

McGILL UNIVERSITY

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Office of the Principal  
and Vice Chancellor.

admission to the University until they passed the necessary supplemental examinations in September.

However, I see no reason why this difficulty need arise in the future if the Department of Education and the University are prepared to compare notes carefully and to settle all differences of opinion before publishing the results of their examinations in the press.

The Department of Education and the school authorities of the Province have absolute and complete jurisdiction over the public schools, while the University, under its charter, has similar complete jurisdiction over its own examinations and requirements. Both the University and the Department must always bear in mind carefully that the public is the real party interested in all these questions affecting fair and friendly cooperation between the University and the schools. This year the Department will conduct the School Leaving examinations and the University will conduct its own Matriculation examinations. Each authority is equally interested in maintaining standards for purposes of pass or junior matriculation and admission to McGill.

In 1932 the University will accept the marks of the High School Leaving examination as equivalent to the marks of its own matriculation examination, subject to the proviso printed at the top of page 82 in the 1931-32 calendar, which applies to all outside examinations.

"The certificates and diplomas named below will (if they have been obtained under no easier conditions than those which apply in the case of the McGill Matriculation certificate) be accepted pro tanto in lieu of the Junior Matriculation examination, i.e., in so far as the subjects and standard of the examination taken to obtain them are, to the satisfaction of the Admissions Committee, equivalent to those required for the Matriculation examination of this University."

It must be borne in mind by all interested that admission to McGill University is selective. Many apply from outside places whose applications cannot be accepted, while last year more than one hundred and seventy personal applications were made which had to be refused. Where scholarships are involved, the matter becomes a little more complicated.

In the first place, I think we should agree that the University and the Provincial authorities will