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MEMORANDUM

THE HONOURABLE THE MINISTER

The Department of Education of the Province of Ontario has now reported the marks obtained by Mr. H.M. Lay, a candidate for entrance to the Royal Military College, which unfortunately indicate that he has failed to obtain junior matriculation standing.

From the attached list, you will note that he has failures in Latin Authors and Latin Composition, which failures reduce the subjects passed below the necessary minimum number. The marks obtained in Algebra and Geometry, which are compulsory subjects, are also low, being just over a pass. This does not affect the situation except that in competition with other candidates, they materially reduce the average and would lessen the chances for Mr. Lay's recommendation by the Board had he passed in all subjects.

R.M.C. Regulation 36 reads, in part, as follows: "To be eligible for selection for admission to the College, a candidate must have obtained a "pass" standard in the matriculation examinations of any Province in Canada or of any University approved by the Minister".

This information which I now respectfully submit as rendering Mr. Lay ineligible for admission is regretted exceedingly, please.

(sgd) L. R. LaFleche

Deputy Minister

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