

The Social Research Laboratory is now equipped for the making of charts and maps for the presentation of basic and other data. A base-map of Montreal (showing main streets, railways, open spaces, etc.) is in preparation from which copies will be taken, and on which distributions (industrial concerns, particular unemployed groups, mobility of workers, etc., etc.) can be plotted in future.

II. Published and other unemployment indices.

Available basic unemployment statistics (unemployment and employment indices) for Montreal and comparative areas have now been collected, and are being analysed with a view to graphical presentation. Trade Union Unemployment figures are difficult to obtain but efforts are being made to secure them. This material should give interesting results: and, it may be possible later to attempt some estimates of numbers normally unemployed in Montreal.

III. Character of Unemployment and the Unemployed in Montreal.

1. Unemployment Questionnaire.

A preliminary questionnaire (relating to age, family-condition, period unemployed, racial origin, period in Montreal, etc.) has been drawn up, and ^{placed} so far, as follows:

Protestant Family Welfare: all unemployment cases for the whole of the year 1931 will fill in questionnaire. Questionnaires for sample month (January) have been received and are being analysed.

Catholic Family Welfare: questionnaire has been employed for all unemployment cases current during January.

Jewish Family Welfare: all unemployment cases current during December 1930, supplemented by case-records.

Arrangements are being made which, it is hoped, will lead to the questionnaire being filled for a sample period for the more important