

by 2 feet 10 inches ; all having brick division walls, and a door with a spring. There is nothing in the shape of a washhouse or place for the females to clean themselves in, the only substitute being basins in their workrooms, the water supplied from the several taps in the rooms. There is nothing provided, such as a dressing-room, to adjust their toilet in upon coming to work or upon leaving.

SARGOOD, SON, AND EWEN, Dowling and High Streets, Clothiers.—Employ about forty girls daily, who work up stairs in the building, and have five waterclosets, and have no occasion to come down amongst the males. The convenience for washing and dressing is incomplete, there being only a sink for a basin in the corner of a recess, and only one towel fixed on a roller.

THOMSON, STRANG, AND COMPANY, Princes Street, Clothiers.—Employ about twenty-five females daily, who work upstairs in the building, and have one watercloset, therefore do not come down amongst the males. There is also a cloak and a hat and bootroom ; but the dressing-room is incomplete, no provision being made for washing purposes except a sink supplied with water from a tap. In this establishment there is no closet for males at all.

SAUNDERS AND COMPANY, Princes Street, Clothiers.—Employ about from thirty-five to forty females, who all work upstairs, and have a convenience of two waterclosets on the same floor. There is nothing for toilet purposes supplied, except a sink, and the water supplied by a tap. A lobby, with a hat and cloak rack also. In this instance, the males and females do not meet during working hours.

HERBERT, HAYNES, AND COMPANY, Princes Street, Clothiers.—Employ about forty females, who all work in their establishment. For their convenience there is only one earthcloset, and that is on the lower floor of the building. The girls work upstairs, and therefore, as a necessity, must mix amongst the men during working hours, as there are also two closets on the same floor, but distant from each other, for the male portion employed. No provision made for toilet purposes.

MOSGIEL, Retail Branch, Princes Street, Clothiers.—Employ eight females, who all are daily employed in a large room upstairs in the building, where there is for their convenience one closet. Therefore they do not require to mix amongst the males during their working hours. In this instance, also, there is no suitable requisite for dressing or toilet purposes, except the sink, and water supplied by a tap.

PASCOE AND COMPANY, High Street, Clothiers.—Employ daily upon their premises forty females. For the necessary convenience of such there is only one earthcloset, such being divided by a partition of wood. The main door to the steps leading to such closet is the same as leads to the portion divided off for the males ; therefore, if both closets are occupied at same time, such must be unpleasant, as the walls are not 9-inch brick. There is no provision made for toilet purposes, except the sink and water-tap system.

HERMAN AND COMPANY, Stafford Street, Clothiers.—Employ about thirty females, who work upon the premises. For their convenience there is only one earthcloset, situated in a yard, and divided with a wooden partition, thus making the other portion of the building for the use of the male sex employed ; there are two doors in the same side, and the closet is open to public view. There is no provision for toilet purposes, the only thing being a half of a barrel filled with water, under a tap in the same yard, to wash out of.

MISS BROWNLIE, Milliner, Princes Street.—Employs females only, numbering six. There is no convenience attached to the workrooms, consequently the girls have to go down into an open yard behind the house, where there is a double earthcloset, divided by a 9-inch brick wall ; the doors to each closet open on same side ; there are three compartments in same building. There is the necessary convenience required for toilet purposes in this department.

HAYMANSON, LOW, AND COMPANY, Clarke Street, Boot Factory.—Employs seven females, also males, upon their premises, where there is only one earthcloset, upon the third floor from where the girls work ; therefore they have to pass and repass through the department where the men work, and also to pass in close proximity to the only convenience for the men in the building—namely, a urinal. There is nothing but a sink and tap to wash with on the premises.

POCKLINGTON AND COMPANY, MacLaggan Street, Boot Factory.—Employs only two females, also four men. There is no closet attached to premises, but owner has made private arrangements with the landlady next door, from whom he rents the premises. There is no convenience for washing purposes either on premises.

W. J. WALLER, Princes Street, Boot Factory.—Employs daily seven females ; also, a number of men and boys. For the convenience of such there are two earthclosets, very badly built, but separate, in the yard. There is no convenience or requisite for toilet requirements.

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Council Chambers, Manse Street, Dunedin, 22nd May, 1878.

Chief Inspector of Nuisances.

To the Hon. the Commission re the Female Factory Act.

The Sanitary Inspector begs to report having visited the undermentioned premises:—

No. 1. Mr. B. Isen, George Street, Tailor.—Males, 3 ; females 7 ; total, 10. Only one closet for males and females, 3ft. by 3ft. ; closet door facing the workrooms, 30ft. distant. No other accommodation.

No. 2. Skinner and Buckland, King Street, Bootmakers.—Males, 22 ; females, 4 ; total, 26. Only one closet for males and females, 3ft. 3in. by 4ft. 2in. Two other workshops adjoining main building, occupied by carpenters and wheelwrights, all using the same convenience. The boot factory has no other convenience for its employes.

No. 3. Mr. Stokes, King Street, Tailor.—Males, 4 ; females, 6 ; total, 10. Three closets, each 3ft. by 3ft. 9in. Other accommodation very good.

No. 4. Haigh and Co., Castle Street, Bootmakers.—Males, 52 ; females, 13 ; total, 65. One closet for females, 2ft. 8in. by 3ft. ; one closet for males, 6ft. by 3ft. 2in. ; both in small yard, quite exposed to view of each sex. No other accommodation.