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The period covered by this report was mainly devoted to endeavouring to establish contacts which might lead to openings for the graduating class of 1931. Approximately four thousand circular letters were sent out to the leading commercial and industrial firms throughout Canada. While many sympathetic responses were received, the general feeling was that economic conditions had not sufficiently improved to warrant increasing their staffs, and where vacancies did occur employers desired, wherever possible, to take back their old employees rather than make fresh appointments. Three leading industrial firms with whom we had hoped to place a few of the graduating class have decided that they cannot at the present time increase their staffs, although they hope to be able shortly to take on a few men.

A great deal of time was taken up in interviewing the young graduates anxious to secure placement upon graduation. Many leads were furnished and introductions given, the results of which have not yet reached us.

Fifty-two men were registered during the months under review, classified as follows:-

Arts and Commerce	-	13	
Medicine	-	3	
Agriculture	-	2	
Engineering - Electrical	-	9	
Mechanical	-	9	
Civil	-	7	
Chemical	-	7	
Architecture	-	2	52

Fourteen inquiries were received from employers, resulting in the placement of six men applicants. Five positions are still under consideration and will probably be filled during the coming month. Two other positions could have been filled but the applicants did not consider the salaries offered sufficient inducement and felt they would prefer to wait in the hope of securing a more advantageous proposal.

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