

City & Savings

186 St Paul

M<sup>r</sup> Gil College.  
Montreal.

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Dear Sir,

I have been informed that it is your intention to open a drain across my garden lot on Wallbridge Place with the view of draining the ground above. In connection with this they tell me that independently of the injury to my trees and other plants in the line of the drain this will be a serious ~~injury~~ detriment to my property. It will render practically useless for building purposes a width of about

fifteen feet on the upper  
end of my lot or say  
1400 feet in all, which  
should be worth <sup>about</sup>  
\$700. Further as the <sup>private</sup> street  
called Wallbrae Place runs  
parallel to my lot and  
I have already at my  
own expense made a  
drain in said street as  
far up as necessary, the  
work is for <sup>benefit</sup>  
some extent, and the  
drainage of the ground above  
might as well be taken  
down the said street to

run down street as through  
my ground. <sup>of this</sup> I should therefore <sup>beholden</sup>  
to you should therefore  
the said drain, ~~be made~~  
I lay leave to request  
that before entering <sup>my</sup>  
my ground you will <sup>have</sup>  
~~the~~ <sup>away</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>near</sup> ~~the~~  
~~to~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>damage</sup> ~~the~~  
~~to~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>and</sup> ~~the~~  
I hope, or that you will  
kindly lay this up <sup>represent</sup>  
on my part before the  
proper parties to do  
Yours truly  
J. Wilson