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At the Convention of Factory inspectors held in August of 91, ^{one of the} ~~the~~ inspectors commented on the extent of the sweating system in New York city, the most valuable property in the city was, in fact occupied by those employed, under the plan. (It had begun in the cigar making business?) It was alleged that the system also prevailed in Williamsburg, Brooklyn & Syracuse, tho' to a very little extent in Buffalo. The Inspectors for New Jersey & Pennsylvania reported that the sweating system was known in their States but only to a slight degree, families were in the habit of taking in the work which was sent round but it was only done for a short season, the worst evil was the low wages & long hours but there was not much trouble in keeping ^{rooms clean} work.