

Factory Girl Word Find

Hidden in the maze of letters on the next page are the words that complete the sentences below. Look for clues to the words in the articles on factory girls and mills in this issue. If you read these articles, you'll have much better than a spare-hands chance of figuring out this word find. Remember that words may lie horizontally, vertically, or diagonally in the puzzle.

Between 1820 and 1850, many young women in Vermont caught _____. They left their homes to seek their fortunes in the _____ mills of southern New England.

The largest and most famous of the cotton mills were in _____, Massachusetts.

Women were attracted to the mills by the chance to _____ wages and to see _____ places.

Mill-owners built _____- _____ to house female workers.

This system of hiring young women and housing them near the mills was called the _____ system, after the town where it was first used.

The factory girls operated machines that combed, _____, and wove _____ fiber into cloth.

A young woman named _____ wrote letters to her father about life in the mills.

Factory girls, like Mary Paul worked _____ hours a day, six days a week.

Factory _____ told them when to work or rest.

The _____ was the first magazine in the United States written by and for women. One of the _____ was a Vermonter named _____. She tried to give a _____ picture of life in the mills. More _____ workers felt that she should show more of the _____ of factory work.

Factory girls tried to _____ their lives by pushing for a _____ day.

Despite the long hours and hard work, the _____ of working in the mills gave many women a new way of viewing the world.



Label for cloth sold in stores.

Q R E V E F L L I M M I L I T A N T
 J N O P S H B G M C R I K L P X V E
 Z C H L U A P Y R A M S I N S Q F X
 I O D E Y R S P D G L N E Z U I K T
 A T C L M R J Y U L D W R S B P L I
 H T C E O I K T E L S F E Q C O S L
 I O N T C O M B S E V S U W W J H E
 F N I L K T X D A W U T B E Z C P L
 E D S Q N C H W M O A K L G B C O J
 E R P N G U S D H L I L V C D A S R
 K U I B J R D G X N O L T D V M I Q
 R O H F W T N B K F O H W H I M T D
 L H S E Y I O P F A I W K M A U I O
 O N D R D S J E T R Y H P X N M V Z
 X E R R F P R N T U J R A C N K E A
 W T A N V I H E D C O L Z A W R U S
 L O H V N C E G J V M D I X L E A B
 B M H G T N W J E C N E I R E P X E

ANSWERS

Mill fever, textile, Lowell, earn, new, boardinghouses, Waltham, spun, cotton, Mary Paul, thirteen, bells,
 Lowell Offering, editors, Harriot Curtis, positive, militant, hardships, improve, ten hour, experience.