

ment, have been successfully and permanently placed in good positions by the Service Department of the D.S.C.R., there are large numbers of their ex-students (it is stated by those qualified to know, there are thousands) who are unemployed and in distress throughout Canada to-day, because of the fact that they were thrown on the skilled labour market **only partially trained** to compete with mechanics in various occupations whose training had taken years to accomplish.

The unemployment situation as it exists in Canada to-day, winter, 1920-21, is a sad commentary on the efficiency and success of the D.S.C.R., when it is borne in mind that a large proportion of the unemployed ranks in Canada to-day are filled with men who have been retrained by the D.S.C.R., which would point to at least one conclusion, that there has been a tremendous waste of public money.

#### D.S.C.R. MEDICAL TREATMENT.

A study of the table of Pay and Allowances for ex-members of the forces, who are on the strength of the D.S.C.R. for medical treatment in Canada, is a startling revelation of the fact that the Government **do not regard men on discharge from the C.E.F. as equal.** Differences in rank, with the accompanying differences in rates of pay and allowances were a necessary part of the Army organization, but, surely, in this boasted democracy of the Dominion of Canada, one would have thought that when the ex-members of Canada's democratic army—the C.E.F.—were re-clothed in civilian glad-rags, and once again in their right mind—the former distinctions of rank might well be forgotten, except as a matter of courtesy. However, the authorities of Ottawa, steeped in traditional red tape, who are responsible for the table of Pay and Allowances for those taking treatment on the strength of the D.S.C.R. **consider it proper for one man, taking medical treatment on the strength of the D.S.C.R. (who happened to be a private soldier in the C.E.F.) to receive \$45.00 a month while taking such treatment ;** on the other hand, those same authorities consider it right and proper to pay another man, taking similar treatment in the same hospital, on the strength of the D.S.C.R., from \$225.00 to \$670.00 a month, according as he may have been either a colonel or a major-general in the C.E.F.

The ex-member of the C.E.F., whether an ex-private or an ex-major-general becomes a man in civil life, upon whom Federal taxes are levied irrespective of any rank he may have held in the army.