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The Research Programme and its Objectives.

The research programme takes unemployment as the central subject of study, not only because of the outstanding social importance of this problem, but also because it is a subject which readily opens up avenues of approach along which the various specialists in the social sciences may make some contribution. A narrow definition of unemployment, of course, would clearly defeat this object. The subject is therefore interpreted widely. The general programme calls for the study of unemployment as a community problem; and as a subject of which e.g., the problem of current unemployment relief is only a part. It would be better to define its objectives as "the study of the economic and social conditions which attend and determine unemployment, and the problems related to it in all the various spheres in which they arise." The appropriate area of study, again, is to be similarly considered. Although it is designed to give special attention to Montreal as an area of study, the scope of the problem clearly extends far beyond. In some of the first of the projects already begun, the analysis or the comparisons made will be Dominion-wide. At some later stage it may be that other subjects can be taken up. It is clear, however, that such limits as have been drawn enclose a wide field in which there should be no lack of important research problems for some while to come. A diagrammatic representation of this field is attached hereto. (Appendix I).

The details of the research programme need not be repeated here, but its general content may be indicated. Two sets of studies of general relevance, calling for work at first with special relation to Montreal are: (a) the industries and occupations of the community, and (b) measurements of the character, extent, and incidence of unemployment in