astronomical units away from the Earth, or nearly 380 millions of miles, in the neighbourhood of Jupiter's orbit. It was of course cliscovered by photography. Its orbit is as follows:

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\begin{aligned}
\text { Perihelion Passage }(\tau) & =1917 \text { June } 16.916 . \\
\text { Longitude of Perihelion }(\pi) & =303 \text { degrees } 45 \text { minutes. } \\
\text { " of Node }(\Omega) & =183 \quad, \quad 15 \quad, \\
\text { Inclination of orbit }(i) & =25 \quad ", 35 \mathrm{P}, \\
\text { Perihelion distance }(\log q) & =0.22786=1.6899 \\
& =140 \text { millions of miles. }
\end{aligned}
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## Note on "Sun=spots, maximum solar radiation and diurnal magnetic oscillation in 1916,"

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We give below a table for easy reference and comparison for the latter half of last year :-

|  | No. of spots. |  |  | Max. Radn. Oscillation. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| In June | ... | 684 | 1.569 | $11 \cdot 1$ |
| "July | ... | 580 | 1.550 | $10 \cdot 4$ |
| ", August | ... | 267 | 1.420 | $11 \cdot 1$ |
| "September.. | 478 | 1.490 | $9 \cdot 1$ |  |
| ", October | ... | 485 | 1.468 | 7.5 |

## Note on "The apparent shifting of the axis of Uranus,"


#### Abstract

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