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TAMWORTH
Industrial Co-operative Society Ltd.

Established Nov. 24th, 1886.



Registered March 15th, 1887.

OFFICES OF THE SOCIETY—
No. 35, Church Street, & 5 & 6, Colehill,
TAMWORTH.

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QUARTERLY REPORT & BALANCE SHEET

For the Quarter ending November 21st 1896.

BANKERS;
Co-operative Wholesale Society Ltd, Manchester.

Printed by W. F. Woodcock, Bolebri lge Street, Tamworth.

Butchering Department.

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DAYS OF DELIVERY OF MEAT AND MADE-UP GOODS.

For the convenience of Country Members, we now deliver on the following days:—

TUESDAYS—Amington, Newton Regis, and Shuttington;

WEDNESDAYS—Glascote, Polesworth, Dordon, and Birchmoor;

THURSDAYS—Kettlebrook, Wilnecote, Hockley, Dosthill, and Fazeley.

This is in addition to our customary delivery at the end of week.

Every attention will be given to your requirements, and we rely on your full support to make these journeys a success.

Days of Delivery for Grocery and Bag Stuff.

MONDAYS—All Bag Suffs.

TUESDAYS—Parcels, Dordon.

WEDNESDAYS—Wigginton, Polesworth, Birchmoor, and Newton Regis.

THURSDAYS—Amington, Glascote.

FRIDAYS—Wilnecote, Hockley, Dosthill, Fazeley, Mount Pleasant, and Two-gates.

SATURDAY—Town, Hopwas, Kettlebrook, and Canwell.

It is important that members should have their Orders written out ready for the deliverers, when they call on the day previous to the days of delivery, and as far as possible anticipate their full requirements, so as to avoid disappointments, as we cannot undertake to deliver goods only on the days mentioned above.

FARM PRODUCE.

POULTRY.— We have reared a large quantity of Poultry this season, which we can supply to Members on a day's notice being given. Fat Ducks now ready for sale.

COMPLAINTS.

Any Member having a Complaint to make against any Officer or servant of this Society, or about the quality or price of any article is requested to do so in writing to the Committee. No Complaint can be entertained unless made in this manner. All communications to be addressed to Secretary, endorsed "Complaint."

NOTICES.

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The Dividend will be paid at the Stores, on Friday, Dec. 18th, from 6 to 8 in the Evening; and on Saturday Afternoon from 3 to 5, and 6 to 8 in the Evening. No Dividend will be paid unless Purchase Book or Pass Book is produced.

Contributions will be received and withdrawals paid at the Office of the Society, on the following days, and at the hours mentioned below:—Monday from 2 to 4 and from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday 10 to 12 a.m. Saturday 10 to 12 a.m., 2 to 4, and 6 to 8 p.m.

The Committee beg to call your special attention to the importance of nominating some person to receive the amount standing to your credit in the Society in the case of death. By attending strictly to this notice much annoyance will be prevented, and the Committee relieved of a great responsibility. The fee for nomination is 3d.

N.B.—It is earnestly requested that only those persons who are entitled and desire to draw their Dividend will attend for that purpose, and be able to produce their purchase book. The attendance of members who wish to have their Dividend placed to their Share Account is not necessary on this day, as the amount can be placed in their Pass Books any time afterwards, on applying at the Office of the Society.

Our Baking Department continues very satisfactory, the output for the Quarter being 17,019 Stones.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

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A SPECIAL MEETING

will be held in the

WESLEYAN SCHOOL-ROOM, BOLEBRIDGE ST.

ON

SATURDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 19th, 1896.

CHAIR TO BE TAKEN AT 7 O'CLOCK.

BUSINESS:

To consider the Plans of the proposed new buildings in Church Street and Colehill, and to move a resolution thereon.

The Plans will be on view in the School-room, on the Saturday afternoon, from 3 to 5.30, and two Members of the Committee will be in attendance to give any explanation in reference to them. We hope as many Members as possible will avail themselves of this opportunity of getting the information they may require.

Officers of the Society.

Secretary & Manager : Mr. S. Hardy.

Auditors : Messrs. J. Pendray & A. Swinfield.

COMMITTEE AND THEIR ATTENDANCES.

PRESIDENT : MR. FRED'K MOSELEY.

No. of Meetings 26.

	Actual.Possible.			Actual.Possible	
MR. J. LONGDON*	26	26	„ R. Brindley*	26	26
„ J. Wood *	26	26	„ W. Jackson*	26	26
„ J. Page ...	25	26	„ H. Sanders	25	26
„ J. Kitchen	25	26	„ G. Grainger	25	26
„ F. Moseley*	25	26			

Those marked thus * retire, but are eligible for re-election.

The following Members were nominated at the last Quarterly Meeting.

Mr. F. Moseley	proposed by	Mr. T. Hatton
„ J. Wood	„ „	„ T. Platts
„ J. Longden	„ „	„ R. Butlin
„ W. Jackson	„ „	„ J. Wilson
„ R. P. Brindley	„ „	„ J. Randall
„ J. Blundell	„ „	„ A. Nicholls
„ R. Butlin	„ „	„ T. Wright

SUB-COMMITTEE ATTENDANCES.

	26 General.	15 Bakehouse.	Shop.	8 Farm.	Totals
MOSELEY	25	13		6	44
LONGDEN.	26		14	2	42
WOOD	26	14		6	46
BRINDLEY	26		15	8	49
JACKSON	26		14	5	45
PAGE	25	11		4	40
KITCHEN	25		10	—	35
GRAINGER	25	14		1	40
SANDERS	25	15		8	48

THE QUARTERLY MEETING

will be held in the

VICTORIA ROAD SCHOOL-ROOM,

On Wednesday Evening, DEC. 16th, 1896.

Chair to be taken at 7.30, when the following and any other business that may transpire will be brought forward —

- 1.—Minutes of previous Quarterly Meeting.
- 2.—Committee's Report.
- 3.—Balance Sheets to be considered
- 4.—Election of 5 Members to serve on Committee.
- 5.— „ „ Secretary.
- 6.— „ „ one Auditor.
- 7.— „ „ Arbitrators.
- 8.— „ „ Dividend Payer.
- 9.—Recommendation that the Society subscribe £3 3s. to the Birmingham Eye Hospital.
- 10.—Recommendation that the Society give one Month's bread to the Tamworth Cottage Hospital.
- 11.—Recommendation re Penny Bank.
- 12.—Nomination of two Members to serve on Educational Committee in place of Messrs. Fowler and Hine, who retire in March.

RULES

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OF THE

PENNY BANK.

1. Deposits may be received either from members or non-members.

2. Every Depositor shall pay one penny for a deposit book containing a printed copy of these rules, in which all deposits or withdrawals shall be entered.

3. No person shall deposit more than five shillings in any one payment, nor have more than £20 on deposit at the same time.

4. Interest at the rate of £4 3s. 4d. per cent. per annum shall be paid on each sum of not less than four shillings, continuing on deposit for not less than three months, reckoning from the ordinary quarter days of the Society.

5. A sum not above £1 can be withdrawn upon two clear days' previous notice, and a sum above £2 on a notice of seven days' previous.

6. A penny receipt stamp shall be attached, at the cost of the depositors, on withdrawals of £2 and upwards

7. No money shall be received or paid without the production of the deposit book; and depositors must attend personally, if possible, when any money is to be withdrawn.

8. If a deposit book is filled with entries, it shall be delivered to the secretary, that the balance may be transferred to another book, for which the depositor shall pay one penny.

9. Deposits are received upon the express condition that no writing or mark shall be made in the deposit book except by the Secretary of the society, or some person acting under his authority, and that if any writing or mark is so made it shall in no way affect the society.

10. The deposit book must be preserved intact, and if lost, torn, or cut, shall be replaced at the cost of the depositor, and when an account is closed must be given up.

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## RULES OF THE CLOTHING CLUB.

1. The Club to consist of an unlimited number of members.
2. Subscriptions from 6d. to 5s. may be paid any day during business hours.
3. All subscriptions to the Club must be expended in Drapery, Clothing, Boot, or Furnishing Departments.
4. That no money be received unless the Club Card is presented.
5. The purchases to be made not more than once a quarter namely, the first week after each quarterly meeting.
6. All moneys paid into Club and not claimed within 12 months from last payment will be forfeited.



## SHARES

### ONE PCUND EACH, WITHDRAWABLE.

No member can hold more than 100 shares on which interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum is paid.

Any person wishing to become a Member may do so by applying at the office of the Society, and paying an Entrance Fee of 1s. 2d.

Where the Share or Shares are not paid in full on application, the Members are expected to allow their dividends to remain until at least One Share is fully paid up.

All Profits, after paying working Expenses, Depreciation and Interest on capital, are divided among the purchasers.

The following tabulated Statement shows the Progress of the Society since its commencement in 1886.

| Year  | Sales. |    |     | Net Profit. |    |    | Dividend paid to Members. |    |    | Dividend transferred to members Share Account. | Interest paid on Shares. |     |      |    |    |
|-------|--------|----|-----|-------------|----|----|---------------------------|----|----|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----|------|----|----|
|       | £      | s. | d.  | £           | s. | d. | £                         | s. | d. |                                                | £                        | s.  | d.   |    |    |
| 1887  | 2704   | 17 | 5½  | 225         | 7  | 1½ | 29                        | 19 | 10 | for two years ending Nov.                      | 8                        | 18  | 0    |    |    |
| 1888  | 6744   | 15 | 3   | 600         | 13 | 8½ | 186                       | 2  | 3  | 487                                            | 0                        | 7   | 52   | 19 | 0  |
| 1889  | 9346   | 15 | 10  | 791         | 10 | 8  | 303                       | 8  | 3½ | 325                                            | 19                       | 10  | 87   | 8  | 0  |
| 1890  | 10681  | 7  | 5½  | 944         | 18 | 3  | 374                       | 14 | 10 | 449                                            | 12                       | 4   | 108  | 2  | 7  |
| 1891  | 14435  | 17 | 9   | 1343        | 7  | 9½ | 555                       | 13 | 2  | 660                                            | 11                       | 6   | 146  | 0  | 8  |
| 1892  | 16858  | 12 | 0   | 1514        | 15 | 2  | 664                       | 14 | 6  | 721                                            | 17                       | 8   | 188  | 4  | 10 |
| 1893  | 19575  | 19 | 5½  | 1559        | 13 | 0  | 695                       | 18 | 10 | 730                                            | 2                        | 2   | 227  | 14 | 0  |
| 1894  | 21064  | 15 | 5½  | 1937        | 6  | 7  | 761                       | 12 | 11 | 850                                            | 15                       | 3   | 265  | 5  | 9  |
| 1895  | 24161  | 0  | 10½ | 2460        | 16 | 4  | 1031                      | 10 | 9½ | 1125                                           | 7                        | 1   | 308  | 13 | 5  |
| 1896  | 25778  | 4  | 9   | 2634        | 15 | 3½ | 1055                      | 3  | 8  | 1245                                           | 9                        | 6½  | 391  | 9  | 2  |
| Total | 151347 | 6  | 3½  | 14083       | 3  | 11 | 5658                      | 19 | 1  | 6596                                           | 15                       | 11½ | 1784 | 15 | 5  |

The present number of members is 1,186 holding shares to the value of £8,902/19/4½.

The original value of the Society's property is £6,507/6/7 which has been depreciated £1,520/16/11, leaving the present nominal value £4,986/9/8.

The Society has taken up shares with the Co-operative Wholesale Society and other productive Societies, to the value of £876/13/10, fully paid, and at the present time has a reserve fund of £503/12/6½.

## BOOTS! BOOTS! BOOTS!

FOR WINTER WEAR.

We think we have anticipated the full requirements of our customers in this branch of business, and we hope to do a much larger trade in future. Our stock includes a great variety of the latest styles in Ladies', Children's, and Gents' Boots and Shoes, which we consider are offered to you at excellent value. All our Goods are made by the Co-operative Wholesale Society, which is a guarantee of quality.

Special orders will have our immediate attention.

## Boot & Shoe Repairing

We have engaged a competent local Shoe Maker and are prepared to execute all work entrusted to us, both for **BESPOKE**

**ORDERS** and

**REPAIRS NEATLY AND PROMPTLY** which we hope will be an inducement to the members to patronise their own Society

We can also supply Grindery & Leather at reasonable prices

## CROCKERY & HARDWARE DEPARTMENT

When anticipating your requirements for Christmas, give your own Stocks an inspection.

They consist of a great variety of useful articles for domestic purposes, and our prices, combined with quality, will compare favourably with any other dealer. Any article not in stock can be got at a few days notice.

## CROCKERY BOTH USEFUL & ORNAMENTAL


Wool, Flock, and Feather Beds; Straw, Wool, and Wire-woven Mattresses

Tapestry, Brussels & Kidderminster Carpets, with Hearth Rugs to match. Stair Carpets, Oil Cloth, and Linoleums. Any Manufacturer's Sewing Machines supplied. Wringers, Washing and Mangling Machines; these are made by the Keighley Iron Workers' Society, who divide their Profits between Capital, Labour, and Purchasers.

# PENNY BANK.

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Hours of Attendance :- Saturday from 5 till 7



## SAVE PAYING 30 PER CENT

For the luxury of having Premiums collected weekly,

BY INSURING YOUR LIFE

for a Quarterly, Half-Yearly, or Yearly Premium with the

**CO-OPERATIVE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.**

*Long Millgate Street, Manchester.*


whose rates of Premium compare favourably with any other Company.

While insuring your life, do not neglect to insure against loss by fire, for if your household goods, while uninsured are burnt, the cost of replacing them may interfere with payment of the Life Insurance Premium.

The yearly premium for insuring private dwelling-houses brick or stone built, and slated or tiled, is 2/- for £100, or 1/6 per cent for larger sums. Household goods of every description in such houses, 2/- per cent.

DELAY IS DANGEROUS.

The Society is agent for the above named Company, and any further information may be obtained from the Secretary Mr. S. HARDY.



## SPECTACLES

For Old and Young, to suit all sights.

May be had at the Stores.

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LAMB'S PERISCOPIC from 2s. to 5s. per pair

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Anyone suffering from weak eyes or short-sightedness are strongly advised to try the above