot be done but by the turning of both Screws; as will easily appear to those that shall consider it.

Ibid. p. 556.

3. I have by me two or three several Ways of Measuring the Diameters of the Planets, whether Horizontal, Perpendicular, or Inclined, to the Exactness of a Second, by the help of a Telescope; as also of taking the Position and Distance of the small fixed Stars one from another, or from any of the less bright Planets, if the Distance be not above two or three Degrees.

More Ways to measure small Distances intimated; by Dr. Hook. N. 25. p. 459. May, An. 1667.

4. With a Micrometer and a Tube of 14 Feet; I have often measured the Diameters of the Planets, and their Distances from the fixt Stars, almost to Seconds; which, without having tried it, you would hardly believe.

Excellence of the Micrometer; by Mr. Flamsteed. N. 96. p. 6099.

Plain Sights re-
jected; by
Mr. Flamsteed.
N. 89. p. 5119.
N. 96. p. 6100.

VI. 1. It may be proved by many Arguments, that *Tycho* erred from the Truth, by two, three, nay sometimes four or five whole Minutes, both in the Places and Latitudes assigned to some of the fixt Stars. We have heard that that great Man *John Hevelius* has undertaken the Restitution of the fixt Stars; yet as it is reported he makes use of Sights without Glasses, it is doubtful whether we shall have their Places much more correct from him than those left us by *Tycho*, unless where he has been very much mistaken.

Plain Sights pre-
ferred to Tele-
scopic; by
M. Hevelius.
N. 102. p. 27.
Apr. An. 1674.

2. I perceive that all your People do not agree with me, in the Business of Sights, concerning which I have treated in the *Organographia* of my *Machina Caelestis*. But tho' Mr. *Hook* and Mr. *Flamsteed*, and others are of a different Opinion, yet I have been taught by daily Experience, and am still convinced, that the Matter is far otherwise in those great Instruments, as Quadrants, Sextants, and Octants, and chiefly Azimuth Quadrants, and other Quadrants constructed by Rulers, which cannot so easily or indeed by any means be disturbed and inverted (which happens to Telescopic Sights when they are examined) as those Instruments of three or four Feet constructed with a Perpendicular. The Matter chiefly amounts to this, that they can undertake no Observation with their Telescopic Sights, till they examine and rectify them anew; in which Examination there is Room to mistake perpetually, and different Ways, tho' you perform it never so industriously. And indeed I cannot understand by what Method this Examination can be performed, in Azimuthal Quadrants, Octants, and Sextants, at all Times, with Convenience, and without a great Loss of Time.

I see there are some also (among whom is Mr. *Flamsteed*) who have undertaken to give Judgment upon our Observations, whatever they may be, before they have seen or examined them, or can know any Thing about them. I do not desire to be a vain Boaster of my own Affairs, nor did I ever imagine, that in this Attempt of the Restitution of the fixt Stars, knowing my own Weakness, that I should be perfect in every thing. But this I am convinced of, that if I had undertook the Business with the help of Telescopic Sights, I must not only have wasted many Years with fruitless Examinations, but doubtless I should have been disappointed of my Hopes, and that on various Accounts, which it is not necessary to mention here. Hence I congratulate with myself, that I never could embrace that Opinion, but that I performed every Thing by my own Method, whatever by the Assistance of God I have performed. Now when we shall have Observations on both Sides, continued for the Space of 20 or 30 Years; that is, as well those that are made with Telescopic Sights, as those which are derived from the Heavens by our plain Sights, the Matter will then be brought to a fair Trial. In the mean Time let every one enjoy his own Opinion, and proceed in his own Way.

Why Celestial
Objects appear
greater when
nigh the Horizon
than when higher
elevated;

VII. 1. It is well known that the mean apparent Magnitude of the Moon is 30 min. 30 sec. we will take it *Numero rotundo* to be 30 min. at a Full Moon in the midst of Winter, and when she's in the Meridian, and at her greatest Northern Latitude, and consequently the utmost that she can be ele-
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vated in our Horizon: 'Tis as well known also, that when she is in this Posture, being looked upon by the naked Eye, she appears (that we may accommodate all to sensible Measures) to be *Magnitudinis Pedalis*, about a Foot broad. But the same Moon being looked upon just as she rises, she appears to be three or four Foot broad, and yet if with an Instrument we take her Diameter, both in one Posture and the other, we shall find that still she shall be but 30 min. That this Matter of Fact is true, besides the Authority of many Authors, I can assert that I have accurately tried it myself, and I have so found it. One of the Ways I proceeded was thus: I took a very good Telescope of about 6 Foot long, in the inward Focus of whose Eye-Glass I applied a very fine Lattice made of the single Hairs of a Man's Head; then looking with this at the Moon, when she was just risen, and looked extraordinary big, I observed what Number of the Squares of the Lattice were occupied by her Body; and then observing her again, when more elevated and free from all extravagant Greatness, I still found the same Squares of the Lattice possessed by her. This Way is equivalent to that now more used, of taking her Diameter by Mr. *Townley's* Micrometers; but I have also tried and found the same Thing by an accurate Sextant, taking the Distance of the Moon's opposite Limbs.

Examined by
Mr. Will. Mo-
lineux.
N. 187. p. 314.
Apr. An. 1687.

The celebrated *Des Cartes* attributes this Appearance rather to a deceived Judgment, than to any natural Affection of the Organ or Medium of Sense: For the Moon (says he) being nigh the Horizon, we have a better Opportunity and Advantage of making an Estimate of her, by comparing her with the various Objects that incur the Sight, in its Way towards her; so that tho' we imagine she looks bigger, yet 'tis a meer Deceit; for we only think so, because she seems nigher the Tops of Trees, or Chimneys, or Houses, or a Space of Ground, to which we can compare her, and estimate her thereby; but when we bring her to the Test of an Instrument, that cannot be deluded or imposed upon by these Appearances, then we find our Estimate wrong, and our Senses deceived. These Thoughts, methinks, are much below the accustomed Accuracy of the noble *Des Cartes*; for certainly if it be so, I may at any Time increase the apparent Bigness of the Moon, tho' in the Meridian; for it would be only by getting behind a Cluster of Chimneys, a Ridge of a Hill, or the Tops of Houses, and comparing her to them in that Posture, as well as in the Horizon; besides, if the Moon be looked at just as she is rising from an Horizon determined by a smooth Sea, and which has no more Variety of Objects to compare her to, than the pure Air, yet she will seem big, as if looked at over the rugged Top of an uneven Town, or rocky Country. Moreover, all Variety of adjoining Objects may be taken off, by looking through an empty Tube, and yet the deluded Imagination is not at all helped thereby.

The famous *Thomas Hobbes* gives this Solution. Let the Point G be the Center of the Earth, and F the Eye on the Surface of the Earth; on the same Center G let there be struck the two Arches EH, determining the Atmosphere, and AD to represent that blue Surface in which we imagine the Fixed Stars, and let FD be the Horizon: Divide the Arch AD into three equal

Fig. 110.

equal Parts by the Lines BF , CF ; it is manifest that the Angle AFB is greater than the Angle BFC , and this again is greater than the Angle CFD . Wherefore (says he) to make the Angle CFD equal to the Angle CFB , the Arch CD must be greater than the Arch CB ; and consequently, that the Moon may in the Horizon appear under the same Angle, as when elevated, she must cover a greater Arch, and therefore seem greater; that is, the Moon in the Meridian appearing under the Angle BFC , that she may appear under an equal Angle in the Horizon, as suppose CFD , 'tis necessary that the Arch CD should be greater than CB ; and consequently, tho' she appear to subtend a greater Arch when in the Horizon than when elevated, yet she appears under the same Angle; and all this without Refraction. The Geometry of this Figure is most certainly true and demonstrable. At this I quarrel not; but it makes no more in our present Difficulty than if nothing had been said: For he has made the Circle GF , representing the Earth, very large in Proportion to the Circle AD ; and then indeed taking the Point F in the Earth's Surface, and by Lines from thence dividing the Angle AFD into whatever equal Parts, the intercepted Arches AB , BC , CD , shall be unequal. But if he had considered, that the Earth is, as it were, a Point in respect of the Sphere of the Fixed Stars, nay the very annual Orbit of the Earth is almost imperceptible, he would have found that the Lines FB , FC , FD , must be all conceived as drawn from the Point G , and then equal Angles will intercept equal Arches, and equal Arches equal Angles: And so it happens (at least beyond the Possibility of the Discovery of Sense) to the Eye on the Surface of the Earth; so that his drawing his Lines so far from G as F is, and to another concentric Circle so nigh as AD , deceived him in this Point.

The famous *Gassendus* has written four large *Epistles* on this Subject, the Substance of all which is, That the Moon being nigh the Horizon, and looked at through a more foggy Air, casts a weaker Light, and consequently forces not the Eye so much as when brighter; and therefore the Pupil does more enlarge itself, thereby transmitting a larger Projection on the Retina. In this Opinion I find he is not alone; for this Disquisition being lately revived by a *French Abbé*, he therein follows the Sentiment of *Gassendus*, with this Addition, That this contracting and enlarging of the Pupil causeth a different Shape in the Eye; an open Pupil making the Crystalline flatter, and the Eye longer, and the narrower Pupil shortening the Eye, and making the Crystalline more convex: The first attends our looking at Objects which are remote, or which we think so; the latter accompanies the viewing Objects nigh at hand. Likewise an open Pupil and flat Crystalline attends Objects of a more sedate Light, whilst Objects of more forcible Rays require a greater Convexity and narrower Pupil. From these Positions the *Abbé* endeavoured to give an Account of our *Phænomenon*, as follows: When the Moon is nigh the Horizon, by Comparison with interposed Objects, we are apt to imagine her much farther from us than when more elevated; and therefore (says he) we order our Eyes as for viewing an Object farther from us; that is, we something enlarge the Pupil, and thereby make the Crystalline more flat:

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moreover, the Duskiness of the Moon in that Posture does not so much strain the Sight; and consequently the Pupil will be more large, and the Crystalline more flat. Hence a larger Image shall be projected on the Fund of the Eye, and therefore the Moon shall appear larger. And this Disposition of the Eye that magnifies her, magnifies also the Divisions of our forementioned Lattice, and consequently she by her Body shall possess no more of the Divisions than when she seems less. These two forementioned Accidents, *viz.* The Moon's imaginary Distance and Duskiness, gradually vanishing as she rises, a different Species is hereby introduced in the Eye, and consequently she seems gradually less and less, till again she approaches nigh the Horizon. These two Opinions of *Gassendus* and the *Abbé* being so near a-kin, I shall consider them both together: And first I assert, That a wider or narrower Aperture of the Pupil increases not, neither diminishes the Projection on the Retina. I know, *Honoratus Faber*, in his *Synopsis Optica*, endeavours to prove the clear contrary to this my Assertion, and that after this manner: *A B* is an Object, *E F* the greater Aperture of the Pupil, admitting the Projection *K I* on the Retina, whereas the lesser Aperture *C D*, admits only the Projection *G H*; but *G H* is less than *K I*, wherefore a lesser Aperture diminishes the Projection. I admire that any Man that undertook (as *Honoratus Faber*) to write of *Optics* more accurately than all that went before him, should be guilty of so very gross an Error; and I do more admire, that the celebrated *Gassendus*, and with him the noble *Hevelius*, should be of the same Opinion: For tho' the aforesaid Demonstration hold most certainly true in direct Projections, as in a dark Room with a plain Hole; yet it will not hold in Projections made by Refraction, as it is in those on the Retina in the Eye, by means of the Crystalline, and other Coats and Humours of the Eye. For let *A B* be a remote Object, and *E F* the Crystalline at its large Aperture, projecting the Image *I M* on the Retina. Let then *C D* be the lesser Aperture of the Pupil before the Crystalline: I say, the Image *I M* shall be projected as large as before; for the Cone of Rays *E A F* consists partly of the Cone of Rays *C A D*; therefore where the former *E A F* is projected, the latter *C A D*, as being a part of the former, shall be projected also. So that no more is effected by this narrow Aperture, but that the Sides of the radiating Cones are intercepted, and consequently the Point *I* shall be affected with less Light, but it shall still be in the same Place: What is said of that Cone and that Point, may be said of all other Cones and other Points of the Object. From hence appears, *First*, The Invalidity of the Account given of the Moon's Appearance by *Gassendus* from this Reason. *Secondly*, The Reason appears why a Telescope's lesser or greater Aperture, makes no Difference in the Angle it receives: For imagine *E F* to be an Object-Glass of a Telescope, and 'tis plain. *Thirdly*, 'Tis evident why a greater or less Aperture on a Telescope should make the Objects appear lighter, or darker; for thereby more or less Rays are admitted to determine on the Projection of each Point. But all this by the by: And this is sufficient for a Confutation of *Gassendus* and *Faber*. But our forementioned *Abbé* superadds to a greater or lesser Aperture of the Pupil, as a necessary Consequent,

Fig. 111.

Fig. 112.

quent, a greater and lesser Convexity of the Crystalline, as also a Lengthening and Shortening the Tube of the Eye. And this I must confess would do something, if we find it true in our Case; and this let us try. *First*, (says he) The Duskyhness of the Moon nigh the Horizon admits the Pupil to enlarge itself, the Crystalline to flatten, and the Eye to lengthen: But what if we change our Object, and instead of the Moon take the Distance between some of the Fixed Stars (as suppose those of *Orion's Girdle*) we shall find the same *Phænomenon* in them, and yet I hope neither he nor *Gassendus* will assert, that they at one Time strain the Eye more than at another, or that at any time their Fulgur strains the Eye at all; if he do, let him take Stars of the lesser Magnitudes, nay even those that can but just be perceived, and then he will be convinced: Or let him consider, whether this will hold in looking at the Sun through very dark Glasses, which render the Sight thereof as inoffensive to the Eye as that of a green Field; but perhaps he will then say, that this other Reason holds, which is, *Secondly*, That the greater imaginary Distance, at which we think the Moon near the Horizon, than when more elevated, makes us contemplate her as if really she was so, *viz.* with ample Pupils, &c. But this I have sufficiently overthrown in my Remarks against *Des Cartes*: Therefore I pass it over, only subjoining, that if there were any thing in this Surmise, methinks the horizontal Moon should rather be fancied nigher to us than farther from us; for if we are for trying natural Thoughts, let us take Children to determine the Matter, who are apt to think, that could they go to the Edge of that Space that bounds their Sight, they should be able (as they call it) to touch the Sky; and consequently the Moon seems then rather nigher to us than farther from us.

After I had writ thus far, I accidentally cast my Eye upon *Riccioli's* Treatise of *Refraction*, at the End of his Second Volume of *Almagest*, *Lib. 10. Sect. 6. Cap. 1. Quest. 13.* wherein he speaks of our present Difficulty; but to my wonder I find him assert, That he and Father *Grimaldi* had often taken the horizontal Sun and Moon's Diameters by a Sextant, when to the naked Eye they appeared very large (*Grimaldus* directing his Sight to the left Edge, and *Ricciolus* to the right) and that even by the Instrument they always found the Diameters greater than when more elevated, the Sun often subtending an Angle of almost a Degree, and frequently 45 Minutes, the Moon also 38 or 40 Minutes. This is downright contrary to the Matter of Fact which I have before alledged, and directly repugnant to the Matter of Fact asserted by the forementioned *French Abbé*: Whether of us be in the right, I leave to accurate Experiment to determine, and submit the Whole to the Decision of the illustrious *Royal Society*. Only give me leave to add one Word against *Riccioli*; for had his Experiments been accurately prosecuted, he should have tried them when the horizontal Moon had looked ten times more large in Diameter than ordinary; and then, if it be true, that even by an Instrument she will be found proportionally broader; then really she should subtend an Angle of 300 Min. or 5 Deg. for very often I have seen the Moon when she appeared ten times broader than ordinary,
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which the small Addition of 8 or 10 Min. to her usual Diameter will never cause.

2. I discoursed of this Appearance near 40 Years ago with Mr. Foster, then Professor of Astronomy in Gresham College, who did then assure me (from his own Observation I suppose) that the apparent Magnitude taken by Instruments (however the Fancy may apprehend it) is not greater at the Horizon than when higher. Mr. Caswell affirms the same Thing; and I do not doubt but the Thing is so: For though Refraction near the Horizon alters the Altitude of the Thing seen; yet it cannot alter the Azimuth at all. For since this equally respects all Points of the Horizon; let the Refraction be what it will, the whole Horizon can be but a Circle: So that there is no room for the Breadth of a Thing (as to the Angle at the Eye) to be made greater, whatever its Tallness may (the Refraction not equally affecting all Parts in the Circles of Altitude). Nor is there any Reason, why this should rather thrust the other, than the other thrust this, out of Place. Whereas, in the Altitude, it is otherwise: For while what is near the Horizon is enlarged, that which is further off is thereby contracted: which, as to the Azimuth, or Horizontal Position, cannot be.

*This Phenomenon
consider'd; by
Dr. Wallis.
Ibid. p. 323.*

Supposing then that the Sun's apparent Horizontal Diameter, taken by Instrument, is the same near the Horizon, as in a higher Position; I take its imaginary Greatness, which is fancied near the Horizon, to be only a Deception of the Eye, or rather the Imagination from the Eye.

For sure it is, that the Imagination doth not estimate the Greatness of the Object seen, only by the Angle which it makes at the Eye; but, by this compared with the supposed Distance. True it is, that, *ceteris paribus*, we judge that to be the greater Object which makes at the Eye the greater Angle; but not so, if apprehended at different Distances.

For if through a Casement (or lesser Aperture) we see a House at 100 Yards Distance; this House (though seen under a less Angle) doth not to us seem less than the Casement through which we see it, (or this greater than that, because it makes at the Eye the greater Angle) but the Imagination makes a comparative Estimate from the Angle and Distance jointly considered.

So that of two Things seen under the same or equal Angles, if to one of them there be ought which gives the Apprehension of a greater Distance, that to the Imagination will appear greater. Now sure it is, that one great Advantage for estimating the Distance of a Thing seen, is from the Variety of intermediate Objects between the Eye and the Thing seen. For then the Imagination must allow room for all these Things.

Now when the Sun or Moon is near the Horizon, there is a Prospect of Hills, and Valleys, and Plains, and Woods, and Rivers, and Variety of Fields and Inclosures, between it and us; which present to our Imagination a great Distance capable of receiving all these: Or if it so chance that (in some Position) these Intermediates are not actually seen; yet having been accustomed to see them, the Memory suggests to us a View as large as is the visible Horizon.

But when the Sun or Moon is in a higher Position, we see nothing between us and them (unless perhaps some Clouds) and therefore nothing to present to our Imagination so great a Distance as the other is.

And therefore, though both be seen under the same Angle, they do not appear (to the Imagination) of the same Bigness; because not both fancy'd at the same Distances: But that near the Horizon is judged bigger (because supposed farther off) than the same when at a greater Altitude.

'Tis true, that as to small and middling Distances (besides this Estimate from Intermediates) the Eye hath a Means within itself to make some Estimate of the Distance. As, when we already know the Bigness of a thing seen, to which we have been accustomed; as, a Man, a Tree, a House, or the like: If such thing appear to us under a small Angle, and indistinct, and faintly coloured, the Imagination doth allow such Distance as to make such a thing so to appear. And if this, through a Perspective-Glass, be represented to us under a bigger Angle, and more distinct, it is accordingly apprehended as so much nearer. But the Case is otherwise, when we do not, by the known Bigness, judge the Distance; but, by the supposed Distance, judge of the Bigness, as in the Case before us. And accordingly, different Persons, according to different fancied Distances, judge very differently.

Again: In our two Eyes (when the Object is seen by both) there is yet another Means of estimating how far off it is. (And it is this by which we judge of Distances.) Namely, there are from the same Object, two different visual Cones, terminated at the two Eyes; whose two Axes contain, at the Object, different Angles, according to different Distances; an acuter Angle at a greater Distance, and more obtuse when nearer.

Now, that such Object may be seen by both Eyes clearly, it is requisite that the Eyes be put in such a Position, as that the Sight of each Eye receive the respective Axis at Right Angles; which requires a different Position of the two Eyes, according to the different Distance of the Object: As will manifestly appear, if we look with Attention on a Finger (or other small Object) at 2 or 3 Inches Distance from the Eye, and then upon another like Object at 3 or 4 Yards beyond it (and this alternately several times.) For it will be manifest, that while we look intently on the one, we do not see the other (or but confusedly) though both be just before us. And, as we change our View, from the one to the other, we manifestly feel a Motion of the Eyes (by their Muscles) from one Posture to another.

And according to the different Posture in the Eyes, requisite to a clear Vision by both, we estimate the Distance of the Object from us.

And hence it is, that they who have lost the Sight of one Eye, are at a great Disadvantage, as to estimating Distances, from what they could do while they had the Use of both.

But now when the Distance grows so great, as that the Position of these visual Axes become parallel, or so near to parallel as not to be distinguishable from it, this Advantage is lost, and we can thenceforth only conclude, that it is far off; but not how far. Hence it is, that our View can make no Distinction of the Moon's Distance from that of the other Planets, or even of the

the fixed Stars: But they seem to us as equally remote from us; though we otherwise know their Distances from us to be vastly different; because the Parallax (as I may so call it) from the different Position of the two Eyes, is quite lost, and undiscernable in Distances much less than the least of these.

So that, though as to small Distances we may make some Estimate from the known Magnitude of the Object; and as to middling Distances, from the Parallax (as I may call it) arising from the Interval of the two Eyes: Yet even this latter will hardly reach beyond, if so far as, the visible Horizon, and all beyond it is lost. And therefore, there being nothing left to assist the Fancy in estimating so great a Distance, but only the intermediate Objects; where these Intermediates appear to the Eye (as when the Sun or Moon are near the Horizon) the Distance is fancied greater, than where they appear not (as when farther from it) and consequently (though both under the same or equal Angles) that near the Horizon is fancied the greater: And this I judged to be the true Reason of that Appearance.

VIII. We took a Cylinder of cast Brass, ABCD, and cut one End of it CD, perpendicular to the Axis acx ; the other End AB, inclined to it at an Angle of about 27 deg. 30 min. and therefore the Perpendicular to this inclining Plane pc , and the Axis of the Cylinder acx , comprehended an Angle $pc a$, of about 62 deg. 30 min. These Ends were ground very true upon a Glass-Grinder's Brass Tool, and each of them was compass'd about with a narrow Feril of thin Brass $b b b b$. Into the upper Side of the Cylinder, at E, was soldered the Brass-Pipe EF, and into the under Side, at G, the other Brass-Pipe GH; the former of these Pipes being about 3 Inches long, and the latter 6 Inches. Upon the Plate ddd , were fixed two other Plates, LL, perpendicular to it, and parallel to each other. Each of these two Plates had an Arch of a Circle (whose Diameter was equal to that of the Cylinder) cut out of its proper Edge; so that when the Pipe GH was let thro' a Hole near the Middle of the Plate ddd , the Cylinder fell into the Arches; and being fastened there with Solder, the Axis acx lay Parallel to the Plate ddd , and about an Inch and an half above it. The perpendicular End of the Cylinder, DC, was closed with an Object Glass of a $7\frac{1}{2}$ Foot Telescope oo , and the inclining End AB, with a well polished flat Glass, ff ; which was carefully chosen to transmit the Object distinct enough, notwithstanding its Obliquity to the visual Rays. The Ferils were filled with Cement round about the Edges of the Glasses, which lay flat, and every where touched the smooth Ends of the Cylinder, that they might firmly support the Weight and Pressure of the excluded Air.

*An Experiment
of the Refraction
of the Air; by
Mr. Lowthorpe.
N. 257. p. 329.
Mar. An. 1699.*

Fig. 113.

Instead of a Cistern (as in the *Torricellian* Experiment) we made use of the inverted Syphon of Brass MNO, solder'd to the Plate ggg . One of the Sides MN, stood perpendicular to the Plate ggg , and the other Side NO, inclined to it, and was supported near the upper End O, with a little Piece of Brass, kk .

Fig. 114.

Fig. 115.

We then placed the Cylinder upon a Table, which was well fastened to a firm Floor: The Pipe GH, was let through a Hole in the Top of the Table; and the Plate *ddd*, was nailed down to it: The Tube of the Telescope *sss*, with the Eye-Glass in it, was applied to the Object-Glass, and a Hair fixed at *x*, the common Focus of both Glasses, in the Axis of the Cylinder continued to it. Upon the Floor (under the Cylinder) we nailed the Plate *ggg*, with the inverted Cyphon upon it, and joined M to H, by the Insertion of the Glass Tube T. The Joints were very carefully closed with Cement, and then covered over with Pieces of a Bladder wrapped hard with strong Thread. There was also a Bladder tied below each Joint at *m*, and when it was filled with Water it was tied about at *n*; so that no Air could come to the Cement, to insinuate itself through its Pores or Fissures, if any happened to be left unclosed.

It will not (I hope) be thought more than necessary, that in this Account of the *Apparatus*, I have mentioned so many minute Circumstances; for we found it difficult enough to exclude the Air, and almost impossible to discover the very little Holes through which so subtle a Fluid would freely enter and possess the Spaces deserted by the *subsiding Mercury*. But, with all this Precaution, the Experiment succeeded at last, as I wished; after this Manner:

We placed the Object *a* (which was a black Thread fastened in a little Frame over a Piece of white Paper) in the Axis of the Cylinder *xca*: We filled the Pipes and Cylinder with *Mercury*; and having stopped the upper End of the Pipe at F, with the little Iron Stopple K, and closed it, at the upper Part of the Tube and other Joints, we let the *Mercury* run out gently at O (into the Bladder *u*) till it remained suspended at the usual Height (as in the *Barometer*) leaving the upper Part of the Tube, and the Cavity of the Cylinder between the Glasses *oo*, and *ff*, void of Air. We then saw the Object, which before appear'd in the Axis at *x*, raised considerably above it; and we reduced it to appear again at *x*, by removing it from *a* to *α*. The Axis therefore of the visual Ray (which was also the Axis of the Cylinder) *xca*, falling perpendicularly on the void Space, passed through it without any Refraction: but emerging obliquely into the Air, it was refracted towards the Perpendicular *pc*, and received a new Direction to *α*. And therefore the Distance *aα*, subtended the Angle of Refraction *aca*; all which we measured, and found as follows; *viz.*

	Inches.	Dec. Parts.
The Height of the Object above the Axis, or the unrefracted visual Ray <i>aα</i> - - - - - }	000	425
The Distance of the Object from the refracting Plain <i>αc</i> , about 51 Feet, or - - - - - }	612	000
	Deg.	Min. Sec.
Therefore the Angle of Refraction <i>aca</i> , was - - - - - }	00	02 23
The Angle of Emerision <i>pca</i> , (by the Construction of the Cylinder) was - - - - - }	62	30 00
		There-

	Deg.	Min.	Sec.
Therefore the Angle of Incidence $pca = pca + \}$	62	27	37
aca , was — — — — —			

And therefore *universally*, (according to the known Laws of Refraction)

The Sines of the Angles of Incidence being	— — — —	100000
The Sines of the Angles of Emerfion are	— — — —	100036
And the refractive Power of the dense Air	— — — —	36

By the *refractive Power* of a pellucid Body, I mean that Property in it whereby the oblique Rays of Light are diverted from their direct Courfe, and which is measured by the proportional Differences (always observed) between the Sines of the Angles of Incidence and Emerfion.

This Property is not always proportional to the Density (at least not to the Gravity) of the refracting Medium: For the refractive Power of Glafs to that of Water is as 55 to 34, whereas its Gravity is as 87 to 34; that is, the *Squares* of their refractive Powers are (very near) as their respective Gravities. || And there are some Fluids, which, tho' lighter than Water, yet have a greater Power of Refraction: Thus the refractive Power of Spirit of Wine (according to Dr. *Hook's* Experiment, *Microgr. Obs.* lviii. p. 220.) is to that of Water, as 36 to 23; and its Gravity *reciprocally* as 23 to 36, or $36\frac{1}{2}$. But the refractive Powers of Air and Water seem to observe the *simple* Proportion of their Gravities *directly*, as I have compared them in the following Table. The Numbers there expreffing the Refraction of Water are taken from the Mean of Nine Experiments, made at fo many feveral Angles of Incidence, *Jan.* 25, 1647, by Mr. *Gascoigne*, (the ingenious first Inventor of the Micrometer, and the Ways of meafuring Angles by Telescopes) and thofe of Air are produced by the preceding Experiment.

	<i>Water.</i>	<i>Air.</i>
The (affumed) Sines of the Angles of Incidence } on the Void from — — — — —	100000	100000
The Sines of the correspondent Angles of Emer- } fion out of — — — — —	134400	100036
The refractive Power of — — — — —	34400	36
The specifick Gravity (if as 900 to 1 at the } Time of the Experiment) of — — — — —	34400	38
Or (if as 850 to 1) of — — — — —	34400	40

* I am indebted for these Experiments to the Reverend and very accurate Astronomer Mr. *Flamstead*; who copied them, together with many other Observations and feveral Passages relating to them, from Mr. *Gascoigne's* Letter to Mr. *Crabtree*: They were happily preserved, in the Time of our Civil War, by the late Sir *Jonas Moor*, and Mr. *Chr. Townley*; and they are now in the Hands of Mr. *Rich. Townley*, of *Townley* in *Lancashire*, by whom they were imparted some Time ago to Mr. *Flamstead*.

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From hence it seems very probable, that their respective Densities and refractive Powers are in a just *simple* Proportion. And if this should be confirmed by succeeding Experiments, made at different Angles of Incidence, and with Cylinders continuing exhausted through several Changes of the Air, it would be more than probable that the refractive Powers of the Atmosphere are every where, and at all Heights above the Earth, proportional to its Densities and Expansions: And then it would be no difficult Matter to trace the Light through it, so as to terminate the Shadow of the Earth, and (together with proper Expedients for measuring the Quantity of Light illuminating an opaque Body) to examine at what Distances the Moon must be from the Earth to suffer Eclipses of the observed Duration.

To find the Parallax of the Fixed Stars; by Dr. Wallis, to Mr. William Molyneux. July, An. 1693. N. 202. p. 844.

IX. Give me leave to suggest a Speculation, which hath been in my Thoughts these forty Years or more; but I have not had the Opportunity of reducing it to Practice: It is concerning the Parallax of the fixed Stars, as to the Earth's annual Orbit.

Galileo complains of it a great while since (in his *Systema Cosmicum*) as a Thing not attempted to be observed with such Diligence as he could wish; and I doubt we have the same Cause of complaining still. I know that Dr. *Hook* and Mr. *Flemstead* have attempted somewhat that way, but have desisted before they came to any Thing of Certainty. What hath been done to that Purpose Abroad I know not.

Galileo hath suggested divers Things considerable in order to it; as, the Times of Observation, the Stars to be observed, and the Manner of observing them; which yet I doubt is not practicable. That which occurred to my Thoughts upon these Considerations, was to this purpose: That some circumpolar Stars (nearer to the Pole of the Equator than is our *Zenith*, and not far from the Pole of the Zodiack) should be made choice of for this purpose. And in case the meridional Altitude be discernibly different at different Times, so will also be their utmost East and West Azimuth, which may be better observed than their Rising or Setting: And this will not be obnoxious to the Refraction, as is the meridional Altitude (for though the Refraction do affect the Altitude, yet not the Azimuth at all;) and we may here have choice of Stars for the purpose; which, in Observations from the Bottom of a Well, we cannot have; being there confined to those only which pass very near our *Zenith*, tho' very small Stars.

I would then take for granted, as a Thing at least very probable, that the fixed Stars are not all (as was wont to be supposed) at the same Distance from us, but the Distance of some vastly greater than of others; and consequently, though as to the more remote, the Parallax may be undiscernible, it may, perhaps, be discernible in those that are nearer to us.

And those we may reasonably guess (though we are not sure of it) to be nearest to us, which to us do appear biggest and brightest, as are those of the *First* and *Second* Magnitude; and there are at least of the *Second* Magnitude pretty many not far from the Pole of the *Ecliptic* (as that in particular in the *Shoulder* of the *Lesser Bear* :) And, in case we fail in one, we may try again

again and again on some other; which may chance to be nearer to us than what we try first. And Stars of this Bigness may be discerned by a moderate Telescope, even in the Day-time; especially when we know just where to look for them.

The Manner of Observation, I conceive, may be thus. Having first pitched upon the Star we mean to observe, and having then considered (which is not hard to do) where such Star is to be seen in its greatest East or West Azimuth; it may be then convenient to fix (very firm and stedily on some Tower, Steeple, or other high Edifice, in a convenient Situation) a good Telescopic Object-Glass in such Position as may be proper for viewing that Star. And at a due Distance from it, near the Ground, build on purpose (if already there be not any) some little Stone Wall, or like Place, on which to fix the Eye-Glass, so as to answer that Object-Glass: And having so adjusted it, as through both to see that Star in its desired Station (which may best be done while the Star is to be seen by Night in such Situation, near the Time of one of the Solstices) let it be there fixed so firmly, as not to be disturbed (and the Place so secured, as that none come to disorder it) and care be taken so to defend both the Glasses, as not to be endangered by Wind and Weather. In which Contrivance, I am beholden to Mr. *John Caswel*, M. A. of *Hart-Hall* in *Oxford*, for his Advice and Assistance, with whom I have many Years since communicated the whole Matter.

This Glass being once fixed (and a Micrometer fitted to it, so as to have its Threads perpendicular to the Horizon, to avoid any Inconvenience which might arise from Diversity of Refraction, if any be) the Star may then be viewed from Time to Time (for the following Year, or longer) to see if any Change of Azimuth can be observed.

This I thought fit to recommend to your Consideration, who do so well understand Telescopes, and the Managery of them: But when I suggest (as a convenient Star for this purpose) the *Shoulder* of the *Lesser Bear* (as being the nearest to the Pole of the Zodiack of any Star that is of the First or Second Magnitude) I do not confine you to that Star; but (without retracting that) suggest another; namely, the *Middle Star*, in the *Tail* of the *Great Bear*, which (though somewhat further from the Pole of the Zodiack) is a brighter Star than the other, and may be nearer to us.

But I do it principally upon this Consideration; namely, That there is adhering to it a very small Star (which the *Arabs* call *Alcor*, of which they have a proverbial Saying, when they would describe a sharp-sighted Man, That he can discern the *Rider* on the *Middle Horse* of the *Wayn*: And of one who pretends to see small Things, but overlooks much greater, *Vidit Alcor at non Lunam Plenam*) which *Hevelius* in his Observations finds to be distant from it about nine Minutes and five or ten Seconds: So that besides the Advantage of discovering the Parallax of the greater Star, if discernible; the Difference of the Parallax of that and of the lesser Star (being both within the Reach of a Micrometer) may do our Work as well. For if that of the greater Star be discernible, but that of the lesser be either not discernible or less discernible, their different Distances from each other at different Times

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of the Year may perhaps (without farther *Apparatus*) be discerned by a good Telescope of a competent Length, furnished with a Micrometer, if carefully preserved from being disordered in the Intervals of the Observations; and discover at once, both that there is a Parallax, and that the Fixed Stars are at different Distances from us; wherein, that I may not be mistaken, my Meaning is not that the Instrument or Micrometer should be removed for the observing of the Lesser Star, but that (when the Azimuth of the Greater Star is taken) by a Micrometer (consisting of divers fine Threads parallel and transverse) may (at the same Time) be observed the Distance of the two Stars, each from other, in that Position (both being at once within the Reach of the Micrometer) Which Distance (the Instrument remaining unmoved) if it be found (at different Times of the Year) not to be the same, this will prove that there is a different Parallax of these two Stars.

This latter Part of the Observation (of their different Distances at different Times) I suggest as more easily practicable, though not so nice as the former: For it may be done, I think, without any further *Apparatus* there than a good Telescope of ordinary Form, furnished with a Micrometer, (this being carefully kept unvaried during the Interval of these Observations.) And if this Part only of the Observation (without the other) be pursued, it matters not though the two Observations (near the two Solstices) be, one at the Eastern, the other at the Western, Azimuth (whereby both may be taken in the Night-time) for the Distance must (at both Azimuths) be the same. If, after observing the Azimuth of the greater Star, it be necessary to move the Micrometer for measuring its Distance from *Alcor*, that may be done another Night, (and it is not necessary to be done at one Observation) for that Distance cannot be discernibly varied in a Night or two.

Concerning the
Distance of the
Fixed Stars; by
Mr. Francis
Roberts.
N. 209. p. 101.

X. Since the *Pythagorean System* of the World has been revived by *Copernicus*, (and now by all Mathematicians accepted for the true one) there seemed Ground to imagine, that the Diameter of the Earth's annual Course (which, according to our best Astronomers, is at least 40000 Times bigger than the Semidiameter of the Earth) might give a sensible Parallax to the Fixed Stars, and thereby determine their Distance. But there are some Considerations which make us suspect that even this Basis is not large enough for that Purpose.

M. *Huygens* (who is very exact in his Astronomical Observations) tells us, He could never discover any visible Magnitude in the Fixed Stars, though he used Glasses which magnified the apparent Diameter above 100 Times.

Now, since in all likelihood the Fixed Stars are Suns, (perhaps of a different Magnitude) we may, as a reasonable Medium, presume they are generally about the Bigness of our Sun.

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Let us then (for Example) suppose the *Dog-Star* to be so. The Distance from us to the Sun being about 100 Times the Sun's Diameter, it is evident, that the Angle under which the *Dog-Star* is seen in Mr. *Huygens's* Telescope, must be near the same with the Angle of its Parallax to the Sun's Distance, or Semidiameter of the Earth's annual Course; so that the Parallax to the whole Diameter can be but double such a Quantity as even to Mr. *Huygens's* nice Observation is altogether insensible.

The Distance therefore of the Fixed Stars seems hardly within the reach of any of our Methods to determine: But from what has been laid down, we may draw some Conclusions that will much illustrate the prodigious Vastness of it.

1. That the Diameter of the Earth's annual Orb (which contains at least 160 Millions of Miles) is but as a Point in comparison of it; at least it must be above 6000 Times the Distance of the Sun: For if a Star should appear through the aforefaid Telescope half a Minute broad, (which is a pretty sensible Magnitude) the true apparent Diameter would not exceed 18'', which is less than the 6000th Part of the apparent Diameter of the Sun; and consequently the Sun's Distance not the 6000th Part of the Distance of the Star.

2. That could we advance towards the Stars 99 Parts of the whole Distance, and have only 100th Part remaining, the Stars would appear little bigger to us than they do here: For they would shew no otherwise than they do through a Telescope which magnifies an hundred-fold.

3. That at least 9 Parts in 10 of the Space between us and the Fixed Stars can receive no greater Light from the Sun, or any of the Stars, than what we have from the Stars in a clear Night.

4. That Light takes up more Time travelling from the Stars to us, than we in making a *West-India* Voyage (which is ordinarily performed in six Weeks:) That a Sound would not arrive to us from thence in 50000 Years, nor a Cannon-Bullet in a much longer Time. This is easily computed, by allowing (according to Mr. *Newton*) 10 Minutes for the Journey of Light from the Sun hither, and that a Sound moves above 1300 Feet in a Second.

XI. Among your *Arabick* Books in the Library of *Merton* College (of which you have above forty, which abound with the Doctrine and Observations of the Heavens) in the *Ilchanic* Tables, by the Care of that famous *Persian* *Choaga Nasirodinus Tusius*, I have found it represented in a short Page, what were the Latitudes and what the Longitudes of some of the principal Fixed Stars, according to the Observations of divers Astronomers. This little Canon I have enlarged, as you see, partly from your own Stock, and partly from others. I would not pretend to have done any great Matter in

The Places of the chiefest Fixed Stars, according to the best ancient Observers; by Dr. Edward Bernard, to Dr. Robert Huntington. N. 158. p. 567.

this, but that the present Age may have some Notion of the Astronomy of the East, where it is plain this Science had its first Original. Certainly there are many Things that recommend to us the Astronomy of the Eastern People: The peculiar Felicity and Serenity of the Regions in which they observed; the Largeness and Accuracy of their Machines, being so great that we can hardly conceive how they applied them to the Heavens; besides the great Number of Observers and Writers, ten Times more than the *Greeks* or *Latins* can boast of; to which you may add, that their Princes were ten Times more powerful and munificent, who supplied ingenious Men with Wealth, and a necessary Apparatus for Celestial Observations. But what the *Arabian* Astronomers have justly reprehended in *Cl. Ptolomy*, the great Constructor of the Celestial Art; how diligently they distinguished and measured the smallest Parts of Time by Drops of Water, by vast Sun-Dials, nay (which you will wonder at) by the Vibrations of a pendulous Thread; how skilfully and accurately they were conversant in that great Attempt of Human Ingenuity, concerning the Extent and Distances of the two great Luminaries and of our Earth; are too much for one Epistle to declare.

A Table

A Table of the principal Fixed Stars, according to the Observations of the Antients.

			By Ptolomy, in his <i>Magna Syntaxis.</i>	
			A. C. 137.	
			Long.	Lat.
			S. °	°
	Magnit.			
1	34	The last Star of <i>Fluvius.</i>	1 0 10 30 al. 50	53 30 s.
2	12	The bright Star of <i>Cassiopeia's</i> Chair.	3 0 7 50	51 40 n.
3	12	<i>Perseus's</i> Head of <i>Medusa.</i> <i>Algol.</i>	2 9 29 40 al. 20	23 0 n.
4	14	The Southern Eye of the <i>Bull.</i>	1 1 12 40 al. 20	5 10 s.
5	35	The Left Foot of <i>Orion.</i> <i>Rigel.</i>	1 11 20 50	31 30 s.
6	3	The little Kid of <i>Auriga.</i>	1 1 25 0	22 30 n.
7	2	<i>Orion's</i> Right Shoulder.	1 2 2 0	17 0 s.
8	1	The <i>Dog-Star.</i> <i>Alhabor.</i>	1 2 17 40 al. 20	39 10 s.
9	2	The <i>Little Dog.</i> <i>Algemeisa.</i>	1 2 29 30 al. 10	16 10 s.
10	8	The <i>Lyon's</i> Heart. <i>Regulus.</i>	1 4 2 30 al. 10	0 10 n.
11	14	<i>Spica Virginis.</i>	1 5 26 40	2 0 s.
12	23	<i>Arcturus.</i>	1 5 27 0	31 30 n.
13	8	<i>Antares.</i> The <i>Scorpion's</i> Heart.	3 7 12 40 al. 20	4 0 s.
14	1	The Head of <i>Serpentarius.</i>	2 7 24 50	36 0 n.
15	1	The bright Star of the <i>Harp.</i>	1 8 17 20	62 0 n.
16	3	The bright Star of the <i>Eagle.</i>	2 9 3 50	29 10 n.
17	5	The bright Star in the Tail of the <i>Swan.</i>	2 10 9 10	60 0 n.
18	3	The bright Star in the Right Leg of <i>Pegasus.</i> <i>Seat.</i>	2 11 2 10	35 0 n.
19	2	The last Star of <i>Pegasus's</i> Wing. <i>Algenib.</i>	2 11 12 10	12 30 n.
20	7	The bright Side of <i>Perseus.</i>	2 1 4 50	30 0 n.
21	27	The <i>Lyon's</i> Tail.	1 4 24 30	11 50 n.
22	1	The Mouth of the <i>South Fish.</i>	1 10 7 0	23 0 s.
23	44	<i>Canopus.</i>	1 2 17 10	75 0 s.

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	<i>Ali Abolcasimus.</i> A. C. 938.				<i>Abdorabmanus Sopihs.</i> A. C. 964. ^a				<i>Ebnolalamus.</i> A. C. 980.					
	Long.			Latit.	Long.			Latit.	Long.			Latit.		
	S.	°	'	°	'	S.	°	'	°	'	S.	°	'	°
1	0	11	50	53	30	0	12	53	0	16	42	53	30	
2	0	20	20	51	45	0	20	32	0	24	9	51	45	
3	1	12	17	22	45	1	12	22	1	15	1	22	45	
4	1	24	35	5	15	1	25	22	1	28	40	5	15	
5	2	2	1	31	4	2	2	32	2	5	55	31	20	
6	2	6	49	22	50	2	7	42	2	10	50	22	50	
7	2	13	16	16	45	2	14	42	2	17	21	16	45	
8	2	29	30	39	20	3	0	22	3	3	40	39	20	
9	3	10	40	16	0	3	11	12	3	15	45	16	0	
10	4	14	40	0	15	4	15	12	4	18	45	0	15	
11	6	8	23	2	6	6	9	22	6	12	33	2	6	
12	6	8	50	31	12	6	9	42	6	12	55	31	12	
13	7	24	35	4	24	7	25	22	7	28	40	4	24	
14	8	6	53	36	0	8	7	32	8	11	2	36	0	
15	9	0	40	61	45	9	0	2	9	4	45	61	45	
16	9	15	53	29	12	9	16	32	9	20	58	29	14	
17	10	20	4	59	36	10	21	52	10	24	9	59	36	
18	11	14	0	31	10	11	14	52	11	18	54	31	10	
19						11	24	52	11	24	52	12	30	
20	1	16	15	30	8	1	17	32						
21	5	6	40	11	50	5	7	12						
22						10	18	12						
23						2	29	52						

^a He agrees with *Ptolemy* as to Latitude.

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	<i>From the Hacimic Tables of Johanides Ægyptius. A. C. 996.</i>				<i>Choaga Nasirodinus Tufius, in the Ilchanic Tables. A. C. 1233.</i>				<i>From the Sultanic of Ologbec. A. C. 1437.</i>						
	Long.			Latit.	Long.			Latit.	Long.			Latit.			
	S.	°	'	°	'	S.	°	'	°	'	S.	°	'	°	'
1	0	16	20	53	28	0	24	55	51	45	0	15	40	53	45
2	0	24	34	51	50	0	24	35	51	40	0	28	1	50	48
3	1	15	24	22	39	1	16	25	23	0	1	18	54	22	0
4	1	29	7	5	15	1	29	22	5	13	2	2	31	5	15
5	2	5	30	31	35	2	6	35	31	30	2	9	25	31	18
6	2	11	32	22	3	2	11	10	22	40	2	14	43	22	42
7	2	17	46	16	50	2	18	0	16	50	2	21	13	16	43
8	3	4	2	39	30	3	3	50	39	10	3	6	19	39	30
9	3	15	52	16	2	3	15	45	16	5	3	18	22	16	0
10	4	19	10	0	10	4	19	14	0	17	4	22	13	0	9
11	6	12	58	2	10	6	13	25	1	52	6	16	10	2	9
12	6	13	49	31	33	6	13	0	31	25	6	16	31	31	18
13	7	29	9	4	25	7	29	0	4	10	8	2	16	4	30
14	8	11	34	35	59	8	11	15	35	55	8	15	13	35	51
15	9	5	0	61	55	9	4	40	61	50	9	8	19	62	0
16	9	20	34	29	10	9	20	40	29	15	9	24	10	29	15
17	10	23	31	59	38	10	24	30	59	50	10	28	46	59	42
18	11	18	44	31	12	11	18	44	31	12	11	21	37	30	51
19						11	18	55	31	1	0	1	22	12	34
20						1	21	35	30	0	1	25	7	29	21
21						5	11	55	11	50	5	13	49	12	0
22						10	23	45	23	0	10	20	40	21	30
23						3	3	55	7	0			*		

* The Grandson of *Timurus* never saw the bright *Canopus*, nor any other Astronomer of this Catalogue, except the *Alexandrines*.

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according to the Observations of the
Antients.*

	Abdolgalilus Segazius in his Geneth- liacs. A. C. 1261.	From the Per- sian Tables of Chryfococca A. C. 1115.	From the Per- sian Tables, Pemb. A C. 1346. Me- lixa 338.	From the Ar- noldine Code in Gassen- dus, for A. C. 1364.
	Long.	Long.	Long.	Long.
	S. ° ' "	S. ° ' "	S. ° ' "	S. ° ' "
1	0 6 45	0 15 10		0 18 20
2	0 25 2	0 22 50		
3	1 16 52	1 14 40	18 10	1 17 45
4	1 29 45	1 27 0	2 1 30	2 1 0
5	2 6 52	2 4 50	8 20	2 8 0
6	2 11 43	2 10 50	13 3	2 13 10
7	2 19 12	2 17 0	20 30	2 18 10
8	3 4 28	3 2 40		3 6 0
9	3 16 11	3 14 10	18 0	3 17 20
10	4 19 42	4 17 30	9 31	4 20 40
11	6 13 26	6 11 40	15 10	6 15 10
12	6 13 47	6 12 0	15 30	6 14 10
13	7 29 45	7 27 40	8 1 10	8 27 40
14	8 11 49			
15	9 5 38	9 2 20	5 0	9 5 30
16	9 20 56	9 18 50	22 20	9 22 0
17	10 26 15	10 24 10	10 20	9 27 18
18	11 18 58	11 17 10	20 40	11 20 20
19		11 27 10		
20	1 22 2	1 19 50		
21	5 11 38		5 13 2	5 12 40
22	10 23 53	10 22 00		
23	3 4 3	2 2 10		

*A Table of the principal fixed Stars
according to select Observations.*

	<i>From the Books of Sa- vil and Bod- ley, about A. C. 750.</i>			<i>From Mohammed Tizinius. A. C. 1533.</i>		<i>Sahebodinus Alepen- sis, in the Ilchanics, for A. C. 1436.</i>					
	Long.			Asc. Rect.	Declin.	Asc. Rect.	Declin.				
	S.	°	'	°	'	°	'				
1	0	12	20	130	17	41	0	132	10	41	30
2				86	55	56	41	84	2	55	45
3	1	2	50	130	14	39	43	127	44	39	4
4	1	19	50	153	0	15	43	150	40	15	20
5				163	43	9	13	162	20	9	20
6	2	2	10	161	39	45	0	158	30	44	43
7	2	9	10	173	15	6	28	171	55	6	15
8	2	24	50	187	0	15	50	185	45	15	43
9	3	6	40	199	0	6	5	197	25	6	7
10	4	9	39	136	0	14	8	234	0	15	10
11	6	4	50	185	36	8	29	283	40	7	30
12	6	4	10	299	0	22	14	297	39	33	8
13	7	19	20	330	57	22	42	331	0	24	12
14				348	57	13	9	347	5	13	30
15	8	24		38	37	5	29	38	32	4	20
16	9	15	0	21	5	7	24	20	5	7	3
17				36	40	43	50	36	20	43	15
18				71	0	25	16	68	50	24	30
19				88	10	18	23	85	54	11	30
20				133	46	47	52	130	20	47	11
21	5	1	45	161	20	17	55	259	30	17	56
22				68	45	33	51	67	25	35	2
23				183	40	51	35	183	30	5	25

A Table of the principal fixed Stars according to select Observations.

	Olaodinus Saterides in the Damascene Tables. A. C. 1480.						From the Rodolphine Tables, A. C. 1600. at the Considerations of Tycho Brahe.					
	Long.			Ascens.		Declin.		Long.			Latit.	
	S.	°	'	°	'	°	'	S.	°	'	°	'
1	0	20	34	129	30	17	0	0	21	10	53	30
2	0	18	16	83	50	55	50	0	29	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	51	14 $\frac{1}{2}$
3	1	20	4	127	55	38	50	1	20	37	22	22
4	1	3	4	149	50	15	0	2	4	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	5	31
5				167	50	5	10	2	11	37	31	11 $\frac{1}{2}$
6	2	15	24	157	40	44	40	2	16	16	20	50 $\frac{1}{2}$
7	2	22	24	170	10	6	10	2	15	23	16	36
8	4	4	4	184	20	15	45	3	8	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	39	30
9	4	19	44	196	20	6	30	3	20	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	15	57
10	4	24	44	233	30	15	5	4	24	17	0	26 $\frac{1}{2}$
11	6	16	30	283	20	7	30	6	18	16	1	59
12	6	17	24	297	0	23	30	6	18	39 $\frac{1}{2}$	31	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
13	8	3	4	322	0	24	15	8	4	13	4	27
14								8	16	50	35	57
15	9	7	44	4	0	38	30	9	9	43	61	47 $\frac{1}{2}$
16	9	20	14	20	0	7	5	2	26	9	29	21 $\frac{1}{2}$
17				35	10	4	30	10	29	53 $\frac{1}{2}$	59	56 $\frac{1}{2}$
18	11	22	34	68	20	24	0	11	23	49 $\frac{1}{2}$	31	7 $\frac{1}{2}$
19	0	2	34	85	5	11	30	0	3	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	12	35
20				127	20	1	40	1	26	17	30	5
21	5	14	54	259	5	18	10	5	16	3	12	18
22	10	24	24					10	28	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	21	0
23				181	15	51	50					

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By Ricciolus Bononiensis, in his *Astronomia Reformata*.

	Long.				Latit.			Ascens.			Declin.		
	S.	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
1	0	22	0	14	53	30	0						
2	1	0	22	0	51	17	0	357	44	33	57	18	40
3	1	11	32	10	22	22	40	41	33	54	39	36	30
4	2	5	1	43	5	30	50	64	6	58	15	46	10
5	2	12	3	10	31	10	10	74	32	38	8	37	30
6	2	17	6	15	22	51	45	72	52	20	45	36	0
7	2	16	13	0	16	52	30	76	45	4	5	59	50
8	3	9	3	0	39	32	5	97	30	18	16	16	30
9	3	21	6	30	15	57	10	110	22	32	6	4	0
10	4	26	4	45	0	26	20	147	31	14	13	36	30
11	6	19	6	0	1	59	30	196	51	0	9	20	30
12	6	19	30	40	31	0	40	210	4	38	20	59	50
13	8	5	1	40	4	26	30	242	10	40	25	33	30
14	8	17	43	20	35	56	15	259	47	14	12	52	30
15	9	10	32	40	61	47	0	276	19	32	30	30	40
16	9	16	58	30	29	20	40	293	31	59	8	1	20
17	11	0	41	25	59	57	20	307	26	35	44	6	40
18	11	24	40	20	31	8	20	341	51	48	29	15	50
19	0	4	40	20	12	37	0	358	57	0	13	19	20
20	1	27	0	8	30	6	40	44	52	30	48	34	30
21	5	16	53	0	12	16	20	172	53	58	16	27	40
22	10	29	2	56	20	59	40	339	37	0	31	20	10
23													

The Distances of the principal Fixed Stars, according to select Observations.

1	The last Star of <i>Fluvius</i> .				
2	The bright Star of <i>Cassiopeia's</i> Chair.	from <i>Seat</i> .	33 4	from Tail of the <i>Swan</i> .	33 32 $\frac{1}{2}$
3	<i>Perseus's</i> Head of <i>Medusa</i> <i>Algol</i> .	from the Side of <i>Perseus</i> .	9 23 $\frac{1}{2}$	from <i>Capella</i> .	23 37
4	The Southern Eye of the <i>Bull</i> .	from <i>Sirius</i> .	45 58 $\frac{1}{2}$	from <i>Algemeisa</i> .	46 22
5	The Left Foot of <i>Orion</i> . <i>Rigel</i> .	from the <i>Bull's</i> Eye.	26 33	from <i>Capella</i> .	54 15 $\frac{1}{2}$
6	The little Kid of <i>Auriga</i> .	from the same.	36 43 $\frac{1}{2}$	from the Side of <i>Perseus</i> .	19 11 $\frac{1}{2}$
7	<i>Orion's</i> Right Shoulder.	from the same.	15 47 $\frac{3}{5}$		
8	The <i>Dog-Star</i> . <i>Alhabor</i> .	from <i>Algemeisa</i> .	25 42	from <i>Rigel</i> .	23 40
9	The Little <i>Dog</i> . <i>Algemeisa</i> .	from <i>Regulus</i> .	37 20	from the same.	38 37 $\frac{1}{2}$
10	The <i>Lyon's</i> Heart. <i>Regulus</i> .	from <i>Spica Virginis</i> .	54 2	from the Tail of <i>Swan</i> .	24 39 $\frac{1}{2}$
11	<i>Spica Virginis</i> .	from <i>Arcturus</i> .	33 2	from <i>Antares</i> .	45 52
12	<i>Arcturus</i> .	from <i>Regulus</i> .	59 49	from the same.	56 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
13	<i>Antares</i> . The <i>Scorpion's</i> Heart.	from bright Star of <i>Eagle</i> .	60 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	from the <i>Lion's</i> Tail	24 39 $\frac{2}{3}$
14	The Head of <i>Serpentarius</i> .	from <i>Spica Virginis</i> .	36 14 $\frac{1}{5}$	from bright Star of <i>Harp</i> .	29 33 $\frac{2}{3}$
15	The bright Star of the <i>Harp</i> .	from <i>Seat</i> .	55 30 $\frac{1}{3}$	from <i>Spica Virginis</i> .	9 20 $\frac{1}{3}$
16	The bright Star of the <i>Eagle</i> .	from bright Star of <i>Harp</i> .	34 9	from Tail of the <i>Swan</i> .	38 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
17	The bright Star in Tail of the <i>Swan</i> .	from the same.	23 52	from <i>Seat</i> .	32 57 $\frac{1}{2}$
18	Bright Star in R. Leg of <i>Pegasus</i> <i>Seat</i>	from <i>Algenib</i> .	20 37	from the bright Star in	
19	The last Star of <i>Pegas</i> . Wing. <i>Algenib</i> .	from the Side of <i>Perseus</i> .	51 45 $\frac{1}{2}$	the Chair of <i>Cassiopeia</i> .	22 4
20	The bright Side of <i>Perseus</i> .	from the <i>Bull's</i> Eye.	36 20 $\frac{1}{5}$		
21	The <i>Lyon's</i> Tail.	from <i>Spica Virginis</i> .	35 2 $\frac{1}{2}$		
22	The Mouth of the <i>South Fish</i> .				
23	<i>Canopus</i> .				

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The Declinations of eight of the principal Fixed Stars, by the Industry of the Antients; the noble Tycho Brahe being also consulted.

	By Aristyllus. Y. b. C. 300.	Timocharis. Y. b. C. 295.	Hipparchus. Y. b. C. 128.	Menelaus. A. C. 97.	Ptolemy. A. C. 137.	Tycho. A. C. 1600.
4 The Bull's Eye.		8 45 n.	9 45 n.		11 0 n.	15 28 n.
6 Capella.	20 0 n.		40 24 n.		41 10 n.	25 28½ n.
8 Sirius.		15 20 s.	16 0 s.		16 45 s.	16 11 s.
10 Regulus.		21 20 n.	20 40 n.		19 50 n.	13 53½ n.
11 Spica Virginis.		1 24 n.	0 36 n.	0 40 s.	0 36 s.	9 1 s.
12 Arcturus.		31 30 n.	31 0 n.		29 50 n.	21 18½ n.
13 Antares.		18 20 s.	19 0 s.		20 25 s.	25 26 s.
16 Bright Star in Aquila		5 48 n.	5 48 n.		5 50 n.	7 54 n.

Longitude of the Bull's Eye according to

	Hermes.	♄	25 17
	Hipparchus.	♃	10 0
A. C. 140.	Ptolemy.	♃	12 40.
A. C. 851.	Abomasar.	♃	19 15
A. C. 831.	Thabetus.	♃	21 17
	Arzachel.	♃	23 20
	Albatanius.	♃	24 30
	R. Grosbet.	♃	28 40
A. C. 1316.	W. Evesham.	♃	29 0

Longitude of Spica Virginis according to

Y. b. C. 295.	} Timocharis. {	♋	22 20
Y. b. C. 283.		♋	22 30
Y. b. C. 128.		♋	24 0
A. C. 97.		♋	25 45

Longitude of Regulus according to

Y. b. C. 128.	Hipparchus.	♋	29 50
A. C. 137.	Ptolemy.	♋	2 30
A. C. 879.	Albatanius.	♋	14 0

Added to the Ptolomaic Longitudes of the Fixed Stars, by

A. C. 1303.	Alphonfus.	17 8
A. C. 1320.	Wymundus.	15 52
A. C. 1440.	Walter Vigorn.	19 5

Therefore in the Space of 742 Years, 11°. 50', or rather 11°. 30', because of the Ptolomaic Longitude of Regulus ♋ 2°. 30', not 2°. 10', as was read formerly by the Astronomer of Racca.

The first Star of Aries is distant from the Vernal Equinox 25°. 40'. All these according to Walter Vigorniensis, Cod. 13. among those of Digby.

The Fixed Stars go forward one Degree in Solar Years.

1. According to Hipparchus, Ptolemy, Theo, Proclus, and Alferganus, 100
2. Timocharis Alexandrinus, who observed Spica Virginis in the Years of Nabonassar 454, 466; Abdorakmanus Salchius, and D. Petavius, 72; or $\frac{60 \times 12}{10}$; and 5" in every Year.
3. By Johannides Ægyptius, the Compiler of the Hacinic Tables, 70 $\frac{1}{4}$
4. By Jabias Abomansor, and other Authors of what they called the approved Astronomy; also by Nasirodinus Tusius, Cothodinus Sirasius, Ologbec Prince of the Mogols, Xacholgius, Abolphetachus, Abenesdra, Maimonides, and most of the Moderns — — — 70. and 51". 26".
5. Chrysecocca in Persic. and Astron. Anglic. An. Chr. 1300.—68. and 52". 23".
6. By most of the Arabian Astronomers under Prince Mamon — 66 $\frac{2}{3}$.
7. By Abdorakmanus Sophius, Bahoninus Chorcius, King Alphonsus, Abatanius of Racca, (which is Callinicos of Mesopotamia) Abdolgalilus Segaxius, Levi and Zacutus the Jews, and some of the Maragenian Observers 66. and 53". 33".
8. By Copernicus, Mæstlin, and others upon their Credit,—near 71. and 50". 12". 5".
9. By some in Chorcius the Arabian — — — — 54".
10. By Tycho Brahe, Kepler, Bullialdus, from the Obliquity of the Zodiac 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ °. 70 $\frac{7}{8}$ ". and 51".
11. By Longomontanus — — — — 72 $\frac{1}{3}$ ". and 49". 54".
12. By Gassendus — — — — 70 $\frac{1}{3}$ ". and 51". 19". 24".
13. By Ricciolus in Astr. Reform. from the Obliquity of the Zodiac 23°. 30'. 20". 71. 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ °. 50". 40".
14. By us, and the Hierophants of the Ægyptians, 71. 9 $\frac{2}{3}$ mens. & 50". 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ ". fere.

The Pleiades observed, in 1671. by Mr. Flamsteed. N. 79. p. 3061, 3062.

XII. I have a Tube of 13 $\frac{1}{3}$ Feet, furnished with Convex Lens's, and a most exact Townley's Micrometer, with which, in the serene Nights of the Months of October and November last past, I have often measured the minute Distances of the Pleiades, and that with such Success, that my repeated Observations never differed from one another 20", and very seldom 10". They are confirmed by the preceding Observations of the deceased Mr. Gascoigne, and the late ones of Mr. Townley (what great Men!) which were performed in the same Manner. These most correct Distances are as follows.

Stars.	Distances according		Stars.	Distances according	
	To Me	To Mutus		To Me	To Mutus
	' "	'		' "	'
a b	35 40		a d	18 30	22
a e	27 40	31	e d	26 10	30
e b	20 00	32	d i	16 25	
c b	21 45	22	a i	18 18	
e c	10 00	11	f i	29 04	
e g	14 40		f a	23 00	27
c g	11 55		h a	23 20	
b d	22 04	24	f a	04 45	04

Vinc. Mutus adds in his Epistle to the most learned *Ricciolus* (which he mentions in his Appendix to *Alm. No. Tom. 1. Pag. 747*) that the Western brighter Star passed over the Meridian just at the same Altitude as the bright Star of the *Pleiades*. Relying upon which Notice, and the observed Distances, I have assigned their Places to those Stars as below; first having given the same Place and Latitude to the middle bright Star, as the *Caroline* Author has thought fit; and the rest also being settled from thence. All which however, if I might follow my own Opinion in this Matter, I should advance three Minutes, or two at least: And I should assign them a greater Latitude from the Ecliptic. At the Beginning of the Year 1672 were constituted

<i>The Stars of the Pleiades.</i>	Long. γ !	N. Lat.	mag.
	o ' "	o ' "	
The Western brighter Star — — —	24 45 15	4 08 51	5
Between this and the Northerly Telescopic Star	24 46 47	4 19 21	8
The Western and more Northerly — —	24 54 48	4 28 19	6
The highest in the Quadrilaterum —	25 01 24	4 20 39	5
The lowest Southern opposite — — —	25 02 18	3 53 59	6
The middlemost bright Star — — —	25 19 48	4 00 00	3
That in the Point to the East. — — —	25 41 29	3 52 19	5
The upper Telescopic of the Eastern Stars	25 42 55	3 56 51	7
Another Telescopic Star — — —	25 14 04	3 42 37	9

A Nebulous Star,
by M. Cassini.
N. 123. p. 565.

XIII. 1. Between the *Great Dog* and the *Ship* I lately discovered a *Nebulous Star*, which was very beautiful to behold, if it was viewed with large Telescopes; being composed of Stars very close together. With the *Lesser Dog* it divides the Heaven into equal Parts.

By Mr. Flam-
steed.
Ibid. p. 567.

2. Viewing the Heavens below the *Lesser Dog*, I found a *Nebulous Star*, broad and very thick, set with small Stars. I suppose this to be the same as was observed by Mr. *Cassini*.

The first of Aries
a double Star;
by Dr. Hook.
Phil. Coll. N. 4.
p. 108. Marg.

XIV. *Ann.* 1664. I discovered the first Star in the Head of *Aries* to be a double Star, made of two considerable Stars, so near as not to be discovered two, but by a Glass of six or eight Feet long.

Changes amongst
the Fixed Stars,
by S. Montanari.
N. 73.
p. 2202. Marg.

XV. 1. There are wanting in the Heavens two Stars of the second Magnitude, in the Stern of the *Ship* and its Hatches, according to *Bayer* β and γ , near the *Greater Dog*, which were observed and recognized by me and others, chiefly on occasion of the Comet, *Ann.* 1664. To what Year we are to refer its Disappearance I cannot tell; but this is certain, that from the 10th Day of *April*, 1668, I can no longer observe any Traces of them; while the other Stars about them, even of the fourth and fifth Magnitude, continue immoveable. I have taken Notice of above an hundred Changes in the other fixed Stars, but not of such Consequence.

By M. Cassini.
N. 73. p. 2201.

2. M. *Cassini* hath discovered many new Stars; viz. One of the Fourth Magnitude, and two of the Fifth, in *Cassiopeia*. He hath discovered two others towards the Beginning of *Eridanus*, where we were sure they were not yet about the End of the Year 1664. considering that this Place of the Heavens, where passed the then appearing Comet, was diligently beheld by many, who perceived divers others small Stars, without observing those two. The same hath also observed, towards the *Arctic Pole*, four of the Fifth or Sixth Magnitude.

He hath also observed, That the Star which *Bayerus* puts near that which he marketh in the Figure of *Ursa Minor*, appears no more; that that which is marked A, in the Figure of *Andromeda*, is also disappeared; that in lieu of that which is marked ν , at the *Knee* of the same Figure, there are two others more Northward; and that that which is ξ , is very much diminished; the Star which *Tycho* placeth at the Extremity of *Andromeda's Chain*, and calls it of the Fourth Magnitude, is now so small that one can scarce see it; and that which is in his *Catalogue* the 20th of the Constellation of *Pisces*, is now no more seen.

The New Star in
Pectore Cygni;
by M. Hevelius.
N. 19. p. 349.
N. 21. p. 372.

3. On the 24th of *Sept.* (*St. N.*) 1666, I have observed that New Star in *Pectore Cygni*, (which from the Year 1662 until this Time, hath been almost altogether hid) not only with my naked Eye, like a Star of the Sixth or Seventh Magnitude, but also with a very great Sextant. It is still in the very same Place of the Heavens where it was from *Ann.* 1661 to almost 1662. For its Distance from *Scheat Pegasi* hath been by me found $35^{\circ} . 51' . 20''$, and from *Marcab*, $43^{\circ} . 10' . 50''$. which Distances are altogether equal to those which I observed *Ann.* 1658. the First of *November*. For the Distance from

Scheat

Scheat at that Time was $35^{\circ} . 51' . 20''$. and from *Marcab*, $43^{\circ} . 10' . 25''$. where that former from *Scheat* exactly answers to the Recent; and that from *Marcab*, 'tis true, differs in a very few Seconds; but that Disparity is of no moment, since it only proceeded from thence, that this New Star is not yet so distinctly to be seen as at that Time, when it was of the Third Magnitude. It is therefore certain, that it is the self-same Star which *Kepler* did first see *Ann.* 1601, and continued till *Ann.* 1662. He that will observe this Star, must take care lest he mistake the Three more Southern ones of the Sixth Magnitude; the highest of which is distant from *Scheat Pegasi*, $36^{\circ} . 25' . 45''$. the middlemost from the same $37^{\circ} . 25' . 20''$. and the lowest $38^{\circ} . 4' . 30''$.

An. 1662. *Nov.* 28. That new Star in the Swan's Breast, which for some Time, from *An.* 1662, was intirely hid, the Heaven being clear, seemed as it were to revive. N. 134. p. 855.

An. 1666. *Sept.* 21. It appeared to the naked Eye, even when the Moon shined. *Sept.* 24. It was leis than those three preceding in the Neck, and scarcely seemed of the sixth Magnitude.

An. 1670. *Aug.* 26. It seemed sensibly to increase, though not yet greater than Stars of the sixth Magnitude. *Sept.* 3, It seemed still to increase. 8, We found it still increasing. *Octob.* 13, It appeared plainly enough. N. 65. p. 2089.

An. 1671. *Apr.* 29. It hardly appeared greater than in the foregoing Year, for it was equal to Stars of the sixth Magnitude. N. 134. p. 855.

An. 1671. *Jun.* 26. It almost seemed greater.

An. 1672. *March* 29. It still seemed to increase.

An. 1675. *July* 22. It appeared still as a Star of the sixth Magnitude.

An. 1677. It was not yet arrived to its former Magnitude, which was that of the third, nor had it attained its usual Brightness and Splendor, as it appeared in the Years 1657, 1658, 1659; for it did not yet shine but as a Star of the sixth Magnitude. N. 154. p. 854.

Ann. 1681. *Aug.* 18. The new Star in the *Swan's* Neck was hardly to be seen by the naked Eye because of its Smallness and Obscurity, yet at last was found by the Telescope. Pb. Coll. N. 50
p. 162.

4. 1. *Don Anthelme*, a *Carthusian* at *Dyon*, on the 20th of *June*, *An.* 1670, discovered a Star of the Third Magnitude beneath the *Head* of *Cygnus*, situated in the Section of the two streight Lines, one of which goeth from *Lyra* to the nearest of the *Quadrangle* in the *Dolphin*, and the other from the *Eagle* to the Star, which is on the *Top* of the *Upper Wing* of *Cygnus*. He sent the News of this Discovery to *M. L'Abbe Mariotte*, one of the *Royal Academy*, who communicated it to the rest. They all agree 'tis a *New Star*, though *M. B* opposed it at first, affirming it to be in *Bayerus's Tables*; but they prove that Star in *Bayerus* to be another; giving for Distinguishment these Measures. The New Star,
sub Capite
Cygni.
N. 65. p. 2092.
N. 73. p. 2198.

The bright Star <i>ad Rostrum Cygni</i> , its <i>Ascensio Recta</i>	289	22	00
<i>Declinatio Borealis</i>	27	19	20
But this <i>New Star's Ascensio Recta</i> is	293	33	00
<i>Declinatio Borealis</i>	26	33	20

Longi-

	°	'	"
<i>Longitudo</i>	1	55	
<i>Latitudo</i>	47	28	10
Its Distance from that <i>ad Rostrum Cygni</i> towards <i>Faculum</i>	3	47	30
From the Tail of <i>Cygnus</i>	20	54	30
And from the <i>Lucida Lyrae</i>	18	39	40
It came to the Meridian after the Star in <i>Rostro Cygni</i>		16	44
And before the <i>Lucida Aquilæ</i>	—	—	—
		0	27

In the Beginning of *July*, this Star was observed to decrease: *July 11*, it scarce appeared of the Fourth Magnitude.

Aug. 10. It was of the Fifth, and continued to decrease till it wholly disappeared.

Anno 1671. March 17, *D. Anthelme* spied it again of the Fourth Magnitude.

April 4. *M. Cassini* found it greater than the two Stars of the Third Magnitude that are below in the Constellation of *Lyra*, and a little smaller than that in the Beak of *Cygnus*, but more radiant.

April 9. He found it a little diminished, and almost equal to the greatest of the two Stars that are below in *Lyra*.

The 12th, it was equal to the least of these two Stars.

The 15th, he perceived that it increased, and found it equal the second time to the greatest of these two Stars.

From the 16th unto the 27th, it appeared of different Magnitudes, being sometimes equal to the biggest of these two Stars, sometimes equal to the least, and now and then between both.

But the 27th and 28th, it was become as big as the Star in the *Swan's Beak*.

The 30th, it appeared a little clearer; and the first six Days in *May* it was greater.

The 15th of *May*, it was seen smaller than the same Star.

The 16th, it was in Bigness between the two Stars that are below in *Lyra*: And ever since she hath still diminished.

Thus this Star hath been twice in her greatest Splendor; first on the 4th of *April*, and the second time in the Beginning of *May*.

By *M. Hevelius*.
N. 63. p. 2087.

I write you this to acquaint you with a certain remarkable Observation, and at the same Time to let you know my Mind of the Matter. I mean of that new fixed Star, almost of the third Magnitude, about and below the *Swan's Head*, and conspicuous among the unformed Stars. Its Longitude is now $1^{\circ} . 52' . 26''$ and Latitude $47^{\circ} . 25' . 22''$, as plainly appears by my Observations, *An. 1670. July 25*. There is no Reason to doubt but that this is intirely a new Star, and altogether inconspicuous in the Heavens in the Year 1660. For it happened that in the Years 1659, 1660, 1661, I observed almost all those Stars, that appear in the Constellation of the *Swan*, with the utmost Diligence and with proper Instruments; and so took Notice of

of all those about the Neck and Head, and measured their Distances from several fixt Stars. But I found no Star of the third Magnitude in that Place where the above-mentioned new Star is now to be seen; which if it had been there I must have seen it. So that, first, I am sure from hence, that in the Years 1660 and 1661 this Star was not yet visible; and then it clearly appears from *Bayer's Uranometria*, that this now mentioned new Star did not appear in the Year 1603, and consequently not to *Tycho*, and much less to *Hipparchus*. For *Bayer* would have found a Star of that Magnitude, since he describes one of the sixth Magnitude not far from it; as may be seen in his Constellation of the *Swan*. But perhaps you will say, this is the very same that you call a *new one*; for since *Bayer* did not observe the Stars with proper Instruments, it may easily be, that he might err a Degree or two from the true Place. But this cannot be the Thing, since that small Star still continues in the same Place where *Bayer* puts it, nor is it greater than a Star of the sixth Magnitude, as he observed it. For, as I have lately found, it is distant from *Pegasus's* Mouth $32^{\circ} . 39' . 00''$. and from *Pegasus's* Right Knee $39^{\circ} . 23' . 45''$. Hence its Longitude comes out $00^{\circ} . 06' . 28''$, and its Latitude $46^{\circ} . 11' . 14''$ North, to the current Year 1670, in *July*. But the new Star is distant from *Pegasus's* Mouth $32^{\circ} . 31' . 25''$. and from the Right Knee of *Pegasus* $38^{\circ} . 18' . 50''$. From which Distances the Longitude is found to be $1^{\circ} . 52' . 26''$, and Northern Latitude $47^{\circ} . 25' . 22''$. So that this new Star is plainly different from that of the sixth Magnitude observed by *Bayer*, though these two are not above two Degrees removed from each other. And from what is said it is manifest, that this new Star did not shine among the other Stars, neither *An. 1603*, nor *An. 1670*.

When it was first observed by me, as to Magnitude and Brightness it was not inferior to the Star in the *Eagle's Breast*, unless that its Light was a little more obtuse. As to its Situation in respect of the other Stars, it was placed in a Right Line with that in the bending of the upper Wing of the *Swan*, and that in the Shoulder of the *Eagle*; as also with the bright Star of the *Harp*, and that in the *Rhombus* of the *Dolphin*, which is the more Northern of the middle ones. It made an Equilateral Triangle with that in the Head and Beak of the *Swan*.

It wonderfully decreased in the Month of *September*, so that on the 14th of *October* I could not observe it at all with my Sextant, though I used all my Industry for that Purpose.

An. 1671. Apr. 29, I observed again. It exceeded that in the *Swan's Beak*, and likewise that in the bending of the lower Wing of the *Swan*, and was almost equal to that in the *Swan's Breast*, except that it shone with a Light a little more dull and reddish. But upon what Day it first began to shine I dare not affirm. This I am sure of, that it was not conspicuous in the Months of *December*, *January*, or even *February*. For after *Octob. 14*, when it ceased to be seen, I remember I often sought for it in its Place, but it did not appear. Therefore as far as I can recollect, it hardly came into Sight again before the Beginning of *March*, or rather later. On *April 30*, I measured its Distance from the other fixed Stars. It is distant from the

Swan's Tail $20^{\circ} . 55' . 20''$. From the bending of the upper Wing of the *Swan* $17^{\circ} . 47' . 50''$. From the Head of *Serpentarius* $34^{\circ} . 19' . 40''$. so that it still continues in the same Place where it was.

N. 134. p. 856.

May the 17th, it seemed something less than the *Swan's Beak*, and that in the Shoulder of the *Eagle*, as also duller in its Light; but greater than that in the Point of *Sagitta*, and almost equal to that following in the Body of the *Harp*.

May 25. It seemed less than on the 29th of *April*, when it was first seen, so that it seemed to decrease. Less than that in the *Swan's Beak*, or than that in the bending of the Southern Wing; or even less than those in the Belly of the *Harp* and the *Eagle's* Shoulder. It appeared hardly greater than the lesser of the two in the *Swan's* Foot, and that in the Breast of the *Eagle*.

Jun. 26. It appeared less than that in the *Swan's* Neck, so that it had decreased notably.

July 3. Less than that in the *Swan's* Neck; and on the 18th it hardly seemed equal to Stars of the fifth Magnitude.

Aug. 2. It hardly appeared of the sixth Magnitude, nay less than all the other Stars about the Neck and Head of the *Swan*. It only twinkled now and then.

Sept. 11. It was not to be seen any more.

N. 81. p. 4018.

Ann. 1672. Mar. 6. I observed it again; but it can hardly be seen with the naked Eye.

N. 134. p. 857, 854.

Mar. 29. It hardly appeared of the sixth Magnitude; from which Time to An. 1667. it came no more into Sight, though I often sought for it very diligently,

The Nebulosa in the Girdle of Andromeda; by M. Bullialdus. N. 25. p. 459. The New Star in Collo Ceti; by M. Bullialdus. Ibid.

5. Ann. 1667. in Jan. The *Nebulosa* in *Andromeda's* Girdle (which may well enough be seen by the bare Eye) appeared much obscurer than the Year before. In the Months of *February* and *March* I did not see it.

6. 1. Ann. 1667. Jan. 20. The *New Star* in the Neck of the *Whale*, did approach to the Bigness of a Star of the sixth Magnitude, and grew bigger afterwards.

Feb. 12. I saw it at least of the Fourth Magnitude.

Feb. 24. It was equal to the Stars of the Third Magnitude, shining very bright.

Feb. 26. and 27. It appeared yet to increase.

By M. Hevelius. N. 25. p. 460. N. 134. p. 855.

2. Ann. 1667. In the Beginning of *January* this Star did not appear. Jan. 23. I found a little Star of the Sixth or Seventh Magnitude about the same Place where the said *New Star* uses to appear. But it then seemed to me not the genuine *New Star*, but another; to wit, preceding the *New*, whose Longitude in An. 1660. was defined by me, $\gamma 25^{\circ} 43' 3''$, and the Latitude $14^{\circ} 41' 32''$.

Feb. 2. It appeared very bright, and that, when the Moon shone, of the Bigness of that in the Mouth of the *Whale*, or *Nodo Lini*; from which time I always observed it to grow bigger.

Mar.

Mar. 13: I did still find it extremely bright, but could not by my naked Eye, because of the vivid Crepuscle, and the low Sight of the Star, accurately determine its Magnitude.

An. 1668. Octob. 26. The new Star in the *Whale's* Neck was first seen, N. 132. p. 855. but like the smallest of the fixed Stars.

Nov. 7. The new Star in the *Whale's* Neck was almost equal to the middle Star in the Mouth.

An. 1669. Jan. 28. It was less than that in the Mouth.

Sept. 26. It appeared like a Star of the sixth Magnitude.

Oct. 16. It was greater and brighter than that in the Mouth.

Oct. 27. It was equal to the bright Star in the Jaw.

Nov. 19. It was greater than that in the Mouth, and less than that in the Jaw.

An. 1670. Aug. 27. It shined with very much Light, and was almost equal to the Stars of the second Magnitude in the *Whale's* Jaw.

Sept. 3. It was very bright, and on the 8th was equal to the *Whale's* Jaw.

To the middle of the Month of *October* it was almost equal in Magnitude N. 66. p. 2023. to that in the *Whale's* Jaw, and nearly exceeded it in Brightness; so that this Year it was of the second Magnitude, and greater than in the former Years, excepting *An. 1660*, when I found it to be even greater than the *Whale's* Jaw. At other Times I do not remember that it exceeded Stars of the third Magnitude. It is therefore certain, that it did not always appear of the same Magnitude or Brightness, however it may be in its greatest Increase.

Dec. 5. It had so dwindled away, that it was hardly equal to a Star of N. 134. p. 856. the sixth Magnitude.

An. 1671. Aug. 14. It was equal to the Star at the Cheek, nay it seemed to be something larger.

Sept. 12. It was equal to that in the Mouth, of the fourth Magnitude.

Oct. 30. It appeared to be hardly of the sixth Magnitude.

Nov. 3. It appeared no more.

An. 1672. Aug. 9. It shined with very bright Rays, and was greater than that in the Mouth, and less than that in the Jaw.

Sept. 17. Less than that in the Cheek, was hardly of the fourth, nay of the fifth Magnitude, and on the 25th was hardly of the sixth Magnitude.

From about the Month of *October* to *December 23, 1676*, it did not once come to view, though I directed my Eyes towards it very attentively, whenever I applied myself to Observations on a clear Night. *Ibid. p. 854.*

An. 1676. Dec. 10. I remember very well, I could not see the new Star in the *Whale's* Neck, though I observed very many little Stars in that Part of the Heavens. *Ibid. p. 858.*

Dec. 23. The Heaven being very clear, we saw very plainly the new Star in the *Whale's* Neck, It shone with so much Brightness, and was of such a Magnitude, that it was not only equal to, but even exceeded the Jaw of the *Whale*.

Dec. 31. It was rather greater than the Jaw, that is, of the second Magnitude.

An. 1677. Jan. 1. It again shone very brightly, rather greater than the *Whale's*

Whale's Jaw, and rather greater than that in the Extremity of the Wing of Pegasus, and Marcab, in Colour and Light not unlike to the Jaw. Yet I remember to have observed formerly, when it was of the second Magnitude, that it was a little whiter and brighter.

Phil. Coll. N. 5. p. 162.

An. 1681. Aug. 18. The new Star in the Whale's Neck this Night, tho' the Moon was full and shining, was greater than that in the Whale's Mouth, but yet not equal to the bright Star in the Jaw.

By M. Cassini. N. 123. p. 565.

3. An. 1676. March. I viewed the new Star in the Whale's Mouth, which had disappeared for some Years, being immersed in the Sun's Beams, at the Time of its greatest shining. Now it plainly exceeds Stars of the third Magnitude.

By Mr. Flamsteed.

Ib. d. p. 567. A new Star in Eridanus; by M. Cassini. N. 35. p. 683.

4. For eight Months before, I have often seen the new Star in the Whale's Breast, which was not less than Mr. Cassini mentions.

7. March 10. 1668. Not far from the Star in Eridanus, which is called the 14th by Bayerus, there appeared a Star equal to the brightest of the 4th Magnitude, almost in the same Place where was observed the Comet of An. 1664. Dec. 31. which Star was not then seen, nor at other Times elsewhere, nor is described in any Catalogue, on any Globe or Map, that I can learn; which therefore I deem to be a New one, that is, of New Appearance.

A New Star in Taurus; by M. Cassini. N. 82. p. 4046.

8. The Comet, Anno 1672, had (on the 1st of April, N. S.) passed 45' beyond the most Northern Star of the Head of Taurus, and was distant 1° 43' from the Star that was nearest to that towards the South. M. Cassini having considered these two Stars, observed that the Second is not less bright than the First, and yet that Bayerus hath not marked it; and that at first sight it seems that Tycho hath left it out in his Catalogue: For he puts four Stars in the Place he calls in *Quadrilatero Cervicis*; and he speaks not of this, which is the fifth, and maketh, with the other four, an irregular Pentagon. This Omission of Bayerus, and the Denomination which Tycho useth to denote these Stars, which suits not with the Number nor the Configuration that now appears, do administer Cause to doubt whether the Star in question be not one of those that appear from Time to Time.

To find the Aphelia of the Planets directly; by M. Cassini. Considered, by Mr. Nic. Mercator. N. 57. p. 1168. Mar. An. 1670.

Fig. 117.

XVI. 1. Mr. Cassini supposes, that to the Planet moving in an Ellipsis two Right Lines are extended from the two Foci, one of which is the Line of mean Motion, and the other of true Motion. Now the Construction is this.

L is the Center of the Concentric	BI is perpendicular to R H G.
A B C D E.	I is the Center of the Ellipsis.
B L D is the Diameter.	LI is the Excentricity.
BA, BC, BP, are appearing Intervals.	IO = LI.
DE, DF, DQ, are Intervals of mean Motion.	O is the Focus; about which the mean Motion is performed; L about which the true.
BE, BF, BQ, as also DA, DC, DP, are Right Lines.	IM = IN = LB.
BE cuts DA in H; BF cuts DC in G, BQ cuts DP in R.	M is the Apogeeum, N the Perigeum, B L M the true Anomaly.
R H G is a Right Line.	

Demonstration. 1. The most illustrious and Right Reverend Seth Ward, Bishop of Salisbury, in his Examination of the Philolaic Astronomy, has taught

taught us a Method, from the mean Anomaly of the Planets being given, to find the true one, which is thus:

C is the Center of the Ellipsis A E P, F the Focus about which the mean Motion is performed, S the Focus of the true Motion, A the Apogeeum, P the Perigeum, E the Planet, A F E the mean Anomaly, A S E the true Anomaly, F E T a Right Line, $E T = S E$. S T is a Right Line.

Fig. 118.

In the Triangle S F T are given, 1. S F, the Distance of the Foci. 2. $F T = F E + E S = A P$. 3. A F T the external Angle, or the mean Anomaly, equal to the Sum of the Angles F S T and T. Therefore F S E may be found, or the true Anomaly, equal to the Difference of the Angles F S T and T; thus,

As half the Sum of the Sides F T and F S, is to half the Difference of the same, so is the Tangent of half the Sum of the Angles F S T and T to the Tangent of half their Difference.

But the Half-sum of the Sides F T and F S is found, by substituting for F T its Equal A P, whose half is A C, which added to C S, half of F S, makes the Semi-sum A S, the Planets greatest Distance.

Then if from the Half-sum A S be taken the lesser Side F S, there remains the half-difference of the Sides F A equal to P S, the least Distance of the Planet. Then from the mean Anomaly to find the true one, the Rule is,

As A S, the greatest Distance of the Planet, is to P S the least Distance, so is the Tangent of half the mean Anomaly to the Tangent of half the true Anomaly.

Corol. 1. If S E is continued as far as V, so that $E V = F E$, and the whole $S V =$ Axis A P; the Angle V of the Triangle F S V will be half the Prosthapheresis F E S, and therefore equal to the half-difference of the Angles of the mean and true Anomaly, that is, of the Angles A F E and A S E. (And the external Angle A F V is equal to half the Sum of the same Angles A F E and A S E) by taking away the Semi-difference V F E from the greater A F E; whence arise these two Analogies,

1. *As the Sine of half the Sum of the mean and true Anomalies A F V, to the Sine of half the Difference of the same V; so is S V, equal to the transverse Axis A P, to S F the Distance of the Foci.*

2. *As the Sine of half the Sum of the mean and true Anomaly A F V, to the Sine of the true Anomaly, F S V; so is S V, or the Axis A P, to F V the Subtense of the true Anomaly; and so is the Semi-axis A C, to the Semi-subtense V X or F X.*

Corol. 2. If in the same Triangle F S V, from the middle Point X of the Subtense F V, be raised the Perpendicular X E; it will divide S V into two Parts, one of which V E is equal to the Line of mean Motion F E, the other S E is the Line of true Motion itself.

2. Let *a* be the Center of the Concentric *c b f i*.

c a d the Diameter, and likewise the Line of the *Apsids*.

c b the Arch of the true *Anomaly*, to which answers,

d i the Arch of mean *Anomaly*; therefore

c d b is the Angle of half the true *Anomaly*, and

d c i the Angle of half the mean *Anomaly*.

c i and *d b* are Right Lines, which intersect one another in *g*.

Fig. 119.

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From the Point of Intersection g let fall gb perpendicular to cd ;

Then $db \cdot bg :: \text{Radius} \cdot \text{Tang. } bdg \text{ or } cdb.$

And $cb \cdot bg :: \text{Radius} \cdot \text{Tang. } bcg \text{ or } dci.$

Therefore $db \times \text{Tang. } cdb = bg \times \text{Rad.} = cb \times \text{Tang. } dci.$

Wherefore $db \cdot cb :: \text{Tang. } dci \cdot \text{Tang. } cdb.$

That is, db will be to cb , as the Tangent of half the mean Anomaly to the Tangent of half the true Anomaly: And therefore by the Rule above-mentioned, as the greatest Distance of the Planet to the least Distance. Therefore db will be equal to the greatest Distance of the Planet, cb will be equal to the least, and ab to the Eccentricity..

And since the same Thing may be demonstrated in the same Manner of all the other Points of Intersection, that is, that Perpendiculars from them to the Line cd will fall upon the Point b , 'tis necessary that a Right Line joining those Intersections must be congruous with the Perpendicular bgf .

3. Drawing the Diameter bak , make the Arch $kl = id$, and draw kc and bl cutting one another in p . From b upon bgf let fall the Perpendicular br , and the same is parallel to the Line of Apfids cd . Then the Angle rbs will be the half-difference of the Arches of the true Anomaly cb and of the mean di . Then from the same Point b let the Right Line $b\beta$ be drawn, making an Angle with kb equal to the Angle rbs , and meeting the Line of Apfids in β ; then the Angle βab of the Triangle $a\beta b$ will be the Measure of the Arch cb , or of the true Anomaly; and βba the half-difference of the true and mean Anomaly, by Construction; and the external Angle $c\beta b$ (equal to the two internal and opposite Angles βab and βba , and therefore compounded of the true Anomaly and its half-difference from the mean) will be the semi-sum of the true and mean Anomaly. Therefore by the first Analogy of the first Corollary, as the Sine of $c\beta b$ to the Sine of βba , so is Radius ab to the Excentricity $a\beta$. But we have demonstrated above, that ab is equal to the Excentricity. Therefore the Point β is congruous with the Point b .

Then from b let bt be raised perpendicular to bb . I say, that this being continued will fall upon the Point of Intersection p . For the Triangles rbs and bbt are similar by Construction. Wherefore also the Triangle bpk is similar to the Triangle bgi , since the Angles pkl and gib , insisting upon the same Arch cb , are equal; as also the Angles pbk and gbi are equal, as insisting upon equal Arches kl and id . Therefore the third bpk is equal to the third bgi . And from Equals pbk and gbi taking away Equals bbt and rbs , there remain Equals pbp and gbr . Whence I argue thus, $srb = tbb$, and $rbs = bbt$; therefore $bsr = btb$, and therefore the Complements of these to a Semicircle are equal, that is, $rsi = btk$, and $sig = tkp$. Therefore also $igs = kpt$, which being taken from Equals igb and kpb , there remains $hgs = bpt$, and $gbr = pbb$. Therefore also $brg = bbp$. But brg is a Right Angle, and therefore also bbp is a Right Angle. And since by the Construction bbt is a Right Angle, thence tb will make a Right Line with bp . And since the same Thing may be demonstrated after the same Manner of any other Intersection of Lines from b and k , drawn to congruous Points of the true and mean Anomaly; it is plain, that

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not only the Right Line that joins the Intersections, will pass through the Point b . but also the Line bb will be perpendicular to the same joining Line.

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Corollary. If from any Point of the true Anomaly, suppose b , to the corresponding Point i of the mean Anomaly, a Right Line bi be drawn; bf perpendicular to cbd , being drawn from the Center of Excentricity b , will cut bi in s , in the Ratio of the Line of the mean Motion to the Line of the true Motion.

For by the latter Analogy of the first Corollary, bb is the Semi-subtense; therefore by the second Corollary, a Perpendicular bt erected at b cuts the Diameter bk in t , in the same Ratio that the Line of mean Motion has to the Line of true Motion. Therefore rs or bf cuts the Line bi in the same Ratio in s ; because of the Similitude of the Figures $tbbkpb$ and $srbigbr$ just now demonstrated.

But from the above-quoted Method of the Right Rev. Dr. *Ward*, for finding the first Inequality, it will not be difficult to produce still another Way of investigating the Apogeum and the Excentricities, which is not less direct and Geometrical, and admits of any Number of Observations; which I shall explain in a few Words. The Lovers of Astronomy may find several Ways in the Right Rev. Author's *Astronomia Geometrica*, to which therefore I refer them. But now

Let l and d be the two Foci of the Ellipsis, t and u two Points of the Planet's true Motion, tu an Arch of the Ellipsis, which from l is viewed under the Angle tlu , and from d under the Angle tdu ; also the Distance of the Foci ld is viewed from t under the Angle $d tl$, and from u under the Angle $d ul$. I say, the Difference of the Angles tlu and tdu is equal to the Difference of the Angles $d tl$ and $d ul$.

Fig. 120.

For since all the three Angles of the Triangle lux taken together are equal to all the three Angles of the Triangle dtx when taken together, if from each be taken away the equal Angles lxu and dxt , the Sum of the other two $ulx + lux$ will be equal to the Sum of the others $tdx + dtx$; and if from these equal Sums be taken away Unequals, that is ulx from the former and tdx from the latter; the Difference of the Remainder lux and dtx will be equal to the Difference of the Angles taken away ulx and tdx . Which was the Thing proposed.

With Center l , and Distance of the transverse Axis mn , let a Circle abc be described, whose Arch ab is again viewed from l under the Angle alb , and from d under the Angle adb . Also the Distance of the Foci ld is viewed from a under the Angle lad , and from b under the Angle lbd . Therefore again the Difference of the Angles alb and adb is equal to the Difference of the Angles lad and lbd . But by *Corol.* 1. the Angle lad is half the Angle lud , and the Angle lbd is half the Angle ltd . Therefore the Difference of these Angles lad and lbd is equal to half the Difference of the Angles lud and ltd . Therefore also the Difference of the Angles alb and adb is equal to the half-difference of the Angles ult and uat , the former of which is the apparent Interval of the two Observations, and the latter

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is the Interval of the mean Motion. Therefore the Difference of these Intervals being given, half this Difference is also given, or the Difference of the Angles alb and adb . But alb is the same as the given Angle ult ; therefore the Angle abd is also given, under which the Arch ab is viewed from d .

In a like manner it may be shewn, that the Difference of the Angles tly and tdy is equal to the Sum of the Angles ltd and lyd ; also the Difference of the Angles blc and bdc is equal to the Sum of the Angles lbd and lcd . And since lbd is half of ltd , and lcd half of lyd ; the Sum of lbd and lcd will be equal to half the Sum of the Angles ltd and lyd ; that is, the Difference of the Angles blc and bdc will be equal to the half Difference of the Angles tly and tdy , of which the first is the apparent Interval of the two Observations, and the latter the Interval of the mean Motion. Therefore the Difference of these Intervals being given, half of this Difference is also given, or the Difference of the Angles blc and bdc . But blc is the same with the given Angle tly ; therefore the Angle bdc is also given, under which the Arch bc is viewed from d .

Whence it appears, that the mean and apparent Intervals of the Observations being given, the Angles also are given, under which any Arches of the Circle abc are seen from d , which Arches are intercepted by Lines of the true Motion. Therefore by *Herigon's Theory of the Planets, lib. 1. cap. 3. Prop. 12. Schol. 1.* so many Segments of a Circle may be described, capable of receiving Angles under which those Arches are viewed from d , all which Segments will intersect one another in d . Therefore by this Method the Apogees and Excentricities of the Planets may be found by a Geometrical Delineation, and applying any Number of Observations: Nor is it more difficult to draw Circles than Right Lines.

But to grant what is true, that Mr. *Cassini's* Geometrical Delineation is something more expeditious; it is however to be feared, that if we pursue that Exactness required by Astronomers, it requires Diagrams of an enormous Size, and thereby becomes more operose than the Calculation itself. But if we make use of this, we shall find both Methods to be equivalent. Now lest any one should think, that the Difference from the Truth, of the Apogee and Excentricity found by either Method, is to be imputed to an Error of Calculation; we shall now discuss the Hypothesis itself.

The Invention of the Elliptic Orbit without any doubt is owing to *Kepler*; but to determine by what Degrees of Acceleration and Retardation the Planets move, does not less belong to the completing the Hypothesis, than to determine the Orbit itself. Though from Mr. *Cassini's* Words, or those of his Interpreter, it no where appears; yet it is plain from his Construction of the Problem, and from his Analysis, that he supposed the Planet, if seen from the upper Focus, to move with an equable Motion. This was because *Kepler* thought the same, as may appear to those who will consult his Writings. But when he perceived that this by no means agreed with the Observations, he changed his Opinion, and espoused this, that the Line of the Planet's true Motion described equal Elliptical Areas in equal Times. But that

that Point from whence the Planet may be seen to proceed exactly with an equable Motion, is no where to be found in the Universe, unless we have a Mind to make it fluctuating. Yet no Point comes nearer to this equable Motion of the Planet, than that of the upper Focus of the Ellipsis. Nor is any one yet found that will deny, but that *Kepler's* Area's may satisfy the Phænomena; but since neither he himself, nor any one since his Time, has been able to exhibit them by a direct Calculation, some have been apt to blame *Kepler*, as laying too great a Stress upon Physical Causes, and thereby departing from Geometry. As though Physical Causes can be contrary to Geometry, or as if the Problem is less Geometrical which is thus proposed, without making any mention of Physical Causes: *The Area of the Trilinium being given, which is comprehended between the Lines of the Apsids, of the true Motion, and also the Elliptical Arch; to find the Angle at the Sun.* They that object to this, a departing from Geometry, may take *Kepler's* Answer; Let them go and solve the Problem.

But though *Kepler* was so scrupulous, as not to give up an Hypothesis which, he was fully persuaded, obtained in Nature, yet it may be free for others to make a Tryal, whether any other Way may be found, by which the first Inequality of the Planets may be investigated by a direct *Calculus*. Therefore the learned *Bullialdus* undertook to search out by Geometrical Reasonings, in what Path, and with what Degrees of Intension and Remission the Planets might be urged, so that by the Rule of equable Motion which was assumed by the Astronomers before *Kepler*, we might be brought to that Inequality we behold. The Monuments of that great Man are still in being, whence the Lovers of Astronomy may be informed of his whole Method. The Right Rev. *Seth Ward* has embraced the same, and is the first that has shewed, that it performs the same Thing as a Line of equable Motion revolving about the other Focus of the Ellipsis. He has also supplied it with a direct Method of Calculation, the same which we have recited a little before. So that nothing seems to be farther required, than that *Urania* would prosper such happy Attempts. And in her Name it was that the illustrious Count *Pagan*, in a Treatise published two Years after, of the same Tenour, ventured so far to assert the Truth of this Hypothesis, as to chuse to ascribe to the Ignorance of Astronomers that Discrepancy that was discovered about the Octants. But the learned *Bullialdus* judged it safer to hear Astronomy herself, speaking as it were by the Mouth of Observers; and by his second Endeavours he exterminated that Discrepancy, by a certain Limitation which he annexed to his former Discoveries. Whence we may finally conclude, that this Hypothesis, on which *Mr. Cassini* has founded his Investigation of the Apogee's and Excentricities, is so far removed from the Truth, as to make *Bullialdus's* Limitation necessary; and from that Defect proceeds the Disagreement between the Calculation and the Heavens themselves.

2. The Annual Motion of the Earth through the Ecliptic occasions an Optical Inequality in the Motions of the other Planets, which is well known to Astronomers that embrace the *Copernican* System, by the Name of the

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Parallax of the Orbit. And this Inequality, which without much Labour is derived from Observations, I lay down as the strongest Foundation of the following Method. In which, besides Observations, nothing else is supposed, than that the Orbits of the Planets are Ellipses, and that the Sun is placed in the common Focus of all the Orbits; and lastly, that the Periodical Times of them all are so well known, that no Error can be perceived at least in two or three Revolutions. These Things being granted, first I must begin with the Motion of the Earth, which is necessarily required to account for the Motions of the other Planets.

Fig. 121.

Let S be the Sun, A B C D E the Orbit of the Earth, P the Planet *Mars*, which for many Reasons is chiefly to be preferred for this Purpose. And first let the true Time and Place be observed, when *Mars* is opposite to the Sun; for then the Sun and Earth coincide in the same Right Line with *Mars*: or, if he has Latitude, (which almost always happens) with that Point where a Perpendicular from *Mars* falls upon the Plain of the Ecliptic. Thus in the Scheme S, A, and P are in a Right Line. Again, after 687 Days *Mars* returns to the same Point P where he was opposed to the Sun in the former Observation; but as the Earth does not return to A till after $730\frac{1}{2}$ Days, in B it regards the Sun in the Line S B, but *Mars* in the Line B P; and the Longitudes of the Sun and *Mars* being observed, all the Angles of the Triangle P B S are given, and P S being supposed 100000, in the same Parts the Length of the Line S B is found. In like manner, after another Period of *Mars*, the Earth being in C, the Line S C is found, and so likewise the Lines S D, S E, S F; and the Differences of the observed Places of the Sun are the Angles at the Sun A S B, B S C, C S D, D S E. Thus we come at last to this Geometrical Problem, *Three Lines being given both in Length and Position, meeting in one of the Focus's of an Ellipsis, to find the Length of the transverse Diameter, and the Distance of the Foci.* The Resolution of this Problem may be extended also to the other Planets, if, after the Theory of the Earth's Motion is known, we find out (according to the Method proposed by the Right Rev. the Bishop of *Salisbury* in his Geometrical Astronomy, *Lib. 2. Part 2. Cap. 5.*) three Distances of any Planet from the Sun with its Positions. Now because the Bishop supposes the Planet so to move in its Orbit, that in equal Times it compleats equal Angles at the other Focus of the Ellipsis, and upon this Supposition builds his Calculation; it will not be improper to shew how the same Thing may be done without that Supposition; which Observation obliges us to reject.

Fig. 122.

Let S be the Sun, A L B K the Earth's Orbit, P the Planet, or the Point in the Plain of the Ecliptic marked out by the Perpendicular from the Planet; A B the Line of the Earth's Apfids. First let the Longitude and Latitude of the Planet be observed, and also the Sun's Longitude from the Earth in K; and after a Period of the same Planet, the Earth being in L, let two Positions of the Planet and the Sun be again observed as before. Now from the observed Longitudes of the Sun and the Earth's Aphelion are given the Angles A S K, A S L, and consequently the Sides S K, S L. Now in the Triangle K S L are given the Sides K S, L S, and the Angle K S L; required

required the Side KL , and the Angles SKL , SLK . Then in the Triangle KLP are given KL , KPL the Difference of the observed Longitudes of the Planet, and PKL the Difference of the Angles SKL last found, and of SKP the Planet's Elongation from the Sun in the first Observation; required LP . Then in the Triangle LSP are given the Sides LS , LP , and the Angle PLS , the Planet's Elongation from the Sun in the second Observation; required the Side SP and the Angle LSP ; which being found it is, as SP to LP , so is the Tangent of the Latitude observed at L , to the Tangent of Inclination or Latitude to the Sun; and as the Co-sine of Inclination to Radius, so is SP , the curtated Distance, to the true Distance of the Planet from the Sun. So at last we have found the desired Position and Longitude. It remains to shew, how from three given Distances from the Sun, with the intercepted Angles, to find the middle Distance with the Excentricity of the Ellipsis.

Let S be the Sun, and SA , SB , SC , three Distances in due Position, and drawing AB , BC , let AB be the Distance of the Foci in an Hyperbola, and $SA - SB = EH$ be the transverse Diameter. These Things being premised, let that Hyperbolic Line be described, whose internal Focus is at the Point A , and the Extremity of the longer Line SA . In like manner let B , C , be the Foci of another Hyperbola, whose Diameter is $SB - SC = KL$; from which let the Hyperbolic Line be described, having its internal Focus at the Point B . I say these two Hyperbola's thus described will intersect one another in the Point F , which is one of the Foci of the Ellipsis required; and drawing the Line FA , FB , or FC , either $SA + FA$, $SB + FB$, or $SC + FC$, will be equal to the transverse Diameter, and SF is the Distance of the Foci. These being supposed, the Description of the Ellipsis will be very easy. But whereas the Reason of this Construction may not be obvious to every one, it will not be improper to give some Illustration of it. I say therefore, that from the most known Property of the Ellipsis, 'tis $SB + FB = SA + FA$, and transposing the Parts of the Equation $FB - FA = SA - SB$, so that though we did not know FB and FA , yet their Difference is equal to $SA - SB$, that is, to EH . And since it is from the Nature of the Hyperbola, that it has any two Lines from their Foci to any Point in the Curve, constantly differing by the Quantity of the transverse Diameter; it is plain that the Point F is somewhere in the Curve of the Hyperbola, whose transverse Diameter is equal to $SA - SB$, and its Foci A and B . In a like manner it may be demonstrated, that the Point F is in an Hyperbola, whose Diameter is $SB - SC$, and its Foci B and C . Therefore it must necessarily be in the Intersection of those two Hyperbola's, which, as they intersect one another in one Point only, plainly shew where the other Focus of the Ellipsis required must be.

Now that the same Thing may be performed Analytically, suppose it done, and let $FB = a$, $SA - SB = FB - FA = b$, $AB = c$, $SB - SC = FC - FB = d$, $BC = f$, and let the Sine of the Angle $ABC = S$, and the Cosine of the same $= s$.

Then $c . b :: 2 a - b . \frac{2 a b - b b}{c}$; and $\frac{2 a b - b b + c c}{2 c} = B D$, by 36.
 3. *Eucl.* And $f . d :: 2 a + d . \frac{2 a d + d d}{f}$; and $\frac{f f - 2 a d - d d}{2 f} = B G$, by
 the same. Now to abbreviate the Calculation, make $\frac{c c - b b}{2 c} = g$, and $\frac{b}{c}$
 $= h$; also make $\frac{f f - d d}{2 f} = k$, and $\frac{d}{f} = l$. Then $B D = g + h a$, and
 $B G = k - l a$. And because in every
 { Obtuse-angled } Triangle the Square of the Base is equal to the { Sum }
 { Acute-angled } { Difference }
 of the Squares of the Sides, and of the double Rectangle of the Sides into
 the Cosine of the contained Angle; it will be $g g + 2 g h a + h h a a + k k$
 $- 2 k l a + l l a a + 2 g k s - 2 g l s a + 2 k h s a - 2 h l s a a$ is equal to the
 Square of D G. But D G is equal to the Sine of the Angle D F G or D B G
 drawn into F B or a ; (for F B D G is a Quadrilaterum inscribed in the Cir-
 cle whose Diameter is F B) therefore $S S a a = g g + 2 g h a + h h a a + k k$
 $- 2 k l a + l l a a + 2 g k s - 2 g l s a + 2 k h s a - 2 h l s a a$: Which E-
 quation is easily resolved, since it does not exceed an affected Quadratick,
 and is always composed of those Squares and Rectangles. Yet the Signs +
 and -, because of the different Constitution of the three Lines, must be ap-
 plied to the Rectangles with good Caution.

*The Obliquity of
 the Ecliptick,
 from the Obser-
 vations of the
 Ancients; by Dr.
 Ed. Bernard.
 Sept. An. 1684.
 N. 163. p. 721.*

XVII. 1. *An.* 230. before the Birth of *Christ*, *Eratosthenes* found the Ob-
 liquity of the Ecliptic, $23^{\circ} . 51' . 19'' . 31''' . 5''''$.
 For according to him the Distance of the Tropicks was $\frac{1}{3}$ of the Circle of
 the Meridian, or $47^{\circ} \frac{2}{3}$. *Ptolemy's Magna Syntaxis*, p. 18. 21. Wherefore
Eratosthenes's Obliquity was less than *Ptolemy's* by only $\frac{3}{8}$ of a Second,
 which is a very contemptible Difference.
Eratosthenes according to *Cleomedes* (as derived by *Ricciolus*) makes it 23
 Degrees, and 46 Minutes besides.
Eratosthenes, as corrected by *Ricciolus*, $31' . 5''$. (above 23°).
Hipparchus (140 Years before *Christ*) has retained the Obliquity of *Erato-*
sthenes. *Ptol. Mag. Syntax*, p. 18. and p. 60.
Theo, as taken more exactly, $51' . 19'' . 31''' . 5''''$.
 Yet the *Chovaresmic* Tables, compiled 830 Years after *Christ*, exhibit the
 Canonic Obliquity of the *Alexandrians*, according to a *Latin Manuscript* of
D. Hatton, $51'$.
Pytheas Massiliensis, 324 Years before *Christ*, (in *Ricciolus*) $52' . 41''$.
Aristarchus, before *Christ* 280 Years, by the illustrious *Savil's* Computa-
 tion, $51' . 20''$.
Aristarchus, as *Ricciolus* has deduced it, $30' . 00''$.
Strabo the Geographer, p. 93. 30 Years after *Christ*, makes it $\frac{4}{5}$ of a
 Circle, or above 23° , yet 1 more, or 60.
 Nor otherwise *Geminus*, in *Christ's* Time, *Chap. iv. Elem. Astron.* And
Tatius,

Tatius, cap. 26. and *Proclus* of the Sphere. And the Astrologers in *Noddamus* the Arabian, *Abraham Abenesdra*, &c.

Noddamus the Astronomer, who flourished about *An. Dom.* 1200, takes Notice, that the Obliquity was never observed greater than 24 Degrees, nor less than $23^{\circ} . 33'$, and yet that it continually decreases.

Claud. Ptolemeus, after *Christ* 140. having often tried it with his Ring and his Table, always found it nearly the same with that of *Eratosthenes*, $51^{\circ} . 20'$.

For the Distance of the Tropicks was between $47^{\frac{2}{3}}$ and $47^{\frac{3}{4}}$. But he chose for his little Table $47^{\circ} . 42' . 40''$. *Mag. Syntax*, p. 18. 20, 21, and 27. He took nearly the middle, $23^{\circ} . 51' . 20''$; nor otherwise in his Hypotheses of the Planets. But *Theo* in his shorter Tables, for the Sake of Expedition, omits the Seconds. But *Ricciolus* is mistaken, when from the Climate of *Rhodes* he deduces the Measure of the Obliquity for *Ptolemy* to be $23^{\circ} . 30'$.

Pappus of *Alexandria*, (390 Years after *Christ*) l. 6. *Theor.* 35. by *Ricciolus* $30'$.

Pappus, as *Fr. Commandinus* computes it, $50' . 00'' . 00'''$.

Theo, (after *Christ* 370 Years) p. 88. more accurately, $51' . 20'' . 00'''$.

Elsewhere in a round Number, as p. 57. and frequently in his shorter Tables not yet published, $51' . 00'' . 00'''$.

Almamon the Prince, *An. Christ.* 825. of the *Hegira* 210, makes it $23^{\circ} . 35'$. *Grav.* p. 44. from *Ebn-Sbatir* of *Damascus*, MS. *Selden.* many Astronomers assisting him. For so *Abenesdras* relates, MS. *Lat.* in the Archives of *Digby*. Also an uncertain Astronomer in *Archiv. Seld.* affirms, that *Jabia Ebn Albimansur*, with many other Philosophers, in the Time of *Almamon*, found the Obliquity to be by Observation $23^{\circ} . 35'$.

The most learned *Al Noddam*, in his Commentaries upon the Astronomical Works of *Hosein Nisaburiensis*, says the same Thing of the Observations of *Almamon*. To which he adds, that in the same Age *Beni Musa* often observed the same Measure to be $23^{\circ} . 35'$. in the Neighbourhood of *Bagdad*. MS. *Arab. Coll. St. John Oxon.* And this was approved by most of the Astronomers that succeeded. At least *Alferganus* acquiesces in it in his *Astronomy*, Chap. 5.

Mohammed Ebn Gaber Al Batanius (or *Bategnius*) at *Racca*; according to *Ricciolus*, *An. Dom.* 880. *Savil.* 890. *Gravius* p. 44. 882. of the *Hegira*, 269. He died in the Year of the *Hegira*, 317. *An. Dom.* 929. In the History of *Abolfaragus*, p. 191. *Obliq.* $35' . 00''$.

Al Batanius in this Affair makes no Scruple of preferring his own Observations before the Words of *Ptolemy*, cap. 4, and says, that being assisted with a very long *Albidada*, or Parallaetical Ruler, in Resemblance of those of *Ptolemy*, with great Care and Diligence he found at *Racca*, that the Distance of the Tropics was $47^{\circ} . 10'$. (that is, $59^{\circ} . 36' - 12^{\circ} 26'$) and therefore the Latitude of *Racca* was 35° ; which yet *Ulocbeg* makes $36^{\circ} . 10'$; *Schickard* in *Curtius*, (p. 33.) and *Ricciolus* make it 36° .

Thabet Ebn Corra, (with *Ricciolus*, *An. Dom.* 1210. more truly 901, in the 289. of the *Hegira*) found the Obliquity to be $33' . 30''$.

Abul Hosein Ebn Suphi, 35'. 00".

Abul Waffi Albuziani, and *Abn Hamed Saganienfis*, a very ingenious Person, (A. D. 987. Heg. 377.) at Bagdad found the Obliquity to be very near 35'.

So a *Persian* Author in the Archives of *Selden*, 35'.

In like manner the *Persic* Tables of *Cryfococca*, 35'.

Al Batrunius Abul Riban, (A. D. 995. of the *Hegira* 385. *Abolfaragius* puts him at 463. of the *Hegira*, or A. D. 1070.) made use of a *Quadrant* whose Radius was 15 Cubits (*Grav.* p. 54. from an *Arabic* Book of *Birunius*) 35'.

But *Abu Joafer Alchazan*, with his Associate *Abufaldus Harwanenfis* at *Edeffa*, and others of that Age, (A. D. 970.) observed that the Obliquity did not quite come up to 23° . 35', but was something less.

Almacon Son of *Almansor* (A. D. 1140. *Ricc.*) 33' . 30". But according to *Clavius* and *Mæstlin* he made it 33' only.

Ismael Abulfeda Prince of *Hama*, (A. D. 1311. of the *Hegira* 711.) in his Manuscript Tables *Arab. Coll. St. John*, retains 35' . 00". perhaps on the Authority of *Almamon*.

Prophatius the Jew, (A. D. 1300. *Ricc.* 1303. *Mæstlin* in *Curtius* p. 40. 230 Years after *Arzachel*, saith *Copernicus*) and in *Ricciolus*, and a Manuscript of *Merton College*, 32' . 00".

Abu Mahmud Al Chogandi, (A. D. 992. of the *Hegira* 382.) in the Time of *Fecrodaula*, with a *Sextant* whose Radius was 40 Cubits, and the Limb was divided into Seconds, found the Obliquity less than it had ever been taken by any of his Ancestors; that is, 32' . 21".

Hence *Noddamus* the Astronomer affirms, (*MS. Coll. St. John*) that the Sun's greatest Declination was hardly ever found less than 23° . 33'.

Arzachel of *Spain*, (*Grav.* p. 44. A. D. 1089. of the *Hegira* 482. *Ricc.* 1070. *Mæstlin* in *Curtius*, p. 35. 1075. *Copernicus*, l. 3. c. 6. 190 Years after *Al Batanius*) has proposed the Obliquity 23° . 33' . 30". So *MS. Coll. Mert. Oxon.* where it is said, that there is a Difference of 17' . 30". between the Obliquity of *Ptolemy* and that of *Arzachel*.

At *Maraga* the most noble *Persian* *Chojah Nasiroddinus Tusensis*, A. D. 1629. of the *Hegira* 668. (but *Grav.* p. 44. 1261. *Hegir.* 660.) observed the Obliquity most accurately, and found it 23° . 30' . 00".

This is the least of the Sun's greatest Declinations, that has been found to this Day, says the very learned Commentator upon the Astronomical Works of *Hosein Nisaburiensis*.

Ebn Shatir Damascenus, *MS. Seld.* A. D. 1363. says that he corrected the Obliquity, not neglecting the Sun's Horizontal Parallax, which was found 2° . 59'. Hence the Sun's greatest Declination, 23° . 31' . 00".

Olocbegus the Prince, A. D. 1437. *Hegir.* 841. with *Ali Cushgius* and other Astronomers, with very great Care and the largest Instruments, (see *Graves*, p. 44.) found the Obliquity 23° . 30' . 17". So *MSS. Coll. St. John* and of the *Savilian Library*. For *Selden's* Manuscript makes it 23° . 30' . 27".

Rabbi

Rabbi Moyses Ben Maimon, the most learned of the *Jews*, says in *Jad. de Consecratione Calendarum*, c. ult. sect. 4. that the greatest Obliquity of the Zodiac, *A. D.* 1174, was $23^{\circ} . 30'$, very near.

I must let you know, that I have consulted scarce half of the Oriental Astronomers, whose Writings are preserved in the Libraries of the University of *Oxford*. But from these Observations, and some others which I keep to myself from the Vulgar, I conclude, that the Obliquity of the Zodiac has always been the same from the Beginning of the World. For the latter Ages, as you may perceive, by the Assistance of better Instruments, have truly corrected the Error and Excess of the antient Astronomy.

2. Whether the Poles and Axis of the Earth be really fixed in the Globe, or subject to be transferred from Place to Place, is an old Enquiry, though now lately revived by *Mr. Hook*, in his ingenious Essays upon the great Mutations and Catastrophes which, in all appearance, have happened to the Earth's Surface. A necessary Consequence of such a Translation of the Poles would be the Change of the Latitudes of Places, which would increase in those Regions towards which the Poles approach, and decrease in those from which they recede: and under the Meridian, 90 Degrees removed from that in which the Poles shift, the Latitudes continuing the same, the Meridian Line would only alter; but not two Places considerably differing in Longitude can be supposed, wherein, if there be any sensible Motion of the Poles, it shall not be perceived by the Alteration of the Latitude of one or both of them.

The Obliquity of the Ecliptick and Elevation of the Pole continue unaltered; by

Nov. An. 1687.
N. 190. p. 403.

The accurate *M. Wurtzelbaur* has lately furnished us with the Means of examining this Hypothesis by Observation, having sent us the Meridian Altitude of the Sun taken at *Nuremberg* about the two Solstices in the Year 1686. *June* 10. he found the Meridian Altitude of the Sun $64^{\circ} 2' 20''$, and the next Day $64^{\circ} 2' 25''$. And on *Decemb.* 14. (three Days after the Solstice, wherein the Sun was got two Minutes higher) he found the Meridian Altitude $17^{\circ} 9' 10''$. wherefore the solstitial Altitude was $17^{\circ} 7' 10''$. These Heights were taken by an Instrument of 6 Foot Radius of Brass; and the Skill and Diligence of the Observer is not to be doubted.

To compare with these, I find among *Bernard Walther's* Observations, made in the same City of *Nuremberg* two hundred Years before, *viz.* in the Year 1487. that the Meridian Altitude of the Sun in the Summer Solstice was observed by the parallaetick Instrument of *Ptolemy*, whereby the Chord of the Sun's Distance from the Zenith was observed 44890 Parts of 100000 Radius; the same being observed by the Concurrence of the Observations of several Years both before and after. The Arch answering to this Chord gives the Sun's Distance from the Zenith $25^{\circ} 56' 30''$, and consequently the Meridian Altitude, its Complement to a Quadrant, $64^{\circ} 3' 30''$. Again, the same Year 1487. the Chord of the Meridian Distance of the Sun from the Zenith, on the Day of the Winter Solstice, was found 118790, confirmed likewise by many subsequent Observations; the Arch answering to this Chord is $72^{\circ} 52' 40''$. and its Complement $17^{\circ} 7' 20''$, the Meridian Height of the Sun in the Winter Solstice.

Hence

Hence it appears, That the Solstitial Heights were very nearly the same at *Nuremberg* 200 Years ago as now they are; that of the Summer Solstice being but one Minute differing, the other only 10'; both which may possibly arise from the Defects of the Instruments of these Observers, being made with Plane Sights: But what I shall necessarily conclude from hence, is, That if there be such a Motion of the Poles, it is either very slow, or else nearly at Right Angles to the Meridian of *Nuremberg*; in which latter case, the Latitudes of Places about *Tunking, Siam, Malacca, and Java*, on the one Side, and in our *American* Plantations of *New-England, Virginia, Jamaica, &c.* on the other, ought to change fastest: But I have never yet heard of any such thing observed by any of our Navigators; whence, if there be such a Change of the Earth's Poles, it must necessarily require a long time to become sensible.

Besides, from these Observations, it appears, That the Obliquity of the Ecliptick has continued unaltered for these 200 Years last past; that is to say, that the Angle which the Earth's Axis makes with the Plane of the Ecliptick or Orb wherein she moves annually round the Sun, has been without sensible Change in all that Time; which will be very hard to conceive, if we allow a Translation of the Earth's Poles; for the Direction of the Axis being perfectly at Liberty, it must be purely casual, if it so hit, that after such Change, it make the same Angle with the Ecliptick as before.

A farther Argument of this Slowness of the Change of the Poles, is the Latitude of *Alexandria*, the Habitation of those famous Astronomers of Antiquity, *Eratosthenes, Timocharis, Hipparchus, and Ptolemy*; and for that Reason it may be concluded, that this, of all the Latitudes the Ancients have left us, ought to be one of the most Correct. This by *Ptolemy* is said to be $30^{\circ} 58'$ North, (which he uses in all his Computations in his *Almagist*, and seems derived from the Proportion of the Gnomon to its Equinoctial Shadow, as 5 to 3, but in his *Geography*, 31° just.) In the Year 1638, the curious and ingenious Mr. *Graves*, when he went to visit the *Egyptian Pyramids*, of which he has given so good an Account, did, with a sufficient Instrument, observe the Latitude of *Alexandria*, and found it $31^{\circ} 4$ or 6 Minutes more than it is reputed by *Ptolemy*, and before him by *Eratosthenes*; so that in about 2000 Years, the Latitude of *Alexandria* has altered only a few Minutes; and so few, that the Accuracy of the Observations of the Ancients may well be questioned: But, both being granted, this Motion will amount to no more than a Degree in 20000 Years.

This is not said with intent to invalidate what Mr. *Hook* hath from so good Grounds advanced, viz. That the Ball of the Earth, at least the Fluids thereof, being necessarily of the Figure of a *Spheroides prolatus*, or flat Oval, whose shortest Diameter is the Axis, and greatest Circle the Equinoctial; if the Poles be supposed changed, the Equinoctial will be so too; and consequently the Water must rise and cover those Parts from which the Poles recede, and fall off and leave bare those Places towards which the Poles approach. By this Means it may be accounted for, how such strange Marine things are found on the Tops of Hills, and so deep under Ground; and scarce
any

any other Way. But from these, and the like Observations, it will follow, That if these Inundations are produced by any regular Motion of the Poles, it would require a prodigious number of Ages to effect the Changes we may be certain have been. Besides, if the Access and Recess of the Sea were after such a gradual manner, as when produced by such an easy Translation of the Poles, as can by Observation be admitted, those Inundations could never be fatal to the Inhabitants; for that they would always give notice of their coming, so that the People might provide for their Safety. But the *Holy Scriptures*, and Pagan Tradition, do unanimously agree, That the last great *Deluge* was brought to pass in a few Days, with no previous Notice; so that the Account we have thereof, could not, by this *Hypothesis*, be made out, without the Supposition of a great and sudden Alteration in the Poles of the Earth's Diurnal Revolution: For which, whether we should have recourse to the intelligent Powers, that first impress'd this whirling Motion on the Ball, or leave it to be performed naturally, by the casual Shock of some transient Body, such as a Comet, or the like, whereby the former Axis might be lost, and a New Revolution produced, differing both in Time and Position from the Old; I shall not undertake to dispute: Such a Supposition would include likewise a Change of the Length of the Year, and Eccentricity of the Earth's Orb; for which we have no sort of Authority.

1. As I was wondering how an ordinary Mathematician could miss so easy a thing as the drawing a true Meridian, so far as in the instance of the old Meridian in the Church of *St. Petronio* in *Banonia*, which is found by *M. Cassini* to vary 8 or 9 Degrees from the true Meridian of the Place; and in that of the Meridian of *Uraniburge*, which is found by *M. Picart*, and others, to vary 18'; I hit upon this Thought, that Meridians must needs vary. For you know, that (taking it for granted that the Earth moves, &c.) besides the Diurnal and Annual Revolutions, there must be also a third to account for that slow Motion of the Fixed Stars upon the Pole of the Ecliptick, in about 25000 Years; which is solved by the Direction of the Earth's Axis from one Point to another of the polar Circle. And that Direction being nothing but a certain Wobble in the Earth's Motion, must needs make the Noon-shade of a Perpendicular not lie always in the same Line.

A supposed Alteration of the Meridian Line; by N. 255. p. 285. Jun. An. 1699.

2. This being a new Suggestion, deserves to be considered: For it is not probable that so careful a Man as *Tycho*, and those concerned in the Church of *St. Petronio*, should be so much mistaken in the Meridian Line. But if there be ought of this Nature, it must arise from a Change of the Terrestrial Poles (here on Earth) of the Earth's Diurnal Motion; (not of their pointing to this or that of the Fixed Stars:) For if the Poles of this Diurnal Motion remain fixed to the same Place on the Earth, the Meridians, (which pass thro' these Poles) must remain the same.

Considered by Dr. Wallis. Ibid. p. 289.

XVIII. I have had the good hap to measure the Distances of *Mars* from two Stars the same Night; whereby I find, that his Parallax was very small, certainly not 30": So that I believe the Sun's Parallax is not more than 10".

The Parallax of the Sun; by Mrs. Flamsteed. N. 89. p. 1519. Nov. An. 1672. N. 96. p. 6100.



To find the Sun's
Ingress into the
Tropical Signs;
by Mr. Edmund
Halley.
N 215. p. 12.
Feb. An. 1695.

XIX. It may perhaps pass for a Paradox, if I should assert, That it is an easier Matter to be assured of the Moments of the Tropicks, or of the Times of the Sun's Entrance into *Cancer* and *Capricorn*, than it is to observe the true Times of the Equinoctials or Ingress into *Aries* and *Libra*. But I here design to shew a Method to find the Moment of the *Tropicks*, capable of all the Exactness the most accurate can desire; and that without any Consideration of the Parallax of the Sun, of the Refractions of the Air, of the greatest Obliquity of the Ecliptick, or Latitude of the Place; all which are required to ascertain the Times of the Equinoctial, from Observation; and which, being faultily assumed, have occasioned an Error of near three Hours in the Times of the Equinoctials deduced from the Tables of the Noble *Tycho Brake* and *Kepler*, the Vernal being so much later, and the Autumnal so much earlier than by the *Calculus* of these famous Authors.

Now before we proceed, it will be necessary to premise the following *Lemmata*, serving to demonstrate this Method; *viz.*

1. That the Motion of the Sun in the Ecliptick, about the Time of the *Tropicks*, is so nearly equable, that the Difference from Equality is not sensible, from 5 Days before the Tropick to 5 Days after, by reason of the nearness of the *Apogæon* of the Sun to the Tropick of *Cancer*.

2. That for 5 Deg. before and after the Tropicks, the Differences whereby the Sun falls short of the Tropicks, are as the *Versed Sines* of the Sun's Distance in Longitude from the Tropicks; which *Versed Sines* in Arches under 5 Degrees, are beyond the utmost Nicety of Sense, as the Squares of those Arches. From these two follows a third;

3. That for 5 Days before and after the Tropicks, the Declination of the Sun falls short of the utmost Tropical Declination, by Spaces which are in *Duplicate* Proportion, or as the Squares of the Times by which the Sun is wanting of, or past, the Moment of the Tropick.

Hence it is evident, That if the Shadows of the Sun, either in the Meridian, or any other Azimuth, be carefully observed about the time of the Tropicks, the Spaces whereby the tropical Shade falls short of, or exceeds, those at other times, are always proportionable to the Squares of the Intervals of Time between those Observations and the true Time of the Tropick; and consequently if the Line, on which the Limits of the Shade is taken, be made the Axis, and the correspondent Times from the Tropick, *Expounded* by Lines, be erected on their respective Points in the Axis as Ordinates, the Extremities of those Lines shall touch the Curve of a *Parabola*. Thus, *a, b, c, e*, being supposed Points observed, the Lines *aB, bC, cA, eF*, are respectively proportional to the Times of each Observation before or after the tropical Moment in *Cancer*.

Fig. 124.

This premised, we shall be able to bring the Problem of finding the true Time of the Tropic by three Observations, to this Geometrical one: *Having three Points in a Parabola, A, B, C, or A, F, C, given, together with the Direction of the Axis; to find the Distance of those Points from the Axis.*

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Of this there are two Cases; the one, when the Time of the second Observation B is precisely in the Middle between A and C: In this Case, putting t for the whole Time between A and C, we shall have Ac , the Interval of the remotest Observation A, from the Tropick, by the following Analogy.

As $2ac - bc$ to $2ac - \frac{1}{2}bc$, so is $\frac{1}{2}t$, or AE , to Ac , the Time of the remotest Observation A, from the Tropick.

But the other Case, when the middle Observation is not exactly in the Middle between the other two Times, as at F, is something more operose, and the whole Time from A to C, being put $=t$, and from A to F, $=s$, $ce = c$, and $bc = b$, the Theorem will stand thus, $\frac{ttc - bss}{2tc - 2bs} = Ac$ the Time sought.

To illustrate this Method of Calculation, it may, perhaps, be requisite to give you one or two Examples.

Ann 1500. *Bernard Walter*, in the Month of *June*, at *Nuremberg*, observ'd the Chord of the Distance of the Sun from the Zenith, by a large *Parallactick* Instrument of *Ptolemy*, as follows;

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{June } 2. \ 45467. \\ \text{June } 9. \ 44934. \\ \text{June } 16. \ 44990. \end{array} \right\} \text{ and } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{June } 8. \ 44975. \\ \text{June } 12. \ 44883. \\ \text{June } 15. \ 44990. \end{array} \right.$$

In both these Cases the middle Term is exactly in the middle between the Extremes, and therefore in the former three, $ac = 533$, $bc = 477$, and t , the Time between, being 14 Days, by the first Rule, the Time of the Tropick will be found by this Proportion; as 589 to $827\frac{1}{2}$, so $\frac{1}{2}t$, or 7 Days, to 9 Days, $20^h. 2'$. Whence the Tropick, *An.* 1500. is concluded to have fallen *June* 11. $20^h. 2'$. In the latter three ac is $= 107$, and $bc = 15$, and the whole Interval of Time is 8 Days $= t$; whence, as 199 to $206\frac{1}{2}$, so is 4 Days to $4^d. 3^h. 37'$; which, taken from the 16th Day at Noon, leaves $11^d. 20^h. 23'$. for the Time of the Tropick, agreeing with the former to the third Part of an Hour.

Again; *Ann.* 1636. *Gassendus* at *Marseilles* observed the Summer Solstice by a Gnomon of 55 Feet high, in order to determine the Proportion of the Gnomon to the Solstitial Shade, and he hath left us these Observations, which may serve for an Example for the Second Rule.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{June } 19 \\ 20 \\ 21 \\ 22 \end{array} \right\} \text{St. N. Shadow } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 31766 \\ 31753 \\ 31751 \\ 31759 \end{array} \right\} \text{Parts, whereof the Gnomon was } 89428.$$

These being divided into two Setts, of three Observations, each, *viz.* The 19th, 20th, and 22d, and the 19th, 21st, and 22d, we shall have in the first three, $c = 13$, and $b = 7$, $t = 3$ Days, $s = 1$; and in the second, $c = 15$, and $b = 7$, $t = 3$, and $s = 2$. Whence, according to the Rule, the 19th Day at Noon the Sun wanted of the Tropick a Time proportionate to one Day, as $t t c - s s b$ to $2 t c - 2 b s$; that is, as 100 to 64 in the first Sett, or 105 to 62 in the second Sett; that is, $1^d. 17^h. 15'$. in the first, or $1^d. 17^h. 25'$. in the second Sett: So that we may conclude the Moment of the Tropick to have been *June* $10^d. 17^h. 20'$. in the Meridian of *Marseilles*.

Now that these two Tropical Times thus obtained, will be found to confirm each other's Exactness from their near Agreement, appears by the Interval of Time between them, *viz.* $1^d. 2^h. 30'$. less than 136 *Julian* Years, whereof $1^d. 1^h. 8'$. arises from the Defect of the Length of the Tropical Year from the *Julian*, and the rest from the Progression of the Sun's *Apogæon* in that Time; so that no two Observations made by the same Observer in the same Place can better answer each other, and that without any the least Artifice or Force in the Management of them.

What were the Methods used by the Ancients to conclude the Hour of the Tropicks, *Ptolemy* has nowhere deliver'd; but it were to have been wished that they had been aware of this, that so we might have been more certain of the Moments of the Tropicks we have received from them; which would have been of singular Use to determine the Question, Whether the Sun's *Apogæon* be fixed in the Starry Heaven; or, if it move, What is the true Motion thereof? It is certain, that if we take the Account of *Ptolemy*, the Tropick said to be observed by *Euctemon* and *Meton*, *Junii* 27 *Mane*, *Ann.* 432. *ante Christum*, can no ways be reconciled, without supposing the Observation made the next Day, or *June* 28 in the Morning. And *Ptolemy's* own Tropick, observed in the 3d Year of *Antoninus*, *Ann. Christ.* 140. was certainly on the 23d, and not on the 24th Day of *June*, as will appear to those that shall duly consider and compare them with the Length of the Year deduced from the diligent and concordant Observations of those two great Astronomical Genii, *Hipparchus* and *Albatani*; established and confirmed by the Concurrence of all the Modern Accuracy. For the Observations give the Length of the Tropical Year, such as to anticipate the *Julian* Account only one Day in 300 Years; but we are now secure, that the said Period of the Sun's Revolution does anticipate very nearly 3 Days in 400 Years; so that the Tables of *Ptolemy*, founded on that Supposition, do err about a whole Day in the Sun's Place for every 240 Years. Which principal Error in so fundamental a Point, does vitiate the whole Superstructure of the *Almagest*, and serves to convict its Author of want of Diligence, or Fidelity, or both.

But to return to our Method: The great Advantage we have hereby, is, That any very high Building serves for an Instrument, or the Top of any high Tower or Steeple, or even any high Wall whatsoever, that may be sufficient

ficient to intercept the Sun, and cast a true Shade, and make the Spaces large and fair; though the Height and Distance of the Building, and Position of the Plane upon which you receive the Shade, and of the Line on which you measure the Spaces, be not exactly known. But it is convenient that the Plane on which you take the Shade be not far from perpendicular to the Sun, at least not very oblique, and that the Wall which casts the Shade, be streight and smooth at the Top, and its Direction nearly East and West. The principal Objection is, That the *Penumbra*, or Partile Shade of the Sun, is, in its Extremes, very difficult to distinguish from the true Shade; which will render this Observation hard to determine nicely. But if the Sun be transmitted through a Telescope, after the Manner used to take his *Species* in a *Solar Eclipse*, and the upper Half of the Object-Glass be cut off by a Paper pasted thereon, and the exact upper Limb of the Sun be seen just emerging out of it, or rather continging the Species of the Wall, (the Position of the Telescope being regulated by a fine Hair extended in the Focus of the Eye-Glass) I am assured, that the Limit of the Shade may be obtained to the utmost Exactness. I shall only further advertise, That the Winter Tropick by this Method may be more certainly obtained than the Summer's; by reason that the same Gnomon does afford a much larger Radius for this manner of Observation.

XX. I have found it necessary to make new Solar Numbers, because in my old I have neglected to apply Refractions in all the Altitudes above 30 Degrees; wherein yet Reason and some little Experience hath shewed me, they are not insensible. I found *S. Cassini's* Observations, which I took from *Ricciolus* his *Astronomia Reformata*, much more accurate than *Tycho's*, and therefore sought out Numbers that might answer them. The *Apogæum* I found it necessary to promote 44 Minutes; so that *Anno Ineunte 1655*, it might be in \ominus 7. 30. co. and to make the greatest Equation only $1^{\circ} 54' 13''$. whereby I found the *Phænomena* would be answered much more accurately than I expected, and as near, all things considered, as I could desire.

The Solar Numbers corrected;
by M. J. Flamsteed.
N. 110. p. 220.
Jan. An. 1675.

But still I was uncertain, whether the Refractions in the said *Cassini's* Tables were just Measures or not, and I had no Conveniencies for making Trial. At last I thought on this Expedient, which fully satisfied me; *viz.*

I considered, That if some of those Observations of the Distances of \odot from the \odot by Day, and from the Stars in the Night preceding or following, were skilfully examined, they might shew me the true Quantity of the Equations of the Sun's Orb, or rather the Difference of his Mean and Equal Motion. I turned over his *Progymnasmata*, and pitched on two: The first made *Ann. 1585, March 5. 4^h. 42'. and 7^h. 12'. post Meridiem:* whereby I found the \odot at $4^{\text{h}} 42'$ was $94^{\circ} 47'$ in the Antecedence of the *Lucida Calcis* Π ; the second made *Ann. 1585, September 15. 5^h. 15'. and 6^h. 55'. Mane.* Where-from (applying and considering the Re-

fractions

fractions in both) I found the Sun at $6^{\circ}. 35^h$. to be $74^{\circ}. 30'$. in Consequence of the *Lower Head* of Π . The Difference of Longitude betwixt these two Stars is $17^{\circ}. 59'$: And therefore, now the Sun, in Consequence of the *Lucida Calcis* Π . $92^{\circ}. 29'$. So that the Sun's apparent Motion betwixt the Year 1582. *Mar.* 5. $4^h. 42'$. and the Year 1585. *Septemb.* 15. $6^h. 55'$. *Manè*, (besides the whole Revolutions) was $187^{\circ}. 16'$. but the Mean Motion is $191^{\circ}. 2'$. greater than the Apparent by $3^{\circ}. 46'$. which parted in proportion to the Equation of the Earth's Motion, collected for those Times from my New Tables, gives the greatest Equation of the Orb, $1^{\circ}. 54'. 15''$. consenting, to my wonder, without any wresting of the Observations, with that, which I deduced from *Cassini's* correct Meridional Altitudes.

The Sun's Motion, by the Tables which I now use, grounded on this Equation, is less than *Tycho's* by no less than 9. That great Equation made him commit no small Errors, and put him upon strange Shifts to hide and solve them. So that all his Observations of the Planets in their Oppositions to the Sun are to be corrected before we attempt to represent them by Numbers; for his Errors in the Sun's Place made him err sometimes 5 or 6 Hours in the Time of the Opposition; which must be reformed.

The Equality of Natural Days;
by
Professor of Mathematicks at Seville.
N. 118. p. 426.
Oct. An. 1676.

XXI. There is still no small Disagreement among Astronomers, how great the Prosthaphæresis is in equating Time; so that *Longemontanus* confesses, that he has found no greater difficulty in all his Astronomical Labours: Which when I took notice of, I considered in some Observations of the Heavens made by me, what might be the result. And having a very exact Pendulum Clock, with a Meridian Line artificially contrived, I observed the Sun's Transit over the Meridian every Day, with which my Clock agreed exactly, and if at any time it disagreed, it very seldom disagreed two Minutes, which I rectified when there was occasion. So that persisting for three Years, and duly observing the Sun in the Meridian, whenever it could be done, (which in this part of the World is very often,) I was satisfied at last, that no natural Day, at this or that Season of the Year, had a longer Revolution than another Day; whence I can boldly pronounce, that all natural Days are equal, and that if there should be any minute Difference among them, it is quite insensible. This I was willing to make known, that I might release Astronomers from this Scruple, which has perplexed so many, and still perplexes them every Day; though the Equation of *Tycho*, because of the Obliquity of the Ecliptick, must not be rejected.

Refuted; by Mr. Flamsteed. ibid.
p. 430.

2. How Natural Days can be equal, and yet *Tycho's* Equation be admitted, I confess I cannot comprehend. For because of the unequal Right Ascensions of equal Parts of the Ecliptick, one Equinoctial Day will be shorter than a Tropical Day, by 40 Seconds of an Hour; and 14 Tropical Days are longer than so many Equinoctial ones by the sixth Part of an Hour, or ten Minutes. But this Difference I think must be greater than that the Professor of *Seville* should not perceive it in his Observations; and therefore in examining them, I imagine he admitted *Tycho's* Equation.

Now

Now if we suppose that the Revolutions of the Primum Mobile are all equal, (which was never denied by any that received the *Ptolemaick Hypothesis*;) it will however necessary follow, that the Equation of Time is not to be rejected, which proceeds from the unequal Motion of the Sun in his Orbit; for whereas the Apogee advances daily only 57'. 10". but the Perigee 61'. 15"; the Apogee will return sooner by 16" (or in the Time in which the Primum Mobile revolves 4'. 5".) from Noon to the Noon of the Day following, than the Perigee can. Yet sometimes the Equation proceeding from this Cause admits of a slower daily increase, that is, 8" daily at most when it is swiftest, and in 15 Days it hardly amounts to the Quantity of two Scruples, which I believe is taken away in his Clock, by that Correction of two Scruples which he mentions: Which therefore this learned Man should consider.

But lastly, if he is more inclined to admit the *Copernican Hypothesis* than the *Ptolemaick*, in that also the same Equations will follow, supposing the Revolutions of the Earth to be Isochronal. Indeed I confess, that the Equation of Time proceeding from the unequal Motion of the Sun in its Orbit, may be removed, and directed the contrary Way, if we suppose the Earth, or the Primum Mobile, to make unequal Revolutions: But if he will consider the Nature of Time, he will easily understand, that it is impossible all its Inequality should be removed.

XXII.
An Equation
Table; by M.
Caslini.
N. 211 p. 248.

A Table of the *Equation* of Days, to be
entered with the Place of the Sun.

G.	♈		♉		♊		♋		♌		♍	
	'Sub.'	'Add.'	'Add.'	'Add.'	'Sub.'	'Sub.'	'Sub.'	'Sub.'	'Sub.'	'Sub.'	'Sub.'	
0	7 45	1 11	4 3	0 59	5 43	2 8						
1	7 26	1 24	4 0	1 15	5 45	1 53						
2	7 7	1 37	3 56	1 29	5 46	1 37						
3	6 48	1 49	3 51	1 42	5 47	1 21						
4	6 29	2 1	3 45	1 54	5 48	1 5						
5	6 10	2 12	3 39	2 6	5 48	0 48						
6	5 51	2 23	3 32	2 19	5 48	0 30						
7	5 31	2 33	3 25	2 32	5 46	0 12						
8	5 11	2 43	3 17	2 44	5 44	0 Add 7						
9	4 51	2 53	3 9	2 56	5 40	0 26						
10	4 31	3 3	3 0	3 8	5 36	0 35						
11	4 11	3 13	2 51	3 20	5 31	1 3						
12	3 52	3 22	2 41	3 32	5 25	1 21						
13	3 33	3 30	2 31	3 43	5 19	1 40						
14	3 14	3 37	2 21	3 54	5 13	1 59						
15	2 55	3 43	2 10	4 4	5 6	2 19						
16	2 37	3 48	2 0	4 14	4 58	2 40						
17	2 19	3 53	1 49	4 26	4 49	3 1						
18	2 1	3 57	1 37	4 34	4 39	3 22						
19	1 43	4 1	1 25	4 43	4 30	3 44						
20	1 26	3 5	1 13	4 51	4 20	4 6						
21	1 9	4 8	1 1	4 59	4 9	4 29						
22	0 52	4 10	0 49	5 6	3 57	4 51						
23	0 35	4 12	0 37	5 13	3 45	5 13						
24	0 19	4 13	0 24	5 19	3 32	5 35						
25	0 3	4 11	0 10	5 24	3 19	5 57						
26	0 Ad 12	4 9	0 Sub. 3	5 29	3 5	6 19						
27	0 27	4 8	0 16	5 33	2 51	6 41						
28	0 42	4 6	0 29	5 37	2 37	7 2						
29	0 57	4 5	0 44	5 40	2 23	7 23						
30	1 11	4 3	0 59	5 43	2 8	7 44						



A Table of the *Equation* of Days, to be entered with the Place of the Sun.

	♈		♉		♊		♋		♌		♍	
G.	'Add."		'Add."		'Add."		'Add."		'Sub."		'Sub."	
0	7	44	15	34	13	25	0	59	11	48	14	36
1	8	5	15	42	13	7	0	27	12	4	14	22
2	8	25	15	48	12	48	0	Sub. 5	12	19	14	21
3	8	45	15	53	12	29	0	35	12	35	14	13
4	9	5	15	57	12	10	1	4	12	50	14	4
5	9	25	16	1	11	50	1	33	13	5	13	55
6	9	44	16	5	11	30	2	3	13	19	13	46
7	10	3	16	7	11	10	2	32	13	32	13	37
8	10	22	16	8	10	49	3	1	13	44	13	27
9	10	41	16	9	10	28	3	29	13	55	13	17
10	11	00	16	9	10	6	3	57	14	5	13	7
11	11	19	16	9	9	42	4	25	14	14	12	56
12	11	38	16	8	9	17	4	53	14	22	12	44
13	11	57	16	7	8	51	5	20	14	29	12	32
14	12	15	16	5	8	25	5	48	14	35	12	19
15	12	33	16	1	7	58	6	15	14	40	12	6
16	12	50	15	56	7	31	6	42	14	45	11	52
17	13	7	15	50	7	5	7	9	14	50	11	37
18	13	22	15	44	6	38	7	34	14	54	11	21
19	13	36	15	37	6	12	7	58	14	56	11	4
20	13	49	15	30	5	45	8	21	14	58	10	46
21	14	2	15	22	5	19	8	45	14	59	10	28
22	14	14	15	13	4	52	9	8	15	00	10	10
23	14	26	15	3	4	26	9	31	15	00	9	52
24	14	37	14	52	3	58	9	53	15	00	9	34
25	14	47	14	40	3	30	10	13	14	58	9	16
26	14	57	14	27	3	1	10	32	14	55	8	58
27	15	7	14	13	2	31	10	51	14	51	8	40
28	15	16	13	58	2	1	11	10	14	47	8	22
29	15	25	13	42	1	30	11	29	14	42	8	4
30	15	34	13	25	0	59	11	48	14	26	7	45

Spots observed in
the Sun; by Mr.
Boyle. N. 74. p.
2216.

XXIII. *Ann.* 1660. *April* 27. About 8. of the Clock in the Morning there appear'd a Spot in the lower Limb of the Sun, a little towards the South of its Equator, which was entered about $\frac{1}{40}$ of the Diameter of the Sun itself, being about $\frac{1}{60}$ in its shortest Diameter, of that of the Sun; its longest, about $\frac{1}{40}$ of the same. It disappeared upon Wednesday Morning, *May* 9. though we saw it the Day before about 10 in the Morning, to be near about the same Distance from the Westward Limb, a little South also of its Equator, that it first appeared to be from the Eastward Limb, a little South also of its Equator. It seem'd to move faster in the middle of the Sun than towards the Limb. It was a very dark Spot, almost of a Quadrangular Form, and was enclosed round with a kind of dusky Cloud.

We first observed this very same Spot both for Figure, Colour, and Bulk, to be re-entered the Sun, *May* 25, when it appeared to be in a Part of the same Line it had formerly traced; and was entered about $\frac{1}{33}$ of its Diameter about 7 o' Clock in the Afternoon. At the same time there appear'd another Spot, which was just entered, and appear'd to be entered not above $\frac{1}{32}$ Part of the Sun's Diameter. It appeared to be longest towards the North and South, and shortest towards the East and West. There seem'd to be dispers'd about it divers small Clouds here and there.

Spots observed
in the Sun; by
M. Picard.
N. 74. p. 2238.
N. 75. p. 2253.
By M. Cassini.
N. 74. p. 2238.
N. 75. p. 2250.

XXIV. 1. *Ann.* 1671. M. *Picard*, at Sea near the *Texel*, observed a Spot in the Sun from *Aug.* 3. *St. N.* to the 19th. It appear'd at first like the Tail of a *Scorpion*, but on the 19th Day resembling a Melon-Seed.

2. *Aug.* 11. (*S. N.*) 1671. About 6 o' Clock at Night, M. *Cassini*, with a three-foot Glass, remark'd in the Sun's Disk, two Spots very dark, distant from its apparent Center about the third Part of his Semidiameter. They were in the Southern Part of the Sun, and their Elongation from the *Parallel of the Equator* passing through the Center of the Sun, was about $\frac{1}{60}$ part of his Diameter. The Time which lapsed between the Transit of the Sun's Center and that of the first of these Spots, was 22". or 23". the Semidiameter of the Sun then passing in 66". The first of these Spots, being looked upon with a Telescope of 17 Feet long, appeared with a somewhat Oval Figure; the other was oblong and a little curved, like the *Hebrew Letter Jod*; and both together were surrounded by a *Corolla*, or Coronet, made up of little dark Points, which conformed itself to the Figure of the Spots, considered as they were join'd together.

Aug. 12. He perceived that they were nearer his Center. The Time between the Passage of the Sun's Center, and that of the interior Edge of the *Coronet* which encompassed them both, was then of 16". At 7 o' Clock it was but of 15". and the Southern Limb of the *Coronet* touched the *Parallel* passing through the Sun's Center. The first Spot was composed of two others almost round, and conjoined. The second represented the Shape of a *Scorpion*. The third was round. And they were all three environed with a *Coronet*, which was composed, as we said above, of abundance of little obscure Pricks. This *Coronet* appear'd to be clearer than the rest of the Sun, when
looked

looked upon with the short Glafs, and darker when seen with the long. Without it there were other Points, but very black ones; viz. Five near the round Spot on the South-Side, and another near the *Scorpion's* Tail on the North-side.

At 8 o'Clock 48'. the Figure of the *Scorpion* was seen divided into several Pieces, as if the Tail and Arms had been cut off. The Northern Point appear'd no more, there remaining none but those on the South-Side; and the Length of the Inclosure of all the *Spots*, comprehended between the Extremities, was of 1'. 15". and the Breadth of 30".

The same 12th Day at 6 in the Evening, he found no great Change in the first *Spot*. The other two were severed into 5 distinct ones, compass'd about with a *Coronet*, together with 5 black Points, which stood in a strait Row, and after another Manner than they did in the Morning. From 6 at Night unto 7, the Time when the Passage of the *Sun's* Center, and that of the *Coronet's* Limb, was found to be at one time of 8". and another time of $7\frac{1}{2}$ ", the Distance of the *Spots* unto the Parallel passing through the *Sun's* Center, was near the same on the North-side with what it had been observed to be in the Morning on the South-side.

Aug. 13. Between the Rising of the *Sun*, and half an Hour past 6 in the Morning, the Edge of the *Coronet* was turned to a Point on the South-side, and was distant from the *Æquator* on the North-side, half a Minute; and there was but a Second of Time from the Passage of the *Sun's* Center unto the Passage of the same anterior Edge of the *Coronet*.

At 8 o'Clock 30'. the fore Edge was in the same Horary Circle with the Center of the *Sun*: So that in one Day and Half, these *Spots* have run thro' very near the third Part of the *Sun's* apparent Semidiameter, which giveth an Arch of 19 Degrees and a Half of the Circumference of the *Sun's* Body; and consequently their *Diurnal* Motion about the *Sun's* Axe hath been of 13 Degrees; and the time of their *Periodical* Revolution, as far as we could conjecture in so little time, must be about 27 Days and a Half.

Aug. 14. At 6 in the Morning, there passed 15". of Time between the Passage of the anterior Limb of the *Crown*, and the Passage of the *Sun's* Center through the same Horary Circle: And then the Southern Limb of the *Crown* was a Minute and an half distant toward the North from the Parallel of the *Æquator*, passing through the same Center of the *Sun*. The Figure of the first *Spot* was almost the same with that of the Day before. The second had taken the Form of an Heart, the Point of which was turned to the North-side, and its Base between the South and the East. Three other small *Spots*, disposed triangle-wise, stood over the said Base, and were accompanied with two others upon a Line turned Southward. And they were all encompassed by a *Crown* running out into a Point on the South-side; and on the North-side, Eastward, it had an *Appendix*.

Aug. 15. At 6 in the Morning, there passed 27". between the Passage of the anterior Limb of the *Crown*, and that of the *Sun's* Center through the same Horary Circle. The Southern Limb of the same *Crown* was two Minutes and an half distant from the Parallel of the *Æquator*, passing through

the Center of the *Sun*, whose Diameter passed in $2'. 9''$. through the same Horary Circle. The first *Spot* had a little changed the Figure; the second was quadrangular, longer from East to West than from North to South: It appeared bigger than ordinary, and had withal on its sides, within the compass of the *Crown*, three other small *Spots*. There were also seen four more without the said *Crown* on the South-side.

Aug. 16. At 6 in the Morning, there was $27''$. between the Passage of the *Sun's* anterior Limb, and the Passage of the anterior Limb of the *Crown* through the same Horary Circle; and $38''$. between the Passage of the anterior Limb of the *Crown*, unto the Passage of the *Sun's* Center. The Southern Limb of the *Crown* was $3\frac{1}{2}'$ off from the Parallel of the *Æquator*, passing thro' the Center of the *Sun* towards the North: And the Observation having been made yet more exactly at half an Hour past 7 of the same Morning, this Distance was found of $3' 33''$. The Figure of the first *Spot* in the Beginning of the Observation, differ'd not much from that of the precedent Day; but afterwards it was seen divided into two. The second, which likewise seemed to be the same in the Beginning, was afterwards divided into three, accompanied with black and dark Points without the *Crown* on the South-side. The same Day at 6 o' Clock, and 15' at Night, the Figures of these *Spots* were much changed. There were 5 *Spots* enclosed in the *Crown*; The two foremost were Part of that which had been seen in the Morning as one; the two others following those two first, were Part of the second in the Morning; and without there were 5 Points on the South-side, and two more a little further to the North; which Points were ranged as in another Area made up of other Points, so small that they could scarcely be perceived.

Aug. 17. in the Morning, immediately after the Rising of the *Sun*, there appeared three very dark *Spots*, which form'd in a manner these Letters *F n J*, posited from East to West, and included in their wonted *Crown*, which stretched out, as 'twere, two Arms, or two Handles, one to the South, and the other to the North. There passed $18''$. between the Passage of the foremost Limb of the *Sun*, and that of the foremost Limb of the *Crown*, and $47\frac{1}{2}''$. between the Passage of the anterior Limb of the *Crown*, unto the Passage of the *Sun's* Center. The Southern Limb of the same *Crown* was distant $11'. 17''$. from the *Parallel* that touched the *Sun* on the North-side, and $4'. 38''$. from the *Parallel* that pass'd through the Center.

Aug. 18. at 7 in the Morning, the *Spots*, which appear'd through some Clouds, had almost the same Shape with those of the Day before, only with this Difference, that they were a little closer together, drawing from East to West. There lapsed $13''$. between the Passage of the anterior Limb of the *Sun*, and that of the anterior Limb of the *Spot*, through the same Horary Circle, and $52\frac{1}{2}''$. of the foremost Limb of the *Spot* unto the Passage of the Center. The Southern Limb of the *Spot* was $9'. 13''$. distant from the *Parallel* that touched the Northern Limb of the *Sun*, and $6'. 41''$. from the *Parallel* that passed through his Center. At 5 o' Clock and 55' at Night of the same Day, there lapsed $11''$. between the Passage of the anterior Limb of the *Sun* through the same Horary Circle, and the Passage of the anterior
Limb

Limb of the *Crown*; and from thence unto the Passage of the *Sun's* Center $54\frac{1}{2}''$. The Limb of the *Crown* next the *Parallel* passing through the Center of the *Sun*, was distant from the same *Parallel* $7'. 40''$.

Aug. 19. from 4 to 5 in the Evening, the *Spot* appear'd oblong near the *Sun's* Circumference, from which it was distant about the Breadth of the same *Spot*.

Aug. 20. in the Morning, which was not the full seventh from the Day that they were arriv'd to the middle of the Disk, they disappear'd.

The apparent Velocity nigh the Center was such, that if it had continued the same, the *Spots* would have arriv'd almost in 4 Days to the Limb of the Disk; but in this Hypothesis, that the *Spots* were adherent to the *Sun's* Surface, or at least very nigh to it, this apparent Velocity was to lessen according as they should remove from the Center; as hath come to pass in effect. The Diminution of the Length of the *Misty Crown* was in a manner proportionable to the Diminution of the apparent Velocity; since that, when this *Crown* was in the Middle, and in a Situation wherein its true Figure could be best seen, it appear'd oblong, and of the Form of an human Ear, its greatest Diameter respecting East and West; but being nigh the Limb, the same Diameter seem'd to shorten; and having appeared greatest in its first Situation, it appear'd least in this, because it was almost in a Circle that pass'd through the Center of the *Sun*, whose equal Arches are by so much the more oblique, by how much they approach more to the Limb of his Disk, and consequently appear less, according to the Rules of *Opticks*: mean time, the Diameter, that was turned from South to North, apparently kept the same Bigness it had near the Center, because it was in a Circle almost Parallel to the Horizon of the *Sun*, which formed the Representation of its Limb, and whose equal Arches (by the same *Optical* Reasons) do not appear contracted.

3. Several curious Observers at *London*, have seen one of these *Spots* recurr'd to the *Sun's* Eastern Limb, about Aug. 25. *St. N.* as *M. Cassini* predicted they should return. By several at London. N. 75. p. 5253.

4. Aug. 30. 1671. I saw a large *Spot* in the Center of the *Sun's* Face about Noon. By Dr. Hook. N. 77. p. 2295.

Sept. 1. At 3 o' Clock, I saw the same *Spot* moved about a Quarter of the Diameter of the *Sun* Westward; it consisted of one greater and two lesser black *Spots*, with a dusky *Cloud* encompassing them: The Diameter of the whole Phænomenon was about $\frac{1}{70}$. of the Diameter of the *Sun*, and it was distant from the next adjoining Limb $\frac{1}{72}$ (that is, exactly one Quarter) of the Diameter of the *Sun*.

5. The solar *Spots* have been observed by us at *Hamburg*, from Aug. 26, Old Style, (almost the first Day on which they began again to appear) as far as Sept. 5. on which they approached very near to the Limb. By Mr. Hen. Siferus. N. 78. p. 3033.

XXV. An. 1676. Jun. 26. *St. N.* we have in the *Sun* a pretty large *Spot*, which was in the middle of the *Sun* at Four in the Afternoon, with South Latitude $4\frac{1}{4}'$. Its Distance from the southern Pole of the *Sun* by many Observations I determin'd to be $78\frac{1}{4}$ Degrees. If it is of a sufficient Consistence to compleat its Circle, its Restitution may be expected at the Middle, in the Evening of July 25, with greater South Latitude. Spots observed in the Sun; by M. Cassini. N. 127. p. 665.

XXVI. I.

Spots observed in the Sun; by Mr. Flamsteed, and Mr. Halley. N. 128. p. 687.

		At Greenwich, A. D. 1676.			At Oxford, A. D. 1676.		
Jul. O. S.	Times of Observations.	Longit. from the Sun's Center.	South. Lat.	Times of Observations.	Long.	South. Lat.	
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28	4 51 -----	5 40	2 50				
29	10 31 a. m. --	3 05	3 27	6 21 a. m. ---	3 55	3 22	
	2 54 p. m. --	2 25	3 10				
30	9 15 a. m. Ant.	0 37	3 33	7 20 a. m. ---	0 00	3 30	
31				7 40 a. m. ---	3 36	3 28	
Aug. 1.	9 25 ⁵ / ₈ a. m. ---	6 48	4 09	7 3 a. m. ---	6 54	3 50	
				5 6 p. m. ---	8 7	3 53	
2	8 8 a. m. ---	9 49	3 55	7 16 a. m. ---	9 57	3 40	
3	9 36 a. m. ---	8 28	3 27	5 9 p. m. ---	13 15	3 56	
	4 16 ² / ₃ p. m. --	12 55	3 58	6 2 p. m. ---	13 25	3 26	
4	7 38 a. m. ---	14 02	4 4	7 33 a. m. ---	14 7	3 14	
				4 54 p. m. ---	14 43	3 23	

Mr. Halley saith, That he saw a Spot again on the fifth Day, 8^h. 20'. mane, very near the Limb of the Sun, so that it appeared only as a fine Line; but by reason of its Fineness and the too great Height of the Sun, he could not take any Measures to determine its Place and Latitude by; and that while the Spot continued one, as it was July 25. he measured to the middle of it; as also when the Pieces were divided, but not far disjoined: Afterwards, when they were separated considerably, he observed the middle of the bigger Spot, which was to the South, apparently I suppose, but really North: for so only his Observations will agree with those of Mr. Flamsteed exactly.

Hence it seems very evident, (saith Mr. Flamsteed) that the Spot's Way was not inclined to the Ecliptick six or seven Degrees, as Scheiner and some others make it, but much less, by the joint Consent of the Observations of both our Observers. Mr. Halley adds, That considering the Motion of the Spot cross the Sun's Disk, as both their Observations give it, it appears that the Latitude was not so great at its Entrance into the Sun as in the middle of him. And by Mr. Flamsteed's Observation, it was greatest on the first of August, and then again inclining towards the Ecliptick. If you grant this, it will follow, (infers Mr. Flamsteed) that the Sun's Axis was inclined to the Plane of the Orbis magnus; but the quantity of this Inclination must not be very great.

great. The *Nodes* of the Sun's Equinox and Ecliptick he guesſes to be not far from the beginning of *Cancer* and *Capricorn*; and that from *Cancer* to *Capricorn* the Earth is North of the Sun's *Æquator*; from *Capricorn* to *Cancer*, South of the ſame: And the Period of the Sun's Revolution in reſpect of the fixed Stars 25 Days 9⁺ Hours, ſufficiently exact. Of which things theſe two Obſervators ſay they might have been more certain, had not the *Spot* in its Paſſage broken into ſo many Parts, and thoſe often varied their Poſitions to each other.

2. We here obſerved the Solar Spot, from *Aug.* 6. to 14. and by comparing our Obſervations we have found, that it was in the middle of its courſe in the apparent Diſk of the Sun about Midnight after the 8th Day of *Auguſt*, at the apparent Diſtance of 3 Minutes from the Center towards the South. It is ſeparated into ſeveral Parts, which are diſjoin'd from one another at a conſiderable Diſtance, daily towards the North and South; ſo that beſides their common Motion about the Sun's Axis, each of the Parts have a direct Motion of their own among one another. I think this Spot to be different from that which we obſerved in the preceding Month of *June*. For ſince that had the middle of its Courſe in the apparent Diſk of the Sun on the 28th Day of the ſame Month, it muſt have return'd nearly to the ſame Situation, if it had been ſtill in Being, in the Night following the 25 of *July*; as is deduced both from its Velocity, the obſerved Time of its Appearance, and alſo from the Courſe of the other Spots which we ſaw to finiſh their Period about the Sun in the Space of 27⁺/₃ Days, or 27⁺/₂. Beſides its Path is different from the foregoing; for the firſt was ſomething more remote from the Equator of the Spots than the latter. And this, if it had Conſiſtence enough, return'd to the middle of the Sun on *Sept.* 5. in the Morning.

By Mr. Caſſini,
Ibid. p. 689.

XXVII. *Ann.* 1684. *Apr.* 25. About an Hour before Noon I diſcover'd a large Spot entred within the Sun's Diſk, a little diſtant from his following Limb. Theſe Appearances, however frequent in the Days of *Scheiner* and *Galileo*, have been ſo rare of late, that this is the only one I have ſeen in his Face ſince *December* 1676. By the obſerved Meridional Diſtances of it, and the Sun's Southern Limb from the *Vertex* at Noon, I found it to have 3'. 40". more North Declination than the Sun's Center; and at 3^{h.} 35'. after Noon, I meaſured its Diſtance from his next Limb 40".

Spots obſerved in
the Sun; by
Mr. Flamſteed.
N. 157. p. 535.

Next Morning, *April* 26. I ſaw it more remote from his Limb, and by the Obſervations then made (at 8^{h.} *mane*) determined its Longitude from the Sun's Axis 66⁺/₃ Deg. and its Declination from the Solar *Æquator* 9⁺/₃ Deg. South. Whence, ſuppoſing the Revolution of any Point of the Sun to the ſame fixed Star to be performed in 25 Days, 6 Hours, the Angle of his *Equator* and our *Ecliptick* 7 Deg. and the Longitude of his Northern Pole 16 Deg. I deſigned the Line of its Way or Trace over the Sun, and the Points in it where the Spot would appear every Morning after at the ſame Hour, till it's Egrefs on the 8th of *May*; which I found altogether confirmed by ſuch Obſervations as I made till then; ſo that I had no reaſon to doubt of the Theory.

Mr. Boyle's 60 foot Telescope, there was perceived a little of the Limb of the Moon without the Disk of the Sun; which seemed to some of the Observers to come from some shining Atmosphere about the Body either of the Sun or Moon. They affirm to have observed the Figure of this Eclipse, and measured the Digits, by casting the Figure through a 5 Foot Telescope on an extended Paper, fix'd at a certain Distance from the Eye-Glass, and having a round Figure; all whose Diameters were divided by 6 concentrick Circles, into 12 Digits.

2. The *Eclipse* began at 5^h. 44'. 52". *mane*. It ended at 7^h. 43'. 6". So that its whole Duration was 1^h. 58'. 14". The greatest Obscuration was 7 Dig. 50'. but it seemed to have been greater by 3'. which Mr. Payen imputes to a particular Motion or Libration of the Sun's Globe, which entertained that Luminary in the same Phasis for the space of 8'. and some Seconds, as if it had been stopped in the midst of its Course, rather than to a tremulous Motion of the Atmosphere, as *Scheiner* would have it. The apparent Diameters were almost equal; for in the Phasis of 6 *Digits*, the Circumference of the Moon's Disk passed through the Center of that of the Sun, so as that two Lines drawn through the two Horns of the Sun, made, with the common Semidiameter, two Equilateral Triangles.

At Paris,
M. Payen.
Ibid. p. 296.

The Beginning and Middle of the Eclipse happened to be in the North-Eastern Hemisphere, and the End in the South-Eastern. The first Contact (as 'twere) of the two Disks, was observed in the superior Limb of the Sun's Disk, in respect to the Vertical Line; and in the inferior, in respect to the Ecliptick. But the Middle and the End were seen in the superior Limb, in respect both to the Vertical and the Ecliptick: And, what to M. Payen seems extraordinary, both the Beginning and the End of this Eclipse happen'd to be in the Oriental Part of the Sun's Disk.

3. The *Eclipse* began about 5 o'Clock in the Morning, at 5^h. 15'. The Sun's Altitude was 6°. 55'.

The Middle of it was at 6^h. 2'. The Sun's Altitude 15°. 5'.

The End was exactly at 7^h. 5'. The Sun's Altitude 25°. 24'.

The Duration 2^h. 4'.

Thirty-seven Parts of the Sun's Diameter remained light, and 63 were darken'd.

4. In this *Eclipse* it is chiefly observable, That the Semidiameter of the Moon, from the very Beginning to about 5 or 6 Digits of the increasing Phasis, was almost equal to the Semidiameter of the Sun; but, after the greatest Obscuration, when I again contemplated the Moon's Semidiameter, I found it 8". or 9". bigger than that of the Sun; so that the Semidiameter of the Moon was not always, during the *Eclipse*, constant to itself. Of this Variation the excellent *Ismael Bullialdus* hath also observ'd something at *Paris*: For he hath written to me, That in this same *Eclipse*, the Semidiameter of the Sun to the Semidiameter of the Moon was, as 16'. 9". to 16'. 22". but that in another Phasis of 6 Digits, the Semidiameters appeared equal.

At Dantzick
by M. Hevelius.
N. 19. p. 1347.

Ibid. p. 349.
N. 21. p. 370.

Order of the Phases.	Quantity of the Phases.	Time esti- mated by a Watch.			Time by a Sun-dial.			Altit. of the Sun.		Time cor- rected.			Observations.
		h.	'	"	h.	'	"	°	'	h.	'	"	
		5	51	11	5	51	00	17	45	5	53	12	That the Sun-dial does not intirely agree with the corrected Time, is to be imputed only to the Meridian Line.
		5	57	05	5	57	00	18	37	5	59	28	
		6	00	00	6	00	00	18	55	6	1	28	
1	Beginning. $0\frac{3}{8}$ Dig.	6	55	30						6	57	30	The Beginning happen'd about 79 Degrees from the Zenith towards the West
2	$0\frac{3}{4}$	8	57	30	7	0	0			6	59	30	
3	$1\frac{1}{8}$	7	0	23	7	0	0			7	2	23	
		7	2	30	7	2	0			7	4	30	
4	$1\frac{1}{2}$ Dig.	7	4	50	7	5	near.			7	6	50	Hitherto the Semi-diameter of the Moon was equal to that of the Sun.
5	$1\frac{3}{8}$ nearly	7	10	57	7	10				7	12	57	
6	$3\frac{3}{8}$	7	14	59	7	15				7	16	59	
7	$3\frac{3}{4}$	7	17	50	7	18	near.			7	19	50	
8	4 Digits.	7	21	35	7	21				7	23	35	
9	$4\frac{2}{3}$	7	23	43	7	23	near.			7	25	43	
10	$5\frac{1}{4}$	7	27	53	7	28				7	29	53	
11	6	7	31	50	7	32				7	33	50	
12	$6\frac{3}{4}$	7	36	55	7	37				7	38	55	
13	$6\frac{7}{8}$ fomet.mo.	7	38	5	7	38				7	40	0	
14	$7\frac{1}{8}$	5	39	45	7	39				7	41	45	
15	$7\frac{1}{4}$ fomet.mo.	7	42	30	7	42				7	44	30	
16	$7\frac{1}{2}$	7	44	6	7	44				7	46	6	
17	$7\frac{2}{3}$	7	46	0	7	46				7	48	0	
18	8 nearly.	7	48	25	7	48	near.			7	50	25	
19	$8\frac{1}{5}$	7	51	15	7	51				7	53	15	
20	$8\frac{1}{4}$ fomet.mo.	7	53	37	7	52				7	55	37	The greatest Obscuration was Dig. 8. 25'. The Hour 8. 2'.
21	$8\frac{3}{4}$	7	55	45	7	56	near.			7	57	45	
22	$8\frac{3}{8}$ fomet. less	7	59	5	7	59				8	1	5	
23	$8\frac{1}{5}$	8	6	30	8	6				8	8	30	



Ord. of the Phas.	Quantity of the Phases.	Time esti- mated by a Watch.	Time by a Sun-dial.	Altit. of the Sun.	Time cor- rected.	Observations.
		h. ' "	h. ' "	o ' "	h. ' "	
24	$7\frac{1}{4}$	8 11 25	8 12		8 13 25	Here the Semidia- meter of the Moon appeared greater by 8" or 9".
25	$7\frac{1}{4}$ nearly	8 17 30	8 18		8 19 30	
26	7 nearly	8 19 41	8 19		8 21 40	
27	$5\frac{7}{8}$	8 28 8	8 28		8 30 8	
28	$5\frac{1}{2}$ nearly	8 30 14	8 30		8 22 14	
29	$4\frac{3}{4}$	8 36 25	8 36		8 38 25	
30	$3\frac{5}{8}$	8 43 19	8 43		8 45 19	
31	$3\frac{1}{4}$	8 46 12	8 46 near.		8 48 12	
32	3	8 47 32	8 47		8 49 32	
33	$2\frac{3}{4}$	8 50 57	8 50		8 52 57	
34	$2\frac{1}{2}$ nearly	8 54 15	8 54		8 56 15	
35	$1\frac{3}{8}$	8 58 24	8 58		9 0 24	
36	$1\frac{1}{8}$	8 59 35	8 59		9 1 35	The Point of the End was distant from the Vertical 143° to the East.
37	$0\frac{1}{6}$	9 1 38	9 1		9 3 38	
38	$0\frac{1}{2}$	9 3 20	9 3		9 5 20	
39	The End.	9 6 53	9 6		9 8 53	
		9 23 6		47 33	9 25 28	
		9 24 16		47 42	9 26 45	
		9 28 29		48 10	9 30 42	
		9 30 36		48 28	9 33 12	

XXXII.

An Eclipse of the Sun, June 23. (St. N.) 1675. at Dantzick; by M. Hevelius. N. 127. p. 660.

Order of the Phas.	Observations.	Alt. of the S.		Time cor.	
		h.	"	h.	"
	The Sun's Center in the Horizon - - - - -			3	21 30
	Nothing yet in the Sun - - - - -			4	42 0
	The Beginning - - - - -			4	44 0
1	Almost $6\frac{1}{2}$ Digits were obscured - - - - -			5	32 0
2	$6\frac{1}{4}$ Digits - - - - -			5	34 0
3	The greatest Obscuration was nearly 6 Dig. 42'. - - - - -			5	38 50
4	$6\frac{1}{2}$ Digits - - - - -			5	43 30
5	$6\frac{1}{4}$ Digits - - - - -			5	47 30
6	6 Digits - - - - -			5	49 30
7	$5\frac{1}{2}$ Digits. { The Diameter of the Moon was 14'. 37". the Semidiameter of the Sun being suppos'd 15'. - - - - -			5	55 0
8	$5\frac{1}{4}$ Digits - - - - -			5	57 0
9	5 Digits nearly - - - - -			5	59 30
10	$4\frac{5}{8}$ Digits - - - - -			6	2 0
11	$4\frac{1}{2}$ Digits - - - - -			6	4 15
12	4 Digits - - - - -			6	6 30
13	$3\frac{5}{8}$ Digits - - - - -			6	9 15
14	$3\frac{1}{4}$ Digits - - - - -			6	14 35
15	$2\frac{5}{8}$ Digits - - - - -			6	18 10
16	$2\frac{3}{8}$ Digits - - - - -			6	20 0
17	2 Digits - - - - -			6	22 0
18	$1\frac{1}{2}$ Digit - - - - -			6	24 0
19	$1\frac{1}{4}$ Digit - - - - -			6	25 25
20	1 Digit - - - - -			6	27 10
21	$\frac{1}{2}$ Digit - - - - -			6	30 30
	The End. - - - - -			6	33 30
	Altitude of the Sun - - - - -	25	20	6	41 22
	Altitude of the Sun - - - - -	28	5	7	0 14

An Eclipse of the Sun; June 1. 1676. at Westminster; by Mr. Francis Smethwick. N. 126. p. 637.

XXXIII. 1. The Beginning of Obscuration - - - - - 7^h. 50'.
 The End - - - - - 9 54³/₄."
 The Duration of the whole Eclipse - - - - - 2 4³/₄."

The Time was observed by a Pendulum Clock, corrected by Observations.
 The Telescope made use of was a very good one, of 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Feet.

Time

The Time according to a Pendulum Clock.			The Phases.	The Sun's Altitude	The Time corrected by the Altitude.		
h.	'	"		°	'	"	
7	34	50		22	46	7	36 0
7	37	14		33	10	7	38 40
7	39	10		33	30	7	40 48
7	50	40	$0\frac{1}{2}$ Digit.			7	51 51
8	8	34	$1\frac{1}{4}$ Digit.			8	9 45
8	17	25	$2\frac{1}{8}$ Digits.			8	18 36
8	27	10	$3\frac{1}{10}$ Digits.			8	28 21
9	39		$1\frac{1}{2}$ Digits.			9	40
9	43		$1\frac{1}{4}$ Digits.			9	44
9	48		$0\frac{3}{4}$ Digit.			9	49
9	54	25	Not ended.			9	55 36
9	55	55	Ended.			9	57 6
4	26	5		32	10	4	26 56
4	28	58		31	53	4	29 52
4	31	2		31	31	4	32 16

2.
At Wapping;
by M. Colson.
Ibid.

For performing these Observations I had the Assistance of my Friend Mr. Halley. We had prepared two Tubes, one was $196\frac{1}{2}$ Inches long, which had one of *Townley's* Micrometers. I took myself the Measures of the eight first Phases. The other was only $103\frac{1}{2}$ Inches long, with which, and with my Micrometer, Mr. Halley took the Measures assigned to them. But in the last two Observations, with the lesser Tube and my Micrometer, (fitter for this Use than the other,) I took the Distance of the Azimuths falling by the lucid Limb of the Sun, and the nearest Cuspids of the Eclipse; while Mr. Halley in the mean time measured the lucid Parts, and the Distance of the Cuspids with the greater Tube. A little before the Beginning came the most noble Lord Viscount *Brouncker*, President of the *Royal Society*, who proved by his own Judgment the Measure of the Sun's Diameter taken with the longer Tube. At the Hour 7. 45'. the Sun first appeared through the Clouds. The Observations were thus.

3.
At Greenwich;
by Mr. Flam-
steed.
N. 127. p. 662.

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Fig. 152.

Ord. of the Phases.	Hour by the Pen. Clock.	Corrected.	With the longer Telescope.	With the shorter.
	h. ' "	h. ' "		
	7 46 00	7 45 00	No Eclipse as yet.	
1	7 54 50	7 53 50	The right Side of the Sun appeared Eclipsed, having got clear of the Clouds.	
2	7 58 24	7 57 24	IC ——— 2040 = 10 10	
3	8 04 12	8 03 12	IC ——— 2779 = 13 56	
4	8 13 40	8 12 40	IC ——— 3580 = 17 52	PL — 3198 = 26 18
5	8 18 37	8 17 37	PL ——— 4975 = 24 50	IC — 2334 = 29 13
6	8 21 06	8 21 06		PL — 2989 = 24 35
			The Sun's Dia. 6360 = 31 43	3850 = 31 40
7	8 28 01	8 27 01		PL — 2888 = 23 57
8	8 29 01	8 28 01	PL ——— 4565 = 21 46	
9	8 35 12	8 34 12	PL ——— 4478 = 22 18	AZ — 2310 = 19 00
10	8 40 20	8 39 20	IC ——— 4417 = 22 00	AZ — 2070 = 17 02
	10 02 00	10 01 00	Afterwards the Sun got behind the Clouds, until the Limb emerging through the Clouds, appeared free from the Eclipse. It came out clearer, and nothing	
	10 04 00	10 03 00	was found wanting in the Limb.	

For correcting the Clock, I had taken the Day before the Eclipse, May 31. Morn.				
The Hour of the Clock.		The Sun's Altitude	The Time computed from thence.	The Error.
h. ' "		o ' "	h. ' "	' "
7 07 12	The Altitude of the inferior Limb.	27 47	7 06 09	1 03
7 10 16	Of the same Limb.	28 16	7 09 19	0 57
Again Jun. 1. Afternoon.				
5 32 00	Altitude of the inferior Limb, &c.	22 06	5 31 06	3 56
5 35 23	Of the upper Limb.	22 06	5 34 34	0 49
5 45 17	Of the Lower.	20 6	5 44 18	0 59
Lastly, June 2. Morn.				
8 9 44	Altitude of the inferior Limb, &c.	37 34	8 08 45	0 59
8 13 36		38 09	8 12 34	1 02
8 15 44		38 28		
8 17 51		38 47		
8 20 1		39 07	8 18 49	1 11

Whence it appears, that the Clock kept an even Motion, and was duly corrected in the Eclipse. The

The Hour of the Pend. Clock.	Corrected by a Merid. Line.	Measures.	Phases.
h. ' "	h. ' "		' "
8 06 45	8 8 27	I C 1190	10 09 perhaps 11 09 = 14 50
8 11 00	8 12 42	PL 1935	26 15
8 18 00	8 19 42	I C 1405	19 04
8 21 00	8 22 42	PL 1805	24 30
8 26 14	8 27 56	I C 1504	20 47
8 34 00	8 35 42	PL 1711	23 13
8 42 15	8 43 57	I C 1551	21 03 exactly.
8 46 30	8 48 12	PL 1702	23 20 or --- 1720 = 23 15
8 51 45	8 53 27	I C 1553	20 04 precisely.
9 00 00	9 01 42	PL 1801	24 33
9 12 34	9 14 16	I C 1357	18 25
9 30 55	9 32 37	I C 872	11 50
9 41 15	9 42 57	The Eclipse was ended, as near as I could perceive,	

4.
At Townley;
by Mr. Rich.
Townley.
Ibid. 633.

Fig. 125.

because of the Air's tremulous Motion. The Place of the Exit was so near the Vertex, that I could not well determine which way it inclined from it; though at 9^h. 29'. by the Clock, the Cuspids appear'd parallel to the Horizon.

At 9^h. 10'. the Sun's Diameter was 2334, exactly enough as I thought.

Afterwards when the Sun came to the Meridian, by a long Meridian Line, the Clock was found too slow by 1'. 42". But by a great Equinoctial Dial, by which I could distinguish to half Minutes or less, the Clock was too slow all this Morning only 45". Yet I rather trust to that Correction by the Meridian Line, than by the Sun-dial.

7^h. 50'. Nothing under the Sun.

9 11 Digits $3\frac{1}{10}$.

7 50 $\frac{1}{2}$ The beginning exactly.

9 21 Digits $2\frac{15}{100}$.

7 52 The Defect was observable.

9 47 $\frac{1}{2}$ Not finish'd, but the End just approaching.

9 00 Digits $3\frac{1}{2}$.

6. When the Sun appear'd out of the Clouds, approaching to an Altitude of 48 Degrees, I directed my Quadrant to him, and held it immoveable at this Altitude. From the Time that the upper Limb of the Sun *a*, touched the horizontal Thread *cd* in the Focus of the Telescope, to the coming of the Center *b*, there pass'd $104'' = ab$ or br . From the Passage of the Center *b*, to that of the upper Limb of the Moon *o*, were $11'' = bs$. From the Transit of the Center *b* to that of the upper Western Horn *e*, were $25''\frac{1}{2} = eb$. From the Transit of the Center *b* to that of the lower Eastern Horn *i*, were $93'' = ik$. Hence is determin'd the Line of the Horns *ie*, (setting aside the Variation) and its Inclination to the Horizon *lk*; and the Point of Concourse *p* of a Tangent to the Moon with the Secant *iep*, and the Tangent it self *po*, being a mean Proportional between *pi* and *pe*. Also the Angles *noe*, *toi*; and hence the Angle *ioe*, and the Triangle *ioe* inscribed in the Circumference of the Moon.

From these and other Astronomical Principles I have deduced, that the beginning at Paris ought to be 7^h. 55'. The End about 10^h. 12'.

5.
At Wingfield,
near Derby; by
M. Imman.
Halton.
Ibid. p. 664.
At Paris by
M. Cassini.

Ibid. Fig. 126.

7.
At Dantzick;
by M. Hevelius.
I bid. p. 666.

The Time according to a Sun-dial and Pendulum Clock.			Altitudes of the Sun.			The Time corrected by the Sun's Altitudes.			The Order of the Phases.	Their Magnitudes.	Observations.
h.	'	"	h.	'	"	h.	'	"			
7	58	10	36	17	0	7	58	18			
8	1	30	36	41	0	8	1	6			
8	3	30	37	3	0	8	3	39			
8	50	30				8	50	0			
9	21	30				9	21	0			
9	22	30				9	22	0	1	Digit.	
9	24	10				9	23	40	2	$\frac{1}{2}$ almost.	
9	24	55				9	24	25	3	$\frac{1}{2}$ Digit.	
9	27	28				9	27	0	4	$\frac{3}{4}$ Digit.	
9	29	40				9	29	10	5	1 Digit.	
9	33	25				9	33	0	6	$1\frac{1}{4}$ Digit.	
9	36	30				9	36	5	7	$1\frac{5}{8}$ almost.	
9	39	35				9	39	10	8	2 Digits.	
9	45	49				9	45	25	9	$2\frac{1}{2}$ Digits.	
9	54	22				9	54	0	10	$3\frac{1}{8}$ Digits.	
10	3	44				10	3	22	11	$4\frac{1}{2}$ Digits.	
10	8	30				10	8	10	12	$4\frac{3}{4}$ Digits.	
10	18	17				10	18	0	13	$4\frac{1}{5}$ almost.	
10	22	42				10	22	22	14	$4\frac{1}{2}$ fomet.mo.	
10	26	19				10	26	0	15	$4\frac{1}{3}$ almost.	
10	35	24				10	35	6	16	4. 22'.	
10	38	53				10	38	38	17	$4\frac{1}{4}$ almost.	
10	47	34				10	47	20	18	4 Dig. almost.	
10	53	49				10	53	30	19	$3\frac{5}{8}$ Digits.	
10	58	17				10	58	8	20	$3\frac{2}{8}$ Digits.	
11	5	27				11	5	20	21	$2\frac{7}{8}$ Digits.	
11	8	50				11	8	44	22	$2\frac{1}{4}$ Digits.	
11	22	13				11	22	8	23	$1\frac{3}{4}$ almost.	
11	29	14				11	29	10	24	$1\frac{1}{10}$	
11	35	25				11	35	20	25	$\frac{1}{2}$	
11	36	59				11	36	55	26	$\frac{1}{4}$ fomet.mo.	
11	39	15				11	39	15			
11	39	40				11	39	40			
4	18	10	33	13	0	11	18	19			
4	20	0	32	25	0	11	20	36			

The Sun appear'd quite clear.
Nothing yet in the Sun.
The Beginning of the E.
clipse.

At the Hour 10^h. 31'. 0".
was the greatest Obscu-
ration.

The S. not yet clear of the Ecl.
The End of the Eclipse.

	By Calc. from the Rudolphine Tables.	By Obser- vation.	Diff.	Time.
	o ' "	o ' "	' "	h. ' "
Semid. ☉	o 15 0			
Semid. ☾	o 15 3	o 13 53	I 10	10 0 0
		o 14 0	I 3	10 24 0
		o 14 50	o 13	11 0 0
		o 15 0	o 0	The last
	h. ' "	h. ' "		
Duration.	I 50 58	2 17 40		

8. On the preceding Days we chose a very fit Place, in which we enjoy'd a clear open Air ; which was at the Convent of the *Barefoot Carmelites*, which in respect of the City of *Avignon* inclines to the East, and being close to the Walls enjoys a good Air, free from the Smoak and Vapours of the City. In the middle of the Garden we erected an Apartment, which we made dark with Tapestry Hangings, and in this we fixt our Instruments necessary for Observation.

At Avignon;
by M. Gallet.
N. 141. p. 1020.

We fitted our Telescope with a concave ocular Lens, and convex Object-glass, having a double Motion with a firm Support, that is, vertical and horizontal, carrying about with it a little Board made immovable by strong Skrews, cover'd over with a white Paper that was always parallel to the Eye-glass, on which we described the solar Image determin'd by the Distance of the Telescope. The Diameter of this we divided into twelve Digits by concentric Circles, and every Digit into 60 Parts.

Instead of a Quadrant, which requires much Caution, and is liable to wavering, we placed a Gnomon very well divided into 100 Parts, for taking the Sun's Shadow ; so that it might freely move, and yet keep its vertical Situation by means of a Perpendicular. Lastly, we prepared a Clock that shew'd Minutes and Seconds, and went with a Pendulum vibrating in a Cycloid.

On the 11th of *June*, which was the Day of the Eclipse, at about an Hour after Sun rising, to the beginning and end of the Eclipse, we received his bright Image upon the Paper without Intermission ; and every one of us watch'd it with an Instrument appointed for him. *M. de Beauchamps*, the great Mæcenas of the Muses at *Avignon*, and my self were at the Telescope ; the quick-sighted *M. de St. Florent* was at the Gnomon ; *M. Moutonier* was at the Clock, along with *M. Marin*, a Priest, who was very conversant in Mathematics, but particularly in Clock-work.

Presently and sensibly the Shadow began to enter the Disk ; over against the first Phasis I put down the Quantity of the Parts obscured, the Shadow in the Parts of the Gnomon, and the Hour told by the Clock ; and thus I collected 39 Phases, which are contain'd in the following Tables.

Num. Pbaes.	Digits obscur.	The Shadow of the Gnomon in such Parts as the Gnomon contains 400	The Sun's apparent Altitude.			The Sun's true Altitude.			The Hour by the Pendulum Clock			The Hour corrected by the Sun's Altitude.		
			°	'	"	'	'	h.	'	"	h.	'	"	
1	0 27	561	35	29	23	35	28	48	7	50	31	7	50	34
2	1 0	536	36	44	0	39	43	28	7	57	25	7	57	28
3	1 30	520	37	34	7	37	33	37	8	2	3	8	2	7
4	3 0	478	39	55	23	39	54	57	8	15	14	8	15	13
5	3 25	466	40	38	30	48	38	6	8	19	0	8	19	14
6	4 30	438	42	24	14	42	23	53	8	29	19	8	29	6
7	4 40	434	42	39	58	42	39	37	8	30	59	8	30	34
8	5 0	424	43	19	53	43	19	32	8	34	34	8	34	18
9	5 30	412	44	9	12	44	8	52	8	39	19	8	38	56
10	6 0	394	45	10	57	45	10	39	8	44	54	8	44	44
11	6 40	375	46	35	50	46	35	33	8	53	19	8	52	45
12	6 50	371	46	54	15	46	54	0	8	54	54	8	54	31
13	7 0	466	47	17	30	47	17	14	8	56	44	8	56	44
14	7 20	350	48	30	37	48	30	23	9	3	44	9	3	44
15	7 8	339	49	29	10	49	28	58	9	9	14	9	9	15
16	7 0								9	11	0			
17	6 35	325	50	39	22	50	39	10	9	15	54	9	16	12
18	6 25	321	51	0	12	51	0	0	9	18	14	9	18	11
19	5 25	296	53	10	29	53	10	19	9	31	5	9	31	1
20	5 0	286	53	55	14	53	55	5	9	35	44	9	35	30
21	4 40	283	54	27	6	54	26	57	9	38	39	9	38	43
22	4 35								9	42	3			
23	4 0								9	47	19			
24	3 53	266	56	3	35	56	03	27	9	48	45	9	48	36
25	3 35	262	56	28	29	56	28	22	9	51	29	9	51	11
26	3 30	262	56	37	32	56	37	25	9	52	11	9	51	59
27	3 26	260	56	43	34	56	43	27	9	52	34	9	52	45
28	3 6	254	57	15	59	57	15	53	9	56	5	9	56	10
29	3 0								9	57	40			
30	2 48	249	57	50	48	57	50	42	9	59	34	9	59	53
31	2 35	246	58	9	32	58	9	26	10	1	34	10	1	53
32	2 25	243	58	26	11	58	26	5	10	3	0	10	3	41
33	2 0								10	6	46			
34	1 50	236	59	12	33	59	12	28	10	8	56	10	8	47
35	1 0	226	60	16	59	60	16	55	10	15	51	10	16	0
36	0 40	220	60	56	21	60	56	16	10	20	57	10	20	31
37	0 30	217	61	16	11	61	16	6	10	22	54	10	22	50
38	0 20	214	61	36	12	61	36	8	10	25	0	10	25	12
39	Finis	209	62	6	23	62	6	19	10	28	41	10	28	50

The Horns were vertical.

The greatest Obscuration.

Horns were parallel to the Horizon.

Western Horn was vertical with the Center of the Sun.

The Proportion of the Diameters appear'd equal, in the Eclipse of six Digits ; for then the vertical Horns of the Sun were distant on each Side from the Sun's Vertical about 30 Degrees. Whence it appears the Center of the Moon was then found in the Sun's Periphery, and that the Line through the Center was equal to the Sun's Semidiameter. But after the middle of the Eclipse we found some Change in the Diameter of the Shadow ; for the Shadow appear'd a little more convex, and therefore the Diameter was shorter, but almost insensibly.

<i>Time by the Pendulum Clock.</i>	<i>Time cor- rected by Observa- tion.</i>	<i>Observations.</i>	<i>Parts obscu- red, of which 32 were equal to the Sun's Diam.</i>	<i>Parts free in the Mi- crometer.</i>
h. " "	h. " "			" "
2 12 30	2 03 45	The Sun was perfect ; then Clouds.		
2 21 2	2 12 17	The S. eclipsed very lit. at low. Limb		
2 21 25	2 12 40	Parts obscured above the Shadow - -	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	
2 32 20	2 23 35	- - - - -	4	22 19
2 46 40	2 37 55	- - - - -		
2 51 37	2 42 52	- - - - -	11	
3 5 23	2 56 38	- - - - -	15	
3 9 5	3 00 20	The Center.	16	
3 10 4	3 1 19	- - - - -		15 07
3 11 47	3 3 2	- - - - -		14 36
3 12 15	3 3 30	- - - - -	17	
3 13 23	3 4 38	The Horns were horizontal.		
3 17 43	3 8 58	- - - - -	18	
3 21 48	3 13 3	- - - - -		12 30
3 23 0	3 14 15	- - - - -	19	
3 25 40	3 16 55	- - - - -		12 11
3 29 51	3 20 6	- - - - -	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	
3 33 54	3 25 9	- - - - -	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	
3 40 8	3 31 23	- - - - -	19	
3 43 16	3 34 31	- - - - -	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	
3 45 35	3 36 50	- - - - -	18	
3 49 15	3 40 30	The low. Cusp. was at the S.'s Nadir		
3 50 2	3 41 17	- - - - -	17	
3 54 20	3 45 35	The Center.	16	
3 56 45	3 48 00	- - - - -	15	
4 2 58	3 54 13	- - - - -	13	
4 6 0	3 57 15	- - - - - almost	12	
4 8 45	4 00 00	- - - - -	11	
4 16 32	4 7 47	- - - - -	8	
4 17 44	4 9 00	Vertical Cuspids were distant 84°.		
4 24 8	4 15 23	Between the Cuspids - - - - -		17 32
4 24 20	4 15 35	- - - - -	5	
4 27 14	4 18 29	Between the Cuspids - - - - -		15 35
4 29 36	4 20 51	- - - - -	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	
4 30 32	4 21 47	Between the Cuspids - - - - -		12 22
4 33 06	4 24 21	- - - - -	1	
4 36 22	4 27 37	The End exactly - - - - -		

XXXIV.
An Eclipse of
the Sun, July
2d. 1684. at
Greenwich; by
M. Flamsteed.
N. 162. p. 691.



Then to find the Error of the Clock.

Hour by the Clock.			Distances from the Vertex.			The H. thence computed.			The horary Error.		
h.	'	"		°	'	"	h.	'	"	'	"
4	43	38	Of the lower	60	11	00	4	34	56	8	42
4	45	48	Limb of the	60	31	20	4	37	7	8	41
4	46	56	Sun.	60	41	50	4	38	15	8	43
4	49	3		61	1	40	4	40	22	8	41

At Paris; by M. Bullialdus. N. 162. p. 693.

2. The Altitude of the Sun was 50°. The beginning was elapsed, the Sun being cover'd with Clouds, and about a Digit was eclipsed.

The Sun's Altitude was 41°. 15'. a little more than 7 Digits. It reached 8 Digits.

The Altitude of the Sun was 29°. 30'. The End.

At the Observatory; by M. Cassini N. 162. p. 693. N. 163. p. 715.

3. The Beginning of the Eclipse could not be seen, but was deduced from the following Phases. The apparent Diameter of the Moon appeared less than that of the Sun. It was judged that the Dilatation of the Sun's Light, might make the Moon's Diameter seem less.

Phases.	Time.	Phases.	Time.
	h. ' "		h. ' "
Begin.	2 25 30	7 ⁷ / ₈ Digits	3 35 00
or	2 25 55	7 Digits	3 55 50
1 Digit	2 32 50	6 Digits	4 4 10
2 Digits	2 40 00	5 Digits	4 12 25
3 Digits	2 47 40	4 Digits	4 19 15
4 Digits	2 54 10	3 Digits	4 25 50
5 Digits	3 2 00	2 Digits	4 32 15
6 Digits	3 10 5	1 Digit	4 37 40
7 Digits	3 20 10	End.	4 43 23

Phases.	Time.	Phases.	Time.
	h. ' "		h. ' "
Begin-	2 25 24	7 Digits	3 53 34
ning.		6 Digits	4 3 53
1 Digit	2 33 2	5 Digits	4 11 3
2 Digits	2 40 30	4 Digits	4 17 42
3 Digits	2 47 47	3 Digits	4 25 14
4 Digits	2 54 41	2 Digits	4 31 56
5 Digits	3 2 41	1 Digit	4 38 11
6 Digits	3 12 6	End.	4 43 27
7 Digits	3 20 54		
7 Dig. 5'	3 36 27		

4. By M. de la Hire and Ponthenot. Ibid. p. 716.

The Beginning was deduced from many Observations made soon after it: The Moon's Diameter appear'd then not to be more than about 30'; though by the Observations of her Diameter some Days before and after, it was judged to be 31'. 30". But the Extremities of the Horns, on which depended the Exactness of the Determination, appear'd a little blunted.

Phases.	Time.			Phases.	Time.		
	h.	'	"		h.	'	"
Less than $\frac{1}{2}$ Digit	2	29	30	7 Digits	3	51	20
$1\frac{1}{2}$ Digit	2	37	40	6 Digits	4	2	25
2 Digits	2	40	25	5 Digits	4	10	50
3 Digits	2	48	34	3 Digits	4	24	31
4 Digits	2	54	30	2 Digits	4	29	54
5 Digits	3	3	00	$0\frac{1}{3}$ almost.	4	41	00
6 Digits	3	12	40				
7 Digits	3	22	18				
$7\frac{3}{4}$ Digits	3	38	4				

5.
At the College
of Lewis the
Great; by R.
P. Fontenay.
Ib. p. 717.

6. The Beginning was at 2^h. 54'. 30". The End at 5^h. 9'. 9". The Greatness of the Eclipse $8\frac{1}{2}$ Digits. At Aix; by M. Gautier. Ib. p. 718.

Phases.	Time.					
	By Fix'd Stars.			By the Sun.		
	h.	'	"	h.	'	"
1 Digit	2	45	3	2	50	3
$8\frac{1}{2}$ Digits	3	53	52	3	58	52
1 Digit	4	59	20	5	4	20

7.
At Lyons; by
R. P. Paul
Hoste. Ib.

At ^h. 26'. 14". (by the Stars) the Diameter of the Sun and Moon 30'. 58". But at 4^h. 20'. 34". the Diameter of the Sun 30'. 58". of the Moon 30'. 5".

Phases.	Times.		
	h.	'	"
The Beginning of the Eclipse	2	40	00
The Edge of the Moon at the Sun's Center	3	25	00
The Horns Horizontal	3	40	00
The Horns Vertical	4	15	00
The End of the Eclipse	5	1	30

8.
At the Bay de
Roses; by M.
Chaffelles. Ib.
p. 719.

The Greatness of the Eclipse about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the Sun's Diameter, at which Time Venus might be seen without Pain.

9. The

At Honfleur ;
by M. de Glos.
ibid.

At Pau ; by R.
P. Richaud. ib.

9. The Beginning was at 2^h. 15'. 2" ; the End, at 4^h. 34'. 35". The Greatness more than 8 Digits, but less than 9.

10. At 1^{3/4}^h. the Eclipse was not begun : At 3^{1/4}^h. at 10 Digits : The End at 4^{3/4}^h.

11.
At Avignon ;
by R. P. Bonfa.
ibid.

Phases.	Time.	Phases.	Time.
	h. ' "		h. ' "
The Beginning	2 43 27	Horns Vert.	4 24 32
1 Digit	2 51 58	1 1/2 Dig.	5 1 16
9 Digits	4 2 00	The End.	5 4 37

The Sun's Diameter 31'. 38" : The Moon's 30'. 6".

At Oxford ; by
Dr. Ed. Bernard.
N. 164. p. 747.

12. The careful Hand of Dr. Wallis determined the 40 Phases of this Eclipse. Also the learned Mr. Caswell, and Dr. Rooke observed the true Time of the same, by taking some Altitudes of the Sun, where our Clocks and Pendulums were deficient.

Obscure Digits & their Tenths.	Time by the Clock cor- rect. by the Heavens.	
	h ' "	
	2 03 00	The beginning of the Eclipse.
0 6	2 07 44	
1 0	2 10 44	
1 3	2 13 19	
1 9	2 15 4	
2 2	2 21 34	
2 6	2 23 44	
2 9	2 25 39	
3 5	2 29 54	
4 0	2 33 04	
4 4	2 36 34	
4 6	2 40 04	
5 0	2 43 14	
5 3	2 48 19	
5 6	2 50 09	The middle of the Sun obscure.
6 5	2 57 30	
6 7	2 59 14	
7 4	3 08 24	The greatest Obscurity.
7 1	3 11 09	
6 8	3 29 19	
6 7	3 31 39	Darkness again at the Cent. of the Sun
6 0	3 37 24	
5 7	3 39 29	

		h.	'	"	
5	5	3	44	29	
5	0	3	47	59	
4	4	3	50	34	
3	9	3	53	54	
2	9	4	2	49	
2	5	4	4	39	
2	2	4	6	19	
2	0	4	7	54	
1	4	4	13	9	
1	0	4	15	4	
0	7	4	16	49	
0	3	4	19	39	
		4	21	14	The End of the Eclipse.

At Lisbon. *ib.*
P. 749.

13. Mr. *Jacobs* at *Lisbon* noted
The Beginning of the Eclipse at 1^h. 30' exactly.
The Ending at - - - - - 4 12.

14. Mr. *Ash* and *Molyneux*, toward the middle of the Eclipse, having a short View of the Sun, they judged that about 8 Digits were covered; at the Ending also having a faint View thereof, they assigned its End at 3^h. 56'.
p. m.

In Ireland. *ib.*

The same Eclipse was observed by one Mr. *Osburn*, nigh *Tredagh*. The Beginning 1^h. 37'. 30". The End 3^h. 56'. 20".

15. *Jo. Ludovicus Donellus*, and *Nic. Ign. Joanettus*, measured the Sun's Distances from the Zenith; we were three of us employ'd in determining the Phases, D. *Jo. Galeatius Manzius*, *Hercules Vanottus*, and myself. The Observations were wrote down by D. *Greg. Malisardus*. And the Time was observ'd at the Clock by D. *Bart. Ferrarius*.

At Bononia;
by S. Domin.
Gulielmini.
N. 203. p. 858.

Time by the Clock		Corrected by the observed Distances.		Dist. of the Cent. of the S. from the Zenith.		The Phases.	
h.	"	h.	"	'	"		
3	34					Dig. 2	30
3	37					Dig. 3	
3	48	3	47	47	51 31	Dig. 4	20 altogeth. doubtf.
3	52					Dig. 5	Very good.
3	57	3	56	2	52 58	Dig. 5	30
4	2	4	2	29	54 10	Dig. 6	
4	4	4	5	59	54 44	Dig. 6	30 Very good.
4	9	4	9	1	55 17	Dig. 7	exact.
4	14	4	15	43	56 28	Dig. 7	
4	19					Dig. 7	20 doubtful.

h.	'	"	h.	'	"	'	"	Dig.	'	"	
4	27	44	4	28	42	58	39	Dig.	7	20	
4	32	35						Dig.	7		exact enough
4	34	20						Dig.	6	45	
4	44	30						Dig.	6	30	
4	47	15						Dig.	6	30	
4	51	30						Dig.	6		Very good
4	54	38	4	53	53	63	16	Dig.	5	30	exact
4	58	2	4	57	38	63	56	Dig.	5		exact
5	1	55	5	1	2	64	32	Dig.	4	30	exact enough
5	4	40	5	5	28	65	19	Dig.	4		altoge. diligent
5	7	0	5	6	23	65	28	Dig.	3	30	exact
5	10	30	5	9	9	65	58	Dig.	3		exact
5	12	35	5	13	28	66	43	Dig.	2	30	exact enough
5	16	15	5	16	14	67	13	Dig.	2		exact
5	19	50	5	20	24	67	57	Dig.	1	30	exact
5	22	30	5	23	21	68	28	Dig.	1		exact
5	25	0	5	25	14	68	48	Dig.	0	30	diligent
5	27	40	5	28	7	69	18	Dig.	0		exactly

It was to be observed, when the Quantity of the Eclipse was Dig. 7. 20'. which ought to have brought on no small Obfuscation of the Air, (as hath been often observed in such Eclipses,) yet the State of the Air was not sensibly changed from what it used to be when the Sun is at Liberty. When many that did not view the Sun had a Suspicion, either that the Sun was not at all eclipsed, or but very little. Of this it seems to me that no other Cause can be assigned, than the great Quantity of Clouds illuminated by the Sun, which were not very far from him. For the Rays of the Sun being multiply'd by the Reflexion and Refraction of these, and thereby become more intense, might easily make amends for the Light that was intercepted.

An Eclipse of the Sun, May 1. 1687. at Oxford. N. 87. p. 329. In Divers other Places. N. 189. p. 370.

XXXV. 1. Dr. Wallis writes from Oxford, that this Eclipse of the Sun was observ'd there about $\frac{1}{2}$ a Digit, between one and two o'Clock after Noon.

2. This Eclipse, tho' it was but a small one, and could not be perceived by the naked Eye, yet seems to be very convenient for the accurate Determination of the Parallax, and Latitude of the Moon.

At London, by the separate Observations of Mess. Hook and Halley, tho' the Heavens were very clear, yet because of the oblique Incidence of the Moon, the Moment of the beginning could not be rightly determined: But at 1^h. 16'. the Eclipse had begun very remarkably. The middle of the Eclipse was about 1^h. 40'. The Chord of the Part eclipsed, or that between the Horns, was found to be 9'. 30". to which answers an Arch of 36°; but in the Diameter only 1'. 30". By the Agreement of both Observators the End happen'd exactly at 2^h. 3'. 0'.

At Greenwich, at the Royal Observatory, Mr. Flamsteed, for the same Reason, did not see the beginning. But he determined the End at 2^h. 4'. 15". In the middle of the Eclipse, or at the greatest Obscuration, the Chord of the eclipsed Part was 9'. 54".

At Totteridge near London, Westwardly, Mr. Haines, F. R. S. saw the End at 2^h. 2'. And the greatest Quantity was half a Digit from the South.

In the Island of *Barbados*, at *Bridg-town*, Mr. *Frank* found the End at 1^h. 30". before the Sun's height was 31°. 47'. to the East; that is, 7^h. 56'. 45". By Estimation he judged the greatest Quantity to be two Digits from the South.

At *Nuremberg* *J. P. Wurtzelbaur* observed the same Eclipse. The Beginning was exactly 1^h. 58¹/₂'. About the Middle, that is at 2^h. 36¹/₂', he saw the greatest Quantity to be two Digits exactly. The End was at 3^h. 13'. 33".

At *Ulm* in *Suevia*, the Beginning was observed by *Honoldus* at 1^h. 48'. The greatest Quantity 2¹/₃ Dig. The End at 3^h. 16'.

At *Leipsic* by *Kirchius*, the Eclipse was observable at 2^h. 20'. 10". At 2^h. 47¹/₂' the Digits were about 1¹/₃. The End exactly at 3^h. 15'.

At *Wratiflaw* in *Silesia*, *D. G. Schultzius* observed the greatest Obscuration to have been something sooner than 3^h. 12': 1¹/₂ Dig. Eclip. The End was 3^h. 17'.

XXXVI. 1. I did not see the Beginning of the late Eclipse, but the End happen'd here, precisely 24'. 9". after 10 o'clock in the Morning, apparent Time: The greatest Obscuration, which was 10 Digits and a Quarter, was about 7 Min. after 9.

An Eclipse of the Sun, Sept. 3. 1699. at Oxford; by Dr. D. Gregory. N. 256. p. 336.

Phases.	Quant. eclipsed.		Times by a Pendulum.			Phases.	Quant. eclipsed.		Times by a Pendulum.		
	Dig.	'	h.	'	"		Dig.	'	h.	'	"
Begin.			8	57	14	20	9	49	10	30	10
1	0	52	9	3	26	21	9	21	10	33	11
2	1	32	9	8	23	22	8	52	10	35	53
3	2	28	9	14	14	23	8	30	10	38	46
4	3	19	9	19	40	24	7	38	10	42	42
5	4	8	9	35	57	25	7	14	10	46	7
6	5	15	9	38	57	26	6	33	10	49	42
7	5	50	9	24	2	27	6	6	10	53	22
8	6	26	9	31	43	28	5	27	10	56	37
9	6	53	9	40	36	29	5	9	11	0	00
10	7	20	9	43	47	30	4	33	11	4	24
11	7	56	9	50	39	31	3	57	11	8	16
12	8	30	9	55	9	32	3	13	11	13	3
13	9	23	10	1	44	33	2	41	11	18	3
14	9	53	10	5	46	34	2	11	11	21	37
15	10	24	10	10	34	35	1	32	11	25	38
16	10	38	10	14	37	36	1	2	11	28	27
17	10	45	10	17	54	End.	0	00	11	33	56
18	10	45	10	22	29						
19	10	12	10	27	31						

2. At *Nuremberg*; by *M. Wurtzelbaur*. N. 265. p. 69.

From the 8th to the 12th Phasis, the opaque Limb of the Moon on the South-side was a little rough; but about the Northern Horn, to near a 4th part of the Segment, it was more smooth: But when the Horns of the Eclipse were almost parallel to the Horizon, before and after the 15th Phasis, the Extremity of the gibbous Limb of the Moon looking downward, was somewhat enlightned, and of a kind of Saffron Colour; but though the Sky was free from Clouds, yet no Stars were visible. Nor was even *Venus* itself visible in the open Air, unless by some more sharp-sighted than ordinary.

Amongst many round Plates cut out of thick Paper of divers Magnitudes, differing from one another 5". about the first Phasis, and after, none agreed to the Limb of the Moon but that which was cut to a Radius or Semidiameter of 15'. 30". (taking the Radius or Semidiameter of that of the Sun to be 16'. 4".) and that gradually so swelled or augmented, that larger Plates were necessary to be made use of; and about the 36th Phasis, none less than one described of a Radius of 16'. 5". would agree with, or equal the Appearance; and consequently, that the Diameter of the Moon, about the End of the Eclipse, did equalize, if not exceed, that of the Sun. Besides, in the 27th Phasis (when the obscure Part was 6 Dig. 6'.) the Body of the Moon did obscure more than two 3ds of the Sun's Limb; which is an Argument that its Semidiameter at that time was equal to that of the Sun.

By others, *ib.*
p. 623.

3. This Eclipse, by the Observations of Mr. *Godfred Tuber* at *Ciza*, began at 9^h. and ended at 11^h. 35'. and increas'd to 11 Dig. By the Observations of Mr. *Jacob Honold* at *Harvelsing* near *Ulm* of *Suevia*, it began at 8^h. 55'. and ended at 11^h. 31'. and its greatest Defect was 10 Dig. And by Observations at *Leipsick*, it began at 9^h. 11'. and ended at 12^h 38'. 30". The greatest Obscurity was 11 Dig. 20'. which lasted from 10^h. 16'. 45". for 6'. Ten Digits being obscured, the Sky (being otherwise very clear) began to appear of a more livid or wan Complexion, and more sad than it usually looks with a clear Sky when the Sun is set, or below the Horizon. The Cocks also, which had hitherto crowed very frequently, as if silenc'd, going to Roost, left off crowing, and did not renew it, till, by the Recovery of the Sun's Light, they had recover'd their former Gaiety and Mirth: However, we cannot learn that any Star, besides that of *Venus*, was discover'd by those who were Spectators of it in the open Air.

Changes likely to
be discovered in
the Moon, by
M. Auzout.
N. 7. p. 120.
Dec. Ann. 1665.

XXXVII. I sometimes think that the Earth must appear, to the supposed Inhabitants of the Moon, to have a different Face in the several Seasons of the Year; and to have another Appearance in Winter, when there is almost nothing green in a very great Part of the Earth; when there are Countries all cover'd with Snow, others all cover'd with Water, others all obscur'd with Clouds, and that for many Weeks together; another in Spring, when the Forests and Fields are green; another in Summer, when the whole Fields are Yellow, &c. Methinks, I say, that these Changes are considerable enough in the Force of the Reflections of Light to be observ'd, since we see so many Differences of Lights in the Moon. We have Rivers considerable enough to be seen, and they enter far enough into the Land, and have Breadth capable to be observed. There are Fluxes in certain Places that reach into large Countries, enough to make there some apparent Change; and in some of our Seas there float sometimes

such bulky Masses of Ice, as are far greater than the Objects which we are assured we can see in the Moon. Again; we cut down whole Forests, and drain Marshes, of an Extent large enough to cause a notable Alteration; and Men have made such Works as have produced Changes great enough to be perceived. In many Places also are *Vulcano's* that seem big enough to be distinguish'd, especially in the Shadow. And when Fire lights upon Forests of great Extent, or upon Towns, it can hardly be doubted, but these luminous Objects would appear either in an Eclipse of the Earth, or when such Parts of the Earth are not illuminated by the Sun: But yet, I know no Man, who hath yet observed such things in the Moon; and one may be rationally assured, that no *Vulcano's* are there, or that none of them burn at this time. This it is which all curious Men that have good Telescopes ought well to attend; and I doubt not, but if we had a very particular Map of the Moon, as I had designed to make one, with a *Topography*, as it were, of all the considerable Places therein, that we or our Posterity would find some Change in her. And if the Maps of the Moon of *Hevelius*, *Divini*, and *Riccioli*, are exact, I can say that I have seen there some Places considerable enough, where they put Parts that are clear, whereas I there see dark ones. 'Tis true, that if there be Seas in the Moon, it can hardly fall out otherwise than it doth upon our Earth, where Alluviums are made in some Places, and the Sea gains upon the Land in others; I say, if those Spots we see in the Moon are Seas, as most believe them to be, whereas I have many Reasons that make me doubt whether they be so. And I have sometimes thought, whether it might not be, that all the Seas of the Moon, if there must be Seas, were on the Side of the other Hemisphere, and that for this Cause it might be, that the Moon turns not upon its Axis, as our Earth, wherein the Lands and Seas are as it were balanced: That thence also may proceed the Non-appearance of any Clouds rais'd there, or of any Vapours considerable enough to be seen, as there are rais'd upon this Earth; and that this Absence of Vapours is, perhaps, the Cause that no Crepuscle is there, as it seems there is none, my self, at least, not having been hitherto able to discern any Mark thereof: For, methinks, it is not to be doubted but that the reputed Citizens of the Moon might see our Crepuscle, since we see that the same is without Comparison stronger than the Light afforded us by the Moon, even when she is full; for a little after Sun-set, when we receive no more the first Light of the Sun, the Sky is far clearer than it is in the fairest Night of the Full-Moon. Mean while, since we see in the Moon, when she is increasing or decreasing, the Light she receives from the Earth; we cannot doubt but that the People of the Moon should likewise see in the Earth that Light wherewith the Moon illuminates it, with, perhaps, the Difference there is betwixt their Bigness. Much rather therefore should they see the Light of the Crepuscle, being, as we have said, incomparably greater. In the mean time, we see not any faint Light beyond the Section of the Light, which is every where almost equally strong, and we there distinguish nothing at all, not so much as that clearest Part which is call'd *Aristarchus* or *Porphyrates*, as I have often tried; although one may there see the Light which the Earth sends thither, which is sometimes so strong, that in the Moon's Decrease, I have often distinctly seen all the Parts of the Moon that were not enlighten'd by the Sun, together with the Difference of the

clear Parts and the Spots, so far as to be able to discern them all. The Shadows also of all the Cavities of the Moon seem to be stronger than they would be, if there were a second Light. For although afar off the Shadows of our Bodies, environed with Light, seem to us almost dark, yet they do not so appear so much as the Shadows of the Moon do; and those that are upon the Edge of the Section, should not appear in the like manner. But I will determine nothing of any of these Things.

To find the Parallax of the Moon; by
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N. 1 p. 151.
Feb. An. 1666.

XXXVIII. At certain Times agreed on by two Observers, making use of Telescopes, large, good, and well-fitted for this Purpose, by a Measuring-Rod placed within the Eye-Glass at a convenient Distance, that it may be distinctly seen, and serve for measuring small Distances by Minutes and Seconds, (which is easy enough in large Telescopes). Let each of such Observers, thus furnished, observe the visible Way of the Moon among the fix'd Stars (by taking her exact Distance from any fix'd Star that lies in or very near her Way, together with the exact Time of her so appearing) and the then apparent Diameter of her Disk; continuing these Observations, every time for two or three Hours; that so, if possible, two exact Observations of her apparent Place among the fix'd Stars being made at two Places thus distant in Latitude, and, as near as may be, under the same Meridian, by these Observations concurring at the same time, her true and exact Distance may be hence collected, not only for that time, but at all other times, by any single Observator's viewing her with a Telescope, and measuring exactly her apparent Diameter. It were likewise desirable, that as often as there happens any considerable Eclipse of the Sun, that this also might be observ'd by them, noting therein the exact Measure of the greatest Obscuration compared with the then apparent Diameter of his Disk. For by this means, after the Distance of the Moon hath been exactly found, the Distance of the Sun will easily be deduced.

As for the Time fittest for making Observations of the Moon, that will be when she is about a Quarter, or somewhat less illuminated; because then her Light is not so bright but that with a good Telescope she may be observ'd to pass close by, and sometimes over several fix'd Stars, which is about four or five Days before or after the Change: Or else at any other time, when the Moon passes near or over some of the bigger sort of fix'd Stars, such as of the first and second Magnitude; which may be easily calculated and foreseen: Or, best of all, when there is any total Eclipse of the Moon; for then the smallest Telescopic Stars may be seen close adjoining to the very Body of the Moon.

A Method for observing Lunar Eclipses; by Mr. Rook.
N. 22. p. 388.
Feb. An. 1666.

XXXIX. 1. Eclipses of the Moon are observed for two principal Ends: One Astronomical, that by comparing Observations with Calculations, the Theory of the Moon's Motion may be perfected, and the Tables thereof reformed; the other Geographical, that by comparing among themselves the Observations of the same Ecliptick Phases, made in divers Places, the Difference of the Meridians or Longitudes of those Places may be discerned.

The Knowledge of the Eclipses Quantity and Duration, the Shadow's Curvity and Inclination, &c. conduce only to the former of these Ends. The exact Time of the Beginning, Middle, and End of the Eclipses, as also in total Ones, the Beginning and End of total Darkness, is useful for both of them.

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But because in Observations made by the bare Eye these Times considerably differ from those with a Telescope; and because the Beginning of Eclipses, and the End of total Darkness, are scarce to be observed exactly, even with Glasses (none being able clearly to distinguish between the true Shadow and Penumbra, unless he hath seen, for some time before, the Line separating them pass along upon the Surface of the Moon); and lastly, because in small partial Eclipses, the Beginning and End, and in total ones of small Continuance in the Shadow, the Beginning and End of total Darkness are unfit for nice Observations, by reason of the slow Change of Appearances, which the oblique Motion of the Shadow then causeth: For these Reasons I shall propound a Method peculiarly design'd for the Accomplishment of the Geographical End in observing Lunar Eclipses, free (as far as is possible) from all the mention'd Inconveniencies.

For, *First*, It shall not be practicable without a Telescope. *Secondly*, The Observer shall always have Opportunity, before his principal Observation, to note the Distinction between the true Shadow and the Penumbra. And, *Thirdly*, It shall be applicable to those Seasons of the Eclipse when there is the suddenest Alteration in the Appearances. To satisfy all which Intents,

Let there be of the eminentest Spots, dispers'd over all Quarters of the Moon's Surface, a select Number generally agreed on, to be constantly made use of to this purpose, in all Parts of the World. As for Example, those which M. *Hévelius* calleth *M. Sinai*, *M. Ætna*, *M. Porphyrites*, *M. Serorum*, *Inf. Bœbicus*, *Inf. Creta*, *Palus Mæotis*, *Palus Maræotis*, *Lacus Niger Major*.

Let in each Eclipse, not all, but (for Instance) three of these Spots, which then lie nearest to the Ecliptick, be exactly observ'd when they are first touch'd by the true Shadow; and again, when they are just compleatly entred into it; and (if you please) also in the Decrease of the Eclipse, when they are first fully clear from the true Shadow. For the accurate Determinations of which Moments of Time (that being in this Business of main Importance) let there be taken Altitudes of remarkable fix'd Stars; on this Side of the Line, of such as lie between the *Æquator* and *Tropick of Cancer*; but beyond the Line, of such as are situate towards the other *Tropick*; and in all Places, of such as at the Time of Observation are about four Hours distant from the Meridian.

2. The Eclipse of the Moon, *Octob. 29. An. 1697*, was observed at *Roterdam* with a Telescope of almost four *Paris Feet*, with a convex Eye-Glass, in whose Focus were four Threads crossing in the Axis at right Angles and half right Angles, for measuring the Phases, and determining the situation of the Lunar Spots. This Telescope was supported by a Fulcrum having its Axis in a parallel Situation to the Axis of the World, that after it was directed to the Moon for the Observation of one Phase, for observing other Phases it might turn about to the West along the Path of the Moon. So it was first directed to the Moon, that continuing immoveable the Northern Limb of the Moon, by its Motion to the West, might touch one of these Threads, which therefore we said was parallel; tho' because of the Motion of the Moon in Declination, blended with the much swifter Motion of the Moon to the West, it declined something from the Equator, whilst the Disk of the Moon fell successively upon the three other Threads. The middle one of these

By M. Ja. Cas-
sini.
N. 236. p. 15.

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these three Threads, making right Angles with the Parallel, we may call the strait, perpendicular, and vertical Thread; the other two oblique ones, of which we call that the first, upon which the Moon falls first, the second oblique one upon which the Moon falls afterwards. At the beginning of the Eclipse, when the most Northerly Point of the Moon was not yet immerfed in the Shadow, we adapted it to the parallel Thread. Then after this Point was immerfed in the Shadow, we adapted the most Southern Point of the Moon to the same Thread. Whence it is that the Thread which at the beginning was first, in the determining the other Phases was last, and that became the first which before was last. Now when the Limb of the Moon described the parallel Thread, the Center of the Moon must be supposed to describe the Lunar Path parallel to this Thread, which was cut by the other three Threads. And the Portions of this Path are supposed proportional to the times in which the Center of the Moon passes over them; for the inequality of the proper Motion blended with the universal Motion in a small time is not perceivable. Therefore when the Limb of the Moon described the Parallel, by the help of a Pendulum-Clock which beforehand had been set to the Sun, the Time of the approach of some of the Lunar Spots was observed, and also of the Lunar Horns, to any of these three Threads; and it was found, that at the time of the said Eclipse the Moon's Disk passed through the upright Thread in $2'. 24''$. and through the oblique Threads in $3'. 24''$. and therefore the Semidiameter of the Moon passed through the upright Thread in $1'. 12''$. but through the oblique in $1'. 42''$; the difference of each Transit being $30''$. Hence one Appulse of the Moon being observed to any of these Threads, or one Egress, all the others are given to the other Threads. The Semidiameter of the Moon AB, lying in the Lunar Path ABCDEF, passes through any one of its Points while the Center A runs over a Space AB equal to it; as another Semidiameter AK, making a right Angle with another Line NCK at the Point K, in which therefore it will touch the Moon in K, declining from its Path by the Angle KCA, passes through the Thread CK, while the Center of the Moon passes through the Line AC, which is the Hypothenuse of the right-angled Triangle AKC. And the time of the Transit of the Semidiameter AB through the Perpendicular Thread that touches the Moon in B, to the Transit of the Semidiameter AK through the oblique Thread NCK, as AB or AK, the Sine of the Angle ACK, to AC the Sine of the right Angle or Radius. Therefore the Thread NCK making half a right Angle KCA with the Path of the Moon, also the Angle KAC in the right-angled Triangle will be half a right Angle, and therefore the Sides CK and KA will be equal; the right Transit according to AB will be to the Transit of the Semidiameter AK, through the oblique Thread NK, as the Sine of half a right Angle to the Sine of a right Angle, as 707 to 1000, or as $72''$ to $102''$, or $1'. 42''$ nearly, as was observed. The Path of the Center of the Moon being AH, to the Semidiameter of the Moon perpendicular to AM, MNO being drawn parallel to AH, it will be congruous to the Thread which the Limb of the Moon touches by its Motion to the West, which will be cut by the oblique Threads NCK and NGI, and by the up-
right

right Thread NEP in the Point N, where the Axis of the Telescope passes. And with these Threads the Lunar Orbit will make two right-angled Triangles NEC, NEG, which are supposed to have half right Angles at the Points N, C, G; they are therefore like and equal, and have their Sides CE, EG, EN, equal to the Semidiameter of the Moon AM. If on each side of the Intersections C and G, be taken in the Threads CK, CS, GI, GR, equal to the Semidiameter, and CA, CF, GD, GH, in the Orbit equal to CN, and AK, FS, DR, HI, are joined; these will all be equal to one another, and at the Threads will make right Angles, at K, S, R, I. Wherefore the Center of the Moon being in A, the Moon will touch the first oblique Thread in K, and after the Center of the Moon comes from A to C, its Semidiameter will coincide with the Line CE, and therefore the Moon will touch the upright Thread in E. But after the Center of the Moon shall come from A to D, it will touch the second oblique Thread in R. But AD is equal to the Moon's Diameter; for since GD is equal to CA, adding DC we shall have AD equal to GC, which is equal to the Moon's Diameter. And since GD is equal to CF, if from these are taken Equals, GE and EC, then FE will be equal to ED, and will be the double of DF; and will be only from the first Contact of the second oblique Thread in R, to the last Contact of the first oblique Thread in S; and after the Center of the Moon has gone on to G, at the distance of one Semidiameter EG, the Moon will finally touch the upright Thread in E. The Center going on from G to H, the Moon herself will finally touch the second oblique Thread in I. Supposing therefore the upright Transit of the Moon to be 2'. 24". as it is observed to be; and,

		Diff.	Contact.
Supposing the Center at A, and the Contact of the first oblique Thread at K - - - - -	0 0	1	42
The Center of the Moon will be at C, and will touch (first) the upright Thread at E - - - - -	1 42	0	42
The Center will arrive at D, and will touch (first) the second oblique Thread at R - - - - -	2 24	0	30
The Center of the Moon will be at E, the intermediate perpendicular Thread - - - - -	2 54	0	30
The Center will arrive at F, and will touch (lastly) the first oblique Thread at S - - - - -	3 24	0	42
The Center will be at G, and will touch (lastly) the upright Thread at E - - - - -	4 6	1	42
Finally it will be at H, and will touch (lastly) the second upright Thread at I - - - - -	5 48		

Hence the Observations in this Eclipse generally corresponded with the Calculation within one Second. Therefore it was sufficient in one Phasis to observe two of these Transits, in the rest one, that all the rest might be known. As to the Lunar Spots, the Transit of the preceding Limb of the Moon and of the Spot through the upright Thread, is compared, to have what is

Fig. 1299.

Fig. 130.

is called the Difference of the Longitudes of the Spot from the preceding Limb. And the upright Transit of the Spot is compared with the Oblique, to have the Difference which is equal to the Distance of the Way of the Spot from the Path of the most Northern or Southern Point touching the parallel Thread. For since the Way of the Spot ABC is parallel to the Way of the Limb DEF , it makes the same half right Angles at A and C with the same Threads, and right Angles at B ; whence the Angle at A is equal to the Angle at C , and the Side BA equal to the Side BE , which is the Latitude of the Spot B from the Thread FED . But the Longitude and Latitude of the Spot being given, its Situation in the Moon is given also. For a Square being described about it whose Side is AB , let it be supposed to become congruous to the parallel Thread, and let it be divided into so many equal Parts, as the Moon passes through the upright Thread in Seconds; and let the Sides AC , BD , perpendicular to the Thread, be divided in like manner into as many equal Parts. The Longitude AE , CF , being taken in the Parallels, and FE being drawn, and in the Perpendiculars the Latitude AG , BH , which we say is equal to the way intercepted between the upright and oblique Threads; the Situation of the Spot M is determin'd by the common Intersection of these right Lines.

Fig. 131.

As to what concerns the Horns of the Moon in the Eclipse, they may be determin'd by their Longitude alone, if it be but known in what Semicircle North or South they are. As the Horn I by the Longitude AE or CF . For the right Line FE cuts the Moon's Limb in two Points L and I , one of which is in the Northern Semicircle, the other in the Southern. It may also be determin'd by the Latitude alone AK or BM , if it be but known in what Semicircle Eastern or Western the Point I is situate. But of the Lines of Longitude and Latitude, that will determine the Situation of the Horn more exactly, which is nearer to the Center; as there the Point I is more exactly determin'd by the Longitude than by the Latitude. And on the contrary, the Point O is more exactly determin'd by the Latitude than by the Longitude; and that because of the lesser Obliquity of the right Line to the Circumference, by which it is brought about, that a small Variation of Distance is more sensible in the Circumference. In another manner the Situation of the Spots and Horns of the Moon may be determin'd by the oblique Transits, if the Line AD , parallel to the Moon's Path PQ touching its Limb, be made the Diameter of a Square circumscribed about the Moon, which is divided into so many equal Parts as the Moon passes through the oblique Thread in Seconds; as in this Eclipse into 204. Of this Square the two Sides AC , BD , will represent the first oblique Thread, as being parallel to it; the others AB , CD , will represent the second oblique Thread. Now the Difference being taken between the Transit of the preceding Limb of the Moon and Spot M through the oblique Thread, in horary Seconds from the preceding Angle from A to T , and through T the right Line EF being drawn parallel to the Side AC ; and in like manner from the same Angle A taking the Difference between the Transit of the preceding Limb K and the Spot M , through the
second

second oblique Thread A B, as A V ; through the Point V let the right Line G V H be drawn parallel to the Side A B ; it will represent the second oblique Thread cutting the former in the Point M, and will there determine the Situation of the Spot. In the same manner will be determin'd the Situation of the Horn E, by the Difference of its Transit and of the Limb, through the first oblique Thread, taken in the Diagonal as A T ; the Situation of the Horn H, by the Difference of its Transit along the second oblique Thread A B, as A V, and drawing through V a right Line G H parallel to the Side A D ; if it be known whether the Horn be in the precedent or subsequent Semicircle.

XL. The Tables did not indicate an *Eclipse* of the *Moon*, July 27. (N. S.) 1665. but tho' the Sky here was very clear, yet the Moon was not at all obscured by the true Shadow, but entred only a little into the Penumbra, wherein it continued 50'. The Beginning of its touching the Penumbra did then almost happen, when *Aquila* was elevated 36°. 18'. *An Eclipse of the Moon, 1665, observed at Dantzick; by M. Hevelius. N. 19. p. 348.*

XLI. In the *Eclipse* of June 16, (N.S.) 1666, the first *Phasis* of 1 Dig. 45'. appear'd in the Moon's Altitude of 2°. 30'. when the greatest Obscuration was already past. The End fell out 9^h. 27'. about 120°. from the Zenith Westward. *An Eclipse of the Moon, June 6. A. 1666. by M. Hevelius. Ibid. p. 348. N. 21. p. 371.*

XLII. On the 29th of *September* new Style, An. 1670. in the Morning, the Beginning of this *Eclipse* happened at 2^h. 22'. tho' this could hardly be observed very accurately, because of the very thin Shadow of the Earth. For during the *Eclipse* the Shadow of the Earth was so very thin and dilute, that I could see very well through it all the principal Spots, with my twenty-foot Tube, and even with shorter. *An Eclipse of the Moon, Sept. 19. A. 1670. by M. Hevelius. N. 61. p. 203.*

The greatest Obscuration fell at 3^h. 50'. The End at 5^h. 21'. So that the whole Duration was 2^h. 59', and the Quantity hardly more than 9 Digits. About the Middle of this *Eclipse*, at 3^h. 40'. I saw very plainly a certain unknown little Star, which could be seen only with the Tube, covered by the Moon near the greater black Lake ; but I could not see it come out again. When the *Eclipse* was ended it was a very pleasant Sight to see the two Luminaries both above the Horizon together: For the Sun arose before the Moon was set. The other Things that were remarkable may be found in the following Table.

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Order of the Phases.	Phases of the Moon observed with a Telescope.	The observed Altitudes.	Times corrected by the Altitudes.	Things observable.
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		Swan's Tail 50°. 54'	12 8 34	
		Swan's Tail 50 25	12 11 32	
		Of Pollux II 26 39	1 28 56	
		Of Pollux II 27 16	1 33 17	
	Beg. Penum. Beg. Eclipse.		2 10 0	
1	1 $\frac{3}{8}$ Dig.		2 22 0	Eclipse began in upper Parts of the M. about Sin. <i>Hyper.</i>
2	2 $\frac{1}{4}$		2 31 0	Shadow skim'd by Sin. <i>Apol.</i> and Mar. <i>Porphy.</i>
			2 36 0	<i>Lac. Nig. Maj.</i> beg. to be cov.
3	3 $\frac{1}{4}$		2 41 40	Shadow reach'd the Isle of <i>Corfica.</i>
4	4 $\frac{3}{4}$ fom. more		2 45 50	
5	5 $\frac{3}{8}$		2 49 0	<i>Palus Mæotis</i> and M. <i>Ætna</i> plainly cover'd.
6	6 5 Dig. nearly		2 53 0	
7	7 $\frac{3}{4}$		2 57 0	<i>Insul. Besbic.</i> and <i>Ins. Macra</i> cover'd.
8	8 6 Dig.		3 3 0	
9	9 $\frac{1}{4}$		3 5 0	
10	10 $\frac{3}{4}$		3 8 30	<i>Ins. Melos</i> beg. to be cover'd.
11	11 $\frac{1}{8}$		3 11 0	
12	12 $\frac{5}{8}$		3 16 0	<i>Insul. Rhodus</i> cover'd.
13	13 $\frac{7}{8}$		3 20 0	
14	14 $\frac{1}{4}$		3 25 30	
15	15 $\frac{1}{2}$		3 29 0	<i>Insul. Maj. Casp.</i> was cover'd
16	16 $\frac{3}{4}$		3 33 40	
17	17 $\frac{7}{8}$		3 37 50	
			3 40 0	

18	9 Dig.		3 47 0	Greatest Obscurat. extended itself thro' <i>J. Let. & M. Aber.</i>
19	9 fomet. less		3 51 10	<i>Pal. Maræotis</i> under the Section of the Shadow.
20	$8\frac{3}{4}$		2 57 0	
21	$8\frac{1}{2}$		4 1 40	
22	$8\frac{1}{4}$ nearly.	Of <i>Pollux II</i> $49^{\circ} 50'$.	4 6 0	
23	8 some. more		4 10 28	
24	$7\frac{3}{4}$		4 11 0	Islands <i>Melos</i> and <i>Rhodes</i> came out of the Shadow.
25	$7\frac{3}{8}$		4 17 20	
26	$6\frac{3}{4}$		4 22 25	<i>Mar. Porphyrites</i> began to be illuminated.
27	$6\frac{1}{2}$ nearly		4 27 35	The Shadow had now left Mount <i>Ætna</i> .
28	$5\frac{3}{4}$		4 33 40	
29	$4\frac{3}{4}$		4 37 37	
30	4 Dig.		4 44 46	<i>M. Argentor.</i> and <i>Inf. Besbic.</i> were illuminated.
31	$3\frac{3}{8}$		4 50 56	
32	$2\frac{3}{4}$		4 54 0	
33	$2\frac{1}{4}$ nearly.		4 57 0	
34	$1\frac{5}{8}$		5 1 23	Shadow had almost pass'd the whole Island <i>Casp. Maj.</i>
35	$1\frac{1}{4}$ Dig.	Lion's Heart $25^{\circ} 48'$	5 4 45	
			5 7 43	
			5 10 50	
	End Eclipse.		5 21 25	The end happen'd about the <i>Riphean Mountains</i> .
	End Penumb.	<i>Sirius</i> $18^{\circ} 54'$.	5 24 0	
			5 28 32	

XLIII. 1. On *Sept. 8. 1671.* about six in the Evening, the Moon rose totally obscured at *Elton* in *Northamptonshire*.

It began to emerge out of the Shadow, the Center of the Moon being $9^{\circ} 35'$ high, or at $7^h. 18'$.

At the End *Arcturus* was $16^{\circ} 30'$ high, or at $8^h. 16'. 20''$. Whence the middle of the Eclipse is computed to be at $6^h. 28'. 16''$.

An Eclipse of the Moon, Sept 8. 1671. at Elton; by Mr. Palmer. N. 76. p. 2272.

2. The Emerfion: Alt. of the upper Edge of the Moon $10^{\circ} 30'$ | $7^h. 21'$

The End of the Eclipse: Alt. of *Arcturus* $16^{\circ} 20'$ | $8^h. 16\frac{1}{2}'$

3. $7^h. 27\frac{1}{2}'$, I first observed the Moon eclipsed when it began to be enlightened, the total Darknefs being already past. The Shadow passed through the middle of the Spot called by *Hevelius*, *M. Porphyrius*.

At London; by Mr. Street. is.

By Dr. Hook. N. 77. p. 2296.

7^h. 49'. The Shadow passed through the middle of *M Sinai*, through the middle of the Eastermost of the three Lakes called *Mare Adriaticum*, and just touched the Ridge of the *Apennine Mountains*.

7^h. 54'. It passed the middle of the *I. Bessicus* in the *Propontis*.

8^h. 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ '. It passed through the *Streights* of the *Pontus Euxinus*, at the Promontories *Acherusia* and *Aristes*.

8^h. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ '. It touched the *Palus Mæotis*, which *Palus Mæotis* was then distant from the Limb of the Moon, next adjacent, one third part of its shorter Diameter or Breadth.

8^h. 17'. The Shadow went off the Body of the Moon upon the innermost Limb-line of *Hevelius's* large Chart of the Moon at the 29th Division, just without the *I. Major* of the *Caspian Sea*. The dusky *Penumbra* left not the Limb of the Moon quite without some kind of Darkness till 8^h. 29'; at which time I found that that side of the Moon which the Shadow last left, was full as light and clear as the other.

About four or five Minutes after the Shadow was gone off, I perceived a faint Representation of Colours upon that Part of the Body of the Moon which was most affected with the *Penumbra*, somewhat resembling the Colours of a faint *Halo* about the Moon; this grew fainter and fainter, and after a few Minutes was no more visible. It did not seem to be caused by any Clouds or Exhalations in the Air, the Sky near the Moon being very clear, and the said Colours not appearing any where but upon the dusky part of its Phasis. Possibly it might be caused by the Refraction of the Light of the Sun through the Atmosphere about the Earth.

At Paris; by
M. Bullialdus.
N. 75. p. 2273.

4. the End was observed, when the Altitude of <i>Arcturus</i> to the West was - - - - -		13 41
Subtracting the Refraction, his Height was - -	h. ' "	13 37 45
Hence is given the End observed - - - - -	8 29 16	
The End of the <i>Penumbra</i> , the Height of <i>Arcturus</i> being - - - - -		13 0
Corrected - - - - -		12 56
Whence is given - - - - -	8 33 40	
<i>Mæotis</i> was observed wholly out of the Shadow	8 24 16	
The Altitude of <i>Arcturus</i> was - - - - -		14 26 0
Corrected - - - - -		14 23 55

The Moon came out of the Shadow over against *Petra Sogdiana*, by *Hevelius's* Map.

At Danzick;
by M. Hevelius.
N. 78. p. 3028.

5. At 8^h. 30'. a-Clock, through the opening Clouds, which were pretty thick, we perceived the Moon something obscurely, and so much enlightened, that one would have thought the Eclipse had been over already. Thence it was certain, that the total Obscuration was then pass'd at least, or rather something sooner. For that the Moon was come again, we could all perceive plainly enough through the Clouds. So that the Eclipse must have appear'd in the Heavens above half an Hour sooner, than *Kepler's* Calculation made it. At 8^h. 34'. I observed the Moon had freed herself from the Shadow a whole Digit at least; and again at 9^h. 41'. the Light of the Moon had increased to 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Digit, as near as we could judge.

6. We

6. We found here, as Mr. *Hevelius* had done at *Dantzick*, that the *Rudolphine* Tables were out in the late Eclipse. We found here also, that the Moon emerged out of the Shadow of the Earth before nine a-Clock.

At Hamburg; by Dr. *Fogelius*. *Ibid.* p. 3033.

	h.	'
XLIV. 1. The beginning of the true Shadow	5	22
The Immerfion	6	19
The Emerfion	7	58
The End of the true Shadow	8	58

An Eclipse of the Moon, Jan. 1. 1674-5. at London; by Dr. *Hook*. N. 111. p. 237.

The Penumbra was feen to continue near half an Hour before it wholly quitted the Body of the Moon.

2. Mr. *Flamsteed* observed the Beginning of the Entrance of the true Shadow h. 5. and 19'.

At Derby; by M. *Flamsteed*. *Ibid.*

	o	'	h.	'	"
3. The beginning of the true Shadow, Height of <i>Capella</i>	52	26	5	32	29
The Immerfion, Height of <i>Capella</i>	62	8	6	33	3
The Emerfion, Height of <i>Cap. Polluc.</i>	43	46	8	9	30
End of the true Shadow, Height of <i>Sirius</i>	20	47	9	10	0

At Paris; by M. *Bullialdus*. *Ibid.* p. 238.

4. At 5^h. 12'. in the Evening, in the *Royal Observatory*, they began to perceive that the Oriental Part of the Moon, by little and little lost its Light; so that at 5^h. 25' they saw a manifest *Penumbra*: Then at 5^h. 32'. 50". the Limb over-againft the Spot called *Hevelius* grew fo dark that they all agreed that this was the true *Beginning* of the *Eclipse*. At 8^h. 7'. one of the Observers believed the *Emerfion*, another at 8^h. 8'. and the third at 8^h. 9'. 30". but afterwards confidering the *Emerfion* of the first Spots, they all esteemed it at 8^h. 8'. At 7^h. 21'. the Southern Limb of the Moon was come close to a Telescopick Star: At 8^h. 9'. 20". another Star yet less than the former, came out of the darkeft Side, almost over-againft the Spot *Langrenus*. At 9^h. 9'. 40". all the three Observers agreed, that the Moon then came out of the Shadow. The Diameter of the Moon, being meafured before the Eclipse, was of 32'. 15".

At Paris; by M. *Caffini*, M. *Picard*, and M. *Roemer*. *Ibid.* p. 238. N. 112. p. 257.

The Times were noted by great *Pendulum Watches* that had been adjusted by the Sun the fame Day, and that were afterwards verified the next Day: Besides that, before the Eclipse, at 4^h. 45'. 1". by the Watches, the Star *Capella* was 45 Degrees high towards the East.

Time.

Time.			Phases.
h.	'	"	
5	32	50	Beginning over-against the Spot <i>Hevelius</i> .
5	36	00	The first Spot of <i>Grimaldi</i> . <i>Palus Maræotis</i> .
5	36	30	The second Limb of <i>Grimaldi</i> .
5	45	00	The middle of <i>Aristarchus</i> . <i>Mons Porphyrites</i> .
5	46	00	<i>Mersennus</i> .
5	48	30	<i>Herigone</i> .
5	53	00	<i>Heraclides</i> .
5	53	15	The first Limb of <i>Copernicus</i> . <i>Ætna</i> .
5	54	15	The middle of <i>Copernicus</i> .
5	54	40	<i>Pitheas</i> , or <i>Hiera Insula</i> .
5	55	05	The second Limb of <i>Copernicus</i> .
5	57	40	The first Limb of <i>Timocharis</i> . <i>Corfica</i> .
5	59	35	The first Limb of the <i>Sinus Medius Æstuum</i> . <i>Adriatick Sea</i> .
6	01	30	The middle of the <i>Sinus Medius</i> .
6	02	40	The first Limb of <i>Tycho</i> , or <i>Sinai</i> : and the first Limb of <i>Plato</i> , or the <i>Lacus Niger Major</i> .
6	03	50	The second Limb of <i>Plato</i> , and the middle of <i>Tycho</i> .
6	04	30	The Center of the Disk.
6	09	00	The middle of <i>Manilius</i> , or <i>Mons Besbicus</i> .
6	12	00	The middle of <i>Menelaus</i> , or <i>Bysantium</i> .
6	13	45	<i>Dionysius Areop.</i> or <i>Mons Amanus</i> .
6	14	30	<i>Plinius</i> .
6	15	45	<i>Vitruvius</i> .
6	20	35	<i>Endymion</i> , or <i>Lac. Hyperbor. superior</i> .
6	21	00	<i>Promont. Heracium</i> .
6	24	50	Betwixt <i>Alcuin</i> and <i>Taruntius</i> .
6	26	00	The first Limb of the <i>Caspain Sea</i> . <i>Mare Crisum</i> . <i>Palus Maotis</i> .
6	28	15	The middle of the <i>Caspian Sea</i> .
6	29	40	The other Limb of the <i>Caspian Sea</i> .
6	30	5	The first Limb of <i>Langrenus</i> , or <i>Insula Maj.</i>
6	3	5	The middle of <i>Langrenus</i> .
6	35	46	Total Immersion, betwixt <i>Langrenus</i> and the <i>Caspain Sea</i> .
8	8	00	First Emerision, towards <i>Grimaldus</i> .
8	12	35	The first Limb of <i>Grimaldus</i> .
8	14	00	The second Limb of <i>Grimaldus</i> .
8	20	20	<i>Mersennus</i> .
8	24	5	<i>Herigone</i> .
8	24	35	The middle of <i>Aristarchus</i> , and the middle betwixt <i>Herigone</i> and <i>Morin</i>
8	26	30	The middle of <i>Kepler</i> , or <i>Loca Paludosa</i> .
8	28	30	The first Limb of <i>Tycho</i> .
8	29	50	The second Limb of <i>Tycho</i> .

Time.

Time.		Phases.
h.	"	
8	34 5	The middle of <i>Copernicus</i> .
8	35 35	The second Limb of <i>Copernicus</i> .
8	36 10	<i>Pitbeas</i> .
8	36 30	<i>Heraclides</i> .
8	40 0	The first Limb of <i>Timocharis</i> .
8	42 35	The first Limb of <i>Plato</i> .
8	43 45	The second Limb of <i>Plato</i> .
8	49 30	The middle of <i>Manilius</i> .
8	52 10	<i>Menelaus</i> and <i>Dionys. Areopag.</i>
8	55 0	<i>Possidonius</i> .
8	56 6	<i>Vitruvius</i> .
8	59 30	<i>Endymion</i> .
9	6 20	The first Limb of the <i>Caspian Sea</i> .
9	7 10	The middle of the <i>Caspian Sea</i> .
9	8 40	The other Limb of the <i>Caspian Sea</i> .
9	9 40	The <i>End</i> , between the <i>Caspian Sea</i> and <i>Langrenus</i> .

5. Through the whole Duration of the Eclipse, with a Tube of 20 Feet, and others better than that, I directed my watchful Eyes to four fixt Stars, neglecting others that were less, (which however I saw very well,) among which the Moon was at that Time. It was distant from the little Star *a* hardly 4 Minutes, with its lower Limb in Conjunction with it: And the three other Stars *b*, *c*, *d*, the Moon cover'd entirely with her Body. Now of all these four remarkable little Stars, only one of them *c* has been hitherto taken notice of by Astronomers, and inscribed upon the Globes; it is call'd the uppermost of the uniform'd Stars between Π and Θ , at the Back of *Pollux*: whose Course with its Ingress, Progress, and Egress, is chiefly to be well observed. For from this kind of Observations especially it may be easier to perfect the Theory of the Moon's Motion, and to fix its Nodes and Latitude, than in my Judgment can be done from mere Solar Eclipses. The little Star *b* was cover'd nearly at Mount *Eous*, and *d* at the inferior Limb of the Moon itself. This pass'd through the *Sinus Sirbonis*, the Isle of *Rhodes*, and *S. Athenienses*, the other through the Desert of *Mingui*.

At Dantzick;
by M. Hevelius.
N. 113. p. 289.

Time.

The Time according to Pend. Clock, correct. by Alt.	Order Phases	The Altitudes of the fixed Stars, with things worthy to be noted.	Through what Spots the Sections of the Shadow passed.
h. ' "			
6 22 18		The height of the <i>Swan's Tail</i> 39°. 3'. 0"	
6 25 4		The height of the same 41'. 0".	
6 35 0		Moon enter'd the <i>Penumb.</i>	
6 41 50		Beginning of the Eclipse.	It began about 50° from the <i>Nadir</i> , towards the East.
6 43 45	1	It reach'd the <i>Palus Maræotis</i> .	Just at the Beginning <i>Sinus Siga-ricus</i> , the Islands of <i>Besbica</i> and <i>Melos</i> were in one right Line.
6 44 55	2	The <i>Palus Maræotis</i> quite obscured.	
6 49 0	3		The Section of the Shadow pass'd by Mounts <i>Pentadaet.</i> and <i>Eous.</i>
6 52 30	4	<i>Mons Porphyrites</i> cover'd.	By the <i>Loca Paludosa</i> and <i>M. Cataract.</i>
6 57 35	5		To <i>M. Baronius</i> , thro' <i>M. Petri</i> , <i>Athor</i> , and <i>M. Troicus</i> .
7 2 15	6	It began to cover Mount <i>Ætna</i> .	To the Bay of <i>Apollo</i> , the Island <i>Ficaria</i> , to the bot. of <i>M. Ætna</i> , the Isl. <i>Didyma</i> , and the S. Lake.
7 2 55	7	Mount <i>Ætna</i> quite cover'd.	To the Isle of <i>Sardinia</i> , by the Isles <i>Hiera</i> and <i>Crete</i> .
7 7 40	8		By the greater <i>Atlantic Mountains</i> , the Isle <i>Vulcania</i> , <i>Rhodes</i> , and Mount <i>Ann</i> .
7 10 40	9	Mount <i>Sinai</i> cover'd.	By the Isles <i>Ophiusa</i> , <i>Cyprus</i> , and Mount <i>Sinai</i> .
7 14 0	10	The greater black Lake cover'd.	By greater black lake, by the <i>M. Sipylus</i> , <i>Libanus</i> , and <i>Seir</i> .
7 16 40	11		By less. black lake, the Isle <i>Besbica</i> , Mounts <i>Olympus</i> and <i>Didymus</i> .

7 20 20	12	The Star <i>c</i> was distant from the Limb of the Moon towards the East almost 30'.	The Section of the Shadow pass'd by M. <i>Carpathus</i> , <i>Byzantium</i> , and <i>Taurus</i> .
7 25 0	13		By the Lake <i>Borysthenes</i> , the Isle <i>Apollonia</i> , Mount <i>Moschus</i> , and <i>Sogdianus</i> .
7 28 30	14		By the Mountains <i>Macroemnios</i> , Promontory of <i>Aries</i> , of <i>Hercules</i> , by the utmost Bay of <i>Pontus</i> , and Mount <i>Parapemifus</i> .
7 32 0	15		By the <i>Palud. Hyperboreæ</i> , the Isle <i>Corocondametis</i> , and M. <i>Caucasus</i> .
7 34 10	16		By the <i>Riphean</i> Mountains, the <i>Palus Mæotis</i> , and the lower Bay of the <i>Caspian</i> Sea.
7 42 44		The total Immerfion happen'd about 50°. of the Limb from the Zenith towards the West.	
7 55 30		The little Star <i>a</i> , in its Conjunction with the Moon, was distant from its lower Limb about 4 Minutes.	
8 0 50		The little Star <i>b</i> cover'd at Mount <i>Eous</i> .	
8 35 20		The little Star <i>c</i> enter'd at the Southern Lake.	
8 51 20		The little Star <i>d</i> was hid at the lower Limb.	
9 9 10		The little Star <i>c</i> emerged again under Mount <i>Nevofus</i> ; so that it enter'd the Moon at 3'. 20". It was truly a very pleasant Sight, to find all these very bright, even almost under the greatest Obscuration, and the M's Conjunction.	
9 12 13		Emerfion of the Moon out of the Shadow happen'd almost at 30°. of the M's Limb, from the Nadir towards the East.	
9 20 20	17		Shadow pass'd by <i>Pal. Maræotis</i> , <i>Fontes Amari</i> , and Mount <i>Eous</i> .
9 25 0	18		By Mount <i>Audus</i> , <i>Ajax</i> , and <i>Troicus</i> .
9 30 20	19		By M. <i>Pentadaetylus</i> , <i>Carpathus</i> , <i>S. Sirbonis</i> , and Mount <i>Lion</i> .

9 32 40	20	Mount <i>Porphyrites</i> came out of the Shadow.	By Mount <i>Porphyrites</i> , <i>Cassius</i> , and <i>Didymus</i> .
9 36 5	21	Mount <i>Sinai</i> began to be illuminated.	By <i>M. Baron</i> . at the Isle of <i>Sicily</i> , by <i>Crete</i> , at the bottom of <i>Sinai</i> .
9 42 15	22	Mount <i>Ætna</i> under the very Section of the Shadow.	By the Promontory of <i>Apollo</i> , <i>M. Ætna</i> , by <i>Rhodes</i> , and the Mountains of <i>Seir</i> .
9 47 10	23		By the Isle <i>Vulcania</i> , <i>M. Maficytus</i> , <i>Cragus</i> , and <i>Antilibenus</i> .
9 51 0	24		By the greater black Lake, Bay of <i>Pastanum</i> , Mount <i>Didymus</i> , and Mount <i>Coibacaroni</i> .
9 56 50	25	The Isle <i>Besbica</i> came out again into the Light.	By the lesser black Lake, at the Isle <i>Besbica</i> , by the Mount ^s <i>Uxerii</i> .
9 59 35	26		By the Lake <i>Salmiderfa</i> , <i>M. Horminium</i> , <i>Moschus</i> , and lake <i>Thospitis</i> .
10 5 0	27		By <i>Pontus</i> , Isle <i>Cyanea</i> , Bay of <i>Athens</i> , and Mount <i>Caucasus</i> .
10 7 0	28		By Lake <i>Borysthenes</i> , at the Isle <i>Apollonia</i> , by <i>Heracleum</i> , and <i>M. Tancon</i> .
10 19 35		The Shadow was not yet quite gone.	
10 20 0		The End of the Eclipse.	
10 23 0		The <i>Penumbra</i> .	
10 52 58		Alt. of <i>Mars</i> .	37° 12'
10 58 35		Alt. Star <i>Aries</i> .	28 52
11 11 33		Alt. of <i>Capella</i> .	70 11

At Seville; by
S., Pro-
fessor of Mathe-
maticks.
N. 118. p. 428.

6. The Observation of this Eclipse was very exact; for the Sun being near the Horizon, by the Latitude of this Place the Minutes were easily found. I observed the rest by my Clock, which that Day did not differ so much as a Minute; so that there is no Room for Doubt in the Observation.

	h.	'	
The Beginning of the true Shadow	4	56	
The Immerfion	6	1	
The Emerfion	7	33	
The End	8	39	or something longer.



Hour of the Pend. Clock.			The Phases.
h.	'	"	
1	1	00	Moon's Diam. 3190 = 31' 40".
3	1	00	Moon's Diam. 3191 = 31' 46"
5	1	50	No Appearance of the Penumbra; and now the Moon went under some flying Clouds, under which she still lay hid.
6	1	40	Till a dense Penumbra appear'd through their Openings, or perhaps the Beginning itself; but I could not be sure.
7	1	40	The Moon's Limb being now raised out of the Clouds, was seen to labour under a very notable Defect, a sixth Part, or at least an eighth Part of her Circumference being obscured.
8	1	15	<i>Pentadaetylus</i> was cover'd.
9	2	20	<i>Porphyrites</i> was cover'd.
10	2	30	The first Limb of <i>Sinai</i> .
11	2	00	The next Limb of <i>Aetna</i> .
12	2	40	The remaining Parts illuminated were 2071 = 20'. 38".
13	2	00	A small Telescope Star, that was not visible with the lesser Tube, in the greater appear'd to be of almost half the Capacity of the same, or distant 15' apparently from the lower Limb.
14	2	45	The remaining Parts illuminated 1655 = 16'. 27".
15	2	5	The first Limb of <i>Besbicus</i> .
16	2	3	<i>Horminius</i> cover'd.
17	2	00	<i>Aemus</i> cover'd.
18	2	45	The remaining Parts illustrated 1047 = 10'. 24".
19	2	00	The remaining bright Parts 865 = 8'. 38". And now in the longer Tube another small fixt Star appear'd, being distant from the Limb of the Moon the Long. of the <i>Casp.</i> Spot, its Lat. from the line drawn thro' the Cuspids towards the right Hand.
20	2	15	The Shadow cover'd the Western Shore of <i>Pontus</i> .
21	2	30	It touched the first Limb of <i>Corocondometis</i> .
22	2	00	It touched the <i>Palus Meotis</i> .
23	2	45	<i>Meotis</i> was wholly cover'd.
24	2	10	Doubtful whether any true Light remain'd.
25	2	55	Immersion: For surely the primary Light had intirely left the Moon, for over against, or a little above the <i>Ripbean</i> Mountains, and about a Deg. of the Limb of <i>Hevelius</i> 330, 2 ^h . 57'. 20". the Limb appear'd thro' the Tube of a kind of Ash-colour.

XLV. 1.
 An Eclipse of the Moon, June 27. 1675. at London; by Mr. Flamsteed, and Mr. Halley.
 N. 116. p. 371.
 N. 118. p. 432.

The Measures were often repeated, both by my self, and my Assistant Mr. Halley.

The Air was very serene from the seventh Observation to the Immersion. And a certain faint whitish Light seem'd to take Possession of the Cuspids of the



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the darkned Moon through the whole Time of the Eclipse, which made the Moon conspicuous after the Immerfion, on that Side which fell laft into the Shadow. The Penumbra of this Eclipse was very thin, nor was its breadth greater than that of *Sinai* or *Ætna*. The *Palus Mæotis* appear'd very broad, and removed as far as it could be from the Limb of the Moon. On the contrary, *Maræotis* was very much contracted, nor farther distant from the Moon's Limb than half its Length.

At Paris; by
M. Bullialdus.
Ibid. p. 372.

2. Beginning of true Shadow, <i>Capella's</i> height to East	18 45	h. 1 55
Shadow reach'd <i>Palus Mæot.</i> <i>Lyra's</i> Alt. to West	50 51	2 55
Total Immerfion, <i>Lyra's</i> Alt. to the West	48 50	3 6

3.
By M. Cassini,
M. Picart, and
M. Roemer.
N. 117. p. 388.

Time.	Transit of the Shadow.
h. ' "	
1 56 45	The Beginning below <i>Grimaldus</i> .
1 57 20	Through the first Limb of <i>Grimaldus</i> .
1 58 50	The second Limb of <i>Grimaldus</i> .
2 1 45	<i>Galileus</i> .
2 2 15	The first Limb of <i>Mersennus</i> .
2 4 15	The Beginning of <i>Gassendus</i> .
2 4 40	The middle of <i>Gassendus</i> .
2 5 30	The other Limb of <i>Gassendus</i> .
2 6 15	<i>Herigon</i> and <i>Seleucus</i> .
2 7 45	<i>Morinus</i> .
2 8 18	The middle of <i>Kepler</i> .
2 11 35	<i>Aristarchus</i> and <i>Bullialdus</i> .
2 12 40	<i>Aristarchus</i> disappears.
2 16 25	The Beginning of <i>Tycho</i> .
2 16 40	The Beginning of <i>Copernicus</i> .
2 17 25	The middle of <i>Tycho</i> and <i>Copernicus</i> .
2 18 12	The other Limb of <i>Tycho</i> .
2 21 45	<i>Pythea</i> , and the first of the three <i>Sin. Medii</i> .
2 24 0	The middle of the second <i>Sinus Medii</i> .
2 24 53	<i>Heraclides</i> or <i>Virgo</i> .
2 26 10	The first Limb of <i>Timocharis</i> .
2 26 40	The middle of <i>Timocharis</i> .
2 31 40	The Promontory between <i>Virgo</i> and <i>Plato</i> .
2 32 20	<i>Abulfeda</i> .
2 34 15	The Beginning of <i>Manilius</i> .
2 36 15	<i>Diomysius</i> the <i>Areopagite</i> .
2 38 10	The Shore of the Sea of <i>Tranquillity</i> .
2 38 45	The first Limb of <i>Menelaus</i> and <i>Plato</i> .
2 39 20	<i>Fracastor</i> .
2 39 53	The middle of <i>Plato</i> .

Time.			Transit of the Shadow.
h.	'	"	
2	41	15	Through the other Limb of <i>Plato</i> .
2	44	15	Promontory between <i>Conforinus</i> and <i>Beda</i> .
2	50	20	The first Limb of <i>Palus Somnii</i> .
2	50	45	The Horns were vertical.
2	53	55	The beginning of <i>Langrenus</i> .
2	55	20	The first Limb of <i>Mare Caspium</i> .
3	1	10	The other Limb of <i>Mare Caspium</i> .
3	1	45	<i>Endymion</i> .
3	3	15	<i>Meshala</i> .
3	7	45	End, or tot. Immerf. above <i>Mare Caspium</i> .

The *Caspian* Sea was then distant from the Western Limb about $\frac{3}{4}$ of its Breadth. After the total Immerfion the whole Body of the Moon was still distinguishable.

Correct. H. of the Clock			Phases.
h.	'	"	
2	29	30	Between the Cuspids $2085 = 17'. 16''$.
2	55	45	The Shadow almost touch'd <i>Hæmus</i> .
3	0	30	It had certainly touch'd <i>Hæmus</i> .
3	11	30	The right Cuspis from <i>Maræotis</i> $1235 = 10'. 14''$.
3	35	0	The lucid Parts were about $2800 = 23°. 11''$. or perhaps something more; for it was very difficult to distinguish the Limits of the true Shadow, because the Air was foul with Vapours.
3	42	30	The Shadow near <i>Macra</i> .
3	52	45	Between the Cuspids about $2288 = 18'. 57''$.
4	7	15	The End: For the Limb appear'd, and there seem'd nothing to be wanting in the Roundness of the Moon.
4	8	0	The Limb very plainly seen through the Tube.
4	15	30	The Penumbra, which to the naked Eye resembled an Eclipse.
4	19	30	The Diameter of the Moon taken $3757 = 31'. 5''$. but not much confided in, tho' I think it not far from Truth.
4	23	0	Still and afterwards, the Limb forsaken by the Eclipse seem'd something obscure, and as it were another Eclipse.

XLVI. I.
An Eclipse of the
Moon, Decemb.
22. 1675. at
Greenwich; by
Mr. Flamsteed.
N. 121. p. 435.

The Distance of *Corfica* from the remote Limb of the Moon $2732 = 22'. 37''$.
Its nearest Limb from the nearest of the Moon $1045 = 8'. 39''$.
The remoter Limb of *Sinai* from the nearest of the Moon $599 = 4'. 58''$. good.
The Middle of the greater black Lake from the nearest Limb $452 = 3'. 45''$.

I took notice besides, that the Shadow always appear'd far more distinct at the Horns than elsewhere, in the Face of the Moon. In the first Observation, or a little before, the Horns were parallel to the Horizon.

Then also *Porphyrites*, and the greater black Lake, were equally out of the Shadow, about the Length of *Maerotis*.

Yet it never went beyond *Porphyrites* in this Eclipse, yet I saw it deeply immersed in the Penumbra.

In the Height of the Eclipse the Shadow almost reached *Corsica*; yet I never saw it extinct, but immersed so deeply in the Penumbra, that I could hardly perceive it.

Neither did the true Shadow ever go over the Isle *Macra*, but only a dense Penumbra, through which it was difficult to see it.

At 4^h. 5¹/₂'. I could not see the Limb, nor at 4^h. 6¹/₂'. But at 4^h. 7' I thought I saw the Light of the Limb very faint, but with much Difficulty. At 4^h. 7'. 15". I was sure it had emerged out of the Shadow, nor was any thing wanting to its Roundness. Therefore there I placed the End.

The Shadow went out near the upper *Lacus Hyperboreus*, the Penumbra remaining, which exhibited the Eclipse to the naked Eye as far as 4^h. 15¹/₂'. But the Limb left by the Eclipse recover'd the Brightness of the other Limb not till 4^h. 28'. or later.

The Times of the Phases were corrected by the Altitudes of *Arcturus*, and the bright Star of the Crown, taken by a Telescopic Quadrant of above three Feet Radius. To the taking of which Altitudes I apply'd my self, whenever the Clouds came over the Moon, Those Stars sometimes shone out very bright in the other Quarter of the Heavens.

At London ;
by Mr. Edm.
Halley.
Ibid. p. 493.

2. The Eclipse was begun before I came to my Instruments. But this was observed at London in *Winchester-street* by Mr. *Halley*, when the upper Limb of the Moon was distant from the Vertex.

	39	51	whence he reckon'd the Hour	2	16
from the same	41	1	The Horns parallel to the Horizon	2	25
	54	12		3	58

By Mr. Colson.
Ibid.

3. *John Colson* at *Wapping*, near the *Hermitage*, saw the Limb of the Moon something deficient at 2^h. 17³/₄'. But at 4^h. 9'. 25". he found it had come out of the true Shadow, and that there was only a dense Penumbra remaining.

At Paris ; by
M. Cassini.
N. 123. p. 561.

4. In this Eclipse two of the chief things have been exactly determin'd by us, that is, the middle Time of the Eclipse, and its Magnitude. The middle is deduced not only from a Comparison of the Beginning and End, but also of two equal Phases, which are very easily determin'd, that is, when the Distance of the Horns was equal to the Semidiameter of the Moon, taken before the Eclipse, 15' 28". That is, when the beginning of the Eclipse was estimated at 2^h. 24'. 35".

End of the total Eclipse, a like Penumbra being left as	h.	'	"
was in the Determination of the Beginning	4	15	25
The Duration of the whole Eclipse comes out	1	50	50
The Half	0	55	25
And the middle of the Eclipse	3	20	0
A sixth Part of the Circumference is cut off	2	38	5

	h.	'	"
And again	4	2	25
The Interval	1	24	20
The Half		42	10
Hence the middle of the Eclipse	3	10	15

Agreeing to the former Determination within a fourth part of a Minute.

We agree entirely with Mr. *Flamsteed* in the Situation of the Shadow, and the Magnitude of the Eclipse. For it is observed by both of us, the Shadow never went beyond *Porphyrites*, tho' it was deeply immerfed in the Penumbra.

Next to *Porphyrites* is a little whitish Mountain, which we then call'd the *Companion of Aristarchus*, because it is hardly distant from *Porphyrites* its own Diameter. That little Mountain was immerfed in the Shadow at 2^h. 51'. 15". And it emerged at 3^h. 8'. 25", and all the Time between was in the Shadow next to *Porphyrites*.

We both of us observed also, that in the Height of the Eclipse the Shadow almost reached to *Corfica*, yet it was never cover'd by it, but a small Distance was left; the Distance of which Limit being taken from the nearest Limb of the Moon was 8'. 17". Whereas *Flamsteed* found the Distance of the Island itself a little more remote from the same Limb, to be 8'. 39". We also observed the Island *Macra*, or rather *Peninsula*, to be very long adjacent to both the Shadows. We took notice this begun at 3^h. 28'. 15". and that it continued at the same Distance for a quarter of an Hour.

Capella dist. from the Vert.	Phases.	Mean Time.
o "		h. ' "
39 36	The Penumbra thin.	2 6 12
40 42	The Penumbra more dense.	2 12 7
42 30	Sensible Begin. over against <i>Sinus Hyperb.</i> about 70°.	2 23 32
42 50	Almost $\frac{1}{8}$ of a Digit.	2 25 48
44 25	The Shadow touch'd the lesser <i>Atlas</i> .	2 36 11
47 28	The Shadow a little above <i>Baronius</i> , above <i>Ligustinus</i> , it had feized <i>M. Macr.</i>	2 56 27
48 56	The Shadow had almost reached <i>Catena Mundi</i> .	3 6 22
49 54	The Shadow touch'd <i>Montunial</i> .	3 12 54
50 30	Touch'd <i>Sin. Peront. M. Pyra</i> , and middle of <i>Pal. Hyper.</i>	3 17 41
52 7	It feiz'd <i>Sinus Sagaricus</i> , and <i>Peronticus</i> , and the Promontory of the Moon.	3 29 1
54 52	<i>Leucopetra</i> was out of the Shadow.	3 48 2

5.
By M. Bullial-
dus.
N. 125. p. 610.

55	40	<i>Sinus Peronticus</i> out of the Shadow	3 54 6
55	48	<i>Sinus Sagaricus</i> out of the Shadow.	3 55 12
56	17	<i>Sinus Cercinites</i> was almost emerged.	3 58 29
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57	16	Part under Shad. equal almost to breadth of <i>Pal. Meot.</i>	4 5 38
58	30	The End over against Mont. <i>Macr.</i> about g. 355.	4 13 59
59	6	Penumbra.	

The Shadow did not reach *Corfica*, nor *Lacus Thrasymenus*; wherefore the Eclipse did not exceed 3 dig. 30'. or rather less. The Beginning was sooner by a Minute or 45" than what is set down, so that it may be fixt more exactly at 2^h. 22'. 30". Hence the whole Duration exactly enough was 1^h. 51'. 24". So that the greatest Obscuration happen'd at 3^h. 18'. 14".

6.
At Strasburg;
by M. Richelt.
Ibid.

Alt. of Arctur.		Mean Time.		Phases.
°	'	h.	'	
30	30	2	48 48	Beginning.
36	0	3	20 8	Shad. thro' <i>M. Porphyrites</i> , and Promont. of the Moon.
39	50	3	45 44	The Shadow skim'd by <i>Lacus Thrasymenus</i> , Mount <i>Baronius</i> , and <i>Sinus Cercinites</i> .
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44	15	4	13 20	Shadow pass'd by Promont. of the Moon, and <i>M. Cimmerius</i> .
46	25	4	27 36	Shadow touch'd the lesser black Lake, and <i>M. Carpathus</i> .
48	30	4	41 44	It ended in the middle Region of <i>Sinus Hyperboreus</i> .

Therefore the whole Duration was 1^h. 52'. 56".

At Dantzick;
by M. Hevelius.
N. 124. p. 589.

7. In this Eclipse it is to be well observed, that all the Sections never intirely cover'd Mount *Porphyrites*, but it remain'd perspicuous in the very Limit of the Shadow, even in the greatest Obscuration.

30	30	2	48 48	Beginning.
36	0	3	20 8	Shad. thro' <i>M. Porphyrites</i> , and Promont. of the Moon.
39	50	3	45 44	The Shadow skim'd by <i>Lacus Thrasymenus</i> , Mount <i>Baronius</i> , and <i>Sinus Cercinites</i> .
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Time

Time cor- rect. by Alt.		Altitudes of the fixed Stars.		Order of Phases.	Through what Spots the Sections of the Shadow pass'd.
h.	'	"	'		
2	28	38	26	12	Right Should. <i>Orion</i> .
2	33	20	25	35	The same.
2	36	40			Begin. of the <i>Penum.</i>
3	8	10			
3	16	35			
3	24	20			
3	30	0			Begin. of Eclipse.
3	36	25			
3	42	5			
3	46	30			
3	52	10			
3	59	15			
4	7	45			Star distant from the Limb 36' or 40'.
4	11	45			
4	18	5			
4	26	0			
4	56	20			
5	55	28	32	33	Brt. Star of the harp.
5	57	33	32	50	The same.
5	59	0			
6	8	0			

The Phases of the Moon, and of the Spots, as determined by Ricciolus.	In the Royal Obser- vatory.		In the Col- lege of Clarmont.
	Below.	Above.	
The Shadow begins.	h. ' "	h. ' "	h. ' "
The subsequent Limb of <i>Grimaldus</i> .	6 43 30	6 43 40	6 43 54
<i>Galileus</i> .	6 45 0		6 45 29
The End of <i>Galileus</i> .	6 46 0	6 46 0	
	6 47 0		

XLVII.
An Eclipse of the
Moon, Oct. 29.
(S. N.) 1678.
At Paris; by
M. Cassini.
N. 141. p. 1015.

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	h.	'	"	h.	'	"	h.	'	"
<i>Mersennus.</i>	6	48	20						
The Chord of the Eclipse was 6 dig.				6	49	00			
The Beginning of <i>Gassendus.</i>	6	50	50	6	50	50			
The middle of <i>Gassendus.</i>				6	51	30	6	51	37
The Beginning of <i>Schikard.</i>	6	51	43						
11 Dig. Eclip.				6	52	00			
The Beginning of <i>Aristarchus.</i>	6	52	50						
The middle of <i>Aristarchus.</i>				6	53	10	3	56	7
The End of <i>Aristarchus</i> and <i>Morinus.</i>	6	54	00						
<i>Capuanus</i> , or the Dragon's Eye.	6	56	00						
III. Digits.				6	56	30			
A Chord of 9 Digits.				6	57	00			
The Begin. of <i>Terra Pruina</i> and <i>Copernicus</i>	6	58	54						
The Beginning of <i>Copernicus.</i>				6	59	10			
The middle of <i>Copernicus.</i>	7	00	00	7	00	00	6	59	30
The end of <i>Copernicus.</i>	7	00	55	7	00	55			
The beginning of <i>Pitbeas.</i>	7	1	50	7	1	40			
The end of <i>Pitbeas.</i>	7	2	30						
The Virgin's Head.	7	2	45	7	2	40	7	3	18
<i>Harpalus.</i>	7	2	55						
The beginning of <i>Tycho.</i>	7	4	20	7	4	20			
The middle of <i>Tycho.</i>	7	5	00				7	5	48
The end of <i>Tycho.</i>	7	5	55						
<i>Eratosthenes.</i>	7	6	20						
V. Digits.				7	6	50			
The Promont. between the Virgin and <i>Plato.</i>	7	7	00						
The Island in the farthest of the <i>Sinus Medii.</i>	7	7	30						
A bright Spot following <i>Tycho.</i>	7	8	31						
VI. Digits.				7	11	20			
<i>Tymocharis.</i>	7	11	48						
The beginning of <i>Plato.</i>				7	13	20	7	13	29
The middle of <i>Plato.</i>				7	13	40			
The end of <i>Plato</i> , and the begin. of <i>Manilius.</i>	7	14	00						
The end of <i>Plato.</i>				7	14	40			
<i>Manilius.</i>				7	14	50	7	15	4
The end of <i>Manilius.</i>	7	15	12						
The beginning of <i>Dionysius.</i>	7	17	15						
<i>Dionysius.</i>				7	17	25			
<i>Menelaus.</i>				7	18	10	7	17	59
The end of <i>Dionysius</i> , and begin. of <i>Menelaus.</i>	7	18	28				7	18	11
<i>Pliny</i> begins.	7	20	56						
<i>Pliny.</i>				7	21	10	7	21	51
<i>Picolomineus</i> , or the bri ^t Spot above the Ring.	7	21	30						
The beginning of <i>Fracastoreus</i> or the Ring.	7	23	00	7	23	5			
The beginning of <i>Possidonius.</i>	7	23	55				7	24	38
The end of <i>Fracastoreus.</i>	7	24	25						

The

	h.	'	"	h.	'	"	h.	'	"
Bright Spot before the Angle of the acute Promontory				7	24	35			
The Angle of the acute Promontory	7	25	10						
IX Digits				7	26	10			
<i>Palus Somni</i>	7	28	00						
The beginning of <i>Endymion</i>	7	29	20						
The beginning of <i>Taurentius</i>	7	30	30						
Angle of the horns with the Parallel 77° 15'				7	30	40	7	31	16
The beginning of <i>Hermes</i>	7	31	5						
End of <i>Taurentius</i> , or of the Serpent's Head	7	31	40						
The end of <i>Hermes</i>	7	32	00						
<i>Proclus</i>	7	32	20						
The Limb of <i>Mare Caspium</i>	7	32	29	7	33	37	7	33	10
The lower Spot	7	33	5						
The beginning of <i>Langrenus</i>	7	34	24						
<i>Messala</i>	7	34	40						
The end of <i>Langrenus</i>	7	35	40						
The <i>Peninsula in Caspia</i>	7	37	50						
The end of <i>Caspia</i>	7	37	50	7	37	50	7	38	18
An oblong Spot	7	39	16						
The end	7	40	41	7	41	00	7	41	28
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The beginning of the Emerfion	9	21	30	9	21	30	9	21	5
<i>Grimaldus</i>	9	22	44				9	22	10
The end of <i>Grimaldus</i>	9	23	40	9	23	40			
<i>Galileus</i>	9	24	35						
The Sea of <i>Humours</i>	9	28	15						
The middle of <i>Schikard</i>	9	29	00						
The beginning of <i>Aristarchus</i>	9	29	44				9	29	41
The middle of <i>Aristarchus</i>				9	30	20			
The whole of <i>Aristarchus</i>	9	30	25						
The whole of <i>Gassendus</i>	9	31	00						
The beginning of <i>Kepler</i>				9	31	40	9	31	6
The whole of <i>Kepler</i>	9	32	24						
<i>Morinus</i>	9	30	00						
The end of the Island of <i>Kepler</i>	9	34	22						
The whole of <i>Capuanus</i>	9	34	40						
The beginning of <i>Terra Pruina</i>	9	35	43						
<i>Virgo</i>	9	37	00						
Golden Spot between <i>Pitheas</i> and <i>Kepler</i>				9	37	20			
<i>Harpalus</i> , & the bright spot before <i>Copernicus</i>	9	37	34						
III Digits				9	37	40			
<i>Bullialdus</i>	9	38	30						
The beginning of <i>Copernicus</i>				9	39	00	9	38	36
The beginning of <i>Tycho</i>	9	40	00				9	40	22
The whole of <i>Copernicus</i>	9	40	18						
<i>Pitheas</i>				9	40	30			



	h. ' "	h. ' "	h. ' "
The middle of <i>Tycho</i>	9 41 00	9 41 10	
The end of <i>Tycho</i>		9 42 20	
IV Digits		9 42 40	
The whole of <i>Timocharis</i>	9 45 30		
<i>Plato</i> begins		9 45 30	9 45 00
V Digits		9 47 00	
The whole of <i>Plato</i>	9 45 00	9 47 30	
The Island under <i>Sinus Medius</i>	9 50 00		
The end of <i>Sinus Medius</i>	9 50 50		
<i>Archimedes</i>	9 51 37		
VI Digits		9 52 00	
<i>Manilius</i>		9 54 00	9 53 52
<i>Fretum</i>	9 54 22		
The beginning of <i>Abifeldea</i>	9 54 40		
The end of <i>Abifeldea</i>	9 55 30		
The whole of <i>Aristotle</i> and <i>Eudoxus</i>	9 56 00		
VII Digits		9 56 20	
The beginning of <i>Dionysius</i>	9 57 12		
<i>Menelaus</i>	9 57 50	9 57 40	9 57 16
The middle of <i>Dionysius</i>		9 58 30	
The whole of <i>Menelaus</i>	9 59 00		
The whole of <i>Dionysius</i>	10 00 00		
VIII Digits	10 1 30		
The Mouth of <i>Lacus Mortis</i>		10 2 00	
<i>Pliny</i> .		10 2 15	10 1 28
The Promontory above <i>Dionysius</i>	10 3 00		
The end of <i>Pliny</i>	10 3 40		
<i>Possidonius</i>		10 5 30	
The Acute Promontory	10 6 00		
<i>Hermes</i>		10 6 15	
IX Digits		10 9 30	
The Chord of the Shade of 8 Digits	10 11 00		
<i>Messala</i>	10 13 30	10 12 10	10 11 30
The beginning of the <i>Caspian Sea</i>	10 16 00		
The whole of <i>Langrenus</i>		10 14 00	
A Chord of 6 Digits		10 16 50	10 16 44
The first end of the <i>Caspian</i>	10 17 33	10 17 25	
The other end of the <i>Caspian</i>	10 18 15		
The Whiteness in the <i>Caspian Sea</i>	10 20 00	10 20 10	10 20 42
The total End			

Time by the Pendulum Clock.			Time cor- rected by Observat.		Observations.	
h.	'	"	h.	'	"	
1	5	00	1	00	00	The Moon's Diameter $6191 = 30'. 53''$.
1	46	30	1	41	30	The Penumbra observable.
1	53	40	1	48	40	The Penumbra dense.
1	55	40	1	50	40	The beginning.
1	58	00	1	53	00	The Shadow at Mount <i>Climax</i> .
2	3	20	1	58	20	<i>Sinus Sirbonis</i> begins.
2	5	50	2	00	50	<i>Lacus Maræotis</i> begins.
2	7	30	2	2	30	<i>Mons Cataractes</i> begins.
2	8	16	2	3	16	<i>Maræotis</i> wholly cover'd.
2	10	50	2	5	50	<i>Sinai</i> begins.
2	12	56	2	7	56	<i>Sinai</i> wholly cover'd.
2	18	00	2	13	00	<i>Aodus</i> .
2	27	24	2	22	24	<i>Circinna</i> .
2	31	00	2	26	00	<i>Abulfeda</i> according to <i>Ricciolus</i> .
2	32	30	2	27	30	<i>Pentadaëtylus</i> begins.
2	33	32	2	28	32	The first Limb of <i>Ætna</i> .
2	34	26	2	29	26	The whole of <i>Pentadaëtylus</i> .
2	35	6	2	30	6	The middle of <i>Ætna</i> .
2	36	00	2	31	00	<i>Ætna</i> wholly cover'd.
2	40	00	2	35	00	The Shadow thro' the middle of <i>Porphyrites</i> .
2	44	50	2	39	50	<i>Isle Hiera</i> and <i>Ficaria</i> together at the Shadow.
2	46	10	2	41	10	The Shadow at <i>Horminius</i> .
2	50	10	2	45	10	<i>Mons Hercules</i> begins.
2	51	10	2	46	10	<i>Mons Hercules</i> within the Shadow.
2	52	10	2	47	10	The Shadow through the middle of <i>Besbicus</i> .
2	54	00	2	49	00	Through the middle of <i>Insula Major</i> .
2	55	30	2	50	30	Through the middle of <i>Bizantium</i> .
2	57	40	2	52	40	Through the middle of the <i>Isle Cyanea</i> .
3	1	50	2	56	50	At the first Limb of <i>Corocondometes</i> .
3	4	30	2	59	30	At the first Limb of <i>Meotis</i> .
3	13	00	3	8	00	<i>Macra</i> begins to be obscured : Doubtful.
3	14	00	3	9	00	<i>Meotis</i> wholly cover'd.
3	19	12	3	14	12	The remaining lucid parts were $1092 = 5'. 27''$.

XLVIII. 1.

An Eclipse of the
Moon, Aug. 19.
m. 1681. at
Greenwich; by
Mr. Flamsteed.
Ph. Coll. N. 3.
p. 67.

At Paris, by
M. Cassini.
Ibid. p. 66.

Digits eclipsed.	Phases.	Time.
d. ' "		h. ' "
	The Beginning at	1 58 30
	The Arrival of the Shadow at <i>Grimaldus</i>	2 1 30
	At <i>Tycho</i>	2 8 00
	At the Center of the <i>Moon</i>	2 37 30
	At the middle of <i>Copernicus</i>	2 39 30
	At <i>Aristarchus</i>	2 40 00
8 16 00	At the middle of <i>Manilius</i>	2 54 30
	At <i>Plinius</i>	3 1 00
9 2 00	At the lower part of the <i>Caspian Sea</i>	3 7 30
9 31 20	At the upper side of the <i>Caspian Sea</i>	3 18 30
10 1 00	The greatest Obscurity	3 55 45
4 46 00	{ The Return of the Shadow }	3 47 00
	{ to <i>Aristarchus</i> }	
	To the Center of the <i>Moon</i>	4 29 00
	To <i>Tycho</i>	4 41 30
	The End of the Eclipse	5 13 00
	The Whole Duration	3 14 30

At 5^h. 13' 56". the Apparent Altitude of the upper edge of the Sun, was 17' 10". and that of the Moon, 1° 11' 30".

3.
At Dantzick;
by M. Hevelius.
N. 5. p. 160.

Time by the Clock.	Phases.	Altitudes.	Time corrected.
h. ' "		° ' "	h. ' "
1 1 03	The Altitude of the Bull's Eye	24 14	1 4 48
2 4 30	The same Altitude	32 58	2 6 32
2 9 00	Taken again	33 30	2 10 32
2 45 00	The Track of the Penumbra		2 46 30
2 53 00	Penumbra something denser		2 54 00
2 59 00	Still more dense		3 00 00
3 1 00	Now very dense		3 2 00
3 2 00	The beginning of the Eclipse		3 3 00
3 6 00	The first Phasis		3 6 30
3 12 00	The second Phasis		3 12 30
3 14 00	The third Phasis		3 14 30
3 20 00	The fourth Phasis		3 21 00
3 22 30	Mount <i>Sinai</i> wholly cover'd		3 23 00
3 29 00	The sixth Phasis		3 30 00
3 43 00	The Altitude of <i>Pollux</i>	30 00	3 43 00
5 2 00	The Center of the Sun arises		

The

The Colour of this Eclipse was Ash-colour, or dusky. At the Time of Observation *Mons Porphyrites*, and Mount *Ætna* were nearly in the same Perpendicular.

Phases I. The Shadow pass'd over Mount *Ecus*.

II. It came to the Lakes of *Arabia*.

III. It touch'd the lower Bank of *Palus Maræotis*, and the Extremity of *Sinus Sirbonis*.

IV. It pass'd over the Island *Letoa* as far as *M. Sinai*, but the whole Mountain was yet visible and uncover'd.

V. It seem'd to pass over *Sinus Syrticus*, so that the Shadow now cover'd all Mount *Sinai*.

VI. It went above *Sinus Syrticus*, beyond the Island *Crete*, and over *Mare Mortuum*.

XLIX. 1. An. 168½. Feb. 11. Hour 8. 1'. with a Tube of 16 Feet I took the Moon's Diameter 6702 = 33'. 25". Then the Distance of its nearest Limb from the nearest Limb of *Maræotis* 145 = 0'. 43". But the Distance of the Limb of the same Spot from the remoter Limb of the Moon was 6575 = 32'. 48". Also by the Help of the same Tube I obtain'd the Times, when the Obscuration reach'd the Center of the Moon, and when the Radius subtended its Arches in the Periphery that were either deficient or after they were restored: From whence the middle may be derived, perhaps not less accurately, than from the compared Observations of the Beginning and End, the Immersion and Emerfion.

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Phases.

Phases.	The Times of the Phases corrected by Pendulum Clocks.								
	Observat. in Greenwich			At London					
	By myself.			By Halley.			By Haines.		
	h.	'	"	h.	'	"	h.	'	"
<i>Famus</i> at the lower Limb; by our naked Eyes	8	48	38						
The Shadow - - - - -	9	4	8						
A dense Penumbra - - - - -	9	11	44						
The Beginning - - - - -	9	12	32	9	13	04	9	12	18
The middle of <i>Palus Maræotis</i> cover'd	9	14	02						perh. soon.
The whole of <i>Maræotis</i> cover'd -				9	14	39	9	13	48
A sixth part of the Periphery was obscured	9	18	10						
<i>Circinna</i> within the Shadow - - - - -	9	20	10						
The middle of <i>Porphyrites</i> - - - - -				9	21	1			
The Shadow skims by <i>Syrbo</i> - - - - -				9	21	9			
First Limb of <i>Mons Cataractes</i> , or of <i>Gassendus</i>	9	21	32						
The Eye of the Dragon - - - - -	9	27	58						
It skim'd by the nearer limbs of <i>Crete</i> and <i>Ætna</i>	9	28	22	9	28	44	9	28	19
Mount <i>Ætna</i> wholly cover'd; <i>Hiera</i> begins	9	29	48	9	30	16	9	30	12
<i>Hiera</i> wholly cover'd - - - - -				9	30	44			
The Beginning of <i>Corfica</i> - - - - -	9	33	46						
The middle of <i>Corfica</i> - - - - -				9	34	48			
Mount <i>Sinai</i> begins - - - - -	9	36	38	9	37	10	9	36	20
The middle of <i>Sinai</i> - - - - -	9	37	22						
All <i>Sinai</i> cover'd - - - - -	9	38	04	9	38	10	9	38	20
The Center of the Moon, or 6 Digits	9	38	48						
The greater black Lake begins - - - - -	9	39	58	9	40	36			
The middle of the greater black Lake							9	40	48
The whole is cover'd - - - - -				9	41	40			
The beginning of <i>Besbicus</i> - - - - -				9	43	48			
The middle of <i>Besbicus</i> - - - - -	9	43	42				9	44	13
Whole of <i>Besbicus</i> , it glides by the <i>Euxine</i> Sea				9	44	36			
<i>Byzantium</i> begins - - - - -	9	46	58						
<i>Horminius</i> begins - - - - -	9	47	22						
<i>Carpathes</i> - - - - -	9	47	50						
<i>Mons Serrorum</i> - - - - -	9	48	30						
<i>Apollonia</i> - - - - -	9	50	24	9	51	21			
<i>Macra</i> - - - - -	9	52	44	9	53	33			
Mount of <i>Hercules</i> - - - - -	9	54	26						
All <i>Macra</i> cover'd - - - - -				9	54	53			
All Mount <i>Hercules</i> cover'd - - - - -				9	55	33			
<i>Corocondometes Palus</i> - - - - -	9	59	10						
Thro' the middle of the upper <i>Lacus Hyperbor.</i>				9	59	53			
<i>Corocondometes</i> wholly cover'd - - - - -	10	00	38						
The Shadow over Mount <i>Corax</i> - - - - -				10	1	17			
It glides by <i>Mæotis</i> - - - - -	10	2	20	10	2	38			

Through

	h.	'	"	h.	'	"	h.	'	"
Through the lower <i>Lacus Hyperboreus</i>				10	3	53			
Through the middle of <i>Insula Major</i>	10	5	14						
<i>Lacus Mæotis</i> almost wholly cover'd	10	6	54	10	8	00	10	6	48
A sixth part of the Periphery, the rest bright	10	7	28						
Immersion - - - - -	10	10	14	10	10	11	10	9	48
Emerfion - - - - -	11	47	38	11	47	9	11	47	48
A sixth part of the Periphery illuminated, with the first Limb of <i>Maræotis</i> - - -	11	50	02	11	50	7			
The middle of <i>Maræotis</i> - - - - -	11	50	42				11	50	48
All <i>Maræotis</i> illuminated - - - - -	11	51	6	11	50	58			
The Shadow thro' the middle of <i>Porphyrites</i>	11	52	50						
All <i>Porphyrites</i> cover'd - - - - -	11	53	34				11	52	54
All <i>Circinna</i> - - - - -	11	58	18						
It glides by the <i>Sinus Sirbonis</i> - - -				11	58	59			
<i>Cataractes Sirbonis</i> , or all <i>Gassendus</i>	12	1	00						
<i>Hiera</i> begins - - - - -				12	3	14			
<i>Ætna</i> begins to emerge - - - - -	12	3	20						
Thro' the middle of the greater black Lake							12	3	48
Through the middle of <i>Ætna</i> - - - - -				12	4	19			
<i>Ætna</i> wholly uncover'd - - - - -	12	5	18	12	5	4	12	5	45
<i>Crete</i> is illuminated - - - - -	12	7	34						
<i>Sinai</i> begins - - - - -	12	13	38				12	13	43
The middle of <i>Sinai</i> - - - - -	12	14	28	12	14	12			
All <i>Sinai</i> - - - - -	12	15	34	12	14	55			
The middle of <i>Besbicus</i> - - - - -	12	17	34				12	17	48
The Center of the Moon, 6 Digits uncover'd	12	18	28						
Thro' the middle of the upper <i>Hyperborean</i> lake				12	19	5			
The Shadow thro' the middle of <i>Bizantium</i>							12	20	18
<i>Bizantium</i> without the Shadow - - -	12	20	50	12	20	25			
All <i>Macra</i> - - - - -				12	22	36			
All the <i>Insula Apollonia</i> , and <i>Horminius</i>	12	24	24	12	24	16			
The lower <i>Lacus Hyperboreus</i> - - -				12	26	6			
Mount <i>Hercules</i> - - - - -				12	30	56	12	31	18
The middle of <i>Corocondometes</i> at the Shadow	12	31	38						
<i>Mons Corax</i> - - - - -				12	32	37			
<i>Mæotis</i> begins to be enlightned - - -	12	33	18				12	32	18
<i>Mæotis</i> wholly uncover'd - - - - -				12	37	57	12	38	3
A sixth part of the Periphery, the rest obscure	12	39	6						
The Middle of the greater Island of the <i>Casp. Sea</i>				12	41	22	12	42	18
The whole Island uncover'd - - - - -	12	42	18						
The End doubtful - - - - -	12	45	10				12	44	48
The End certainly - - - - -	12	45	38	12	44	35	12	45	18

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During the Eclipse Mr. *Halley*, together with *Thomas Smith*, took the following Distances of the Moon from the fixed Stars with a Sextant.

<i>Times corrected by the Clock.</i>	<i>Observations.</i>	<i>Distances.</i>
h. ' "		° ' "
8 53 07	Of the remoter Limb of the Moon from <i>Regulus</i>	8 05 20
8 55 07	Repeated	8 06 20
9 2 34	Of the remoter Limb of the Moon from the bright Star in the Lion's Side	14 58 15
9 4 18	Repeated	14 57 55
9 8 42	Of the remoter Limb of the Moon from <i>Regulus</i> , again	8 12 50
The Moon being intirely immerfed in the Shadow, Mr. <i>Halley</i> with me.		
10 19 21	Of the nearest Limb of the Moon from <i>Regulus</i>	8 13 30
11 38 06	Of the remote Limb from <i>Regulus</i>	9 23 50
11 41 48	Repeated	9 25 35
And when the Eclipse was over,		
12 52 00	Of the remoter Limb from <i>Regulus</i> , again,	9 58 20
12 55 10	Once more	10 00 00



Phases.	At Paris.		At Copenhagen.	
	In the Royal Observa- tory.		College of Clarmont.	By Roemer. A reduction of Meridi- ans being made, subt. 41'. 40".
	By Cassini.	By Picard and De la Hire.	By Father de Fonteney	
	h. ' "	h. ' "	h. ' "	h. ' "
The Beginning	9 20 55	9 21 58	9 21 25	9 21 50
The middle of <i>Aristarchus</i>	9 29 57	9 29 33	9 29 28	9 29 50
The middle of <i>Copernicus</i>	9 38 45	9 38 25	9 38 40	9 38 48
The Beginning of <i>Tycho</i>	9 45 52	9 45 48	9 45 48	9 46 20
The end of <i>Tycho</i>	9 47 40	9 47 36	9 47 20	9 47 50
The Beginning of <i>Plato</i>	9 49 47	9 49 08	9 49 25	9 49 50
The Center of the Moon		9 51 10		9 50 20
The Center from a Comparison of the beginning and end	9 50 24	9 50 44	9 50 10	9 50 30
The middle of <i>Manilius</i>	9 53 16	9 53 30	9 51 18	9 53 20
<i>Menelaus</i>	9 56 43	9 56 20	9 56 14	9 56 20
<i>Dionysius</i>	9 57 09	9 57 40		9 57 20
The Acute Promontory	10 04 31	10 04 15	10 04 12	10 04 20
The Beginning of <i>Caspia</i>	10 11 40	10 11 25	10 11 20	10 11 50
The End of <i>Caspia</i>	10 16 27	10 16 30	10 15 50	10 16 20
The Moon intirely immerfed	10 19 53	10 19 30	10 18 55	10 19 50
The Beginning of Emerfion between <i>Grimald.</i> and <i>Galilæus</i>	11 57 51	11 56 00	11 58 00	11 55 20
The middle of <i>Aristarchus</i>	12 02 00	12 01 55	12 03 09	12 01 50
The middle of <i>Plato</i>	12 12 06	12 12 10	12 13 26	12 12 20
The middle of <i>Copernicus</i>	12 14 32	12 14 30	12 14 29	
The middle of <i>Tycho</i>	12 23 35	12 23 55	12 24 21	12 23 20
The Center of the Moon		12 25 50		12 26 20
The Center by Comparison of the Emerfion of the Limbs	12 26 09	12 25 15	12 26 08	12 24 50
The middle of <i>Manilius</i>	12 26 22		12 26 20	12 26 20
The middle of <i>Menelaus</i>	12 29 08	12 29 20	12 29 22	12 29 05
<i>Dionysius</i>	12 32 30	12 33 15	12 32 20	12 32 50
The Acute Promontory	12 39 45	12 39 50		12 39 50
The Beginning of <i>Caspia</i>	12 41 53	12 41 30	12 41 11	
The End of <i>Caspia</i>	12 47 15	12 46 30	12 48 20	12 47 20
The end of the Eclipse	12 54 27	12 54 30	12 54 17	12 54 20

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At Paris, and
Copenhagen.
N. 146. p. 145.

3.
At Dantzick; by M.
Hevelius.
Ib. p. 146.

Time by the Watch	Order of Phases.	Digits eclipsed	Altitudes of the Stars.	By what Spots the Sections of the Shadow pass'd, and what was observed besides.	Time corrected by Altitudes.
h. ' "			° '		h. ' "
8 41 18			Bull's Eye 39 53		8 40 46
8 44 9			Again 39 27		8 44 20
8 48 14			Again 39 0		8 47 59
10 8 28				Begin. Penumbra very dilute.	10 9 0
10 12 50				The Penumbra more dense.	10 13 20
10 19 5				The Penumbra still thicker.	10 19 36
10 23 50				The Penumbra very dense	10 24 24
10 24 30				Begin. Eclipse about 150° of the Limb, or 95° from the upper point of perpendicular Line of 90th Deg. towards the East.	10 25 5
10 29 45	1 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ Dig.			It proceeded by M. Germanician to Mare Syrticum and M. Acabe.	10 30 30
10 32 13	2 2 almo.			By M. Porphy. Loca Paludosa, Isle Circinna, Sin. Syrticus, over M. Sacer, and Mare Caspium.	10 32 50
10 36 30	3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ alm.			By M. Baron. the Isle Æthusa, thro' the middle of Sin. Sirbonis, and Mount Pharan.	10 37 10
10 43 25	4 3 $\frac{5}{8}$			Thro' bay of Apollo, M. Ætna, the Isle Letoa, to Isle Didyma.	10 44 10
10 47 25	5 4 $\frac{5}{8}$ Dig.			To Isles Majorca, Vulcania, Lemnos, Carpathia, and M. Horeb.	10 48 15
10 52 20	6 5 $\frac{3}{4}$			To the greater black Lake, by M. Argentarius, Sipylus, Maficytus; Tabor, Sinai, and the Desert of Raphidim.	10 53 10
10 55 45	7 6 $\frac{1}{2}$			By the Hyperborean Rocks, Isle Besbica, M. Olympus, Didymus, and M. Antilibanus.	10 56 40
11 0 33	8 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ Dig.			At the Island Cyanea, M. Horminius, M. Uxii, M. Coibacarani	11 1 30
11 43 0	9 8 $\frac{1}{2}$			By M. Ambonus to Isle Apollonia, and the Athenian Bay, by M. Uxii, and Coibacarani.	11 5 30
11 9 59	10 9 $\frac{1}{4}$			By the upper Hyperborean Lake, Palus, Byces, by M. Hercules, and the utmost Bay of Pontus.	11 10 55

h.	'	"				h.	'	"
11	13	30	11	10	Dig.			
						By the lower <i>Hyperborean</i> Lake, <i>Mons Cimmerias</i> , and to the lower Bay of the <i>Caspian</i> Sea.		
11	16	30	12	10	$\frac{1}{2}$ alm			
						By the <i>Riphean</i> Mountains, <i>Pal. Maotis</i> , and <i>Isle Alopecia</i> , to the greater <i>Casp. Isle</i> , by <i>M. Nerosus</i> .		
11	19	10	13	11	$\frac{1}{4}$			
						Bank of <i>Palus Maotis</i> , and <i>M. Hippocus</i> .		
11	22	0	14	11	$\frac{1}{2}$			
						By Mount <i>Alaunus</i> to the lesser Western Lake.		
11	26	30		12	Dig.			
						Total Obscuration was observed about 297° of the Limb, or in 94° from the upper Point of the perpendicular Line of the 90th Deg. towards the East.		
11	35	36						
						Of <i>Pollux</i> $52^\circ 13'$		
11	37	35						
						Again $52^\circ 0'$		
11	38	50						
						Again $51^\circ 41'$		
12	58	20						
						The Recovery of Light was about 118° of the Limb, or in 88° from the upper point of the perpendicular Line of the 90th Degree towards the West.		
1	0	40	15	$\frac{1}{2}$	Dig.			
						At Mount <i>Alabastrinus</i> , Mount <i>Pentadaetylus</i> , Mount <i>Audus</i> , and <i>Palus Maræotis</i> .		
1	3	35	16	1	$\frac{1}{4}$			
						By <i>M. Porphyrites</i> , to <i>Mare Syrticum</i> , and by <i>Mare Eoum</i> .		
1	8	10	17	2	almo.			
						By <i>M. Baronius</i> , the <i>Loca Paludosa</i> , the <i>Isle Circinna</i> , between <i>Mare Syrticum</i> and <i>Egyptiacum</i> , at the Bay of <i>Syrbon</i> .		
1	11	48	18	2	$\frac{1}{2}$ alm			
						By the Bay of <i>Apollo</i> , the <i>Isle Taracinia</i> , the <i>Isle Æthusa</i> , and the Bay of <i>Syrbon</i> .		
1	16	20	19	3	$\frac{1}{2}$			
						At the Island <i>Majorca</i> , by Mount <i>Ætna</i> , <i>M. Neptune</i> , <i>Jachynthus</i> , the Island <i>Letoa</i> , the Island <i>Didyma</i> , and Mount <i>Lyon</i> .		
1	20	50	20	4	$\frac{1}{2}$ Dig.			
						At the Island <i>Corfica</i> , by the Island <i>Vulcania</i> , and <i>Carpathus</i> , at <i>Mare Mortuum</i> , by the Desert of <i>Sinai</i> .		

h. ' "				h. ' "
I 24 39	21	5 $\frac{1}{4}$ Dig.	At Mons Argentarius, Mare Pamphilius, Isle of Cyprus, by M. Horminius.	I 27 0
I 26 25	22	6 almo.	By M. Apennine, to the Lake Thrasimenum, at Mount Sipulus, by the lower M. Libanus.	I 28 40
I 28 32	23	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	To Mount Carpathos, by the Isle Beshica, M. Olympus, Didymus, and Mount Dalangueros.	I 31 0
I 31 12	24	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Dig.	By Mount Perce, Byzantium, to Mount Horminius, and by M. Antitaurus.	I 33 44
I 35 59	25	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	By Sinus Circinities, the Isle Macra, the Isle Apollonia, the middle of Mount Moschus, and the Sogdian Mountains.	I 38 37
I 39 33	26	9 Dig.	By the lower Hyperborean Lake, the Marsh Byce, M. Strobilus, by the extream Bay of Pontus, and Mount Paropamisus.	I 42 15
I 41 45	27	9 $\frac{3}{8}$ Dig.	Between the Marsh of Byce, Lake Corocondometes, by M. Hercules, and the lower M. Caucasus.	I 44 30
I 44 19	28	10	By M. Cimmericus, M. Tancon, and Mount Nerosus.	I 47 9
I 47 20	29	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	By Palus Maotis, by the lesser Isle of the Caspian Sea, and by the upper Mount Nerosus.	I 50 14
I 51 44	30	11 little more.	By Mount Alaunus, Mount Sanctus, and the Mounts Hippocus.	I 54 42
I 56 12		12 Dig.	End about 294° of the Limb, or 97° from the upper point of the Perpendicular of the nonagesim towards the West.	I 59 17
I 57 10			A very dense Penumbra.	2 0 17
2 1 15			Still very thick.	2 4 27
2 2 30			Something more dilute.	2 5 45
2 10 20			A very dilute Penumbra.	2 13 42
2 12 30			The End of the Penumbra.	2 15 0
2 15 39		Alt. Pol. 29° 12'		2 19 7
2 17 35		Same Alt. 28 46		2 22 8

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In the Progress of the Eclipse the Shadow was very dilute, and its Limb was uneven and ill terminated, so that it was very difficult to determine the Phases from the Beginning, nor could it be exactly distinguish'd thro' what Spots the Shadow passed; yet in process of Time as the Eclipse went on, all things became more distinct. The Colour from the Beginning was sufficiently dull, obscure, and gloomy, as if the Eclipse would shew itself about the greatest Obscuration, like that in the Month of *April* in the Year 1642, so overshadow'd as hardly to be perceived. But the thing fell out otherwise; for when the Moon was quite eclipsed, its whole Disk was perspicuous enough to the Eye. For then its Colour was quite ruddy, bloody, or like Rust, which continued till the Moon had half recover'd her Light, and then again it appear'd pretty dark and dusky.

L. The Observation of this small Eclipse was very difficult, because of the oblique Incidence of the Moon into the Earth's Shadow, and the Thinness of the Shadow, through which we could very plainly perceive the Limb of the Moon, even in the middle of the Eclipse. We could not accurately define the Parts of the Diameter, which were then deficient from the true Shadow, because the Limits were so confused. I therefore took the Distance between the Cuspids tho' ill defined, about the middle of the Eclipse, from whence the said Parts might be easily deduced, and with less Danger of Error.

An Eclipse of the Moon, June 17. m. 1684. at Greenwich; by Mr. Flamsteed. N. 162. p. 689.

Time by the Pendulum Clock.			True Times correct. by Observat.			Observations.		
h.	'	"	h.	'	"		"	"
1	40	40	1	31	8	Tendency to an Eclipse		
2	4	30	2	54	58	Diam. of the M. by a Tube of 16 feet was 1605 =	31	57
2	6	40	2	57	8	- - - - - repeated 6430 =	32	4
2	12	0	2	2	20	A dense Penumbra, perhaps the beginning		
2	16	00	2	6	28	The Shadow had defaced the limb above M. <i>Sinai</i>		
2	18	00	2	8	28	The Shadow was certainly within the Disk		
2	21	36	2	12	4	The Chord of the darkned Periphery — 1670 =	8	28
2	26	00	2	16	28	- - - - - repeated 2010 =	10	1
2	30	00	2	26	28	- - - - - Again 2290 =	11	25
2	42	00	2	32	28	The Eclipse sensibly decreased		
2	43	00	2	33	28	Between the darkned Cuspids again 1895 =	9	20
2	50	00	2	40	28	The End, but doubtful to me		
2	54	00	2	44	28	Certainly ended, my Assistant <i>Smith</i> agreeing		
2	57	00	2	47	28	A dense Penumbra		
3	11	0	3	1	28	And still		
3	20	00	3	10	28	The southern Limb had hardly yet recover'd the Brightness of the northern Limb: But its Light was duller than in the northern Limb, as it appear'd in the first Observation.		

LI. It

An Eclipse of the Moon, Nov. 30. (St. N.) 1685. at Dantzick; by M. Hevelius. N. 178. p. 1256.

LI. It required no little Skill and Labour to manage our Tubes, tho' they were but short, of 5, 6, and 7 Feet, and to keep them so steady to the Moon, so that we might truly distinguish the Penumbra, and exactly mark out all the Phases, through what Spots they pass'd, or what they arrived at in every particular Instant of Time. But I perform'd this as well as I was able, and as far as the severe Season and floating little Clouds would allow. First it may be observed, that a very dense Penumbra went before the true Beginning of the Eclipse, so that I could hardly, if at all, distinguish the Beginning. As to the Colour, it is chiefly to be noted in this Eclipse; for I have very rarely found so great a Diversity in Colour. Sometimes it was rusty, or of the Colour of a Weefel; but when the total Obscuration came on, the Limb of the Moon was up and down something livid, and partly brightish and ruddy. But in the middle of the Moon a dense and obscure little Cloud was seen, so that we could not well distinguish the Spots in the Moon. This blackish Cloud advanced by degrees towards the Right Hand, and to the *Palus Mæotis*; so that about the Beginning of the Recovery of Light, the whole genuine Shadow appear'd very dark and black; and about the last Phase taken Notice of, the remaining part of the Moon still obscured, or its Limb, could not be seen at all.

Order of the Phases.	Time accor.	Observables.	Alt. Sun,	Through what Spots the Sections of the
	to Clock		Moon, and	
	cor. by Alt.		fixt Stars.	
			o ' "	
		Merid. Alt.	12 39 0	
	h. ' "	of the Sun.		
	3 19 0	Alt. of the S.	1 54 0	
	4 28 0	Alt. Moon	9 0 6	
	5 2 30	Alt. of Ca-		
		pella	31 0 0	
	5 8 0	Alt. of Ca-		
		pella	31 2 0	Dubious
	9 32 25	Penumbra		
	9 42 35	Penum. more		
		dense		
	9 48 5	Penum. very		
		dense		
	9 50 10	Begin. as far		
		as could be		
		collected		
1	9 53 20	Pal. Mæotis		
		wholly co-		
		ver'd.		At Mount Andus, and Pal. Mæot.
2	9 57 0			
				By Germanicianus, to Mare Syrticum, and
				Mount Acabe.
3	10 0 15	M. Porphyrit.		
		not yet co-		
		ver'd.		To Mount Porphyrites, over Mare Syr-
				ticum, and Mount Ajax.

	h.	'	"
4	10	3	5
5	10	6	25
6	10	10	25
7	10	14	55
8	10	19	55
9	10	24	5
10	10	27	10
11	10	31	27
12	10	36	0
13	10	41	20
14	10	45	35
15	10	48	40
16	10	52	10

Island *Melos*
now wholly
cover'd.

By *Mons Petri*, between the Isle *Circinna*, and Isle *Terracinnia*, by *Sinus Sirbonis*, and the Marshes of *Arabia*.

To the Island *Ficaria*, *Malta*, *M. Athos*, by *Mount Pbaran*, and *Mount Troicus*.

To the Bay of *Apollo*, by the Isle of *Error*, by *Mount Ætna*, the Isles *Letoa* and *Didyma*.

Above the Bay of *Apollo*, to the Lake of *Hercules*, the Isle of *Sicily*, by *M. Parthenius* and *Taigetus*, Isle *Melos*, and *M. Lion*.

To the Isle *Minorca*, thro' the Bay of *Pastanus*, *M. Micalo*, Isle of *Cyprus*, *M. Hor.* to *M. Sinai*, and the Desert of *Raphidim*.

To *Mount Ligustinus*, *Panyæus*, between *M. Sipulus* and *Didymus*, by *M. Libanus* and *Seir*.

Above *Mount Niger the Less*, by *Mount Apennine*, Isle *Besbica*, *Mount Cimæus*, and *Mount Calchastan*.

At *M. Serrorum*, and *Carpathos*, at *Byzantium*, by *Mounts Horminius*, *Taurus*, and *Delanguer*.

By *Mounts Macrocemnii*, the Island *Cyanea*, *Mount Amanus*, and *Antitaurus*.

By the Island *Macra*, by the *Erichthenian Rocks*, *Albenian Bay*, and *Palus Arcesa*.

By the upper *Hyperborean Lake*, *Palus Byce*, Isle *Aca*, *Mount of Hercules*, the utmost Bay of *Pontus*, and *M. Parapomis*.

At the lower *Hyperborean Lake*, *Mount Immerius*, by *M. Corax*, *Taucan*, the lower Bay of the *Caspian Sea*.

By the *Riphean Mounts*, *Palus Meotis*, the greater *Caspian Island*, and *Mons Nerosus*.

h.	'	"			
10	56	35	Moon not yet fully darkned.		
10	58	25	Total Im- merfion.		
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11	20	45	Altitude of <i>Procyon.</i>	31	8 0
11	25	45	The same Altitude.	31	38 0
11	36	0	That dark Shade or lit- tle Cloud plainly feen in the mid. of M's Disk		
12	43	0	The begin. of Emerfion, or Recovery of Light.		
17	12	46 40	<i>Pal. Maræot.</i> now entirely cover'd.		To Mount <i>Aodus</i> , not far from <i>Palus Maræotis.</i>
18	12	51 0			By <i>Mare Eoum</i> , <i>Mare Syrticum</i> , and Mount <i>Cafius</i> .
19	12	57 0			By the leffer Mount <i>Atlas</i> , be- tween the Isles <i>Circinna</i> and <i>Ta- racinia</i> , by the <i>Egyptian</i> Sea, the <i>Sin. Sirbonis</i> , and M. <i>Pbaran</i> .
20	1	5 0			To the Islands <i>Majorca</i> , <i>Sardinia</i> , and <i>Hiera</i> ; by M. <i>Ætna</i> , the Isle <i>Melos</i> , to M. <i>Anna</i> and <i>Hajalon</i> .

The Beginning of the Eclipse was a little above *Palus Maræotis*.

The total Obscuration was at *Mons Sanctus*, below *Palus Maræotis*.

The Recovery of Light happen'd nearly in the same Place where it was loft.

h. ' " |
 9 19 00 | The *Penumbra* was very obscure, and the *Beginning* of the *E-*
clipse was at hand.
 9 23 30 | The *Eclipse* was begun, the Quantity almost half a *Digit*, and
 the Distance between the *Cusps* was about 42 Degrees of the
 Moon's Limb, and *Palus Maræotis* was just all eclipsed; hence
 we may conclude the *Beginning* about 9^h. 21'. 30".
 10 23 30 | As near as I can collect, was the time of the *Total Immersion*
 into the Shadow, to verify which, the *Azimuth* of the Moon's
 Center was observed to the East, 41°. 18'; 2' 12" of Time af-
 ter the said *Immersion*.
 12 13 0 | Or 10' 13" before the *Culmination* of the *Right Shoulder* of
Orion, was the *Emersion*, or first Appearance of the Moon out of
 the total *Darkness*.
 1 14alm | Was the just *End* of the *Eclipse*; being 2' 20" before the *Cul-*
mination of *Syrius*.

2.
 At Nurem-
 burg; by M. C.
 Eimmart.
 N. 182. p. 146.

Whence the *Middle* of this *Eclipse* should have happened at 11^h. 18' p. m.
 at *Nuremburg*: the *Total Duration* 3^h. 52' 4"; and the *Total Darkness* 1^h.
 49' 30".

The *Meridian Altitude* of the Moon's upper *Limb* was observed 63°. 23'
 50", and the Moon's apparent *Diameter* while totally eclipsed was found
 30' 07".

3. M. *Wurtzelbaur* made use of a *Pendulum Clock*, corrected by *Altitudes*:
 According to his *Observation*,

By M. J. Ph.
 Wurtzelbaur.
 Ibid. p. 147.

h. ' " |
 9 23 30 | Was the *Beginning* of the *Eclipse*; at about 119 Degrees of
 the *Limb* of the Moon in *Hevelius's Selenography*.
 9 24 50 | *Palus Maræotis* was all covered.
 10 25 20 | The *Total Immersion*, about the 299th Degree of the *Limb* of
 the Moon.
 12 11 30 | The Moon began to *emerge* out of the *Shadow*, about the 112th
 Degree of her *Limb*.
 1 14 30 | The *End* of the *Eclipse*, about the 295th Degree of the *Limb*.

By these *Observations*, the *Middle* of the *Eclipse* ought to have been about
 11^h. 19' p. m. at *Nuremburg*; differing but one *Minute* from M. *Eimmart's*
Observation.

The *Duration* will be 3^h. 51', and the *Total Darkness* 1^h. 46".

	h.	'	"
4. The Beginning	8	02	
Immersion	9	06	
Emersion	10	50	
End	11	57	

At Lisbon; by
 Mr. Jacobs.
 N. 184. p. 206.



LII.

An Eclipse of the Moon, Nov. 19. 1686. at Dublin; by Mr. W. Molineux. N. 185. p. 236.

Phases.	Times.		
	h.	'	"
A notable Penumbra	9	15	00
Clouds interposing, the beginning could not nicely be determined; therefore with Uncertainty I suppose Ecl. began 9 ^h . 25', or 9 ^h . 27'.	9	27	00 *
The Shadow was at <i>Palus Maræotis</i>	9	38	20
<i>Palus Maræotis</i> was cover'd	9	40	20 *
Mount <i>Sinai</i> was cover'd	9	46	30 *
Mount <i>Thambes</i> was cover'd	10	01	20 *
Mount <i>Audus</i> was cover'd	10	08	00 *
Mount <i>Neptune</i> cover'd	10	14	00 *
The Shadow at <i>Mons Sypylus</i>	10	15	10 *
The Isle <i>Circinna</i> cover'd	10	16	40
At <i>Mons Didymus</i>	10	18	20 *
<i>Mons Didymus</i> is cover'd	10	20	10
Mount <i>Audus</i> emerges	10	23	00
The Shadow at <i>Palus Maræotis</i>	10	48	30
<i>Maræotis</i> emerges	10	52	00
At Mount <i>Sinai</i>	11	38	00
<i>Sinai</i> emerges	11	39	30
The end of the Eclipse	11	04	00

Observables. The Times were those of a Pendulum Clock, rectified by the fixed Stars.

The Observations marked with an Asterism were taken through the Openings of the Clouds, and therefore I cannot account them as exact. The Quantity of this Eclipse I think was six Digits.

An Eclipse of the Moon, Apr. 5. 1688. at Moscow; by M. Timmerman. N. 192. p. 453.

LIII. Half a Quarter of an Hour after 7 in the Evening, the Moon arose clear, but of a deep Red Colour without any Sign of Eclipse: At 7^h $\frac{1}{2}$ the Moon went into a thick Cloud, but was again clear at 7^h. 38'. when the Under side of the Body of the Moon was *begun* to be *obscured*, in a clear Sky; she being then in the 25th Degree of *Libra*, and 6^o $\frac{1}{2}$ above the Horizon. (Suppose the Center.) At 9^h. the whole Under Side of the Moon was *eclipsed*; and about 8' after 9^h it was at the Height, or rather seemed to decrease. At 9^h $\frac{1}{2}$ there was still a third Part of the Moon eclipsed. (Suppose of her Circumference.) About 10^h. it *decreased* apace, and at 10^h $\frac{1}{2}$ there was but little to be seen: At 10^h. 45'. it was certainly ended, the Moon being then about 22° high.

Immersion.

<i>Immersion.</i>	<i>Times.</i>	<i>Emersions.</i>	<i>Times.</i>
	h. ' "		h. ' "
The Beginning	6 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	<i>Porphyrites</i> , and the middle	
<i>Porphyrites</i> immersed	6 16	of M. <i>Ætna</i>	8 7 00
North part of <i>Maëotis</i>	6 21 $\frac{1}{2}$	<i>Horminius</i> - - -	8 17 30
<i>Lacus Niger Maj.</i> and South		<i>Mons Herculis</i> - - -	8 18 30
End of <i>Maëotis</i>	6 26	<i>Besbicus</i> - - -	8 21 00
<i>Besbicus</i> - - -	6 46 $\frac{2}{3}$	<i>Apollonia</i> - - -	8 26 15
<i>Apollonia</i> - - -	6 49 $\frac{1}{2}$	<i>Byzantium</i> - - -	8 29 00
<i>Byzantium</i> - - -	6 53	<i>Lacus Niger Major</i>	8 32 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Horminius</i> - - -	6 59	South part of <i>Maëotis</i>	8 35
North-part of <i>Maëotis</i>	7 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	North part of <i>Maëotis</i>	8 43
<i>Mons Corax</i> - - -	7 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	The End - - -	8 49 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Mons Herculis</i> - - -	7 10		
South part of <i>Maëotis</i>	7 12 $\frac{1}{2}$		

LIV. I.
An Eclipse of the Moon, Oct. 19. 1697. at Chester; by Mr. Edm. Halley. N. 235. p. 784.

About the Middle there remained 9' 26" of the luminous Part, and consequently the Digits eclipsed 8 $\frac{2}{3}$.

	<i>Time corrected.</i>	<i>Observations.</i>
	h. ' "	
A	6 20 36	The acute Promontory at the first oblique Thread.
B	6 21 27	The preceding Limb of the Moon at the perpendic. Thread.
C	6 22 3	The acute Promontory at the perpendicular Thread.
C — B	0 00 36	The Difference of the Transit over the perpendicular Thread, which is the Longitude of the acute Promontory from the preceding Limb.
C — A	0 1 27	The Difference of the Transit of the acute Promontory between the first oblique Thread and the Perpendicular, which is its Latitude from the Northern Limb.
	6 32 34	The Moon seen among the Clouds seem'd as yet intire.

2.
At Rotterdam; by M. Ja. Casini. N. 236. p. 20. Vid. sup. Sect. XXXIX. 2.

In

In the first Phase.

	h.	'	"	
A	6	41	23	The Beginning of <i>Mare Crisum</i> at the first oblique Thread.
B	6	41	50	The acute Promontory at the first Oblique.
C	6	42	12	<i>Pliny</i> at the first Oblique.
D	6	42	25	<i>Menelaus</i> at the first Oblique.
E	6	42	33	<i>Manilius</i> at the first Oblique.
F	6	42	43	The first Margin at the Perpendicular.
G	6	43	00	<i>Proclus</i> at the Perpendicular.
H	6	43	20	The acute Promontory at the Perpendicular.
I	6	43	26	The subsequent Margin at the first Oblique.
K	6	43	30	<i>Menelaus</i> at the Perpendicular.
L	6	44	00	The preceding Horn of the Moon at the Perpendicular ; she herself touches the horizontal Thread.
M	6	44	21	The subsequent Horn at the first Oblique.
N	6	44	35	<i>Menelaus</i> at the second Oblique.
O	6	44	57	The subsequent Horn at the Vertical.
P	6	45	07	The subsequent Limb at the Perpendicular.
Q	6	45	33	The subsequent Horn at the second Oblique.
R	6	45	55	<i>Grimaldus</i> at the second Oblique.
S	6	46	49	Subsequent Limb at the second Oblique.
P — F	0	02	24	The Transit of the Moon over the perpendicular Thread.
S — I	0	03	23	The Transit of the Moon over the second Oblique.
H — F	0	00	37	Longitude of the acute Promont. from the preced. Margin.
H — B	0	01	30	Latitude of the acute Promont. from the North. Margin.
K — F	0	00	47	The Longitude of <i>Menelaus</i> from the preceding Margin.
K — D	0	01	05	The Latitude of <i>Menelaus</i> from the Northern Margin.
N — K				
L — F	0	01	17	Long. of the preceding Horn from the preceding Margin.
O — F	0	00	00	The Latitude nothing.
O — M	0	02	14	Long. of the subsequent Horn from the preceding Margin.
Q — O	0	00	36	Latitude of the same Horn from the Northern Margin.

In the second Phasis.

	h.	'	"	
A	7	6	40	The preceding Margin at the perpendicular Thread.
B	7	7	8	The preceding Horn to the vertical Thread.
C	7	7	47	The subsequent Horn to the first Oblique.
D	7	8	19	The subsequent Margin to the first Oblique.
E	7	9	4	The subsequent Horn to the Vertical.
	7	12	22	The Shadow to <i>Manilius</i> .
B — A	0	0	28	Long. of the preceding Horn from the preceding Margin.
E — A	0	2	24	Long. of the subsequent Horn from the Eastern Margin.
E — C	0	1	17	Lat. of the subsequent Horn from the Southern Margin.

In the third Phasis.

	h.	'	"	
A	7	19	30	The preceding Horn to the first Oblique.
B	7	21	9	The preceding Margin to the Vertical.
C	7	21	19	The preceding Horn to the Vertical.
D	7	21	51	The preceding Margin to the second Oblique.
E	7	22	24	The subsequent Horn to the first Oblique.
F	7	22	47	The subsequent Margin to the first Oblique.
G	7	23	9	The preceding Horn to the second Oblique.
H	7	23	31	The subsequent Horn to the Vertical.
I	7	24	40	The subsequent Horn to the second Oblique.
	7	26	4	The Shadow to <i>Diorysius</i> .
C — B	0	0	10	Long. of the preceding Horn from the Eastern Margin.
C — A	0	1	49	Lat. of the preceding Horn from the Southern Margin.
G — C	0	1	50	The same Latitude.
H — B	0	2	22	Long. of the subsequent Horn from the preceding Margin.
H — E	0	1	7	Lat. of the subsequent Horn from the Southern Margin.
I — H	0	1	9	The same Latitude.

In the fourth Phasis.

		h.	'	"	
A		7	40	24	The preceding Horn to the first Oblique.
B		7	41	35	The preceding Horn to the Vertical.
C		7	42	18	The preceding Margin to the first Oblique.
D		7	42	44	The preceding Horn to the second Oblique.
E		7	42	51	The subsequent Horn to the first Oblique.
F		7	43	14	The subsequent Margin to the first Oblique.
G		7	43	58	The subsequent Margin to the Vertical.
H		7	45	04	The subsequent Horn to the second Oblique.
D	- 2' 24" = I	7	41	34	The preceding Margin to the vertical Thread.
B	-	I	00	01	Long. of the preced. Horn from the preced. Margin.
B	-	A	00	11	} Lat. of the preced. Horn. from the South. Margin.
D	-	B	00	09	
H	-	E	0	2 13	Diff. of the Transit of the subf. Horn betw. the Obl.
		K	0	1 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	Half, or Lat. of the sub. Horn from South. Margin.
E	+	K	7	43 57 $\frac{1}{2}$	The subsequent Horn to the Vertical.
E	+ K - I	I	0	2 23 $\frac{1}{2}$	Long. of the subf. Horn from the preced. Margin.

In the fifth Phasis.

		h.	'	"	
A		7	50	22	The preceding Horn to the first Oblique.
B		7	51	04	The acute Promontory in the Shadow.
C		7	51	18	The preceding Horn to the Vertical.
D		7	51	58	The preceding Margin to the second Oblique.
E		7	52	29	The subsequent Horn to the first Oblique.
F		7	52	56	The subsequent Margin to the first Oblique.
D	- 2' 24" = I	7	49	34	The preceding Margin to the first Oblique.
B	-	I	00	30	Longit. Obl. of the acute Promontory from 1 Obl.
D	- 0' 42" = L	7	51	16	The preceding Margin to the Perpendicular.
C	-	L	00	02	Long. of the preced. Horn from the preced. Margin.
C	-	A	00	56	Lat. of the preced. Horn from the South. Margin.
E	-	I	00	55	Long. Obl. from 1 Obl. to greatest Long. 3' 24".
			00	29	The Complement.
F	-	E	00	27	The same Complement. The Medium 0' 28".

In the sixth Phasis.

	h.	'	"	
A	7	54	06	The preceding Horn to the first Oblique.
B	7	54	44	The acute Promontory to the first Oblique.
C	7	54	59	The preceding Horn to the Perpendicular.
D	7	55	38	The preceding Margin to the second Oblique.
F	7	55	52	The preceding Horn to the second Oblique.
G	7	56	04	The subsequent Horn to the first Oblique.
H	7	56	36	The subsequent Margin to the first Oblique.
I	7	57	20	The subsequent Horn to the Vertical.
D—2' 24" = L	7	53	14	The preceding Margin to the first Oblique.
D—0 42 = K	7	54	56	The preceding Margin to the Perpendicular.
C — — K	0	00	03	Long. of the preced. Horn from preced. Margin.
C — — A } F — — C }	0	00	53	Lat. of the preced. Horn from Southern Margin.
I — — K	0	02	24	Long. of the subf. Horn from the preced. Margin.
I — — G	0	01	16	Lat. of the subf. Horn from the South. Margin.
B — — L	0	01	30	Obl. Long. of the acute Promont. from 1 Obl.

In the seventh Phasis.

	h.	'	"	
A	8	6	58	The preceding Horn to the first Oblique.
B	8	7	39	The preceding Horn to the Perpendicular.
C	8	8	15	The preceding Margin to the second Oblique.
D	8	8	21	The preceding Horn to the second Oblique.
E	8	8	55	Middle of the Shad. almost at the Perpendicular.
F	8	9	14	The subsequent Margin at the first Oblique.
G	8	9	55	The subsequent Horn at the Vertical.
H	8	9	58	The subsequent Margin at the Vertical.
C — 2' 24" = I	8	5	51	The preceding Margin at the first Oblique.
C — 0 42 = K	8	7	33	The preceding Margin at the Perpendicular.
B — — K	0	0	06	Long. of the preced. Horn from preced. Margin.
B — — A } D — — B }	0	0	41	Lat. of the preced. Horn from South. Margin.
G — — K	0	2	22	Long. of the subf. Horn from the preced. Margin.

In the eighth Phasis.

			h.	'	"	
A			8	23	53	The preceding Horn to the first Oblique.
B			8	24	24	The preceding Horn to the Perpendicular.
C			8	24	55	The preceding Margin to the second Oblique.
D			8	24	57	The preceding Horn to the second Oblique.
E			8	25	55	The subsequent Margin to the first Oblique.
F			8	26	26	The subsequent Horn to the Perpendicular.
G			8	26	38	The subsequent Margin to the Vertical.
H			8	28	20	The subsequent Horn to the second Oblique.
C	— 0' 42" =	K	8	24	13	The preceding Margin to the Perpendicular.
B	—	K	0	00	11	Long. of the preced. Horn from South. Margin.
B	—	A	0	00	31	} Lat. of the preced. Horn from South. Margin.
D	—	B	0	00	33	
F	—	K	0	02	13	Long. of the subs. Horn from the preced. Margin.
H	—	F	0	01	54	Lat. of the subs. Horn from the Southern Margin.

In the ninth Phasis.

			h.	'	"	
A			8	49	25	The preceding Horn to the first Oblique.
B			8	49	42	The Concavity of the Eclipse to the first Oblique.
C			8	50	08	The preceding Horn to the Vertical.
D			8	50	41	The preceding Margin to the second Oblique.
E			8	50	51	The preceding Horn to the second Oblique.
F			8	51	34	The subsequent Horn to the Vertical.
G			8	51	43	The subsequent Margin to the first Oblique.
H			8	52	26	The subsequent Margin to the Vertical.
H	— 2' 24" =	I	8	50	02	The preceding Margin to the Perpendicular.
C	—	I	0	00	06	Long. of preceding Horn from preceding Margin.
C	—	A	0	00	43	} Lat. of preceding Horn from Southern Margin.
E	—	C	0	00	43	
F	—	I	0	01	32	Long. of subsequent Horn from preced. Margin.

In the tenth Phasis.

	h.	'	"	
A	9	4	29	The preceding Horn to the first Oblique.
B	9	5	4	The Shadow withdraws from <i>Pliny</i> .
C	9	5	53	The subsequent Horn to the first Oblique.
D	9	6	17	The preceding Horn to the second Oblique.
E	9	7	2	The subsequent Margin to the first Oblique.
F	9	7	47	The subsequent Margin to the Vertical.
E — 2' 42" = H	9	5	20	The preceding Margin to the Vertical.
D — — A	0	1	48	Transit of the preced. Horn between the Obliques.
M	0	0	54	Half is Lat. of preced. Horn from South. Margin.
D — M = I	9	5	23	The preceding Horn to the Vertical.
I — — H	0	0	3	Long. of preced. Horn from the preced. Margin.
E — 3' 24" = L	9	3	38	} The preceding Margin to the first Oblique.
F — 4 06 = L	9	3	41	
C — — L	0	2	25	Obl. Long. of subs. Horn from the first Oblique.
	9	9	4	The Shadow withdraws from <i>Langrenus</i> .
	0	9	19	The End of the Sea of <i>Tranquillity</i> .
	0	13	40	<i>Aristotle</i> .
	0	14	39	The End of <i>Mare Crisum</i> .
	0	21	34	The End.



LV.

A Transit of the Moon above Venus, Oct. 11. (St. N.) 1670. at Dantzick; by M. Hevelius. N. 66. p. 2026.

Time by a Watch in the Morn.		Distances and Altitudes.	Time corrected by Altitudes.
h. ' "		o ' "	h. ' "
3 47 20	Alt. of the bright Star of <i>Aries</i>	41 45 0	3 54 10
3 50 35	The same Altitude - - - - -	41 21 0	3 57 28
5 47 44	Distance of <i>Venus</i> from <i>Jupiter</i>		5 54 44
5 48 35	Dist. of East. Limb of M. from γ	35 25 30	5 55 35
5 51 59	Distance of φ from γ	35 50 0	5 59 0
5 53 40	Dist. of East. Limb of M. from γ	35 29 10	6 0 40
6 12 30	Dist. of <i>Venus</i> from <i>Jupiter</i>	35 50 20	6 6 0
6 14 3	Dist. of the M.'s East. Limb from γ	35 37 35	6 8 0
6 37 0	Dist. of φ from γ , as near as could be judged by the naked Eye	0 6 0	6 51 0
7 12 0	Dist. of <i>Ven.</i> from low. limb of the M	0 5 0	7 7 0
7 17 0	The same - - - - -	0 4 0	7 12 0
7 35 0	<i>Venus</i> appear'd clearly - - - - -		7 30 0
9 11 0	<i>Venus</i> continued conspicuous		9 12 0
9 15 48	The Altitude of the Sun	19 8 0	9 17 20
9 17 39	The same - - - - -	19 58 0	9 19 4

An Occultation of Saturn by the Moon, June 1. (St. N.) 1671. at Dantzick; by M. Hevelius. N. 78. p. 3027.

LVI. The Beginning of the Occultation happen'd at 3^h. 38' 27". in the Morning, about the Mountain *Germanicianus*. The Line of Passage, as far as could be collected from the Ingress alone, was through Mount *Aetna*, the Center of the Moon nearly, by Mount *Horminium*, the Mount of *Hercules*, and the upper Part of *Mare Caspium*. As far as I remember, excepting this Year's Observation, within 41 Years I have seen *Saturn* cover'd by the Moon only twice. First in the Year 1630, *Jun. 29*, 11^h. in the Evening, when I was at the Island *Huenna* in the *Danish* Sea. And again in the Year 1661, *Aug. 3*, 7^h. 58'. 20". in the Evening, here at *Dantzick*.

A Transit of the Moon above Jupiter, Sept. 30. (St. N.) 1671. at Dantzick; by M. Hevelius. Ibid. p. 3031.

LVII. In a very clear Sky, with a Tube of 20 Feet, with great Eagerness we received the rising Moon, and *Jupiter* a little after. We found by our great brazen Octant, of almost 9 Feet Radius, that *Jupiter* was yet 1°. 23'. 40". remote from the Eastern Limb of the Moon, and that all his four Satellites were there to the Right Hand, from whence the Moon approached. An unlook'd for and unhappy Accident prevented us from taking the very Moment of Conjunction. For when *Jupiter* now approached to the Eastern Limb of the Moon, at 3', and was distant only 6' from the Line of Conjunction drawn through

through both Horns ; some little Clouds intervening deprived us of the Sight both of *Jupiter* and the Moon. The *Rudolphine* Tables promis'd us an Occultation, and much sooner than it could happen ; yet there was none at all, but only a very close Transit, at almost two Digits ; the Time of which was $7^h. 26'. 0''$.

LVIII. The Altitude of the Moon being $20^\circ. 50'$, I took its Diameter $32'. 48''$; and when its Altitude was $19^\circ. 23'$, I took it again $32'. 47''$. Therefore the true Semidiameter of the Moon in the Horizon was $16'. 19''$. Yet it was still at a greater Distance from the Western Star of the *Pleiades*, than the Telescope could conveniently take in. Now at $11^h. 19\frac{1}{2}'$ after Noon, when the Altitude of the Star *b*, the more Western of the *Pleiades*, was $9^\circ. 50'$, I took the Distance of the same Star from the nearest Horn of the Moon $11'. 58''$; then suddenly turning to observe the Stars Altitude, (which was shewn by a Quadrant of 20 Inches Radius fixt to the side of the Tube,) and immediately returning back again, I could not find the Star, being then cover'd by the Moon. In the mean while the Moon had descended 10 Minutes, and the Star as much, which from the following Phasis I guess had gone under the Moon at $11^h. 20\frac{1}{2}'$. For at $11^h. 30\frac{1}{4}'$, when the Altitude of the Star *e* was $8^\circ. 43'$, I saw the Star *c* cover'd by the Moon. When I had taken its Distance $16'. 35''$ from the nearest Horn, by my Computations I found the Space of Time between the Occultation of this and of the foregoing to be $9'. 37''$, which being taken from the Time of this Phasis, gives the Time of the foregoing Occultation as I have made it.

At $11^h. 37\frac{1}{2}'$, when the Altitude of the Star *c* was $11^\circ. 37\frac{1}{2}'$, it went under the Moon, as in the mean time I was measuring its Distance $22'. 36''$, from the Horn of the Moon, which was apparently the inferior, but really the superior. When the Star vanish'd, the apparent Semidiameter of the Moon was $16'. 21''$; and therefore its Occultation was at $87^\circ. 25'$ of the Moon's Periphery from the upper Cusp, whose Reclination was $1^\circ 37'$ from a Line drawn through its Center perpendicular to the Ecliptic. Thus the Ingress of the Star was $4^\circ 12'$ above a Line drawn through the Center of the Moon parallel to the Ecliptic, and the Center of the Moon was antecedent of the Star $16'. 18''$, with less Latitude $1'. 12''$.

According to the Author of the *Caroline* Tables, the Place of the fixt Star is $25^\circ. 1'. 24''$ in *Taurus*, and its perpetual Latitude $4^\circ. 20'. 39''$; so that at the apparent Hour at *Derby* $11^h. 37\frac{1}{2}'$ after Noon, the apparent Place of the Moon was $24^\circ. 45'. 6''$ in *Taurus*, and its Latitude observed $4^\circ. 19'. 27''$ North.

Moreover it well deserves to be remarked, that though almost all the Hypotheses of all Astronomers ascribe a greater Diameter to the Perigee full Moon in the Quadratures, and therefore a less Distance from the Earth than in the Syzygees or Oppositions ; yet the contrary obtains in the Heavens. For the Perigean full Moon passing near the *Pleiades*, Nov. 6, 1671, had a greater Diameter.

An Occultation
of the Pleiades
by the Moon,
Feb. 23. 1671-2.
At Derby ; by
Mr. Flamsteed.
N. 86. p. 5034.

Fig. 116.

meter than in this Transit, when in almost the same Place it was distant from the Sun 70 Degrees. The Moon's horizontal Diameter according to

	<i>Bullialdus.</i>	<i>Street.</i>	<i>by Observations.</i>
<i>Nov. 6. 1671.</i>	17' 00"	16' 30"	17' 00"
<i>Feb. 23. 1672.</i>	17 50	17 13	16 19
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	+ 50	+ 43	- 41

We can no longer wonder, that the Moon should so long refuse the Confinement of Numbers, and that the Times of Appearances, when computed from the Tables, should hitherto so far deceive our Expectations; since it appears those Tables are generally computed from erroneous Hypotheses.

*The Moon's
Place, Mar. 23.
1671-2; by M.
Cassini.
N. 82. p. 4047.*

LIX. *April 2. (St. N.) 6^h. 50' v.* A Line drawn through the Horns of the Moon passed through the Star that is at the Point of the Northern Horn of Taurus; and the Distance of this Star to the Northern Horn of the Moon, was by a Minute greater than the Semidiameter of the Moon.

*An Occultation
of a fixed Star
by the Moon,
Feb. 29. (St.
N.) 1676.
at Paris; by
M. Cassini.
N. 123. p. 564.*

LX. An Immersion of the subsequent Star of the two in the Left hinder Foot of the Lion, was at 1^h. 19'. 34." The Coast of the Immersion was near the End of Schicard towards Phocilides in the Selenography of Ricciolus.

The Emerfion was at 11^h 16' 40", in an equal Distance from the Right Line between Vendelinus and Petavius.

A Right Line being drawn through the Points of Immersion and Emerfion, when carefully observed, will divide a Diameter perpendicular to it in the Ratio of 6'. 45". to 26'. 5".

But the Diameter of the Moon approaching to the Meridian was 32'. 50".

At 12^h. 29' the upper Margin of the Moon was in the same Parallel with the Star, which then preceded the Moon by 1'. 50" in time.

At 12^h. 40'. 18" the Star preceded the Western Margin of the Moon by 2'. 11" in time. The Diameter of the Moon pass'd through 2'. 14".

At 12^h. 52'. 35" the Star preceded the same Margin 2'. 25".

The Meridian Altitude of the inferior Limb of the Moon was taken 39°. 25'. 25".

Hour

Hour of the Clock cor.			Altitudes and Distances.		
h.	'	"		'	"
4	20	15	Jupiter from the bright Limb of the Moon	26	9
4	47	0	The Diameter of the Moon was taken	31	30
4	49	30	Jupiter from the nearest Cusp	26	28
4	52	15	Jupiter had pass'd over a Right Line drawn through the Cusps, by a tenth Part of the Distance, or about 3', making a Conjecture by the Eye through the Tube		
4	56	0	Jupiter from the Cusp	27	38
5	1	15	From a Right Line thro' the Cusps	7	53
5	3	30	From the Cusp	28	22
5	7	25	From the Right Line	9	58
5	10	50	From the same	11	55
5	15	50	From the Cusp	30	27
5	21	20	From the remoter Limb, dubious	62	4
5	26	0	From the nearest Cusp	33	0
5	31	25	From the Right Line thro' the Cusps	20	9
5	37	0	From the Cusp	36	15
5	41	10	The Altitude of the Moon being $10\frac{1}{2}$ Degrees, the Diameter was about	31	53
5	48	30	Diff. of the Alt. of the lower Limb of the Moon and of Jupiter	23	1
5	52	40	Jupiter was distant from the nearest Cusp	41	40
6	9	40	From the Cusp, dubious.	47	29

LXI.
A Transit of the Moon above Jupiter, Feb. 28. m. 1675-6. at Greenwich; by Mr. Flamsteed. Ibid. p. 566.

LXII. 1. Aug. 21. A. 1676. before Noon. For the Correction of my Clock, I took these Altitudes of the Sun's Limb.

An Occultation of Mars by the Moon, Aug. 21. 1676. at Greenwich; by Mr. Flamsteed. N. 129. p. 723.

Hour of the Clock.		Altitudes.	Hour computed.	Error in Time.							
h.	'	"	h.	'	"						
8	04	31	Alt. of the inferior Limb of the Sun	26	04	8	09	26	†	4	55
8	5	42	- - - - -	26	14	8	10	35	†	4	53
8	7	58	- - - - -	26	34	8	12	53	†	4	55
8	9	10	- - - - -	26	$44\frac{1}{2}$	8	14	03	†	4	53
8	10	15	- - - - -	26	54	8	15	12	†	4	57
8	17	15	- - - - -	27	54	8	22	09	†	4	54

Then after Noon, the Sky being exceeding clear.

Hour

Hour of the Clock.			Corrected.			Distances.			
h.	'	"	h.	'	"			'	"
10	45	03	10	49	58	Mars from the bright Limb of the M.	5125	=	42 08
11	06	11	11	11	05	The same Distance	3829	=	31 29
11	20	00	11	24	55	Again	3007	=	24 44
11	35	57	11	40	52	Over again	1982	=	16 18
11	57	31	12	02	26	δ from Zen. Diff. Alt. inf. lim. and of δ	1912	=	07 35
						With tube of 16 feet, Mars from Limb	1158	=	5 47
12	05	00	12	09	55	Planet could no longer be perceived with the naked Eye			
12	9	44	12	14	39	Light of Mars confounded with the Light of the M. Mars from Zen.	1185	=	9 44
12	10	03	12	14	58	Mars intirely cover'd by North. Cusp	3475	=	17 20
12	18	38	12	23	33	^a 41 in Taurus appear'd in a right Line drawn thro' the Cusps			
12	20	36	12	25	31	41 in Taurus from the Limb or Cusp; with a shorter Tube	3912	=	32 10
12	24	58	12	29	53	41 in Taurus from the Cusp, again with the same Tube	3935	=	32 21
12	46	00	12	50	55	Diam. of the Moon with a longer tube	5971	=	29 47
1	04	30	1	09	25	Again with the same Tube	5973	=	29 48
1	10	56	1	10	51	Mars's Emerf. perhaps 4" or 5" sooner			
1	13	29	1	18	24	Mars from the Northern Cusp	3675	=	18 20
1	18	15	1	23	10	The same Distance	4035	=	20 08
1	22	00	1	26	55	The Moon's Altitude 23° , with the longer Tube. Her Diameter	5988	=	29 55
1	39	00	1	39	55	Moon's Diameter with a shorter Tube	3645	=	29 58

^a 41 in Taurus. According to Tycho its Place is now δ $17^\circ.58\frac{1}{2}'$ Latitude $1^\circ.20'$ South. Therefore the Places both of the Moon and Mars may be exactly deduced.

Time corrected.	Distances	
	h. ' "	' "
11 43 30	The Center of <i>Mars</i> from the nearest Limb of the <i>Moon</i>	719½ = 12 40
11 49 2	Again - - - - -	571 = 10 3
11 54 48	Again - - - - -	409 = 7 12
12 3 25	The Center of <i>Mars</i> from the North Cusp of the <i>Moon</i>	1118 = 19 41
12 10 28	The gibbous part of <i>Mars</i> touched the <i>Moon's</i> Limb - - - - -	
12 10 42	<i>Mars</i> was wholly covered, being distant from the Cusp - - - - -	963 = 17 14
1 10 41	<i>Mars</i> did emerge, I suppose, his Center	
1 12 45	<i>Mars</i> distant from the North. Horn of the <i>Moon</i>	1018 = 71 55
1 31 10	<i>Mars</i> passed over a Point noted in the Telescope	
1 33 15	The Southern Limb of <i>Ætna</i> passed by the same Point	
1 34 00	The lucid Limb passed over the same Point	
1 52 35	The <i>Moon's</i> Diameter observed 1698 = 30' 1" <i>Alt. Moon</i> 31° circ.	
1 57 52	<i>Mars</i> from the Northern Horn of the <i>Moon</i>	2042 = 36 5
2 2 53	<i>Mars</i> from the Southern Horn of the <i>Moon</i>	2266 = 40 3

2.
At Oxford; by
Mr. Halley.
Ibid. p. 734.

Time by Pend. Clock	Names of the fixed Stars.	Altitudes.	Time corrected by Alt.	Remarks.
h. ' "		° ' "	h. ' "	
1 1 25	Swan's Tail	57 10	1 0 24	
1 9 45			1 8 45	<i>Mars</i> was nearly as far distant from the bright Limb of the <i>Moon</i> , as Mount <i>Porphyrites</i> was from Mount <i>Ætna</i> .
1 36 39			1 33 42	<i>Mars</i> cover'd by the <i>Moon</i> .
1 45 25	Swan's Tail	51 17	1 44 7	
2 47 54			2 46 29	<i>Mars</i> shin'd out again, and made an end of the Occultation.
3 19 50	<i>Scheat</i> in <i>Peg.</i>	45 3	3 18 19	

3.
At Dantzick,
by M. Hevelius.
Ibid. p. 721.

Mars was cover'd about Mount *Audus*, proceeding as it were through the *Loca Paludosa* of the Moon, by Mount *Ætna*, below the Island *Besbica*, above the *Palus Acherusia*, above Mount *Corax*, by the *Palus Mæotis*, and a little above the Isle *Alopecia*, and the very Center of the Moon. And thus again going out at the greater Western Lake.

If you ask from whence I could thus exactly mark out his Passage, and that at the obscure Part of the Moon, you are to know it proceeded from hence, that by those Tubes of mine I could very distinctly perceive the chief greater Spots in the shaded part of the Moon; and thus I could observe very plainly, that *Mars* emerged near the middle of *Palus Mæotis*.

An Occultation
of Saturn by
the Moon,
Feb. 27. ft. n.
1678, at Paris;
by M. Bullial-
dus. n. 139.
p. 969.

LXIII. *Bullialdus* observed the Beginning, when the Altitude of *Andromeda's* Head above the Western Horizon was $18^{\circ} 11'$; whence the Astronomical Time from Noon is given $7^{\text{h}} 20'$; but the mean Time was $7^{\text{h}} 29' 55''$. And he saw the End when the more Southern Star of *Andromeda's* Girdle of the second Magnitude was $21^{\circ} 17'$ high to the West. Whence the Astronomical Time from Noon will be found to be $8^{\text{h}} 30' 22''$.

Here we are obliged to take notice, that the *Philolaic* Tables make *Saturn* farther advanced in Longitude, by at least 19 Minutes, than he really is by Observation; so that *Saturn* was then in $\Pi 3^{\circ} 28'$, with South Latitude $1^{\circ} 38'$.

Farther, in this Observation if we have Recourse to the Description of the Lunar Disk, as described by the illustrious Mr. *Hevelius*; we found *Saturn* to emerge in that part of the Limb, which is situated in a Right Line drawn from the middle of Mount *Berosus* through the *Riphæan* Mountains, a little above Mount *Alanus*, and below the Southern Limits of the *Hyperborean* Marshes.

An Occultation
of Jupiter,
Jun. 5. (ft. n.)
1679. at Dant-
zick; by M.
Hevelius.
Ph. Coll. n. 1.
p. 29.

LXIV. 1. Tho' I have apply'd my self to the Observation of the Heavens now for 50 Years, (for which I ought to give, and do give, all possible Thanks to Almighty God,) yet I have only once seen *Jupiter* cover'd by the Moon, which was in the Year 1646, *Decemb. 24.* (new Style) in the Evening, when the Sun was under the Horizon. Therefore I very much congratulate with my self, that I could make this Observation, not only with a very serene Sky, but also according to my Wish, in the Presence of my most wellcome Guest, the famous and most learned Mr. *Edmund Halley*.

It entered the Moon at Mount *Audus*, and as far as could be expected from its Exit, it pass'd through the *Loca Paludosa* of the Island *Cercinna*, over Mount *Ætna*, through the Island *Besbica*, through *Byzantium*, the Island *Apollonia*, and the upper Part of *Palus Mæotis*; so that it went a little above the Center of the Moon; the Moon having then some South Latitude. Then, which is very rare, we very accurately measured (as it seems to me) the apparent Diameter of *Jupiter* in this Observation. I remember that I have several Times observed the Diameter of *Jupiter* by the Lunar Spots, and found that it came to 55 Seconds more or less. But now the Diameter of *Jupiter* came out much less. For the whole Duration of this Occultation being known to be $58' 10''$, and at the same time the Diameter of the Moon being given $32' 40''$; it presently becomes known from that Mora of Time, when first *Jupiter* with his Limb touch'd the Limb of the Moon, and when again it was hid, (which was done in the same Space of 55 Seconds,) that the Diameter of *Jupiter* is $30'' 53'''$.

Order

Ord. Obser.	Time by the Pendulum Clock.	Altitudes of the fixed Stars and of the Sun, with the Distances of Jupiter from the Limb of the Moon.	Time cor- rected by Altitudes.
	h. ' "		h. ' "
	1 18 55	The Altitude of <i>Andromeda's</i> Head	24 52 0
	1 29 0	The Altitude of <i>Arcturus</i>	31 3 00
1	1 52 0	The Moon arose	1 54 25
2	3 26 0	The Sun rises	3 28 25
3	3 33 0	The Distance of <i>Jupiter</i> from the Limb of the Moon was nearly equal to the Moon's Diameter	3 35 0
4	3 41 0	<i>Jupiter</i> so far dist. from the Limb of the Moon, as is the Distance of <i>M. Porphyrites</i> from Mount <i>Sinai</i>	3 43 0
5	3 58 0	<i>Jupiter</i> was as far from the Eastern Limb of the Moon, as Mount <i>Aetna</i> is from <i>Palus Maræotis</i>	4 00 0
6	4 13 50	<i>Jup.</i> dist. from the limb of the M. two Diam. of <i>Jup.</i>	4 16 15
7	4 14 40	<i>Jupiter</i> was distant one of his Diameters	4 17 5
8	4 15 40	<i>Jupiter</i> grazed upon the Eastern Limb of the Moon	4 18 5
9	4 16 9	Half <i>Jupiter</i> was hid	4 18 34
10	4 16 35	All <i>Jupiter</i> was quite cover'd	4 19 0
11	5 14 0	A notable part of <i>Jupiter</i> now seem'd to come out	5 16 25
12	5 14 20	Half <i>Jupiter</i> was now come out	5 16 45
13	5 14 45	All <i>Jupiter</i> was now come out	5 17 10
	10 22 30	Altitude of the Sun	53 34 44
	10 27 16	Altitude of the Sun	53 59 45
	10 30 8	Altitude of the Sun	54 14 0
	10 38 0	Altitude of the Sun	54 53 40
	10 45 28	Altitude of the Sun	55 27 20

2. At 3^h 0' 11", the first *Satellite* was hid by the East Limb of the Moon. At Paris, by
 At 3^h 2' 0"¹/₂ the East Side of the Moon touched the West-side of *Jupiter*: M. Cassini.
 then I took the Height of *Jupiter*, which was 8° 01', at 3^h 2' 51". At 3^h 2' ^{ib.} P. 33.
 57", *Jupiter* was intirely hid by the Moon. It entered at equal Distance
 from the two Spots *Grimaldi* and *Aristarchus*; the last of which was in the
 Section of the Moon, which distinguished the Light from the Dark Part. At
 3^h 5' 1", the second *Satellite* was hid by the East-side of the Moon, At 3^h 5'
 48", the third *Satellite* was hid. At 3^h 56', we perceived by the Eye that *Ju-*
piter was parted from the obscure Side of the Moon.

M. *De la Hire* took the Height of *Jupiter* two Minutes after parting, and
 found it 17° 17'.

LXV.

An Occultation of the Bull's Eye, at Greenwich, Sept. 4. 1680. by Mr. Flamsteed. Ph. Coll. n. 4. p. 99.

Time corrected in the Morning.			Observations.			
h.	'	"				"
2	49	52	South Cusp of the M. from the Bull's Eye	5300	=	26 26
2	53	10	The Bull's Eye from the nearest Limb	1028	=	05 08
2	56	54	From the said Cusp	4830	=	24 06
3	01	16	Repeated	4370	=	21 48
3	05	42	Immersion by the Cusp	4049	=	20 12 or some-
4	08	20	The Diameter of the Moon	6595	=	32 54 thing less
			Repeated by my Assistant	6588	=	32 52
4	14	02	The Bull's Eye emerged			
4	15	12	Was distant from the Southern Cusp	3411	=	17 01
4	18	52	Repeated	3725	=	18 35
4	22	00	Again	3980	=	19 51
4	23	52	Once more	4098	=	20 56

3^h 05' 40", the fixt Star seem'd to adhere to the bright Limb of the Moon, and after two Seconds of Time nothing appear'd in the Limb. The Place of Immersion was near the most Southern of three small Spots lying in the middle between *Palus Maræotis* and Mount *Climax*.

At 4^h 13' 45", the first Star was not yet emerged; then, or a little afterwards, I know not on what Occasion, I removed my Eye from the Telescope, and when I apply'd it again at 4^h 14' 2", I saw the Star emerged, and shining with full Light.

h.	'	"		°	'	"
4	53	20	Nearest Limb of the M. from the bright Foot of <i>Orion</i>	26	12	25
4	56	20	The bright foot of <i>Orion</i> from the Bull's Eye	26	29	25
4	58	20	Nearest Limb of the M. from bright Foot of <i>Orion</i> again	26	12	00
5	04	02	The nearest Limb of the Moon from <i>Pollux</i>	44	09	10
5	06	33	Repeated	44	08	15
5	11	55	The bright Foot of <i>Orion</i> from the Bull's Eye	26	29	40

LXVI.

An Occultation of the Bull's Eye at Greenwich, Oct. 28. 1680. by Mr. Flamsteed. Ph. Coll. n. 4. p. 100.

Time corrected.			Observations.			
h.	'	"				"
7	11	52	The Diameter of the Moon	6745	=	33 39
7	16	26	Repeated	6744	=	33 39
7	19	46	The Bull's Eye from the bright Limb	5895	=	29 24
7	24	44	Repeated	5095	=	25 25
7	40	14		3203	=	15 59
7	51	21		1817	=	39 04

h. ' "							
7 59 34	_____	_____	_____	_____	810	=04 02	
8 02 09	_____	_____	_____	_____	490	=02 26	
8 06 09	It reached the Limb						
8 06 30	It disappear'd at the Longitude of <i>Palus Miris</i> towards the North, at its Northern Extremity.						

The Northern Limb of *Maotis*, also of *Aetna*, had the same Declination with the Place of Ingress.

The Difference of the Declinations of the Place of Immersion, and of the Northern Limb of the Moon, was $2770 = 13'. 49''$.

At $9^h 2' 58''$, it emerged from the obscure Limb, at the Longitude of *Insula Major*, from its Northern Limit.

Its Passage was through the Place of Emerision, to its Diameter North from *Crete*, through the North Limb of *Sirbon*, and Mount *Climax*.

At $9^h 10' 26''$, the Moon's Diameter was $6791 = 33' 52''$.

2. At *London*, we noted the *Immersion* at $8^h 6' 00''$, and that Star was newly emerged at $9^h 2' 52''$.

3. Mr. *Benj. Harry*, Master of the *Berkley Castle*, riding at Anchor in *Bal-lasore* Road, about 20 Miles E. S. E. from the Town, observed that the *Moon* passed to the Northward of the *Bull's Eye*, about 24 or 25 Min. and by his *Pendulum Watch*, rectify'd by Altitudes and the Rising and Setting of the Sun, he noted, that precisely at $16^h 00'$ the *Bull's Eye* was in equal Altitude with the *Moon's* Center, and that at $16^h 30'$ the Star was in equal Altitude with the lower Limb of the Moon, and at $17^h 12'$ the Occidental Limb of the *Moon* was in a Right Line with the *Bull's Eye* and *Capella*.

At *London*;
by Mr. *Halley*,
and Mr.
Haines.
Pb. Coll. n. 5.
p. 124.
At *Ballasore*
in *India*; by
Mr. *Benj.*
Harry, ib.

Times.	Observations.	Altitudes.
h. ' "		
6 47 00	The <i>Bull's Eye</i> was so far distant from the Confine of Light and Shadow, as the Mount of <i>Christ</i> is removed from the lower Limb of the Moon.	
7 37 00	The Star was hid at <i>Mare Syrticum</i> , under the Island <i>Cer-cinna</i> , the Altitude of <i>Andromeda's</i> Head being then	50 32
7 46 00	The Altitude of <i>Andromeda's</i> Head	49 27
7 49 30	The same Altitude	48 55
8 46 00	The <i>Bull's Eye</i> again shone out at the greater Island of the <i>Caspian</i> Sea. Therefore its Passage, in respect of the lunar Spots, was through <i>Mare Syrticum</i> , Mount <i>Atbos</i> , under the Island <i>Lemnos</i> , and Mount <i>Didymus</i> , under the <i>Athe-nian</i> Bay, through the <i>Pontic</i> Sea, and the greater Island of <i>Mare Caspium</i> .	
8 51 00	The Altitude of <i>Andromeda's</i> Head.	40 22

LXVIII.
An Occulta-tion of the Bull's Eye at Dantzick, Jan. 1. A. M. 1681. by M. Hevelius.

Ph. Coll. n. 3. p. 65.

2. Mr.

At Ballafore ;
by Mr. Ben.
Harry. Ph. Coll.
n. 5. p. 125.

2. Mr. Benj. Harry in Ballafore Road observed, that the Moon past to the Northward of the Bull's Eye, and that the Star and the Moon's under-Limb were in equal Altitude when they were both $13^{\circ} 45'$ high to the West, which gives the Time $14^h 49'$; and when the South Horn of Taurus was $23^{\circ} 30'$ high, which makes the Time $15^h 13'$, the Western Limb of the Moon was in a Line with Capella and the Bull's Eye.

At Avignon ;
by M. Gallet.
ib.

3. The correct Time of the Immersion was $6^h 18' 22''$, and the Emerfion at $7^h 19' 46''$.

A Transit of
the Moon be-
low th: three
Superior Pla-
nets, and Re-
gulus, 1682,
at Dantzick ;
by M. Heve-
lius. n. 143.
p. 17. n. 151.
p. 325.

LXVIII. Sept. 27. N. S. 1682, at Three in the Morning, I saw with my naked Eye the Moon and the three other Planets; but the Moon at that Time was still distant about 7 Degrees, according to the Order of the Signs, towards the West.

n. 143. p. 18.
min. 31. sec.
17. n. 151.
p. 326. min.
31. sec. 55.

But as far as may be collected from the Inclination of the Horns of the Moon in respect of the Tendency of the Planets, I presently concluded, that there would be no Occultations but only Transits; so as that the Moon would proceed below those superior Planets. In this Opinion I was more and more confirmed, when the following Day, Sept. 28. in the Morning, Regulus was not cover'd by the Moon, which Star, in respect of the Latitude of each, should rather have undergone an Occultation. For Regulus in the Conjunction, at $4^h 6'$, was distant $31' 17''$ towards the North from the upper Horn of the Moon; as I observed exactly with an excellent Tube and a very good Micrometer; so that there was no Occultation at all of Regulus, but only a Transit of the Moon. The same also happen'd Octob. 25. And Jupiter and Saturn, as also Mars, on Oct. 26. were not at all cover'd by the Moon, but the Moon pass'd far enough beneath the said Planets.

An Occultation
of Regulus by
the Moon,
Feb. 11. ft. n.
1683. at Dant-
zick; by M.
Hevelius.
n. 151. p. 331.

LXIX. Feb. 11. N. S. 1683, at 9^h. When first the Moon approached my Eye, Regulus was at a sufficient Distance towards the East. So that the Conjunction itself (as far as I could make a rude Estimate) happen'd at the Rising of the Moon at Five or Six a-Clock. But whether Regulus had been cover'd, or whether it was only a Transit, I could not be intirely satisfied.

Time.

Time by the Watch.		Distances and Alt.
h. ' "		
9 53 30	The beginning of the Occultation of the greater little Star A, of the 5 Magnitude	
10 08 30	The Conjunction of the Moon and the little Star C was distant from the lower Horn of the Moon	0 ' " 0 04 00
10 29 36	The beginning of the Occultation of the little Star B of the sixth Magnitude	
10 52 50	The end of the Occultation of the Star A.	
11 45 30	The Altitude of <i>Lyra</i> ——— ———	31 44 00
11 46 30	The same ——— ———	31 55 00
11 47 50	Again ——— ———	32 06 00

LXX.

An Occultation of two fixed Stars by the Moon, and a Transit above of a Third, Apr. 2. st. n. 1683. at Dantzick; by M. Hevelius. ib.

The Section of the Light and Shade this Day fell upon the Mounts *Serrorum* and *Carpathos*, through the *Sinus Peronticus*, between *Byzantium* and the Isle *Cyanea*, through the Mountains *Amanus* and *Taurus*, and the *Urian* Mountains.

The first little Star A is not to be found in *Tycho's* Catalogue, but in my new one it is call'd, The Subsequent under the Bull's Horn of the fifth Magnitude. At this Time it is Π $19^{\circ} 11' 35''$, and in $4^{\circ} 43' 44''$ of Southern Latitude. The other B, as far as I could collect from this Observation, is in Π $19^{\circ} 17' 0''$, and in South Latitude $4^{\circ} 47' 0''$. But the third C, which is hardly to be seen with the naked Eye, is now to be found in Π $19^{\circ} 9' 0''$, and in Latitude $5^{\circ} 2' 0''$ South. Now the Star A entered the Moon at Mount *Audus*, pass'd over the Island *Cercinna*, Mount *Neptune*, the *Adriatick* Sea, between Mount *Horminium* and Mount *Amanus*, over Mount *Hercules*. So that it emerged again between *Palus Meotis* and the greater Island of the *Caspian*. Whence it is plain that this little Star A was nearly in a central Conjunction with the Moon.

The other Star B of the sixth Magnitude entered the Moon at *Palus Maræotis*, pass'd through *Sinus Syrticus*, to Mount *Athos*, by Mount *Latmus*, between the Mountains *Sipylus* and *Macyfitus*, below the Center of the Moon, by the upper Mount *Moschus*, through the *Pontic* Sea, and so below the greater Island of the *Caspian* Sea.

LXXI.

An Occultation of a fixed Star, and a Transit above another, May 2. ft. n. 1683. at Dantzick; by M. Hevelius. ib.

LXXI. May 2. n. ft. 1683, at 11^h 0' 0" in the Evening. The Moon passed above the little Star at the Root of the Tail of *Cancer*, which then was in ☾ 27° 53' 37", in South Latitude 2° 18' 42"; so that in the very Conjunction it was not distant from the lower Horn of the Moon above 12'.

At 12^h 0' 0", another fixt Star, but a very small one, was cover'd, which otherwise is not in the Catalogue. As far as can be guess'd it was in ☾ 28° 30', and in South Latitude 1° 54'.

An Occultation of Regulus by the Moon, May 4. ft. n. 1683. at Dantzick; by M. Hevelius. ib.

LXXII. I observed most exactly the very Moment of Immersion, which happen'd at 11^h 17' 20", in the Evening, according to my Watch. The Line of Passage went through *Mare Pamphilius*, below the Island *Carpathos*, the Isle of *Cyprus*, below the utmost Bay of *Pontus*, and the lower Bay of *Mare Caspium*. At 11^h 24' 42", according to my Watch, the Altitude of the bright Star of the Harp was observed to be 44° 39' 00"; from whence the beginning of the Occultation may be corrected. The Section of Light and Shade was through the greater black Lake, at the Island *Corfica*, Mount *Niconius*, thro' the *Strymonic* Lake, and the Isle of *Rhodes*; by Mount *Sinai*, and Mount *Techisandam*.

An Occultation of Jupiter by the Moon, Mar. 31, 1686. at London; by Dr. Hook, and M. Halley. n. 181. p. 85.

LXXIII. 1. At 9^h 26" the under Limb of the *Moon* was just risen, and soon after *Jupiter* appeared near the Eastern Limb of the *Moon*, within a few Minutes of being eclipsed.

9^h 33', as near as could be guess'd, was the Time of the *Central Immersion*, which was very difficult to be observed by reason of the Asperity of the *Moon's* Limb, which undulated and sparkled very much, as it appeared through the Vapours near the Horizon: The *Ingress* happened much about the length of the Spot, called by *Hevelius*, *Palus Maëotis*, to the North of the said Spot, or about the 124th Degree of the outer Limb of his *Selenography*, nearly in the same Latitude with the *Moon's* Center.

10^h 30'. The Western Edge of *Jupiter* began to emerge out of the dark Limb of the *Moon*.

10^h 31' 20". The whole Disk of *Jupiter* was entire, so that he was about a Minute and a Third in coming out from behind the *Moon*.

The *Emersion* was exactly in a right Line with the *Moon's* Center and the Northern Part of *Palus Maëotis*, or about the 324th Degree of the inner Limb of the *Selenographick Table* of *Hevelius*.

Time

Time corrected by Pend. Clock			
h. ' "			
9 32 30	Jupiter's Limb touch'd the bright Limb of the Moon, the Diameter of <i>Maëotis</i> from its Northern Limit.		
9 33 42	Jupiter was wholly cover'd, as far as could be guess'd by means of the Vapours of the Horizon, and the Undulation of the Limb which was very turbid.		
10 11 12	The Difference of the Declinations of the Limb of the Moon which was truly Southward, and of the place of Ingress; by a Tube of 8 Feet and a Micrometer.	1546 =	12 42
10 30 30	A little part of <i>Jupiter</i> emerged over against the Northern Limb of <i>Maëotis</i> .		
10 31 36	All <i>Jupiter</i> was free.		
10 35 50	The Difference of Declinations of the Center of <i>Jupiter</i> , and the Southern Limb of the Moon	3436 =	28 15
10 41 40	Repeated ———	3585 =	29 28
10 44 00	The Diameter of the Moon ———	3906 =	32 07
10 45 44	Repeated ———	3915 =	32 11

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At Greenwich; by Mr. Flamsteed. *π*.
184. p. 206.

3. At 10^h 19' 56", *M. I. Ja. Zimmerman* observed the first Contact of the Limbs of *Jupiter* and the Moon, and at 10^h 20' 47", *Jupiter* was all eclipsed.

At Nuremberg; by *M. Zimmerman*.
n. 183. p. 177.

At 11^h 22' 51", *Jupiter* was wholly clear from the Eclipse.

The Immersion was about the 117th, the Emersion at the 321st Degree of the Limb, in the Chart of *Hevelius*.

At 11^h 31' 06", the third Satellite of *Jupiter* emerged. These Times were collected from the Culminations of fixed Stars, and the Vibrations of a Pendulum.

4. At 10^h 20' 50", *Jupiter* applied to the Limb of the Moon, over-against the *Loca Paludosa Insulaë Cercinnæ*.

By *M. Wurzelbauer*. *ib.*

At 10^h 22' 00", he appeared about half eclipsed.

At 10^h 22' 30", he was wholly hid.

At 11 19' 40", *Jupiter* began to emerge.

At 11^h 21' 20", he was quite free from the Interposition of the Moon. The Point of the Emersion was somewhat to the North of the *Palus Maëotis*. No Spot in the Moon was so near the apparent Magnitude of *Jupiter's* Disk as the *Insula Besbicus Hevelii*.

At 11^h 40' 00", the Altitude of *Procyon* was 8° 37'; whence the Pendulum Clock, which had been set by Altitudes of the Sun the Afternoon preceding, may be examined.

*As Dantzick, by
M. Hevelius.
ib. p. 178.*

5. Tho' hitherto for 56 Years I have neglected no Observation of any Moment, yet I have not been able rightly to take and note down above three Eclipses of *Jupiter*. The first was *An. 1646. Dec. 24.* in the Evening; but then I could only observe the End. The second was *An. 1679. June 5.* in the Forenoon; at which Time the whole succeeded as I could wish. The third was this present Year 1686. *Apr. 10.* in the Evening.

Among other things this is to be noted, that this Occultation did not happen when the Moon was quite in the full, but about a Day after the full Moon, in the Evening. And likewise at the same time, (which is very wonderful, and is a Coincidence which hardly ever happens) and with the same Appearance, as was seen in that Occultation *An. 1646. Dec. 24.* in the Evening. At which Time the Moon had now decreased for two Days, and without doubt it exhibited the same Libration also, as in this our last Observation. For the Section of Light and Shadow was just the same, and pass'd through the same Spots, which I cannot sufficiently admire; that is, at the greater and lesser *Hyperborean Lake*, also at the *Ripbean Mountains*, through *Palus Maëotis*, by the greater Lake of the *Caspian Sea*, and its lower Bay to Mount *Nerosus*.

On the contrary, the Occultation of *Jupiter* observed by me *An. 1679.* was very different, as it happen'd not about the full Moon, but the new Moon, about three Days before the Conjunction.

<i>Hour by the Watch.</i>		<i>Altitudes taken with a Quadrant</i>	<i>Time corrected by the Alt.</i>
<i>h. ' "</i>		<i>Gr. ' "</i>	<i>h. ' "</i>
5 10 10	The Sun's Altitude.	13 47 0	5 11 43
5 12 30	The Sun's Altitude.	13 28 0	5 13 55
5 17 40	The Sun's Altitude.	12 41 0	5 19 21
5 23 50	The Sun's Altitude.	11 46 0	5 25 43
8 7 10	The Altitude of <i>Arcturus</i> .	29 55 0	8 12 50
8 11 15	The Altitude of <i>Arcturus</i> .	30 32 0	8 17 4
8 15 10	The Altitude of <i>Arcturus</i> .	30 59 0	8 20 51
9 44 50	The Moon rises about <i>Jupiter</i> was distant from the Island of <i>Cercinna</i> about 43 Minutes.		9 24 0 9 52 50
10 21 30	<i>Jupiter's</i> Distance was such, as the Distance of <i>M. Sinai</i> from <i>Palus Maræotis</i> .		10 31 30
10 40 35	<i>Jupiter's</i> Distance was nearly equal to the Distance between Mount <i>Ætna</i> and Mount <i>Porphyrites</i> .		10 51 51

The

h.	'	"		h.	'	"
10	51	30	The Limb of <i>Jupiter</i> was as far distant from the Limb of the M. as <i>Pal. Maræotis</i> from the Limb of the M.	11	2	0
10	56	9	<i>Jupiter</i> with his Limb began to touch the Limb of the M. and thus the beginning of the Occultation came on.	11	7	9
10	56	54	Half <i>Jupiter</i> was hid.	11	7	54
10	57	39	All <i>Jupiter</i> was wholly cover'd by the Moon.	11	8	39
11	8	31	The Occultation of the outmost of <i>Jupiter's</i> Companions happen'd at <i>Mons Alabastrinus</i> . Only two of his Companions could be seen on the Eastern Side.			
11	15	54	The Altitude of <i>Lyra</i> .	32°	59'	0"
11	19	0	The Island <i>Besbica</i> and <i>Rhodes</i> were found under the same Perpendicular, which was removed about 35 Degrees from the vertical Line of the Moon.	11	26	0
11	21	37	The Altitude of <i>Lyra</i> .	33	50	0
11	24	57	Again.	34	24	0
11	38	15	The beginning of <i>Jupiter's</i> Emerfion.	11	49	15
11	39	0	Half <i>Jupiter</i> emerged.	11	50	0
11	39	45	All <i>Jupiter</i> appeared. Diam. of the M. observed with a Microm. was 31' 0".	11	50	45
11	54	10	The Distance of <i>Jupiter</i> from the Confine of Light and Shade was equal to the Distance of Mount <i>Ætna</i> from Mount <i>Porphyrites</i> .	12	5	40
11	57	20	Distance of <i>Jupiter</i> from the Confine of Light and Shade was equal to the Dist. between the Island <i>Besbica</i> and Mount <i>Ætna</i> . And the most remote of <i>Jupiter's</i> Companions was as far distant from <i>Jupiter</i> , as that Companion from the said Confine of Light and Shade.	12	9	20
12	6	9	The Altitude of <i>Lyra</i> .	40	19	0
12	9	18	The same Altitude again.	40	46	0
12	13	20	The Altitude of the Moon.	16	15	0

First it is plain from the Observation itself, that the Path or Line of *Jupiter's* Passage was by Mount *Alabastrinus*, by the Mount of *Christ*, Mount *Carpathos*, below Mount *Macroemnios*, and by the lower *Hyperborean* Lake. Secondly, that the Island *Besbica* and the Isle of *Rhodes* were under the same Perpendicular, at the Time of the Occultation, about 11^h 30'; so that 35 Degrees of the Moon's Limb culminated. Therefore *Jupiter* enter'd the bright Limb of

the Moon about the 61 Degree, that is, from the Perpendicular Line of the Nonagesm and the Point of the Zenith, towards the East. And he went out about the 31 Degree from the said perpendicular Line of the Nonagesm towards the West, at the obscure Limb of the Moon. Therefore *Jupiter's* Path-Line was a Subtense of almost 104 Degrees, in the North Part of the Moon.

Besides it is very well worth observing, that from this Observation I could derive the Diameter of *Jupiter* exactly; which was $51'' 42'''$. And of this Magnitude was the Diameter of *Jupiter*, or about $50''$, whenever I measured it by the Spots of the Moon. But in the Year 1679, on the 5th of *June*, when I observed a like Eclipse of *Jupiter*, it was much less than this, being only $30'' 53'''$. Which I imagine to proceed from hence, because that Observation was made in the Day-time, and while the Sun shined, when the adventitious Rays of the Stars and Planets are more dispell'd by the Sun's Light, than in a dark Night. Now if you should inquire which of these apparent Diameters I take to be the truer, I should answer that which was observed on the 5th of *June* in the Year 1679, when the Sun shined. Not because the last was not observed with the same Diligence and Exactness; but because, as I said before, the adventitious Rays in the Night-time are a greater Hindrance than in full Day-light.

At Paris; by
M. Cassini.
n. 183. P. 175.

6. At $9^h 31' 6''$, *Jupiter* was in a Perpendicular falling on the Limb of the Moon over-against the Northern-part of the Spot *Grimaldi*, (*Maræotis*) near to *Riccioli* (*Stag. Miris*) and distant from the Limb about 4 Times as much as the said Spot.

$9^h 40' 21''$, *Jupiter* touched the Circumference of the Moon, which undulated by reason of the Vapours near the *Horizon*.

$9^h 41' 20''$, He quite disappeared in the Inequalities of the Moon's Limb, the *Total Immersion* might be some Seconds later. So the *Central Immersion* was at $9^h 40' 51''$. *Jupiter* entered over-against that Part of *Grimaldi* next *Riccioli*.

$10^h 30' 2''$, The *outermost Satellite* which preceded *Jupiter* appeared over-against the Middle of the *Caspian Spot* (*Pal. Mæotis*) through which the *Section of Light and Darknes* passed, and made nearly an Equilateral Triangle, with the Extremities of that Spot.

$10^h 40' 24''$, The first Limb of *Jupiter* began to come out of the dark Side of the Moon, over-against the North-part of the *Caspian Spot*, about *Cleomedes*, (*ad Montes Riphæos.*)

$10^h 40' 56''$, The Center of *Jupiter* did emerge. It was difficult to distinguish the Moment when *Jupiter's* Disk was fully clear, but at $10^h 41' 36''$, the Eclipse was certainly past.

At the *Emersion* of the Center, the Altitude of *Jupiter* was $11^{\circ} 31'$.

At $10^h 42' 49''$, The *Second Satellite*, being the nearest of the three that followed the Planet, emerged.

At $10^h 45' 1''$, The *Innermost Satellite*, being near its greatest *Elongation*, emerged.

At $10^h 50' 40''$, The *Third, or Penextimus Satellites*, being likewise near its greatest *Elongation*, began to appear over-against the Northern-Edge of the *Caspian Spot*. At

At 11^h 45'. The Diameter of the *Moon* was 32' 27"; and according to the *Calculus* of *M. Cassini*, her *Parallax* was 61 Min.

7. The *Central Immersion* was at 9^h 42' 13"; and the *Central Emerision* at 10^h 45' 26", over-against the Southern-part of the *Caspian Spot*.

At Avignon; by
R. P. Bonfa.
ib. p. 176.

LXXIV. 1. The *Immersion* was seen at *Totteridge* (which Place is about 9 Miles from *London*, and nearly 25" of Time to the Westward thereof) by *Mr. Ed. Haines*, who between a Gap of the Clouds observed the *Contact* of the *Moon's Limb* and *Jupiter's*, at 3^h 3¹/₂.

An Occultation
of Jupiter by the
Moon, Apr. 28.
1686. n. 181.
p. 87.

The Clouds closing again permitted him to observe no more: however from this we may conclude the *Central Immersion* at *London*, to have been 3^h 4¹/₂, *mane*.

The *Emerision* was observed at *London*, by *Mr. Edm. Halley*, to fall out at 3^h 49': for at 3^h 50', *Jupiter* was all out, and the Limbs so little separated, that he judged, that a Minute before, the *Center* of *Jupiter* had been upon the *Moon's Edge*: The Point of the *Emerision* was over-against the Southern-part of the Spot, call'd by *Hevelius Insula Macra*, or at the 342d Division of the inner Limb of his *Map* of the *Moon*.

2. The *Immersion* of the *Center* happened at 3^h 37' 23", on the East-side of the Spot *Xenophanes*. The *Emerision* was at 4^h 28' 24", between *Seneca* and *Berosus*, according to *Riccioli*, or *ad Montes Alanos Hevelii*, a little to the Northward of the *Palus Maëotis*.

At Avignon; by
R. P. Bonfa.
n. 183. p. 177.

By the Watch.		Time corrected.
h. ' "		h. ' "
3 23 20	Altitude of <i>Arcturus</i> .	3 20 12
3 24 25	The same Altitude.	3 21 35
3 44 30	<i>Jupiter</i> was distant from the M.'s Limb by a greater Interval than that of Mount <i>Sinai</i> from Mount <i>Ætna</i> .	3 41 30
3 47 00	<i>Jupiter's</i> Distance was as much as that of Mount <i>Porphyrites</i> from <i>Byzantium</i> .	3 44 00
3 52 00	Distance of <i>Jupiter</i> from the Limb of the M. was equal to the Dist. of the Isle of <i>Sardinia</i> from <i>Pal. Maræotis</i> .	3 49 00
3 59 00	<i>Jupiter</i> was distant from the Limb of the Moon something more than <i>Palus Maræotis</i> from <i>Ætna</i> .	3 56 00
4 16 40	Dist. of <i>Jupiter</i> from the Limb of the Moon was almost equal to that of M. <i>Porphyr.</i> from the Island <i>Cercinna</i> .	4 13 40
	The Planets were now set.	4 17 00

3.
At Danzick; by
M. Hevelius. ib.
p. 184.

LXXV. 1.

An Occultation
of Saturn by the
Moon, Mar. 19.
1686-7 at Tot-
teridge; by Mr.
Ed. Haines.
n. 186. p. 268.

The Hour by a large Clock.			The Time corrected.	
h.	' "		°	h. ' "
12	06 10	The Altitude of <i>Pollux</i> .	28 35	12 12 14
12	16 47		26 59	12 22 47
1	18 00	The Limb of the Moon touched the Western Ansa of <i>Saturn</i> .		1 24 00
1	18 30	The Immersion of <i>Saturn</i> 's Center a little be- low <i>Palus Maræotis</i> .		1 24 30
1	19 00	Now <i>Saturn</i> was quite hid.		1 25 00
4	01 25	The Altitude of the Center of the Sun.	20 00	7 07 17
4	09 06		18 55	4 14 43

In Ireland; by
Dr. Ash, Bishop
of Cloyn.
n. 243. p. 293.

2. March 18. At Night I observed here the Occultation of *Saturn* by the Moon, which happened at 12^h 13' 55": it passed directly under the Midst of the Moon's Discus.

Phases of Saturn,
An. 1665. at
Mainhead near
Exeter; by Mr.
William Ball.
n. 9. p. 152.
Fig. 132.
An. 1666. at
London; by Dr.
Hook. n. 14.
p. 246.
Fig. 133.

LXXVI. 1. Oct. 13. 1665. at six of the Clock, with a very good Telescope near 38 Foot long, and a double Eye-glass, *Saturn* appeared to me somewhat otherwise than I expected, thinking it would have been decreasing, but I found it as full as ever, and a little hollow above and below.

2. June 29. 1666. between 11 and 12 at Night, I observed the Body of *Saturn* thro' a 60 Foot Telescope, and found it exactly of the Shape represented in the Figure. The Ring appeared of a somewhat brighter Light than the Body; and the black Lines *aa*, crossing the Ring, and *bb*, crossing the Body (whether Shadows or not I dispute not) were plainly visible; whence I could manifestly see, that the Southernmost part of the Ring was on this side of the Body, and the Northern-part behind or covered by the Body.

An. 1668. at
Paris; by M.
Huygens and M.
Piccart. n. 45.
p. 900.

3. Aug. 17. 1668. at 11^h $\frac{1}{2}$ these Parisian Observers, imploying a Telescope of 21 Foot, saw the Globe of *Saturn* in the Middle manifestly appearing above and below, beyond the Oval of his Anses; which was hardly discernible the last Year. They measured divers ways the Inclination of the greater Diameter of the Oval to the *Æquator*, and found it of about 9 Degrees. By this Observation and other like ones of this and the preceding Year, M. Huygens finds, that, instead of 23° 30', the Angle of the Planes of the Ring and of the *Ecliptick* must be of 31°, or thereabouts.

An. 1670. at
Dantzick; by
M. Hevelius.
n. 65. p. 2089.
Fig. 134.

4. Aug. 26. New Style, 1670. That Telescope of 50 Foot long, which you lately sent me, shew'd me the Face of *Saturn* very plainly and clearly, notwithstanding the Presence of the Moon. Now how it appear'd to me may be seen by this Delineation. It had a very different Appearance from what was seen by Mr. Huygens, and you also, An. 1666. and likewise by the Paris Observers

Observers in 1668. For the Ring which encompasses *Saturn* was now found to be much narrower and closer than at that Time, its Path now being much more oblique in respect of the Earth.

5. This Summer Mr. *Huygens* observed *Saturn* with his Telescope of 22 Feet, and saw his Figure to be very conformable to what it should be according to his *Hypothesis*; viz. the *Anse* or Arms to be very narrow, insomuch that their Opening appeared not but very obscurely. At Paris; by M. Huygens. *ib.* p. 2093.

6. Sept. 16. Dr. *Hook* observed the Phase of *Saturn* as here represented, At London; by Dr. Hook. *ib.*
Fig. 135.

7. *Saturn*, according to the *Hypothesis* of Mr. *Huygens*, was to have retaken his Round Figure in the Months of *July* and *August* 1671. But this Appearance hath been perceived ever since the End of *May*, at a Time when he was distant enough from the *Sun* and the *Horizon*, to be well observed. He hath remained in this Figure unto the 11th of *August*, and Mr. *Cassini* did then observe him thus; but three Days after he saw him with *Arms*, though very narrow ones. An. 1671. at Paris; by M. Cassini. n. 78. p. 3024.

8. Our *Philosophers* here know very well, that as soon as Mr. *Cassini* had told me that the *Arms* of *Saturn* were returned in *August*, I said that assuredly they would disappear before the End of this Year. I still observed them, *Nov. 6. st. n.* in the Evening, but they were so faint and obscure, that it was hard to discern them; so that within a few Days they will appear no more at all. This confirms altogether my *Hypothesis* of the *Ring*, which now disappears in proportion as the Rays of the *Sun* do obliquely illuminate the flat Surface of it, obverted to our Sight. By M. Huygens. *ib.* p. 3025, 3026.

9. How it appear'd lately, on *Sept. 11. New Style*, I have delineated very truly and carefully, and have here sent you the Scheme. But in the Months of *June, July, and August*, that you should see it quite round, as the *Parisians* affirm, I can hardly imagine. For tho' the *Arms* of *Saturn* might appear very close at the Sides, even in a Tube of 60 or 70 Feet, yet I can hardly think they could quite vanish, so that no Remains of them could be seen. Perhaps the *Parisians* might view *Saturn* in short Telescopes, during the Twilight, when the Moon was up. At Dantzick; by M. Hevelius. *ib.* p. 3032. Fig. 136.

10. Oct. 12. with my less Tube I thought I saw something on each Side of *Saturn*, amidst the Colours of my Glass, and the spurious Rays of his Body. Directing my longer Tube (of 14 Feet) to him, I could see his *Anse* somewhat more distinctly, but very slender, and to one, that thought not of them, scarce discernible. At Derby by Mr. Flamsteed. *ib.* p. 3034.

Nov. 30. I observed him with my 14 Foot Telescope, the Aperture being 1½ Inch, and its Eye-Glass drawing two Inches. He appeared perfectly round, free from Rays and Colours, and no *Anse* to be seen. Mr. *Townley* in his last (*Nov. 20.*) tells me, that he looked at him one Night, and could hardly distinguish his Line of the *Ansulæ*, but plainly saw a dark Line through him near his upper Part. At Paris; by M. Cassini. n. 92. p. 580. An. 1675. At London; by Mr. Flamsteed. n. 116. p. 372. At Dantzick; by M. Hevelius. n. 127. p. 661.

11. Dec. 16. we found that *Saturn* had retaken his round Figure.

12. June 27. in the Morning 1675. we saw *Saturn* improved with his wide and open *Anse*.

13. In *August*, the Figure of *Saturn* appear'd, as Fig. 137.

14. From

An. 1676. at
Paris; by M.
Cassini. n. 128.
p. 690.
Fig. 137.
Fig. 138.

14. From the Scheme of *Saturn*, as observed by Mr. *Hevelius* a Year ago, I perceived that he made use of Telescopes which were much inferior to ours. For at that Time, as also now *Aug.* 1676. in the Globe of *Saturn*, an obscure Zone was seen by us, a little to the South of the Center, not unlike the Zones of *Jupiter*. Moreover the breadth of the Annulus was divided into two Parts, by an obscure Line that to appearance was elliptical, but was really circular, as it were into two concentrick Rings, the Interval of which was brighter than the External. I saw this Phasis immediately after the Emerfion of *Saturn* out of the Sun's Rays through the whole Year quite to his Immerfion; first with a Telescope of 35 Feet, and afterwards with a less of 20 Feet.

Places of Saturn
observed An.
1670, at Dant-
zick; by M.
Hevelius. n. 63.
p. 2089.
An. 1677. at
Paris; by M.
Bullialdus. n.
139. p. 973.

LXXVII. 1. *Aug.* 26. *st.* n. 1670. I saw *Saturn*, the Altitude of *Aquila* being $24^{\circ} 32' 0''$, at the Distance of $33^{\circ} 48' 0''$, from the utmost Wing of *Pegasus*, and $24^{\circ} 51' 40''$ from his Mouth; in $4^{\circ} 11'$ of *Pisces*, and in $1^{\circ} 53''$ of South Latitude, being then in Opposition to the Sun.

2. *Dec.* 29. new Style, 1677. at $8^h 58'$. In the same Azimuth, and in the nonagesim Degree of the Ecliptick from the Horizon, we saw *Saturn* and the Northern Eye of the Bull, which was below *Saturn*. Whence we found that the Planet and the fixt Star had the same Longitude in the Zodiack; that is, $\Pi 3^{\circ} 58' 53''$, according to *Tycho*.

The outermost
Satellite of Sa-
turn discover'd
by M. Cassini.
n. 92. p. 5178.

LXXVIII. 1. About the End of *October* 1671. we discovered, by a Telescope of 17 Feet, 11 small Stars near *Saturn*, one of which by its particular Motion shew'd itself to be a true Planet; which we found, by comparing it not only to *Saturn* and his ordinary *Satellite*, discovered 1655 by M. *Huygens*, but also to the Fix'd Stars. The Motion of it was very manifest in respect of the Fix'd Stars, but less sensible in respect of *Saturn*; yet it appear'd, that from *October* 25, unto *November* 1, his Distance from *Saturn* increased Westward, and from that time unto *Novem.* 6. it diminished: So that his greatest *Digression* from *Saturn* happened in the Beginning of *November*.

Dec. 16. We found that on the East of *Saturn*, there was a small Star, far distant, in a streight Line to *Saturn*, and to his ordinary *Satellite*, which was Oriental also, but little distant from *Saturn*. And *Dec.* 24th. we saw this *Satellite* in the West, and a Star, Oriental likewise, less distant from *Saturn* than that we had seen the 16th.

Dec. 13. and 17. 1672. We perceived, with an excellent Telescope, (of 35 Feet, made by *Campani*) an Occidental Star, remote from *Saturn*, which in both those Observations had a Southern Latitude in respect of the Line of his *Wings*; but in the first it was further distant from *Saturn* than in the second: so that, if this was the same Star, as I suppos'd it to be, it mov'd towards *Saturn* on the East, and consequently (supposing it to be his *Satellite*) it was in the superior Part of his Circle.

Feb. 6. 1673. We began to see him again, and we observed him almost all the Days following till the 20th. This new Planet did more and more remove from *Saturn* till the 19th of *Feb.* when we measured the Difference between his Passage and that of the Center of *Saturn* to be $30''$ of an Hour, which gave at least 10 Diameters of *Saturn*, and on the 20th the Distance was judged by Estimate to be yet greater.

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This Digression, being treble to that of the *Ordinary Satellite*, enabled us at first to judge the Time of this Revolution to be Quintuple, applying to the *Satellites* that Proportion, which *Kepler* hath noted in the *Principal Planets*, between the Periodical Times and their Distances. We were afterwards confirmed in this Opinion; for by the apparent Swiftnes of his Motion, it was easy to see that this *Planet* had been in Conjunction with *Saturn* Feb. 3. 1673. and by his Motion on the West, it appears, that he was in the inferior part of his Circle: And because during this time of 17 Days he remov'd more and more from *Saturn*, 'tis certain that he remained in the same Quadrant of the inferior Occidental Circle above 17 Days, and that his whole *Revolution* is more than 68 Days. He was these last Days at a Distance almost equal to that which he had about the end of *October* 1671; so that in 480 Days or thereabout he made a certain Number of Intire *Revolutions*, which can be no more than 7; since each of them is without Question of more than 68 Days. If you should count 7 of them, each would be $68\frac{1}{2}$ Days; if you count 6, each would be 80 Days; and if you count but 5, each would be 96 Days. But this last Supposition can by no means be made to agree with the two Observations of *Dec.* 1672; and the first doth not agree so well with them as the second.

Mr. *Cassini* has since found, that this *outermost Satellite* is distant from the Center of *Saturn* $10\frac{1}{2}$ Diameters of his *Ring*; that the Period of his *Revolution* in 80 Days is so just, that he doth not anticipate 9 *Revolutions*, which are made in two Years, but by one whole Day; and that in the Conjunctions with *Saturn*, his Latitude encreases according as the *Ring* of *Saturn* enlargeth itself; though the Line of his Motion is not parallel to the Circumference of the *Ring*.

Mr. *Cassini* hath also discovered, after many *Revolutions*, that this *Satellite* hath a Period of *Apparent Augmentation* and *Diminution*, by which Period he becomes visible in his greatest Occidental Digression, and invisible in his greatest Oriental Digression; he begins to appear two or three Days before his Conjunction in the inferior part, and to disappear two or three Days after his Conjunction in the superior part: So that he remains invisible in every *Revolution* of 80 Days for a whole Month together.

This Vicissitude of *Phases* makes it seem probable, that one part of his Surface is not so capable of Reflecting to us the Light of the Sun, which maketh it visible, as the other part is. Whence we may conjecture, that the *Globe* of the *Satellite* hath some Diversity of Parts analogous to that of the *Earth*, the one part of whose Surface is cover'd by the Sea; which is not so fit to reflect from all parts the Light of the Sun, as the Continent which maketh up the other part: So that this *Planet* by a Conversion about his *Axis*, or by an Exposition of the same Hemisphere to *Saturn* (much after the manner of the Hemisphere of the *Moon* to the *Earth*) sometimes turns to us the part analogous to the Continent, sometimes that part which answers to the Sea.

The Third Satel-
lite of Saturn
discover'd; by
M. Cassini, n.
92. p. 5181.

LXXIX. Dec. 23. 1672. We found a small Star Westward of *Saturn*, between him and his *Ordinary Satellite*, which was on the West also, almost at a double Distance. Dec. 30. we saw a little Star, on the East of him and his *Ordinary Satellite*, which had passed also to the East of him.

Jan. 10. 1673. This little Star appeared to have returned almost to the same Position in respect of *Saturn* and his *Ordinary Satellite*, where it had been Dec. 23. Jan. 15. the *Ordinary Satellite* was Oriental, and the *New* one Occidental, as it had been in the precedent, but a little nearer to *Saturn*. We had that Evening time enough attentively to observe this *Planet* for a whole Hour together, during which we perceived, it approached to *Saturn* on the West, and consequently was in the superior part of his Circle: Which did fully confirm us in the Supposition we were inclined to, that it was an *Interior Satellite*.

Comparing the Observations together, we began to find the Rule of the Motion of the new *Interior Satellite*. For the two last shewed us, that in 5 Days he had made more than a whole Revolution. The first Observation compared with the third made us judge, that in 18 Days he had made a Number of Revolutions, almost whole ones, which certainly were 4; each of them was of $4\frac{1}{2}$ Days: So that between the 10th and 15th it might be, that there had been one Revolution of $4\frac{1}{2}$ Days, or two Revolutions of $2\frac{1}{4}$ Days each. But the Combination of the first with the second, made us conclude the Period of $2\frac{1}{4}$ Days. We therefore judged by these Observations, that this last *Planet* finishes his Revolution about *Saturn* in $4\frac{1}{2}$ Days; that the Semidiameter of his Circle is $1\frac{1}{3}$ of the Diameter of *Saturn's Ring*; and that he was towards his greatest Occidental Digression the 23d of *December*, and *Jan.* 1. about 7 a Clock in the Evening. We have since found, that his greatest Digression from the Center of *Saturn* is only $1\frac{2}{3}$ of his *Ring*, and the Period of his Revolution is 4 Days 12^h and $27'$. His Latitude augments also according as the *Ring* enlargeth, and at the present that the largeness of the *Ring* is greater than the Diameter of the Globe of *Saturn*, he is to pass in the Conjunctions without touching either *Saturn* or his *Ring*. Yet notwithstanding we have not yet been able to distinguish him in the Conjunctions either in the upper or lower part of his Circle; but only in his greatest, as well Oriental as Occidental, Digressions.

n. 133. p. 833.

Two Interior Sa-
tellites of Saturn
discover'd; by
M. Cassini.
n. 181. p. 79.

LXXX. These two *Satellites* were first of all seen in *Mar. An.* 1684. by two excellent Object Glasses of 100 and 136 Feet; and afterwards by two others of 93 and 70 Feet; all made by *S. Campani*, after the Discovery of the 3d and 5th *Satellites*, which had been made by others of his Glasses of 47 and 34 Feet. We have since seen all these *Satellites* with that of 34 Feet, and continued to observe them with Glasses of *M. Borelli* of 40 and 70 Feet, and by those which *M. Arrouquel* hath lately made, of 80, 155, and 220 Feet. It was easy for us to see these two *Satellites* by these different sorts of Glasses, after having found the Rules of their Motion, whereby we might with more particular Attention look upon the Places where they ought to be.

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The *First* *Satellite* was observed 45° distant from its *Perigee*, moving toward the West, *Mar.* 11. 1686. *st. n.* at $10^{\text{h}} 40'$ at Night, and returned to the same Position on the 14th of *April* at the same Hour.

The *Second* was 36° distant from the *Perigee* to the West, the 30th of *Mar.* 1686. *st. n.* at 8 a Clock in the Evening.

The *First* or *Innermost* *Satellite*, is never distant from *Saturn's* *Ring* above $\frac{2}{3}$ of the apparent Length of the same *Ring*; it makes one *Revolution* in $1^{\text{d}} 21^{\text{h}} 19'$; and the Circle of its Orb is nearly in the same Plane with the *Ring*.

The *Second* or *Penintime* *Satellite* is $\frac{3}{4}$ of the Length of the *Ring* distant therefrom, and makes his *Revolution* in $2^{\text{d}} 17^{\text{h}} 43'$.

After a great Number of choice Observations, it was concluded, that the Proportion of the *Digressions* of the *Second* to that of the *First*, (counting both from the Centre of *Saturn*) is as 22 to 17; and of its *Revolution* as $24\frac{3}{4}$ to 17. This is that very same Proportion which *Kepler* observes between the *Distances* and *Period* of the *Primary Planets*, and which we have found between the other *Satellites* of *Saturn*, and is verified in the *Satellites* of *Jupiter*. There is nothing that better shews the admirable Harmony of the particular *Systems* with the great *System* of the World.

The antient Astronomers having translated the Names of their Heroes among the Stars, whose Names have continued down to us unchanged, notwithstanding the Endeavour of the following Ages to alter them; and *Galileo* after their Example, having honoured the House of the *Medici* with the Discovery of the *Satellites* of *Jupiter*, made by him under the Protection of *Cosmus II.* (which Stars will be always known by the Name of the *Sidera Medicea.*) Wherefore the Discoverer concludes that the *Satellites* of *Saturn*, being much more exalted and more difficult to discover, are not unworthy to bear the Name of *Louis Le Grand*, under whose Reign, and in whose *Observatory* the same have been detected; which therefore he calls *Sidera Lodoicea*, not doubting but to have perpetuated the Name of that King, by a Monument much more lasting than those of Brass and Marble, which shall be erected to his Memory.

LXXXI. The *Fourth* or *Penextime* *Satellite* of *Saturn*, first discover'd by *M. Huygens* 1655, I have of late frequently observ'd with a 24 Foot *Telescope*: And I perceiv'd that *M. Huygens's* Numbers were considerably run out, and about 15° in 20 Years two swift; this made me resolve more nicely to enquire into it's *Period*, and accordingly I waited till I had gotten a competent Number of Observations, the most considerable whereof are these.

M. Huygens's
Theory of the
Fourth Satellite
of Saturn correct-
ed; by Mr. Ed.
Halley. n. 145.
p. 82. Mar. An.
1683.

1612. *Nov.* 13. $13^{\text{h}} 00'$ *p. m.* the *Satellite* appear'd on the North side of *Saturn*, and a Perpendicular let fall from it on the transverse Diameter of the *Ring*, fell upon the middle of the dark Space of the following *Anse*; and the same Night $19^{\text{h}} 00'$, it had past the *Conjunction*, and the Perpendicular fell exactly on the Western Edge of the *Globe* of *Saturn*: the Northern Latitude and Retrograde Motion made it evident, that the *Satellite* was then in *Perigæo*.

Again, *Nov. 21. 16^h 15'*, this *Satellite* of *Saturn* was on his South-side; the Perpendicular on the Line of the *Anſæ* fell on the Middle of the dark Space of the Western *Anſæ*, and the same Night *19^h 00'*, the Perpendicular fell precisely on the Center of *Saturn*, and the Distance therefrom was somewhat less than one Diameter of the *Ring*. By this it was evident that the *Satellite* was in *Apogæo*.

I observed it in *Apogæo* again on the *24th of Jan. 1683.* at *8^h 00' p. m.* the Perpendicular on the Line of the *Anſæ* fell exactly on the Western Limb of the *Globe* of *Saturn*, and at *9^h 30', p. m.* the said Perpendicular fell within the *Globe* more than half way to the *Center*, and the Distance from the Line of the *Anſæ* towards the South, seemed much about one Diameter of the *Ring*.

Lastly, *Feb. 9. 1683. 8^h 10', p. m.* it was again in *Apogæo*, and I could by no means discern towards which side it inclined most, nor whether the Transverse Diameter of the *Ring*, or the Distance of the *Satellite* therefrom, were the greater; so that at that time it was precisely *Apogæon*.

To compare with these, I chose two out of those of *Huygens*, which seemed the most to be confided in; the first made *1659. March 14. st. n. 12^h 00'* at the *Hague*; when the *Satellite* appeared about one Diameter of the *Ring* under *Saturn*; but it was gone so far to the Westward, that he concluded, that about 4 Hours before, or *7^h 40'* at *London*, it had been in *Perigæo*.

Again, *March 22. 1659. 10^h 45'*, the *Satellite* was a whole Diameter above the Line of the *Anſæ*, and the Perpendicular thereon fell nearly upon the Extremity of the Eastern *Anſæ*.

By the First of my Observations it appears that the *Satellite* was in *Perigæo* *1682. Nov. 13. 17^h 00', circiter*, at which time *Saturn* was *30° 29° 39'* from the first Star of *Aries* in the *Ecliptick*, but the *Earth* reduced to *Saturn's Equinoctial*, and the *Satellite* was *9° 23° 46'*, à *1^a ♁ γ*. And *March 4. 1659. 7^h 40'*, *Saturn's* Place in the *Ecliptic* was *6° 0° 41'*; but the *Earth* reduced, and consequently the *Satellite*, in *11° 28° 18'*, à *Prima Stella Arietis*. The Interval of Time is *8655 Days, 9° 20'*; in which the *Satellite* had made a certain Number of Revolutions to the Fix'd Stars, and besides *9° 25° 28'*, or *295 Degrees 28'*, whose Complement to a Circle *64° 32'* is *2 Days 20^h 36'* Motion of the *Satellite*, according to *Huygens*. So that *8655 Days 5^h 56'*, or *12467846 Minutes* of Time, is the Time of some Number of intire Revolutions; and dividing that Interval by *15 Days 22^h 39'*, or *22959'* (the Period of *Huygens*) the Quotient *543* shews the Number of Revolutions; and again dividing *12467876* by *543*, the Quotient *22961 $\frac{1}{5}$ min.* or *15 Days, 22^h 41' 6"*, appears to be the true Time of this *Satellite's* Period. Hence the Diurnal Motion will be *22° 34' 38" 18'''*, and the Annual, besides *22* Revolutions, *10° 20° 43'*. Having made Tables to this Period, I found that in the *Apogæon* Observation of *Huygens*, the *Satellite* was above *3* Degrees faster than by my *Calculus*, and that in the three other Observations of my own, being likewise in the superior part, it was *2 $\frac{1}{2}$ Deg.* slower than by the same Calculation. Now 'tis evident, that the Differences must arise from some
Eccentricity

Eccentricity in the *Orbit* of this *Satellite*, and that in *Mar.* 1659. the *Apocronion* (as I may call it) was somewhere in the *Oriental Semicircle*, and that in *Nov.* 1682. it was in the *Western Semicircle*; and supposing the *Apocronion* fix'd, it must necessarily be between $9^{\circ} 23' 46''$, and $11^{\circ} 28' 18''$, à $1^{\circ} * \gamma$, that being the common Part between those two *Semicircles*; and because the *Difference* was greater in *Huygens's* Observation than in mine, 'twill follow that the *Linea Absidum*, or *Apocronion*, should be nearer to $9^{\circ} 23' 46''$, than to $11^{\circ} 28' 18''$. I will suppose $10^{\circ} 22' 00''$ à *Prima Stella Arietis*, (which happens to be also the Place of *Saturn's Equinox*) and the greatest *Equation* about $2\frac{1}{2}$ *Degrees*. Upon the Score of this *Inequality* the mean *Motion* of the *Satellite* will be found about $2^{\circ} 45'$ slower in $23\frac{1}{2}$ *Years*, or 7 *Minutes* in a *Year*, whence I state the *Annual Motion* $10^{\circ} 20' 36''$, above 22 *Revolutions*, and the correct *Epocha* for the last Day of *December* 1682, at *Noon* in the *Meridian* of *London* $9^{\circ} 10' 15''$ à $1^{\circ} * \gamma$; from which *Elements* I compose the following *Table*.



Table

Tab. of the Mean Mot. of the Satel. of Sat. found by *Huygens*, from the first * r

Current Year of Christ.	Epoques.	Years.	Mean Mot.	Days.	Mean Mot.	H. Min.	Mean Mot.	Minutes	Mean Mot.
	s o ' "		s o ' "		s o ' "		' " "		' " "
1641	8 29 17	1	10 20 36	1	0 22 35	1	0 56	31	29 10
1661	10 14 10	2	9 11 12	2	1 15 9	2	1 53	32	30 6
1681	11 29 3	3	8 1 48	3	2 7 4	3	2 49	33	31 3
1682	10 19 39	4	7 14 59	4	3 0 18	4	3 46	34	31 59
						5	4 42	35	32 55
1683	9 10 15	5	6 5 35	5	3 22 53				
1684	8 00 51	6	4 26 11	6	4 15 28	6	5 39	36	33 52
1685	7 14 2	7	3 16 47	7	5 8 2	7	6 35	37	34 48
		8	2 26 57	8	6 0 37	8	7 32	38	35 45
Month common Year.	Mean Mot.					9	8 28	39	36 41
		9	1 20 23	9	6 23 12	10	9 24	40	37 38
		10	0 11 9	10	7 15 46				
Jan.	0 0 0	11	11 1 45	11	8 8 21	11	10 21	41	38 34
Feb.	11 9 53	12	10 14 56	12	9 0 55	12	11 17	42	39 31
March	8 12 2	13	9 5 32	13	9 23 30	14	12 14	43	40 27
April	7 21 56	14	7 26 8	14	10 16 5	15	13 10	44	41 24
		15	6 16 44	15	11 8 39				
May	6 9 14	16	5 29 54	16	0 1 14	16	14 7	45	42 20
June	5 19 7					17	15 3	46	43 17
July	4 6 26	17	4 20 30	17	0 23 48	18	16 0	47	44 13
August	3 16 19	18	3 11 6	18	1 16 23	19	16 56	48	45 10
		19	2 1 42	19	2 8 58	20	17 52	49	46 6
Sept.	2 26 12	20	1 14 53	20	3 1 32		18 49	50	47 3
October	1 13 31					21	19 45	51	47 59
Nov.	0 23 24					22	20 42	52	48 56
Dec.	11 10 43					23	21 38	53	49 52
						24	22 35	54	50 49
						25	23 31	55	51 45
						26	24 27	56	52 42
						27	25 24	57	53 38
						28	26 20	58	54 35
						29	27 17	59	55 31
						30	28 13	60	56 27
In Leap-Year after <i>February</i> add one Day, and the Motion belonging to it.				29	9 24 44				
				30	10 17 18				
				31	11 9 53				
				32	0 2 28				

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I here suppose the *Linea Apsidum* fix'd, as having no Argument from Observation to prove the contrary, though it be very probable that as the *Apo-gæon* of our *Moon* has a Motion about the *Earth* in about 9 Years, so that of this *Satellite* ought to have about *Saturn*, but with a much longer Period, which future Observation may discover.

The Distance of this *Satellite* from the Center of *Saturn* seems to be much about 4 Diameters of the *Ring*, or 9 of the *Globe*, and the Plane wherein it moves, very little or nothing differing from that of the *Ring*, that is to say, intersecting the Orb of *Saturn* $4^{\circ} 22'$, and $10^{\circ} 22'$ à $1^{\circ} * \gamma$, with an Angle of $23\frac{1}{2}$ Degrees, so as to be nearly parallel to the *Earth's Equator*; whence the *Latitude* of the *Apo-gæon* Semicircle from $4^{\circ} 22'$ to $10^{\circ} 22'$ of *Saturn's Longitude* from the first Star of γ , will be Northern, and of the other Semicircle Southern; and the contrary in the other half of *Saturn's Longitude*, to wit, from $10^{\circ} 22'$ to $4^{\circ} 22'$ of his distance from the first Star of γ .

It follows now to shew how by the help of this Table to compute the place of this *Satellite*, to any Time required.

First we must have the true *Longitude* of *Saturn* from the *Earth*, and numbered from the first Star of γ , (or rather the Place of the *Earth* viewed from *Saturn*, together with its *Latitude* from the Orb of *Saturn*; but that being never fully $\frac{1}{2}$ of a Degree we neglect it as a Nicety) and therefrom subtract $10^{\circ} 22'$, there remains the Distance of *Saturn* from this *Equinoctial* Point, with which Distance with the *Longitude* of the *Sun*, take out the *Right Ascension* and *Declination* thereto ($23\frac{1}{2}$ Degrees being the Obliquity common to both) and to the *Right Ascension* adding $10^{\circ} 22'$, the Sum shall be the *Longitude* of the *Satellite's Apo-gæon*. Then say, as *Radius* to *Sine* of the *Declination*, so 8 to the greatest *Latitude* in *Apo-gæo*, or *Perigæo* in the parts of the Semidiameter of the *Ring*.

Next collect the *Middle Motion* of the *Satellite*, and from it subtract $10^{\circ} 22'$, the Remainder shall be the mean *Anomaly*, with which in the Table of the *Moon's* primary *Equation*, take out the *Equation* answering thereto, and the half thereof added or subtracted to or from the *Middle Motion*, according to the Table, gives the true Motion of the *Satellite*; from which subtract the *Apo-gæon*, and if the Remainder be more than 6 Signs, the *Satellite* is Occidental, if less, Oriental; and as *Radius* to *Sine* of the Remainder, so 8 to the Semidiameters of the *Ring*, or 18 to the Semidiameters of the *Globe*, that the *Satellite* is to the Eastward or Westward of the Center of *Saturn*, according to the foregoing Precept.

Lastly, as *Radius* to *Cosine* of the said Remainder, so is the greatest *Latitude* from the Line of the *Anse*, to the *Latitude* sought.

Here note, that I purposely neglect the Inequality of the Distance arising from the *Eccentricity*, as being too small to be any way observable.

Lastly, to clear all Difficulties that may arise to them that are but little versed in this sort of Calculation, I have added an Example of the Work, that where the Precept may seem obscure it may be thereby illustrated.

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An. 1657. May 9. st. n. M. Huygens observed the *Satellite* very near *Saturn* on the Western Side, and very little above the Line of the *Anſæ*. I ſuppoſe this about 10^h p. m. Let us now *calculate* to that time.

1657, May 9 ^d 9 ^h 10', at London.		Mean Motion of the Satel.	• 0 •
The Place of <i>Saturn</i>	28° 57'	1641	8 29 17
<i>Sat.</i> from firſt Star of <i>Aries</i>	5 ^s 0 32	16	5 29 54
Equinoct. ſubtract.	10 22 00	May	6 9 14
		9 ^d	6 23 12
		9 ^h 40'	0 9 5
<i>Saturn</i> from the Equinox	6 8 32		
Right Aſcenſion	6 7 50	Mean Long. of the Satellite	4 10 42
		<i>Apocronion</i>	10 22 00
<i>Apogæon</i>	4 29 50		
Declination South.	3 23	Mean Anomaly	5 18 42
		Equation ſubtract.	0 0 31
		True Long. of the Satellite	4 10 11
		<i>Apogæon</i>	4 29 50
		Remainder	11 10 21
		That is, before the <i>Apogæon</i>	0 19 39

Therefore it is $2\frac{7}{10}$ Semidiameters of the Ring, and $\frac{2}{5}$ to the North, agreeing exactly with the Deſcription and Figure of M. Huygens.

I here call the Plane of this *Satellite's* Orb, which hitherto I ſuppoſe the ſame with that of the *Ring*, *Saturn's* *Equinoctial*; not that any Diſcovery hath been able to prove that the *Axis* of that *Globe* is at right Angles thereto, but becauſe it hath pleaſed M. Huygens to call it ſo, and likewise becauſe it is ſo nearly parallel to our *Globe's* *Equinoctial*; nevertheless, to ſpeak my Opinion, I believe that the *Axis* is inclined, and that not a little, to the Plane of the *Ring*: for as the Reflection of the *Sun's* Light from the *Ring* is a great Convenience to that Hemisphere of *Saturn*, which beholds its illuminate Side; ſo the other Hemisphere is very much incommoded by the Shadow of the *Ring*, which for many Months, and in ſome Parallels for ſeveral Years, occasions a continual Night by the Interception of the *Sun's* Beams, which is a Conſequence that demonſtratively follows the Poſition of the *Ring*, in the Plane of *Saturn's* *Æquator*. Now this great Inconvenience would be in ſome meaſure relieved by the oblique Poſition of the *Axis*; for then the Parallels of Latitude interſecting the Plane of the *Ring*, many, and in moſt caſes all of them, might for ſome time in every diurnal Revolution of the *Globe*, free themſelves from this *Eclipse*, which otherwiſe were ſufficient to render this *Globe* of *Saturn* unfit for any ſettled Habitation; but this is but Conjecture.

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The other two *Satellites* of *Saturn* discovered by *S. Cassini* at *Paris*, *An.* 1672. and 1673. I must confess I could never yet see ; I have been told that they disappear for about $\frac{3}{4}$ of *Saturn's* Revolution, and were only to be seen when the *Ansa* were very small, it being supposed that the Light which proceeds from the *Ansa*, when considerably opened, might hide these *Satellites*.

LXXXII. 1. The Distance of the first *Satellite* from the Center of *Saturn*, appears to me to be variable, and its Motion is sensibly unequal, swifter at this Time in the Western Semicircle than in the Eastern. I have finally determin'd its mean Distance to be $\frac{3}{4}$ of the Diameter of *Saturn's* Ring, its daily Motion to be $6^{\circ} 10' 41'' 31''$. So that if its Motion were equal, the Duration of its Conjunction with *Saturn*, that is to say, all the Time it takes up in passing through the Ring, would be $7^h 46'$. It appear'd greater to me by immediate Observations ; but it is to be observed, that as yet I have not been able to see this *Satellite* nearer to *Saturn* than a quarter part of an *Ansa*.

The Theory of the 5 Satellites of Saturn corrected; by M. Cassini. n. 187. p. 299.

I have calculated the Epoque of its Motion, for the last of *December* 1685, at Noon, at the Meridian of *Paris*, to be in $\nu 24^{\circ} 50'$.

The Distance of the second *Satellite* from the Center of *Saturn* has seem'd to me to be more uniform. I have determin'd it to be $1\frac{1}{4}$ Diameter of the Ring. Its Motion also seems to be more equal. I have calculated the daily Motion, and find it $4^{\circ} 11' 31'' 30''$. Therefore the Duration of its Conjunction should be $8^h 36'$. Nor have I yet been able to see this *Satellite* nearer the Ring of *Saturn* than $\frac{1}{4}$ of an *Ansa*. As this *Satellite* was seen, for the greatest part of its Time, within the Confines of the Distance of the first, to which it is equal in Magnitude, and like to it in Colour ; the Difficulty to distinguish one from the other was very great ; so that without a constant Application to Observations, and a great Multitude of Combinations, I could by no means perform it.

I have determin'd the Epoque of this *Satellite*, for the 31st of *December* 1685, at Noon, to be $\pi 9^{\circ} 10'$.

The Distance of the Third from the Center of *Saturn* seems to be $1\frac{3}{4}$ Diameters of the Ring. Its daily Motion is $2^{\circ} 18' 41'' 50''$. Therefore its Conjunction must continue 10 Hours. The Epoque of its Motion for the last Day of the Year 1685 at Noon is $\mu 9^{\circ} 39'$.

The Distance of the fourth *Satellite* from the Center of *Saturn* seems to be 4 Diameters of the Ring. Its daily Motion is $22^{\circ} 34' 38''$. The Duration of its Conjunction is $15^h 6'$. The Epoque of its Motion in the same Time and Place as the others, in $\kappa 16^{\circ} 19'$. On these Principles Tables and Ephemeris's may be constructed.

2. The following Tables are calculated from these Elements, and reduced to the Meridian of *London*.

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A Table of the Mean Motion of the inmost Satellite of *Saturn*, discover'd by Mr. *Cassini*, An. 1686.

Current Year of Christ.	Epoques.	Years.	Mean Mot.	Days.	Mean Mot.	H. Min.	Mean Mot	Minutes	Mean Mot.
	s o ' "		s o ' "		s o ' "		s ' "		s o ' "
1681	♃ 19 34	1	4 2 34	1	6 10 42	1	0 7 57	31	4 6
1685	♃ 10 30	2	8 5 7	2	0 21 23	2	0 15 53	32	4 14
1686	♃ 13 4	3	0 7 41	3	7 2 5	3	0 23 50	33	4 22
1687	♃ 15 37	4	10 20 56	4	1 12 46	4	0 31 47	34	4 30
1688	♃ 18 11	5	2 23 30	5	7 23 28	5	0 39 44	35	4 38
1689	♃ 1 26	6	6 26 4	6	2 4 9	6	0 47 40	36	4 46
1701	♃ 4 14	7	10 28 38	7	8 14 15	7	0 54 37	37	4 54
		8	9 11 52	8	2 25 32	8	1 3 34	38	5 2
Months common Year.	Mean Mot.								
		9	1 14 26	9	9 6 14	9	1 11 31	39	5 10
		10	5 17 00	10	3 16 55	10	1 19 28	40	5 18
		11	9 19 34	11	9 27 36	11	1 27 24	41	5 26
Jan.	0 0 0	12	8 2 48	12	4 8 18	12	1 35 21	42	5 34
Feb.	5 1 27								
March	3 0 49	13	0 5 22	13	10 19 00	13	1 43 18	43	5 42
April	8 2 16	14	4 7 56	14	4 29 42	14	1 51 15	44	5 50
		15	8 10 29	15	11 10 23	15	1 59 11	45	5 58
May	6 23 2	16	6 23 43	16	5 21 4	16	2 7 8	46	6 5
June	11 24 29								
July	10 15 15	17	10 26 17	17	0 1 46	17	2 15 5	47	6 13
August	3 16 42	18	2 28 51	18	6 12 28	18	2 23 1	48	6 21
		19	7 1 25	19	0 23 9	19	2 30 58	49	6 29
Sept.	8 18 9	20	5 14 39	20	7 3 50	20	2 38 55	50	6 37
October	7 8 54								
Nov.	0 10 21			21	1 14 32	21	2 46 52	51	6 45
Decemb.	11 1 7			22	7 25 13	22	2 54 49	52	6 53
				23	2 5 55	23	3 2 45	53	7 1
				24	8 16 36	24	3 10 42	54	7 9
				25	2 27 18	25	3 18 39	55	7 17
				26	9 7 59	26	3 26 35	56	7 25
				27	3 18 41	27	3 34 32	57	7 33
				28	9 29 22	28	3 42 28	58	7 41
				29	4 10 3	29	3 50 25	59	7 49
				30	10 20 45	30	3 58 22	60	7 57

In Leap-Year after *February* add one Day, and the Motion belonging to it.

A Table of the Mean Motion of the middlemost Satellite of Saturn, discover'd by Cassini, An. 1686.

Current Year of Christ.	Epoques. s o ' "	Years.	Mean Mot.		Days.	Mean Mot.		H. Min.	Mean Mot		Minutes	Mean Mot.	
			s o ' "	s o ' "		s o ' "	Sex. ' "		s o ' "				
1661	♄ 22 50	1	9 14 29	1	2 18 42	1	0 3 17	31	1 41				
1681	♄ 16 3	2	6 28 58	2	5 7 24	2	0 6 33	32	1 45				
1685	♄ 2 41	3	4 13 27	3	7 26 5	3	0 9 50	33	1 48				
1686	♄ 17 10	4	4 16 38	4	10 14 47	4	0 13 7	34	1 52				
		5	2 1 8	5	1 3 29	5	0 16 24	35	1 55				
1687	♄ 1 39	6		6		6							
1688	♄ 16 9	6	11 15 37	6	3 22 11	6	0 19 40	36	1 58				
1689	♄ 19 20	7	9 00 6	7	6 10 53	7	0 22 57	37	2 1				
1701	♄ 9 15	8	9 3 17	8	8 29 35	8	0 26 14	38	2 5				
		9	6 17 46	9	11 18 16	9	0 29 31	39	2 8				
Months common Year.	Mean Mot.	10	4 02 15	10	2 6 58	10	0 32 47	40	2 11				
		11	1 16 45	11	4 25 40	11	0 36 4	41	2 14				
		12	1 19 55	12	7 14 22	12	0 39 21	42	2 18				
Jan.	0 0 0	13	11 4 24	13	10 3 4	13	0 32 38	43	2 21				
Feb.	9 9 37	14	8 18 54	14	0 21 46	14	0 45 55	44	2 24				
March	10 23 8	15	6 3 23	15	3 10 27	15	0 49 11	45	2 28				
April	8 2 45	16	6 6 34	16	5 29 9	16	0 52 28	46	2 31				
May	2 23 40	17	3 21 3	17	8 17 51	17	0 55 45	47	2 34				
June	0 3 17	18	1 5 32	18	11 6 33	18	0 59 1	48	2 37				
July	6 24 12	19	10 20 1	19	1 25 15	19	1 2 18	49	2 40				
August	4 3 49	20	10 23 12	20	4 13 57	20	1 5 35	50	2 44				
Sept.	1 13 25			21	7 2 39	21	1 8 52	51	2 47				
October	8 4 20			22	9 21 20	22	1 12 8	52	2 50				
Nov.	5 13 57			23	0 10 02	23	1 15 25	53	2 54				
Decemb.	0 4 52			24	2 28 44	24	1 18 42	54	2 57				
				25	5 17 26	25	1 21 59	55	3 00				
				26	8 6 8	26	1 25 15	56	3 4				
				27	10 24 50	27	1 28 32	57	3 7				
				28	1 13 32	28	1 31 49	58	3 10				
				29	4 2 13	29	1 35 6	59	3 13				
				30	6 20 55	30	1 38 22	60	3 17				

In Leap-Year after February add one Day, and the Motion belonging to it.



A Table of the Mean Motion of Saturn's Satellite the outmost but one, discover'd by Huygens, An. 1673.

Current Year of Christ.	Epoques.			Years.	Mean Mot.			Days.	Mean Mot.			H. Min.	Mean Mot.		Minutes	Mean Mot.	
	'	°	'		'	°	'		'	°	'		"	'		"	
1641	♄	24	43	1	10	20	41	1	0	22	35	1	0	56	31	29	10
1661	♄	11	19	2	9	11	22	2	1	15	9	2	1	53	32	30	6
1681	♄	27	56	3	8	2	3	3	2	7	44	3	2	49	33	31	3
1685	♄	13	15	4	7	15	19	4	3	0	18	4	3	46	34	31	59
1686	♄	3	56	5	6	6	00	5	3	22	53	5	4	42	35	32	55
1687	♄	24	37	6	4	26	41	6	4	15	28	6	5	39	36	33	52
1688	♄	15	19	7	3	17	22	7	5	8	2	7	5	35	37	34	48
1689	♄	28	34	8	3	00	39	8	6	0	37	8	7	32	38	35	45
1701	♄	14	32	9	1	21	20	9	6	23	12	9	8	28	39	36	41
				10	0	12	1	10	7	15	46	10	9	24	40	37	38
Month common Year.	Mean Mot.																
	'	°	'	11	11	2	42	11	8	8	21	11	10	21	41	38	34
				12	10	15	58	12	9	0	55	12	11	17	42	39	31
				13	9	6	39	13	9	23	30	13	12	14	43	40	27
Jan.	0	0	0	14	7	27	20	14	10	16	5	14	13	10	44	41	24
Feb.	11	9	54	15	6	18	1	15	11	8	39	15	14	7	45	42	20
March	8	12	3														
April	7	21	57	16	6	1	17	16	0	1	14	16	15	3	46	43	17
				17	4	21	58	17	0	23	48	17	16	0	47	44	13
May	6	9	16	18	3	12	40	18	1	16	23	18	16	56	48	45	10
June	5	19	10	19	2	3	21	19	2	8	58	19	17	52	49	46	6
July	4	6	29	20	1	16	36	20	3	1	32	20	18	49	50	47	3
August	3	16	22														
								21	3	24	7	21	19	45	51	47	59
Sept.	2	26	16					22	4	16	42	22	20	42	52	48	56
October	1	13	35					23	5	9	16	23	21	38	53	49	52
Nov.	0	23	29					24	6	1	51	24	22	35	54	50	49
Dec.	11	10	48					25	6	24	25	25	23	31	55	51	45
								26	7	17	00	26	24	27	56	52	42
								27	8	9	35	27	25	24	57	53	38
								28	9	2	9	28	26	20	58	54	35
								29	9	24	44	29	27	17	59	55	31
								30	10	17	18	30	28	13	60	56	27

In Leap-Year after February add one Day, and the Motion belonging to it.

A Table of the Mean Motion of the outmost Satellite of Saturn, discover'd by Cassini, An. 1671.

Current Year of Christ.	Epoques.	Years.	Mean Mot.	Days.	Mean Mot.	H. Min.	Mean Mot.	Minutes	Mean Mot.
	' ' ' .		' ' ' .		' ' ' .	' ' ' .	' ' ' .	' ' ' .	' ' ' .
1661	♁ 24 45	1	7 6 23	1	0 4 32	1	0 11	31	5 51
1681	♁ 25 15	2	2 12 47	2	0 9 5	2	0 23	32	6 3
1685	♁ 25 21	3	9 19 10	3	0 13 37	3	0 34	33	6 14
1686	♁ 1 44	4	5 00 6	4	0 18 9	4	0 45	34	6 25
		5	0 6 29	5	0 22 41	5	0 57	35	6 37
1687	♁ 8 7								
1688	♁ 14 31	6	7 12 53	6	0 27 14	6	1 8	36	6 48
1689	♁ 25 27	7	2 19 16	7	1 1 46	7	1 19	37	7 00
1701	♁ 25 45	8	10 0 12	8	1 6 18	8	1 31	38	7 11
		9	5 6 35	9	1 10 50	9	1 42	39	7 22
Month common Year.	Mean Mot.	10	0 12 59	10	1 15 23	10	1 53	40	7 34
		11	7 19 22	11	1 19 55	11	2 5	41	7 45
		12	3 0 18	12	1 24 27	12	2 16	42	7 56
Jan.	0 0 0	13	10 6 41	13	1 28 59	13	2 27	43	8 8
Feb.	4 20 41	14	5 13 5	14	2 3 32	14	2 39	44	8 19
March	8 27 45	15	0 19 28	15	2 8 4	15	2 50	45	8 30
April	1 18 25								
		16	8 00 24	16	2 12 36	16	3 1	46	8 42
May	6 4 34	17	3 6 47	17	2 17 8	17	3 13	47	8 53
June	10 25 15	18	10 13 11	18	2 21 41	18	3 24	48	9 4
July	3 11 23	19	5 19 34	19	2 26 13	19	3 35	49	9 16
August	8 2 4	20	1 0 30	20	3 0 46	20	3 47	50	9 27
Sept.	0 22 45			21	3 5 18	21	3 58	51	9 38
October	5 8 53			22	3 9 50	22	4 9	52	9 50
Nov.	9 29 34			23	3 14 22	23	4 21	53	10 1
Dec.	2 15 43			24	3 18 54	24	4 32	54	10 12
				25	3 23 27	25	4 43	55	10 24
				26	3 27 59	26	4 55	56	10 35
				27	4 2 31	27	5 6	57	10 46
				28	4 7 4	28	5 17	58	10 58
				29	4 11 36	29	5 29	59	11 9
				30	4 16 8	30	5 40	60	11 21

In Leap-Year after February add one Day, and the Motion belonging to it.



I shall only add, that the Proportion of the Squares of the *Times* of the *Periods* to the Cubes of the *Distances* (which is proposed as probable by *Kepler*, but how demonstratively found true by *Mr. Newton*) gives us nicely the Proportion of the *Distances* of these *Planets* from the Center of *Saturn*; and supposing the Satellite of *Huygens* four Diameters of *Saturn's Ring* distant from him, we shall find by the *Periods* the *Distances* as follows.

	Period.			Distances.
	d.	h.	'	Diameters.
Of the Inmost —————	1	21	18½	0, 964
Of the Inmost but one —	2	17	41½	1, 235
Of the Middlemost ———	4	13	47¼	1, 740
Of the Outmost but one	15	22	41	4, 000
Of the Outmost —————	79	7	54	11, 621

These *Distances* may be used, as more accurate than those obtained by *Observation*, which yet differ but little therefrom.

LXXXIII. *An. 1666. June 26*, between 3 and 4 of the Clock in the Morning, I observed the Body of *Jupiter* through a 60 Foot Glass, and found the apparent Diameter of it through the Tube, to be somewhat more than two Degrees, that is about 4 Times as big as the Diameter of the *Moon* appears to the naked Eye.

The Phasis of Jupiter; by Dr. Hook. n. 14. p. 245. Fig. 139.

I saw the Limb pretty round, and very well defined without Radiation. The Parts of the *Phasis* of it had various Degrees of Light; about *a* and *f*, the North and South Poles of it, somewhat darker, and by degrees it grew brighter; towards *b* and *e*, two Belts or Zones, the one of which, *b*, was a small dark Belt crossing the Body southward; adjoining to which was a small Line of a somewhat lighter part; and below that again, southwards, was the great black Belt, *c*. Between that, and *e*, the other smaller black Belt, was a pretty large and bright Zone; but the Middle, *d*, was somewhat darker than the Edges.

LXXXIV. 1. *S. Campani* affirms, that, by the Goodness of his Glasses, he hath observed certain *Protuberances* and *Inequalities* of *Jupiter*: and he is now observing whether they do not change their Situation.

The Revolution of Jupiter upon his Axis; by S. Campani. n. 1. p. 3.

2. *An. 1664. May 9*. about 9 a Clock at Night, *Mr. Hook* with an excellent 12 Foot Telescope observed a small Spot in the biggest of the three obscurer Belts of *Jupiter*; and observing it from time to time, he found that within two Hours after, the said Spot had moved from East to West, about half the Length of the Diameter of *Jupiter*.

By Dr. Hook. ib.

3. *Eustachio de Divinis* pretends, that the *Permanent Spot* in *Jupiter* hath been first of all discover'd with his Glasses; that *P. Gotignies* is the first that

By S. Divini. n. 12. p. 209.

hath.

hath thence deduced the Motion of *Jupiter* about his *Axis* and that *M. Cassini* at first opposed it: *But that Spot was observed in England a good while before.*

By *M. Cassini*.
n. 8. p. 143. n.
10. p. 172. n. 35.
p. 687. n. 82. p.
4039.

4. There are two Sorts of *Spots* at certain times to be seen in the Disk of *Jupiter*. One Sort are nothing but the Shadows of his Satellites; but the other have some resemblance to those that are seen in the *Moon*; and they are perhaps of the same Nature with those that are called *Belts*. They move from the Eastern to the Western Limb; their apparent Motion is unequal, and swifter near the Center than the Circumference; and they never are so well as when they approach to the Center, they being very narrow and almost imperceptible when they approach to the Circumference; which makes us believe, that they are flat and superficial to *Jupiter*.

Among these *Spots* there is none so sensible, as that which is situated in the Northern-part of the *Southern-Belt*. Its Diameter is about the tenth part of that of *Jupiter*; and at the Time that its Center is nearest to that of *Jupiter*, it is distant from it about the third part of the Semidiameter of that *Planet*.

M. Cassini, after he had made many Observations of this *Spot* during the Summer of the Year 1665, found, that the *Period* of its apparent *Revolution* is of 9^h 56'. He continued to observe it till the Beginning of 1666, when *Jupiter* approach'd to the Beams of the *Sun*; but after he was got free of the *Sun-Beams*, it was difficult to be discern'd. This giving grounds to think that it might be of the Nature of the *Spots of the Sun*, (which after appearing for a while, disappear for ever) *M. Cassini* ceased at length to observe them.

But *Jan. 19. 1672. (St. n.)* when he observ'd *Jupiter*, at 4^h $\frac{3}{4}$ in the Morning, he perceived in the same Place of his Disk the Figure of the same *Spot*, adhering to the same *Southern-Belt*. It was already gone beyond the Moiety of this *Belt*, and he saw it advance little by little towards the Western Limb, to which it seem'd to be very near at 6^h $\frac{1}{4}$.

By the Celerity of its Motion near the Center, and by the Place where he had begun to see it, he judg'd that it might have been in the midst of the *Belt* at 4^h 35' in the Morning. And as he prepared himself to make Ephemerides of its Motion for that *Year 1672*, he perceived that in those he made for the *Year 1666*, this *Spot* had been in the midst of *Jupiter* the same Day, namely the 19th of *January* at the same Hour. So that in six Years, of which one is a *Bissextile*, it is found to have made, in respect of the Earth, at least 5294 *Revolutions*, each of 9^h 55' 85", compensating one *Revolution* by another; and at most 5294 *Revolutions* of 9^h 55' 51"; forasmuch as he was assured of the Preciseness of one *Mean Revolution* to one eighth of a Minute.

Until then he had never seen an immediate Return of this *Spot* after 9 Hours and 56 Minutes; because it had not happened, that *Jupiter* after the Apparition of the *Spot* had stay'd, in one and the same Night, long enough above the *Horizon*, at least a sufficient Height, to observe him with due Distinctness. He had only concluded the Time of this *Revolution* by Returns observed after about 20, 30, and 50 Hours; and he had more precisely limited it by Observations more distant. But the Night after *March 1*, at 7^h $\frac{1}{2}$ in the Evening, he saw this *Spot* in the midst of the *Belt*; and the same Night

Night at 5^h 26', in the Morning, he saw it again returned precisely to the same Place. Mar. 3. He together with M. Buot and M. Mariotte, began to see at 8^h 4' the Spot already somewhat removed from the Oriental Limb, but yet obscure and small. At 8^h 47', they saw it very distinctly advancing towards the middle of the Belt. At 9^h 15' 40", until 9^h 8', they saw it in the midst of the Belt. At 9^h 15', it was past the middle, and was come nearer to the Occidental Limb. And a little after the Heavens being over-cast, he could observe it no further.

LXXXV. 1. An. 167½. Feb. 16. 7^h 44½. The Altitude of Jupiter was 18° 10'. I measured with a long Tube its Distance from a fix'd Star of the fourth Magnitude, and found it 16' 33". The Latitude of this Star was 1° 40' northerly. Its Place according to me was ♍ 10° 7' 16": But according to Street it was 14° 3' 54". The Difference of the Altitudes of the Centers of Jupiter and the fix'd Star was 1' 1".

Places of Jupiter obser'd; by Mr. Flamsteed at Derby, n. 82. p. 4036.

17 Feb. 7^h 25'. After Noon, the Altitude of Jupiter being 15° 54', he was distant from the fix'd Star 21' 50"; the Difference of Altitudes was 8' 40".

18 Feb. 7^h 0'. The Distance of the fix'd Star from the Center of Jupiter was 28' 15". The Difference of Altitudes was about 15' 29". In each Observation the Planet was higher than the fix'd Star, from whence it always stood towards the Meridian.

Hence making a Calculation for every Day and Hour of the Observations; I found

	d.	h.	'	d.	h.	'	d.	h.	'
February	16	7	44½	17	7	25	18	7	0
The Longitude of Jupiter from the fix'd Star in Antecedentia	0	9	16	0	17	22	0	25	12
Latitude from it towards the South	0	13	30	0	13	14	0	12	45
Therefore Jupiter's Northern Lat. was	1	26	30	1	26	46	1	27	15
Its true place in Virgo according to me	13	58	0	13	49	54	13	42	4
according to Street	13	54	38	13	40	32	13	38	42

2. March 15 in the Evening, I undertook to observe the Distances and Positions of Jupiter from the Star Ω 38, whose Latitude is 1° 20½ North; its Place according to Street ♍ 9° 54' 0"; but according to me is ♍ 9° 57' 20". At 7^h 25' afternoon, the Altitude of Jupiter was 32° 52'. The Distance of its Center from the fix'd Star was 33° 50'. The Difference of Altitudes was about 20' 2'.

March 16. At 7^h 8'. The Altitude of the fix'd Star being 36°, the Distance of Jupiter from it was 27' 7". The lesser Altitude 16' 3".

March 19, at 6^h 45', the Altitude of Jupiter was 29° 35'. The fix'd Star was 2' 24" higher than the Planet; from which at 6^h 55', its Distance was 10' 21".

At 7^h 11', the fourth Satellite was distant 7' 28" from the fix'd Star. Tho' the Planet always appear'd to be higher than the fix'd Star, yet it was really lower; afterwards it seem'd to be lower, but was really higher.

March 20. The Micrometer being better adapted to the taking of the Differences of Altitudes, I made the following Observations, which I take to be very exact.

Alt. of Jupiter.	Times.			
30	06	44	Jupiter's Center was really higher than the Star	2 13
30	47	51 ¹ / ₅	The same Difference of Altitudes taken over again	2 14
32	06	59	Jupiter's Center was distant from the fix'd Star	7 0
38	30	7 54 ³ / ₄	The Center of Jupiter really higher than the fix'd Star	3 14
40	50	8 18 ² / ₅	The Difference of Altitudes taken again	3 42
			Then the Distance of the Centers was	7 5

For obtaining the Place of Jupiter from these Observations, I computed

	h.	'	"	h.	'	"
	6	51	30	8	18	40
	°	'	"	°	'	"
The Angles of the Vertical Circle with the Ecliptick	35	39	—	46	15	—
The Distance of Jupiter from the fix'd Star was	0	7	0	0	7	0
The Difference of Altitudes	0	2	14	0	3	42
Therefore Jupiter was in consequence of the fix'd Star	0	2	3	0	1	44
With a greater Latitude	0	6	42	0	6	47
So that the true Latitude of Jupiter was	1	27	12	1	27	17
The true Place according to Street	9	56	3	9	55	44
according to me	9	59	23	9	59	4

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May	Time.	Alt. of Jupiter.		
d.	h.	'	°	'
24	10	00	14	10
			The Center of Jupiter was lower than the	°
			said Star Ω 38	0 7 46
			From which I took its Distance first	0 20 00
			Afterwards	0 19 54
26	8	46	33	30
Sky	9	00	31	50
very	9	20	29	10
clear.	9	33	27	20
	9	36	27	00
			Dist. of the Cent. of Jup. from the first Star	0 10 4
			The fix'd Star was higher than Jupiter	0 6 30
			The Difference of Altitudes was	0 6 38
			Diff. of Azimuth of Jup. and the fix'd Star	0 7 19
			Dist. of Jup. from the fix'd Star taken again	0 10 2

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3. An. 1673. March 13. in the Evening. *Jupiter* in his *Aphelion*, going to his *Acronical* Phasis, having pass'd a little the Northern Limit of his Orbit, proceeded retrograde towards the 9th Star of η of the fourth Magnitude, from which (his Altitude being about 6 Degrees) I took the Distance of his remotest Limb, with a seven-foot Tube, and *Townley's* Micrometer, $4560 = 52' 34''$.

March 17. About half an Hour after *Jupiter* arose, with the same Tube I again took the Distance of his remotest Limb from the fix'd Star, $2073 = 23' 54''$.

March 20. I made the following Observations; the first with a shorter Tube of 85 Inches, the rest with a longer of 164 Inches.

	Alt. of fixt Star.	Hour by Calc.		Limb	Cent.
	° ' "	h. ' "		" ' "	" "
1	6 0	7 14	Dist. of the remoter Limb of ψ from the fixt Star	8509	489 24
2			The same Distance taken with the longer Tube	16509	529 28
3	14 40	8 16	Lower Limb of ψ more depreſs'd than the fixt *	7844	414 17
4	15 40	8 23	The same Difference of Altitude repeated	7864	414 17
5			The Diameter of <i>Jupiter</i>	1350	48
6	16 25	8 26	The Distance of the Limb taken again	16659	579 33
7			Once more	16589	549 30
8	19 00	8 50	Diff. of Alt. of <i>Jupiter's</i> Limb and the fixt Star	1385	004 36

March 26. in the Evening. The Altitude of *Jupiter* being $15^{\circ} 50'$, I measured the Distance of his remoter Limb from the fix'd Star with the same lesser Tube, $4205 = 48' 30''$.

For finding the Place of the Planet from these Observations, I made the following Calculations.

	Mar. h. h. ' "	h. ' "
	20 8 16	— 8 50
	0 ' "	0 ' "
The Parallaxical Angle was	34 44 0	37 30 0
The Center of <i>Jupiter</i> was distant from the fix'd Star	0 9 38	0 9 30
The Difference of Altitudes was	0 4 17	0 4 36
Therefore the Angle of Position was	80 6 0	78 21 0
And <i>Jupiter</i> in Antecedence of the fix'd Star	0 1 38	0 1 55
With lesser Latitude	0 9 19½	1 9 18

According to me the Place of the fix'd Star was $\approx 13^{\circ} 37' 11''$ (taking the annual Motion at $50''$;) which the Author of the *Caroline* Tables takes to be $13^{\circ} 33' 47''$. Its North Latitude $1^{\circ} 45'$. Therefore according to me the true Place of *Jupiter* will be

$$\begin{array}{l} 8^h 16' \approx 13^{\circ} 35' 33'' \\ 8 50 \approx 13 35 16 \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} 8^h 16' \\ 8 50 \end{array}} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{its true } \{ 1^{\circ} 35' 40'' \\ \text{Latitude } \{ 1 35 42 \end{array}$$

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