

by Mr. Colton, who is still were seen between broken ones' being picked up. The told here of large meteoric esville Sunday night," but confirmation of the rumor

Hornell, 30 miles farther all towns heard the sounds; ken, according to the Horles south of Nunda), where I lasted "nearly a minute" is east of Nunda, a resident many people there were so e world was at hand; here ru the clouds, just as at ewitness writes that it was winter, "for if it had hapuld have started many fires etails could be obtained.

on, which may have some ew York. Between Hornell vere heard at Bath and at nt, his father "went to the rouble"); also at Addison, he meteors were seen; the 3 when one of the fireballs over that vicinity." This Osceola, Pennsylvania (8 he state line), who recalls n it went over Osceola — ouse just tremble. People if they were strung on a 0 miles southeast of Ham of the trajectory plotted

nd in the Elmira *Adver* ls than any other:

d a strange phenomenon heard a sound like the lightning. They went to a shower of falling stars th, high above the hori was that the stars passed e behind them, and there

were sounds like revolver shots. The exhibition continued for 5 minutes or more, until 10 or 12 stars had passed slowly across the sky and vanished one after another in the south, 2 or 3 being in sight at once, part of the time."

In *Pennsylvania*, observations are almost non-existent. In the 110-mile stretch supposedly traversed by the procession, only one aural and one visual observation have been discovered. Part of the reason for this difference from the abundance of the New York observations may be the much smaller number of newspapers near the path, much of which lay over the Pocono Mountains.

Forty (40) miles southeast of Elmira, near Wyalusing, "several people heard a noise, apparently in the sky, between 9 and 10 o'clock on Sunday night. It sounded like the exhaust of an aeroplane engine. It came from the southeast [*sic*] and seemed to be traveling toward the northeast [*sic*]. Perhaps it was a comet, or a meteor, but, if so, the sky would have been illuminated." The coincidence of time and place seems significant, tho the direction given does not agree with expectations, and clouds must be assumed to account for the lack of visibility.

Thirty-seven (37) miles farther on, Scranton lies almost directly below the supposed path. When our inquiry was published there, thru the courtesy of the *Scranton Times*, a reply was received from Mrs. Eleanor Archer, who remembers seeing fireballs there at the age of 8. She is positive of the year, the month, and the day of the week, but she cannot be sure of the direction of travel. "I heard a swish and saw some faintly colored things in the sky — they passed right overhead — I thought the end of the world was coming." The fireballs were small and not very bright; no sound was heard except the "swish," which the observer likened to the noise produced by a jet plane. Thin clouds were present, hiding the stars. The time was approximately correct for the "procession."

In the last state supposedly traversed by the meteors, *New Jersey*, intensive effort has produced only one observation that may refer to the "procession," together with confirmation of the Watchung observation known to Chant in 1913. The Chant trace across this small state is only 75 miles in length, but there are 65 newspapers within 25 miles of it, in addition to those of New York City. None of these newspapers gives any indication that anything of a meteoric nature was seen that night, except the *Plainfield Courier-News*, which carried the following item:

"As the congregation was leaving the musical service last evening at Watchung, the members were astonished to see 7 stars shooting across the sky from northeast to southwest [*sic*]. They followed each other in rapid succession, and 5 of them passed out of the line of