

Lassus

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL IN MEDICINE

The M.A. degree alone is given in the Graduate School by this Department, and it is of much more importance to improve the quality of the work for this degree and the facilities for pursuing it, than to introduce a Ph.D. The Library grant to the Department amounts to \$300 per annum, and this is supposed to cover the requirements in two languages and fill all needs in literary texts and commentaries, historical, philological, archaeological, philosophical, and other cognate works. It is impossible under the circumstances to keep anything like abreast of even new publications, much less to fill the gaps left in past years: and to procure a good library of theses and classical periodicals would entail a very large expenditure. Moreover the question of the Ph.D. in Classics demands serious thought. The practice of granting it, as is done in many institutions, to students whose substructure is of the flimsiest, and who know far less of Classical Literature with the letters Ph.D. after their names than the average Honours Graduate of Oxford or Cambridge, is utterly subversive of all good scholarship. We are not in a position, either as to staff or as to library equipment, to encourage the type of research which alone should be pursued for a real Ph.D. nor are we anxious to countenance the mechanical pursuit of useless research problems which so often satisfies the requirements for the degree in other institutions.

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The department publishes monographs on Canadian economic topics under the title of National Problems of Canada. The latest of these was put out in Jan. 1951 under the title The Lubricator Industry in Canada, a copy of which is submitted herewith for reference. These publications are of real value, of real service. But as they are not partisan publications, and not journalistic or sensational, they cannot be sold on a commercial footing. At first the College took the entire cost. The deficit they created led the College to object. The