

Dingle, Iloilo, P. I.

May 9, 1929.

The Director, Weather Bureau  
Manila

Sir:

For the SUN'S TOTAL ECLIPSE on May 9, 1929, the municipal president appointed the undersigned to observe during the eclipse (Group J. Effects of the Eclipse on Animals and Plants).

The following observations are hereby reported:

1. For a thorough observation, a place where acacia, catuway, and tamarind trees grow near each other was found. Not far near them the macahla (sensitive) plants grow. The leaves of the plants mentioned, began long before totality to show signs of closing up. With the help of the flashlight, we truly found that the leaves closed up during the totality.

2. Chickens were in confusion when totality began and some started to find their roosts. The small chicks made noise while their mothers clucked for the roosts under the house. Pigs made noise asking to be fed. The cicadas chirped as if the sun was setting.

Respectfully submitted,

Observers

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