June Seventeenth 1921. Professor Gilbert B. Jackson, Department of Political Economy, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ont. Dear Sir: -I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 16th. I am familiar with the "Canadian Forum" and would have been delighted to comply with your request were it not for the fact that I am leaving for England on Tuesday morning next. Between now and that time I have so much to do that I hardly know which way to turn. There are many matters in connection with the University building programme, the reunion next October, etc., that must be decided before I leave, that I have not a moment to give to the preparation of an article such as you require. Had I the time at my disposal nothing would have give me greater pleasure than to write a message of welcome to Lord Byng. In season and out of season since my return to Canada I have pressed his claims to the position to which he has now been appointed. I am confident that his tenure of office will be highly pleasing to the people of Canada. know that no man from the other side could come to us with a higher appreciation of the Canadian people or a greater confidence in Canada and its future. You will have no difficulty in getting some one to write a satisfactory message. Yours faithfully, '