

The routine work of the district involved a considerable amount of correspondence, as the following will show. From Dunedin alone the following letters were written :—By Dr. Ogston : To Town Clerks, 171 ; County Clerks, 26 ; Mayors, 14 ; Chairmen County Councils, 2 ; Road Boards, 1 ; Harbour Boards, 4 ; Hospital Boards, 8 ; Education Boards, 6 ; Drainage Board, 9 ; School Committees, 5 ; University Council, 1 ; Stock Departments, 5 ; Dairy Departments, 3 ; Factory Inspector, 7 ; Police Inspector, 1 ; District Railway Engineer, 4 ; Chief Health Officer, 65 ; Miscellaneous, 102. By Inspector Gladstone : To Town Clerks, 54 ; County Clerks, 2 ; Road Boards, 4 ; Education Boards, 1 ; Drainage Boards, 3 ; Dairy Departments, 1 ; Police Inspector, 1 ; Chief Health Officer, 3 ; Miscellaneous, 42.

Consultations were held as follows :—By Dr. Ogston : With Town Clerks, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$; County Clerks, 2 ; Town Councils, 6 ; County Councils, 2 ; Mayors, 6 ; City Engineer, 1 ; Drainage Engineer, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$; Inspectors of Factories, 6 ; Hospital Boards, 3 ; Stock Inspectors, 3. By Inspector Gladstone : Town Clerks, 23 ; County Clerks, 3 ; Town Councils, 3 ; County Councils, 2 ; Mayors, 11 ; Inspectors of Factories, 4 ; Hospital Boards, 1 ; Stock Inspectors, 7.

Special reports to Chief Health Officer (by Dr. Ogston), 10.

Notices sent out *re* disinfection : By Inspector Gladstone, 97 ; by Inspector Cameron, 146.

Microscopic examinations of sputa, &c. : Of sputa found tuberculous, 17 ; of sputa found non-tuberculous, 12 ; of sputa found to be pneumonic, 11 ; membrane from throat found to be diphtheritic, 1.

Alimentary matters condemned and destroyed (at Dunedin) : Eggs rotten, 20 dozen (about) ; bananas rotten, 2,111 cases ; potatoes diseased or rotten, 30 bags ; prunes badly cured and full of insects, 16 boxes ; figs badly cured and full of insects, 15 cases ; preserved foods, &c. (various), old and decaying, 135 tins, &c. ; jams badly preserved and mouldy, 36 bottles ; butter rancid and mouldy, 4 cases ; pigs' heads rotten, 16 ; pigs' carcasses badly tuberculous, &c., or rotten, 23 ; bacon, sides and rolls, decomposing, 67 ; hams rotten, 9 ; red herrings rotten, 9 tins ; frozen fish decomposing from breakdown of freezing, 81 cases ; frozen hares decomposing from breakdown of freezing, 18 ; frozen poultry decomposing from breakdown of freezing, 4 bags ; oranges rotten, 326 cases ; food—sausages and mutton—supplied to a camp decomposing, a large quantity ; lots of unsound fruit, &c., condemned at Invercargill, 16.

GENERAL LIST OF INSPECTIONS, EXAMINATIONS, ETC.

	By Dr. Ogston.	By Inspector Gladstone.	By Inspector Cameron.
Nightsoil-depots	7	4	6
Rubbish-tips, &c.	17	19	16
Nightsoil-collection advised	2	..	4
Nightsoil-collection neglected	11	..	..
Dirty gutters, drains, &c.	81	176	70
Defective privies, &c.	42	133	18
Dirty premises	13	176	112
Dirty stables, &c.	14	59	45
Dirty fowl-runs	8	22	32
Dirty piggeries	8	15	16
Nuisance at freezing-works	1	..	..
Nuisance at fruit-canning works	1	1	..
Smoke nuisance	2	..	3
Water-supply, tanks, &c.	11	27	242
Houses in bad order, to repair	18	48	15
" condemned	7	..	..
Overcrowding in houses	4	6	3
" schools	1	..	..
Schools and schoolhouses defective	1	..	8
Nuisances from animals in houses	2	..	..
Dirty papers for wrapping meat	2	..	..
Inspection of station (Mount Pisa)	1	..	..
Fish-shops examined	3	17	7
Bakehouses examined	6	1	17
Butchers' shops examined	12	42	23
Fruit-shops examined	1	19	..
Grocers' shops, stores, &c., examined	1	18	74
Milk-shops, dairy factories, &c.	4	17	7
Cordial-factories examined	2	15	4
Factories examined .. .. .	..	..	36
Slaughter-yards examined .. .. .	..	..	14
Hotels examined	15	26	18
Restaurants examined .. .. .	..	6	9
Boardinghouses examined .. .. .	..	15	18
Recreation-grounds examined	3	7	..
Auction-marts, &c., examined (often)	5	14	5
School visited	3	9	17
Diseases in schools looked to	2	..	..
Diseases in factory-workers looked to	1	..	..
Diarrhœa in camp looked into	1	..	..