



Duggan House

Duggan House, now the home of the McGill Journal of Education, is one of the finest houses of the Victorian era in Montreal. Built on land originally owned by Simon McTavish, the house was completed in 1862 and named Braeside by its owner, Charles D. Proctor. In 1868 it was acquired by Matthew Hamilton Gault and later sold to George Herrick Duggan, who willed it to McGill University in 1944. During the McGill years, it was occupied by the Faculty of Management, and after several years has now been restored to some measure of its original beauty.

Constructed of Montreal limestone, the architecture and interior are essentially eclectic in style. Doorways and some windows have a modified Tudor arch popular in Canada in the 1860's. The oak panelling in the entrance hall is of Jacobean style, while the fine details of the drawing-room are Georgian.

The Faculty of Education is fortunate to occupy so gracious a house. The beautifully proportioned rooms and wide entrance hall speak clearly of a generous age. Can we hope that some of that spirit may haunt the students who frequent these rooms.

Elizabeth Jaques

(The drawing above, together with the other drawings in this issue, is by Prof. Jaques)