

From the times of the upper transit of the Pole Star may be derived, with the aid of the following table, the times of meridian, and of the rising and setting of the principal fixed stars that appear above the horizon of Toronto.

Star Table.

To ascertain when any star found in the following table will be on the meridian, add the number in the left-hand column of figures to the preceding meridian transit of the pole star given in the calendar. To find the time of rising star, subtract the number opposite it in the right-hand column of figures from the time of its meridian passage. The setting of a Star, add the same number to the time of its meridian passage. Those stars marked (.....) revolve in a circle of perpetual apparition, and do not rise or set at Toronto, or at places to the north of Toronto.

NAME OF STAR.	On Merid'n	Rises and Sets	NAME OF STAR.	On Merid'n	Rises and Sets
Andromedæ	22 50	8 8	γ' Leonis	9 8	7 22
Pegasi (Algenib)	23 55	6 56	α Ursæ Majoris	9 46	.....
Cassiopeæ	23 21	.....	β Leonis	10 33	6 59
Ophi	23 25	4 43	β Corvi	11 18	4 26
Ursa Minoris (Polaris) .....	.....	.....	α Virginis (Spica)	12 9	5 19
Arietis	0 40	7 21	η Ursæ Majoris	12 83	.....
Arietis	0 52	7 33	α Bootis (Arcturus)	13 0	7 20
Tuti	1 47	6 12	β Ursæ Minoris	13 42	.....
Persei	2 7	.....	β Librae	14 0	5 25
Tauri (Aldebaran)	3 20	7 5	α Coronæ Borealis	14 10	7 57
Antarope (Capella)	3 58	11 15	Serpentis	14 28	6 24
Rionis (Rigel)	4 0	5 27	β' Scorpii	14 48	4 40
Rionis	4 9	8 4	α Scorpii (Antares)	15 11	4 7
Rionis	4 17	5 57	α Herculis	15 58	6 56
Rionis	4 21	5 54	β Draconis	16 17	.....
Dolumboe	4 27	8 18	γ Draconis	16 43	.....
Rionis	4 40	6 26	α Lyrae (Vega)	17 22	0 17
Rionis Majoris (Sirius)	5 81	4 58	α Aquilæ (Altair)	18 27	6 32
Rionis Majoris	5 45	8 58	α Cygni	18 84	.....
Rionis Minoris (Castor)	6 17	8 27	α Cephei	20 5	10 48
Rionis Minoris (Procyon)	6 24	6 20	β Aquarii	20 14	5 35
Rionis (Pollux)	6 28	8 3	α Aquarii	20 48	5 55
Bidre	8 12	5 28	α Pis. Aus. (Fomalhaut)	21 89	8 43
Rionis (Regulus)	8 52	6 49	α Pegasi (Markab)	21 47	6 55

TABLE,
Shewing the Illuminated Portion of the Discs of Venus and Mars.

The numbers given in this table represent the width of the illuminated portion of the Disc measured along the line that divides the illuminated portion symmetrically—the apparent diameters being considered as unity.

1858.	Venus.	Mars.	1858.	Venus.	Mars.
January 15.	0 .984	0 .904	July 15.	0 .800	0 .890
February 14.	0 .998	0 .900	August 15.	0 .700	0 .855
March 15.	0 .998	0 .915	September 15.	0 .575	0 .848
April 15.	0 .980	0 .962	October 15.	0 .426	0 .856
May 15.	0 .943	1 .000	November 15.	0 .195	0 .873
June 15.	0 .881	0 .995	December 15.	0 .001	0 .894

Eclipses.

In the year 1858 there will be two Eclipses of the Sun, and two of the Moon.

- 1.—A partial Eclipse of the Moon, Feb. 27, visible in British North America.
- 2.—An annular Eclipse of the Sun, March 14—15, visible (as a partial one) throughout British North America.
- 3.—A partial Eclipse of the Moon, Aug. 23—24, invisible in Canada.
- 4.—Total Eclipse of the Sun, Sept. 6—7, invisible in Canada.

I.—PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF THE MOON, FEB. 27.

The magnitude of the Eclipse will be 0.338 on the southern limb (the Moon's diameter being =1).

The middle of the Eclipse occurs at 10h. 13m. Greenwich mean time, and before the Moon rises in British North America. Hence when the Moon rises its obscuration will be decreasing. The last contact of the shadow will be seen point on the Moon's disc 11° W. from its northern point.

The following Table shows the hour and minute, mean local time, at which the end of the Eclipse takes place at several stations.

	Halifax.	Quebec.	Montreal.	Kingston.	Toronto.	London.	Detroit.
End of last contact	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
End of shadow	7 2.6	7 32.4	6 22.6	6 11.1	5 59.7	5 52.0	5 45.1