



INSIDE THE WEST GATE, KINGSTON PENITENTIARY.

The section bordering on the lake is the walled city in which five-sixths of the men work at all sorts of trades—blacksmithing, stone-cutting, tailoring, shoemaking, carpentering, cooking, etc., etc., etc., where all of them eat and sleep, and from which all the different departments are administered and controlled.

The only gates through the high stone walls are one each on the north and west. A view of the latter we give from the inside. It looks out upon the wharf and across Portsmouth Bay to the Rockwood Asylum, and in it, as in the other, two guards keep watch night and day. The building on the left hand in this same picture is the insane ward, which is seen in full in the illustration of the central yard, together with the power-house. To the north of this central yard lies the dome; to the east the prison of isolation; to the south all the workshops.

Our view of the main prison shows the north gate in the foreground. The building just peeping over the wall on the left is the hospital—which is also the building shown in the picture of the

eastern wall; that on the right, corresponding to this, is the Protestant chapel; that in the centre is the dome, out of which, like great stone and iron spokes, run the four wings—the east wing, south wing, and west wing, con-

taining the cells; and the north, the Roman Catholic chapel, the main administration offices, and the female prison. The illustration showing the circular galleries inside the dome gives one some idea of how the five tiers of cells are reached by the men as, each with his tin of tea and bread, they retire for the night.

(b) *The Life Within.*

So much for the shell, the stone and iron, the dead material buildings and walls and gates and reach of land. But what of the life within? We have nothing like the space here in which to give the incidents and descriptive sketches which might fill many articles or lectures, but, as briefly as may be, let us specially glance, for illustration, at two or three features of prison life—the routine, the feeding, and the work, with a word on the "silent" system.

To be received into prison for the first time is an event which stamps



FRONT VIEW OF MAIN PRISON, KINGSTON PENITENTIARY.