

criticism. The University, as shown in its last report, has invested in educational enterprises about \$6,000,000, and has an annual expenditure of between \$350,000 and \$400,000. Last year the expenditure was \$390,000. The full return from fees from students was \$86,000. The balance, over \$300,000, was made up from the income of private benefactions. In other words it cost the University annually about \$300 for each student enrolled, or to graduate a student cost \$1,200. When the University graduates a class of 100 men it represents an outlay of \$120,000 more than it has received from them. Of course the statement refers to the average. In Engineering and Medicine the cost is much higher than the average; in Arts much lower. What is said of McGill in this connection is true also of Toronto, approximately, which is an institution supported by the Provincial Government. Last year I think the Legislature voted \$150,000 for the support of that institution, and any educationalist from Ontario will tell you that they could use a much greater sum with advantage. I believe it is the avowed policy of the present Government of Ontario to largely increase that sum. The same statement regarding expenditure applies in a limited sense to the smaller and less expensively equipped institutions.

I sometimes wonder whether the outlay is justified, especially when university trained men can be found who make such statements as have been made during the present discussion.

Now, with regard to our relation to British Columbia. I believe it is on record that in the early days of the development of High Schools in this province, the Vancouver High School made an application to the University of Toronto asking for terms of affiliation. Toronto University took no action in the matter. The Board then wrote to McGill concerning the same subject, and we replied, as we have always done in such cases, that if the schools were equipped to do work up to our standard we would gladly assist in every possible way. A member of the School Board visited Montreal and the matter was gone into and the affiliation accomplished. Later on Victoria applied for the same privilege, and it was accorded the same advantage in a limited way, Vancouver being affiliated for two years in Arts and Victoria for one. As far as McGill is concerned, it is our settled policy to assist in every way smaller institutions if they are making worthy efforts to advance education. To prove this, I have only to point out that in the Eastern Provinces two of the smaller universities were struggling to do engineering work. They found they were not likely to be very successful if they did the work unaided. They asked us if we would permit them to do two years' work of our course under affiliation, permitting their