

McGILL UNIVERSITY

Office of the Principal
and Vice Chancellor.

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The sudden and entirely unexpected death of Professor
our
Waugh, Chairman of ~~the~~ Department of History ~~at McGill~~, is a
tragic loss to ~~the~~ McGill University. For ten years he has been
a valued member of our staff, coming to McGill from Manchester,
England, in 1922. Three years later, on the resignation of
Professor Basil Williams, now of Edinburgh University, Professor
Waugh was appointed Kingsford Professor of History and Chairman
of the Department.

Professor Waugh was an inspiring and stimulating teacher,
and a brilliant scholar, not only in history but in the classics
as well. His special interests lay in the field of Mediaeval
and Constitutional History, where he was universally regarded
as a world authority. He had, even when he came to us,
an established reputation as an able writer, and that reputation
has been greatly enhanced in recent years. Only this summer
he published several works of great merit and interest. All his
writings shewed great clearness of thought and an enviable
facility of expression. He was a tremendous worker, never
sparing himself, despite his somewhat frail constitution.
To the ~~thousands~~ hundreds of students who have sat at his feet
during his twenty-two years of teaching, his scholarship, his
devotion to duty, his literary ability, his high standards and
ideals must have left a lasting impression of a way of life worth
emulating.

Professor Waugh was very loyal to this University. Several
times he received flattering offers to accept Chairs in other well-
known universities on this Continent and in England, but he chose