

Report of the Committee of Corporation appointed to consider and report upon a communication from the Conservatorium of Music Committee embodying a proposal that Corporation request the Board of Governors to constitute a Faculty of Music.

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The proposal is considered under three heads:-

A Arguments in favour;

B Arguments against;

C Recommendations.

A Arguments in favour:-

1. Faculties of Music exist in other universities, particularly in the universities of the United Kingdom, from which, in many respects, McGill derives its traditions. Thus the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, Dublin, Durham, Edinburgh, London, Manchester and Birmingham - recent as well as ancient foundations - have Faculties of Music. In U.S.A. many of the principal universities, such as Yale, North Western, Oberlin, Illinois and Washington, have Faculties of Music and confer a Mus. Bach. degree. In most of the others music may be offered as part of the course for the B.A. or B.Sc. In Canada the University of Toronto has lately established a Faculty of Music, with Dr. Vogt as Dean of the Faculty, assisted by a staff of lecturers, the Toronto Conservatory of Music receiving recognition as the School of Music of the University. Musical education should not be refused in McGill the position accorded to it in other ~~universities~~ great universities.

2. The standard of musical education maintained by the Conservatorium since its institution nearly sixteen years ago has been of a character and quality fully to justify the creation of a Faculty of Music. During the past eleven years degree courses have been given, and with the exception of 1915, presentations for degrees have taken place each year. There have graduated from the Conservatorium four Mus. Docs. and eight Mus. Bacç.; and thirty-six students have taken the Licentiate Diploma (nine in Teachers Class, twenty-seven in Performers Class). In the present year there are about thirty students in all pursuing the three years course for degree or diploma. In the universities of the United Kingdom and of U.S.A.