

## FACTORY INSPECTION.

Proprietors of Workshops Not All Disposed to Comply with the Law.

Florence Kelley, factory inspector, has this to say concerning her work:

"The daily reports of inspectors during the present month indicate renewed activity in the manufacture of clothing in Chicago, especially of coats, knee-pants, and neckties. The workshops and dwellings in which this manufacture is carried on are found to be numerous in the districts in which small-pox cases have also been numerous.

"Contractors working in these shops are reported obstinately negligent in regard to compliance with the workshop law. Their failure to keep lists of the home finishers in their employ and the failure of the home finishers to notify the board of health of their addresses rendered it very difficult for inspectors to find the finishers' workplaces, and enforce that part of the law which provides for freedom from infection.

"A rigid search of those districts in which clothing is manufactured has, therefore, been instituted and will be maintained throughout the present clothing season.

"All persons who work in a factory by day and carry away from it articles to be worked upon in their homes, and all persons who work some days in the week in a factory and some days at home for the same employer, come under section 1 of the law, and are required to comply with it by sending their names and addresses to the board of health.

"Employers who permit articles to be taken from the factory or workshop to be worked upon at night or on Sunday, and returned to the factory, come under section 7 of the law, and are required to keep on file a complete list of the names and addresses of employes by whom such articles are taken."