

Observatory

515 Victoria Av.
Westmount

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Sir Arthur Currie G.C. M.G. K.C.B.
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Dear Sir:-

I have been informed that the wind recording instruments connected with the observatory have on account of deterioration of the electric lines and apparatus degenerated so so that it has been necessary to attach them to the engineering building and thus making the records practically useless for predicting weather conditions.

May I be allowed ^{to} draw your attention to the history of the arrangements which were formerly instituted by the former McGill authorities, with the active help of former governors, who gave their active support and (I believe) supplied land on which to erect the instruments. (I believe ^{the late Peter} Mr. Redpath supplied the land) on the request of Sir William Dawson) and supported the erection of the apparatus and electric lines. Prof. McCosh surveyed the mountain with the aid of his students and selected the site which would give least interference and from which most perfect observations and records could be made, with the object of supplying the most perfect data for predicting the wind and weather conditions. These records were made as nearly mathematically correct as possible in regard to time &c, care being taken