LIBRARY FACILITIES.

There is a marked lack of library and reading-room space in the Departments of Mining and Metallurgy. This will be remedied when a new building is provided, but in the meantime the offices of the staff are used to house books and journals needed. Better facilities are provided in the Departments of Civil, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering, as the engineering books were transferred from the Redpath Library to the Engineering Building about two years ago. A librarian was appointed to supervise the reading-room and the issue of books. There is a small but steady accession of new books, and the journals of the leading engineering societies are available for reference. A proposal to make available the Engineering Index Service has been discussed, but it would require the co-operation of engineering firms in Montreal, and nothing definite has yet been done. The total cost would be about \$750. □□ per annum, and if it could be distributed so as not to bear too heavily on university funds, great good would result. Abstracts of recent papers in all branches of engineering from technical journals throughout the world would be available, not only for members of the university, but for industrial organizations and engineers in practice.

NUMBERS IN THE GRADUATE SCHOOL.

The conditions referred to above have limited the numbers of those taking graduate courses in the Departments of Civil, Electrical, Mechanical, Mining and Metallurgical