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Mr. Crandall,

I have just had a most unsatisfactory conversation with Mr. Weir of the McGill observatory re story in yesterdays paper as to difference between the McGill and Hearn and Harrison thermometers.

He started out by peremptorily ordering The Star to make no mention of the matter.

"Until when " I asked.

"Until I say so" he replied.

"When will that be ? We are expecting a story for to-day."

"I don't care what you expect. If you don't do as I tell you you needn't send around here any more."

I mentioned that there was no need for him to take that tone of voice and he then made use of some curse word that has slipped my mind. I told him I didn't intend to take that kind of language from him. He explained that he was a little under the weather and had not seen the story in yesterday's Star.

"I will be pleased to send one up to you right away," I said.

"I'll get one myself," he answered.

"When can I call you back ?" I then asked.

"Don't call up here again," was his reply followed by the bang of the telephone.

Miss McCaw was a witness to my end of the conversation.

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J. H. Boland.