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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

Marks play such a significant role in our educational system that they are a never-ending field for investigation. From the time a child enters school, marks are with him until he graduates. They not only indicate present progress in school work but continue to affect a child, directly or indirectly, all his life, and have, consequently, a powerful social influence. Some system of measurement is essential in order to present, in a manner that indicates as exactly as possible, pupil progress. Learning involves psychological processes and it is impossible for any system to measure the working of the human mind with the accuracy that can be secured in measuring human efficiency in limited operations such as cutting down a tree, or measuring a quart of milk. As the secondary school becomes more complicated and demanding, the problem of establishing highly valid system of measurement acquires ever increasing importance. Such a system must not only be valid among educational bodies, but must also be acceptable in the economic world into which every child is eventually absorbed. The present marking system, is the answer presented by our educators to the need for measurement, and, accordingly, is subjected to constant study with a view to rendering it more adequate.

Controversy has been endless in the study of this educational instrument, the effort always being towards the establishment of potential accuracy and comparative validity. The present investigation employs what the writer believes to be a which while approach to the evaluation of the system in use at present in the Province of Manitoba.

Measurement by Marks

Marks are used extensively in all secondary schools throughout the academic year, and contribute to the establishment of a final mark at the end of the school year. This final mark carries great weight in that it is accepted as a measure of progress throughout the year. Teachers' marks, therefore, occupy a vital position in securing uniformity in estimating pupil progress across the Province as a whole.

In order to focus attention upon the importance of marks, it is important to have a general understanding of their origin and development. Two phases of this subject are evident, namely, (1) origin and purpose, (2) the effect of the changing conception of education in reference to the marking system. Let us consider first the original purpose of examinations. Briefly, examinations formerly endeavored to test the mastery of certain narrow fields of subject-matter. Naturally, the teaching was as dimple as the system of testing, and consisted of definite assignments by the teacher, study of them by the pupil, recitation or tests of assignments in class, and, lastly, the

evaluation of learning by means of marks obtained in a written examination. As will be seen later, recent years have brought noteworthy changes in this educational program of the secondary school. Secondly, as the concept of education has changed, the method of evaluation has changed accordingly. The mastery of subject-matter as the chief purpose of education has given way to a much broader goal which emphasizes the achievement of well-rounded pupil personality. The two developments are closely interlocked, and, as the technique of instruction has changed, so the purpose of examinations has broadened. Marking, as an accurate representation of student intellectual growth, has inevitably been profoundly affected.

The following two quotations will reveal something of the old and the new conceptions of marks as the measure of intellectual growth:

"Traditionally, the sole basis for marks has been subject matter achievement as measured by tests and examinations. This was only natural, since until recently the mastery of subject matter was the chief immediate goal of the secondary school program. The pupil was expected to accumulate a designated mass of facts and information. The mark was used to indicate the degree to which he succeeded. The inadequacy of subject matter as the sole basis for marks has long been recognized. Obviously, such a policy is not at all in harmony with the philosophy that presently underlies the program of educational units."

W.T.Gruhn-H.R.Douglas. The Modern Junior High School. New York: The Ronald Press Co. 1947, p.385.

"Since the teacher's mark is now and almost certainly will continue to be the most frequently recorded measure of pupil accomplishment, it is very important that the class room teacher have a definite notion of the functions of such marks. Teacher's marks function in a four-fold way: (1) they provide the basis for the school's record of the child's educational history, (2) they furnish the teacher with a record of the pupil's achievement and progress, (3) they reveal to the pupil the school's evaluation of his effort and accomplishments, and (4) they furnish to the parent reasonably accurate information concerning the pupil's achievement. For school administrators marks afford the common basis for determination of promotions, scholastic honors, and school classification. For the teacher, marks provide a working basis for group distinctions in assignments, work requirements, extra-curricular activities, etc. For the pupil, marks should give accurate information concerning the amount and quality of work done. For the parent, the marking system should supply accurate information on pupil achievement which should indicate relative success or failure in unmistakable terms. Obviously, the realization of these four-fold functions of the marking system places it under a very severe burden. The real severity of this burden is better appreciated when we recall the implications of the experimental evidence on the reliability of teachers' marks, and then in the face of these disturbing facts, realize the seriousness with which these marks are taken by the pupil, by the parents, and even by the school itself." 2

In the Canadian Provinces marks are the measure for admittance to higher courses of study. Hence, the centralized, provincial examination for all pupils not accredited by the particular school is necessitated.

H.A.GReene-A.N.Jorgensen. The Use and Interpretation of High School Tests. New York: Longmans, Green and Co. 1940, p. 566.

Secondary School Examination System in Manitoba

Bearing in mind, then, how important it is that the final score should be accepted as truly representative of the year's progress, satisfactory evidence must be available that, according to some general standard of measurement, it is as close to being accurate as possible. The standard in Manitoba is the one set by the Department of Education in a series of examinations.

The final mark determined at the end of the school year should compare closely with this generally accepted standard. This standard, as noted, is established by a series of examinations set and marked under the supervision of the Department of Education in June and July, and written by certain groups of students to whom we shall later refer. Accordingly, class marks, as determined by teachers in individual schools, can be checked against those obtained in Departmental examinations and their worth estimated.

The examination system directed by the Department of Education to-day is the result of many years of sustained effort and constant development. As in the past, the Department is the administrative centre of examinations, but authority is not now as narrowly centralized as formerly. Fifty years ago, the examination system was dominated by the Department of Education for all grades from VIII to XII inclusive. These examinations were held throughout the Province. Committees,

picked by the Advisory Board, set these Departmental examinations. All written papers were marked in Winnipeg by committees appointed jointly by the Department of Education and the University. The marks given were accepted by both the Department and the University. There was, however, one important difference in acceptance of these marks. In some subjects, a different pass standard was set by the Department and by the University. This meant that each educational authority was a law unto itself and each prescribed its own standards. If a student failed in two or more subjects, he had to repeat his year. The pass standards generally were high, and Manitoba was considered to have a satisfactory system of examining.

Shortly after the First World War, Grade VIII examinations directed by the Department, were abolished. About the same time another immovation was made. The number of examinations was reduced in Grade IX to four subjects—those subjects which were not carried on past Grade IX. In Grade X, examinations were reduced to those subjects that were completed in Grade X and not carried on into Grade XI. The Grade XI examinations completed the roster. Gradually the number of places approved for the writing of Department of Education examinations was increased. The pass standard was fixed at 50 but, as before, if there were two failures, all the subjects had to be repeated. Later final credit was allowed for every 50% subject and only those below 50% had to be repeated. The University still compiled and interpreted its own set of marks and the Department retained

its own.

This dual operation continued until the middle thirties when the Manitoba Examination Board, consisting of University and Department representatives, was established. This is now a statutory body controlling the setting of examinations. When a Departmental paper is set, University and Department representatives work as a committee to produce a suitable examining paper that is acceptable to both authorities. The Department representatives are selected from teachers actually engaged in teaching the subject being examined, so that they are thoroughly cognizant of both the student and the teacher problems. To-day there is one set of marks, which is retained in the Department, as the University now accepts this joint marking. Changes may occur in the curriculum from time to time but the examination papers are adjusted accordingly.

Purpose of this Study

We have indicated in the foregoing sections the foundation for our study, namely, establishment of the fact that the Department of Education is the central authority for examinations in Manitoba. Schools throughout the Province with the same official standing have students writing the same examinations all of which are marked by the same marking committees. In addition all schools record teachers' and general school examination marks. With these lists of marks as our data, the investigation begins. Its purpose is to determine whether a comparatively close, or a very wide,

discrepancy exists between school marks and those of the Department of Education. In other words, do these two sets of marks reveal marked over-estimation or under-estimation when we compare the school marks with the Departmental marks? An illustration may clarify our position. If a school gives a student 50 in a subject and he makes 60 in the Departmental examination, the school mark is lower by 10 and the net result is scored as a -10.0n the other hand, if the student makes 35 on the Department examination, he would be scored as +15. Detailed records and tables referring to this point will be found in succeeding chapters.

In the course of this study, which is conducted through schools of the same rating for a period of three consecutive years, 1949, 1950, and 1951, the writer aims to discover any local trends that affect marks. Should a school reveal significant over-evaluation in a subject, a tendency to overestimation exists. This phase of the study will be expanded as the investigation develops.

Finally, as a secondary deduction developing from the major aim of the investigation, the writer endeavours to explore the probability that certain subjects by their inherent nature possess advantages over others from the point of view of exactness in marking. Should Composition produce closer scores than French? This, and other observations of similar nature, will develop as the study proceeds. The main purpose, however, of this investigation is to determine the existence of tendencies towards under-estimation or over-



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estimation of school marks as compared to those awarded on the Provincial examination.

Sources of Data

All the data for this study are obtained from two main sources:

- (1) Record Sheets of Accredited Collegiates.
- (2) Official Records of the Department of Education.

Before discussing these sources, let us examine the meaning of the word "accredited" as applied to schools in Manitoba.

Accredited Schools: The following quotation indicates the type of school involved:

"Each Collegiate Institute, on being granted powers of recommending pupils without Departmental Examinations shall be classified as an 'Accredited Collegiate Institute'. . . Pupils who are not recommended may write the Departmental Examinations. . . . and must obtain a standing on the year's work of not less than fifty per cent(50%) in any subject and an average of at least sixty-seven(67%) on the full Second Level(Grade XI)." 3

The power to recommend pupils without Department examinations, i.e., the standing as an Accredited Collegiate, is granted to a Collegiate when it can meet the regulations set down by the Department in three respects:(1) teachers' and principals' academic qualifications and experience,

(2) proper equipment for laboratory and library work, (3) certification that pupils have completed required courses in all subjects and attended regularly. In the following

Programme of Studies for the Schools of Manitoba. Kings' Printer for Manitoba. 1950, p.217.

study, students from accredited schools only are included, as the standards governing instruction in these schools are those required by the Department.

A large percentage of the Collegiates in the Province, which could have the privilege of granting accredited standings, do not ask for it. There are seventeen Accredited Collegiates and, for our purpose, we have chosen six, so feel the study should be representative. The City of Winnipeg is represented by Gordon Bell and Kelvin, the suburban schools of Manitoba by West Kilddonan (Centennial), and the Province at large by Portage la Prairie, a small city, and two country towns,

Morden (Maple Leaf), and Dauphin. There was no thought as to any special selection except in so far as an effort was made to choose types representative of different population areas.

An additional set of marks from a second suburban school in St. Vital (Glenlawn) is included in the Appendix for further comparative or reference purposes, if required.

In all these schools, as we have indicated, pupils are recommended on the basis of a high mark standing, and those not receiving 67% average have the opportunity of writing the Department examinations in June. The system has been accepted as fair and is seldom questioned. Most of the students in these schools fulfil the 67% average requirement for recommendation. The others, those below the 67% average, are "non-exempt" and, to obtain their Second Level standing, must

write the examinations of the Department. It is the marks of these students with which we are concerned in this investigation. In Literature, Composition, History, Geometry, Algebra, Chemistry, Physics, French and Latin, the two sets of marks, Collegiate and Department, are studied with a view to determining whether there is significant over or under-scoring by teachers.

1. School Marks; Our first source of data was that secured from school records. School marks have been filed on Kardex Forms, in files, or in suitable books, from year to year, so that the writer was able to secure students' marks quickly and accurately.

In order to have the data in convenient form for later analysis, a Talky Sheet was prepared. On it were recorded the school, the year, and, in four columns, (1) the number of the student, (2) school marks, (3) Departmental marks and (4) a column for purpose of further analysis.

2. Department of Education Marks; The results of the June Examinations are sent by the Department of Education to all schools towards the latter part of July. These scores are contained on special Departmental Forms and become the property of the school. These records of marks in schools date back many years. The writer had access to all such records and it was a simple matter to list them on our Tally Sheets. A total of 3552 marks from each source, the Department and the school

records, was made available from the schools chosen. This number represents approximately 40% of the total papers written. The following table gives the number of students whose marks were analyzed in each Collegiate:

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School	1949	1950	1951	Total
Gordon Bell	77	59	95	231
Kelvin	72	65	52	189
West Kildonan	1 6	18	19	53
Dauphin	34	16	30	80
Morden	10	16	8	34
Portage la Pra:	ine 18	17	21	56
Total	227	191	225	643

Method of Estimate of Mark Variation

A few years ago, Mr.O.V.Jewitt, Principal of Gordon Bell High School, in a discussion on the problem of variation, expressed the wish that study could be made into the overestimation and under-estimation of marks in examinations. He felt that many teachers under-valued marks in order to obtain better efforts from students. In addition, he thought that different subjects inherently produce wide variation in marks. In view of this discussion, the writer undertook a study of Grade XI Matriculation results beginning from October, 1949, at the Gordon Bell school. The staff consisted of teachers with accepted academic standards and a wholesome attitude towards the student body. Their marks could well be used to

establish certain yardsticks for measurement and, with this series as a starting point, the investigation was carried to a number of Collegiates throughout the Province.

In Gordon Bell, as in all Collegiates, the teacher of a subject is responsible for the final marks which are based on the year's work. Special sheets for each class are set up in the school office and teachers must record their marks. The class teacher is responsible for obtaining averages after all marks are listed. It is to be remembered that these are the final school marks and, however they may be determined, the investigation concerns itself only with final scores.

It may assist the reader to repeat, at this point, the method of estimating variation in examination results as between school marks and those of the Department. For example, if a student receives 65 in Literature as his final school mark, and then obtains 70 in June, the school has underestimated him by 5 marks, or the variation is -5. It is to be observed that we are using the Department of Education examination mark as the standard against which to estimate the extent of variation in teachers' marks. If we consider the Literature paper of another pupil with a mark of 65 in school and 55 for the Department, a difference of 10 is revealed and this is scored as \(\psi 10.\text{Variability}\) is the extent to which the marks spread above or below the Departmental standard.

Tally Sheets are filled out as previously indicated. The following example illustrates their use:

Name of School

Year

Subject

Student School Mark Department Mark Variation
Plus or Minus

1. 76 70 6

Totals on these Tally Sheets are next computed and set down to be used later in the Summary Tables. An illustration of Summary Tables, from which comparisons are made, is presented herewith:

Subject	Number of Papers	Total Plus or Minus	Per Pupil Average Plus or Minus	Number of Papers Equal Dept.
Literatur	e 68	-82	-1.16	3

The number of papers varies considerably in different subjects even in one year, so that each subject is represented by a plus or minus average in relation to the Department of Education average. This means that for the year mentioned above Literature has -1.16 average out of a total of 68 papers. At the same time the writer determined and listed on this table, the number of papers equal in both sets of marks. Further use of all Summary Sheets with detailed analysis in respect to them will constitute the investigation of succeeding chapters.

Kelvin was the second Winnipeg City school chosen for the study. The marks for both school and Department were

entered at the same time. Later calculations were done on the Kelvin Tally Sheets and Summary Tables.

West Kildonan (Centennial) was chosen as the representative of suburban schools. The same procedure has been followed in this Collegiate as in the previous two schools.

Principals of Dauphin Collegiate and Morden (Maple Leaf)
Collegiate were mailed Tally Sheets. The writer travelled to
Portage la Prairie where the school records were made available. For each of the five Collegiates the procedure has been
the same as that described for Gordon Bell.

The same method of analysis of student marks was conducted for all Collegiates for 1950 and 1951. As the study was begun before the Department of Education set a General Science examination, the writer has purposely omitted that subject throughout. Again, certain optional subjects are omitted, as it is believed necessary to have a subject recorded for three consecutive years.

A point that may arise here is the validity of school examinations and those of the Department. It is proper to state that all examinations are measurements of a sort.

Department of Education examinations, however, are the only single measure used over the entire Frovince, are conducted by committees, and have the added weight of wide application. The study involves several hundred students from Accredited Collegiates representative of accredited schools of the Frovince so that the comparison should be a fair indication

as to whether the teachers' marks are too high or too low. Lastly, with such a wide distribution among schools of the same academic rating, any non-validity of the examination should be offset in part by the number of pupils examined.

The study is made for each year and then the cumulative results for all three years analyzed.

CHAPTER II

HISTORY AND PLACE OF MARKS IN EVALUATING EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS

It is to be regretted in a study of this nature that it is not possible to treat such a wide topic exhaustively. Yet the writer feels that even a brief treatment will provide a foundation to understanding the significance of marks in our present educational system.

"In order to determine the fruitfulness or wastefulness of methods of learning and teaching school
subjects, it is necessary to evaluate the achievements of pupils as accurately as possible. Furthermore,
the successful operation of a school demands an
accounting of the work of its pupils.

Marks have been the universal measure of school work. So many problems in the management of a school-credit, failure, promotion, retardation, elimination, graduation, honors, recommendations for positions, indeed the entire scholastic machinery of a school-hinge upon the assignment of marks that it is highly imperative to examine in detail the value, accuracy and reliability of marks."

What is the importance of marks in a Provincial system of education? To establish this point, it is necessary to view the traditional attitude towards marks as an estimate of progress in learning. Significant change in the evaluating of their need for purposes of promotion must be noted. The present chapter represents an attempt to evaluate changing conceptions of the methods of examination and the

Daniel Starch. Educational Psychology. New York: The Macmillan Company, 1922, p.426.

use of marks applied therewith. Three periods in establishing the place of marks as a means of measurement, are considered:

- (1) Brief Review of the Early History of Examinations
- (2) Period of First Scientific Measurement in Education
- (3) Progress since 1918

Brief Review of the Early History of Examinations

"Examinations have an ancient origin. Where and when they first appeared is not known. Oral examinations are probably the oldest form, evidences of which in ancient literature are found. In the Old Testament we are told the 'Gileadites, at the passage of the Jordon tested the ability of the Ephraimites to pronounce the word Shibboleth. Any Ephraimite who failed to pronounce the aspirate and answered 'Sibboleth' was slain on the spot. On that fatal day forty-two thousand are reported to have failed in their examinations." 5

Examinations, of one type or another, are as old as life itself. Primitive people taught their children through direct imitation, and by tribal ceremonies imparted what is commonly known as "tribal knowledge". Formal testing was unknown and all standards were dictated by the law of survival, the knowledge necessary for existence. If prowess and cunning were not enough, the enemy, whether man or beast, lived and the individual died. The chief, as head of a tribe, was the sole authority and won his place often by superior physical ability and cunning. Custodians of knowledge were next found in the priests or their representatives. At first they were the teachers of the people in matters affecting moral, spiritual or supermatural life but, as time went on, they became the centre

⁵H.A.Greene -A.N.Jorgensen, op.cit., p.40.

of all branches of knowledge. Examinations as we know them were unknown, though tests of heroism and military skill had survived from the earliest times. As society became more complex and more organized, local groups, or state, national and educational branches of life, divided. Gradually a simple form of written examination emerged in each of these branches. Tests were held first of all for the few men seeking public office. The oldest known system of examinations was that used in China for the qualification of men for service in the governmental agencies.

"Written examinations are probably of more recent origin than oral quizzes, but even written examinations date back many centuries. As early as 2200 B.C., China had an elaborate national system of examinations for the purpose of selecting her public officials and these examinations have been known down through the ages for their unusual severity." 6

And, again,

"A sociologist attributes the remarkable stability of the Chinese civilization, the oldest culture of any modern nation, to five factors, one of which is her highly organized examination system. It began informally in 225 B.C., and became a definite civil service examination system in 29 B.C. The system, described as being thoroughly democratic, ruthless, invariable, and orthodox, has had profound effects, some good and some bad, not only upon the educational system of China, but also upon her whole civilization." 7

In Europe, even prior to the 5th century B.C., the educational system, as distinct from religion, was definitely becoming a force in its own right. In Greece, the great philosophers, Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle, attempted to bring a more liberal conception to the world. Oral examinations

 $[\]frac{6}{7}$ ibid,, p.41.

C.C.Ross.Measurement in To-day's Schools.New York: Prentice-Hall Company, 1947, p.27.

played an important part in their efforts to test the progress of their pupils.

"Socrates, in a method he has made famous, subjected his pupils to exhaustive and searching questioning. Oral quizzing, Socratic or otherwise, has undoubtedly been a part of classfoom procedure from the beginnings of teaching activity—in fact, there have been and still are times when it constitutes practically the whole of the teaching act." 8

Definite standards were being acquired and oral catechism and discussion attempted to check approach to these standards. As arts, sciences, trade and commerce developed, diversified interests required diversified learning and the necessity became evident for the measurements of skill and achievement. Life, of course, was still predominantly military, but definite historical milestones, such as the Olympian games under the Grecian regime, spread of Christianity with its catechetical schools, the basic codification of laws of the early Romans, mark eras when standards of measurement were being invented.

"Christian workers came in contact with the best scholars of the Hellenic learning, and particularly at Alexandria, Athens, and the cities of Asia Minor. The speculative Greek would not be satisfied with the simple, unorganized faith of the early Christians. He wanted to understand it as a system of thought, and asked many questions that were hard to answer. To meet the critical inquiry of learned Greeks, it became desirable that the clergy of the Church, in the East at least, should be equipped with a training similar to that of their critics. As a result there was finally evolved, first at Alexandria, and later at other places in the Empire, training schools for the leaders of the Church.

⁸H.A.Greene-A.N.Jorgensen, op.cit., p.41.

These schools came to be known as eatechetical schools, from their oral method of questioning, and this term was later applied to elementary religious instruction (whence catechism) throughout Western Europe." 9

Each period of History added its share to the progress of Civilization as a whole. Education became a definite requirement for those born to opportunity, and even, in numerous cases, for those of outstanding ability and interest in academic learning. As education became more definitely classified and specialized according to the knowledge of those times, a system of tests gradually played a more and important role in measuring attainment. Speaking of early teacher and student guilds during the Middle Ages, Cubberley writes as follows:

"These associations of scholars, or teachers, or both, 'born to the need of companionship which men who cultivate their intelligence feel,' sought to perform the same functions for those who studied and taught that the merchant and craft guilds were performing for their members. The ruling idea was association for discussion and study; the obtaining of corporate rights and responsibilities; and the organization of a system of apprenticeship, based on study and developing through journeymen into mastership, as attested by an examination and the license to teach." 10

Tests still depended solely on the teacher and his teaching and might vary endlessly. Oral tests gave way to written tests and through the centuries tended increasingly to be the yardstick by which progress was measured. By the 19th century formal examinations in all branches of study were well established throughout Europe. As our concern is

ibid., p.217.

Ellwood P.Cubberley. The History of Education.
New York: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1920, p.93-4.

primarily with testing in school learning, we can limit our observations to this field. England is taken as our example because her educational structure, through the American Colonies, has been the foundation of our system and hence is directly related to the investigation.

In England, as elsewhere, the first schools were Church schools and, as such, were under the jurisdiction of the Church.Regulations and standards depended entirely upon the Church concerned.Later, organized education received grants from church-school societies and the government, as a result, demanded the right to inspect schools. Usually the government appointed clergymen as school inspectors because of the power of the Church and because they were the best educated men of that day.However, there was friction between Church and State and finally, in 1870, State Schools were established in which we find local school boards with certain definite duties and powers.Rigidly controlled examinations began to dominate the educational system and, as shown by the following quotation, shackled it severely:

"Secondary education had its outlook narrowed and its aims warped by the necessity to prepare for certain competitive examinations which were supposed to set upon the schools the hall-mark of success. So keenly was the pressure of examinations felt that in November 1888 there appeared in the 'Nineteenth Century' an article protesting in the strongest terms against our 'sacrifice of education to examination', an article signed by 400 of the most eminent men and women of the day." ll

P.B.Ballard. The New Examiner. London: University of London Press, 1929, p.17.

In North America we find transplanted systems of European Education. A public school system, founded on that of England, was established in New England by the 17th century. Each State tended to vary somewhat depending upon the racial background. As the examination system was prevalent throughout all European schools, it was adapted to American schools.

"It was customary in the early days for the school committees in Massachusetts to give oral examinations in the schools under their control. By 1845 the enrollments had become so large in Boston that the committee sould no longer devote the time required for anything more than the casual examination of each pupil with an oral quiz. To meet this situation the uniform written examination was adopted. The results were so gratifying that Horace Mann wrote his enthusiastic defense of written examinations. . . " 12

In Massachusetts we have the first free schools, and this state has always been one of the fore-runners in educational progress. Later, about 1850, Horace Mann gave a fine criticism of examinations in Massachusetts and the following quotation shows that he was well ahead of his day in educational outlook:

"Horace Mann, for example, about 100 years ago, had a remarkable conception both of the importance of examinations and of the limitations of the forms then in existence. His penetrating analysis of the weakness of the oral examinations then in vogue, and of the superiority of written examinations, could hardly be improved upon by the modern specialist in measurement. Mann showed clearly the points where the oral examinations were lacking, in the technical language of to-day, in validity, reliability and usability." 13

C.C.Ross. op. cit., p.51.

ibid., p.29.

The examination system became generally and widely accepted until it acquired an importance that threatened to dominate the process of learning.

"Those examinations which have been given at the end of a marking period or a school term-commonly called final examinations - were particularly overemphasized in the past. In many schools the pupil's promotion or failure depended entirely on his performance on the final examinations. This alone magnified the significance of these examinations in the minds of teachers, pupils, and parents, all out of proportion to their actual educational value. The way in which the examinations were approached and the manner in which they were administered added to the dread that surrounded this phase of the child's educational experience. The setting aside of special examination days, the comprehensive reviews, the warnings of the teacher, and the formal examination atmosphere - all these were part of a pattern which led pupils to approach final examinations with varying degrees of concern." 14

The marking system was a direct development of the examination system. In an effort to measure pupils' ability and educational profress, teachers endeavored to work out a method of marks to represent more accurately the standard reached by the pupils. At first the chief basis for marks was absorption of content, measured by some standard which was supposedly applied uniformly to all pupils regardless of their abilities. This system of marking placed the child of low intelligence in direct competition for marks with his more able class mates. Obviously, he was at a hopeless disadvantage from the start. Under that system the hard-working child of low intelligence might fail again and again, while the brilliant pupil with little effort might receive the

W.T.Gruhn-H.R.Douglass. op.cit., p.382.

highest marks. Pupils who were a few points below the passing mark were branded as failures in school records. Students were passed who reached the "passing mark". Investigations have shown that many pupils who failed school grades have been successful in university or in business life. Everyone knows of "poor students" in school who were a great success in life. It has been established that many scores were an inaccurate indication of a pupil's ability and potential accomplishment.

Period of First Scientific Measurement in Education

As the natural sciences made rapid progress in exact measurement, leading educationalists and research men turned more and more to measurement in the educational field.

Many thought that if education was to be scientific it must be directed by psychology. In 1885, G.F. Hall published an outstanding work based on psychology called "Adolescence".

It had a profound influence and child-study acquired widespread importance. One of the first reactions to this new phase was the evolution of better methods of investigating educational measurement.

Another pioneer in psychological study was J. McKeen Cattell who made efforts to develop tests of mental ability by means of which the difference between individuals could be compared and the changed through which individuals pass in the course of development measured.

"More than anyone else, Cattell was responsible for giving to American psychology its practical bent, for with him the practical took precedence over the philosophical. As early as 1885 he began to publish important articles on reaction times and individual differences. It is Cattell who in 1890 suggested the term 'mental tests', which was to become a sort of trade-mark for the whole measurement movement." 15

His first results were comparatively unsatisfactory but were later perfected and are now standard instruments of measurement in psychology and education. Cattell and other American educators of the same period were actually carrying out and expanding somewhat the achievements of Wundt, of Leipzig, Germany, who was the first man to Establish a laboratory in psychology.

"Measuring instruments also make it possible for the worker to resort to experimental methods to learn definitely whether materials and methods are effective. This is true in the field of teaching as in other fields. Without specific aims the teacher cannot plan his work effectively. He cannot know, except in an indefinite way, what he is to do." 16

Prior to 1894 little progress was made in combatting the formal examinations of subject matter only. It was in this year that J.M.Rice conducted his spelling study in many schools and later his arithmetic investigation. He published an excellent article showing the necessity for scientific testing of school results. He is considered the real inventor of the comparative test although ducational leaders frowned on his work and it required others to perfect it. The work of these men in America closely parallels

¹⁵ C.C.Ross. op. cit., p.36.

advances made by two well known educationalists outside this continent.

Galton, an Englishman, around 1883 produced his statistical analysis for the measurement of intelligence. He was first in England to study intensively the problem of individual differences in psychology. Across the English Channel, Binet, a Frenchman, was attempting to work out a method of measuring intelligence. A man of great imaginative powers, by the method of repeated trial and error and by copying freely from others, he finally in 1905 produced the first scale for the measurement of intelligence. It is true that it was imperfect, but it served as a base for all future measurement scales. Goddard translated Binet's 1905 scale and adopted it in America.

tests were devised measuring the rate and degree of accuracy in subject matter among pupils of different grades. It is to the genius of Thorndike that we owe the next step. He devised a scale unit for the measurement of educational achievement.

No other person has studied the measurement movement in so many ways or has contributed so much to it. His work was so extensive and so effective that he is considered the "father" of the movement.

"Stimulated by the work of Dr.Rice, Professor Thorndike began to experiment with tests and scales. Stone, Hillegas, Buckingham, Trabue, Courtis, and many others were stimulated by his teaching, with the result that within the decade following Rice's introduction of the measurement idea many significant contributions were made to educational measurement." 17

¹⁷ ibid., p.3.

One more man deserves a word of mention among those associated with scientific educational measurement. Lewis M. Terman of Stanford University produced his Stanford-Binet Scale in 1916 with his manual "The Measurement of Intelligence". For two decades it remained the best individual intelligence test.

Other men were instrumental in extending the science of measurement in education during this period but the former ones made outstanding contributions. Acceptance of these advances, however, was not immediate. Education is the concern of all society, and opposition from nearly every group of organized life builds up against any new system that may react against its interests. Revolution, accordingly, or even progress, in education is necessarily slow. Even in the ranks of educationalists themselves, opposition is often strong and teachers are slow to accept new theories. Teachers for a time expressed curiosity in the new tests and scales but felt at first that they belonged to experts only. Credit for popularizing the rise of these new tests belongs to Courtis who, in 1911-12, successfully disseminated interest in them through a survey.

What were some of the main factors accelerating this measurement idea?

(1) Educators discovered how inadequate were actual measurements in schools. Many surveys in schools and colleges revealed that school marks were too subjective. Evidence was accumulated to show that teacher's marks varied as to time and as to subject. In a Wisconsin high school survey C.E. Hulten reports:

"that 15 teachers who gave passing marks the first time would have failed the pupil the second time the paper was marked and that 11 teachers who gave failing marks the first time would have passed the pupil the second time." 18

Marks were too frequently a reflection of the personality of the teacher rather than a true indiction of the pupil's ability. Thorndike and other educators were shocked by the results. Even lay-teachers saw the need for more accurate measures.

(2) Dissatisfaction with existing marks assigned by teachers. Variations in teachers' marks caused great concern to professors of education in laboratory schools.

"Why do teachers differ so much in estimating the worth of a given product and in the distribution of marks to groups of pupils? Four possible factors may be mentioned: (1) Differences in the standard of severity or leniency of different teachers; (2) Differences in the standards of severity or leniency in different schools; (3) Differences in credit or penalty assigned by different teachers to any given fact or error in a piece of work; (4) Minuteness of the discrimination between successive steps of merit or quality in a given scale of qualities." 19

(3) Research Bureaux in large educational systems were extended more effectively and examined the use of educational tests. All associated people were trained in their use and, realizing their educational importance, they carried the new testing techniques back to the classrooms.

C.C.Ross. op. cit., p.47.

H.A.Greene-A.N.Jorgensen-J.R.Gerberich.Measurement and Evaluation in the Secondary School.New York:Long. 1943, p. 136.

The recognition of the value of standard tests for diagnostic purposes has done much to popularize their use and to transfer them from the hands of specialists to teachers. The new-type tests are more objective, they can be marked easily, they permit wider sampling of the subject, and they effect a more reliable mark than the old essay-type examinations. Of course these tests were immediately popular, as many teachers believed the ordeal of final examinations would be over. These tests, however, have limitations as well. If poorly constructed, they tend to encourage the memorization of facts, they fail to develop skill in solution of problems, and they do not allow pupils to form their own opinions Mursell states that:

- 1. "they do not reveal a person's capacity for complex and sustained learnings.
- 2. our tests cannot directly reveal capacity for disentangling concepts from complex situations.
- 3. our tests cannot directly or indirectly reveal capacity for consistent and considered choice between possible courses of action.
- 4. our tests cannot directly reveal capacity for dealing sensibly and wisely with practical problems.
- 5. our tests cannot reveal directly a person's capacity for controlled and effective methods of work.
- 6. our tests cannot directly indicate the depth, strength and subtlety of a person's appreciative reactions in ethical, social, or aesthetic matters.
- *above all, our tests cannot even begin directly to reveal capacity for producing original ideas and construction — for initiative." 20

James L. Mursell. <u>Psychological Testing</u>. New York: Longmans, Green and **Co.**, 1949, p. 14-15.

"The other side of the picture is that despite limitations which every judicious student of the subject is bound to recognize, the modern testing movement has achieved great and indubitable successes, both practical and theoretical." 21

The following quotation summarizes the evolution of testing systems and the progress towards efficacy of tests as measurements in evaluating educational progress:

"Teachers long have measured the results of their teaching efforts. However, it is only relatively recently that any degree of accuracy has been injected into their methods of measurement. For many years the teacher's estimate was accepted as the sole measure of a pupil's ability or accomplishment. Studies of the reliability of such methods gradually began to cast a doubt on their accuracy. Accordingly, interested teachers and research workers began to seek for more dependable measures. This movement was fostered by the so-called 'survey' movement among educators which appeared at about the same time. Possibly the survey movement itself was a product of the same spirit of unrest and dissatisfaction with educational methods which brought into being the measurement movement. The survey movement left in its wake aperfectly logical result—the establishment of many centres of interest in the more exact evaluation of the results of educational practices. These later appeared as bureaus of educational measurement and research, a few of which are still functioning. Very distinctive service has been rendered by these agencies through their work in construction, standardization, and critical evaluation of educational measuring instruments." 22

²¹ ibid., p.16.

²² H.A.Greene-A.N.Jorgensen, op.cit., p.572.

Progress since 1918

Thorndike in 1918, published one of the most influential papers of this period on educational measurement.

"The paper began with the well known dictum: Whatever exists at all exists in some amount, and ended with this note of satisfaction: Of the gains made in the past decade, we may well be proud." 23

In this paper Thorndike showed the gains of the past decade and predicated much improvement in the immediate future. The place of these tests was finally established in the field of education and their use began to spread into other lines of work. A system of testing had been initiated in army life during the First World War and was considered of value. Buckingham 24 states states that in 1919 "test-making passed from an amateur to a professional basis". The general picture is that, as in schools teachers had accepted test to improve marking, so the general public adopted unconditionally the test-result method. In fact we enter a decade or so of complete confidence in all tests. Many were good but inevitably some were poor. One point is clear: Monroe 25 in his "Ten Years of Educational Research, 1918-27" notes "that the pioneer state of educational research is passed."

By 1927 the survey type of tests had given way to specific and diagnostic tests. Their purpose was to show a

²³ C.C.Ross, op. cit., p.49.

R.B.Buckingham. "Cur First Twenty-five Years."

Proceedings of the National Education Association, 1941, p.354.

Walter S. Monroe. Ten Years of Educational Research? 1918-27. Bureau of Educational Research Bulletin, No. 42. Urbana: University of Illinois, 1928.

pupil's weak and strong points and they were a decided improvement on the early tests, which were too general. The rapid development of high-school tests for all subjects followed. These were a great factor towards better marking as objective tests were cheap and so were widely used. About this time some educators began to doubt the results of the tests and a critical attitude developed towards them. As the field of measurement and experiment was extended into new areas, the critical force increased and, as it was supported by educational publications of the day, it resulted in more intensive diagnostic work. In view of this research, more attention was given to reliability and validity of tests. The final outcome of this later period was that people realized that standard tests did not meet all the required needs of measurement and techniques must be improved for truer evaluation. This critical attitude towards tests is a strong progressive factor because it requires of teachers, not that they should abandon objective tests, but that they should analyze the test scores.

"Hildreth points out some beneficial results of this change: A more critical attitude towards intelligence measurement, as the outcome of continued experimentation, has resulted in more authoritative research findings, more sensible and intelligent interpretation of data. This attitude has shown itself with respect to achievement tests and personality measurements as well. The result has been not so much the curtailment of the use of tests, as their more critical use and the more cautious interpretation of test scores." 26

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C.C.Ross, op.cit., p.63-4.

The gradual progress in scientific measurement with its resulting standardized and diagnostic tests has led steadily to greater validity in teachers' marks and has reacted against the general tendency to discredit the examination system. The present study may be considered , therefore, as an indication of the value of teachers' marks in the high schools of Manitoba for the purpose of promotion from Grade XI.

CHAPTER III

A STUDY OF STUDENT MARKS IN SIX COLLEGIATES FOR 1949

The investigation was begun in Gordon Bell High School by obtaining Department of Education June marks for non-exempted students for 1949. The writer obtained from school records marks for students listed for non-exemption the previous May. These marks were recorded on Tally Sheets (see Appendix A). The name of the student was replaced by a number in the final analysis of totals. The results, recorded in Table II read as follows: Subject, Number of Pupils, Total (whether positive or negative), per Pupil Average, either positive or negative, and, lastly, the Number of Papers having the same mark as that of the Department of Education. These results are recorded in Tables II to VII inclusive, of this chapter.

TABLE II

SUMMARY OF GORDON BELL EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED

WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1949

Subject	Number of Papers	Total Plus or Minus	Per Pupil Average Plus or Minus	Number of Papers Equal to Dept.
Lit. Comp. Hist. Geom. Alg. Chem. Phys. Fr. Lat.	68 70 64 67 65 59 21 50	-82 245 325 -1232 -519 -592 -170 -386 -119	-1.16 3.5 5.01 -18.39 -7.98 -10. -8.1 -7.6 -9.1	3 2 1 0 0 1 1 1

This table represents the measure of difference in teacher and Provincial marks for each of the nine subjects. The subject in first position is Literature with -1.16 average and it means that each pupil was marked 1.16 points below the mark obtained in the Provincial Examination held in June. Composition is next with 3.5 average, followed by History. These are the only subjects over-scored. Algebra and French have the same average followed closely by Physics while Latin the range is a little wider. Chemistry with -10. has the second highest under-valuation, with Geometry, as the highest, averaging -18.39. The general results presented here indicate, for 1949 at least, that teachers under-estimated the ability of the students.

It was considered advisable to carry the study to another Winnipeg High School to ascertain the degree of similarity or variation from school to school within the City of Winnipeg and to establish the reliability of the sampling. Marks for "non-recommended" pupils from Kelvin High School were secured for this purpose. The results from Kelvin are presented in Table III.

TABLE III

SUMMARY OF KELVIN EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED

WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1949

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Lit. Comp. Hist. Geom. Alg. Chem. Phys. Fr. Lat.	69 70 68 65 65 70 24 52	101 486 352 -995 -414 137 -60 344 156	1.46 6.94 5.17 -15.31 -6.37 1.95 -2.5 6.61 19.5	4 0 1 1 0 3 0

The Kelvin school returns have many results in common with Gordon Bell for 1949. The two schools have almost the same number of students. Literature again has the best average and also has four papers with equal marks in Collegiate and Departmental scores. In fact Literature and History are very

close in both schools. Science marks bear a similar relation to those of the Department. Chemistry is over-estimated, Physics under-estimated. Geometry has the greatest under-valuing, -15.31, and Algebra has -6.37. In Mathematics the averages are similar in the two schools. In the Language averages the situation is exactly the reverse of that of the first Winnipeg school. Both Languages are decidedly over-estimated, while in Gordon Bell, they are as much under-estimated.

Each school has a total of nine sets of equal marks.

A comparison of marks for the West Kildonan (Centernial)

Collegiate is reported in Table IV.

TABLE IV

SUMMARY OF WEST KILDONAN RESULTS COMPARED WITH

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1949

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Subject	Number of Papers	Total Plus or Minus	Per Pupil Average Plus or Minus	Number of Papers Equal to Department
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This Collegiate has the best returns of all schools examined and presents many close averages, namely, Literature with .93, Geometry .6, Algebra .06, Chemistry .6, and French

.ll per paper.Latin with -1.25 average is exceptionally high for that subject and is outstanding in the respect that there are two sets of equal marks out of four papers.

In these results Algebra and Geometry have almost the Departmental average. The two previous schools show considerable under-estimation in both Mathematics. Literature has a close average but Composition is decidedly over-estimated. These English subjects have no papers with the same marks as those of the Department. History is also over-marked.

With the exception of Composition, Physics and History
West Kildonan has all averages close to the Department standard.

The analysis of marks for the Dauphin Collegiate are reported in Table V.

TABLE V
SUMMARY OF DAUPHIN EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED
WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1949

Subject	Number of Papers	Total Plus or Minus	Per Pupil Average Plus or	Number of Paper Equal to Department
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Lit.	34	-36	-1.06	0
Comp.	34	-54	-1.58	0 .
Hist.	34	35	1.03	0
Geom.	32	-70	-2.18	0
Alg.	30	- 60	-2.0	1
Chem.	34	-111	-3.27	0
Phys.	27	-18	66	1
Fr.	22	8	.36	ō
Lat.	11	-33	-3.0	0

These results are the best so far because there is no significant over-estimation or under-estimation. It is true that seven subjects are under-scored but not to any degree. Averages are close throughout although there are only two equal marks.

The best average is French with .36, closely followed by Physics. The two English subjects have a near zero average and present less spread than in other schools. History also presents a close average. Algebra and Geometry show a slight deviation from the Departmental standard. Latin has a close average, -3, and is followed by Chemistry with the widest variation, -3.27.

The analysis of the Morden (Maple Leaf) Collegiate returns are given in Table VI.

TABLE VI
SUMMARY OF MORDEN EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED
WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1949

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Comp.	·9	152	16.89	0
Hist.	10	15	1.5	0
Geom.	10	74	7.4	0
Alg.	8	97	12.12	0
Chem.	8	-80	-10.	0
Pyhs.	7	-51	-7. 28	0
Fr.	7	52	7.43	Ţ
Lat.	4	24	6.0	1

These averages represent more diversified returns than in other schools. The best average, 1.5, is in History. Latin, over-scored by six points, comes next. Literature is underestimated by the same amount. Geometry and French have the same average, with Physics under-valued to the same degree. Chemistry is considerably under-estimated, and Algebra and Composition have the widest deviation.

Languages are over-estimated as in Kelvin.Only in
Languages are there any sets of marks the same in both school
and Departmental results.Chemistry and Physics are similar
to the two Winnipeg Collegiates— in fact Chemistry is the
same as in Gordon Bell school.In Mathematics we find much
over-estimation, particularly in Algebra.This is the first
Collegiate with such significant over-scoring.

The last Collegiate studied was Portage la Prairie.

Table VII contains its summary.

TABLE VII
SUMMARY OF PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED
WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1949

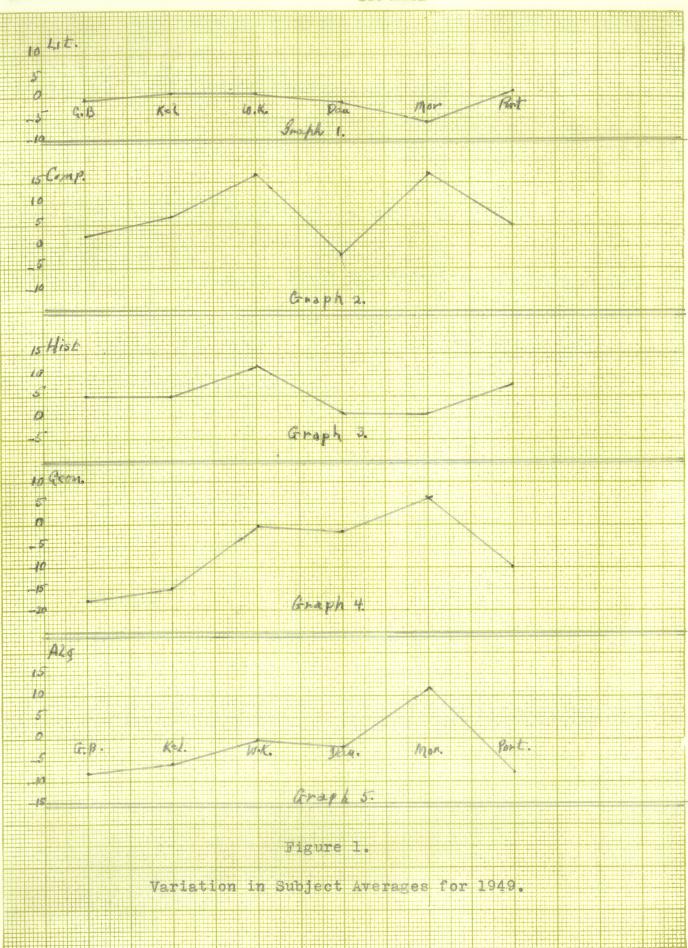
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Number of Papers	Total Plus or minus	Per Pupil Average Plus or Minus	Number of Papers Equal to Department
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The pattern of averages in this Collegiate presents one unusual feature. Literature and Composition are both positive, Mathematics are both negative, Sciences are both positive, and Languages are both negative. In other words, each group is entirely positive or entirely negative.

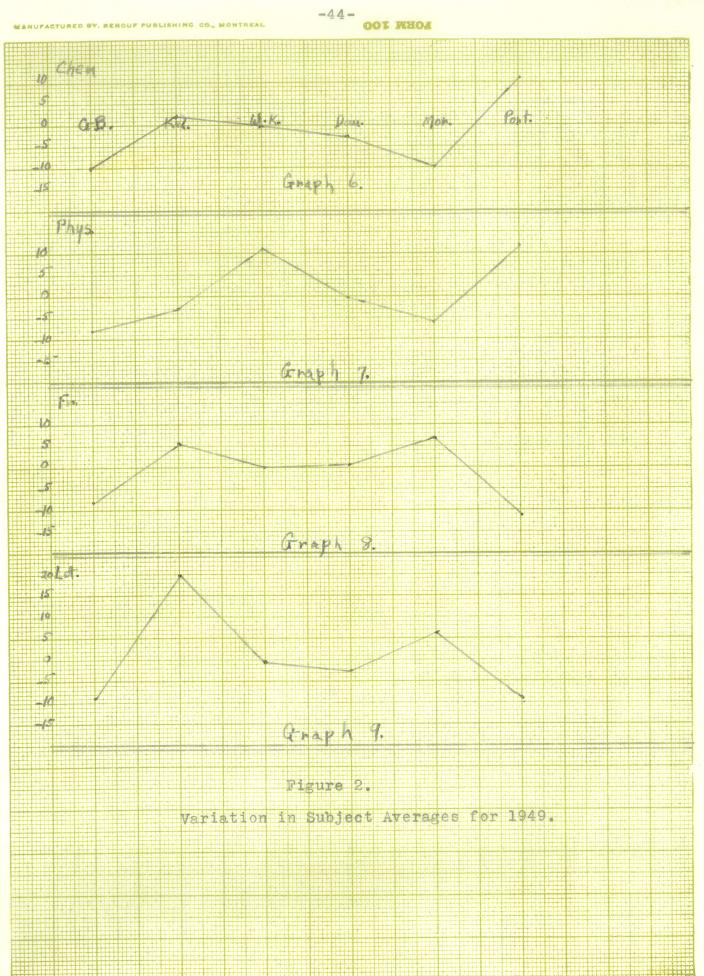
In the English section, the results are similar to those of Kelvin and Gordon Bell, although Literature is over-valued. It will be noted that Literature has the closest average and has one paper equal to that of the Department of Education. History is over-scored more than in any other school except West Kildonan. Geometry and Algebra are both under the standard as in Dauphin, Kelvin and Gordon Bell. Languages bear out the under-valuation of Gordon Bell. Sciences are decidedly overestimated, a situation opposite to the results in the majority of the other Collegiates.

Summary of Subject Matter Variation, Study I

The remainder of the study on variation in examination marks for 1949 consists of graphical presentations of variation. The charts are made for each subject individually and then in composite graph form. A deviation from the Departmental average, which is represented by zero, has the same value whether plus or minus. In other words a +4 rating represents the same distance from zero as does a -4. Graphs are presented hereafter for each subject and on page 45 a composite graph is given for all subjects.







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The previous graphs for each subject examined in 1949 present their variations. These, in turn, are co-ordinated in a composite graph. It is not the intention of the writer to repeat individual subject graphs for the years 1950 and 1951, but rather to use the composite graph only. In Figures 1 and 2, variations are shown. The writer considers from \$\displaystyle{5}\$ to \$-5\$ a reasonable fluctuation from the Department of Education standard. This is, of necessity, an arbitrary area of measurement but will/serve adequately to illustrate variation. Figure 3 shows that all subjects for one Collegiate are inside the designated range and six subjects for another school are also within this area. In the remaining schools are to be found a varying number of subjects beyond this range. In the latter schools it is usually a few subjects that have caused this wide variation.

As shown in graphs 1,2,3, 8 and 9, slight variations exist in Literature, Composition, History, French and Latin. In the remaining graphs, curves are skewed because of extreme variation found in some cases in occasional subjects. History is over-estimated in every Collegiate examination, and Composition in five out of six.

The last part of the investigation for this year is a comparison of the means obtained from Departmental marks and those of the Collegiates. Table VIII contains these data.

TABLE VIII

RANGE IN MEANS OF SCHOOL MARKS COMPARED WITH
THE RANGE OF DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS, 1949

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Comp.	Humas mus must	62	57	58	51	62	38	54	53	64	51	63° 58	54-64 38-58
Hist. Dept.	11	61	58	55	51	57	50	60	61	64	56	69-1	55-69 50-63
Geom.	TT TOTAL	63	80	45	56	50	50	58	63	77	61	~ ~	45-77 50-80
Alg. Dept.	11	65	72	50	57	51	55	69	73	76	58		50-76 55-73
Chem. Dept.	manufactural translationed	54	65	53	51	43	40	62	60	36	52		36-70 40-65
Phys. Dept.	COLUMN SERVICE CONTRACTOR CONTRAC	59	64	53	57	50	40	70	71	42	51		42-70
Fr. Dept.	10	58	64	61	54	50	53	55	56	5(39		50-61 39-66
Lat. Dept.	18	50	57	60	50	55	55	60	64	50	43	- 40	50-60 43-64

On comparing the means of the subjects as listed in this table, the former variations of the subjects, in the main, are upheld. We find the range is lowest in Literature when both Department of Education and Collegiate returns are considered. This means that the results are best in this subject. History follows, with the range almost equal in both Departmental and Collegiate marks. Composition, Latin and French form a satisfactory group.

The lowest group, in keeping with the previous analysis, consists of Chemistry, Physics, Algebra and Geometry in which the spread from the means is wide in both Collegiate and Departmental results.

In conclusion, some significant results may be re-stated in brief for the study of examinations made for 1949.

- 1. In two Collegiates the fluctuation is slight from

 Department standards. In the other Collegiates wider

 variation has been caused, chiefly by a few subjects

 in each case.
- 2. The variation in subject matter scores is not large for Literature, History, Composition, Latin and French.
- 3. There is significant variation in the case of Chemistry, Physics, Algebra and Geometry.
- 4. History is over-estimated in all six sxhools, and Composition in five of the six Collegiates.

CHAPTER IV

COMPARATIVE STUDY FOR THE YEAR 1950

The next year studied in the investigation is 1950. The returns for that year are herewith submitted for subsequent analysis. Table IX presents the Gordon Bell results for 1950.

TABLE IX

SUMMARY OF GORDON BELL EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED

WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1950

Subject	Number of Papers	Total Plus or Minus	Per Pupil Average Plus or Minus	Number of Papers Equal to Department
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Lit.	51	<u>- 175</u>	-3,43	
Comp.	52	312	6.0	Õ
Hist.	54	360	6.74	ĭ
Geom.	49	-482	-9.83	0
Alg.	3	on 27	-9.0	Ö
Chem.	17	-315	-18.52	Ō
Phys.	12	11	.91	
Fr.	3	-42	-14.0	Ō
Lat.	0			Ç.

Physics shows the least variation, being only .91 above
Departmental average.Literature is under-valued -3.43 while
Composition and History are almost equal, an over-valuation of
6 and 6.74 respectively.Geometry and Algebra have approximately
an equal negative rating.French with few papers is under-valued
14 points.Chemistry has the greatest variation with -18.52 average.

It was considered advisable to select the middle year, 1950, for a study of pupil variation. The mark of each pupil in any subject the average for which was outside the +5 to -5 range, was examined with a view to determining the number of individual papers in that subject beyond a +10 to-10 variation from the Departmental standard. To comprehend the division more easily, two separate columns are made for the papers over-valued with the division +10 to +20 in one column, and over +20 in the other. The same recording was made for the under-valued papers. This has been done for each Collegiate and is reported for Gordon Bell in Table X.Deviation of individual pupil marks is indicated by the number of papers recorded in the columns headed Above Department Average and Below Department Average. For example, in Gordon Bell, Chemistry has an average of -18.52(Table IX), and the number of pupils in the under-valued column is 12, or 12 papers out of a total of 17.

TABLE X

PUPIL VARIATION IN WIDE RANGE SUBJECTS IN GORDON BELL, 1950

Subject	Number of Papers		f Pupils pt.Average 20, +20	Below I	of Pupils ept.Aver.
Comp.	52	13	6	5	0
Hist.	54	15	7	6	ī
Geom.	49	4	0	10	13
Alg.	3	0	0	1	ī
Chem.	17	0	0	6	6
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Geometry has 23 out of 49 pupils below the -10 range and Chemistry has 12 out of 17 papers so defined. Composition and History are over-valued. The school marks in Geometry tend to be severe. On the other hand marks in Composition and History would indicate leniency. These variations support the findings of Table IX.

The results for Kelvin Collegiate are reposted in Table XI.

TABLE XI

SUMMARY OF KELVIN EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED

WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1950

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Subject	Number of Papers	Total Plus or Minus	Per Pupil Average Plus or Minus	Number of Papers Equal to Department
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Lit. Comp. Hist. Geom. Alg. Chem. Phys. Fr. Lat.	43 42 46 35 21 21 3 17	-227 -3 131 -93 197 -67 2 126 56	-5.27 07 2.84 -2.65 9.38 -3.19 .66 7.41 5.09	1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0
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Composition shows the least variation, being only -.07. Physics, with three papers, is .66. Subjects varying significantly are Literature, Algebra, French and Latin. History and Geometry average 2.84 above and -2.65 below respectively. Chemistry has -3.19 under-estimation. French shows an average of 7.41 while Algebra is slightly wider in its variation.

Kelvin averages are close to the Departmental standard, except in Algebra and French. Subjects to be further investigated are: Literature, Algebra, French and Latin. These subjects are given in the Table below.

TABLE XII
PUPIL VARIATION IN WIDE RANGE SUBJECTS IN KELVIN, 1950

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Literature with 11 pupils in the first negative range and 2 in the second, indicates the subject to be under-valued. Algebra has a total of 9 papers in the Over columns and, with but 3 in the under-valued, suggests the subject is over-estimated. French and Latin support the over-estimation established in the variation averages, which were 7.41 and 5.09 respectively. The number of pupils in the respective columns corresponds with the positive or negative balance obtained in variation averages.

West Kildonan results for 1950 are presented herewith:

TABLE XIII

SUMMARY OF WEST KILDONAN EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1950

Subject Number Papers Lit. 16 Comp. 17 Hist. 18 Geom. 17 Alg. 4		Per Pupil	Number of Papers
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Chem. 3 Phys. 0 Fr. 1 Lat. 1	-129 -30 100 -7 1 25	-8.06 -1.76 5.55 41 .25 8.33	1 0 0 0 0 0

It will be observed that, for this year, the number of papers in Mathematics, Science and Languages is reduced considerably. Although the averages are not as representative as could be desired, they can be considered. No students wrote Physics because they had taken an optional subject that does not condern this study.

Geometry and Algebra show the least variation with almost zero averages. Composition is under-estimated -1.76, while French is above the standard by two points. History is over-valued by 5.5 and Latin is relatively the same, but under-valued. Literature and Chemistry present the widest variation, -8.06 and 8.33.

Subjects beyond the five point range in West Kildonan are studied in Table XIV.

TABLE XIV

PUPIL VARIATION IN WIDE RANGE SUBJECTS IN WEST KILDONAN, 1950

Subject	Number of Papers	Mumber Above D	Number of Pupils Above Dept.Average +10 to +20,+20		Number of Pupils Below Dept.Average -10 to -20, -20	
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Lit. Hist. Chem. Lat.	16 18 3 1	1 7 2 6	0 1 0 0	1. 0 0	2 1 0 0	

Literature, with 4 papers in the Below Department column for the first range and 2 papers in the second shows that more than one-third of the papers are in this area. History with 8 papers in the Above columns indicates over-evaluation and the same rating is true of Chemistry. Latin, while outside the narrow five point range, has no paper beyond the ten point range, its only mark being -6. These figures support the averages formerly obtained in the variation study.

The results for Dauphin Collegiate are reported in Table XV.

SUMMARY OF DAUPHIN EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED
WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1950

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Subject	Number of Papers	Total Plus or Minus	Per Pupil Average Plus or Minus	Number of Papers Equal to Department
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Chemistry with .37 has the lowest variation. History shows a close average of 2.25. Languages come next, each with 3. Algebra and Physics have only slight deviation, the former 4 and the latter -4.85. Geometry is under-valued by -6. The English subjects both average 11, present the widest variation.

For Dauphin the subjects outside the five point range are: iterature, Composition and Geometry. The next Table will contain detailed analysis in these subjects.

TABLE XV!

PUPIL VARIATION IN WIDE RANGE SUBJECTS IN DAUPHIN, 1950

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Subject	Number of Papers	Above De	of Pupils ept.Average 20, +20	Number of Below De Blo to	f pupils pt.Average 20, 20
Lit. Comp. Geom.	16 16 16	4 6 1	4 2 0	0 0 2	0 0 2

Dauphin, with only three subjects outside the five point range suggests low ranges in 1950. There are 8 papers out of 16 in the Above column in both Literature and Composition, so that over-estimation is indicated. Geometry is under-valued but the degree of deviation is lower than in Literature or Composition (-6 in Geometry compared with 11 in Literature and Composition), as a smaller number of pupils usually produces a corresponding decrease in the variation average.

The results of Morden Collegiate are reported in Table XVII,

TABLE XVII

SUMMARY OF MORDEN EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED

WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1950

Subject	Number of Papers	Total Plus or Minus	Per Pupil Average Plus or Minus	Number of Papers Equal to Department
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Lit.	16	-117	-7. 31	2
Comp.	16	79	4.94	O -
Hist.	16	49	3.06	0
Geom.	15	19	1.26	0
Alg.	5	-149	-29.8	0
Chem.	5	27	5.4	1
Phys.	5	-8	-1.6	0
Fr.	3	41	13.67	Ö
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Geometry has a variation of 1.26 from Departmental standard, with Physics, -1.6. History and Composition have satis - factory averages, both over-estimated. Chemistry ranks next with 5.4 and is followed by Literature, -7.31. French has a wide variation, 13.67, while the average in Algebra is extreme, -29.8.

These averages show four subjects which require individual pupil analysis, namely, Literature, Algebra, Chemistry, and French.

TABLE XVIII
PUPIL VARIATION IN WIDE RANGE SUBJECTS IN MORDEN, 1950

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Subject	Number of Papers	Number of Above Dep +10 to +2	pt.Average	Number of Pupils Below Dept.Average -10 to -20, -20	
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Lit. Alg. Chem. Fr.	16 5 5 3	2 0 1 2	0 0 1 0	6 1 1 0	1 3 0 0

Literature has approximately one-half the pupils in the Below Department Average column and is under-valued. Algebra, with 4 of 5 papers in the Below columns, presents wide negative variation. French has 2 out of 3 papers above the Department average, indicating positive variation, as is obtained in the former study, 13.67.

The results for Portage la Prairie are reported in Table XIX.

TABLE XIX

SUMMARY OF PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE EXAMINATION RESULTS

COMPARED WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1950

Subject	Number of Papers	Total Plus or Minus	Per Pupil Average Plus or Minus	Number of Papers Equal to Department
Comp. Hist. Geom. Alg. Chem. Phys. Fr.	17 16 11 11 11 9 8	-33 159 10 -13 -70 90 61 -38 -26	9.31 .62 -1.18 -6.36 8.18 6.77 -4.75 -5.2	1 2 0 0 0 0 0

2.

History, .62, has the average closest to the Departmental standard.Literature and Geometry have little variation with -1.94 and -1.18 respectively. The average in French is -4.75 while Latin shows a little wider variation, -5.2. Algebra is under-estimated by -6.36 while Physics is over-valued by 6.77. Chemistry is over-scored, 8.18, as is Composition with a slightly wider deviation.

Portage la Frairie has Composition, Algebra, Chemistry,
Physics and Latin outside the five point average range. These subjects are analyzed in the following Table.

TABLE XX

PUPIL VARIATION IN WIDE RANGE SUBJECTS IN PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE,

1950

Subject Number of Papers		Above	of Pupils Dept.Average +20, +20	Number of Pupils Below Dept.Average -10 to-20, -20	
Comp. Alg. Chem. Phys. Lat.	17 11 11 9 5	5 0 5 3 0	3 0 0 1 0	2 4 0 1	0 0 0 0 0

Composition, with 8 pupils in the over-estimated column and only 2 pupils in the first negative range, ranks above the Departmental average. Algebra with 4 papers in the negative range is below the standard average. Chemistry and Physics are over-valued, while Latin shows under-valuation corresponding to its variation average, -5.2.

No further analysis of this nature is necessary for the remaining years of the investigation, as the results of this

study are conclusive. In brief, if an Accredited Collegiate has a high positive average, there will be a corresponding number of pupils whose marks are over-estimated. Similarly, if the negative average is large, the number of negative papers will indicate the number of pupils under-valued. The following two Tables illustrate the extent of over-evaluation and under-evaluation of subjects for 1950.

TABLE XXI
SUBJECTS IN COLLEGIATES SHOWING SIGNIFICANT OVER-ESTIMATION

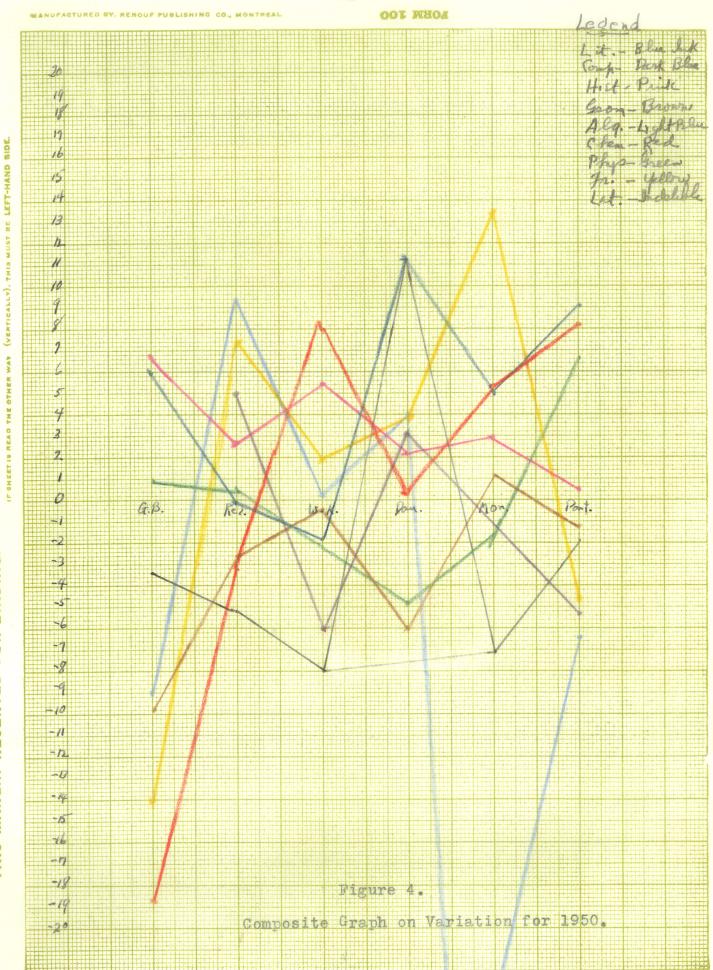
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TABLE XXII
SUBJECTS IN COLLEGIATES SHOWING SIGNIFICANT UNDER-ESTIMATION

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The foregoing Tables, it is important to note, are for subjects outside the five point range. Table XXI reveals only 14 instances out of a possible 51 where the average is more than the five point range, a total of 27.4%. In the next Table the under-valued subjects are indicated, 12 in number out of 51, a total of 23.7%. Considering the narrow range allowed for fluctuation, and the few extreme variations that always bring the percentage down considerably, this deviation from the Departmental average is not excessive.

A graphical representation of the data is given in Figure 4.



on the same scale as was used last year. When the +5 to -5 variation from the Department of Education standard is applied to the graph the following results are established: one Collegiate with six subjects, one school with five subjects, three schools with four subjects, one Collegiate with two subjects, fall within this directive range. This is a concentrated return even if there is no Collegiate with all subjects within the area of measurement.

Good graphs are recorded for History, Composition,
Literature, Physics, Latin and Geometry. In Chemistry, French and
Algebra, greater variations have marred the uniformity of the
graph.

History is over-estimated in all Collegiates and Composition in all but one.

Ranking of Subjects by the Method of Variation

A narrow range of average variation, \$\dagger*5 to \$-5\$, was introduced in 1949 as a close standard of deviation between Collegiate marks and those of the Department of Education. This unit of measurement has been applied to the averages of subjects and checked against the analysis of the Composite graph. With this standard of comparison, the respective ranking of subjects through variation presents the following order: History, Geometry, Physics, Composition, French, Literature, Chemistry, Algebra and Latin.

The second minor study in this chapter concerns the analysis of the means for both Collegiate and Department marks.

The intention of the writer is to determine the position of subjects by the method of means and compare the results obtained in the previous analysis through variation. The data of the sets of means are set forth in Table XXIII.

TABLE XXIII

RANGE IN MEANS OF SCHOOL MARKS COMPARED WITH

THE RANGE OF DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS, 1950

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Geom. "Dept. "	60 72	54 56	555	53	75	74 53-7 5 76 56-76
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Analysis of the Table of means reveals several interesting points. Composition has the best series in the study of means and is closely followed by Literature, History and Geometry.

Similar results were obtained in the former study in variation. Individual examination for each school shows that in Literature, Composition, History and Geometry, all Collegiates are close in both sets of means.

The next group consists of Chemistry, French and Physics. In Chemistry, means in school marks correspond closely to that determined for Departmental marks. French has high scores in both sets of means. Physics shows up better in variation than in the study of means.

Algebra and Latin present the greatest diversity in means. Extreme marks have resulted in wide ranges for these subjects.

Even though these two lines of study are disassociated, it is interesting to observe that there is an analogy in the conclusions. Subjects which have borne close relationship between Collegiate and Department scores in the study on variation and on the graph representing it have for the most part sustained this relationship in the study of means.

In conclusion, the writer wishes to state that detailed analysis of data has established low variations for Composition, History, Physics and Geometry, the same subjects, except Physics and Geometry, that approached most closely Department standards. French and Chemistry have widened their degrees of deviation. Algebra and Latin have the greatest range of variation. The objective subjects have produced the greatest range in marking, judged by standards of the Department, and the subjective ones the least for 1950.

The study of marks for 1951 is made in Chapter V.

CHAPTER V

THIRD YEAR OF INVESTIGATION, 1951

The last of the three years of this study is the most important as it continues into 1951 and supplies the cumulative material necessary for the analysis.

Comparative study of marks for Gordon Bell Collegiate is reported in Table XXIV.

TABLE XXIV

SUMMARY OF GORDON BELL EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED

WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1951

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Physics has the best average with -.3.Composition is over-valued by 4.56. French follows in third position with an under-valuation according to Department standard of -5.59.

Literature indicates over-evaluation. History and Algebra have a similar degree of variation, the former with a positive

score, while the latter is negative. The remaining subjects have wider variation, with Chemistry showing the greatest, -15.38.

Comparative analysis of the marks for Kelvin are given herewith:

TABLE XXV

SUBMARY OF KELVIN EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED

WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1951

Subject	Number of Fapers	Total Plus or Minus	Per Pupil Average Plus or Minus	Number of Papers Equal to Department
Lit. Comp. Hist. Geom. Alg. Chem. Phys. Fr. Lat.	29	9	.31	1
	31	-42	-1.35	1
	31	6	.19	3
	30	-258	-8.6	1
	44	-418	-9.5	3
	41	-8	19	0
	18	-14	77	0
	36	402	11.16	0

Five subjects have an average under one point, namely,
Literature, History, Chemistry, Physics and Latin. These subjects
are followed by Composition with a small variation. Mathematics
are under-valued considerably. Over-evaluation for French amounts
to 11.16. Except for three subjects, Geometry, Algebra and French,
the degree of difference from the Departmental average is small.
Only the three subjects noted are more than five points from the
Department averages.

West Kildonan marks are given in Table XXVI.

TABLE XXVI

SUMMARY OF WEST KILDONAN EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED

WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1951

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	17	-47	-2.76	1
	17	143	8.41	0
	16	163	10.18	0
	16	193	12.06	0
	15	125	8.33	0
	16	116	7.25	1
	6	108	18.0	1
	3	-13	-4.33	0

Table XXVI indicates pronounced variability from the Department standard in several cases. Composition is underestimated by only -2.76 per paper. In addition, Literature and Latin are also close. The marks for six subjects, History, Geometry, Algebra, Chemistry, Physics and French are significantly above the Departmental averages.

Comparative analysis of the marks for Dauphin Collegiate are given below.

TABLE XXVII

SUMMARY OF DAUPHIN EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED

WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1951

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French is the only extreme variation in a table of good averages. Chemistry, Composition and Latin have close averages, all less than one point. Geometry and Physics indicate narrow ranges from the standard. The same relative position is found for Literature and Algebra. History is over-scored 5 per paper. French has an exceptional variation.

Morden marks are reported in the next table.

TABLE XXVIII
SUMMARY OF MORDEN EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED WITH

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The evaluation of pupil results in the Morden Collegiate indicate a tendency to over-estimation. Literature and Composition are close to Department standard. Geometry is somewhat over-marked. History and French have identical averages, both over-estimated. Algebra, Physics and Chemistry, vary significantly from the Departmental averages. No Latin papers were written in 1951.

This school indicates considerable fluctuation and irregularity in averages for the year.

Comparative analysis of marks for Portage la Prairie are reported in Table XXIX.

TABLE XXIX
SUMMARY OF PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPARED
WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR THE YEAR 1951

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Comp.	18	212	11.77	Ō
Hist.	17	-89	-5.23	1
Geom.	19	-32	-1.68	Ō
Alg.	18	<u>~</u> 19	-1.05	0
Chem.	18	-250	-13.88	l
Phys.	20	264	13.2	l .
Fr.	10	- 95	-9,5	0
Lat.	7	-52	-7.42	O

mental standards. Geometry and Algebra are under-valued slightly and are the closest averages obtained. Literature indicates a deviation of 4.94 per paper. It is to be noted that History is next and is under-scored, a result that has not occurred before. Languages have considerable deviation and are both under-valued. Composition is significantly over-estimated. Physics and Chemistry have high variations, one being over-estimated and the other under-valued.

A brief comparative analysis of the Collegiates follows herewith. It will be observed that high averages are found in every Collegiate for some subjects. Table XXX is compiled to determine the extent of variation beyond the five point average.

TABLE XXX

NUMBER OF SUBJECTS OUTSIDE FIVE-POINT AVERAGE

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Variation is pronounced as it occurs in 29 instances out of a possible 53, (no Latin in West Kildonan) 54.7%. Over-evaluation is more marked than under-evaluation as it accounts for 16 out of the 29 cases. Two Collegiates, Gordon Bell and Portage la Prairie, have decided under-estimation while West Kildonan is over-scored. Considerable divergence exists this year between Departmental standards and those of the Collegiates, except in Literature and Composition. Kelvin and Dauphin present close averages with few high deviations.

Comparison of Averages for Collegiates

In comparison with Gordon Bell results for this year
Kelvin averages are closer to Departmental standards in Literature
and Composition. Sciences are under-estimated as in Gordon Bell.
Languages in Kelvin are over-valued while in the other Winnipeg

school, they are under-estimated. History is over-marked in both Collegiates.

West Kildonan averages in Literature and Composition rank between Kelvin and Gordon Bell.Geometry and Algebra are positive averages while in the two Winnipeg schools they have negative scores. History is positive. There is nearly as wide a spread in Physics and Chemistry as in Gordon Bell. French is highly overscored as in Kelvin, while Latin is the lowest of the three schools.

In Dauphin Literature has an average closer than in West Kildonan or Gordon Bell and second to Kelvin.Composition is the best average. History is similar to Composition in its rank. Algebra and Geometry have the best averages in all Collegiates. In Chemistry, Dauphin ranks next to Kelvih. Physics compares closely with the fine averages in Winnipeg Collegiates. French is similar to West Kildonan and Kelvin. Latin is the best of the four schools.

Morden averages are compared with those of the other schools for 1951. Literature has the best score, except for Kelvin. The average in History is similar to that in other schools with the exception of Kelvin. Dauphin and Morden are close in Geometry. The variation in Algebra is low for this year in Dauphin only, the remainder of the Collegiates being much the same as Morden. Chemistry has a high variation similar to Gordon Bell and West Kildonan. Physics has the highest range of any school. Morden has the second lowest average in French which, in 1951, is higher in all schools.

All Collegiates indicate close averages in Literature.

The Composition score for Portage la Prairie is a high one compared to other schools. In History the deviation compares favorably;



but is a negative scoring. Geometry and Algebra have the closest averages with Dauphin a close second. Portage la Frairie has a wide variation in Chemistry as is true of half the schools.

In Physics this Collegiate has a high average when compared with Dauphin or the Winnipeg schools. Gordon Bell ranks best in French with Portage la Prairie close to it. Latin is the same as in West Kildonan. Both of these schools are higher than Dauphin and Kelvin but lower than Gordon Bell.

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An analysis of the range of variation in this graph establishes that seven subjects in one Collegiate, six subjects in another, are inside the five point range. The remaining Collegiates have varying number of subjects inside the area with the lowest school having only two. Variation is great, especially in French. All Collegiates are outside the range in this subject. The concentration about the zero line is not close for 1951.

Variation ranks subjects as follows for the year 1951: Literature, Composition, History, Physics, Latin, Geometry, Chemistry, Algebra, and French.

As in previous years, analysis of means in Departmental and Collegiate marks is carried out in order to determine how they compare with the results in variation. These data are set forth in Table XXXI.

TABLE XXXI

RANGE OF MEANS IN SCHOOL MARKS COMPARED WITH RANGE OF MEANS IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS FOR 1951

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In Literature the marks of the Collegiates give a range of 10 only, the same as for the Department. In addition the lowest score in each set of means is only one mark different, which proves that Departmental and school standards are close. Accuracy of scoring is strongly indicated in Literature by these means.

In Composition, the school marks show a difference of 10 in range, the same as in Literature. However, there is a difference of

12 in the Department marks. A difference of 8 in the two low means and a difference of 6 in the high ones produce a net result similar to that obtained for Literature.

History has a range of 9 for Collegiate marks and 23 for those of the Department of Education. A difference of 5 in the low means and 9 in the highest scores ranks this subject slightly below English.

Geometry shows considerable range in means, 19 for the Collegiates and 47 for the Department. However, on examining the means for each school individually, it is apparent that the wide range is caused by the results in one Collegiate. This subject, partly as a result of the spread in this instance, will drop to a low rank.

Algebra has a school range of 18, with 38 for the Department. An examination of the table shows that the extremes are affected here, as in the case of Geometry, by the results in one school. A low position for the subject is indicated.

In Chemistry the school deviation is 23, the Department being 36. The difference in the two low means is 4 and in the high means it is 9.

The Collegiate range in Physics is similar to that in Chemistry while the Departmental scores are not quite as wide. Physics and Chemistry are similar in both sets of scores.

French shows a range of 19 in school scores but a much wider range in Department returns.

Latin marks are found in five schools only and present close scores. One Collegiate has the same means for both sets,

while the same low stands for the ranges in both Departmental and Collegiate scores.

The final analysis of means shows that the subjects for 1951 rank in the following order: Composition, Literature, History, Latin, French, Algebra, Chemistry, Geometry and Physics.

Comparative Analysis of Variation and Means Results for 1951

The analyses of these two divisions will be dealt with in detail in the next Chapter when the three years studied are compared. This analysis, accordingly, will be restricted to salient points.

Both studies have put Literature or Composition in first place. History, with a close range in means, ranks lower in variation because in five Collegiates it is slightly beyond the +5 to -5 range. It is always consistent and has no extreme variation anywhere. These subjective subjects, therefore, can be listed in the following order for 1951: Composition, Literature, and History. Latin, written in five Collegiates only, comes next but the results reached by analysis of the means are better than those established by the study on variation.

A more extended study is indicated before being able to reach a final conclusion in respect to the ranks of the remaining subjects. This fact is established by the following points. In the means analysis, French came next to Latin, but the badly skewed graph of this subject for 1951 shows that this rank is too high. Physics showed better results in variation than in the means analysis; while Geometry is higher in variation

than the range analysis indicates. Chemistry and Algebra are low in both studies.

Summary

The analysis of marks in this Chapter presents results that are similar to those obtained the previous years. This stement applies in a general way to the results for this year, and the three years' results will be surveyed as a unit in the next Chapter. However, with different examinations and students for this year the pattern of achievement is consistent, although considerable variation exists for 1951.

The points established as the outcome of the study of the records for 1951 are as follows:

- 1. This year's results have consolidated the fluctuations that persisted in one or more of the previous years. At the conclusion of the last Chapter certain trends, in some Collegiates, were evident and it required another year to substantiate or negate them. The analysis of data for 1951 has clarified most of these trends and so has the investigation.
- 2. The subjective subjects rank first with low variation from the Departmental standard.
- 3. Graphical analysis indicates that for French there was, in general, a wide variation this year. This fact in light of results which co-ordinate more closely in other subjects, implies that the Departmental Committee in this one instance, may have contributed to the divergence.



Statistics for the three years to which the investigation was to be restricted are now complete with a cursory examination of these figures. Two different analyses of these have also been submitted and it is now left only to interpret them in the light of their relative and respective values. The next Chapter will be devoted to this purpose.

CHAPTER VI

INTERPRETATION OF CUMULATIVE DATA

The analysis of cumulative data as presented in this Chapter is divided into two main divisions: (1) The comparative study of Collegiates over a period of three years to determine, primarily, if there is marked variation from Departmental standards in scoring of school subjects, and secondly, to consider if trends in school marking persist. (2) An analysis of means for school marks and Department marks in table form for the purpose of ranking subjects. The combined results of (1) and (2) will form the basis for the final results of the investigation.

Comparative Study of Collegiates

The Collegiates studied will be analyzed, each in turn, to estimate the standard of individual subjects for the period under study. An effort will be made to compare them in such a manner as to school tendencies. In addition, the average for each subject is plotted for the three years in order to determine the rank established by that subject using the method of variation.

Gordon Bell; Literature and Composition maintain a steady record for three years in Gordon Bell. History is consistently over-valued but close to Departmental standard. Geometry, Algebra, and Chemistry are markedly under-estimated for all

years: Physics has a close variation in two of the three years. Languages are under-estimated for the entire paeriod.

In Composition, Literature and History the averages for school marks during the three year period are close to those of the Departmental examinations. Composition and History are over-valued each year. Physics has been within one point of the Department standard in two of the three years. Algebra, Geometry and Chemistry, in the three years, are distinguished by wide under-valuation from the Departmental standard, the spread being more moderate for Algebra than the other two subjects. French is under-valued in two out of three years, and Latin every year. Under-valuation is generally noticeable in this Collegiate.

Kelvin; The best averages in Kelvin are in Literature and History, which are close for each year. Composition has been slightly underscored the last two years. History is over-scored but has satisfactory averages. Geometry is widely under-estimated in two of the years, while Algebra fluctuates. In Chemistry and Physics the deviations are close with slight under-scoring in two years. French and Latin have positive variations throughout, each with one very wide average.

Kelvin indicates close marking in subjective studies.

Physics and Chemistry have also close scores which show little variation. The trend in Languages is distinctly toward overestimation, whereas in Mathematics, under-scoring is general.

West Kildonan; In this Collegiate, Literature is under-valued in two out of the three years, but presents close averages. Composition, except in 1949, is quite satisfactory with slight under-estimation for two years. Over-scoring in History, which occurs each year and is common to all schools, is more marked in West Kildonan. In Geometry and Algebra there is a tendency to over-valuation which is slight in two years but wide in 1951. As the range is so much greater than in the other years, it is possibly a condition peculiar to 1951. Physics and Chemistry are over-valued each year. French is over-valued and the variation is slight except in 1951. Latin is under-estimated but has satisfactory results.

Trends are not too pronounced in West Kildonan but a definite tendency towards over-estimation exists. Close averages in Algebra and Geometry for two of the three years are noticeable.

Dauphin; In Dauphin Collegiate, the averages in all subjects for 1949 parallel those of 1951. Except for 1950, Literature and Composition have been close to Departmental averages and History has approximated the standard every year. The averages for Geometry and Algebra have remained satisfactory and the averages have not diverged greatly from those of the Department. The results in Physics and Chemistry are also to the standard. French is over-estimated and shows wide variation for 1951 but, otherwise, is close. The average in Latin is close to that of the Department each year.

The outstanding feature of the Dauphin marks over the

period under analysis is the close variation. Chemistry, Physics, Algebra, Geometry, History and Latin have low deviations. French has a wide divergence in 1951 and Literature and Composition in 1950. Tendencies to over or under-estimation are not pronounced as the variation is slight.

Morden; In this Collegiate, considerable fluctuation is presented, especially in 1949. Except in that year, Literature and Composition have been satisfactory. Literature is under-valued for two years while Composition and History are over-scored. Geometry is overestimated but close to the Department average for two years.

Algebra presents one of the few cases in the investigation where the deviation is extreme. Latin and French are over-scored and have wide variations.

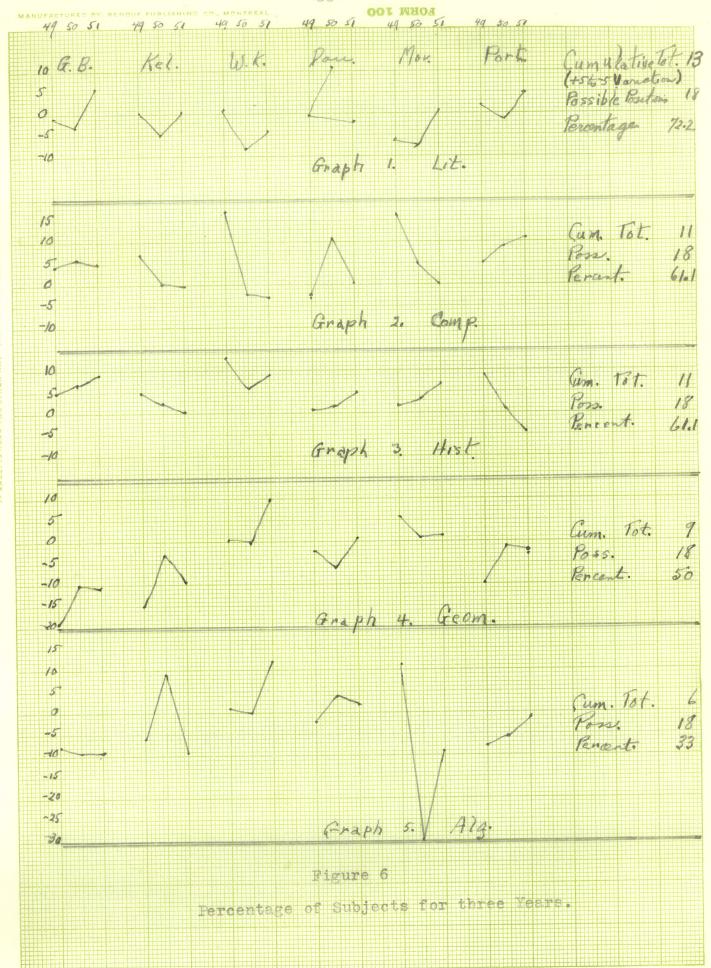
It is more difficult in this Collegiate than in the others to arrive at definite conclusions from three years' analysis of marks. No trends in scoring are clearly indicated in this survey.

Portage la Prairie; The last Collegiate shows, subject by subject, noticeable characteristics. The average in Literature is always near the Departmental standard and Composition is satisfactory. There is a tendency to over-estimation in these subjects. History, in 1951, is under-valued for the only time in the entire study. Geometry and Algebra are under-scored every year but the averages are close. Chemistry and Physics have a wide variation and they are over-valued except in one instance.

French and Latin are under-estimated each year, and the variation here.

The marks for this school present a few consistent sets of scores. As previously pointed out, Collegiates may have trends in all years, or in two out of three years. A tendency to underestimation has persisted in Geometry, Algebra, Latin and French. Consistent variation in other subjects, whether close or wide, has occurred in two of the three sets. History, where the results have fluctuated considerably, presents, as noted, the only instance of under-valuation for this subject in the entire investigation.

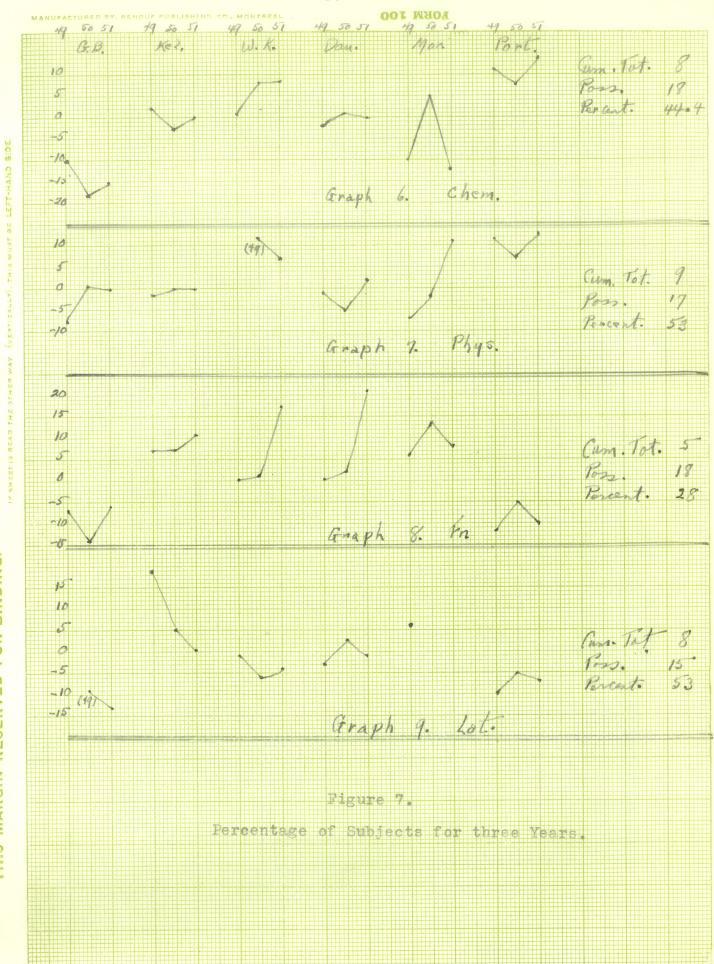
The next part of this chapter presents, by the use of graphs, a comparison of all subjects for the period of study. A graph is made for each subject, and on it is plotted the consecutive averages of each Collegiate for 1949, 1950 and 1951, showing within or beyond the set range (+5 to -5). Percentages for all subjects are then calculated for the proportion of plotted points within the range. These nine graphs illustrate respective deviations of subjects and explain the elevation or reduction of their ranking.



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The presentation reveals that Literature has less variation from the Departmental standard than any other subject, and it is closely followed by Composition and History. The tendency to over-valuation in Composition is marked, there being 13 out of 18 cases, four of them significant and nine close to the standard. History has only one negative variation, with seventeen positive ones.

Latin and Physics come next but it must be remembered that Latin is not so representative as the other subjects. Physics has significant variation in 8 out of 17 cases and in 6 of the 8 instances the tendency is towards over-estimation. Geometry is in sixth position with 9 points outside the narrow range. It is under-estimated in 12 out 18 averages.

Only three subjects have percentages below 50 percent when they are plotted within this very narrow range of five points. Chemistry shows 6 significantly low averages, 4 significantly high, with two schools having consistently close averages during the three year period. Algebra follows with 33 percent due largely to the fact that it has had wide variation in most Collegiates in at least one of the years. There is significant variation in 12 cases, 9 of which are under-valued. The low percentage given French is due to extreme variation in the 1951 paper.

The order of range of subjects from the Departmental standard then, as established by this analysis is as follow: Literature, Composition, History, Physics, Latin, Geometry, Chemistry, Algebra and French.

Analysis of Means for Three Years

Data for part two, as indicated at the first of the chapter, are presented in Table XXXII.

TABLE XXXII

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF RANGES IN MEANS FOR COLLEGIATE
MARKS AND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MARKS

Subjec	t	1949	1950	1951
Lit.	Sch.Range Dept. "	54-65 54-62	48-64 53-71	52-62 5 1-61
Comp.	Sch. "Dept."	54-64 38-58	52 -7 6 52 - 60	59 = 64 51 - 63
Hist.	Sch. "Dept."	55 6 9	53-70 48-68	55° 64 500 - 73
Geom.	Sch. "Dept."	45-77 50-80	53=75 56=76	34 = 53 17 = 64
Alg.	Sch. "Dept."	50-76 55-73	40-72 33-84	38 = 56 24 - 62
Chem.	Sch. "Dept."	36-70 40-65	50-72 45-70	32 to 72 28 - 64
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Lat.	Sch. "Dept. "	50-60 43-64	33-81	50-63 50-69

One of the chief points of interest in a series of ranges covering a period of time is to note the subject which consistently presents a low range. An examination of Table XXXII shows conclusively that one subject is outstanding in this

respect.Literature has the same range in two out of three sets for both Departmental and school means and only a very slight difference in the third year. Further examination establishes that, on the whole, Literature, Composition and History form a group with low spread in means, while Algebra and Geometry, Chemistry and Physics have a wider range, and the Languages come between the two groups. Analysis of the data on means, therefore, places the subjects in this order: Literature, Composition, History, Latin, French, Physics, Chemistry, Algebra and Geometry. This completes the analytical interpretation of means which constitutes part two of the chapter.

In conclusion, a comparison will be made between the results of part one and those of part two. The two lists of subjects in the order reached by the respective analyses show that French is the only subject which has completely altered its position. It will be recalled that in the summary study of means French ranked between the subjective subjects and the objective ones. However, in the variation analysis, French came last. As stated previously, and as shown on the graph, French was greatly over-valued in 1951 and, to a lesser extent, in 1950. This circumstance has affected its position, as over-marking for two consecutive years has caused more reaction in a variation analysis than it would do in means relationship. Other subjects maintain their positions satisfactorily.

Throughout the tables presenting data for the comparison of marks, the last column gives the number of subjects having the same marks in both Department and school examinations. A

subject with the largest number of papers equal in both sets of marks can be considered to be most accurately marked when judged by the accepted Departmental standard. This criterion would not be valid if used for one year only, but, when it is adopted over a period of three years, it has the added weight of a wider distribution. This cumulative data is presented herewith in Table XXXIII.

TABLE XXXIII

SUMMARY OF EQUAL SCORES IN SCHOOL MARKS AND

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Literature, in first position, corroborates the previous results. History, in second place, is followed closely by Composition which comes third, so that these results are similar to the former ranking. The percentage is good in Physics. The last five subjects have altered positions slightly but, as Geometry, Algebra, French and Latin are close, Chemistry is the only subject that has made a very clear change when compared

with positions indicated by the variation graphs. The significant point here is that this table substantiates satisfactorily the positions obtained by the other studies.

The analysis of data, as submitted in the foregoing chapters, brings this investigation to a close. The results will be formulated as conclusions in the next chapter.

CHAPTER VII

CONCLUSION

The investigation submits the following conclusions.

- I. That comparative study of the marks of Accredited Collegiates and those of the Department of Education in the Province of Manitoba, for a period of three years, has established that variation from school to school and from subject to subject exists and is submitted in the evidence.
- 2. That school marks assigned by teachers in Accredited Collegiates throughout the Province are a fair indication of the progress and achievement of students in those schools. These scores are determined by adopting and applying the standard established by the Department of Education which can be considered a satisfactory measure of pupil attainment at the Grade XI level.
- 3. That over-estimation or under-estimation of marks in Accredited Collegiates in relation to Departmental standards is significantly wide for certain subjects and normal, or close to the standard, for others.
- 4. That the two methods used to analyze data, variation and means, produce similar results. The force of an investigation is greatly intensified if different methods of examining can be applied with the same results. Analysis of variation between school and Departmental marks and analysis of means for the same two sets of marks establish a parallel relationship in the

study of the divergence between Department and School marks. The validity of the investigation hence would seem to be supported.

- 5. That in the series of school marks there is no evidence to indicate gross inefficiency in marking. Excessive variation has not occurred in such a way as to indicate lack of ability in the work of the teachers' marking or lowered standards that apply generally. A genuine and capable effort seems to characterize the endeavour made by teachers to mark fairly and to have their scores representative of individual achievement.
- 6. That the subjective subjects have maintained more consistent results than the objective subjects when measured by Departmental standards. The results establish that the former studies present less variation from the set standard than do the latter.
- 7. That a trend in any subject towards lower or overscoring throughout a Collegiate is due more to the standard upheld by the teacher than to the June Examination Standard.
- 8. That the human element, a very powerful factor which formerly affected the marking system, has been greatly reduced by applying Department standards to school marking.

 Close comparison of Collegiate and Departmental results, such as occurs in schools of the standard considered here, necessarily reduces variation in teachers' marking.
- 9. That wide variations may be reduced but not entirely removed, a point generally agreed upon by educationalists.

 Variability in the marks of individual examiners is an element that can never be completely removed. The chief aim of

educationalists is to reduce this variability to a minimum. The adoption of committees to set papers and mark them is one means of keeping variability as low as possible. Thus the school marking standard has a measurement to guide it and lessen corresponding variability locally.

The results of the study, while presenting a satisfactory analogy between Department and Collegiate scoring, reveal that occasionally a paper has appeared on the June slate which is not fully representative of the field of study outlined in the Programme of Studies. Measures should be considered to prevent this situation from being repeated if progress is to continue steadily in the field of educational measurement. The establishment by the Department of Education of a statistical branch to collect a pool of examination questions of which the validity and reliability have been tested over a period of time, would be one means of insurance against the occasional recurrence of non-valid examination papers. Continued experimental testing in this field will do much to establish more valid measuring devices.

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APPENDIX "B"

GLENLAWN (ST.VITAL) AND DEPARTMENT MARKS FOR 1949

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