



New York State Archives

**New York State Factory Investigating Commission Glass
Plate Negatives and Photographic Prints of Factory and
Housing Conditions A3029**

New York State Archives
222 Madison Avenue
Albany, NY 12230
archref@nysed.gov
URL: <http://www.archives.nysed.gov/>

Table of Contents

| | |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Overview of the Records | 3 |
| Scope and Contents | 3 |
| Other Finding Aids | 4 |
| Use of Records | 4 |
| Access Terms | 4 |

Overview of the Records

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Repository: | New York State Archives |
| Summary: | These glass plate negatives and prints depict views of conditions inside factories, usually showing workers in chemical, food, glass, clothing, and other industries. The images show inadequate ventilation or exhaust systems; dirt and animals contacting food products; unguarded machinery; overcrowding of machinery and narrow or obstructed aisles; young children working; excessive heat and humidity; inadequate lighting; inadequate sanitation and other unhealthy conditions; and structural deficiencies in buildings and other physical dangers. Also included are views of workers' homes. |
| Creator: | New York (State). Factory Investigating Commission |
| Title: | Glass plate negatives and photographic prints of factory and housing conditions |
| Quantity: | 0.5 cubic feet |
| Inclusive Date: | 1911-1912 |
| Series: | A3029 |

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Scope and Content Note

These are mostly views of conditions inside factories, usually showing workers. Views of chemical, food, glass, clothing, and other industries illustrate conditions such as: inadequate ventilation or exhaust systems; dirt and animals contacting food products; unguarded machinery; overcrowding of machinery and narrow or obstructed aisles; young children working; excessive heat and humidity; inadequate lighting; inadequate sanitation and other unhealthy conditions; and structural deficiencies in buildings and other physical dangers.

There are also views of workers' houses, working women and their children outside their homes, and exteriors and interiors of workers' apartments. Many of these views were published in the Preliminary Report of the Factory Investigating Commission, Vol. I (1912), Second Report, Vol. II (1913), and Fourth Report, Vol. IV (1915).

The series also includes a typescript "Lists of Photographs, 1911-1912" describing many of the views in this series, others that were published but not included in the series, and some that were not published or included in this series.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Item list is available at the repository.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of the material.

Alternate Formats AvailableAlternate Formats Available

Microform is available at the New York State Archives through interlibrary loan.

Scanned images of selected negatives and prints are available at the New York State Archives.

[Glass plate negatives and photographic prints of factory and housing conditions, 1911-1912](#)

Access Terms

- Factories
- Factory inspection
- Glass plate negatives
- Photoprints
- Housing--New York (State)
- New York (State)
- Investigating
- Photographs