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ENQUIRY INTO CHILD LABOR

ASSISTANT LABOR COMMISSIONER'S REPORT ON THE COTTON INDUSTRIAL SITUATION

ANNUAL INSURANCE MEETING

Annual Meeting of Associated Charities to be Held Next Sunday—Governor Glenn Asked to Furnish Battalion for Maneuvers at Ft. Caswell—The Use of Railing at Capitol Court as a Bill Board— Snow in Raleigh.

Special Correspondence.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 5.—Today Assistant Labor Commissioner H. L. Shipman, made up a very interesting report regarding the cotton, woolen and knitting mills of the State. Of the mills reported there are 328,—which show an authorized capital of $45,777,536. These contain 2,768,576 spindles, 52,272 looms, 6,151 knitting machines, the horse power used totals 114,540. Ninety-seven per cent. of the mills cover in their reports the number of their employes and show 52,178. Of these 25,383 are males and 21,221 are female adults. 3 per cent of the mills fail to report the number of persons employed. The returns show the 127,218 persons are dependent upon the mills for a livelihood, the reports covering this feature being made by 83 per cent of all the mills, 12 per cent failing to report the number thus dependent. Of the adult employes 85 per cent, can read and write, and of the children employed 80 per cent.

In response to a special inquiry as to children under 12 years of age working in factories, 86 per cent of the manufacturers answer that there are none, 3 per cent admit the presence of children under that age, while 9 per cent fail to answer. It is absolutely against the law to employ children under that age, but the law is defective in failing to give the labor commissioner full power of inspection, this being the weakest point in the law, and it makes him dependent upon what may be termed the courtesy of the mills as to inspection, information, etc. Of the replies to the inquiry as to whether compulsory education is favored for children in the mills 65 per cent say they favor it, 15 per cent oppose it, while 20 per cent express no opinion whatever.

The returns show that the average number of hours of the day's work is 10 4-5. The highest average wages for men daily are $2.56; lowest 82 cents. Highest average for women—$1.31; lowest 57 cents. Average wages of children 66 cents. Of the mills 52 per cent pay wages weekly; 41 per cent, semi-monthly; 6 per cent monthly and 1 per cent on demand; 87 per cent report that wages increased last year; 7 per cent reporting no change; while 6 per cent fail to answer the question. 72 per cent report the financial condition of employes good; 5 per cent very good; one per cent excellent; 18 per cent fair; and 4 per cent fail to answer.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the North Carolina Home Fire Insurance Company, was held and the directors and agents in various parts of the State were present. The company makes a splendid showing for last year's business, and made money. The officials, agents, etc., dined together.

The Atlantic Fire Insurance Company of this city, also made a particularly fine showing for last year's business, its premiums totalling $118,000, and its losses $57,000. The Piedmont Fire Insurance Company of Charlotte did almost precisely the same amount of business and had about the same proportion of losses.

The program for the annual meeting of the Associated Charities here next Sunday afternoon, at the Academy of Music, was prepared today. The ministers of the city and the governing board will occupy seats on the stage. [illegible] the ladies of the general committee and another box is to be occupied by a committee of Sunshine girls representing that organization. Instrumental duets will be furnished by Third Street Orchestra. Rev. F. M. Kirkpatrick, new pastor of Blount Street M. E. Church, will offer opening prayer. There will be remarks by President R. H. Battle, Treasurer Leon H. Winslow and John W. Fuller, and prayer by Rev. A. [illegible] Other features of the annual address of the day will be offered by Governor Glenn. [illegible] will be asking for New Charities and [illegible] and the Young Men's Christian Association [illegible] the Boys' Club [illegible] the Sunshine Society [illegible] the Salvation Army [illegible] the Boy Scouts [illegible] Tuesday and Friday [illegible] and [illegible] the Boy Scouts [illegible] the Salvation Army [illegible] the Sunshine Society