July 27th, 1923. Dr. Gordon Laing, Columbia University, New York City, N.Y. My Dear Dean, The matter re Woodhead has been finally disposed of. I have from him formal acceptance of the position, and next Monday the ' Board of Governors will approve his appointment. Last Tuesday afternoon, Dean West of Princeton called to see me and recommended very highly one, L.J. Richardson of the University of California. It was West's opinion that Richardson would fill the position of Dean as well as head of the Classical Department. If you, however, know anything about him, please let me know. Regarding the other vacancy in the Arts Department, Dr. Hickson has offered to remain until the middle of January, an offer which I have accepted. In view of Dr. Ira Mackay's decision not to take over Hickson's lectures, I could not agree with Mackay's reasoning, but he felt it would be disloyal to an associate if he dropped into Hickson's shoes, especially in view of the latter's reason for resigning. duRoure has one man, a Mr. Roche but has not yet recommended anyone for the more senior position. Neither have we got any further re the addition to the Department of Political Economy except to give more consideration to the name of Jack Farthing who studied first in Arts here two years ago, and who has since studied at Oxford. I have engaged Dr. Files as Assistant Professor in the Department of English.