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TENEMENT COLLAPSE.

SEVEN FAMILIES HOMELESS.

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When this tenement in Edinburgh collapsed, it was almost a miracle

that no-one was killed, or injured. Families were living in the flats, and a gang of workmen

were just outside when the wall came down with a

crash like thunder. Residents had previously made complaints to the authorities, and an inspector

was actually on the spot

inspecting when the disaster occurred.

Conclusive proof that the complaints were justified. Gold fish, a canary

and seven families have been rendered homeless. Many of their members

had narrow escapes. Service piping was wrenched apart, flowing water and gas made things worse. If those

houses are part of a slum area, perhaps the crash

has done some good. There

was one minor tragedy. Some-one had just put a shilling in the gas-meter.