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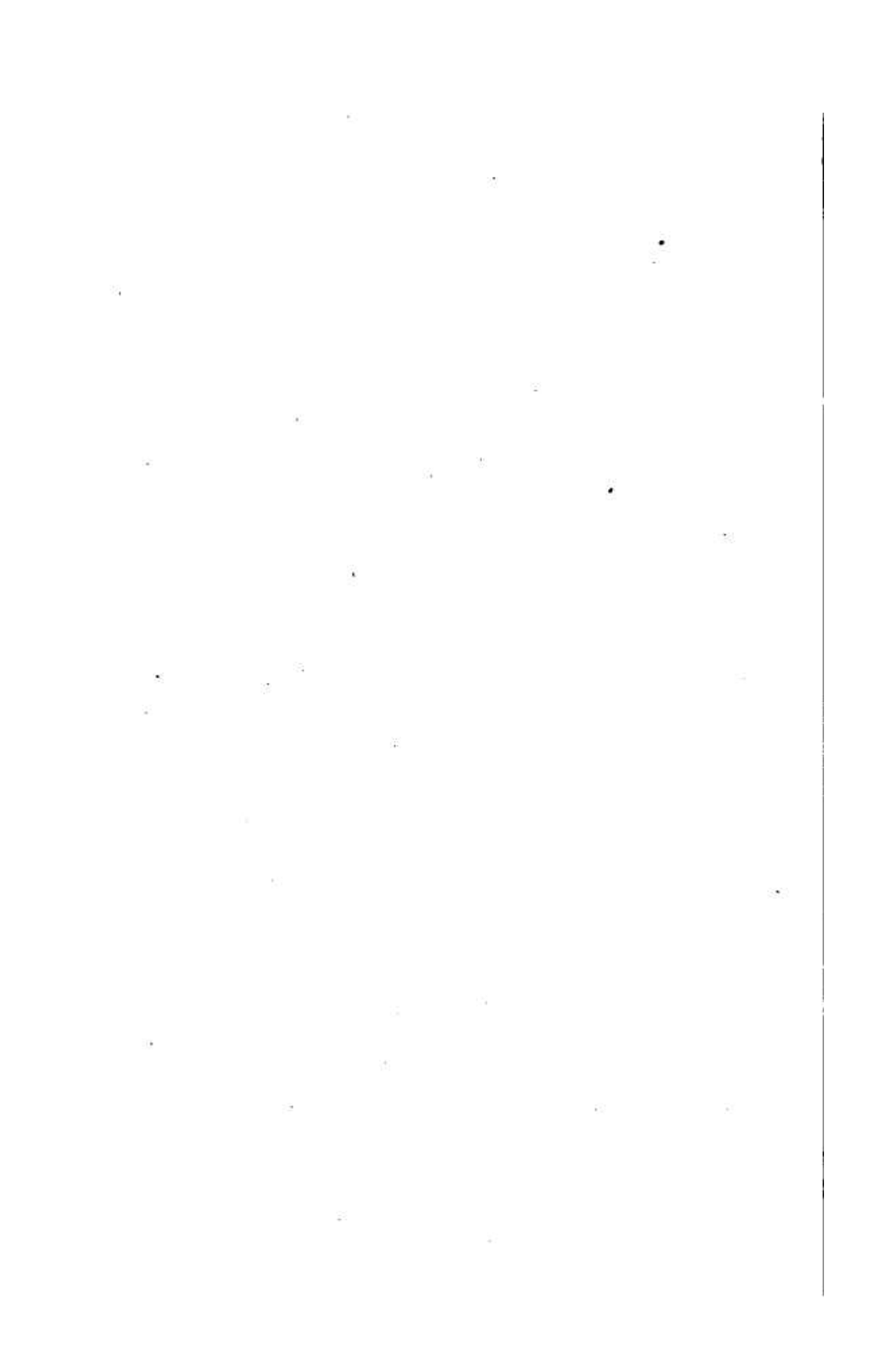
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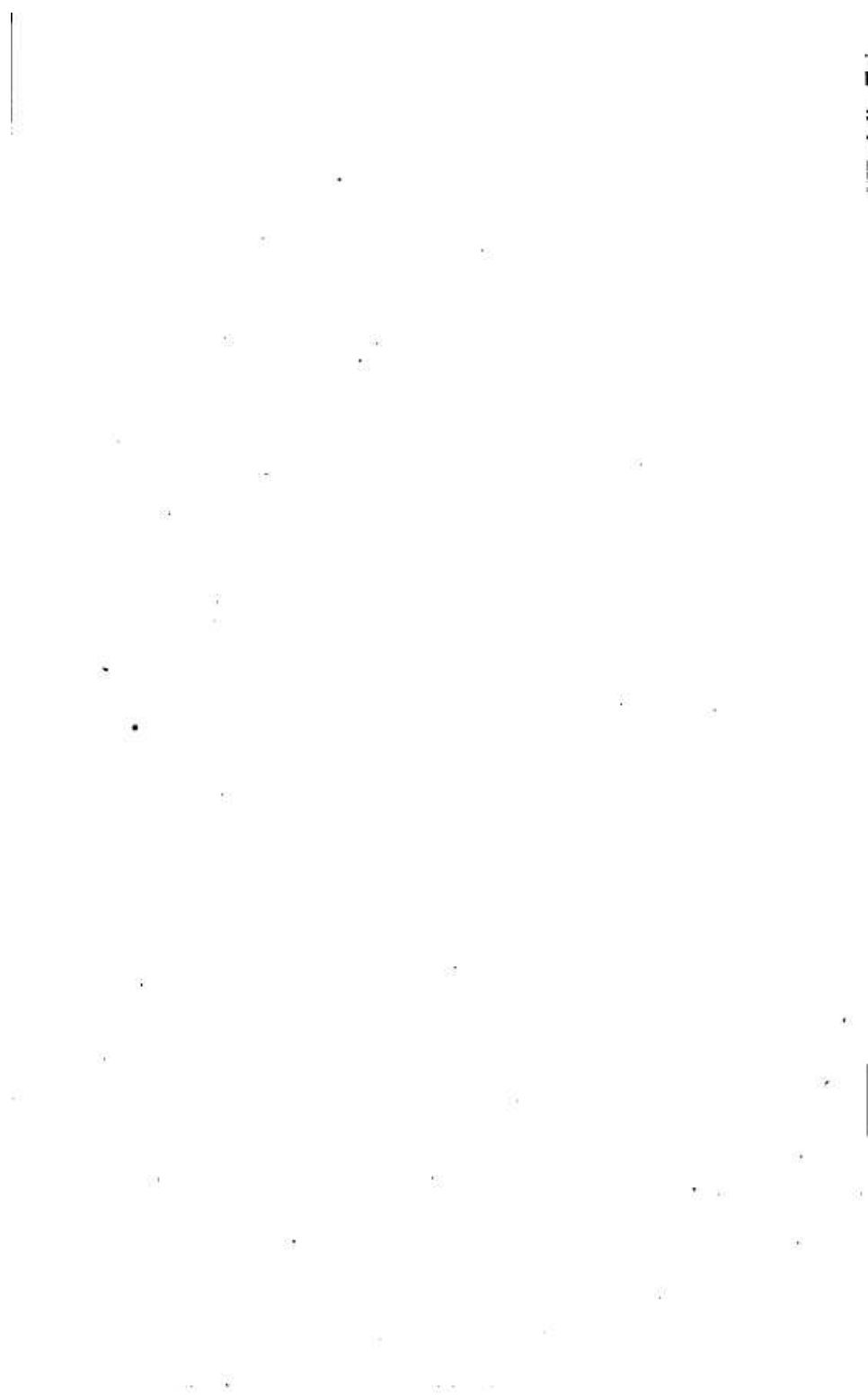
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OFFICE OF THE BUREAU OF STATISTICS OF LABOR,
33 FEMBERTON SQUARE, BOSTON, JAN. 22, 1879.

HON. LEVI C. WADE, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

Sir, — I have the honor to present to the legislature the Tenth Annual Report of this Bureau.

I wish to acknowledge my continued obligations to Mr. Charles F. Pidgin, the efficient Chief Clerk, for the very valuable services he has rendered.

In the make-up of this volume, brief as it is, there enter the testimony and information contributed by over 8,700 people.

The topics which have furnished the subjects for investigation the past year have been treated under their appropriate heads in the various chapters of this report; but there are other matters to which I desire briefly to call your attention.

THE EXPENSES

Of this office, since my incumbency (six years), have been as follows:—

OFFICE.	Salaries and all contingent.	Printing Reports.	Total.
1873	\$9,902 67	\$7,328 95	\$17,231 62
1874	10,160 70	5,972 16	16,132 86
1875	10,000 00	6,524 31	16,524 31
1876	9,300 40	3,926 63	13,227 03
1877	8,996 67	2,918 61	11,915 28
1878	8,725 00	2,200 00 (about)	10,925 00

This shows a reduction for 1878, as compared with 1873, of \$6,306.62, or nearly 40 per cent. This saving is due to