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Places Forbidden for Meals.

FACTORY & WORKSHOP ACT, 1878, 41 Vic., c. 16, s. 39, and sch. 2.

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SPECIAL RESTRICTION. NOTICE.

A child, young person or woman may not be allowed to take a meal, or to remain during the times allowed for meals, in the parts of the factories hereinafter specified, viz. :—

- (1.) In the case of Glass Works, in any part in which the materials are mixed; and
- (2.) In the case of Glass Works where flint glass is made, in any part in which the work of grinding, cutting, or polishing is carried on; and
- (3.) In the case of Lucifer-Match Works, in any part in which any manufacturing process or handicraft (except that of cutting the wood) is usually carried on; and
- (4.) In the case of Earthenware Works, in any part known or used as dippers' house, dippers' drying room, or china scouring room.

And by Order dated 20th December, 1882, which Order will continue in force until revoked, the Secretary of State has extended the said special restriction to—

Every part of a Factory or Workshop in which part wool or hair is sorted or dusted, or in which rags are sorted, dusted, or ground.

Every part of a Textile Factory in which part gassing is carried on.

Every part of a Printwork, Bleachwork, or Dyework in which part singeing is carried on.

Every part of a Factory or Workshop in which part any of the following processes are carried on :—

- Grinding, glazing, or polishing on a wheel.
- Brass-casting, typefoundry.
- Dipping metal in aquafortis or other acid solution.
- Metal bronzing.
- Majolica painting on earthenware.
- Catgut cleaning and repairing.
- Cutting, turning, polishing bone, ivory, pearlshell, snailshell.

Every Factory or Workshop in which chemicals or artificial manures are manufactured, except any room used solely for meals.

Every Factory or Workshop in which White Lead is manufactured, except any room thereof used solely for Meals.

Every part of a Factory or Workshop in which part dry powder or dust is used in any of the following processes :—

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| Lithographic printing. | Almanack making. |
| Playing-card making. | Artificial flower making. |
| Fancy box making. | Paper colouring and enamelling. |
| Paper staining. | Colour making. |

This Notice, being in the Form prescribed by the Secretary of State, must be affixed in the Factory to which it applies.

Copies of this Notice, price 1d., and other forms under the Factory and Workshop Act, 1878, and a list of such Forms, may be purchased of—

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Factory and Workshop Act 1878

WHAT'S IT ABOUT?

The 1878 Factory and Workshop Act set out the areas of the factory in which workers were forbidden to take meals or even to be at mealtimes. This poster, produced in 1892, would have been displayed in factories and workshops.

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