## Further Obseivations of Comet Coddington (c 1898 ). By John Tebbutt.

Having now brought my observations of this comet to a close, I herewith, in accordance with my promise, forward to you my second, and last, series of positions. The whole work of the two series embraces 102 nights, from 1898 June 15, to 1899 February I5, 768 comparisons, and 137 comparison stars. The observations made on June 22, 26, 29, July 3, 5, 6, 21 , August 19, September 7, 10, 30, October 18, November 2, December 1i, January 6, 16, 30, and February 14, I5, were more or less unsatisfactory. The comparisons of September io were especially so, for three reasons. The difference of north polar distance of the two objects was so great that they were with difficulty embraced within the square bar-micrometer ; secondly, the comet was almost in contact with a 9th magnitude star, and therefore rendered faint ; and, thirdly, the second reappearances of the comparison star, and the first disappearances of the comet at the edges of the micrometer bars, were almost simultaneous. On January i6 I could not find the comet as a separate object, but I noticed that a star of the 9th magnitude, close to its ephemeris-position, appeared slightly nebulous as it disappeared and reappeared at the edges of the bars. This star, which is identical with No. 247 of Zone - $50^{\circ}$ of the Cape Photographic Durchmusterung, was therefore observed for the comet. The adopted mean places of the comparison stars are throughout the means, with equal weights, from the catalogues cited. An error, however, exists in the determination of the mean R.A. of Star No. 19 in my former communication. The seconds should be $34^{\mathrm{s} \cdot 89}$ instead of $34^{\mathrm{s}} 78$, and the seconds of the apparent R.A. of the comet for July 5 will accordingly be $20^{\circ} \cdot \mathrm{O}$.

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Mean Places of the Comparison Stars for the Beginning of the Year of Observation.

| Comp. Star. | Mean R.A. | Red. to App. R.A. | Mean N.P.D. | Red. to App. N.P.D | Autherities. |
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| 93 | $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathrm{h} & \mathrm{~m} & \mathrm{~s} \\ \text { I5 } & \text { I } & 44^{\circ} \mathrm{O} \end{array}$ | $+I \cdot 85$ |  | $17 \prime$ +179 | Argent. Gen. Cat. 20477 : Stone, 8214. |
| 94 | $15 \quad 24 \quad 0.57$ | $+2.41$ | 1693733.5 | $+177$ | Gilliss' Cat. 1850, 10985. |
| 95 | 154110.48 | $+2.85$ | 17188293 | +17.1 | Gilliss' Cat. 1850, 11203. |
| 96 | $1647 \quad 10 \cdot 75$ | $+5 \cdot 3 \mathrm{I}$ | 173 I 29.9 | $+155$ | Gilliss' Cat. 1850, 12063. |
| 97 | $\begin{array}{llll}18 & 13 & 503\end{array}$ | +9.06 | 1741723.5 | $+122$ | Gilliss' Cat. 1850, 13100. |
| 98 | 2326 11.59 | +6.92 | 1692955.2 | $-53$ | Gilliss' Cat. 1850, 16397. |
| 99 | 232318.03 | +6.73 | $\begin{array}{llll}169 & 8 & 3 \cdot 1\end{array}$ | $-5.2$ | Gilliss' Cat. 1850, 16376. |
| 100 | - $915 \cdot 18$ | $+5 \cdot 28$ | $165 \quad 2849.2$ | $-67$ | Argent Gen. Cat. 139 ; Stone, 68. |
| IOI | - $338 \cdot 30$ | $+517$ | 16448 2I•I | - $6 \cdot 6$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 45; Stone, 22. |
| 102 | - 1258.47 | $+5.01$ | $\begin{array}{llll}164 & 14 & 37\end{array}$ | $-6 \cdot 8$ | Gilliss' Cat. 1850, 104. |
| 103 | - 18 I.87 | $+488$ | $1633546 \cdot 4$ | -6.9 | Gilliss' Cat. 1850, 164. |
| 104 | 03129.30 | $+4.61$ | 1625498 | $-7.2$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 534. |
| 105 | 10737 | $+374$ | $15 \mathrm{I} 3255 \cdot 6$ | $-77$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 1170 ; Stone, 480 ; suspected double. |
| 106 | 1 18 17763 | +1.35 | 149 3913.0 | +112 | Argent. Gen. Cat. 1312 ; <br> Stone, 534. |
| 107 | I 167 | $+1.29$ | 14856 | $+\mathrm{II} \cdot 2$ | Equatorial. 9 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{mag} \text {. }}$ |
| 108 | I 1549 | $+1 \cdot 29$ | 148.49 | + 111 | Equatorial. 9 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{mag}$. |
| 109 | 12229 | $+1 \cdot 31$ | 1488 | + II'O | Equatorial. 9 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{mag} \text {. }}$ |
| 110 | 1248 | $+1 \cdot 32$ | 14818 | + III | Equatorial. 9 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{mag} \text {. }}$ |
| I I I | I $3025 \cdot 64$ | +1.33 | $147 \quad 3188$ | + II\% | Argent. Gen. Cat. 1536 ; Stone, 627. |
| 112 | 12732.05 | +1.24 | $1462916 \cdot 1$ | + 10.9 | Argent. Gen. Cat. 1479. |
| 113 | I 314755 | +1.24 | $1454537 \cdot 8$ | $+10.8$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. I559; Stone, 637. |
| 114 | I 3558.85 | $+1 \cdot 28$ | 14539433 | $+10 \cdot 8$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 1635; Stone, 669. |
| 115 | 1 383534 | $+1 \cdot 23$ | 1441449.6 | $+10.6$ | ```Argent. Gen. Cat. I68I; Stone, 683.``` |
| 116 | I 3355 | + $1 \cdot 12$ | 14221 | $+10 \cdot 3$ | Equatorial. $8 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{mag}$. |
| 117 | 1 4321.24 | $+1 \cdot 18$ | $\begin{array}{lllll}142 & 18 & 20\end{array}$ | $+104$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 1759 ; Stone, 7 II. |
| 118 | I 3027.70 | $+\mathrm{I} \cdot 07$ | 14138147 | + 10.2 | Argent. Gen. Cat. 1534: |
| 119 | I $3946 \cdot 66$ | +I•II | $14 \mathrm{I} 857 \cdot 1$ | $+10 \cdot 2$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 1696; Stone, 686. |
| 120 | 142830 | $+\mathrm{I} \cdot \mathrm{I} 2$ | 141 19 16.3 | $+10.2$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 1733 .; <br> Stone, 702. |


| Comp. star. | Mean R.A. | Red. to App. R.A. | Mean N.P.D. | Red. to App. N.P.D. | Authorities. |
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| 121 | I $37 \quad 39.43$ | $+\mathrm{I} \cdot \mathrm{O}$ | 1403253.5 | $+10^{\prime} 1$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. I665 ; Stone, 677. |
| 122 | I $4247 \cdot 67$ | +1.10 | 1403532.0 | $+10^{\circ} 1$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 1746. |
| 123 | I 465949 | +I•13 | $14042 \mathbf{2 2 : 2}$ | $+102$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. I816; Stone, 738. |
| 124 | I 4045 | +1.07 | 1400 | $+100$ | Equatorial. 9 mag. $=$ Cape Phot. Durch. $-50^{\circ} .239$. |
| 125 | 2 I 34 | +0.93 | 13139 | $+8.7$ | Equatorial. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ mag. $=$ Cape Phot. Durch. $-41^{\circ}$. 192. |
| 126 | I $5855 \cdot 17$ | +0.88 | $1303547 \% 2$ | $+8 \cdot 3$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 2046. |
| 127 | 1596.29 | +0.88 | 1303637.5 | + 83 | Argent. Gen. Cat. 2053. |
| 128 | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 2 & 1\end{array} 85$ | +0.88 | $130 \quad 1 \begin{array}{llll}13\end{array}$ | + 83 | Argent. Gen. Cat. 2110; Stone, 835. |
| 129 | $21516 \cdot 63$ | +0.94 | 12926297 | $+8.5$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 2377 ; <br> Stone, 926. |
| 130 | 2163302 | +0.95 | 1292942.9 | $+8.5$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 2406. |
| 131 | 2195546 | +0.92 | 1274719.4 | $+8.2$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 2485. |
| 132 | $22016 \cdot 61$ | +0.92 | 1274927 | $+8.2$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 2489 ; Stone, 959 . |
| 133 | $22045 \cdot 63$ | +0.88 | $126 \quad 20 \quad 24.2$ | + 78 | Argent. Gen. Cat. 2506. |
| 134 | 2161374 | +0.85 | $125 \quad 34 \quad 28 \cdot 2$ | $+7.5$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 2399. |
| 135 | $22345 \cdot 21$ | +0.84 | 1241549.5 | +73 | Argent. Gen. Cat. 2565 ; Stone, 98I ; Kadcliffe, 1890, 577. |
| 136 | 2255775 | $+0.84$ | $123 \quad 33 \quad 263$ | $+7 \cdot 2$ | Argent. Gen. Cat. 2617 ; Stone, 999. |
| 137 | 22753.28 | $+0.84$ | $\begin{array}{llll}123 & 3 & 8.7\end{array}$ |  | Yarnall ${ }_{3}$ 1165; Argent. Gen. Cat. 2657. |
| Observatory: Peninsula, Windsor, New South Wales, 1899 Feb. 27. |  |  |  |  |  |

Observation of Tuttle's Comet ( $b$ 1899) made with the $30-i n c h$ Reflector of the Thompson Equatorial at the Royal Observatory, Greenwich.

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On March 14 a photograph of Tuttle's Periodical Comet was obtained with the 30 -inch reflector, with exposures of $10^{\mathrm{m}}$ and $6^{\mathrm{m}}$. The positions of the comet and of eight comparison stars, as shown by the $10^{\mathrm{m}}$ exposure, were measured, and the following place of the comet was obtained :-

| Date. | G.M.T. | Apparent R.A. | Apparent Decl. | $\log \Delta$. | Corr. for R.A. | Parallax Decl. |
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|  | m | $\mathrm{h} m$ s |  |  | s |  |
| Mar. 14 | 73717 | I 5019.23 | +29314144 | 0.2480 | +0.24 | $+3 \cdot 1$ |

