

advantage of the Departments, both from the viewpoint of economy and teaching efficiency, and has produced very satisfactory results.

On the death of Dean MacKay last October arrangements were made for carrying on his teaching work during the present session. Professors Jamieson and Dodd took over his lectures to third and fourth year students, and were relieved of some teaching in Mathematics, which was undertaken by Prof. Wood. The duties of the Dean's office were assumed by Professor Brown who, in consequence, was unable to share as actively as heretofore in some parts of the laboratory and draughting-room work. Our staff is now at a dangerous minimum and there is practically no leeway, should any member of it become incapacitated through accident or illness. Re-organization and strengthening are urgently needed.

#### Changes in Courses.

In 1921, following the abolition of shopwork a re-arrangement was effected in the course in Mechanics given by this Department to second year students. A lecture course in Mechanics had been given previously in the first term only, and was followed by a course in Graphic Statics in the second term. This resulted in a serious interruption in study for those who were required to take Mechanics in the third year. The courses in Mechanics and Graphic Statics were combined, and provision made for two lectures per week together with a two-hour problem period per week throughout the year. This arrangement