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PREFACE:

As an approach to the better understanding of China's industrialization in recent years, the Nankai University Committee on Social and Economic Research has deemed it advisable to undertake a sample survey of the major industries in Tientsin, the largest industrial and. commercial centre in North China. This survey, in respect of the intensive treatment for each industry, may be considered the first of its kind in China. It covers five industries in Tientsin, namely, cotton spinning, flour milling, carpet weaving, rayon and cotton weaving and hosiery knitting. Except carpet weaving, the results of which have been summed up in my provious report on the "Tientsin Carpet Industry", the field investigation on other industries was commenced in June, 1929, and has now been largely completed. The present report on the "Rayon and Cotton Weaving in Tientsin" will soon be followed by another one on the "Hosiery Knitting in Tientsin", which is already in press. The results on the other two industries, namely, cotton spinning and flour milling, are being analyzed, but will not be published until the coming year.

I wish to take this opportunity of acknowledging the financial assistance to this survey rendered by the Institute of Pacific Relations. Dr. Franklin L. Ho, Director of the Committee, has taken a large part in promoting as well as in planning for the survey, and has given valuable suggestions in almost every phase of it. For the present report, the field investigation was undertaken by Mr. Y.Y. Chuan, and the statistical computation by Messrs. T.Y. Lee and C. T. Lin.

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