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(1) "Old Quito Observ", 2.8 MB pdf, 12 pages.

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: Quito Observatory, Ecuador.
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Dear ISWI Participant:

As promised yesterday, I present some photos taken during the conducted tour of the old Quito Observatory; this was one of the workshop excursions.

David Dickinson ("The Oldest Observatory in South America" – Dec 9, 2009) has written the following about this observatory:

: An undiscovered astronomical gem sits in the downtown heart of
: Quito, Ecuador. Amid the high altitude urban bustle stands
: the Quito Observatory, a three turreted victorian style complex
: in triangular La Alameda park. Built in 1875, this observatory
: now serves as a recently reopened museum and weather station,
: and is still occassionally utilized for public outreach on
: clear evenings.

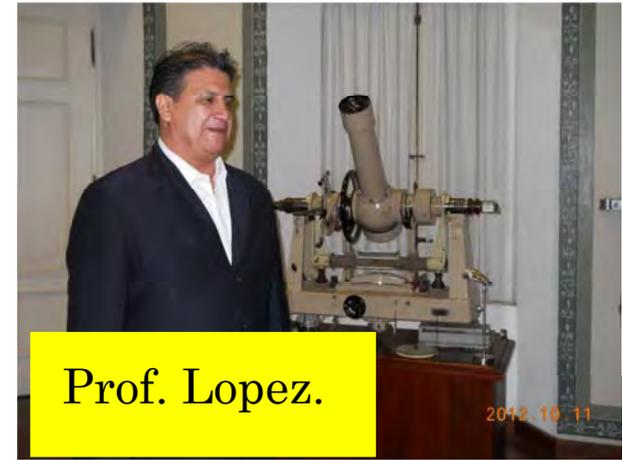
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: Sitting less than a degree south of the equator and at +9,000
: feet altitude, the observatory has a nearly unobstructed view
: of both hemispheres. Modern urban light pollution has ended
: the days of the Quito Observatory as an astronomical research
: resource, but a tour of the equipment housed within harkens
: back to days of yore, when gentlemen astronomers conducted
: observations with stopwatch in one hand, pipe in the other.

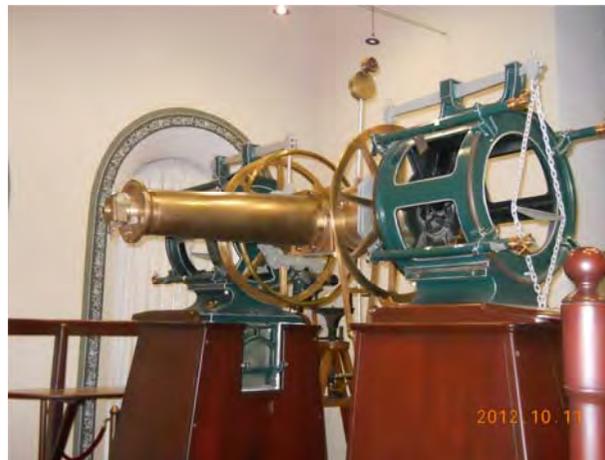
.....That's the scoop on the old Quito Observatory.

Most faithfully yours,

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: The Editor
: ISWI Newsletter

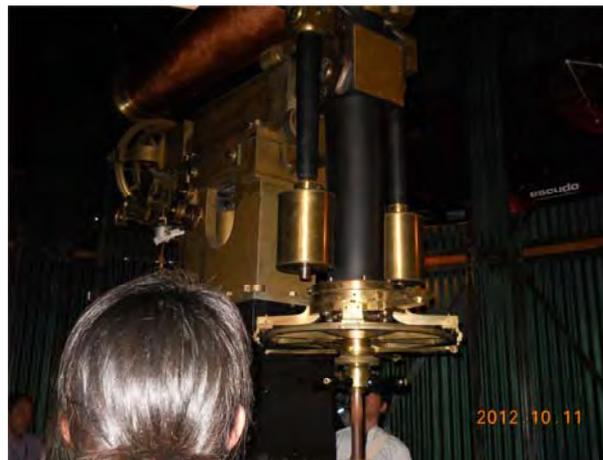


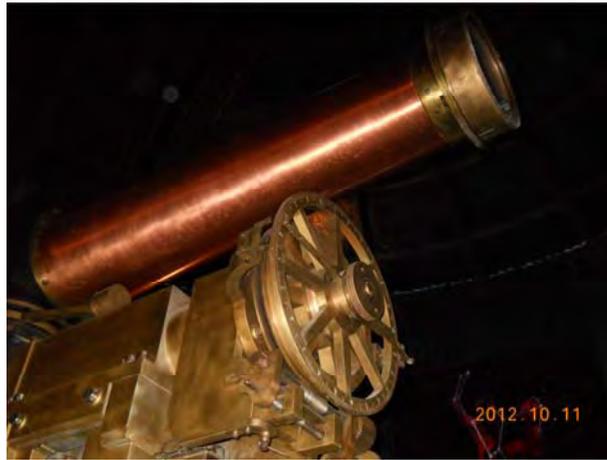




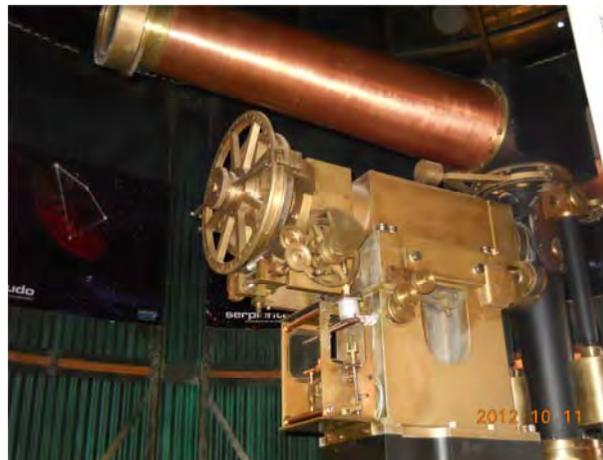














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