28th, W.; May 4th, E.; May 27th, W.; December 23rd, E. Mercury is most favorable for observation at the times of his greatest elongation or apparently angular distance from the sun, which is about 10 or 12 days after being stationary to the East, when he may be discovered a little after sunset—or 10 or 12 days after being stationary to the West, when he must be looked for just before sunrise. Occultation by Moon, June 15th.

VENUS.—The apparent motion is direct till September 2nd. Retrograde till October 15th, then direct the rest of the year. She is at her greatest elongation about 45 days from the dates when she is stationary; at which time, like Mercury, exactly half her disc is illuminated: but she is at her greatest brilliancy when she presents the appearance of the moon between 3 and 4 days old This will be about August 20th and November 1st, when she may be seen during the day, coming to the meridian, 9h. 20m., a. m. Venus will be an evening star till her inferior conjunction with the sun, September 17th; after which she will reappear to the west of the sun as a morning star.

MARS.—Apparent motion direct till February 9th: retrograde till May 2nd, and then direct till the end of the year. In opposition to the sun, March 19th, coming to the meridian at midnight. Occultation by the moon, November 15th.

JUPITER.—Retrograde till February 10th. Direct till November 17th; afterwards retrograde, in conjunction with the sun, June 30th; after which he will reappear as an evening star. Occultations by the moon: March 27th, April 24th, May 21st.

SATURN.—Direct till April 19th: retrograde till September 17th; then direct till the end of the year. In opposition to the sun, June 28th; on the meridian at midnight. Occultations by the moon: January 18th, February 15th, March 14th, July 2nd and 29th, August 25th, September 21st.

URANUS.—Retrograde till March 30th. Direct till November 6th. In opposition to the sun, January 14th, coming to the meridian at midnight, about 1½ times the distance southward, on the prolongation of the line joining the Twin Stars, Castor and Pollux, a little to the west. In conjunction with the sun, July 19th. Occultations by the Moon, January 7th, February 3rd, March 2nd.

NEPTUNE.—Direct till July 28th. Retrograde afterwards to the end of the year. In opposition to the sun, October 15th.

None of the occultations above noticed will be observable at Charlottetown, all with one exception occurring in the daytime or when the moon is below the horizon. The occultation of Uranus on the 2nd of March will be central at the time of conjunction at Long. 87° 12′ W., Lat. 78° 29′ N. To us it will appear as a near approach, the planet being to the south of the moon about ¼ of her diameter at 11h. 18m. p. m.