

HOUSE No. 678.

Bill accompanying the petition of John C. Bennett for legislation to prohibit the employment of children under sixteen years of age in factories, workshops and mercantile establishments more than eight hours in each day. Labor. January 21.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eight.

AN ACT

Relative to the Employment of Children under the Age of Sixteen Years in Factories, Workshops and Mercantile Establishments.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. No child under sixteen years of age shall
2 be employed in any factory, workshop or mercantile
3 establishment more than eight hours in any one day.

1 SECTION 2. Whoever employs a child under sixteen
2 years of age, and whoever having under his control a
3 child under such age permits such child to be employed,
4 in violation of the provisions of this act, shall for each
5 offence be punished by a fine of not more than three hun-
6 dred dollars, or by imprisonment by not more than six
7 months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

