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THE housing of the working classes is a subject which must always be of interest to nurses, who, in the course of their work, are frequently brought in contact with the evils resulting from overcrowding. No class of persons know better than nurses, especially district nurses, the crime, the disease, and the mortality, caused among the poor by the manner of living necessitated in overcrowded dwellings. Want of personal cleanliness is a consequence which cannot be over severely condemned when the difficulties of obtaining an adequate supply of hot water are considered, but—as no part of the community can suffer without affecting the whole, the neglect of many of the working classes in this particular has its influence on those in better circumstances, for of dirt is bred disease, and the infectious complaint which finds its way into the mansion of the rich man, and kills the child who is the light of his eyes has, in all probability had its origin in the insanitary tenements of which perhaps he is owner, and from which he makes an unjustifiable profit. Attention has been directed to this most important

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