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The Number of Potters. "The inquiry covers 550 pottery works, employing 63,000 persons, and seven lithographic transfer works." says the Times in its summary of 329, employing 48,000 persons, are situated in the string of towns in North Staffordshire commonly known as 'The Potteries,' and recently amalgamated into the county borough of employing 15,000 persons, are widely distributed in different parts of Engand and Scotland. In addition to these 550 works there are in the kingdom some 500 others of a kindred or subsidiary character, employing about 1.000 persons, but not at present under special rules.

Unhealthy Processes in Pottery Making.

"The special dangers to health to which pottery workers are exposed are twofold: (1) lead poisoning; (2) the inhalation of dust without lead Public attention has hitherto been drawn chiefly to the former, but it appears that the latter affects nuch larger number of workers and roduces more serious consequences. out of 63,000 workers only 6,865, or per cent., are brought into contact with lead, whereas 23,000, or 36 pe ent., are exposed to the inhalation of dust; the remaining 53 per cent. are not exposed to rany particular

langer to bealth. 'Dr. Poid, the Medical Officer o lealth for Staffordshire, has worked ut the excess of mortality attributable to the two causes respectively. and he finds that the excess among those exposed to special risk from lung disease is 7.0 per 1,000, whereas among the lead workers it is only 0.8 thirty and forty die annually from ung disease to one from lead poisoning, and, when the proportion of hose exposed to risk is reckoned, the fatality of the former is more than eight times greater than that of the latter. The report adds that there is reason to believe that the suffering caused by lung diseases is also greater at least in the same proportion."

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There was a diminution of lead poisoning between 1898 and 1902, but In many cases the pottery worker between 1902 and 1909 there was no improvement. "The Committee find glaze which we like to see upon our that the lack of progress since 1902 pottery faces death in making them. is due to imperfect conditions of work and casual observance of the specia To answer that question the Home rules by employers and employed in Office appointed a Departmental Com- some potteries. The former are blammittee to inquire into this dire lead ed for not providing the safety appoisoning and other forms of injury pliances required by the law; but i o health in the pottery trades. That seems beyond doubt that a considerable number of cases arise directly inquiry and has just issued its re- from the carelessness and indifference of the workers themselves.' Lead plete statement of what really does is absorbed both by breathing and by

Effects of Lead Poisoning.

"The principal effect of lead poison ing in ascending order of severity are-colic and gastric disturbance anaemia, paralysis, and brain affect tions. Only a small proportion o cases are fatal: the average death rate from plumbism for the last eleven years is 1.0 per 1,000 workers in lead. Classified according to se verity, the cases for the five years 1903-1907 were found to yield the following averages: Severe, males, 19.5 the report. "Of the pottery works per cent.; females, .12.5 per cent.; moderate, males, 44.7 .per cent.; females, 34.6 per cent.; slight, males 35.5 per cent.; females, 51.4 per cent Short of definite symptoms, the general health is impaired in many oper-Stoke-on-Trent; the remaining 221, atives, and miscarriages are abnormally frequent among married women working in lead. The occurrence of poisoning in particular cases is gov erned by individual susceptibility which varies greatly, and by personil habits. Women are believed to b nore susceptible than men, though his is not borne out by the percentiges of severity given above, or by the death-rate, which is lower among vomen.

"Lead is used in pottery in the orm of glazes and of colours. The committee find that the great majorty of cases of poisoning are caused by the former. They have paid great ttention to the question of leadless glazes, which has been the subject of so much controversy, and they discuss it thoroughly in the report Evidence was invited from every firm tnown to make a specialty of lead ess ware, and all but one responded orty-four witnesses in all were heard n the subject. Only two manufac urers told the Committee that they were entirely successful in using eadless glaze for the whole of their output-both make a very cheap class of common ware largely exported to the East and to Africa, and do not pretend to compete with the highgrade makers. Other firms have had partial success, but several who have used leadless glaze for some years have abandoned the attempt, and others, after repeated trials, have had no success at all.

What Could be Done.

"Dr. J. W. Mellor, technical instrucor in pottery manufacture under the Staffordshire County Council, has been conducting special researchs for some time, and 'is not very sanguine of success in finding a substitute for lead.'

"The general conclusion to b drawn from the evidences in respect of the use of leadless glaze is:-

"That in all classes of pottery ware whether of the best, medium, or comnon qualities, a great many articles can be manufactured, in a very high state of perfection, with leadless glaze."

Novel System of Inspection

In a factory it is the neglect of the multiplicity of small precautions which makes the hig danger. The Committee suggests a large number of safeguards to be insisted upon in the interests of the workers. It proposes to make these the basis of regulations. Each manufacturer will then have to appoint some person who will keep a register in which once a week he will enter replies to questions concerning floors, messrooms, lavatories, draughts, overalls and head-coverings, and suchlike

"The novelty of the plan," says the Westminster Gazette, "is that a cop of the entries made in the register will be posted each week in the factories and mess-rooms, where they will be read by the workers. If the statements made are wrong or false any of those employed will be able to report to the factory inspector, who will at once institute inquiries This is the institution of a check which is obviously capable of wide extension. The employer is made responsible for seeing that the regulations are carried out, independently of any suggestions from the factory

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