
By comparison in the blinkmicroscope in Leiden of the Johannesburg plates 4970 and 5050 of J.D. 2425713.5283 and 5720.5414 respectively an object was found by the writer on 1929 November 14, the approximate coordinates of which are 16h17m0, -51°22'5 (1875).

On the first of these plates the object appeared decidedly brighter (10m0) than on the second plate (12m0), giving a difference in brightness of 2m0. On plate 4969 of the same night of J.D. 2425713.5064 the object was faint and of the same brightness as on plate 5050.

Unfortunately no other plates of the night of maximum are available in Leiden.

On none of the other 301 Johannesburg plates the object was found bright.

The image of this variable star on plate 4970 has been examined in the microscope of the Hartmann photometer in Leiden. No trace of a defect of the image could be detected, the image being absolutely sound.

The question may be posed, if we have to do here with a nova of unusual behaviour, the brightness of the object rising over 2 magnitudes in about half an hour.