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After reading through the document, compose a one page summary including 1) the people who testified, 2) the working conditions they described and 3) the rules and expectations of the employers.

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In this document, it consumes a statement from different types of people that worked at different mills and factories. Although the people are different they all have somewhat of the same argument. One thing I really found interesting was how they were put in such harsh conditions at such a young age. Most of them besides one were little as six to ten years old. I think the oldest age of start was at the age of 17 and that was just one of them. I have experience with factory work and I thought it was horrible and my experience was nowhere near where the people testified. When looking at the document you can kind of learn something about the era based on the information provided. Like the conditions of the work space. It was bad to the point one person says they remember being trapped all day and night to the point where they attempted to escape multiple times. They were on their feet all day and beaten and punished if late to work. They had very little food with a lot of work and little pay.