

# PHILOSOPHICAL TRANSACTIONS.

For the Months of *September, October, and November, 1678.*

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*Monsieur Cassini's Observation of the Lunar Eclipse on the 29 Octob. 1678. Monsieur Gallet's Observation of the Solar Eclipse on the 11 June, 1676. Extract of a Letter from Monsieur Butterfield about the making of Microscopes, &c. Extract of a Letter from Mr. Conyers about his Improvement of Sir Samuel Moreland's speaking Trumpet. An Account of two Books: I. A Discourse of the State of Health in Jamaica, &c. by Dr. Thomas Trapham. II. Catalogus Stellarum Australium: by Mr. Edmund Halley.*

Clarissimo Viro  
Domino Nehemias Greuio Regiae Societatis à Secretis  
Jo. Dominicus Cassinius S. P. D.

CVM nupera Lunæ Eclipse à nobis hic in observatorio regio diligentissime fuerit observata, ejus exemplar ad te, Vir Clarissime, mittendum duxi regiae Societatis Astronomis, imprimisque D. Flamstedio, communicandum. In serviet illa Meridianorum differentia Parisios inter & Londinum exactè definienda, si vobis par cœli serenitas ejusdem observandæ opportunitatem obtulerit, &c.

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*Observatio Lunaris Eclipsis die 29 Octobris 1678.*

*Phases lune & macularum  
secundum denominatio-  
nem Riccioli.*

	In observatorio		In Collegio		
	Regio	Supra	Claramontano.	"	
	h	'	h	'	
Incipit Umbra	6	43 30	6	43 40	6 43 54
Grimaldi lymbus sequens	45	0			45 29
Gallileus	46	0	46	0	
Finis Gallilei	47	0			
Mersenus	48	20			
Chorda Eclipsis dig. 6.			49	0	
Gassendi initium	50	50	50	50	
Gassendi medium			51	30	51 37
Schikardi initium	51	43			
II. digitii Ecliptici			52	0	
Aristarchi initium	52	50			
Aristarchi medium			53	10	53 7
Morinus					
Aristarchi & Morini finis	54	0			
Capuanus sive oculus draconis			56	0	
Digitii III.			56	30	
Chorda 9 digitorum			57		
Initium terræ pruinæ &					
Copernici	58	54			
Copernici initium			59	10	
Copernici medium	7	0 0	7	0 0	59 30
Copernici finis	7	0 55	7	0 55	
Pitheæ initium	7	1 50	7	1 40	
Pitheæ finis		2 30			
Caput Virginis	2	45	2 40	7 3 18	
Harpalus	2	55			
Tychonis initium	4	20	4 20		
Tychonis medium	5	0			5 48
Tychonis finis	5	55			
Eratostenes	6	20			
Digitii V.			6 50		

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<b>Promontorium inter Virginem &amp; Platonem</b>	h 7	m 7	s 0			
<b>Insula in ultimo sinuum mediorum</b>			7 30			
<b>Clara sequens Tychonem</b>		8	31			
<b>Digiti VI.</b>				11	20	
<b>Tymocharis</b>		11	48			
<b>Platonis initium</b>				13	20	13 29
<b>Platonis medium</b>				13	40	
<b>Platonis finis &amp; initium Manilii</b>		14	0			
<b>Platonis finis</b>				14	40	
<b>Manilius</b>				14	50	15 4
<b>Finis Manilii</b>		15	12			
<b>Dionysii initium</b>		17	15			
<b>Dionysius</b>				17	25	
<b>Menelaus</b>				18	10	17 59
<b>Dionysii finis &amp; Menelai initium</b>		18	28			
<b>Plinius incipit</b>	7	20	56			
<b>Plinius</b>				7	21	10 7 21 51
<b>Picolomineus seu clara supra annulum</b>		21	30			
<b>Initium fracaftorii seu annuli</b>		23	0	23	5	
<b>Initium Posidoni</b>		23	55			24 38
<b>Finis fracaftorii</b>		24	25			
<b>Clara ante angulum promontorii acuti</b>				24	45	
<b>Angulus promontorii acuti</b>		25	10			
<b>Digiti IX,</b>				26	10	
<b>Palus Somni</b>		28				
<b>Initium Endimionis</b>		29	20			
<b>Initium Taurentii</b>		30	30			
<b>Angulus cornuum cum parallelo</b>				30	40	31 16
<b>Hermetis initium</b>		31	5			
<b>Finis Taurentii sive capitis Serpentis</b>		31	40			
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	h	'	"	h	'	"	h	'	"
Hermetis finis	7	32	0						
Proclus		32	20						
Lymbus maris Caspii		32	29	33	3		33	10	
Macula Inferior		33	5						
Initium Langeni		34	24						
Messala		34	40						
Finis Langeni		35	40						
Peninsula in Caspia		37	50						
Finis Caspiæ		37	50	37	50		38	18	
Macula oblonga f.		39	16						
Finis	40	41		41	0		41	41	
							subtrah	13'	
Initium emersionis	9	21	30	9	21	30	21	5	
Grimaldus		22	44				22	10	
Grimaldi finis		23	40		23	40			
Gallileus		24	35						
Mare humorum		28	15						
Schikardi medium		29	0						
Aristarchi initium		29	44				29	41	
Aristarchi medium					30	20			
Aristarchus totus		30	25						
Gassendus totus		31	0						
Kepleri initium					31	40	31	6	
Keplerus totus		32	24						
Morinus		30	0						
Finis insulæ Kepleri		34	22						
Capuanus totus		34	40						
Initium terræ prænæ		35	43						
Virgo		37	0						
Aura inter Pitheam & Ke-									
plerum						37	20		
Harpalus & clara ante Co-									
pernicum	9	37	34						
Digiti III.						37	40		
Bullialdus		38	30						
Initium Copernici					39	0	38	36	
Tychonis initium		40	0				40	22	

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	h	'	"	h	'	"	h	'	"
Copernicus totus	9	40	18						
Pitheas				40	30				
Tychonis medium	41	0		41	10				
Tychonis finis				42	10				
Digiti IV,				42	40				
Tymocharis totus	45	30							
Plato incipit				45	30		45	0	
Digiti V.				47	0				
Plato totus	47	0							
Plato totus				47	30				
Insula sub sinu medio	50	0							
Finis sinus medii	50	50							
Archimedes	51	37							
Digiti VI.				52	0				
Manilius				54	0		53	52	
Fretum	54	22							
Abifeldeæ initium	54	40							
Abifeldeæ finis	55	30							
Aristoteles & Eudoxus toti	56	0							
Digiti VII.				56	20				
Dionysii initium	57	12							
Menelaus	57	50		57	40		57	16	
Dionysii medium				58	30				
Menelaus totus	59	0							
Dionysius totus	10	0	0						
Digiti VIII.	10	1	30						
Ostium lacūs mortis				10	2	0			
Plinius				2	15	10	1	28	
Promontorium supra Dionysium	3	0							
Plinius finis Posidonius	3	40							
Promontorium acutum				5	30				
Hermes	6	0							
Digiti IX.				6	15				
Chorda umbrae 8 digitorum				9	30				
Messala	11	0							
Initium maris Caspii	13	30		12	10		11	30	
Langrenus totus	16	0							
							Chorda.		

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	h	'	"	h	'	"	h	'	"
Chorda sex digitorum	10			14	0				
Caspis prior finis				16	50		16	44	
Caspis alter finis	17	33		17	25				
Albedo in mari Caspio	18	15							
Finis totalis	20	0		20	10		20	42	

Monsieur Gallet's Observation of the Solar Eclipse on the 11th  
of June, 1676.

*Observatio Solaris Eclipse Acta Avenione die 11. Junii  
1676.*

Ante Eclipse.

**D**I E B'LL S praecedentibus, locum aptissimum elegimus in quo aere puro frueremur, videlicet Conventum R.R. PP. Carmelitarum discalceatorum, qui respectu Civitatis Aven. ad ortum vergit & mœnia stringens aere, sumo & vaporibus urbanis libero gaudet; in medio horti cameram obscuram tapetibus construximus, & in ea instrumenta ad observationem necessaria ritè collocavimus.

Tubospicillum aptavimus lente oculari concavâ & objectivâ convexâ instructum, duplicum habens motum firmo sustentaculo, verticalem scilicet & horizontalem, affixam tabellam immobilem firmatis cochleis secum circumducens oculari vitro semper parallelam chartâ candidissimâ induram, in qua solarem speciem, distan-  
tiâ tubospicilli determinatam descripsimus, hujus diametrum circulis concentricis in duodecim digitos divisimus, & quemlibet digi-  
torum in partes sexagesimas.

Loco quadrantes qui pluribus indiget cautionibus & nimium obnoxius est vacillationibus, in hac præcipue regione in qua ferè semper spirat Aquilo qui perpendicularum agitat, Gnomonem ad captandas umbras Solis in partes 400. optimè divisum dispositum ita ut liberè moveretur situm verticalem ope perpendiculari con- servans. Tandem horologium rotatile minuta prima & secunda indicans motu penduli cum cycloide preparavimus.

Tempore