

LETTER OF PROF. BELL.

THE following letter from Prof. Robert Bell, of Queen's University, Kingston, relates to the Plumbago Mine, on Lot No. 2 of the Sixth Range, containing one hundred acres; which, by way of distinction from the other, is called the McArthur property, of which the mineral rights have been secured in perpetuity.

Prof. Bell is connected with Sir William E. Logan, in the Geological Survey of Canada.

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CHARLES ROBB, Esq., Montreal.

DEAR SIR, — Your letter, requesting information about the plumbago on McArthur's lot in the Augmentation of Grenville, came to hand yesterday. McArthur is an old friend of mine, and I have often slept in his house in the frequent visits which I made with my late father to the Augmentation several years ago. The plumbago bed on his lot was well known at that time. It is situated on top of a rounded hill of crystalline limestone, which was mostly covered with sandy soil and under cultivation. Where the plumbago occurs the soil is two or three feet thick. The limestone of the hill, wherever exposed, contains more or less plumbago, but often in mere grains