

## THE ENGINEERING INDUSTRY.

At this stage it is proposed to confine attention to the Engineering Industry and at a later stage to deal with the influence of other industries on the Engineering Industry, and of the Engineering Industry on other industries.

### UNEMPLOYMENT.

The most readily recognised factor as indicating the state of prosperity or depression is the unemployment in Industry, and for that purpose it is proposed to examine in some detail the position of unemployment in the Engineering Industry. The following table, based on information published monthly by the Ministry of Labour, shows for the main branches of the Engineering Industry the very pronounced decline in the numbers employed:—