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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR,
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS,
Washington, D. C., May 14, 1908.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Part IV of the Report on Manufactures for the census of 1905. This census was taken in conformity with the act of Congress of March 6, 1902, and the statistics cover the calendar year ending December 31, 1904.

This volume is a compilation of the bulletins for a number of the leading industries of the United States, which were published as rapidly as the compilation of the data was finished. The monographs are bound together, because it is the only way they can be permanently preserved and made convenient for general reference. The statistics contained in these reports are combined with those for all other industries, thus giving the totals for all branches of manufactures in the United States and in each state and territory, which are published in Parts I and II of the census of 1905. The fieldwork, the compilation of the statistics, and the preparation of the text have been done by the regular force of the Office, working under the supervision of Mr. William M. Steuart, chief statistician for manufactures.

Very respectfully,

[Signature]

Hon. Oscar S. Straus,
Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Director.