research note

EXTRACT FROM LETTER DATED January 8, 1915

from Brown& Sharpe Mfg. Co., Providence, R.I.

"During the year 1914 we made the wearing of leggins during the time of 'pouring off' compulsory, this being in addition to the use of the 'Congress Shoes'. While we had 52 burning accidents in the foundry during the year 1913, these were reduced in the year 1914 to four, showing a remarkable gain following such a simple means of protection. Some allowance, however, should be made for working with a reduced force of men, and, during part of the year 1914, on short time.

We feel that much good should follow the presentation of shop matters in the way you are bringing them to the attention of the public through the popular magazines."

(Signed) L. D. BURLINGAME.

Industrial Superintendent

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