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## LATE STUDY OF THE SUN AS DETAILED BY AN EXPERT

Director Abbot of Astrophysical Observatory Describes Progress  
—Variation of the Orb's Heat.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—"Each periodic return of the time of maximum interest and renewed activity in solar observations," said C. G. Abbot, director of the United States Astrophysical Observatory, in which he succeeded the late Prof. S. P. Langley. Mr. Abbot has met with considerable success after years of work in Washington and Mount Wilson, Cal., the amount of heat transmitted by the sun to the earth, and has determined how much this varies from year to year.

"It," said Mr. Abbot, "the sun varies 10 per cent and back again in a year the temperature of inland stations should change about five degrees Fahrenheit, but account or inland stations will only change from one to two degrees. If the change be ten per cent, and back again in a month the temperature change would be less, and perhaps not noticeable, but if the sun's rays should fall off ten per cent, and continue at that rate, the earth would be nearly 15 degrees colder than it is now, unless there should result indirectly a change in the amount of cloudiness.

"Clouds reflect the sun's rays so powerfully that if the earth were completely covered by clouds it would have only 10 or 15 per cent, though not usual, do sometimes occur, and changes of four or five per cent, are almost of frequent occurrence. The science of detecting them is not simple or easy, but the value of such knowledge in advancing the study of the sun, and in natural industries where plant or animal life is involved may well justify the daily observation of the sun, and the cloudless stations, which would be necessary as a basis for long-range predictions."

Mr. Abbot said that, in spite of the fact that the sun was the promoter of every particle of life on the earth and necessary to the very existence of animals and plants, while all climates were controlled absolutely by it, and that it was the only star near enough to the earth to admit of detailed study, yet astronomers comparatively had neglected it. Besides a few eclipse observations, estimating the number of sun flares, and occasionally noting peculiarities of the color spectrum, the time of rotation or the distribution of light, little attention had been paid this most important celestial object.

As a result of two recent conferences an international union now has been formed. Its objects include the study of the nature and cause of sun spots, the nature and thickness of the so-called envelope of the sun and of the corresponding envelope of atmosphere of the earth, the wave length of the lines in the solar spectrum by which may be determined the chemical and physical elements in the sun, the amount of heat around the sun, the amount of heat available to the earth and the variability of this.

Special studies of interest particularly to physicians and astronomers are to be undertaken by this newly formed international union, one of which is the making of a standard to measure the waves of light. This means merely making more accurate the previously accepted Angstrom units by which astronomers take measurements of heavenly bodies. It is by these that the make-up of the stars is determined and also their speed. Therefore, any error, however slight, means a difference of a billionfold in the resulting calculations.

"All astronomers," Mr. Abbot went on, "are interested in the work being carried on by the International Geodetic association on the determination of the amount of variation of latitude due to the periodic wanderings of the north and south poles, which were established nearly 20 years ago by S. C. Chandler of Cambridge, Mass., who discovered that at different periods the latitude

of places changed as much as 30 or 40 feet. This accounted for what had been called errors in the apparatus of the leading national observatories, and also had appreciable effect on what is known to astronomers as the 'constant of aberration,' one important method of determining the distance of the sun on which all conclusions as to distances, masses and other elements of the solar system hang, and also the exact astronomical predictions depending on solar theory. This oscillation of the pole has an effect on tides, says the observer, and the astronomer put forward the statement that apparently earthquakes are more numerous when the vibrations are greatest—about once every seven years."

The geodetic association, Mr. Abbot said, had established four stations almost exactly in the same latitude in a circle around the globe. These are at Capriote on the Island of San Pietro, Italy; at Messina, in Sicily; at Vidua, in California, and at Gathensburg, Md. To these recently have been added two stations in the southern hemisphere at Baywater, in western Australia, and at Doncastro in the Argentine republic.

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