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of 115 per cent. All the factory operatives in Hampden county in 1855, including Springfield and several manufacturing villages, were but 949; in 1865, Holyoke, alone, had 2,381 persons engaged in the different branches of manufacture. This number went up to nearly 7,000 in 1875, and is now more than double that number. The capital invested in manufacturing in the city in 1850 was nothing. In 1865 \$3,286,580 were invested, an amount that was increased to \$6,868,200 in 1875. The capital actually invested now cannot fall short of eleven millions. The value of the goods made has grown from zero in 1850 to \$5,171,886 in 1865, \$8,788,306 in 1875, and to about fourteen millions in the past year. Stock to the amount of \$3,662,396 was used in manufacturing in 1865, while that used in 1875 was worth \$4,029,457; and by reasonable estimation the stock used the past year was worth at least \$6,000,000. These are the figures for the past 18 years:

	Valuation,	Am't Taxes.	Rate.	No. Polls		Valuation.	Am't Taxes.	Rate.	No. Polls
1870	\$5,556,980	\$67,906	16.90	2,433	1879	9,873,821	163,045	15.90	4,840
1871	6,534,365	116,584	16.20	2,806	1880	10,674,142	188,542	16.80	3,637
1872	7,690,986	123,126	15.30	3,067	1881	11,977,405	217,742	17.40	5,288
1873	8,578,192	160,066	17.60	3,284	1882	13,372,950	217,222	15.40	5,712
1874	9,244,232	208,537	21.20	2,387	1883	14,397,250	215,139	14.40	6,000
1875	9,681,727	214,656	20.80	3,387	1884	15,427,995	209,954	14.80	6,420
1876	8,688,342	215,432	20.00	3,221	1885	16,135,125	286,039	17.20	6,451
1877	9,397,430	169,668	17.40	3,242	1886	16,873,635	319,487	18.20	6,789
1878	9,801,447	155,743	15.40	3,597	1887	18,122,580	319,624	17.00	7,196