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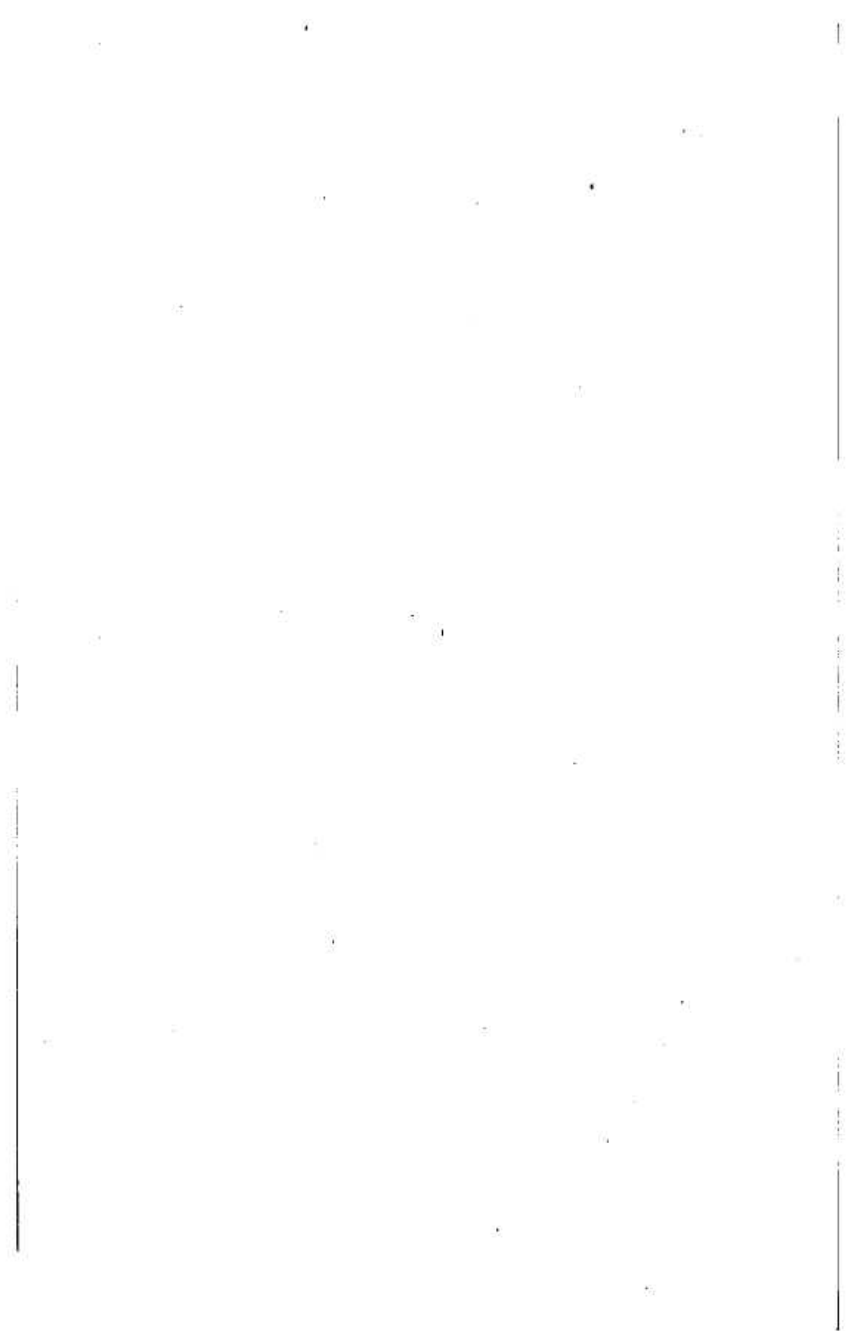
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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL.

OFFICE OF FACTORY INSPECTORS,

PROVIDENCE, R. I., January 6th, 1904.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY LUCIUS F. C. GARVIN,

Governor State of Rhode Island:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 68 of the General Laws, we have the honor to submit to you, and through you to the General Assembly, this the tenth annual report of the Factory Inspectors of this State, covering the inspection of factories, workshops, and mercantile establishments, during the year ending December 31, 1903.

Respectfully submitted,

J. ELLERY HUDSON,
HELEN M. JENKS,

Factory Inspectors.

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REPORT.

The State Factory Inspectors respectfully present their tenth annual report, as follows :

In the discharge of our duties during the year ending December 31st, 1903, we have found in operation six hundred and forty-four (644) establishments coming under the provisions of the factory law. A description of them, showing the number employed in each and the goods manufactured or sold, will be found in the tabulated statements which form a part of this report. They include fifty-eight establishments not mentioned in our last year's report, but the number found to have been either closed or removed from the State, or that for other reasons had become exempt from our supervision and therefore do not appear in this report, makes the net increase over the number reported last year only sixteen.

The number of employees in the various establishments was divided as follows :

Males of sixteen years and over.....	53,810
Females of sixteen years and over.....	36,355
Total adults.....	90,165
Males under sixteen years of age.....	3,361
Females under sixteen years of age.....	3,090
Whole number of children.....	6,451
Total number employed.....	96,616

Comparing the foregoing figures with those reported last year, there is shown an increase of two thousand eight hundred and seventy (2,870) in the number of men employed; an increase of