

Coe Hill, Ont., Sept 15

Spencer

My Dear Sir.

I am still upon my beaches away north of Ontario. But I will not be able to finish them this year, as there are at least three lines that ought to be followed.

It is most desirable to connect the lake beaches with those down the St. Lawrence, which is now very task. But Montreal Island has beaches which can be followed for 20 miles or more. I suggest that it would be a good piece of work for two of your Honor students to map their position & elevation, connecting them with the tract of the Nile part of the S.T.R. & C.P.R. Should there will be evidence of differential elevation one way or the other on that base; and a

land level (when two are worked  
with level sticks) would be  
sufficiently accurate. The  
terrace of Dorchester St.  
Can. so easily be followed  
beyond St. Anne's and is the  
most widely extended.

Wonder if that terracing  
beach at Smith's Falls (at  
about 450') is the representation  
of the Saxicava Sand at  
Montreal. If any of your  
students are interested in  
Surface Geology I will send  
them some of my papers bearing  
upon the subject. I regret  
that my time is so short, as  
so much might be done.

Do you remember how many  
old volcanic cones are in  
the St. L. Valley about  
the Montreal region? Am  
I not right in stating that  
they are the old Cones (not  
igneous sheets) in the Cappa-  
tackian System?

I propose to illustrate my

paper on Norway. - if all cannot  
be made I wish the wood  
cuts of the sections, and the  
three photos could go. Get the  
small photo represents the  
dirty ice moving over a soft  
water-soaked moraine without  
ploughing it up, but levelling  
it down. The wood engraver  
really needs some instructions,  
& I can give them when I  
know that the work is to be  
done. If Dawson Bros. would  
let me get the work done in  
the States and pay <sup>me</sup> for them  
it would be better, as I would  
supervise the work.

In passing through the Cemetery  
at Montreal, I could not  
help regretting the inscription  
upon the tomb of Hon. Peter  
McGill. "Member of  
the Legislature & Executive  
Council of Quebec, & President  
of Bank of Montreal for 26  
years". - not a word about  
his greatest work which  
will live, whilst the other  
works are long since forgotten.

Hosts of men have been legislators  
and many State Presidents;  
but only one Founded  
McFell. The man, otherwise  
obscure, founded Howard,  
Jefferson wrote his own Epitaph  
"Author of the American Decla-  
ration of Independence, of Religious  
Liberty (abolition of Church estab-  
lishment in Virginia) and  
Founder of the University of  
Virginia."

His McFell's work should  
be recorded on his monument  
"Founder of McFell University"  
and nothing more, as that  
overshadows all else, and  
has been a benefit to his country.

Yours faithfully,  
J. W. Spencer,

Sir Wm Dawson J.M.S., sec  
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