DEAN SUMNER SAYS KEY TO VICE REPORT WILL NOT BE GIVEN UP

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Further Extracts from the Vice Commission’s Report on Methods Used in Department Stores.

Addressing the North Side Physicians’ club, Dean Walter T. Sumner, of SS. Peter and Paul cathedral, and also chairman of the Chicago Vice Commission, said:

“The key to the report made by the Vice Commission never will be given up. It will be kept for a time and then destroyed.

“It is a pity that the key cannot be published, but we have taken the stand we have because many unscrupulous persons would like to secure the names of property owners in the levee district for the purpose of blackmail.”

Yes, it is a pity that key cannot be published. It would give the people of Chicago information that would shock them into vigorous action to protect the girls and women who work in Chicago stores, from starvation wages and inhuman working conditions.

Yesterday, The Day Book published some extracts from the Vice Commission’s report, which gave our readers important information concerning department stores.

Today, further extracts are published, which indicate how valuable that key would be if it were available for publication. In these extracts the names of the department stores are omitted, just as they are omitted in the report itself. Letters and numbers are used instead of names, and it is impossible to supply these names without the key.

But even if the key were available to all Chicago newspapers, probably none but The Day Book would dare publish the names—