

Mrs Boggett

Harklights Match Factory

To Mrs Boggett,

I write to you with strong suggestions on your running of the dreary place you call your factory. I dearly hope you heed them, or the authorities will become involved and, if I were in your shoes, I wouldn't dare even think of the consequences.

I suggest, firstly, that you (deeply) take into consideration what your 'workers' deserve. The wretched children who work so tirelessly for you have such little in the way of luxury: having to sleep upon a grimy stone floor, in an ancient building teeming with rats; the appalling conditions of the place they are forced to work in; the lack of your allowance for pleasures of any sort; and their inhumane treatment. I advise you instantly cease this abhorrent behaviour towards today's youth, and that you deliberate over the other, not quite so harsh, options:

The first of which would be to give the children to loving families who would provide them with the education and care that is vital for their wellbeing, and take on keen adults with quick and steady hands, who would, of course, be paid a handsome wage, and allowed to take regular breaks and go home at the end of the working day.

I also suggest a refurbishment of the place; in its dreadfully unhygienic state, it is no place for anyone to be working in, young and old alike. Its stale, cold air and gelid stone floors are devastating for health, and the lack of any comfort could lead to depression, and/or severe health issues in later life.

he third suggestion I now voice is this: Change your ways, acquire a generous, understanding heart. Let people look up at you with adoring eyes, instead of fear and animosity. Cease your destruction of the forest... nature takes care of us, so it's only right we take care of it in return.

I profoundly feel you should consider this letter (I have sent to you if you value your freedom ^{from} chains, prison, and, at the very least, an ^{immense} inordinate fine and a criminal record.

Yours in hope,

Miss E Hogan, HSPCC (Harklights Society for the Prevention of C
to Children).