

Todes-Anzeige.

George K. Lawton, a young astronomer of great promise, connected with the U. S. Naval Observatory since 1896, was born Oct. 20, 1873, and died at Washington, July 25, 1901, after a brief illness of twelve days, of typhoid fever. Under the guidance of his father, Prof. U. W. Lawton of Jackson, Michigan, he had enjoyed from childhood excellent educational advantages, and in 1895 graduated in classics at the University of Michigan, where he also pursued advanced astronomical studies under Prof. Asaph Hall jr., at the Detroit Observatory. He then spent a year in post graduate study at the University of Chicago, where the writer had the honor to be one of his teachers. He showed high abilities in the study of celestial mechanics and higher mathematics. He was afterwards attached to the Observatory of Yale University for a short time, occupied with work on meteors; and then came to the Naval Observatory as one of the regular computers. In 1897 he took the degree of M. A. at the University of Michigan. While attached to this Observatory he participated in all the Transit circle observations of the past five years, much of which has recently appeared in the Publications of the U. S. Naval Observatory, Vol. I, new series. Last year he also bore an important part in the observations of the total eclipse of the Sun at Pinehurst, North Carolina. More recently he took the leading part in the reduction and revision of the Eros observations of this Observatory; and has been occupied partly with Equatorial work. Only a month ago he was permanently assigned to the 26 inch Equatorial, and had entered upon researches of great promise. Besides possessing scientific talents of a high order, he was of a very high minded and noble disposition, universally beloved by his associates; and his sudden death at the opening of a brilliant career has cast a deep gloom over the entire Observatory. He was the noblest of the noble, and his place can never be filled.

Washington, D. C., 1901 July 27.

T. F. F. See.

Benennung von kleinen Planeten.

Dr. *A. Schwassmann*, Seewarte, Hamburg, theilt mir mit, dass er mit Zustimmung von Prof. *M. Wolf* die folgenden von beiden Herren entdeckten Planeten benannt habe:

(435)	1898 DS	Ella	(446)	1899 ER	Aeternitas
(436)	1898 DT	Patricia	(449)	1899 EU	Hamburga
(443)	1899 EF	Photographica			

Ferner hat der Planet (454) 1900 FC bei Gelegenheit des diesjährigen Stiftungsfestes von der Mathematischen Gesellschaft in Hamburg den Namen Mathesis erhalten.

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Nach Zustimmung des Herrn Charlois haben folgende von ihm entdeckten, durch mindestens zwei Oppositionen gesicherten Planeten nachstehende Namen erhalten:

(356)	1893 G	Liguria	(375)	1893 AL	Ursula	(402)	1895 BW	Chloe
(358)	1893 K	Apollonia	(376)	1893 AM	Geometria	(403)	1895 BX	Cyane
(361)	1893 P	Bononia	(377)	1893 AN	Campania	(404)	1895 BY	Arsinoe
(362)	1893 R	Havnia	(378)	1893 AP	Holmia	(405)	1895 BZ	Thia
(363)	1893 S	Padua	(379)	1894 AQ	Huenna	(409)	1895 CE	Aspasia
(364)	1893 T	Isara	(380)	1894 AR	Fiducia	(423)	1896 DB	Diotima
(365)	1893 V	Corduba	(381)	1894 AS	Myrrha	(424)	1896 DF	Gratia
(367)	1893 AA	Amicitia	(382)	1894 AT	Dodona	(425)	1896 DC	Cornelia
(370)	1893 AC	Modestia	(388)	1894 BA	Charybdis	(432)	1897 DO	Pythia
(372)	1893 AH	Palma	(389)	1894 BB	Industria	(451)	1899 EY	Patientia
(373)	1893 AJ	Melusina	(390)	1894 BC	Alma			
(374)	1893 AK	Burgundia	(397)	1894 BM	Vienna			

Berlin, astr. Recheninstitut, 1901 August 1.

F. Bauschinger.

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