

88 Lorne Ave.,  
St. Catharines, Ont.  
June 2, 1963

James W.A. Law,  
411 Briston Ave.,  
St. Lambert, P.Q.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the Negative Comet and Novae Search Reports for the month of May, 1963.

Comet Alcock has been "acting up" lately, and one of our junior members, R. Weider - 13 or 14 years old, drew our attention to the fact that it could be seen with the unaided eye. Dr. J. F. Booth and I confirmed this, using averted vision. This occurred at a star night for Boy Scouts on May 30<sup>th</sup>. The moon was slightly gibbous and barely 1 hr west in R.A.

I have not had much success with my photography of Comet 1963 b. I seem to be plagued with poor focus, poor guiding, too much moonlight or too faint a target.

The next two weeks will see me out of circulation while I have some corrective surgery. Sorry I did not get around to saying goodbye at the Falls.

Good hunting,

Hugh Maclean  
Niagara Falls Centre.