A Translation of the Observations of Meteors Recorded in the

Koryŏ-sa

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Preface

Tom J. York prepared the following translations of the ancient meteor observations from Korea while he was undertaking postgraduate research in the Department of Physics at the University of Durham, working under the supervision of Professor F. Richard Stephenson.

This catalogue of Korean meteor observations (AD 1000 - 1400) is being published as a Rutherford Appleton Laboratory Technical Report under the aegis of the World Data Centre for Solar-Terrestrial Physics. The historical records provide an invaluable source of information on the date of occurrence, position in the sky, size, motion and colour of meteors seen from Korea.

The intention is to publish a limited number of catalogues containing important historical data that may be of value to the wider scientific community. A catalogue of auroral observations from China, Korea and Japan (193 BC - AD 1770) was published in December 1995 (RAL-TR-95-073). It is hoped that the occasional publication of such detailed catalogues will promote further scholarly research on the various important historical aspects of atmospheric and solar-terrestrial physics.

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Introduction

The following is a rendition into English of part of the astronomical treatise (chapters 47 to 49) of the *Koryŏ-sa* (History of the Kingdom of Koryŏ). The Koryŏ dynasty ruled Korea from AD918 to 1392; these chapters list a large number of astronomical observations of all kinds from approximately AD1000 to the dynasty's end.

The history, the earliest version of which was written in 1395, is based upon the Sillok (Veritable Records: detailed, day to day annals) of the Koryŏ dynasty, which no longer exist. The final version of the Koryŏ-sa was compiled between 1445 and 1451 under the direction of Chŏng In-ji. This report includes observations of meteors, which are indicated in the treatise by the standard phrase liu xing, flowing star.

Early Korean astronomy follows the Chinese system. Chinese constellations (asterisms) are used - traditionally, these number 283. Three larger enclosures are also mentioned frequently - *Tianshi* (the Celestial Market), which lies mostly in Hercules; *Taiweigong* (the Grand Forbidden Palace, often abbreviated to *Taiwei*), which occupies much of Leo and Virgo; and *Ziweigong* (the Purple Forbidden Palace, often abbreviated to *Ziwei*), which occupies the north polar region. Asterisms and enclosures are identified in the catalogue below by the use of italics.

In East Asian astronomy, 28 asterisms are of special importance: the *xiu* or lunar lodges. These star groups acted as coordinate markers and thus feature prominently in astronomical texts. They are listed in Table 1.1, along with their determinative star; these stars' positions were used to determine the western edge of each lodge.

Dates used in the treatise are expressed in the Chinese lunar calendar, but the year is numbered according to the reign of the Korean king. For each entry in the catalogue, the equivalent date on the Julian calendar is provided. The beginning of the Chinese year falls in the first two months of the Julian year. For the sake of convenience, the records are grouped by Julian year. It should be mentioned that when a Korean king died, although his successor took office almost immediately, a new year-count did not begin until the start of the following year. For example, King Hyŏnjong came to the throne on the death of King Mokchong (AD 1009) but the first (full) year of Hyŏnjong's reign was not regarded as commencing until the following year (AD 1010).

The Koryŏ-sa uses the Chinese sexagenary cycle of days throughout. Each individual day in the cycle is denoted by a combination of one of the ten celestial stems (jia, yi, bing, ding, wu, ji, geng, xin, ren and kui) and one of the twelve terrestrial branches (zi, chou, yin, mao, chen, si, wu, wei, shen, you, xu and hai). The cycle thus starts on a jia-zi day, cycling through both stems and branches simultaneously (i.e., the second day of the cycle is a yi-chou day), and is therefore sixty days long. For most recorded dates, the year, lunar month and cyclical day correspond, so that the date can be readily reduced to the Julian calendar. However, there are a number of dating errors. For instance, in the very first entry in the catalogue, there

	Name	Translation	Determinative Star
1	Jiao	Horn	α Vir
2	Kang	Neck	κ Vir
3	Di	Base	α Lib
4	Fang	Chamber	π Sco
5	Xin	Heart	σ Sco
6	Wei	Tail	$\mu \text{ Sco}$
7	Ji	Basket	$\gamma \; \mathrm{Sgr}$
8	Nandou	Southern Dipper	$\phi \text{ Sgr}$
9	Qianniu	Ox	β Cap
10	Xunü	Maid	$\epsilon \mathrm{Aqr}$
11	Xu	Emptiness	β Aqr
12	Wei	Rooftop	$\alpha \text{ Aqr}$
13	Yingshi	Encampment	$\alpha \text{ Peg}$
14	Dongbi	Eastern Wall	γ Peg
15	Kui	Stride	ζ And
16	Lou	Harvester	β Ari
17	Wei	Stomach	35 Ari
18	Mao	Mane	17 Tau
19	Bi	Net	ϵ Tau
20	Zui	Turtle Beak	ϕ^1 Ori
21	Shen	Triad	δ Ori
22	Dongjing	Eastern Well	$\mu \text{ Gem}$
23	Yugui	Ghost Vehicle	$\theta \ \mathrm{Cnc}$
24	Liu	Willow	δ Hya
25	Qixing	Seven Stars	α Hya
26	Zhang	Extended Net	v Hya
27	Yi	Wings	α Crt
28	Zhen	Axletree	$\gamma \text{ Crv}$

Table 1.1: The twenty-eight lunar lodges

was no ding-si day in the 2nd month of the 6th year of King Mokchong's reign. To suggest alternatives would be little more than guesswork and the words "Dating error" are inserted in place of the Julian date.

The classical Chinese of the *Koryŏ-sa* contains no grammar or plurality; in order to provide an English version certain assumptions have been made about the structure of each record. Due to the formal way in which the records are set out, containing many standardisations (for example, each record always starts with the date, usually followed by the standard phrase *liu xing*), it has been possible to set out a consistent interpretation of the text. Occasional ambiguities are noted, but occur surprisingly rarely.

Where it is clearer to retain the Chinese phrases (the names of asterisms, for example), the pinyin system of romanisation has been used. The one exception to this is in the names of the Korean kings, for which the McCune-Reischauer system

is adopted. There are also some cases where it is debatable whether it is preferable to include the pinyin or English translation. This occurs primarily where records describe the apparent size of a meteor; "it was as large as a bowl", for instance. For clarity, the first instance of each description references the dictionary definition. Where the translation makes the original expression unclear, it has generally been left in pinyin. Translations are based on Matthews' Chinese-English dictionary (Matthews 1979).

The objects used to compare the apparent sizes of meteors are listed in Table 1.2. It should be noted that there is no way to establish the actual angular sizes of meteors from these, or to ascertain whether these comparisons were systematic. Those for which a translation is given in the table use the English version in the main text. The remainder represent those for which the translation is less clear cut; the translated meaning of each of these are detailed in a footnote at the point at which the term is first used.

bei (cup)	gua (melon)	ji zi (hen's egg)	bo
deng (lamp)	kuan	ju (torch)	wan (bowl)
yu	fou	deng zhan (lantern)	pen
dou	li (pear)	weng	niu (ox)
hu			

Table 1.2: Common comparison objects for the sizes of meteors

In addition to this, estimates of the apparent lengths for the tails of meteors are often given in *chi* (Chinese feet). As shown by Kiang(1971), there is an approximate equivalence between the degree and the *chi*. Lengths are occasionally also given in *zhang* or *cun*; ten *cun* equal one *chi*, and ten *chi* equal one *zhang*.

A number of other standard phrases used in the $Kory\check{o}$ -sa deserve attention. The use of you ("also") at the beginning of a record is an indication that it is part of a larger entry for the night, of which the previous section or sections often do not refer to meteors. A "gate" usually refers to a section of sky between two prominent asterisms, but occasionally to part of a single asterism, e.g., an area between two stars.

A few lunar lodges are usually written in shortened form in the treatise. Qianniu is often written Niu; $Xun\ddot{u}$ as $N\ddot{u}$; Dongbi as Bi; Dongjing as Jing; Yugui as Gui; and Qixing as Xing.

Until now, this catalogue has never been presented in a western language. The aim is to make it generally available for those who would wish to study its content and make use of the astronomical information it provides.

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Reign of King Mokchong (997-1009)

1003

On a ding-si day in the 2nd month of the 6th year (Dating error), there was a meteor which shone on the ground like a candle.

Reign of King Hyŏnjong (1009-1031)

1011

On a geng-shen day in the 12th month of the 1st year (22nd January 1011), a great meteor fell in Guo county.

1013

On a gui-mao day in the 3rd month of the 4th year (24th April 1013), there was a great meteor from the east to the west, and a sound like thunder.

On a gui-si day in the 9th month (11th October 1013), a great meteor entered at the gate between Zhang and Yi.

1014

On a gui-si day in the 1st month of the 5th year (8th February 1014), a meteor entered Yi.

On a xin-hai day in the 11th month (23rd December 1014), a meteor entered Di.

1015

On a xin-chou day in the 5th month of the 6th year (11th June 1015), a great meteor fell in the southwest.

On a ren-yin day in the 8th month (10th October 1015), a meteor entered Di.

1016

On a wu-yin day in the 2nd month of the 7th year (14th March 1016), also a meteor appeared in *Xuanyuan* and entered *Santai*.

On a ji-chou day in the 4th month (24th May 1016), a great meteor came from the east and arrived in the west.

On a xin-chou day in the 8th month (3rd October 1016), there was a meteor like thunder. Its light shone on the ground, people were shocked and in commotion.

On a ren-zi day in the 9th month (14th October 1016), a meteor as large as the moon appeared in Zhang and $Xing^1$ and entered Mingtang and Lingtai.

1018

On a ding-you day in the 6th month of the 9th year (21st July 1018), a meteor appeared in Tianshi and entered $Beidou^2$.

1023

On a ji-chou day in the 9th month of the 14th year (15th October 1023), a meteor as large as the moon entered the gate between Wangliang and Tianche.

On a gui-mao day in the 10th month (Dating error), a meteor entered *Tianchan*.

On a ji-hai day in the 11th month (24th December 1023), a meteor entered *Sheti* gate.

1025

On a jia-chen day in the 6th month of the 16th year (Dating error), a great meteor appeared in *Jiao* and moved to the west.

1026

On a ren-yin day in the 1st month of the 17th year (14th February 1026), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei* and entered *Ziwei*.

1028

On a ji-hai day in the 7th month of the 19th year (30th July 1028), a great meteor moved from north to south. Its light shone on the ground.

1029

At the hour of pu^3 on a ding-hai day in the 8th month of the 20th year (11th September 1029), a great meteor moved to the southwest.

1031

On a gui-mao day in the 4th month of the 22nd year (20th May 1031), a great meteor entered *Tianshi* wall⁴.

¹Since *xing* is both the name of a lunar lodge and the word for "star", this could also refer to a bright star in *Zhang*; however, the two lodges neighbour each other, so this seems less likely.

²This asterism consists of the seven stars of the Plough.

 $^{^{3}}$ Between 3.00pm and 5.00pm

⁴The boundary of the *Tianshi* enclosure.

On a xin-si day in the 6th month (27th June 1031), there was a meteor as large as the moon in the northwest direction.

Reign of King Tökchong (1031-1034)

1032

On a ding-you day in the 3rd month of the 1st year (8th May 1032), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei* and entered *Xuanyuan*.

On a jia-zi day in the 8th month (2nd October 1032), a meteor appeared in Wan-gliang and entered Tianji.

On a bing-zi day in the 9th month (14th October 1032), a meteor appeared in *Beidou* and entered *Ziweigong*.

1034

On a gui-you day in the 7th month of the 3rd year (Dating error), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Zhuwang.

Reign of King Chŏngjong (1034-1046)

1035

On a ren-wu day in the 9th month of the 1st year (5th October 1035), a meteor appeared in *Tianchan*.

On a wu-chen day in the 10th month (20th November 1035), a meteor moved from the southwest to the northeast.

1036

On a ding-you day in the 1st month of the 2nd year (17th February 1036), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei* and entered *Zhen*.

On a wu-chen day in the 8th month (15th September 1036), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Zhuwang.

On a xin-si day in the 9th month (28th September 1036), a meteor appeared in *Tianyuan* and entered *Yulin*.

On a ding-wei day in the 10th month (24th October 1036), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Luejuan.

On a jia-chen day in the 11th month (20th December 1036), a great meteor appeared in *Jiao* and entered *Nülin*.

1037

On a ding-si day in the 4th month of the 3rd year (2nd May 1037), a meteor appeared in *Di* and entered *Taiwei*.

On a ding-mao day in the 7th month (9th September 1037), there were three meteors as large as a cup⁵. One appeared in *Juanshe* and entered *Wuche*. One appeared in *Tianchuan* and entered *Gouchen*. Both were coloured red. One appeared in *Bagu* and entered *Gouchen*. It was coloured white.

On a bing-zi day in the 10th month (17th November 1037), a meteor as large as the half moon appeared in Yi and entered the head of $Nandou^6$. It was coloured red.

1038

On a gui-you day in the 8th month of the 4th year (10th September 1038), a meteor as large as the half moon appeared in *Tianyuan*.

On a ren-chen day in the 8th month (29th September 1038), a meteor as large as a cup appeared in Wuzhuhou and entered Xuanyuan.

1040

On a jia-yin day in the 11th month of the 6th year (9th December 1040), a meteor as large as $sheng^7$ with a tail more than one zhang long appeared in Dongjing and entered Xuanyuan.

On a geng-shen day in the 11th month (15th December 1040), a meteor as large as *sheng* with a tail one *zhang* long appeared at the stars of *Shen* and entered *Queqiu*.

1041

On a gui-mao day in the 12th month (27th January 1041), a meteor as large as a cup with a length of approximately 30 chi appeared in $Zhin\ddot{u}$ and entered Tianshi wall.

1042

On a ding-wei day in the 7th month of the 8th year (25th July 1042), there were many stars flowing and turning.

⁵bei: a cup, a tumbler, a glass. It should be noted that three separate symbols are used to denote bei in Koryŏ-sa.

⁶This is a lunar lodge of six stars in a similar pattern to *Beidou*. The "head" probably denotes the square of four stars in each asterism.

⁷In this context, the term probably refers to a measure of volume.

Reign of King Munjong (1046-1083)

1048

On a gui-you day in the 2nd month of the 2nd year (21st March 1048), a meteor appeared in the east of *Langjiang* and entered the gate between *Dajiao* and *Sheti*. It was as large as a melon⁸. Red light shone on the ground.

1050

On a ren-wu day in the 6th month of the 4th year (18th July 1050), a meteor appeared in Nou and entered Ji^9 . It was as large as a melon, and was coloured red.

1052

On a ji-hai day in the 6th month of the 6th year (24th July 1052), a meteor as large as a melon appeared in *Taiwei* and entered *Tianshi*. It was coloured red.

1053

On a jia-yin day in the 7th month of the 7th year (3rd August 1053), a meteor appeared in *Nou* and entered *Tiantian*. It was coloured red, and had a length of more than one *zhang*.

1061

At the hour of pu on a xin-chou day in the 1st month of the 15th year (9th February 1061), there was a meteor as large as a melon. It travelled to the northwest and faded.

1065

On a ji-chou day in the 10th month of the 19th year (3rd November 1065), a meteor appeared in *Shi* and entered *Tianjianqjun*. It was as large as a melon.

1067

On a xin-si day in the 7th month of the 21st year (17th August 1067), a meteor appeared in Muliwei and quickly entered $Zhin\ddot{u}$ and divided into six or seven parts, looking like red tassels linked to a piece of white jade. The front part was as large as a melon. The back part was like a hen's egg¹⁰. There was a sound like thunder. It went on for a long time, then stopped.

⁸ gua: melons, gourds, cucumbers, etc.

⁹This may or may not refer to the lunar lodge Ji (a basket) as the symbol used is Ji (a chicken). The relative proximity of the lodges Nou and Ji makes it more probable that it does, however.

¹⁰ ji zi: hen's eggs. Occasionally the term ji luan is used instead.

1072

On a jia-yin day in the 2nd month of the 26th year (25th February 1072), a meteor appeared in Kang and entered Fang. It was as large as the moon.

1073

On a ji-you day in the 1st month of the 27th year (14th February 1073), a meteor appeared in *Dajiao* and entered within the head of *Beidou*.

On a gui-you day in the 1st month (10th March 1073), a meteor appeared in Daling and entered the south of Lou and Wei^{11} .

On a bing-wu day in the 7th month (10th August 1073), a meteor appeared in Wangliang and entered Hegu.

On a jia-xu day in the 10th month (6th November 1073), there was a meteor which appeared in Liu and entered Xuanyuan. It was as large as bo^{12} .

1074

On a wu-yin day in the 2nd month of the 28th year (10th March 1074), a meteor appeared in *Shen* and moved west. It was as large as a melon.

On a ji-hai day in the 11th month (26th November 1074), a meteor appeared in Wenchang. It arrived in the northwest and disappeared. It was as large as bo.

1075

On a geng-yin day in the 4th month of the 29th year (16th May 1075), a meteor appeared in *Jiao* and entered the gate between *Jing* and *Gui*.

On a gui-you day in the 7th month (27th August 1075), a meteor appeared in *Nandou*. It quickly moved from *Wei* and spread out. It had a length of more than one *zhang*.

On a xin-si day in the 9th month (3rd November 1075), a meteor entered $Tianshu^{13}$. It was as large as a melon.

On a ren-wu day in the 9th month (4th November 1075), a meteor appeared in *Tianjin* and entered *Hegu*. It was as large as a cup.

 $^{^{11}}$ These two lodges neighbour each other. This may refer to either an area within these asterisms or an area to the south of them.

 $^{^{12}}bo$: an earthenware basin.

¹³This is an unusual reference to one of the individual stars of *Beidou*, the Plough.

On a ding-hai day in the 9th month (9th November 1075), a meteor appeared in the northeast of *Xiatai* and entered *Xuanyuan*.

On a wu-zi day in the 9th month (10th November 1075), a meteor entered Huagai. It was as large as a lamp¹⁴.

On a gui-si day in the 10th month (15th November 1075), a meteor appeared in the southern sky and entered *Zhen*. It was as large as a melon.

1078

On a ren-zi day in the 10th month of the 29th year (18th November 1078), a meteor appeared in *Daling* and entered *Tianyuan*. It was as large as a melon.

Reign of King Sŏnjong (1083-1094)

1086

On a xin-mao day in the 6th month of the 3rd year (18th July 1086), a meteor appeared in *Wenchang* and penetrated *Wei* and *Ku*. It had a length of more than 10 *chi*, and was curved like a ring with a gap at the east. It was coloured red, but presently changed to white. It only faded after a long time.

On a jia-chen day in the 8th month (29th September 1086), a meteor appeared in Lou and arrived in Wangliang. It was as large as a melon.

1087

On a xin-you day in the 7th month of the 4th year (12th August 1087), a meteor appeared in *Tianjun* and arrived in *Tianyuan*. It was as large as a melon.

On a wu-xu day in the 8th month (18th September 1087), a meteor appeared in Lou and arrived in Wangliang. It was as large as a melon.

1088

On a ji-si day in the 7th month of the 5th year (14th August 1088), a meteor appeared in *Tianjin* and arrived in *Dongbi*. It was as large as a melon.

1090

On a jia-xu day in the 9th month of the 7th year (8th October 1090), a meteor appeared like fire in *Gui* and entered *Taiwei*.

On a geng-yin day in the 9th month (24th October 1090), a meteor appeared in *Shangtai* and trespassed against the lower star of *Zhongtai*. It was as large as the

¹⁴denq: a lamp, a lantern.

sun.

On a ren-chen day in the 10th month, the first day of the month (26th October 1090), a meteor appeared in *Xuanyuan* and entered *Taiwei*. It was as large as a melon.

1091

On a ren-wu day in the 3rd month of the 8th year (14th April 1091), a meteor appeared in $Zhin\ddot{u}$ and arrived in Tianjin.

On a ding-si day in the 4th month (19th May 1091), there were meteors; some were blue-green, some were red. They had tails more than 10 *chi* long. They appeared in *Fang* and entered *Xuanyuan*. There was a sound like thunder.

1092

On a wu-wu day in the 2nd month of the 9th year (15th March 1092), a meteor appeared in the north of *Taiwei* and arrived south of *Xing*.

1093

On a geng-yin day in the 3rd month of the 10th year (11th April 1093), a meteor appeared in Zaofu and arrived in Wangliang. It was coloured red, and was as large as a melon. It had a tail approximately 7 chi long.

Reign of King Hŏnjong (1094-1095)

1095

On a yi-you day in the 6th month of the 1st year (25th July 1095), a meteor, which was as large as a melon and coloured red, with a tail approximately 9 *chi* long, appeared in *Yingshi* and entered the head of *Nandou*. There were many small stars flowing south.

Reign of King Sukchong (1095-1105)

1097

On a gui-wei day in the 8th month of the 2nd year (10th September 1097), a meteor appeared in $Zhin\ddot{u}$ and arrived in Wangliang.

1098

On a yi-si day in the 2nd month of the 3rd year (31st March 1098), a meteor, which was coloured red, first large but later small, appeared in *Tengshe* and arrived in

Yinqshi.

On a geng-shen day in the 11th month (11th December 1098), a meteor, which was coloured red, first large but later small, appeared in *Nanhe* and arrived in *Tianjun*.

1099

On a gui-wei day in the 11th month of the 4th year (29th December 1099), a meteor, which was coloured white, first small but later large, appeared in the stars of Zhang and arrived in Tianchao. It was as large as $kuan^{15}$.

1100

On a geng-shen day in the 4th month of the 5th year (3rd June 1100), a meteor appeared in *Yi*. It was approximately 3 *chi* long, and fell to the southwest.

On a ren-xu day in the 10th month (2nd December 1100), a meteor appeared in Yulin and entered the stars of Xu. It was approximately 5 chi long. It was green and red, and its rays were very bright 16. There was a sound like thunder.

1103

On a xin-hai day in the 8th month of the 8th year (7th September 1103), one meteor appeared in Beiji and entered Tianjin. It was as large as a $torch^{17}$, and had a tail approximately 3 zhang long. One meteor appeared inside Wuzhuhou and entered Shangtai. It was as large as kuan, and had a tail approximately one zhang long. One meteor appeared in Wangliang and entered Wenchang. It was as large as a melon.

1105

On a geng-wu day in the 6th month of the 10th year (17th July 1105), at the beginning of the night, a meteor appeared within Ziwei wall and entered Langwei. It was coloured red, and was approximately 5 cun across round 18. It had a tail approximately 1 zhang long. Two more appeared in Tianjin and entered Tianshi. They were coloured white, and their tails were 2 zhang long. On the fifth night, (a meteor) 19 appeared in Hegu and entered the head of Nandou. It was coloured red, and as large as a hen's egg.

On a geng-zi day in the 9th month (15th October 1105), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Tengshe. It was as large as kuan, and had a length of approxi-

 $^{^{15}}kuan$: a small wooden stand, a faggot, or a type of tree. (It is unclear which meaning is being referred to.)

¹⁶The exact description is ambiguous.

 $^{^{17}}ju$: a torch, made of twisted reeds.

¹⁸yuan: round, circular. Here it may be referring to the meteor's diameter.

¹⁹The phrase for *meteor* is omitted here, but it seems likely that this is a copying error.

mately one zhanq.

On a xin-chou day in the 9th month (16th October 1105), one meteor appeared in the head of *Beidou* and entered *Langjiang*. It was coloured blue-green, and more than 5 cun across. It had a tail approximately one zhang long. One appeared in Zhongtai and entered *Langjiang*. It was coloured red, and was as large as a torch. It had a tail approximately one zhang long. One appeared in Beihe and entered Beiji. It was coloured red, and was as large as a torch. It had a tail one half zhang long.

On a jia-yin day in the 11th month (28th December 1105), at night, there was a meteor which appeared in *Shangtai* and entered *Beiji*. It was as large as a torch, and had a length of approximately one *zhang*.

Reign of King Yejong (1105-1122)

1106

On a ding-mao day in the 12th month (10th January 1106), a meteor appeared at the east of Yi and entered Daling. It was shaped like a hen's egg.

On a jia-shen day in the 6th month of the 1st year (26th July 1106), a meteor appeared in Wangliang and entered Yingshi. It was approximately two zhang long.

On a yi-you day in the 6th month (27th July 1106), a meteor appeared in Tianjin and entered Zongren. It was as large as a cup, and had a tail approximately 2 zhang long. Also, two meteors appeared in Xu and entered Jiukan, as large as a hen's egg. Also, from dusk until dawn, there were many stars flowing in the four directions.

On a gui-chou day in the 6th month (Dating error), a meteor appeared in *Wan-gliang* and entered *Yingshi*. It was as large as a hen's egg, and was approximately two *zhang* long.

On a yi-wei day in the 9th month (5th October 1106), also there was a meteor which appeared in Shangtai and entered Langjiang. It was as large as a hen's egg, and had a length of approximately 2 zhang.

On a ji-hai day in the 9th month (9th October 1106), a meteor appeared in *Chailang* and entered *Tianyuan*.

On a ding-hai day in the 11th month (26th November 1106), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered Leibizhen and Yulin. It was as large as a bowl²⁰.

²⁰wan: a bowl, a basin, a cup, a dish.

1107

On a ding-you day in the 1st month of the 2nd year (4th February 1107), a meteor appeared in *Huanzhe*, passed through the east of *Taiwei*, and entered the stars of *Ping*. It was as large as a hen's egg, and was approximately 2 *chi* long.

On a ji-chou day in the intercalary month (23rd November 1107), also a meteor appeared in Dongjing and entered Junshi. It was as large as a bowl, and had a tail approximately 5 chi long.

1108

On a ren-yin day in the 12th month (4th February 1108), a meteor appeared in Xuanyuan, moved into Zhongtai, and entered Wenchang. It was as large as a hen's egg.

On a bing-wu day in the 12th month (8th February 1108), a meteor appeared in Huagai and entered the sky²¹. It was as large as a hen's egg, and had a tail approximately one zhang long.

1109

On a ji-you day in the 5th month of the 4th year (5th June 1109), a meteor appeared in Guansuo and entered Kang. It was as large as yu^{22} .

1110

On a ji-you day in the 1st month of the 5th year (31st January 1110), a meteor appeared in *Guansuo* and entered *Tianshi*, inside *Zongren*. It was shaped like a hen's egg.

On a xin-chou day in the 3rd month (24th March 1110), a meteor appeared in *Genghe* and entered *Tianchan*. It was as large as a hen's egg.

On a ting-mao day in the 3rd month (19th April 1110), a meteor trespassed against Tianshi wall, inside Chesi, and entered Liesi. It was as large as a cup, and had a length of approximately 9 chi.

On a yi-chou day in the intercalary 8th month (14th October 1110), a meteor appeared in Dongjing and entered $Yugui^{23}$. It was as large as a cup.

On a geng-wu day in the 9th month (19th October 1110), a meteor appeared in *Wenchang* and entered *Tianchang*. It was approximately 2 *zhang* long, and was as large as a hen's egg.

 $^{^{21}}$ This phrase may indicate that Huagai was very near the horizon, if it is not a copying error.

 $^{^{22}}yu$: a basin; a large cup.

²³This is the lunar lodge usually referred to as *Gui*.

On a ren-shen day in the 9th month (21st October 1110), a meteor appeared in *Chuanshe* and entered *Tianpou*. It was as large as a torch, and was approximately 4 zhang long. Light shot down onto the ground.

1111

On a ji-hai day in the 4th month of the 6th year (16th May 1111), a meteor moved from west of *Beiji* and entered the first gate between *Zongren* and *Zong*.

On a bing-shen day in the 11th month (Dating error), a meteor appeared in Xu-anyuan and entered the stars of Zhang. It was as large as a bowl, and its tail was approximately 6 chi long.

1112

On a gui-chou day in the 6th month of the 7th year (23rd July 1112), a meteor appeared in Wangliang and entered Wei. Its tail was approximately one zhang long.

On a yi-mao day in the 9th month, the first day of the month (23rd September 1112), a meteor appeared in the northwest of Wuche and entered Beihe. It was as large as yu, and had a tail approximately 7 chi long.

On a bing-chen day in the 9th month (24th September 1112), a meteor appeared in *Juanshe*. It was as large as a cup, and had a tail approximately 5 *chi* long.

On a ding-si day in the 9th month (25th September 1112), a meteor appeared in the stars of Tianchuan and $Fang^{24}$, and entered the northwest of Wuche. It was as large as yu, and had a tail approximately 7 chi long.

On a ding-chou day in the 9th month (15th October 1112), a meteor appeared in the east of Bi and entered Tianyuan. It was as large as yu.

On a ji-mao day in the 9th month (17th October 1112), a meteor appeared in *Hegu*, approached *Tianji*, and faded. It was as large as a cup.

On a ren-wu day in the 9th month (20th October 1112), a meteor appeared in Xuanyuan and entered Ziwei. It was as large as yu, and had a tail approximately 3 chi long.

On a gui-si day in the 10th month (31st October 1112), a meteor appeared in *Zhongtai* and entered the west of *Ziwei*. It was as large as a cup, and had a tail approximately 10 *chi* long.

On a bing-shen day in the 10th month (3rd November 1112), a meteor appeared in Mao and entered Bi. It was as large as yu.

 $^{^{24} {\}rm This}$ record is ambiguous; it may be referring to $\it Tianchuan, \it Xing$ and $\it Fang,$ for example, although the lunar lodges $\it Xing$ and $\it Fang$ are widely separated.

On a wu-yin day in the 11th month (15th December 1112), a meteor appeared in *Leibizhen* and entered *Yulin*. It was as large as a cup, and had a tail approximately 5 *chi* long. Light shone on the ground. Also, a meteor appeared in the east of *Sheti* and entered *Kang*. It was as large as *yu*, and was approximately 10 *chi* long.

1113

On a jia-yin day in the 8th month of the 8th year (17th September 1113), a meteor appeared in *Xuanyuan* and entered *Shaowei*. It was as large as a cup, and was approximately 6 *chi* long. Also, a meteor appeared in *Tianjun* and entered *Junjing*. It was approximately 3 *chi* long.

On a ji-si day in the 8th month (2nd October 1113), a meteor appeared in *Lou* and entered *Yingshi*. It was as large as a cup.

On a bing-wu day in the 9th month (8th November 1113), also a meteor appeared in *Tianjun* and entered *Tianchang*. It was as large as a bowl, and was 15 chi long.

On a ji-you day in the 10th month (11th November 1113), a meteor appeared in the north, fell into Shimen, and entered $Bakui^{25}$. It was as large as a cup, and was approximately 20 chi long.

On a jia-shen day in the 11th month (16th December 1113), a meteor appeared in *Zhongtai* and entered *Taiwei*. It was as large as a cup, and had a length of approximately 15 chi.

1114

On a bing-chen day in the 2nd month of the 9th year (18th March 1114), a meteor appeared in *Beidou* and *Ziwei*, and entered *Wangliang*. It was as large as a bowl.

On a geng-zi day in the 3rd month (1st May 1114), a meteor appeared in Guqi and entered Tianji and $Gouguo^{26}$.

1116

On a ji-wei day in the 1st month of the 11th year (Dating error), a meteor appeared within *Taiwei* and entered the northeast star of *Zhen*.

On a geng-xu day in the 3rd month (30th April 1116), a meteor appeared in *Qigong* and the stars of *Guansuo*, and entered *Tianshi*. It was as large as a hen's egg, and was approximately 3 *chi* long.

 $^{^{25}}$ This record is ambiguous.

²⁶This record is ambiguous.

On a wu-xu day in the 9th month (15th October 1116), a meteor appeared in *Zhongtai* and entered *Taiyang*. It was as large as a hen's egg.

1117

On a geng-chen day in the 12th month (25th January 1117), a meteor appeared in Kang and entered Di. It was as large as a hen's egg.

On a jia-zi day in the 4th month of the 12th year (9th May 1117), a meteor appeared in the north of *Zhaoyao* and entered within the head of *Beidou*. It was as large as a hen's egg, and had a length of approximately 7 *chi*.

On a ding-chou day in the 4th month (22nd May 1117), a meteor appeared in Guanxing and entered Waichu. It was as large as a bowl, and had a length of approximately 5 chi.

On a xin-si day in the 4th month (26th May 1117), a meteor appeared in the northeast star of Jiao and entered Qifu. It was as large as a hen's egg, and had a length of approximately 15 chi. Also, a meteor appeared at the gate of Tianshi and entered into the midst of the stars of $Chuanshuo\ yu^{27}$. It had a length of approximately 7 chi.

On a gui-si day in the 5th month (7th June 1117), a meteor appeared in *Zhaoyao*, entered within the head of *Beidou*, and trespassed against the 4th star.

On a wu-wu day in the 8th month (31st August 1117), at dusk, a meteor trespassed against the moon and fell down to the southeast.

On a geng-shen day in the 10th month (1st November 1117), a meteor appeared in *Wuche* and entered *Tianjun*. It was as large as a bowl, and had a length of approximately 10 chi.

1118

On a bing-xu day in the 9th month of the 13th year (23rd September 1118), a meteor appeared in the north of *Youqi* and entered the east of *Tianshi*. It had a length of approximately 10 chi.

On a geng-zi day in the 9th month (7th October 1118), a meteor appeared in the stars of *Kui* and entered *Tianchan*.

On a jia-chen day in the 9th month (11th October 1118), a meteor appeared in *Beihe* and entered *Xuanyuan*.

²⁷There are several possible interpretations here, but it seems likely that it refers to only one asterism.

1119

On a ji-mao day in the 12th month (14th January 1119), a meteor appeared in *Xuanyuan* and entered *Taiwei*. It had a length of approximately 5 *chi*.

On a bing-xu day in the 12th month (21st January 1119), a meteor appeared in Ziwei and entered the gate between Suo^{28} and $N\ddot{u}lin$. It had a length of approximately 30 chi.

1121

On a ji-hai day in the 6th month of the 16th year (22nd July 1121), one meteor appeared in the north of *Zhinü* and entered *Ziwei*. One appeared in *Ziwei* and entered *Gouchen*. One appeared in the stars of *Kui* and entered *Leidian*.

On a xin-chou day in the 6th month (24th July 1121), a meteor appeared in *Tianjin* and entered *Tianbian*.

On a jia-chen day in the 7th month (Dating error), a meteor appeared in Hegu and entered Nandou.

1122

On a wu-shen day in the 12th month (27th January 1122), a meteor appeared in Gedao and entered Tianjian. It had a length of approximately 7 chi.

On a bing-shen day in the 2nd month of the 17th year (16th March 1122), a meteor appeared inside *Beidou* and entered the gate between *Tianchu* and *Chuanshe*. Also, one appeared in the 1st star of *Beidou*, divided into two, then faded.

On a ding-hai day in the 8th month, the first day of the month (3rd September 1122), a meteor appeared in the east wall of *Taiwei* and entered *Wei*. First it was large, but later it was small. It had a tail approximately 2 *chi* long.

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1123

On a wu-zi day in the 12th month (2nd January 1123), a meteor appeared in *Xuanyuan* and entered *Yuqui*. It had a tail approximately 4 *chi* long.

1124

On a wu-wu day in the 6th month of the 2nd year (25th July 1124), a meteor appeared in Ziwei and entered Sheti. It had a tail approximately 30 chi long.

 $^{^{28}\}mathrm{This}$ may be either a copying error or shortening of Guansuo.

On a bing-wu day in the 8th month (11th September 1124), a meteor appeared in Wenchang and entered Beidou.

On a yi-chou day in the 8th month (30th September 1124), a meteor appeared in *Daling* and entered *Ziwei*.

On a yi-wei day in the 9th month (30th October 1124), also there was a meteor which was as large as a torch.

On a ren-yin day in the 9th month (6th November 1124), a meteor appeared in the northeast. It was as large as a torch.

On a yi-mao day in the 10th month (19th November 1124), a meteor appeared in Wenchang, entered Ziwei, penetrated Beiji and faded at the eastern fan^{29} of Taiwei.

On a gui-you day in the 10th month (7th December 1124), a meteor appeared in the right foot of *Shen* and entered *Junyin*.

On a yi-hai day in the 11th month (9th December 1124), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Tianyuan. Also one appeared within the head of Beidou and entered Ziwei.

1125

On a geng-shen day in the 12th month (23rd January 1125), a meteor appeared in *Kulou* and entered *Gouchen*.

1126

On a ren-chen day in the 3rd month of the 4th year (20th April 1126), a meteor appeared in *Tianshi* and entered the stars of *Xin*.

On a jia-shen day in the 9th month (9th October 1126), a meteor appeared in *Ying-shi* and entered *Ziwei*. It had a length of approximately 7 *chi*.

On a bing-xu day in the 9th month (11th October 1126), a meteor appeared in Ziwei and entered the eastern fan.

On a jia-wu day in the 10th month (19th October 1126), a meteor appeared in *Tianjiangjun* and entered *Gouchen*. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately 10 chi.

On a geng-zi day in the 10th month (25th October 1126), a meteor appeared in *Tianjiangjun* and entered *Ziwei*. Also, a meteor entered *Taiwei* and *Wudizuo*.

²⁹ fan: a hedge, a boundary, a frontier.

On a ding-hai day in the 11th month (11th December 1126), a meteor appeared in *Shuiwei* and entered *Zhang*. There was a sound like thunder. It was as large as a bowl, and had a length of approximately 1 *zhang*.

On a gui-si day in the intercalary month (17th December 1126), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei* and entered *Dizuo*. It was as large as a lamp.

On a ding-you day in the intercalary month (21st December 1126), a meteor appeared in *Beidou* and *Zhonqtai*. It was as large as a melon.

1127

On a bing-xu day in the 12th month (8th February 1127), a meteor appeared in Kulou and entered Taiwei.

On a jia-zi day in the 2nd month of the 5th year (18th March 1127), a meteor appeared in *Jian* and entered *Fang*. It was as large as a melon.

On a wu-zi day in the 2nd month (11th April 1127), a meteor appeared large in Jiao and entered Shi^{30} wall within Huanzhe.

On a jia-wu day in the 3rd month (17th April 1127), a meteor appeared in *Jian* and entered *Fang*. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately 15 chi.

On a geng-shen day in the 6th month (12th July 1127), a meteor appeared in *Ying-shi* and entered *Wei*. It was as large as a melon.

On a geng-yin day in the 7th month (11th August 1127), a meteor appeared in *Lou* and entered *Wuche*. It was coloured yellow, and as large as a melon.

On a gui-mao day in the 9th month (23rd October 1127), a meteor appeared in Dongbi and entered Yulin. It was as large as a bowl.

On a ren-zi day in the 9th month (1st November 1127), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Beidou.

On a wu-wu day in the 10th month (7th November 1127), a meteor appeared in *Dongbi* and entered *Yulin*.

1128

On a wu-wu day in the 12th month (6th January 1128), a meteor appeared in *Kulou* and entered *Taiwei*. It was as large as a hen's egg.

³⁰This is almost certainly a shortening of *Tianshi*.

On a xin-si day in the 4th month of the 6th year (28th May 1128), a meteor appeared in *Niu* and entered *Tiantian*. It was as large as a melon.

On a ding-hai day in the 5th month (3rd June 1128), a meteor appeared in *Tianjin* and entered *Yingshi*. It was as large as a melon and coloured red.

On a xin-hai day in the 5th month (27th June 1128), a meteor appeared in *Tianjin* and entered *Yingshi*.

On a ding-chou day in the 6th month (23rd July 1128), there was a meteor as large as fou ³¹. It was coloured white, and there was light. It appeared in Ziweigong, and was approximately 10 chi long. It quickly moved and entered the stars of Lishi. Also, a meteor as large as bo appeared in the stars of Tianshi. It was coloured red, and had a length of approximately 5 chi. It quickly moved and entered the stars of Di. Also, a meteor as large as a lantern³² appeared in the stars of Zhen. It was coloured red, and had a length of approximately 7 chi. It quickly moved and entered the left star of Jiao. 4 more meteors, as large as bo, appeared in the stars of Tianjin. They were coloured like fire, and were approximately 3 chi long. They quickly moved and entered the stars of Hegu. 5 more meteors, as large as a lantern, appeared in Leibizhen. They were coloured white. They entered Yulin. Also, a meteor as large as a lantern, with a length of approximately 10 chi, entered the stars of Mao.

On a gui-wei day in the 9th month (27th September 1128), a meteor appeared in Bi, entered Wangliang, moved and entered Yingshi.

On a bing-wu day in the 9th month (20th October 1128), a meteor appeared in *Kui* and entered *Yingshi*.

On a ji-wei day in the 10th month (2nd November 1128), a meteor, which was as large as a torch and coloured red, appeared in Yi and entered the stars of Jiao.

On a wu-chen day in the 10th month (11th November 1128), a meteor appeared in Yi and entered the left (star)³³ of Jiao. It was as large as a torch.

On a geng-wu day in the 10th month (13th November 1128), a meteor appeared at the great star of Xing and entered within the stars of Yi.

On a jia-chen day in the 11th month (17th December 1128), a meteor appeared in Tianshi wall and entered Yi.

On a ding-wei day in the 11th month (20th December 1128), a meteor appeared in *Tianjun* and entered *Shen*. It was as large as a torch.

 $^{^{31}}$ fou: pottery, earthenware.

³²deng zhan: lamps, collectively; also part of a lamp.

³³ "Star" is missing, but this is a common reference.

On a ji-yu day in the 11th month (22nd December 1128), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Shen. It was as large as a melon.

1129

On a wu-chen day in the 8th month of the 7th year (7th September 1129), a meteor appeared in *Kui*. It was as large as a bowl, and had a tail approximately 15 *chi* long. The people in the village lanes cried out in alarm. Also, a meteor appeared in *Wei* and entered *Tianlin*. It was as large as a torch.

On a wu-yin day in the intercalary month (17th September 1129), a meteor appeared in *Lou* and entered *Tianchan*. It was as large as a bowl.

On a yi-si day in the intercalary month (14th October 1129), a meteor, which was as large as a melon, appeared in the stars of Bi and entered Tianjun. Also, a meteor, which was as large as a lantern, appeared in the stars of Bi and entered the stars of Shen.

On a ding-wei day in the 9th month (16th October 1129), a meteor, which was as large as a melon, appeared in the stars of Bi and entered Tianjun.

On a xin-hai day in the 9th month (20th October 1129), a meteor, which was as large as a melon, appeared in Yingshi and entered Wei. Its tail was approximately 8 chi long. Also, there was a meteor as large as a hen's egg, which appeared in Shen and Ji, and entered the stars of Gou^{34} .

On a bing-zi day in the 10th month, the first day of the month (14th November 1129), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei* and entered *Tiangou*. It was as large as a bowl, and had a length of approximately 10 chi.

1130

On a ren-shen day in the 11th month (9th January 1130), a meteor appeared in Yi and entered Zhongtai. Its tail was approximately 7 chi long.

On a ding-chou day in the 12th month (14th January 1130), there was a meteor from the southwest direction. It was pointing northeast, and fell to the ground. There was a sound like thunder. It was as large as pen^{35} , and had a length of approximately 6 chi.

On a ji-mao day in the 4th month of the 8th year (16th May 1130), a meteor appeared in the stars of Zong and entered Shilou.

 $^{^{34}}$ This is either a shortening of another asterism (*Gouchen*, for example) or an individual *Gou* (dog) star.

³⁵pen: a basin, a tub, a pot, a bowl.

On a xin-si day in the 6th month (17th July 1130), a meteor appeared at the western fan of Ziwei and entered Hegu. It had a length of approximately 5 chi. There was a sound like thunder.

On a bing-xu day in the 6th month (22nd July 1130), a meteor appeared in *Tianshi* wall and entered *Hequ*.

On a ji-chou day in the 6th month (25th July 1130), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered Nou.

On a ding-wei day in the 7th month (12th August 1130), a meteor, which was as large as a hen's egg, appeared in *Tianlin* and entered *Yulin*.

On a ding-chou day in the 8th month (11th September 1130), a meteor, which was as large as a cup, appeared in *Wuche* and entered *Dongjing*.

On a yi-si day in the 9th month (9th October 1130), a meteor appeared in *Kui* and entered *Wei*. It was as large as a hen's egg, and had a tail approximately 9 *chi* long.

On a ding-wei day in the 9th month (11th October 1130), a meteor appeared in Zui and entered Shuiwei. It was as large as a hen's egg, and had a tail approximately 5 chi long.

On a yi-hai day in the 10th month (8th November 1130), a meteor appeared in Bi and entered Tianjun. It was as large as a bowl, and had a length of approximately 10 chi.

On a geng-chen day in the 10th month (13th November 1130), a meteor, which was as large as a hen's egg, appeared in *Beidou* and entered *Ziwei* and *Dizuo*.

On a ren-xu day in the 11th month (25th December 1130), a meteor, which was as large as a hen's egg, appeared in *Neijie* and entered *Gouchen*.

1131

On a xin-mao day in the 6th month of the 9th year (22nd July 1131), a meteor appeared in Hegu and entered Nandou. It was as large as a torch, and had a length of approximately 10 chi.

On a jia-wu day in the 6th month (25th July 1131), a meteor appeared in *Tianji* and entered *Ji*. Also, a meteor appeared in *Shiliqong* and entered *Hequ*.

On a yi-wei day in the 7th month (26th July 1131), a meteor, which was as large as a hen's egg, appeared in *Tianji* and entered *Ji*. Also, a meteor, which was as large as a cup, appeared in *Shiligong* and entered *Ji*.

On a ji-wei day in the 7th month (19th August 1131), a meteor appeared in Wei

and entered Nou. It was as large as a torch, and had a length of more than 10 chi.

On a bing-xu day in the 8th month (15th September 1131), a meteor appeared in Bi and entered Zui. It was as large as a bowl, and had a length of more than 10 chi.

On a wu-xu day in the 9th month (27th September 1131), also there was a meteor, which was as large as a cup. It appeared in *Beiji* and entered *Langjiang*.

On a yi-you day in the 10th month (13th November 1131), a meteor, which was as large as a hen's egg, appeared in *Tianjun* and entered *Tianchan*.

1132

On a geng-xu day in the 1st month of the 10th year (6th February 1132), a meteor appeared in Qigong and entered Kang.

On a bing-chen day in the 1st month (12th February 1132), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei* and entered *Zhen*. It had a length of approximately 10 *chi*.

On a ding-si day in the 1st month (13th February 1132), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei* and entered *Beidou*. It had a length of approximately 10 *chi*.

On a gui-si day in the 8th month (16th September 1132), also a meteor appeared in *Tianjiangjun* and entered *Wuche*.

On a ren-yin day in the 10th month (24th November 1132), a meteor appeared in *Langwei* and entered *Sheti*. It was as large as a bowl, and had a length of approximately 30 *chi*.

On a ding-si day in the 10th month (9th December 1132), a meteor appeared in Beidou and ba^{36} Gouchen.

1133

On a xin-si day in the 3rd month of the 11th year (2nd May 1133), a meteor appeared at the gate between Di and Kang, and entered the stars of Qiguan. It was approximately 5 chi long.

On a ding-chou day in the 5th month (27th June 1133), a meteor, which was as large as a melon, appeared in *Yingshi* and arrived in *Tianshi* and *Dizuo*. Its tail was approximately 20 chi long.

On a jia-chen day in the 6th month (24th July 1133), a meteor appeared in *Tianjin* and entered the wall of *Tianshi*. Its tail was approximately 7 chi long.

 $^{^{36}}$ ba: eight. Almost certainly a misprint for ru (entered).

On a ding-wei day in the 6th month (27th July 1133), a meteor appeared in Zhuan-she and entered Zhinü.

On a gui-hai day in the 7th month (12th August 1133), a meteor appeared in *Tianji* and entered *Tianshi*.

On a ji-you day in the 8th month (27th September 1133), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Yingshi.

1134

On a ji-hai day in the 12th month (15th January 1134), a meteor appeared within the south of Beihe and trespassed against the left $jian^{37}$ of Shen. It was as large as a melon and had a tail 5 chi long. Also, a meteor appeared within Nanhe and entered $Lang\ xing^{38}$. It was as if it had hit something; it broke up, and $Lang\ xing$ shook.

On a xin-chou day in the 12th month (17th January 1134), a meteor appeared in *Dongjing* and entered the stars of *Hu*. It had a tail approximately 10 *chi* long.

On a ji-wei day in the 3rd month of the 12th year (5th April 1134), a meteor fell to the ground. It was as large as dou^{39} .

On a jia-shen day in the 4th month (30th April 1134), a meteor appeared in Wangliang and entered Nandou.

On a jia-yin day in the 5th month (30th May 1134), a meteor appeared in *Wan-gliang* and entered *Nandou*. It was as large as a torch, and had a tail approximately 5 *chi* long.

On a xin-chou day in the 6th month (16th July 1134), a meteor appeared in *Tengshe* and entered *Hegu*. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately 10 chi.

On a ren-yin day in the 6th month (17th July 1134), a meteor appeared in Wan-gliang and entered Gedao. It was as large as a lamp.

On a jia-chen day in the 6th month (19th July 1134), a meteor appeared in *Yingshi* and entered *Beidou*. It was as large as *fou*.

On a ren-zi day in the 7th month (27th July 1134), a meteor appeared in the handle of *Beidou* and entered *Sheti*. Also, a meteor appeared in *Wei* and entered *Nou*. Also, a meteor appeared in *Yingshi* and entered *Leibizhen*.

³⁷ jian: the top of the shoulder.

³⁸Sirius.

 $^{^{39}}$ dou: a dry measure.

On a yi-mao day in the 9th month (28th September 1134), a meteor appeared in *Lou*, penetrated *Tianchan*, and fell to the south.

On a ding-si day in the 9th month (30th September 1134), a meteor appeared in *Xuanyuan* and entered the stars of *Xiatai*.

On a geng-zi day in the 10th month (12th November 1134), a meteor appeared in Shen and Ji, and fell to the south.

1135

On a ding-wei day in the intercalary 2nd month of the 13th year (19th March 1135), a meteor appeared at the western wall of *Tianshi* and entered *Sheti*.

On a geng-wu day in the intercalary 2nd month (11th April 1135), a meteor appeared in *Jiao* and entered *Zhen*.

On a gui-you day in the intercalary 2nd month (14th April 1135), a meteor appeared in Nandou, passed over Fang and Xin, and entered the left of $Jiao^{40}$. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately $40 \ chi$.

On a wu-yin day in the 5th month (18th June 1135), a meteor appeared in *Dongbi* and entered *Wei*.

On a wu-shen day in the 6th month (18th July 1135), a meteor appeared in Hegu and entered Nou.

On a gui-hai day in the 6th month (2nd August 1135), a meteor appeared in *Tian-bian* and entered *Nandou*.

On a wu-xu day in the 7th month (6th September 1135), a meteor appeared in *Tianguan* and entered the northeast star of *Wuche*.

1136

On a geng-yin day in the 6th month of the 14th year (Dating error), a meteor appeared in *Huagai* and entered *Wenchang*.

On a xin-mao day in the 6th month (Dating error), a meteor appeared in the stars of Jin^{41} and entered Ji. It was as large as a bowl, and had a length of 6 chi. Also, a meteor appeared in Hegu and entered Nandou. It was as large as a bowl, and had a length of approximately 20 chi.

⁴⁰This could also read ...entered the left corner., although "the left star of Jiao" commonly refers to ζ Vir, and the asterism is in the right part of the sky.

⁴¹This is probably a shortening; possibly of *Tianjin*.

1137

On a ding-si day in the 12th month (17th January 1137), a meteor appeared in *Sheti* and entered *Di*. It was as large as a torch and had a length of approximately 2 *zhang*.

On a yi-you day in the 1st month of the 15th year (14th February 1137), a meteor appeared in *Zhang* and entered *Tianchao*.

On a ding-hai day in the 7th month (15th August 1137), a meteor appeared in *Tianjun* and arrived in *Lou*. It had a length of approximately 15 *chi*.

1138

On a ding-wei day in the 11th month (2nd January 1138), a meteor appeared in Zhen and arrived in Kulou.

On a jia-yin day in the 11th month (9th January 1138), a meteor appeared in *Tian-jiangjun* and entered *Yulin*.

On a jia-shen day in the 2nd month of the 16th year (9th April 1138), a meteor appeared in Di and entered Zhen.

On a jia-yin day in the 8th month, the first day of the month (6th September 1138), one meteor appeared in *Lou* and entered *Tianchan*. One appeared in *Shen* and entered *Tiangou*.

On a ji-wei day in the 10th month (10th November 1138), a meteor appeared in Junshi and entered Shen.

1139

On a bing-yin day in the 12th month (16th January 1139), one meteor appeared in Wangliang and entered Lou. One appeared in Tianshi and entered Nandou.

1140

On a wu-shen day in the 9th month of the 18th year (19th October 1140), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Beidou.

1141

On a geng-xu day in the 5th month of the 19th year (18th June 1141), a meteor appeared in *Hequ* and entered *Nandou*.

On a geng-wu day in the 10th month (5th November 1141), a meteor appeared in *Nanhe* and entered *Junshi*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail 3 *chi* long.

On a xin-wei day in the 10th month (6th November 1141), a meteor appeared in Xing and entered Yi. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail 2 zhang long.

1142

On a ren-chen day in the 7th month of the 20th year, the first day of the month (25th July 1142), a meteor appeared in Tianjie and entered Bi.

On a gui-hai day in the 12th month (23rd December 1142), a meteor appeared in *Sheti*. It had a length of approximately 10 *chi*.

1143

On a ding-wei day in the intercalary 4th month of the 21st year (5th June 1143), a meteor appeared in *Gouchen* and entered *Dizuo*. Also one appeared in *Zhaoyao* and entered *Beidou*.

On a geng-chen day in the 7th month (6th September 1143), a meteor appeared in Nandou and entered Tiantian. Also one appeared in Kui and entered Tianchuan.

On a ji-mao day in the 9th month (4th November 1143), a meteor appeared in *Shen* and entered *Junshi*.

1144

On a geng-xu day in the 4th month of the 22nd year (2nd June 1144), a meteor appeared in Tianshi and entered Dongxian. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately 5 chi.

On a yi-chou day in the 5th month (17th June 1144), a meteor appeared in *Dajiao* and entered *Tianpou*. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately 10 chi.

On a xin-chou day in the 6th month (23rd July 1144), a meteor appeared in *Ji* and entered *Wei*. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately 5 *chi*.

On a geng-chen day in the 8th month (31st August 1144), a meteor appeared in *Tianjian*.

On a gui-si day in the 8th month (13th September 1144), a meteor appeared in Wangliang and entered Tianchuan.

1145

On a wu-xu day in the 2nd month of the 23rd year (17th March 1145), a meteor appeared in Dajiao and entered Di. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately 5 chi.

On a ren-chen day in the 4th month (10th May 1145), a meteor appeared in Yi and entered Tianchao. It had a length of approximately 15 chi.

On a ji-si day in the 5th month (16th June 1145), a meteor appeared in *Sheti* and entered *Zhen*.

On a wu-xu day in the 6th month (15th July 1145), a meteor appeared in *Sheti* and entered *Zhen*. It was as large as a melon.

Reign of King Ŭijong (1146-1170)

1147

On a bing-chen day in the 6th month of the 1st year (23rd July 1147), a meteor appeared in Hegu and entered $Xun\ddot{u}$.

On a ji-chou day in the 9th month (30th September 1147), a meteor appeared and arrived in *Hushi*.

1148

On a geng-zi day in the 2nd month of the 2nd year (3rd March 1148), a meteor appeared in Xu and entered Wei.

On a ji-wei day in the 7th month (20th July 1148), a meteor appeared in *Kui* and entered *Yulin*.

On a xin-si day in the intercalary month (10th October 1148), a meteor appeared in Bagu and entered Gedao.

1149

On a geng-yin day in the 1st month of the 3rd year (16th February 1149), there was a meteor which looked like $Tiangou^{42}$. It came from the east and pointed west.

On a ji-wei day in the 2nd month (17th March 1149), a meteor appeared in Ziwei and entered Wei.

On a ding-wei day in the 3rd month (4th May 1149), a meteor appeared in Xu-anyuan and entered Beihe. Its tail was approximately 7 chi long.

On a geng-wu day in the 4th month (27th May 1149), a meteor appeared in *Zhang* and entered *Kulou*. It was as large as a cup.

⁴²Literally *heavenly dog*. It may or may not refer to the asterism of the same name.

On a jia-xu day in the 6th month (30th July 1149), there was a meteor from the west and the south. It was as large as *fou*. There were two small stars which followed it. It faded, later there was a sound like thunder.

On a xin-si day in the 9th month (5th October 1149), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Tianchan. Also, there was a meteor which appeared in Bi and entered Tianjun. It was as large as a cup, and had a length of approximately one zhang.

On a yi-you day in the 9th month (9th October 1149), a meteor appeared in Lang and entered the stars of Hu.

On a xin-chou day in the 9th month (25th October 1149), a meteor appeared in Hu and entered Junshi. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 6 chi long.

On a ren-shen day in the 10th month (25th November 1149), a meteor appeared in Lou and entered Tianpou. It was as large as bo, and had a tail approximately one zhang long. There was a sound like thunder.

On a bing-zi day in the 10th month (29th November 1149), a meteor appeared in Zui and entered Tianyuan. Also, a meteor appeared in Beidou and entered the eastern fan of Ziwei.

1150

On a jia-chen day in the 1st month of the 4th year (25th February 1150), a meteor appeared in *Tianshi* and entered *Nandou*.

1151

On a yi-si day in the 2nd month of the 5th year (21st February 1151), there was a meteor, and the people of the capital were alarmed.

On a jia-chen day in the 4th month (21st April 1151), a meteor appeared in Xu and Wei, and entered Yingshi and Dongbi.

On a gui-chou day in the 5th month (29th June 1151), a meteor appeared in Kang and entered Fang. It was as large as a melon.

On a wu-chen day in the 8th month, the first day of the month (12th September 1151), a meteor appeared at the eastern fan of Ziwei and entered Gouchen.

On a gui-si day in the 8th month (7th October 1151), a meteor appeared at the gate between Jiao and Kang, crossed Taiwei within Xiatai, Wenchang, Tianchuan, Daling, Bagu, and Tianjiangjun, and arrived at the gate between Kui and Lou. It was as large as a cup, and had a tail approximately 7 chi long.

1156

On a bing-yin day in the 5th month of the 10th year (15th June 1156), a meteor appeared in *Xiatai* and entered *Zhongtai*. It was as large as *bo*.

On a gui-mao day in the 7th month (22nd July 1156), a meteor appeared in Ziwei and entered Qigong. It was as large as a melon.

On a xin-you day in the 7th month (9th August 1156), a meteor from the south entered Wei. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately 3 chi.

On a xin-mao day in the 8th month (8th September 1156), a meteor appeared in Wuzhuhou. It was as large as a melon.

1157

On a yi-you day in the 5th month of the 11th year (29th June 1157), a meteor trespassed against the north of Dizuo. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately $10 \, chi$.

1159

On a ji-chou day in the 2nd month of the 13th year (23rd February 1159), a meteor appeared in *Zhongtai* and entered the eastern *fan* of *Ziwei*. It was as large as *bo*, and had a tail approximately 3 *chi* long.

1161

On a ren-shen day in the 7th month of the 15th year (25th July 1161), a meteor appeared in *Gouchen* and entered *Beidou*. Also one appeared in *Yingshi* and entered *Nou*.

On a bing-shen day in the 11th month (16th December 1161), a meteor appeared in *Tianlin* and entered *Yulin*.

1162

On a xin-chou day in the 9th month of the 16th year (17th October 1162), a meteor appeared in Wangliang and entered Tianyuan.

On a bing-chen day in the 11th month (31st December 1162), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Daling.

1163

On a xin-you day in the 11th month (5th January 1163), also a meteor appeared in Wei, crossed Xuanyuan, Taiwei and Dizuo, and entered the eastern fan of Ziwei.

On a wu-yin day in the 4th month of the 17th year (22nd May 1163), there was a meteor from the northwest. It faced the southeast and moved.

1165

On a ren-yin day in the 12th month of the 18th year (4th February 1165), a meteor appeared in *Dongjing* and entered *Junshi*.

1169

On a ren-xu day in the 5th month of the 23rd year (3rd June 1169), a meteor appeared in Yi and entered the great star of Hegu. It was as large as a torch, and had a length of approximately 5 chi.

Reign of King Myŏngjong (1170-1197)

1173

On a xin-chou day in the 7th month of the 3rd year (20th August 1173), a meteor appeared in *Hegu* and entered *Tianpou*.

On a ding-si day in the 7th month (5th September 1173), a meteor appeared in He^{43} and entered Liu.

1175

On a bing-xu day in the 7th month of the 5th year (26th July 1175), a meteor appeared in Xu and entered Jian.

On a geng-xu day in the intercalary month (18th October 1175), a meteor appeared in *Tianyuan* and entered *Yulin*.

On a ren-shen day in the intercalary month (9th November 1175), a meteor appeared in Kui and entered Ligong.

On a gui-you day in the intercalary month (10th November 1175), a meteor appeared in Lang and entered Kui.

On a bing-shen day in the 10th month (3rd December 1175), a meteor appeared in the great star of *Xuanyuan* and entered *Taiwei* and *Wudizuo*.

1176

On a yi-wei day in the 12th month (31st January 1176), a meteor appeared in the south of the five stars of Ji and entered $Tianji^{44}$.

⁴³Literally *river*; possibly the Milky Way, or a short form of an asterism.

⁴⁴This probably refers to the horizon.

On a ji-si day in the 1st month of the 6th year (10th February 1176), a meteor appeared in *Kangchi* and entered *Xixian*. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately 3 *chi*.

On a yi-wei day in the 2nd month (31st March 1176), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei* and entered *Mingtang*.

On a ji-chou day in the 4th month (24th May 1176), a meteor appeared in *Tianjin* and entered *Tianchan*.

On a yi-hai day in the 6th month (9th July 1176), a meteor appeared in *Dizuo* and entered *Huanzhe*.

On a bing-zi day in the 6th month (10th July 1176), a meteor appeared in $Xun\ddot{u}$ and entered Qi. It was as large as a melon.

On a geng-zi day in the 6th month (3rd August 1176), a meteor appeared in *Leibizhen* and entered *Chubao*. It was as large as *fou*, and had a tail approximately 10 *chi* long.

On a yi-chou day in the 7th month (28th August 1176), a meteor appeared in Teng-she and entered the south star of Xu.

On a gui-you day in the 8th month (5th September 1176), one meteor appeared in *Leibizhen* and entered *Yulin*. It was as large as a melon. One appeared in *Tianjun* and entered *Taiyin*. It had a tail approximately 3 *chi* long.

On a wu-chen day in the 9th month (30th October 1176), a meteor appeared in Bi and entered Tianjun. It had a tail approximately 4 chi long.

1177

On a ding-you day in the 12th month (27th January 1177), a meteor appeared in *Sangong* and entered *Ziwei*. It was as large as *fou*, and had a tail approximately 15 *chi* long.

On a gui-hai day in the 1st month of the 7th year (22nd February 1177), a meteor appeared in *Sangong* and entered *Qigong*. It was as large as *fou*, and had a tail approximately 10 *chi* long.

On a geng-wu day in the 1st month (1st March 1177), a meteor appeared in Xu-anyuan and entered Zhang. It was as large as a pear⁴⁵, and had a tail approximately 3 chi long.

 $^{^{45}}$ li: a pear.

On a bing-zi day in the 2nd month (7th March 1177), also a meteor appeared in Fanq and entered Tianmen. It had a tail approximately 2 chi long.

On a wu-shen day in the 3rd month (8th April 1177), a meteor appeared in $Youwei^{46}$ and entered Beidou and the stars of Shaowei. It was as large as a pear.

On a ding-hai day in the 4th month (17th May 1177), a meteor appeared in *Dongxian* and entered *Tianjiang*.

On a xin-mao day in the 4th month (21st May 1177), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei* and entered *Zhen*. It was as large as a pear, and had a tail approximately 3 *chi* long.

On a wu-shen day in the 7th month (6th August 1177), a meteor appeared in *Bagu* and entered *Ziwei*. It was as large as a pear, and had a tail approximately 5 *chi* long.

On a wu-wu day in the 7th month (16th August 1177), a meteor appeared in *Yulin* and entered *Wei*. It was as large as a pear, and had a tail approximately 6 *chi* long.

On a gui-hai day in the 9th month (20th October 1177), a meteor appeared in *Tianlin* and entered *Tianyuan*. It had a tail approximately 3 *chi* long.

On a ji-hai day in the 11th month (25th November 1177), a meteor appeared in Bi and entered Yulin. It was as large as fou, and had a tail approximately one zhang long.

On a jia-yin day in the 11th month (10th December 1177), one meteor appeared in *Tianchan* and entered *Yulin*. It was as large as a pear, and had a tail approximately 3 *chi* long. One appeared in *Zhu* and entered *Beiji*. It was as large as a melon.

1178

On a jia-shen day in the 7th month of the 8th year (6th September 1178), a meteor appeared in *Wuche* and entered *Zhen*. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately 3 *chi*.

On a yi-wei day in the 8th month (17th September 1178), one meteor appeared in the stars of Kui and entered Tusikong. It was as large as a melon. One appeared in Neiping and entered Xuanyuan. It had a tail approximately one zhang long. One appeared in the seven stars of Xing and entered Zhang. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 7 chi long. One appeared in the five stars of Guan and entered Gu. It had a tail approximately 5 chi long. One appeared in Xiang and entered Changchen. It was as large a melon, and had a tail approximately 15 chi long. One appeared in Dongjing and entered Uuzhuhou. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 5 zhang long. One appeared in Yi, pointing south, and entered Uuzhuhou. It had a tail approximately 1 zhang long. Also, there were

⁴⁶This could also be to the right of Wei.

many stars flowing in all directions. There were so many they could not be counted.

In the 10th month⁴⁷ (11th November to 10th December 1178), a meteor appeared in Juanshe and entered Shen. It had a tail one zhang long.

On a ding-chou day in the 11th month (28th December 1178), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered Tianjun. It was as large as a melon.

1179

On a gui-wei day in the 11th month (3rd January 1179), a meteor appeared in the southwest of *Tianshi* and entered *Tianji*. It was as large as *fou*.

On a ding-mao day in the 1st month of the 9th year (16th February 1179), a meteor appeared in *Yi* and entered *Qifu*. It was as large as a cup, and had a tail approximately 4 *chi* long.

On a bing-shen day in the 2nd month (17th March 1179), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered Gui. It was as large as a pear.

On a ding-si day in the 4th month (6th June 1179), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered Jizu. It was as large as a cup.

On a yi-chou day in the 5th month (14th June 1179), a meteor appeared in the western wall pf *Tianshi* and entered *Wei*. It was as large as a cup, and had a tail approximately 10 *chi* long.

On a gui-wei day in the 5th month (2nd July 1179), a meteor appeared in *Tianchan* and entered *Bakui*. It was as large as a cup, and had a tail approximately 7 chi long.

On a yi-you day in the 5th month (4th July 1179), a meteor appeared in *Tian-jiangjun* and entered *Wei*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 3 *chi* long.

On a ren-zi day in the 6th month (31st July 1179), a meteor appeared in *Tianjun* and entered *Tianlin*. It was as large as a melon.

On a jia-zi day in the 7th month (12th August 1179), a meteor appeared in *Yulin* and entered *Baijiu*. It was as large as a pear.

On a ji-mao day in the 7th month (27th August 1179), a meteor appeared in *Tianji* and entered the eastern fan of Ziwei. It was as large as a cup.

On a bing-chen day in the 9th month, the first day of the month (3rd October 1179), a meteor appeared in *Tianchan* and entered *Tianyu*. It was as large as a

⁴⁷No date is given.

melon, and had a length of approximately 9 chi.

On a ren-xu day in the 9th month (9th October 1179), a meteor appeared in *Shenqi* and entered the left part of *Shen* and $Jian^{48}$. It was as large as a cup, and had a length of approximately 5 chi.

On a bing-yin day in the 9th month (13th October 1179), a meteor appeared in *Wuche* and entered *Wenchang*. It was as large as a cup, was coloured red, and had a tail approximately 6 *chi* long.

On a bing-zi day in the 9th month (23rd October 1179), a meteor appeared in *Yulin* and entered *Beiluo*. It was as large as a cup, and had a tail 3 *chi* long.

On a ji-mao day in the 9th month (26th October 1179), a meteor appeared in *Xiang* and entered *Dachio*.

1180

On a ji-yu day in the 4th month of the 10th year (23rd May 1180), a meteor appeared in *Di* and entered *Yi*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail 7 *chi* long.

On a gui-hai day in the 9th month (4th October 1180), a meteor appeared in *Jiuyou* and entered *Tiangou*. It was as large as a cup, and had a tail approximately 7 *chi* long.

On a yi-wei day in the 10th month (5th November 1180), a meteor appeared in *Yingshi* and entered *Leibizhen*.

On a bing-yin day in the 11th month (6th December 1180), one meteor appeared in *Tiangou* and entered *Junshi*. It was as large as *fou*, and had a tail approximately 10 *chi* long. One appeared in *Tianjun* and entered *Tianchan*. It was as large as a cup, and had a tail 15 *chi* long.

1181

On a yi-wei day in the 2nd month of the 11th year (5th March 1181), a meteor appeared in the western fan of Taiwei and entered Yi. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 1 chi long.

On a wu-shen day in the 6th month (16th July 1181), a meteor appeared in *Tian-chan* and entered *Yulin*. It was as large as a cup, and had a length of approximately 7 chi.

On a yi-si day in the 8th month, the first day of the month (11th September 1181), a meteor appeared in *Tiantian* and entered *Nandou*. It was as large as a pear, and

⁴⁸This description is ambiguous.

had a tail approximately 3 chi long.

On a bing-wu day in the 8th month (12th September 1181), a meteor appeared in *Hegu* and entered *Dongbi*. It was as large as a pear, and had a tail approximately 7 chi long.

On a bing-zi day in the 9th month (12th October 1181), one meteor appeared in *Tianhang* and entered *Ziwei*. It was as large as *fou*, and had a tail approximately 2 *chi* long. One appeared in *Wangliang* and entered *Tianjin*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 15 *chi* long.

On a yi-wei day in the 9th month (31st October 1181), a meteor appeared in *Tian-jun* and entered *Tianchan*. It was as large as a cup.

On a bing-wu day in the 10th month (11th November 1181), a meteor appeared in *Xuanyuan* and entered *Taiwei*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 7 *chi* long.

On a ding-wei day in the 10th month (12th November 1181), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered Tianjin. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately 6 chi.

On a wu-shen day in the 10th month (13th November 1181), a meteor appeared in the western wall of *Taiwei* and *Shangjiang*, and entered *Wuzhuhou*.

On a ding-hai day in the 11th month (22nd December 1181), a meteor appeared in Kang and entered Di. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 3 chi long.

1182

On a ren-xu day in the 6th month of the 12th year (25th July 1182), a meteor appeared in *Nandou* and entered *Wei*. It was as large as a pear, and had a tail approximately 5 *chi* long.

On a yi-chou day in the 6th month (28th July 1182), a meteor appeared in *Tianjin* and entered *Hegu*. It was as large as a pear.

On a xin-mao day in the 9th month (22nd October 1182), a meteor appeared in Xuanyuan and entered Zhang. It was as large as a pear, and had a tail approximately 5 chi long.

On a wu-shen day in the 10th month (8th November 1182), a meteor moved from the north to the south. It was as large as *fou*, and had a tail approximately 5 *chi* long.

On a yi-wei day in the 4th month of the 13th year (24th April 1183), a meteor entered *Wangliang* and moved to the south. It was as large as *fou*, and had a tail approximately 10 *chi* long.

On a ji-mao day in the 5th month (7th June 1183), a meteor appeared in *Leibizhen* and entered *Yulin*. It was as large as a melon.

On a wu-chen day in the 7th month (26th July 1183), a meteor appeared in *Tianbei* and entered *Tianjin*. It was as large as a cup.

On a ding-hai day in the 7th month (14th August 1183), a meteor appeared in *Tengshe* and entered *Hegu*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 10 chi long.

On a ji-hai day in the 8th month (26th August 1183), a meteor appeared in *Hegu* and entered *Tianlei*. It was as large as a pear, and had a length of approximately 7 chi.

On a geng-yin day in the 9th month (16th October 1183), a meteor appeared in Tianjin and entered Hegu. It was as large as a cup, and had a tail approximately $10 \ chi$ long.

On a xin-wei day in the 11th month (26th November 1183), a meteor appeared in the stars of *Liu* and *Xing* and entered *Xuanyuan*. It was as large as *fou*, and had a tail approximately 10 *chi* long. Also, a meteor entered within *Tianshi*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 6 *chi* long.

1184

On a ren-xu day in the 12th month (16th January 1184), a meteor appeared in Xing and entered Zhang. It was as large as fou, and had a length of approximately 7 chi.

On a ren-chen day in the 3rd month of the 14th year (15th April 1184), a meteor appeared in *Wei* and entered *Yulin*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 7 *chi* long. It was coloured white and moved quickly.

On a jia-wu day in the 3rd month (17th April 1184), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei* and entered *Kulou*. It was as large as *fou*, and had a tail approximately 7 *chi* long.

On a xin-mao day in the 5th month (13th June 1184), the first day of the month, a meteor from *Leibizhen* entered *Yulin*. It was as large as a melon.

On a gui-you day in the 6th month (25th July 1184), a meteor appeared in *Tianjin* and entered the wall of *Tianshi*.

On a ji-mao day in the 8th month (29th September 1184), a meteor appeared in *Wuche* and entered *Shen*. It was as large as a pear.

On a ji-hai day in the 9th month (19th October 1184), a meteor trespassed against Xuanyuan.

On a wu-shen day in the 9th month (28th October 1184), a meteor appeared in *Daling* and entered *Wangliang*.

On a gui-chou day in the 9th month (2nd November 1184), a meteor appeared in *Tianjie* and entered *Tianyuan*.

On a jia-zi day in the 10th month (13th November 1184), a meteor appeared in *Wenchang* and entered the head of *Beidou*. It was as large as a pear.

On a ding-mao day in the 10th month (16th November 1184), a meteor appeared in Lang and entered Zhang.

On a wu-chen day in the 10th month (17th November 1184), one meteor appeared in *Tianjin* and entered *Hegu*. One appeared in *Wangliang* and entered *Gedao*.

On a ji-chou day in the 11th month (8th December 1184), a meteor appeared in *Lou* and entered *Tianchan*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 3 *chi* long.

1185

On a ren-xu day in the 12th month (10th January 1185), a meteor appeared in the left part of *Jiao* and entered *Kulou*.

On a jia-chen day in the 1st month of the 15th year (21st February 1185), a meteor appeared in Yi and entered Shen.

On a gui-you day in the 6th month (20th July 1185), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered Bi. It was as large as a pear.

1186

On a ding-mao day in the 4th month of the 16th year (10th May 1186), a meteor appeared in *Langwei* and entered *Taiwei*.

On a bing-wu day in the intercalary month, the first day of the month (17th August 1186), a meteor appeared in *Mao* and entered *Shen*.

On a ren-yin day in the 10th month (12th December 1186), a meteor appeared in *Tianjun* and entered *Tianchan*.

On a ren-shen day in the 11th month (10th January 1187), one meteor appeared in *Daling* and entered *Wei*. One appeared in *Xixian* and entered *Fang*.

On a yi-mao day in the 5th month of the 17th year (22nd June 1187), a meteor appeared in *Daling* and entered *Wei*.

On a wu-chen day in the 5th month (5th July 1187), a meteor trespassed against *Taiwei* and entered *Duanmen*.

On a bing-shen day in the 6th month (2nd August 1187), a meteor appeared in *Tengshe* and entered *Yingshi*.

On a jia-xu day in the 8th month (9th September 1187), a meteor appeared in *Shen* and entered *Dongjing*.

On a jia-chen day in the 9th month (9th October 1187), a meteor moved quickly from the northeast to the southwest. It had a tail approximately 20 *chi* long.

On a gui-hai day in the 9th month (28th October 1187), a meteor appeared in Yulin and entered Tiezhi.

On a xin-wei day in the 10th month (5th November 1187), a meteor appeared in *Dongjing* and entered *Shen*.

On a wu-yin day in the 10th month (12th November 1187), a meteor appeared in the stars of *Xuanyuan* and entered the stars of *Beihe*.

On a ji-wei day in the 11th month (23rd December 1187), a meteor appeared in Ziwei and entered Beiji.

1188

On a gui-you day in the 2nd month of the 18th year (6th March 1188), a meteor appeared in *Kulou* and entered *Qiguan*.

On a wu-zi day in the 2nd month (21st March 1188), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered Nandou.

On a yi-wei day in the 7th month (26th July 1188), a meteor moved from the east to the west. It had a tail approximately 15 *chi* long.

On a geng-xu day in the 9th month (9th October 1188), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered the left qi^{49} of Hegu.

 $^{^{49}}qi$: a flag, a banner.

On a wu-chen day in the 12th month (26th December 1188), a meteor appeared and entered the sixth star of *Beidou*.

1189

On a jia-yin day in the 8th month of the 19th year (8th October 1189), a meteor, which was as large as $weng^{50}$, moved from the northeast to the southwest. Light rays shone on the ground.

On a ding-si day in the 8th month (11th October 1189), a meteor appeared in Yulin.

On a geng-shen day in the 9th month (14th October 1189), a meteor appeared in the head of Nandou and entered the stars of Ji.

On a ding-hai day in the 10th month, the first day of the month (10th November 1189), a meteor appeared in *Beidou* and entered *Beiji*.

On a xin-mao day in the 10th month (14th November 1189), a meteor appeared in Junshi.

1190

On a xin-you day in the 1st month of the 20th year (12th February 1190), a meteor appeared in *Tianyuan*.

On a yi-wei day in the 2nd month (18th March 1190), a meteor appeared in *Tianjin* and entered *Hugua*. It was as large as *fou*.

On a gui-wei day in the 8th month (2nd September 1190), a meteor, which was as large as a pear, appeared in *Kui* and entered *Tianjiangjun*.

On a ren-zi day in the the 11th month (30th November 1190), a meteor appeared in Wangliang and entered Tengshe.

1191

On a ji-you day in the 6th month of the 21st year (25th July 1191), a meteor appeared in Wangliang and entered Tengshe.

On a xin-hai day in the 6th month (Dating error), a meteor appeared in *Dongbi* and entered *Leibizhen*.

On a wu-yin day in the 10th month (22nd October 1191), a meteor appeared in *Shen* and entered *Junshi*. It was as large as a melon. Also, one appeared in *Queqiu* and entered *Waichu*. It was as large as a cup.

 $^{^{50}}$ weng: an earthen jar.

On a geng-chen day in the 10th month (24th October 1191), a meteor appeared in *Junshi* and entered *Wenren*. It was as large as *fou*.

On a yi-si day in the 10th month (18th November 1191), a meteor appeared in Xing and entered Yi.

On a yi-you day in the 12th month (28th December 1191), a meteor appeared in *Xuanyuan* and entered *Langjiang*. It was as large as a cup.

1192

On a jia-chen day in the 8th month of the 22nd year (12th September 1192), a meteor appeared in *Nandou*.

On a xin-you day in the 8th month (29th September 1192), a meteor appeared in Lou and entered Wei. It had a tail approximately 10 chi long.

On a ding-mao day in the 8th month (5th October 1192), one meteor appeared to the southwest of *Jiukan* and entered *Tianji*. One appeared in *Leibizhen* towards *Yulin*. One appeared in *Wuche* and entered *Mao*.

On a gui-you day in the 9th month (11th October 1192), a meteor appeared in Lang and entered Liu.

On a gui-wei day in the 9th month (21st October 1192), a meteor appeared in Wuzhuhou and entered Xuanyuan.

On a gui-mao day in the 10th month (10th November 1192), a meteor appeared in Xuanyuan and entered Zhang.

1193

On a yi-you day in the 1st month of the 23rd year (20th February 1193), a meteor appeared in *Jiao* and entered *Fang*.

On a geng-xu day in the 4th month (16th May 1193), a meteor appeared in *Kulou* and entered *Wei*.

On a jia-xu day in the 5th month (9th June 1193), a meteor appeared in *Tianji* and entered *Jiantai*. It was as large as a melon.

On a ren-shen day in the 7th month (6th August 1193), a meteor appeared in *Nan-dou* and entered *Tianji*.

On a bing-shen day in the 8th month (30th August 1193), a meteor appeared in *Shen* and entered *Dongjing*.

On a wu-xu day in the 8th month (1st September 1193), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Tianjun.

On a ren-wu day in the 9th month (15th October 1193), a meteor appeared in the southwest and entered the northeast. It was as large as fou.

On a gui-wei day in the 11th month (15th December 1193), a meteor appeared in *Tianchao* and entered *Hushi*.

On a ding-hai day in the 11th month (19th December 1193), a meteor appeared in *Tianchao* and entered *Hushi*. It was coloured red, like fire.

On a wu-xu day in the 12th month (30th December 1193), a meteor appeared at the western fan of Ziwei. It was as large as a melon.

1194

On a yi-mao day in the 12th month (16th January 1194), a meteor appeared in Sidu and entered Hushi.

On a ren-shen day in the 1st month of the 24th year (2nd February 1194), a meteor appeared in *Guansuo* and entered the wall of *Tianshi*. It had a tail approximately 3 *chi* long.

On a geng-wu day in the 5th month (31st May 1194), a meteor from Wei entered Jian. It was as large as a cup, and was 3 chi long.

1195

On a ji-wei day in the 12th month (15th January 1195), a meteor appeared at the western fan of Ziwei and divided into two. It penetrated Ziweigong, and also Qin and Beiji, as far as the eastern fan of Ziwei.

On a hsin-mao day in the 3rd month of the 25th year (17th April 1195), a meteor appeared in Nandou and entered Jiukan.

On a xin-si day in the 6th month (5th August 1195), a meteor appeared in Fang. It was as large as fou.

On a ji-hai day in the 9th month (22nd October 1195), a meteor appeared in *Shangtai*.

On a ren-yin day in the 9th month (25th October 1195), a meteor entered Yulin.

On a wu-wu day in the 10th month (10th November 1195), a meteor appeared in *Beihe* and entered *Mao*.

On a yi-mao day in the 12th month (6th January 1196), a meteor appeared in *Sheti* and entered the wall of *Tianshi*.

On a yi-hai day in the 6th month of the 26th year (24th July 1196), a meteor appeared in *Dongbi* and entered *Yulin*.

On a bing-yin day in the 8th month (13th September 1196), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered Yulin.

On a xin-wei day in the 8th month (18th September 1196), a meteor appeared in the head of Beidou and entered Hu.

On a ji-si day in the 11th month (Dating error), one meteor appeared in Hu and entered Tianshe. One appeared at the western fan of Ziwei and entered Wangliang.

1197

On a ji-mao day in the intercalary 6th month of the 27th year (23rd July 1197), a meteor appeared in *Dongbi* and entered *Yulin*.

On a ren-wu day in the 8th month (24th September 1197), a meteor appeared in Ziwei and entered Wenchang.

On a geng-yin day in the 10th month (1st December 1197), a meteor (appeared in)⁵¹ Tengshe and entered the great star of He.

Reign of King Shinjong (1197-1204)

1198

On a ren-wu day in the 12th month (22nd January 1198), a meteor appeared in *Tianji*. It was as large as *fou*. There was a sound like a drum.

On a yi-chou day in the 1st month of the 1st year (6th March 1198), a meteor appeared in *Wenchang*.

On a ji-chou day in the 2nd month (30th March 1198), a meteor entered Jizu.

On a geng-yin day in the 2nd month (31st March 1198), a meteor appeared in Da-jiao and entered Di.

On a yi-mao day in the 3rd month (25th April 1198), a meteor appeared in Xu-anyuan and entered Beihe.

⁵¹ "Appeared in" is missing.

On a ren-xu day in the 3rd month (2nd May 1198), a meteor appeared in *Hegu* and entered *Tianbei*.

On a xin-chou day in the 5th month (10th June 1198), a meteor appeared in *Tianshi* and entered *Taiwei*.

1199

On a wu-zi day in the 2nd month of the 2nd year (24th March 1199), a meteor appeared in *Beidou* and entered *Taiyi*.

On a geng-xu day in the 7th month (13th August 1199), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Tianjie.

On a yi-mao day in the 7th month (18th August 1199), a meteor appeared in Xu and entered Jiukan.

On a wu-wu day in the 7th month (21st August 1199), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered Tianji.

On a geng-shen day in the 7th month (23rd August 1199), a meteor appeared in *Tianchan* and entered *Tianji*.

On a bing-yin day in the 8th month (29th August 1199), a meteor appeared in Wuzhuhou.

On a ji-mao day in the 8th month (11th September 1199), a meteor appeared in Wuzhuhou and entered Liu.

On a geng-yin day in the 9th month (22nd September 1199), a meteor appeared in Tengshe and entered Kui.

On a xin-chou day in the 9th month (3rd October 1199), a meteor appeared in Nanhe and entered Tianyuan.

On a ding-wei day in the 9th month (9th October 1199), a meteor appeared in the wall of *Tianshi* and entered *Tianji*.

On a wu-shen day in the 9th month (10th October 1199), one meteor appeared in *Tianji* and entered *Zongren*. One appeared in *Tianjun* and entered *Tianyuan*.

On a bing-chen day in the 9th month (18th October 1199), one meteor appeared in Zuoqi and entered Dongjing. One appeared in Shenqi and entered Shen.

On a ren-xu day in the 10th month (24th October 1199), a meteor appeared in Xuanyuan and entered Taiwei.

On a ding-mao day in the 10th month (29th October 1199), a meteor appeared in *Xuanyuan* and entered *Taiwei*.

On a ren-wu day in the 10th month (13th November 1199), a meteor appeared in the left of *Jiao* and entered *Tianji*.

On a ji-chou day in the 11th month, the first day of the month (20th November 1199), one meteor appeared in *Tianji* and entered *Tianyuan*. One appeared in *Zuoqi* and entered *Neiping*.

1200

On a ding-si day in the 5th month of the 3rd year (15th June 1200), a meteor appeared in Ziwei and entered Tengshe. It was as large as fou.

On a ji-mao day in the 7th month (5th September 1200), a meteor appeared in Ziwei and entered Tianji. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 10 chi long.

On a jia-shen day in the 8th month (10th September 1200), a meteor entered Yugui.

1201

On a yi-mao day in the 3rd month of the 4th year (9th April 1201), a meteor appeared in *Shaowei* and entered *Yi*.

On a bing-wu day in the 6th month (29th July 1201), a meteor appeared in *Kui* and entered *Yulin*. It was as large as a cup, and had a tail approximately 10 *chi* long.

On a ji-mao day in the 8th month (31st August 1201), a meteor appeared in the wall of Tianshi and entered Xin. It was as large as a cup.

On a ren-zi day in the 9th month (3rd October 1201), a meteor appeared in *Tian-chan* and entered *Chuyao*. It was as large as a melon.

On a wu-chen day in the 9th month (19th October 1201), a meteor appeared in *Leibizhen* and entered *Wei*. It was as large as a pear.

On a bing-zi day in the 9th month (27th October 1201), a meteor appeared in *Kui* and entered *Tianjin*. It was as large as *fou*, and had a tail approximately 10 *chi* long.

On a ji-you day in the 11th month (29th November 1201), a meteor appeared in *Tianjun* and entered *Tianchan*.

On a ding-chou day in the 12th month, the first day of the month (27th December 1201), a meteor appeared in *Nanhe* and entered *Tiangou*. It was as large as a cup.

On a geng-zi day in the 10th month of the 5th year (15th November 1202), a meteor appeared in *Beihe*, pointing north, and entered *Tianji*. It was as large as *fou*, and had a tail approximately 10 *chi* long.

1204

On a ding-si day in the 6th month of the 7th year (24th July 1204), a meteor appeared in *Wangliang* and entered *Wei*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 10 *chi* long.

Reign of King Hüijong (1204-1211)

1207

On a yi-hai day in the 4th month of the 3rd year (28th May 1207), a meteor appeared in Beidou and entered Wenchang. It was as large as fou, and had a tail approximately 10 chi long.

Reign of King Kojong (1213-1259)

1218

On a xin-you day in the 8th month of the 5th year (13th September 1218), there was a meteor which appeared in *Wuche* and entered *Ziwei*. It was as large as *fou*.

On a bing-xu day in the 9th month (8th October 1218), a meteor appeared in *Yulin* and entered *Leibizhen*. It was as large as a melon.

1219

On a ji-chou day in the 8th month of the 6th year (6th October 1219), a meteor appeared northeast of Li, Ji, and Dou, penetrated Nandou, and fell. It was as large as an ox^{52} , and had a length of approximately three hundred chi.

1222

On a geng-chen day in the 12th month of the 8th year (14th January 1222), a meteor appeared in Gedao and entered Yingshi. It was as large as fou, and had a tail approximately 5 chi long.

On a jia-xu day in the 7th month of the 9th year (5th September 1222), a meteor appeared in Xu and entered Yulin. It was as large as fou, and had a length of approximately 3 chi.

 $^{^{52}}niu$: an ox, a cow.

On a a ji-si day in the 9th month (30th October 1222), a meteor appeared in *Ying-shi*. It was as large as *fou*, and had a tail approximately 3 *chi* long.

On a ren-shen day in the 9th month (2nd November 1222), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered Kui. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 3 chi long.

1225

On a xin-wei day in the 3rd month of the 12th year (19th April 1225), a meteor appeared in *Jizu* and entered *Wei*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 3 *chi* long.

On a ren-xu day in the 11th month (6th December 1225), a meteor appeared in Ziwei and entered Beiji. It was as large as fou.

1227

On a jia-chen day in the 7th month of the 14th year (9th September 1227), a meteor appeared in $Zhin\ddot{u}$. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 5 chi long.

On a bing-shen day in the 11th month (30th December 1227), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei* and *Dizuo*, and arrived in *Ziwei* and *Gouchen*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail more than 10 chi long.

1229

On a xin-mao day in the 3rd month of the 16th year (18th April 1229), a meteor appeared in *Tianji* and entered *Hegu*. It was as large as *fou*.

On a wu-chen day in the 5th month, the first day of the month (25th May 1229), a meteor appeared in *Yingshi* and entered *Lou*. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately 7 *chi*.

On a geng-yin day in the 7th month (15th August 1229), a meteor appeared in Kui. It was as large as fou.

On a ji-wei day in the 10th month (12th November 1229), a meteor trespassed against the western fan of Ziwei, and also trespassed against Gouchen and Dizuo.

1243

On a jia-xu day in the 2nd month of the 30th year (19th March 1243), a meteor appeared in *Wei* and entered *Tianji*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 3 *chi* long.

On a ren-yin day in the 9th month of the 32nd year (2nd October 1245), a meteor came from the west and arrived in the east. It was as large as fou, and had a tail more than 10 chi long.

On a ding-mao day in the 10th month (27th October 1245), a meteor came from the west and arrived in the east. It was as large as a melon.

1246

On a ding-you day in the intercalary 4th month of the 33rd year (25th May 1246), a meteor appeared in the southeast, towards the south, and arrived in the east. It entered *Tianji*. It was as large as *fou*.

1250

On a geng-wu day in the 7th month of the 37th year (5th August 1250), a meteor appeared at the western fan of Ziwei and entered Tianji.

On a yi-si day in the 10th month (8th November 1250), a meteor entered in the eastern direction. Its lower part; there was sound.⁵³

1251

On a ding-hai day in the 3rd month of the 38th year (19th April 1251), a meteor appeared in *Kulou* and entered *Kang*.

1252

On a yi-wei day in the 7th month of the 39th year (19th August 1252), a meteor came from the north and arrived in the south. There were light rays like lightning.

1253

On a ji-hai day in the 5th month of the 40th year (19th June 1253), a meteor appeared in the north of *Tianji* and entered *Ziwei*. It was as large as a pear.

On a gui-hai day in the 8th month (11th September 1253), a meteor appeared in the north of *Tianchuan* and entered *Wuche*. It was as large as a pear.

On a xin-si day in the 9th month (29th September 1253), a meteor appeared in *Shen* and entered *Tianyuan*. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 5 *chi* long.

⁵³There may be words missing in this record.

On a wu-zi day in the 9th month (6th October 1253), a meteor appeared in Bi and entered Dongjing.

On a jia-xu day in the 10th month (21st November 1253), a meteor appeared in *Tianjun* and entered *Tianchan*.

1254

On a gui-you day in the 10th month of the 41st year (15th November 1254), a meteor appeared in Liu and entered Xing. It was as large as a melon.

1256

On a ding-you day in the 11th month of the 43rd year (28th November 1256), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei* and trespassed against *Youzhifa*.

1257

On a ding-hai day in the 8th month of the 44th year (14th September 1257), some meteors appeared in *Liu*, and some appeared in *Jing*. Together they entered *Hushi*.

On a ding-hai day in the 10th month (13th November 1257), a meteor appeared in *Tusikong* and entered *Tianji*. It was as large as *fou*, and had a tail approximately 10 *chi* long.

1258

On a ren-shen day in the 9th month of the 45th year (24th October 1258), one meteor penetrated Zhuwang and entered the gate between Bi and Mao. One appeared in Wenchang and entered Tianlao.

1259

On a wu-xu day in the 12th month (18th January 1259), a meteor appeared in the third, northwestern star of Yi. It was as large as a pear, and had a tail which was approximately 2 chi long and yellow.

On a jia-zi day in the 1st month of the 46th year (13th February 1259), a meteor appeared in *Tianjie* and entered *Tianyuan*.

On a ji-mao day in the 6th month (28th June 1259), a meteor appeared in *Yingshi* and entered *Dongbi*.

On a ren-yin day in the 9th month (19th September 1259), a meteor appeared in *Beiji* and entered *Gouchen*.

On a yi-si day in the 9th month (22nd September 1259), two meteors appeared in *Beihe* and separately entered *Dongjing* and *Yuqui*.

On a geng-chen day in the 10th month (27th October 1259), a meteor appeared in *Tianguan* and entered the stars of *Shen*.

Reign of King Wŏnjong (1259-1274)

1260

On a gui-hai day in the 2nd month of the 1st year (7th April 1260), a meteor appeared in *Santai* and entered within the head of *Beidou*.

On a ji-wei day in the 6th month (1st August 1260), a meteor appeared in *Qigong* and entered *Sheti*.

On a yi-chou day in the 6th month (7th August 1260), a meteor appeared in the south of the gate between Kang and Di and entered Tianji.

On a xin-you day in the 10th month (1st December 1260), a meteor appeared in the head of *Beidou* and entered within *Ziwei*. It was as large as a melon.

On a gui-wei day in the 11th month (23rd December 1260), a meteor entered within Tianyuan.

On a yi-you day in the 11th month (25th December 1260), a meteor appeared in *Zhang* and entered *Tianji*. It was as large as a melon.

1261

On a gui-mao day in the 2nd month of the 2nd year (13th March 1261), a meteor appeared in *Pingdao* and entered *Kulou*.

1262

On a ren-xu day in the 7th month of the 3rd year (25th July 1262), one meteor appeared in *Tianjin* and entered *Lizhu*. One appeared in *Tianpou* and entered *Tianji*.

On a yi-chou day in the 7th month (28th July 1262), a meteor appeared in Bi and entered Zui.

On a wu-yin day in the 7th month (10th August 1262), a meteor appeared in Wuping and entered Tianchan.

On a ding-hai day in the 7th month (19th August 1262), a meteor appeared in *Paogua* and entered the stars of *Jian*.

On a yi-you day in the intercalary 9th month (16th October 1262), a meteor appeared in *Wuzhuhou* and entered *Yugui*. One appeared in *Jishui* and *Wenchang* and entered *Yugui*.

On a ji-chou day in the intercalary 9th month (20th October 1262), a meteor appeared in *Juanshe* and entered *Lou*.

1263

On a yi-si day in the 11th month (4th January 1263), a meteor appeared in *Beihe* and entered *Lang*.

On a ji-mao day in the 11th month of the 4th year (4th December 1263), a meteor appeared in Shen and entered the wall of $Tian^{54}$.

1264

On a yi-mao day in the 2nd month of the 5th year (9th March 1264), a meteor appeared in *Zhang* and entered the western direction.

On a gui-wei day in the 3rd month (6th April 1264), a meteor appeared in *Liu* and entered *Shen*.

On a bing-xu day in the 5th month (8th June 1264), a meteor appeared in *Kui* and entered *Wei*.

On a bing-wu day in the 6th month (28th June 1264), a meteor appeared in *Tianjin* and *Ziweigong*, and entered *Beiji*.

On a ren-xu day in the 8th month (12th September 1264), a meteor appeared in Shen and penetrated within the centre of the main star.

On a gui-hai day in the 8th month (13th September 1264), a meteor appeared to the east. It was as large as a bowl, and had a tail approximately 15 *chi* long.

On a yi-si day in the 10th month (25th October 1264), a meteor appeared in Wangliang and entered Ziwei.

On a ding-mao day in the 10th month (16th November 1264), a meteor appeared in *Tianjun* and entered *Shuifu*.

1268

On a geng-yin day in the 10th month of the 9th year (18th November 1268), a meteor entered *Jiao*.

⁵⁴Almost certainly *Tianshi*.

On a ji-wei day in the 11th month (17th December 1268), a meteor appeared in *Zhen*, penetrated *Kulou*, and entered *Tianji*. It was as large as *fou*.

1269

On a geng-xu day in the 1st month of the 10th year (6th February 1269), a meteor appeared at the eastern fan of Taiwei, trespassed against Cijiang, arrived in Langwei and trespassed against Dajiao.

On a ding-hai day in the 2nd month (15th March 1269), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei*, trespassed against *Youzhifa*, and entered *Zhen*.

On a gui-you day in the 5th month (29th June 1269), a meteor concealed the great star of Xin and entered Di.

1270

On a wu-yin day in the 10th month of the 11th year (27th October 1270), a meteor appeared in *Langwei* and entered *Taiwei* and *Shangxiang*.

1271

On a gui-si day in the 10th month of the 12th year (6th November 1271), a meteor appeared in Wangliang and entered Zhinü.

1273

On a wu-chen day in the 8th month of the 14th year (1st October 1273), a meteor appeared in $Zhin\ddot{u}$ and entered the wall of Tianshi.

On a gui-you day in the 8th month (6th October 1273), a meteor appeared in *Hegu* and entered the wall of *Tianshi*.

On a ji-you day in the 10th month, the first day of the month (11th November 1273), a meteor appeared in *Shangtai* and entered *Xiatai*.

1274

On a jia-yin day in the 12th month (15th January 1274), a meteor appeared in Fang and trespassed against the wall of Tianshi; the western fan.

Reign of King Ch'ungyŏl Wang (1274-1308)

1275

On a ding-you day in the 7th month of the 1st year (21st August 1275), a meteor, which was as large as fou, moved from the east to the west and fell. Light rays shone on the ground.

On a ren-shen day in the 6th month of the 2nd year (21st July 1276), a meteor, which was as large as *pen*, fell towards the sleeping hall.

On a jia-wu day in the 7th month (12th August 1276), a meteor moved from the west to the east. It was as large as a bowl.

On a jia-yin day in the 7th month (1st September 1276), a meteor appeared in *Tianbian* and entered *Tianjiang*.

1277

On a ding-si day in the 3rd month of the 3rd year (2nd May 1277), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered Yulin.

On a jia-xu day in the 6th month (18th July 1277), a meteor appeared in *Kang* and entered *Chiquan*.

On a ren-wu day in the 6th month (26th July 1277), a meteor appeared in Wei and entered Xu.

On a ji-hai day in the 7th month (12th August 1277), a meteor appeared in *Tianshi* and entered *Fang*. It was as large as a melon.

1278

On a gui-hai day in the 12th month (3rd January 1278), a meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Qigong.

On a jia-zi day in the 12th month (4th January 1278), one meteor appeared in Wuche and entered Beihe. One appeared in Yi and entered Qigong. It was as large as bo.

On a ding-you day in the 3rd month of the 4th year (7th April 1278), a meteor appeared in Ziwei and arrived in Tianjiangjun.

On a bing-zi day in the 8th month (13th September 1278), a meteor appeared in Wenchang and entered Beiji. It was as large as a pear and was coloured red. There was light. Its tail was approximately 5 chi long.

1279

On a wu-yin day in the intercalary month (13th January 1279), a meteor came from the south and arrived in the west. It was as large as a melon.

On a gui-hai day in the 1st month of the 5th year (27th February 1279), a meteor appeared in *Taiwei* and entered the stars of *Di*.

On a jia-yin day in the 3rd month (19th April 1279), a meteor appeared in *Paogua* and entered the wall of *Tianshi* and *Dizuo*.

On a xin-mao day in the 10th month (22nd November 1279), a meteor appeared in the northwest and arrived in the southwest.

1280

On a yi-wei day in the 2nd month of the 6th year (25th March 1280), a meteor appeared in *Yulin* and entered *Baijiu*. It had a length of approximately 7 chi.

1281

On a xin-mao day in the 4th month of the 7th year (15th May 1281), a meteor appeared in Ji and entered Tiangou.

On a jia-wu day in the 4th month (18th May 1281), a meteor trespassed against *Tiangou*.

1282

On a ji-wei day in the 4th month of the 8th year (7th June 1282), a meteor appeared in Ji and entered Tiangou.

On a gui-hai day in the 9th month (9th October 1282), a meteor appeared in *Tianping* and entered the wall of *Tianshi* and *Zongren*.

1288

On a wu-wu day in the 2nd month of the 14th year (6th March 1288), a meteor was seen in daytime, and entered *Tianshi*.

1289

On a gui-wei day in the 7th month of the 15th year (24th July 1289), a meteor appeared in *Dajiao* and entered *Kulou*. It was as large as a pear, and had a length of approximately 1 *chi*. Also, a meteor appeared in the stars of *Fang* and entered *Kulou*. It was as large as a melon, and had a length of approximately 2 *chi*.

On a ding-you day in the 7th month (7th August 1289), a meteor appeared in *Hegu* and entered *Beiji* and *Gouchen*.

On a ding-hai day in the 8th month of the 17th year (16th September 1291), also a meteor entered Xuanyuan. It was as large as a melon, and had a tail approximately 5 chi long.

1293

On a geng-shen day in the 3rd month of the 19th year (11th April 1293), a meteor appeared in the north of *Liu xing*, penetrated *Yi* and *Zhen*, and entered *Jiao* and the second star of *Nanping*.

On a geng-shen day in the 5th month (10th June 1293), a meteor appeared in *Zhinü* and entered *Beidou*.

On a ji-you day in the 8th month (27th September 1293), in daytime, there were stars flowing in the northwest corner.

1298

On a bing-chen day in the 10th month of the 24th year (7th November 1298), a meteor appeared in Shen and entered Bi.

On a wu-yin day in the 10th month (29th November 1298), a meteor appeared in *Yugui* and entered *Ziwei*.

On a xin-si day in the 10th month (12th December 1298), a meteor appeared in Yi and entered Taiwei.

1304

On a ren-xu day in the 5th month of the 30th year (14th June 1304), a meteor appeared in Ziwei and entered the gate between Xu and Wei.

Reign of King Ch'ungsŏn Wang (1308-1313)

1309

On a gui-mao day in the 6th month of the 1st year (Dating error), a meteor appeared in *Nandou* and entered *Fang*.

On a gui-mao day in the 7th month (28th August 1309), a meteor appeared in *Nandou* and entered *Fang*. It was coloured red.

1309-1310

In the 11th month (3rd December 1309 to 1st January 1310), a meteor fell in the southwest, and it was as bright as if it were daytime.

Reign of King Ch'ungsuk Wang (1313-1330)

1320

On a ji-you day in the 8th month of the 7th year (5th September 1320), a meteor, as large as fou and coloured red, entered Gedao.

On a ren-yin day in the 9th month (28th October 1320), a meteor appeared in *Nandou*. It had a length of more than one *zhang*.

1328

On a geng-chen day in the 9th month of the 15th year (24th October 1328), a meteor entered Yuyuefen.

1329

On a wu-yin day in the 9th month of the 16th year (17th October 1329), a meteor appeared in *Ziwei* and entered within *Taiwei*.

1330

On a geng-zi day in the 4th month of the 17th year (7th May 1330), a meteor entered Taiwei and trespassed against Kang.

On a gui-chou day in the 5th month (20th May 1330), a meteor appeared in the stars of Xin and fell to the ground.

Reign of King Ch'ungsuk Wang (1332-1339)

Note: Ch'ungsuk Wang ruled from 1313-1330 and from 1332-1339; the intermediate ruler, King Ch'unghye Wang, also ruled from 1339-1344. No records of meteors survive from his reign.

1338

On a xin-si day in the 8th month of the 7th year (3rd September 1338), a meteor appeared in the wall of Tianshi and entered the stars of Xin.

Reign of King Ch'ungjŏng Wang (1348-1351)

1349

On a ren-chen day in the 1st month of the 1st year, the first day of the month (19th January 1349), a meteor appeared in the south of Kui. It was as large as fou.

Reign of King Kongmin Wang (1351-1374)

1354

On a ren-chen day in the 8th month of the 3rd year (21st August 1354), a meteor appeared in Wangliang. It fell in the northeast direction. It was as large as fou.

1357

On a yi-si day in the 8th month of the 6th year (18th August 1357), a meteor appeared in *Mao* and entered *Shen*.

1359

On a jia-chen day in the 9th month of the 8th year (6th October 1359), a meteor appeared in the east of *Dongshi*. There was a light like a mirror.

1365

On a gui-chou day in the 10th month of the 14th year (12th November 1365), a meteor moved to the northeast corner.

1366

On a xin-si day in the 9th month of the 15th year (6th October 1366), in the western direction, a meteor fell in the daytime.

1372

On a ji-mao day in the 10th month of the 21st year (1st November 1372), a meteor appeared in the north of Wei and fell to the ground. It was as large as bo.

Reign of King U Wang (1374-1388)

1376

On a ji-chou day in the 2nd month of the 2nd year (24th February 1376), a meteor appeared in the head of Dou.

On a gui-wei day in the 5th month (17th June 1376), a meteor, which was as large as hu^{55} , appeared in Xuanyuan, pointing east, and disappeared.

1380

On a wu-chen day in the 6th month of the 6th year (11th July 1380), a meteor appeared in the southern direction, crossed the southern wall of *Taiwei*, and moved in the northwest direction. It was as large as *dou*. It divided into four.

 $^{^{55}}$ hu: a pot; a jug; a vase.

On a ren-zi day in the 3rd month of the 7th year (21st April 1381), a meteor appeared in the south and moved to the northwest corner.

1382

On a xin-chou day in the 6th month of the 8th year (3rd August 1382), a great meteor, also from the south, fell to the north.

1385

On a ji-chou day in the 3rd month of the 11th year (7th May 1385), a meteor emerged from the south and pointed to the west.