

prophet and inventor is left to starve. It always has been so. Our present salaries in McGill College are, however, admittedly inadequate. The cost of living in Montreal is very high and the cost of citizenship perilous. The bare necessities of life being provided for, the upward curve is almost perpendicular. I assume, too, that a University Professor is entitled to live in his community in reasonable style. But the situation at present is much more menacing than can be indicated by mere generalities, as the following considerations will show.

McGill University and other Overseas Universities have brought many or most of their Professors from Great Britain in the past. This policy, however, cannot be continued so successfully in the future. The Empire is too big for that and the Motherland is going to need all her own best educationists for some time to come. The War has had its effects. Many fine scholars lie buried on the fields of France. Oxford, Cambridge, Edinburgh and Glasgow take all the best of those that remain. The Provincial Universities and the various London institutions, now growing rapidly in number and size, take their share. The Scientific industries will continue to take an increasing toll in the future. England is going to be forced to adopt the principle of mass education from now on. She ought to have done so a century ago. Only the casual unemployed and the dissatisfied ones are left, therefore, and this is not good enough for the Premier Overseas Universities. As a matter of fact this practice did not really work well in the past when measured by long periods. The men who came overseas and succeeded returned home at the first opportunity, and those who did not succeed stayed. The result was obviously not beneficial to the overseas institutions.

If we turn next to the United States, the prospect is even poorer than in Great Britain. The large number of highly endowed Universities of