

appear to us significant. One is his gross underestimate of the rural English-speaking population of this Province, which is nearer 140,000 than 40,000. The other is that, in spite of its geographical handicap and its less urgent need to attract students from outside its Province, the Ontario Agricultural College in 1921-2 had nearly three times as many students enrolled from the Maritime Provinces as had Macdonald College.

It is true that the number of boys of matriculation standing in the Province outside the Island of Montreal is small. Those who are in close touch with our rural communities, however, believe that with proper facilities for spreading information about what the College has to offer its students and what its entrance requirements are, the number preparing for matriculation could be increased, a much larger proportion of the boys matriculating could be induced to enter upon the course in Agriculture and a much larger number of the young men and women without matriculation qualifications would be attracted to the Winter Course and to the Short Courses. In this connection we would urge that you or the Macdonald College Committee question Messrs. J. E. and J. H. McQuat of the College Staff as to the opinions they have formed as the result of their work as Demonstrators to Rural Schools.

Reverting to the question of individual effort, we agree with Dr. Harrison that this should be encouraged. We make no criticism of Dr. Harrison as Professor of Bacteriology. It is the lack of co-ordination of the individual efforts of Departments and the defects of Dr. Harrison as Dean and Principal