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Two different images of the University of Wisconsin's Washburn Observatory in Madison (USA), which in 1882 purchased the 6-in (15.2-cm) Alvan Clark refractor from Sherburne W. Burnham that had already achieved a degree of fame through his double star discoveries. Initially, the 'Burnham Telescope' was housed in the Student Observatory shown in the lithograph to the right of the main building, but later it was installed in the Solar Observatory that is in the foreground in the photograph of the Washburn Observatory. The contribution that this historic telescope made to research is recounted by James Lattis on pages 177–194 in this issue of JAHH.