

SMITHSONIAN TABLE—(Continued.)

Table with multiple columns for 'Places', 'Spring', 'Summer', 'Autumn', 'Winter', 'For the Year', and 'No. of Years'. It lists various locations across different states and territories with corresponding numerical data.

COURSE OF A METEOR THROUGH CANADA, IN JULY, 1860.

The following correspondence has also taken place with the Department:—

LA FAYETTE COLLEGE, Easton, Pa., October 8th, 1860.

DEAR SIR,—Will you allow a stranger to address you on a matter of scientific interest?

I am investigating the path of a meteor that attracted much attention in this region on the evening of July 20th, and must have been seen, I presume, by many of the meteorological observers and others in Canada West, as observations here indicate that it was vertical over a line extending from the southern part of Lake Huron, to the western part of Ontario; and my object in this note is to inquire whether the returns received at your office for that month afford any data that would be useful in the investigation. I am

particularly anxious to have its apparent altitude above the horizon, as seen from Berlin in the directions S. 59° E., and S. 82° W.; if the meteor passed south of the zenith, or in the contrary direction, if it passed north—from Port Sarnia in the directions N. 70¼° W., and N. 77½° E.—from Brantford N. 61¼° W., and N. 77° E.—from London N. 66° W., and from Goderich and Owen Sound in any direction, or vertical circles passing through the first four places in the direction named. I have measurements already from other places, so that they, with these, would fix positions to points in the path, and I would address notes of inquiry to the masters of Grammar Schools there, but I do not know that they are yet established except at Port Sarnia.

Any aid that your interest in science may incline you to afford, in pointing out how or when data can be procured from the meteorological stations or other places, or other places in Canada, for the solution of an interesting problem that can be solved only by the cooperation of many observers, will be most thankfully received and