

Matriculation standard is determined by an outside body and not only so but that owing to the fact that it conducts the examination for that body it becomes its servant and is subject to a servant's treatment.

If the University conducted its own Matriculation examination it would be free to make its own standard. This would, generally speaking, ^{as per} as far as the content of the work is concerned with that prescribed by the Education Departments of the different provinces for the last year of the High School. The main point gained would be freedom to set papers more difficult than those now set, if this be thought advisable, and full control over its own examination as to standard of marking, etc. The Quebec Department would then conduct its own examination in Grade XI as they now do in all others and their Certificates could be accepted pro tanto just as the Certificates issued by the Education Department of the Province of Ontario, for instance, are. They are as a matter of fact so accepted now. If thought desirable a higher percentage might be demanded in the case of these and all other Certificates as is sometimes done elsewhere. Supposing this decision were reached, what would happen ?

There is little doubt that all schools which now pay for the examination of their candidates would take the University examination in preference to the other seeing that a Matriculation Certificate from McGill would be of more value than one from the Department of Education.

The schools now paying \$5.00 for each candidate are as follows:-