

## What the Graduates Did

The record of McGill graduates and other past students in this respect is one of which all friends of the University can be justly proud. In attempting to estimate the aid given to the cause for which the Allied Nations fought it is necessary to remember that practically all who graduated prior to the year 1892 were over military age when the war broke out. The only ones we should take into account, therefore, are men who obtained their degrees after that date—about 3,000 in all. When we consider that probably 20 per cent. of these were physically unfit, that a large number of them were living in foreign countries, and that a great many more had contracted ties which could not be broken without serious consequences, it is a matter for surprise that of this number fully 1,500, or 50 per cent., enlisted for service across the sea. How many more were engaged in essential home duty (medical men especially), it is impossible to say, but it is certain that they comprised a very large proportion of the remainder. In so far as graduates in Canada and other parts of the Empire were concerned, the best information obtainable would lead us to conclude that very few of those who were eligible failed to respond, and that of these perhaps 99% would have done so but for special reasons.

## The Undergraduate Record

The story of the undergraduate body is equally honourable. Thanks to the wisdom and inspiring energy of Sir William Peterson, an Officers' Training Corps was established under Major McKergow, three years before the war broke out. It was uphill work to put life into it, but Sir William persisted.