

SURVEY OF CONDITION ON UNEMPLOYMENT TO BE MADE BY LABOR DEPT.

Probe Will Extend to All Western Cities — Situation Far From Serious.

Ottawa, Nov. 3.—A survey of the conditions of unemployment in the various cities of Canada is being made by the department of labor under the direction of Hon. T. W. Crothers. A report has already been made as to conditions in Montreal, while a report on Toronto is being prepared.

An investigation into Winnipeg conditions has been prepared, and an inquiry will be made into unemployment in Brandon, Regina, Saskatoon and other prairie provinces. Separate reports will be made on conditions in Edmonton, Calgary and the coast provinces. While the reports so far show that there are a great many out of work, the situation is far from serious and little worse than during the industrial depression of 1907.

Seven of the nine provinces have reported to Mr. Crothers that they expect to be easily able to handle

their own unemployed this winter.

Controller MacDonald and J. D. Fost, trades and labor council, Montreal, were before the government yesterday arguing the labor situation. They congratulated the government on its administration of affairs during this trying period. The government's proposition regarding aliens met with their hearty approval and had solved a problem they proposed asking the government to deal with.