

REPORT ON THE PROPOSED STREET RAILWAY ON
UNIVERSITY STREET

A meeting of the Staff of the Macdonald Physics Building was held on Thursday, April 2nd, and the previous reports by Dr. Adams, Dr. Porter and Dr. Eve, dated November and December, 1922, were considered and confirmed by all present.

Dr. Bieler stated that there is already trouble in the basement from vibration of traffic which appears to be getting heavier, even under existing conditions.

Professor Reilley stated that he is suffering from trouble in the basement owing to electrical disturbances which are serious.

Previous reports do not insist on the difficulty and the great expense of shielding instruments from magnetic and electrical disturbances.

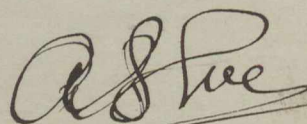
Dr. Foster reported that at Yale a most serious disturbance in the matter of noise was found wherever street railways ran past class-rooms. Thus the High School, the Conservatorium of Music, the Theological Buildings and further buildings on University Street will be seriously affected.

Emphasis should be laid on the fact that the Macdonald Physics Building is not the sole sufferer and there is a very strong case to be made for the University and the High School as a whole, apart from the more serious detriment to the Physics Building in particular.

Attached is a letter written for the press but not yet sent to any paper. It is left to the Principal to decide whether or not it should be sent forward.

A fuller report is not sent because the 1922 reports fully cover the case except for the above additional statements.

Attached is a letter from Dr. Barnes, F.R.S., M.E.I.C., former Director of the Macdonald Physics Building.



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