

No. 5. Mrs. Keates, Castle Street, Dress and Shirtmaker.—Females, 14; family—males, 3; females, 3; total, 20. Only one closet, 2ft. 7in. by 3ft. Accommodation the same as household.

No. 6. Reynolds and Clarke, Cumberland Street, Bootmakers.—Males, 51; females, 9; total, 60. Closet for females, 3ft. 1in. by 3ft. 4in.; closet for males, 3ft. 4in. by 4ft.; female closet separated by brick wall, with private entrance. No other accommodation.

No. 7. Mrs. W. Poole, Hanover Street, Dressmaker, &c.—Females, 20; male, 1; total, 21. Only one closet, 2ft. 8in. by 3ft. Very small yard. No other accommodation.

No. 8. Mr. Searle, Stuart Street, Shirtmaker.—Females, 9; male, 1; family, 3; total, 13. Only one closet, 4ft. by 3ft. 4in. Good accommodation.

No. 9. Messrs. A. and T. Inglis, George Street, Drapers, Manufacturers, &c.—Male assistants in shop, 38; females ditto, 4; total, 42; males in factory, 28; females ditto, 30; total, 58. Female closet for factory and shop, 4ft. by 3ft.; male closet for shop, 8ft. 6in. by 4ft. 10in.; closet in yard for males in factory, 6ft. by 3ft. Other accommodation very good.

No. 10. Mr. W. Wallace, George street, Draper, &c.—Females, 15, in workroom; family, 5; total, 20. Only one closet, 3ft. 7in. by 4ft. 2in. Other accommodation, good.

No. 11. Mr. W. H. Walters, George Street, Tailor.—Females, 3; males, 2; total, 5. One closet open to the street by right-of-way about one hundred feet from back of shop, 3ft. 4in. by 2ft. 9in.; in a most filthy state. No other accommodation.

No. 12. Mr. Evans, George Street, Draper, &c.—Females, 6; males, 5; total, 11. Two closets—one for male, 4ft. 11in. by 3ft. 2in.; one for female, 4ft. 9in. by 3ft. 6in.; divided by fence. Other accommodation good.

No. 13. Mr. Dreaver, George Street, Draper, &c.—Females, 8; males, 1; total, 9. One closet, 3ft. 2in. by 3ft. 10in. Yard very dirty. No other accommodation.

No. 14. Shelton and Read, King Street, Bootmakers, &c.—Females, 4; males, 12; total, 16. closets; one for males, and one for females, 3ft. 9in. by 2ft. 9in.; very small yard; no fences between closets. No other accommodation.

No. 15. Mr. J. Yates, George Street, Draper, &c. Females, 12; males, 6; family, 5; total, 23. No closet. No other accommodation. Building new premises.

No. 16. Mr. Beckingsale, George Street, Draper, &c.—Females, 7; family, 6; total, 13. One closet for all, 4ft. by 3ft. 6in. Other accommodation good.

No. 17. Coombs and Son, Cumberland Street, Tanners, &c.—Males, 40; females, 4; total, 44. Three closets, one in each storey, for the use of the employes, with every other convenience.

No. 18. G. H. Glover and Co., George Street, Hatters, &c.—Males, 4; females, 4; total, 8. Only one closet, 4ft. by 3ft. Other accommodation good.

REMARKS.

Every person who employs females should apply to some authorized person to be registered, so that the Inspector, or any other person appointed to act, might inquire into the character and into the accommodation of the premises in which they intend to carry on business.

The person or persons not complying with this section should be subject to a small fine before any Justice of the Peace.

Every person employing males and females should have two closets, eight feet apart, with separate entrances, divided by a proper fence about five feet high.

I am led to make these remarks by being brought into contact with factories and places where females are employed. Some of the rooms are very small, very dirty, and very badly ventilated; some rooms, with eight or ten working in a space of 10ft. by 12ft., and no accommodation for washing and cleansing.

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