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The Meteorological work done is that prescribed by the Meteorological Service, which directly concerns the public at large. Apart from visiting students, and the certain facilities provided some few of them by the Meteorological equipment, the University has little interest in or advantage from the Meteorological work. There are no Meteorological courses provided for in the curriculum. On the other hand the public addresses itself to the University as much as to the Meteorological Service for such information as we are always ready to impart. As an astronomical observatory, apart from the time service and the facilities for aiding the small classes in practical astronomy thereby provided, we have no equipment or pretensions.

The site is entirely unsuitable for astronomical observations and to some extent for Meteorological work.

The co-operation of the Government and University in providing a new Observatory on another site, largely given to Meteorological work, and with astronomy^{ical} equipment that might save^{er} for instructional purposes, if no more, might be expected. McGill University dependant on the public for financial support, might, we think, accept this means of better serving its interests and those of its supporters. And the Government duty is to provide a better Meteorological station for Montreal than the present.