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McGill University Library School has reached a period in its existence when it again becomes necessary to request the Carnegie Corporation to renew its contribution to the support of this School from its available British Empire funds.

The history and achievement of the School are already familiar to you. It developed from the earliest library course given in Canada in 1904, and for the past six years has provided an annual winter session, in addition to the summer school and extension courses. All of its work has met the standards of the Board of Education for Librarianship of the American Library Association, and it is now in its third year as a graduate school. Last summer it extended its scope to meet the needs of French-Canadian libraries by giving a second summer course entirely in French - so far as I know, the first time that this has been done on the Continent.

With regard to its service, it fills a need not at present satisfied by any other Canadian institution, and since the contribution made by the University to its support can only be a partial one, to discontinue the School at present would be a catastrophe just at a time when the fruit of past effort is becoming manifest and when there seems to be a renaissance of interest in libraries in various provinces of the Dominion.