

CC: Dr. J.M. Campbell.

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Dear Mr. Healey.

Your letter of 24th February has been passed to me for attention and I regret that as I have been away from the office there has been delay in making reply.

I am surprised to hear that you have experienced pain in the forefinger of your hand following contact with liquid Arcolor. We have no history of such an effect in our works and laboratories, where contact with the liquid is relatively frequent, and in any case, you washed your hands thoroughly after the contact had taken place so that the Arcolor was only in contact for a relatively short time. As you say that (a) the pain is especially under the nail, (b) you washed off pretty thoroughly, I am inclined to suggest that you used a nail brush and that one or more bristles caused minor injury behind the nail. This would take several days to clear up, and I expect all is well by now. If not, occasional washing of the finger with an antiseptic solution, e.g. Dettol should be effective.

On your further query concerning closures for bottles containing Arcolor we would recommend the use of Polythene stoppers.

Please let me know how the finger is getting on.

Yours sincerely,

D.V.N. HARDY.

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