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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL.

OFFICE OF FACTORY INSPECTORS,
PROVIDENCE, R. I., January 1st, 1895.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY D. RUSSELL BROWN,
Governor State of Rhode Island.

GOVERNOR:—In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 1278, Public Laws, I have the honor to submit to you, and through you to the General Assembly, my first annual report of duties performed as inspector of factories, workshops and mercantile establishments since the date of my appointment, June 15th, 1894, to January 1st, 1895.

Very respectfully your obedient servant,

ELISHA H. ROCKWELL,

Factory Inspector.

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REPORT.

In order to facilitate the duties of the inspectors of factories, mercantile establishments and workshops, and the various industries of the State, in accordance with the act, Chapter 1278 of the Public Laws, we, the inspectors, agreed upon dividing the State into districts.

My district comprised a section of the city of Providence, and the territory of East Providence, Pawtucket, Saylesville, Central Falls, Valley Falls, Lonsdale, Ashton, Albion, Manville, Woonsocket, Centre-dale, Allendale, Manton, Dyerville, Georgiaville, Greenville, Maple-ville, Pascoag, Bridgeton, Enfield, Plainville, Harrisville, Stillwater, Forestdale, Slatersville, Nasonville, Glendale, Tarkiln, Johnston, Warren, Bristol and Newport.

In connection with this report I submit my tabulated statement of the districts inspected.

INSPECTIONS.

Whole number of inspections made since my appointment, June 15th, 1894, to January 1st, 1895, one hundred and fifty-eight, including five additional inspections, classified as follows.

Whole number of cotton, woolen and worsted establishments inspected, one hundred and twenty-five (125). There was found employed as follows:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Whole number of males over 16 years..... | 11,261 |
| “ “ of females “ 16 “ | 13,298 |
| “ “ of males under 16 “ .. | 1,357 |
| “ “ of females “ 16 “ | 1,182—27,098 |

Number of bleaching and dyeing establishments inspected, five (5),
employing, viz. :

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Whole number males over 16 years..... | 1,371 |
| “ “ females “ 16 “ | 252 |
| “ “ males under 16 “ | 72 |
| “ “ females “ 16 “ | 15—1,700 |

Number print works inspected, two (2), employing as follows :

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|------------------------------------|-------|
| Number of males over 16 years..... | 791 |
| “ of females “ 16 “ | 252 |
| “ of males under 16 “ | 67 |
| “ of females “ 16 “ | 4—948 |

Whole number knitting, braiding, tape and fish seine establishments
inspected, six (6), employing, viz. :

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|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Whole number males over 16 years..... | 50 |
| “ “ females “ 16 “ | 261 |
| “ “ males under 16 “ | 9 |
| “ “ females “ 16 “ | 60—380 |

Hat manufactory inspected, one (1). No person under 16 years
employed.

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|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Whole number males over 16 years..... | 80 |
| “ “ females “ 16 “ | 70—150 |

Whole number brush, card board, jewelry and mill supply establish-
ments inspected, four (4), employing, viz. :

| | |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Whole number males over 16 years..... | 142 |
| “ “ females “ 16 “ | 66 |
| “ “ males under 16 “ | 8 |
| “ “ females “ 16 “ | 18—234 |

Silverware manufacturing establishment inspected, one (1). No
males or females under 16 years employed :

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|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Whole number males over 16 years..... | 1,175 |
| “ “ females “ 16 “ | 25—1,200 |