

"Pale Gold Disc" Reported Over Adelaide

"Strange objects" have been reported as appearing in the sky over Adelaide twice within the past week. Mrs. Sierp added, "I never took my eyes off it. It went to nothing." This phenomenon "could be consistent with a daylight meteor," Mr. Dodwell said.

Mrs. A. Stratford, of Eliza street, Gilberton, said yesterday that on Thursday at about 9 p.m. she saw a "pale gold disc, fading at the edges," travelling rapidly across the sky, apparently at a great distance, going eastward and rising as it went.

It was followed by a tail like a comet, she said.

She called her two children, aged 16 and 15, into the backyard to watch it, and it remained visible for about five minutes.

The disc finally rose steeply and curved, as if to turn backwards, then disappeared.

The Government Astronomer (Mr. G. F. Dodwell) said yesterday that the description of the object did not tally with any astronomical phenomenon. It could not have been a meteor, as they moved downwards, and lasted only a few seconds, he said.

Mr. Dodwell added that he had received a letter this week from Mrs. E. Sierp, of Rose street, Prospect, saying that on Saturday afternoon she had seen what she thought was a flying saucer.

It was white, and went very fast across the sky, which was clear.

Mrs. Sierp added, "I never