COPY SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURAL CONDITIONS Ottawa, Ontario. March 28, 1923. My dear Sir:-A Committee of the House of Commons, of which I have the honour to be Chairman, has been for some weeks past engaged in the investigation of agricultural conditions in Canada. My view is that the present condition of the industry is due, in some measure at least, to economic causes, and I wish to enlist the assistance of economists in our efforts to solve the agricultural question. I desire to appeal to you for aid, and I hope that you may be willing to come before the Committee and give us the advantage of your knowledge. I enclose herewith the first number of the record of our proceedings and evidence. On Pages 5 and 6 of this, you will see a memorandum of proposed subjects for investigation, which I submitted to the Committee and which, with a few additions and changes, was accepted as an agenda. On the assumption that you will be willing to come before the Committee, might I ask you to indicate the subjects on which you would be willing to give avidence? I would be glad to hear from you at your convenience, and if you would care to discuss the matter with me before coming before the Committee, I expect to be in Montreal for most of the time on and after Thursday, 29th March, till the 8th of April. Yours very truly. "A. R. MCMASTER" Chairman. Dr. J. C. Hemmeon, Associate Professor of Economics., McGill University, Montreal, P. Q.