issuing certificates which entitle the bearers to purchase railway tickets at the reduced rate of  $2\cdot5$  cents per mile. This rate is for a second-class ticket and is applicable only to fares of not less than \$4. During 1936, 9,045 certificates were issued, 8,254 to persons proceeding to points within the same province as the dispatching office and 791 to workers going to points in other provinces. During 1935, 7,999 certificates for special rates were granted, 7,171 to persons travelling to employment within the same province as the dispatching office and 828 to persons for whom employment had been secured in other provinces.

## 20.—Applications for Employment, Positions Offered and Placements Effected by the Employment Service of Canada, 1920-36, and by Provinces, 1935 and 1936.

Note.—Figures by provinces for the years 1920-25 will be found at p. 703 of the 1926 Year Book, for 1926-28 at p. 731 of the 1930 Year Book, for 1929-30 at p. 773 of the 1931 Year Book, for 1931-32 at p. 768 of the 1933 Year Book, for 1933 at p. 826 of the 1934-35 Year Book, and for 1934 at p. 767 of the 1936 Year Book.

Province.	Year.	Applications Registered.		Vacancies Notified.		Placements Effected.	
		Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.
	Totals, 1920	480,735	96,054	450,526	116,142	365,292	80,520
	Totals, 1921	438,836	105,563	325,498	106,097	277,792	77,96
	Totals, 1922	443,875	104,407	365,529	104,359	316,386	77,130
	Totals, 1923	473,483	115,692	431,576	109,404	376,801	85,75
	Totals, 1924	402,593	116,782	314,258	97,810	285,359	80,77
	Totals, 1925	439,622	118,023	345,570	101,473	328,334	84,49
	Totals, 1926	417,965	124,504	345,163	111,769	319,558	99,59
	Totals, 1927	422,022	131,849	339,478	114,095	320,306	94,46
	Totals, 1928	454.525	142,968	376,791	120,635	361,942	108.38
	Totals, 1929	397.527	153,199	296,592	131,435	287,128	111,23
	Totals, 1930	463,103	149,887	278,835	107,199	274,227	94,45
	Totals, 1931	685,460	140,693	391,857	94,527	389,231	82,27
	Totals, 1932	512,695	139,733	282,643	83,385	278,975	73,23
	Totals, 1933	531,041	143,180	282,120	87,565	278,589	73,50
	Totals, 1934	569,301	155,064	327,907	99,885	324,900	81,19
	Totals, 1935	498,466	157,955	268,300	108,274	265,212	88,59
	Totals, 1936	515,930	164,123	241,098	114,278	237,476	93,97
Nova Scotia	1935	9,152	4,393	8,387	3,522	8,402	3,08
	1936	7,494	4,761	6,850	3,707	6,758	3,30
New Brunswick		5,774	5,396	5,224	5,341	5,175	5,32
	1936	4,056	5,146	3,491	5,103	3,438	5,06
Quebec	1935	57,960	43,201	26,505	34,145	26,617	23,86
	1936	69,581	46,486	34,950	36,448	34,792	25,52
Ontario	1935	243,018	69,559	112,935	38,604	111,047	31,76
	1936	247,581	69,234	93,765	39,401	91,885	32,64
Manitoba	1935	48,170	10,364	27,090	7,887	27,534	7,61
	1936	46,572	10,389	24,291	8,203	24,569	7,94
Saskatchewan	1935	26,078	8,800	25,254	8,352	23,791	6,98
	1936	30,271	9,319	29,740	9,553	28,485	8,18
Alberta		49,225	7,488	28,167	5,344	27,982	4,929
	1936	48,317	8,509	22,007	5,705	21,633	5,20
British Columbia	1935	59.089	8.754	34,738	5.079	34,664	5, 02
	1936	62,058	10,279	26,004	6,158	25,916	6, 101

## Subsection 2.—Unemployment as Reported by Trade Unions.

Monthly statistics on unemployment are compiled and published by the Employment Service Branch of the Dominion Department of Labour, based on returns received from 1,800 local trade unions having an aggregate membership of nearly 178,000 workers. "Unemployment" as here used means involuntary idleness, due to economic causes. Persons engaged in work other than their own trades, or idle because of illness, are not considered as unemployed, while unions involved in industrial disputes are excluded from the tabulations. As the number of unions making returns varies from month to month, with consequent variation in the membership upon which the percentages of unemployment are based, it should be understood that the figures for each month have reference only to the reporting organizations. Table 21 is a record of unemployment in trade unions, for the past 11 years, by provinces. The maximum of unemployment in 1936 was in April,