

attendance. On the other hand, this action has worked a hardship on ambitious graduates who are, at present unable to qualify extramurally. Our suggestion is to restore this qualification, first, for McGill's sake, as a sales measure to create greater appreciation and interest on the part of the public, which she greatly needs, as a measure of increased service to her graduates, to encourage them to keep alive and burning the lamp of learning, which she lit in them, and to preserve much material of experience and research now largely going to waste. To those most sensitive to McGill's pressing need and her future, I am satisfied that the idea will be considered of value.

I think I can almost anticipate your Faculty, "Production Department", reactions to the matter. They are asked to revive the manufacture of a line of old time product, made in an old time way, both largely obsolete. They may make a general comparison between graduate school superiority, both of work and method, over any extramural qualifications by thesis and examination. They may meet our present Doctor of Science precedent with the hope, eventually, of bringing it under qualifications similar to that of the Ph. D. degree. The difficulty of establishing equivalent standards of extramural thesis of examination and work of such varying subjects, and methods of investigation; the possible lesser value of any work done outside, perhaps from a standpoint more practical and economic than purely scientific conditions; the anachronism of qualifying by non-academic work for an academic degree; and all for some University pro bono publico reason of no direct interest and benefit to the Faculty, may seem to be some of the Faculty objections. I have the highest respect for the breadth of view of your Faculty, as I have for our own Production Department; the consideration of any problem naturally is motivated from their own standpoint.