

### Summary of Columbus Housing Reforms.

No tenement nor dwelling house in Columbus may occupy more than 8 per cent. of the lot area when there is a street on three sides.

Corner lots cannot be occupied by a tenement or dwelling house to an extent over 75 per cent. of the ground area.

Interior lots which do not exceed 100 feet in depth cannot be occupied over more than 65 per cent. of their area.

It will be contrary to the provisions of the new code for a tenement or dwelling to be higher than the width of the street.

Behind every tenement or dwelling house there must be a yard extending entirely across the lot, under the new code.

The sizes of courts in future tenements and dwellings will be prescribed according to the height of the building.

Every court must be unobstructed at the top and be provided with a horizontal air-intake at the bottom.

Every apartment in every house built after the enactment of the new code must have one room of at least 150 square feet floor space.

No room is allowed under the proposed code of a size less than 100 square feet of floor space.

The total window area of each room in future tenements or dwellings must be at least one-eighth of the floor area.

Every toilet or bathroom, hall or alcove is required to have at least one window for sufficient ventilation.

Access to every living room and bedroom and to at least one toilet room in future houses must be without passing through

any bedroom.

People will not be allowed to live in cellars and basements under the new code. These are for laundry and cooking only.

A proper sink for running water is required for every tenement and every dwelling house of the future.

Every house and every apartment in a tenement must be equipped with a toilet by the provisions of the new code.

Civic authorities will not allow a tenement to be occupied unless it has sewer and city water connections.

Tenement houses erected with more than three storeys will have to be constructed of fireproof material.

There must be two independent flights of stairs in every tenement that is occupied by two or more families above the first storey.

Tenement houses in the future will be required to have fire escapes constructed according to the height and width of the building.

Halls in tenements more than two storeys must be light enough to permit the reading of a newspaper at all times.

Every tenement house will in the future be supplied with sufficient water and accessible to each family.

Under the new code leaky roofs will be a violation of the law and water must be conveyed so as not to drip on the walls.

The owner of a tenement or dwelling will be held responsible for the accumulation of dirt, filth or garbage about the premises.

In any tenement occupied by six or more families it is required by the new code that a janitor be in charge of the premises.

## THE EMPIRE AND THE WORLD ABROAD

### Investigations in Bury on Defective Shoes and Health.

In Bury borough, England, Robert Burnet, M.D., health officer, has been giving some attention to the footgear of school children. There are two important relationships of defective shoes to health, one of them the effect on the individual and the other through the fact that such footgear is the cause of carrying much dirt into the

schoolroom. The matter of keeping the schoolroom clean is serious enough under ordinary circumstances, for daily cleanings are very expensive, and it is the custom in England to have the thorough work done only at considerable intervals. The uneasiness of the children stirs up the dust, and with anything but the most modern construction there are abundant ledges on which this may rest ready to be disturbed