

Finding Aid for the New York State Factory Investigating Commission Glass Plate Negatives and Photographic Prints of Factory and Housing Conditions series.

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Online Finding Aid Record:

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Overview of 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

Inclusive Dates:

1911-1912

Quantity:

0.5 cubic feet

Series Number:

A3029

Scope and Contact 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.

Use of Records:**Access Restrictions:**

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

Alternate 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.

Related Information:**Other Finding Aids:**

Item list is available at the repository.

Access Terms:

Subjects:

- Factories

New York State Archives - <http://www.archives.nysed.gov>

- Factory inspection
- Housing--New York (State)

Corporate Names:

- New York (State). Factory Investigating Commission.
- New York State Archives

Genres:

- Glass plate negatives
- Photoprints
- Photographs

Geographic Names:

- New York (State)

Functions:

- Investigating