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GREAT PLANT COMPLETED – New Department of American viscose Company Placed in Operation – Enlargement Cost \$500,000

The extensive additions to the plant of the American Viscose Company at Marcus Hook have been completed and the new spinning department was placed in operation yesterday. The aggregate cost of the machinery, installation and construction is about a half million dollars.

The new building is a duplicate of the present one story wing of the plant. It is 400 feet long by 120 feet wide and one story in height. The buildings are brick and of fireproof construction. In the building are included the spinning, washing, twisting and reeling department.

Notwithstanding the great cost of machinery, installation and construction of the buildings, the company, ever solicitous of the welfare of its employees, at a great cost installed new spinning machines equipped with a ventilating system, by which the objectionable fumes which arise from the acids which are used in the production of artificial silk will be carried away.

In addition to this a system of underground ventilation and electric fans overhead has been installed. This system will leave the spinning room free from any dust or odor.

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