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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,
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SIR:

I have the honor to transmit herewith an index to occupations.

This index is based upon the occupational designations returned at the Twelfth and Thirteenth Federal Censuses, but it has been supplemented by additional designations taken from various occupational glossaries. The index is presented in two forms—classified and alphabetical—a separate volume being devoted to each form. In the classified index the occupational designations are arranged in classified form, each under its proper occupation or occupation group, while in the alphabetical index the occupational designations are arranged alphabetically and each designation is preceded by its proper symbol. The classification in this index is that followed in General Tables I, II, and III of the Thirteenth Census occupation report, expanded, however, from 215 to 224 main occupations and occupation groups, and from a total of 428 to 572 separate occupations and occupation groups.

This index will be used by the Bureau of the Census in classifying the occupations returned on the population schedules at the Fourteenth Census. It will also be used by the Bureau of the Census in classifying the occupations returned on death certificates, so that the occupation statistics presented in the vital statistics reports will be comparable with those in the Fourteenth Census occupation report. Its use will enable any person who desires to make an intensive study of any occupation for which statistics are presented in the Fourteenth Census occupation report, to see exactly the kind of occupational designations classified and reported under that occupation.

The index was prepared by Dr. Alba M. Edwards, expert special agent, under the general supervision of Mr. William C. Hunt, chief statistician for population.

Respectfully,

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Hon. J. W. ALEXANDER,
Secretary of Commerce.