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**COVER:** Technicians at Parke-Davis & Company in Detroit operate single and rotary tableting machines in the Compressed Tablet Department, c. 1910. At right, an operator checks a machine by hand before engaging the power-takeoff belt that draws power from below the floor. At the time, single punch machines could produce about 30,000 tablets a day while rotary machines could punch out 300,000 or more compressed tablets. (Courtesy, AIHP Kremers Reference Files)

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