

Kennon & Sons Pty. Ltd." and "Wool Stores" below in the frieze. The entrance door is in the corner bay with a render moulded hood on brackets.

The render is coloured cream and the window frames, chocolate brown. There is a saw-tooth roof, glazed facing south, concealed by the parapets. It is surrounded on both sides by a major two-storey sympathetic addition, in painted tilt slab construction, with a rebated connection .

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS : Comparable to the Rosella works, 64 Balmain Street, 1905, particularly the "Treasureway" Palmer Parade building (ref : 187), 26-28 Tanner Street, Kookaburra (ref : 80) and Goodwood Street, Pelaco, c.1910, William Pitt's Bryant and May Factory, 1909; and his Foy and Gibson complex at 99-137 Cambridge Street and 120-154 Oxford Street, Collingwood built 1899-post 1912 is particularly similar, of red brick with giant rendered Tuscan pilasters also. The Modernist 80 Balmain Street, c.1925 (ref : 190) is less comparable. Giant order pilasters were first used by Michaelangelo in his Capitoline palaces and St Peters Basilica in Rome, both from 1547.¹⁵

SIGNIFICANCE : A fine and intact large Edwardian three-storey brick wool stores building designed by Albion Henry Walkley about 1922, with some architectural pretension in a stripped late Renaissance manner and representing a once common use. Of local architectural and historical significance with further significance as a corner streetscape element, facing the river.

INTACTNESS : Very good. Ground storey windows have been replaced with similar in anodised aluminium and the entrance door has been crudely replaced. Cast iron downpipes have been replaced with corrugated steel above 1.2 metres height.

CONDITION & THREATS : Very good. There is some crazing, cracking and staining, caused by water penetration of the parapet and cornice render. The upper floors are vacant.

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