

The greatly increasing importance of Pure Science in the world to-day, necessitates a concentration of effort, perhaps not so necessary in the past, which cannot now be over emphasized. The value of Science to students of the Humanities has been long recognized, but it would seem, insufficiently. The student of Science also cannot lose by a knowledge of Arts subjects. With the Faculty of Arts and Science as now organized we may look with every confidence to a future of which it is hoped, McGill may later be proud.

Relations between this Faculty and other Faculties in McGill

The position of this Faculty in the University has been changed in a very radical manner during the last ten years as the following considerations will show.

In 1921-22 all Faculties in the University were on the same footing. Junior Matriculation admitted to all Faculties at that time. The Medical College offered a preliminary year in the Arts and Sciences, but this has since been discontinued. The situation at the present time, however, has changed entirely. In 1923-24 the Faculties of Medicine, Dentistry and Law made two years of preliminary study in the Faculty of Arts a pre-requisite for admission. In the same year the old continuous courses, usually called double courses, leading to the degree of B.A., M.D. and B.Sc., M.D., dating back as early as 1901, were completely reorganized. In 1929-30, however, all these preliminary and continuous courses were wholly discontinued. At the present time, therefore, three standard years in this Faculty leading to the degree of B.A. or B.Sc., including the basic medical sciences, Biology, Chemistry and Physics, are required for admission into Medicine. The Medical College sparingly admits students after two years of preliminary study, but these cases are exceptional and need not be mentioned here. The requirements for admission into Dentistry are the same as for entrance into Medicine, except that students are more freely admitted into Dentistry after two years of study. The old rule of 1924-25, requiring two years of study in the B.A. course for admission