

SENATE No. 86.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

IN SENATE, March 17, 1875.

The Committee on the Labor Question, to whom was referred the Order relative to the enforcement of the law relating to the schooling and hours of labor for children; the petition of the Provident Christian Labor Union, for an Act for compulsory education; and so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the labor question,—report the accompanying Resolve.

For the Committee,

E. D. WINSLOW.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-Five.

RESOLVE

Providing for the Enforcement of the Laws relating to the Schooling and Hours of Labor of Children employed in Manufacturing and Mechanical Establishments.

Resolved, That the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint, as soon after the passage of this resolve as may be, and annually thereafter in the month of February, some suitable person, whose duty it shall be to see that the provisions of chapter two hundred and eighty-five of the acts and resolves of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, and all other laws regulating the employment and schooling of children and minors and women in manufacturing establishments, are hereby complied with, and to prosecute offences against the same; said person shall report annually to the governor.

The salary of said inspector shall be fifteen hundred dollars per annum, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for the same, together with a sum not exceeding twelve hundred dollars, for office and travelling expenses, to be approved by the council.