

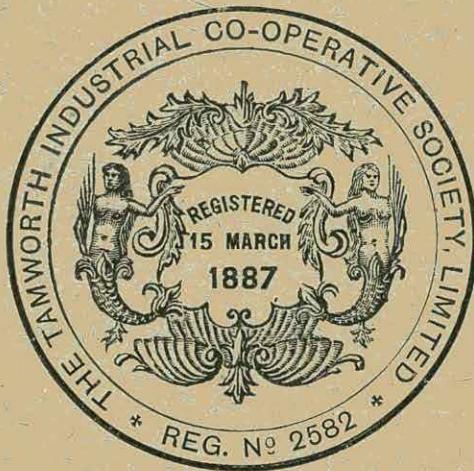
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TAMWORTH

# Industrial Co-operative Society

LIMITED.

Established November 24th, 1886.



Registered March 15th, 1887.

## FORTY-NINTH QUARTERLY Report and Balance Sheet

FOR THE QUARTER ENDING FEBRUARY 18th, 1899.

OFFICES OF THE SOCIETY:

No. 35 and 36, Church Street, and 5 and 6, Colehill, Tamworth.

Bankers: CO-OPERATIVE WHOLESALE SOCIETY LIMITED, MANCHESTER.

## NOTICES.

The Dividend will be paid at the Stores on Friday, March 17th, from 6 to 8 in the evening, and on Saturday from 3 to 5 and 6 to 8 in the evening.

**No Dividend will be paid unless Number Ticket 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, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 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 Number Ticket. 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.

### DAYS OF DELIVERY FOR GROCERY AND BAG STUFF.

MONDAYS.—All Bag Stuffs.

“ All Bag Stuffs and Parcels—Kingsbury.

TUESDAYS.—Parcels—Dordon and Hurley.

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

THURSDAYS.—Amington, Glascote.

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

SATURDAY.—Town, Hopwas, Kettlebrook, Canwell, and Hurley.

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.

It would also facilitate business if Members would please forward their orders so that all Bag Stuffs could be delivered on Mondays.

## Tamworth Industrial Co-operative Society Limited.

### SPECIAL NOTICE.

### BARGAINS OFFERED.

We purpose having a

### SPECIAL CLEARANCE SALE

of the following Goods, to make room for our New Season's Stocks, orders for which have already been given.

The Sale will be held in the

Large Assembly Room in our New Building,  
FROM MARCH 13th TO 18th.

We invite all our Members to inspect the Goods, at times most convenient to them, and if a selection is made the Goods will be laid aside, if required, until Friday or Saturday when the Dividends are paid.

Dress Materials, Prints, Lawns, Muslins, Laces, Collarettes, Chenille Trimmings, Gloves, Corsets, Umbrellas, Lace Curtains, Curtain Nets, Counterpanes, Sheets, Blankets, Aprons, and Pinafores in great variety. Children's Underclothing, Flannelettes, Oxford, Wool, Union, and Grandmill Shirtings, &c.

Men's and Youths' Suits, Trousers, and Vests, Collars, Hats, Caps, Wool Vests and Pants, Merino Vests and Pants, Socks, Cardigan Jackets.

A large assortment of Ladies' Jackets and Capes, Furs (trimmed and untrimmed), Millinery, Infants' Millinery, and Baby Linen. There will also be offered a quantity of Infants' Slippers and Ladies' and Children's Boots and Shoes at very low prices.

We shall offer you exceptional value in the above-named Goods, and we are looking forward to clear the whole of these stocks at the very low price at which they will be marked.

Don't miss the opportunity, but come early in the week and make your selection.

## OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

**Secretary** - Mr. F. S. WHARTON. **Manager** - Mr. S. HARDY.  
**Auditor**: THOMAS BRODRICK, Public Auditor, Co-operative Wholesale Society Limited, No. 1, Ballon Street, Manchester.  
**Arbitrators** - H. J. FAUSSET, Esq., M.D., Rev. J. E. H. BLAKE, M.A., and Rev. J. T. W. CLARIDGE, M.A.  
**President** - Mr. HENRY SANDERS.

### COMMITTEE AND THEIR ATTENDANCES.

Number of Meetings, 28.

NAME.	GENERAL.		Shop.	Bake-house.	Farm.	Finance.	Special.	Total.
	Actual.	Possible.						
*Mr. H. SANDERS .....	28	28	14	15	12	8	3	80
Mr. F. MOSELEY .....	1	28	—	—	—	—	—	1
Mr. J. WOOD .....	28	28	—	—	11	—	—	39
Mr. W. JACKSON .....	28	28	—	14	—	—	—	42
†Mr. J. LONGDON .....	25	28	10	—	—	—	1	36
†Mr. R. P. BRINDLEY ..	27	28	—	—	11	7	1	46
*Mr. J. S. HARDING .....	28	28	12	—	—	—	2	42
*Mr. W. A. LONDON .....	25	28	—	14	—	8	1	48
*Mr. H. F. WALKER .....	27	28	14	—	—	8	2	51
Mr. J. H. BLUNDELL ..	18	28	—	—	5	—	1	24

The Chairman is ex-officio member of all Committees.

Those members marked thus \* retire, but are eligible for re-election. † Ill twice. ; Ill once.

### EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE ATTENDANCES.

Number of Meetings, 20.

*Mr. HENRY SANDERS .....	20	*REV. JOHN HOWARD.....	5
Mr. JOHN NEWMAN .....	18	MR. GEORGE HOPE .....	18
*Mr. J. S. HARDING .....	20	Mr. WM. JACKSON.....	1

Those marked thus \* retire, but are eligible for re-election with the exception of the Rev. John Howard.

The following Members were nominated at the last Quarterly Meeting:-

Mr. T. Pointon, proposed by Mr. W. H. Salt. | Mr. H. Sanders, proposed by Mr. W. Jackson.  
 Mr. J. S. Harding, " Mr. R. P. Brindley. | Mr. W. Jackson, " Mr. R. Buttin.

## THE QUARTERLY MEETING

WILL BE HELD IN THE

COLLEGE LANE SCHOOLROOM,

On Wednesday Evening, Mar. 15th, 1899.

Chair to be taken at 7.30 o'clock; when the following and any other business that may transpire will be brought forward:-

- 1.—Minutes of previous Quarterly Meeting.
- 2.—Committee's Report to be considered.
- 3.—Balance Sheet to be considered.
- 4.—Farm Balance Sheets to be considered.
- 5.—Educational Balance Sheets to be considered.
- 6.—Nomination of Four Members for General Committee. Election to take place in June.
- 7.—Election of Three Members to serve on Educational Committee.
- 8.—Selection of Delegates to Congress, which is held this year at Liverpool.
- 9.—Recommendation—That the Society subscribe £4, 4s. to the Birmingham Eye Infirmary.
- 10.—C.W.S. Auditor's Report.
- 11.—Special Committee's Report.
- 12.—Recommendation by Committee—That in future the Shops in Church Street and Colehill, close—Mondays, 7.30; Tuesdays, 7.30; Wednesdays, 1.30; Thursdays, 7.30; Fridays, 9.0; Saturdays, 9.0.

## COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

### FELLOW-MEMBERS,

We have great pleasure in submitting for your consideration and approval the Forty-ninth Quarterly Balance Sheet. The Sales for the quarter have been £10,000. 7s. 2d., an increase of £420. 3s. 4d. over last quarter.

We would point out that the various departments are not fully represented in Cash Account, as goods to the value of £195. 18s. 7d. have been supplied through the Grocery Department. This brings the total Sales as follows:—Drapery, £463. 12s. 7d.; Millinery, £96. 11s. 2d.; Boot and Shoe, £365. 1s. 4d.; Boot Repairing, £49. 15s. 4d.; Ready-mades, £244. 15s. 5d., and Furnishing, £255. 6s. 5d.

The Profits disposable, after allowing the usual rate of interest on Share Capital (5 per cent), Depreciation on Land and Buildings (2½ per cent), Fixtures (10 per cent), Rolling Stock (20 per cent), and paying all other expenses, are £1,202. 18s. 7d.

We propose to pay a dividend of 2s. 2d. in the £ to Members, 1s. in the £ to non-members, £12. 13s. bonus to employés, £13. 7s. to Educational Committee, £5 to Plate Glass Insurance Fund, £5. 19s. 7½d. to Reserve Fund, £80 to Farm Reserve Fund, and to carry the balance of £60 forward to next quarter.

**Baking Department.**—This Branch continues very satisfactory, the output for the quarter being 22,400 stones, an increase of 779 over last quarter, and 2,753 over the corresponding quarter of last year. Our New Bakery, which includes two Double Deck Ovens, is nearing completion, and by the end of March we hope to be able to take it over from the Contractors. The Ovens have been built by Messrs. Cox and Sons, Torquay, and are of the latest and most approved designs. They will enable us for a long time to cope with our ever increasing trade, and with the addition of Machinery which we propose to adopt, we hope to turn out a first class article, and thus maintain our reputation.

**Building Scheme.**—All arrangements in connection with this scheme are now complete. Pass Books and Rules may be had on application at the office of the Society, for which a charge of sixpence is made. We are now prepared to negotiate loans, and make advances to our Members on satisfactory security being given; we advance three-fourths on the value of the security, and charge interest at the rate of 3½ per cent, which you will admit are very easy terms. Several Members have already taken up loans, and we advise others (who are in a position) to take advantage of this scheme and become their own Landlord.

**Important Notice.**—We have found it necessary to call your attention to the second paragraph in Rule 11, which reads:—

The Committee shall have power to alter the rate of interest upon shares, and make differential rates of interest between purchasing and non-purchasing Members; and all Members whose purchases for four consecutive quarters were below £8 shall be considered non-purchasing Members, and shall receive interest on their shares accordingly.

Therefore, we beg to give notice, that we shall pay interest at the rate of 3½ per cent on all share capital affected by the above paragraph in Rule 11; the same to take effect from May 20th, 1899.

**Farms.**—You will notice by the Balance Sheet the result of the year's working of the farms are very satisfactory, and we trust that we may be able in the future to report equal or better results.

We are very sorry to have to report a Boiler Explosion at our Ashlands Farm, which resulted in Mr. Walter Light being severely scalded, and caused his speedy removal to the Cottage Hospital, where he has been detained for some weeks. We are pleased to say that he has almost recovered from the effects of his injuries, and will we hope, in a few days, be able to leave the institution. We are unable to report further at present, as the matter is in the hands of the Board of Trade Surveyor, whose report will be given to you later.

We beg to remain, yours truly,

THE COMMITTEE.

Present Quarter Closes May 20th, 1899.

**CASH**

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Balance in hand, November 19th, 1898 .....	8724 3 3	0 0 2
„ Sales—Grocery .....	395 18 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Drapery .....	224 19 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Ready-mades .....	72 5 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Millinery .....	827 8 5	
Boots and Shoes .....	35 10 7	
Boot Repairing .....	223 1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Furnishing .....	0 2 11	
Sundries, &c. ....	10003 9 10	
„ Contributions—Shares .....	1042 7 8	
Penny Bank .....	83 6 4	
Clothing Club .....	16 19 2	
Deposits .....	5 0 0	
1147 13 2		
„ Entrance Fees .....	12 16 8	
„ Fines, Nominations, &c. ....	1 4 7	
„ Books, Rules, &c. ....	0 6 11	
„ Railway Claims .....	0 10 0	
„ Hire of Tables .....	0 2 6	
„ Withdrawal of C.W.S. Loan .....	55 14 2	
„ Insurance Commission .....	0 1 6	
„ Trade Discounts .....	2 3 6	
„ Sale of Bricks .....	1 7 6	
Farm Sales—"Ashlands" .....	3 17 6	
"Poplars" .....	9 1 1	
	12 18 7	
„ Bank Withdrawals .....	9468 12 6	
	£20707 1 7	

**EXPENSES**

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Distributive Wages .....	490 7 4	
Committee's Fees .....	11 15 0	
Dividend Payer's Fees .....	0 10 0	
Auditors' Fees .....	5 0 0	
	507 12 4	
„ Rent, Rates, and Taxes .....	51 16 4	
„ Coal, Gas, and Coke .....	36 10 8	
„ Horse Expenses .....	96 4 2	
„ Stamps and Telegrams .....	5 16 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	
„ Books, Printing, and Stationery .....	58 0 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	
„ Delegation .....	4 3 0	
„ Insurance .....	4 11 9	
„ Repairs and Additions .....	73 3 6	
„ Travelling .....	3 6 4	
„ Cleaning .....	1 0 4	
„ Telephone .....	0 1 6	
„ Co-operative Union Limited .....	2 2 0	
„ New Coal Bags .....	8 14 8	
„ Engine Oil .....	5 8 11	
„ Assessment Valuation .....	5 5 0	
„ Sundries .....	4 16 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	
	868 9 8	
„ Interest on Shares .....	183 3 1	
" " " Penny Bank .....	2 9 8	
" " " Deposits .....	0 10 6	
	186 3 3	
„ Depreciation .....	135 1 4	
„ Stocktakers .....	0 10 0	
„ Bank Commission .....	2 0 0	
„ Telephone—Quarter's Rent .....	2 16 3	
„ Cheque Books .....	1 5 0	
	£1196 5 6	

**ACCOUNT.**

	£ s. d.
By Goods Purchased, including carriage .....	7766 18 1
Productive Wages and Expenses .....	248 15 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Distributive .....	868 9 8
Dividend Paid to Members .....	432 13 4
Non-members .....	3 9 7
Withdrawals—Shares .....	£798 4 8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Deposits .....	23 0 0
Penny Bank .....	31 12 8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Clothing Club .....	18 4 7
	871 2 0
„ Additions to Building .....	£1298 17 1
Fixtures .....	64 11 5
Rolling Stock .....	12 0 10
	1395 9 4
„ Women's Guild Donation .....	5 0 0
„ Advance on Mortgages .....	250 0 0
„ Interest on Shares paid in Advance .....	0 10 8
„ Advances to Farms—"Ashlands"—Expenses .....	£152 13 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
Fixtures .....	25 9 6
" " " " Poplars"—Expenses .....	179 8 9
Fixtures .....	36 1 0
	393 12 10 $\frac{1}{2}$
„ Bank Deposits .....	8471 0 8
	£20707 1 7

**ACCOUNT.**

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
By Investments—		
Interest on Shares in Co-operative Wholesale Society .....	13 2 6	
" " Hebden Bridge Fustian Society .....	0 6 11	
" " Keighley Ironworkers Society .....	0 15 0	
" " Leicester Hosiery Society .....	0 2 0	
Loans in		
" " Co-operative Wholesale Society .....	0 1 3	
" " " " Co-operative Wholesale Society .....	0 8 3	
	14 15 11	
„ Bank and Rule Books .....	0 6 11	
„ Insurance Commission .....	0 1 6	
„ Bank Interest .....	2 9 0	
„ Dividend .....		
„ Sale of Bricks .....	1 7 9	
„ Loan of Tables .....	0 2 6	
„ Interest and Management chargeable to Farms .....	97 0 0	
„ Expenses provided previously .....	50 13 4	
„ Chargeable to Trade Account .....	1028 1 1	

**BANKING**

	£ s. d.
To Balance in Bank, November 19th, 1898, .....	533 9 5
" Deposits .....	8471 0 8
" Interest .....	2 9 0
" Dividend .....	1 7 9
" Owing to Bank, February 18th, 1899 .....	463 10 8
	<b>£9471 17 6</b>

**PROPERTY**

	AMOUNT EXPENDED.			
	As per last Report.	Added this Quarter.	TOTAL.	Amount Depreciated.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Land and Buildings.....	7162 9 7	1298 17 1	8461 6 8	....
Fixtures.....	1850 9 3	84 11 5	1935 0 8	180 6 11
Rolling Stock .....	1489 18 11	12 0 10	1501 19 9	519 0 11
Totals .....	10502 17 9	1395 9 4	11898 7 1	699 7 10

**FARM**

	£ s. d.
To Balances, November 19th, 1898 ("Ashlands" and "Poplars") :—	
Horses .....	163 18 0
Implements, Carts, &c. ....	349 5 8
Stock .....	1593 12 6½
" Additions and Transfers :—	
Horses .....	12 0 0
Implements, Carts, &c. ....	81 10 6
Stock .....	1269 8 1
" Wages and Expenses .....	332 2 4½
" Proportion of Interest and Management and other Charges .....	254 2 9
" Balance, Profit .....	103 8 6½
	<b>£4099 8 5½</b>

**TRADE**

	£ s. d.
To Stock on hand, November 19th, 1898 .....	5217 1 0
" Goods Purchased .....	7793 11 9
" Productive Wages and Expenses .....	248 15 4½
" Distributive Expenses .....	1028 1 1
" Farm Produce, "Ashlands" .....	£1043 19 0
" " " " Poplars" .....	245 10 2½
	<b>1289 9 2½</b>
" Net Profit .....	1068 14 4

**£16645 12 9****ACCOUNT.**

	£ s. d.
By Withdrawals .....	9468 12 6
" Commission .....	2 0 0
" Cheque Books .....	1 5 0
	<b>£9471 17 6</b>

**ACCOUNT.**

Transferred to Farms.	DEPRECIATION.			Present Nominal Value.	TOTAL.
	Previously Allowed.	Present Quarter.	TOTAL.		
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
....	765 10 7	44 15 4	810 5 11	7651 0 9	8461 6 8
20 0 0	699 19 8	41 15 1	741 14 9	1173 5 11	1935 0 8
12 0 0	1017 12 4	48 10 11	1066 3 3	423 16 6	1501 19 9
32 0 0	2483 2 7	135 1 4	2618 3 11	9243 3 2	11898 7 1

**ACCOUNT.**

	£ s. d.
By Cash Sales .....	12 18 7
" Goods Transferred .....	1289 9 2½
" Valuation, February 18th, 1899 :—	
Horses .....	£227 0 0
Implements .....	409 9 8
Tenant Right .....	723 6 0
Live Stock .....	1437 5 0
	<b>2797 0 8</b>

**£4099 8 5½****ACCOUNT.**

	£ s. d.
By Goods Sold .....	10000 7 2
" Trade Dividends—Co-operative Wholesale Society .....	93 10 0
" " " Hebden Bridge Fustian Society .....	2 17 0
" " " Leicester Hosiery Society .....	1 17 0
" " " Discounts .....	2 3 6
" Railway Claims .....	0 10 0
" Transfers to Farms—"Ashlands" .....	£1021 2 4
" " " " Poplars" .....	248 5 9
" Stock on hand .....	1269 8 1
	<b>5275 0 0</b>

**£16645 12 9**

**MEMBERS'**

	£ s. d.
To Withdrawals.....	798 4 8½
,, Fines .....	5 1 6
,, Present Claims.....	15543 3 4½
<hr/> £16346 9 7	

**PENNY BANK**

	£ s. d.
To Withdrawals .....	31 12 8½
,, Present Claims .....	329 5 0½
<hr/> £360 17 9	

**RESERVE FUND**

	£ s. d.
To Balance to Capital Account .....	816 3 1
<hr/> £816 3 1	

**PROFIT AND**

	£ s. d.
To Clothing Club Adjustment .....	0 4 3
,, Donation to Women's Guild .....	5 0 0
,, Balance Profit, as per Capital Account .....	1202 18 7½
<hr/> £1208 2 10½	

**SHARE ACCOUNT.**

	£ s. d.
By Members' Shares, as per last report .....	14648 7 3
,, Interest, as per last report .....	171 17 2
,, Dividend Transferred .....	472 11 9
,, Bonus .....	11 5 9
,, Contributions .....	1042 7 8
<hr/> £16346 9 7	

**ACCOUNT.**

	£ s. d.
By Amount due to Depositors, November 19th, 1898 .....	275 1 9
,, Contributions .....	83 6 4
,, Interest .....	2 9 8
<hr/> £360 17 9	

**ACCOUNT.**

	£ s. d.
By Amount, as per last Report .....	783 8 10
,, Amount, as per last Disposal Account .....	5 1 8
,, Entrance Fees .....	12 16 8
,, Fines, as per Members' Share Account .....	5 1 6
,, Forfeits, Nominations, &c. .....	1 4 7
,, Clothing Club Forfeits .....	0 4 9
,, Bonus Forfeited .....	0 7 0
,, Unclaimed Dividend .....	7 18 1
<hr/> £816 3 1	

**LOSS ACCOUNT.**

	£ s. d.
By Amount brought forward from last quarter .....	36 0 0
,, Profit, as per Trade Account .....	1068 14 4
,,     " from Farm Account .....	103 8 6½
<hr/> £1208 2 10½	

**CAPITAL**

LIABILITIES.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Members' Share Claims, as per Share Account .....	15543 3 4½	
" Interest this quarter .....	182 12 5	
		15725 15 9½
" Deposits .....		33 3 10
" Penny Bank .....		329 5 0½
" Clothing Club .....		9 12 10½
" Reserve Fund .....		816 3 1
" Stocktakers .....		3 2 6
" Trade Accounts Owing .....		109 17 8
" Farm Reserve Fund .....		40 0 0
" Plate Glass Insurance Fund .....		25 0 0
" Owing to Bank .....		463 10 8
" Farm Rents due .....		157 2 9
" Balance—Disposable .....		1202 18 7½
		£18915 12 10

**"ASHLANDS" AND  
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE**

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Valuation, "Ashlands," 1898 .....		1201 5 9
" Stock supplied to Farms .....	4016 0 11	
" Feeding Stuffs .....	443 3 3½	
" Feeding Cake .....	205 17 1	
" Manures .....	86 19 5	
" Seeds, Plants, &c. .....	67 10 2	
" Implements, Machinery, &c. .....	218 18 2	
" Ingoing ("Poplars," September 29th, 1897) .....	71 5 0	
" Fruit Trees, "Ashlands" .....	13 2 8	
" Horses .....	55 18 0	
		5178 14 8½
Expenses—		
Wages .....	419 7 11	
Interest and Management .....	172 0 0	
Rents, Rates, and Taxes .....	377 12 11	
Insurance .....	7 17 0	
Thrashing .....	25 7 6	
Legal (Transfer of "Poplars") .....	4 5 0	
Travelling .....	0 12 0	
Shoeing .....	5 1 5	
Repairs and Additions .....	23 16 6	
Hay Cutting .....	2 7 7½	
Valuing ("Ashlands," 1898) .....	2 2 0	
Coal .....	2 0 2	
Destroying Vermin .....	2 0 8	
Medicine and Dips .....	2 19 3	
Collecting Eggs—"Ashlands" .....	2 0 10	
Wire Netting .....	2 15 7	
Planting and Pruning Trees .....	2 8 6	
Sundries .....	13 6 7	
		1068 1 5½
Other Charges due—		
Rent—"Ashlands" .....	75 0 0	
" "Poplars" (less Taxes) .....	82 2 9½	
Profit .....		157 2 9
		103 8 6½
		£7708 18 2½

**ACCOUNT.**

ASSETS.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
By Stock on hand .....		5275 0 0
" Land and Buildings .....	7651 0 9	
" Fixtures .....	1173 5 11	
" Rolling Stock .....	423 16 6	
		9248 3 2
" Investments—		
Shares in Co-operative Wholesale Society Limited .....	1156 12 6	
Keighley Ironworkers Society Limited .....	16 13 11	
Hebden Bridge Fustian Society .....	18 0 0	
Leicester Hosiery Society .....	6 1 2	
Loans in "	3 7 10	
		1200 15 5
" Telephone Deposit .....	1 0 0	
" Rent Paid in Advance .....	2 16 3	
" Advances to Farms .....	2797 0 8	
" Accounts Owing by Members .....	140 17 4	
" Advances on Mortgage .....	250 0 0	
		£18915 12 10

**"POPLARS" FARMS.**

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 18th, 1899.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
By Eggs, Fruit, Corn, &c., supplied to Shop .....	354 10 10½	
" Beasts, Sheep, Pigs, and Poultry supplied to Shop .....	4351 2 7	
" Horse Ley .....	10 0 0	
" Cash Sales .....	116 13 7	
		4832 7 0½
" Expenses provided last year on Account—"Ashlands" .....	79 5 6	
Stocks—		
Beasts, Sheep, &c. .....	1437 5 0	
Horses .....	227 0 0	
Implements .....	431 0 8	
Less Depreciation .....	21 11 0	
		409 9 8
Tenant Right .....		723 6 0
		£7708 18 2½

**DISPOSAL OF**

	£ s. d.
To Members' Dividend on £9,488 at 2s. 2d. in the £ .....	1022 9 0
Non-Members' „ „ £70 „ „ „ .....	3 10 0
Bonus to Employés .....	12 13 0
Grant to Educational Committee .....	13 7 0
Farm Reserve Fund .....	80 0 0
Plate Glass Insurance Fund .....	5 0 0
Reserve Fund .....	5 19 7½
„ Carried forward .....	60 0 0
	<b>£1202 18 7½</b>

**AUDITOR'S**

TO THE MEMBERS:

I have examined the Books and Accounts of the Society for the quarter ending accepted the Farm Valuation as rendered by your officials.

March 9th, 1899.

**EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE'S HALF-YEARLY**

INCOME.	£ s. d.
To Balance, as per Pass Book .....	33 11 1
" in hand .....	0 3 3
" Forty-seventh Quarter's Grant .....	13 4 10
" Forty-eighth " .....	10 10 0
" Hurley Tea .....	3 0 11
" Annual .....	12 10 2
" Advertisements in "Records" .....	5 5 3
" Interest on Investments.....	1 1 11
	<b>£79 7 5</b>

**PROFIT ACCOUNT.**

	£ s. d.
.By Disposable Balance, as per Capital Account.....	1202 18 7½
	<b>£1202 18 7½</b>

**REPORT.**

February 18th, 1899, and hereby certify that the foregoing statement is correct. I have

THOS. BRODRICK, *Public Auditor.***BALANCE SHEET, from Aug. 20th, '98, to Feb. 18th, '99.**

EXPENDITURE.	£ s. d.
By Expenses to Hurley .....	0 2 6
" Municipal Election .....	6 1 6
" School Board Election .....	1. 0 0
" Hurley Tea Meeting .....	4 13 0
" Delegation .....	0 8 0
" Annual Tea Meeting .....	22 7 3
" Wood Blocks of Premises .....	3 15 0
" Delivery of "Records" .....	1 9. 9
" "Records" .....	10 10 6
" Postage .....	0 2 6
" In hand .....	0 15 6
„ Balance, as per Pass Book .....	28 1 11 £79 7 5

*Audited and found correct,*R. P. BRINDLEY, } Auditors.  
W. A. LONDON, }

February 28th, 1899.

# ANNUAL RETURN

**For Year ending December, 1898.**

NAME OF SOCIETY—*2*

## Tamworth Industrial Co-operative Society Limited.

Industries carried on by Society (Productive)—Baking, Farming, and Boot Making and Repairing.

Trades carried on by Society (Distributive)—Grocery, Drapery, Butchering, Coal, Hardware, Furnishing, Boots and Shoes, and Millinery.

Register No.—2,532.

Date of Establishment—November 24, 1886.

When first Registered—March 15, 1887.

Name and address of every officer in receipt or charge of money—Samuel Hardy, 16, Orchard Street, Ley's, Tamworth. Amount of Security given by each—None.

No. of Members at beginning of year..... 1398

Admitted during year .....

2126

Membership ceased during the year.....

536

Membership at end of year.....

1590

Date, February 20th, 1899.

Do the Rules of the Society allow of Credit being given? No.

Does the Society give Credit? Yes.

To what limit? One week's goods.

The audit for the year has been conducted by Mr. T. Brodrick, Accountant and Public Auditor, Co-operative Wholesale Society, No. 1, Balloon Street, Manchester.

Registered Office of Society—55, Church Street, Tamworth, in the County of Warwick.

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### I.—CASH ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.
To Share Contributions .....	2928	9	51	By Share Capital Repaid .....	2706	5	24
" Deposits and Banking Department .....	260	0	6	" Dividend to Members .....	1498	18	7
" Sale of Goods .....	37077	10	52	" Non Members .....	14	3	10
" Entrance Fees, Nominations, and Withdrawal .....	45	12	0	" Bank Interest and Commission .....	12	8	6
" Fines .....	0	8	6	" Deposits and Banking Department .....	267	6	3
" Rules and Contributions—Books .....	0	11	3	" Goods, including Carriage .....	3040	10	54
" Other "Investments"—Realised or Advances .....	149	2	11	" Expenses of Management—			
" Repaid .....	57	4	14	Salaries and Wages .....	1894	1	44
Other Receipts:—				" Rent, Rates, Taxes, and Insurance .....	69	9	5
" Clothing Club .....	2	8	3	" Other Expenses .....	1744	5	114
" Trade Discounts .....	14	19	5	" Land, Building and Fixtures for trade purposes .....	1491	15	5
" Railway Claims .....	106	1	0	" Advances to Farms .....	96	17	11
" Carriage and Sundries .....	1	19	9	" Subscriptions to Charitable and other Objects .....	16	10	6
" Sale of Fixtures .....	0	4	10	Other Payments:—			
" Insurance Commission .....	1	17	9	" Payment of Telephone .....	11	5	0
" Sale of Lead and Common Right .....	677	2	0	" Conference Tea .....	4	7	8
" Fire Insurance Company's Claim .....	106	1	0	" Expenses in Connection with Fire .....	9	2	0
" Cash received to Cr. of Farms .....	1	19	9	" Shoemakers .....	1	7	6
" Bank Interest and Dividend .....	0	0	12	" Clothing Club Withdrawals .....	52	14	8
" Cheque Books .....	0	0	12	" Cheque Books .....	2	12	6
" Telephone Deposit .....	0	0	0	" Telephone Deposit .....	1	0	0

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Total Receipts.....	41326	12	23	Total Payments .....	40834	2	9
Balance in Bank at beginning of year .....	41	0	0	" Cash in Bank at end of year .....	5333	9	5
" hand .....	0	0	12	" hand .....	0	0	2

£413637 12 4

Total Payments .....	40834	2	9
" hand .....	5333	9	5
" hand .....	0	0	2

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## II.—GENERAL ACCOUNT—(a) Trade of Year.

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To Value of Stocks at beginning of year .....	4195	8	10				
" Purchases during year, including Carrage .....	30087	5	10				
" Productive Expenses incurred .....	877	7	2				
" Distributive ....."	2901	14	9				
" Interest on Loan Deposits and Bank Current Advances .....	9	5	4				
" Depreciation in Land, Building, and Fixtures .....	491	15	3				
" Farm Produce received .....	4508	3	1				
" Balance Profit on Trade of year, to Account B .....	4312	0	6				
Total .....	<b>£17383</b>	0	10				

## (b) Profit and Loss.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Expenses not Chargeable to Trade:—							
To Clothing Club Adjustments .....	0	7	9				
" Donations .....	16	10	6				
" Expenses in Connection with Fire .....	9	2	0				
" Conference Fees .....	4	7	8				
" Balance Disposable to Account C. ....	5213	11	11				
Total .....	<b>£5243</b>	19	10				
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## (c) Application of Profit.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Interest on Shares .....	647	0	8				
" Dividend on Purchases to Members .....	4313	2	4				
" " Non-Members .....	21	1	3				
" Educational Purposes .....	50	12	10				
" Reserve Fund .....	23	11	1				
" Other Applications:—							
" Bonus to Employees .....	57	3	9				
" Farm Reserve Fund .....	40	0	0				
" Plate Glass Insurance Fund .....	25	0	0				
" Profits Carried forward to next year, as per Account III. ....	36	0	0				
Total .....	<b>£5213</b>	11	11				

## III.—BALANCE SHEET OF FUNDS AND EFFECTS.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Due to Shareholders .....	14820	4	5				
" Deposits and Banking Account .....	315	5	1				
" Trade Debts .....	83	4	0				
" Clothing Club .....	10	18	9				
" Reserve Fund .....	783	8	10				
" Stocktakers .....	2	12	6				
" Expenses owing .....	50	13	4				
" Farm Reserve Fund .....	40	0	0				
" Plate Glass Insurance Fund .....	20	0	0				
" Profits appropriated but not yet paid, included in Account C. ....	948	17	2				
" Profit carried to next year, as per Account C. ....	36	0	0				
Total Liabilities .....	<b>£1711</b>	4	1				

Treasurers—Co-operative Wholesale Society Limited, Bankers.

SAMUEL HARDY, Secretary,  
16, Orchard Street, Leyes, Tamworth.

The undersigned, having had access to all the Books and Accounts of the Society, and having examined the foregoing General Statement, and verified the same with the Accounts and Vouchers relating thereto, now signs the same as found to be correct, duly vouchered, and in accordance with Law.

Date, February 20th, 1899.

THOS. BRODRICK, Public Auditor.

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By Value of Stock in Trade at end of year .....	5217	1	0
" Sale of Goods during year .....	37097	15	0
" Dividend on Purchases .....	235	16	11
" Fine Insurance Claims .....	420	0	0
" Proportion of Interest and Management .....			
" Chargeable to Farms .....	169	0	0
" Transfers of Goods to Farms .....	4243	7	10

Total .....	<b>£47383</b>	0	10
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By Balance of Profit brought forward from last year .....	831	13	9
" Profit on Trade of year, from Account A .....	4312	0	6
" Interest and Profit on Investments .....	50	6	5
" Insurance Claim .....	9	2	0
" Profit—Farms .....	40	17	2

Total .....	<b>£5243</b>	19	10
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Total Assets.....

Total Assets.....	<b>£5213</b>	11	11
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By Balance Disposable, from Account B .....	5213	11	11
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Total .....	<b>£5213</b>	11	11
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By Value of Stock in Trade, as in Account A .....	5217	1	0
" Buildings, Fixtures, and Land used in Trade:—	8019	15	2
" Investments and other Assets:—			
" On Loans and Deposits .....			
" In Shares of Industrial and Provident Society .....	1126	16	9
" Farms .....	2046	16	2
" Telephone Rents paid in advance .....	5	12	6
" Deposit .....	1	0	0
" Amount owing by Members at end of year .....	144	0	0
" Cash in Bank .....	538	9	5
" " hand .....	0	0	2

Total Assets.....	<b>£7111</b>	4	1
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By Value of Stock in Trade, as in Account A .....	5217	1	0
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" Cash in Bank .....	538	9	5
" " hand .....	0	0	2

Total Assets.....	<b>£7111</b>	4	1
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## **OUTFITTING DEPARTMENT.**

We hold a Large and Varied Stock of Gents' and Youths' Clothing of all descriptions, and at prices which will compare favourably with any other dealers.

# **GENTS' and YOUTHS' SUITS**

in Tweeds, Vicunas, Worsteds, and Serges.

We have a choice variety of  
**Gents' and Youths' OVERCOATS**  
in the newest cloths and styles.

*Orders for Suits receive special attention, and Fit is guaranteed.*

Men's and Youths' Ties in great variety; also Collars, Cuffs, Fronts, Braces, Felt and Straw Hats, and Caps, in all the latest and improved styles.

## **BOOT AND SHOE DEPARTMENT.**

All the newest and best fashions in

**GENTS', LADIES', AND CHILDREN'S  
BOOTS, SHOES, AND SLIPPERS.**

Every pair guaranteed, and made by the

**CO-OPERATIVE WHOLESALE SOCIETY,**  
whose works are among the largest in the kingdom.

Do not be deceived by firms who pretend to deal direct from the works. It is impossible to obtain Boots under better conditions than these, as ALL PROFITS MADE, both wholesale and retail, are DIVIDED among the consumers.

**REPAIRS NEATLY AND CHEAPLY EXECUTED.**

## **WRINGERS.**

	£ s. d.
<b>A Wringer</b> , 24×6in. rollers, top spring .....	1 18 6
Do.     lignum vitae roller.....	2 4 6
<b>B Wringer</b> , 24×6in. rollers, under spring.....	2 0 0
Do.     lignum vitae roller .....	2 7 0
<b>Tubular Wringer</b> , 24×5in. rollers, under spring...	2 4 6
<b>Paragon Wringer</b> , 20×5½in. rollers, top spring ...	1 14 6
Do.     22×5½in. rollers .....	1 15 6
<b>Compromise</b> , a lighter machine, 22×5in. rollers, under spring.....	1 16 6
Other Wringers and Washing Machines at equally low prices.	

Best family Treadle

## **SEWING MACHINES,**

with splendid cover, extension leaf, and top inlaid with  
two-foot inch measure,

**£4. 10s.**

Cheapest and best machine in the trade.

## **CO-OPERATIVE HAND MACHINE,**

**£2. 15s.**

These are the best value that can be given, as the profit made  
is divided between the workers and yourselves.

# FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.

In order to cope with our rapidly increasing trade in this department we have very largely increased our stock, and can now, with confidence, invite our Members' inspection, feeling assured that they will now be able to obtain all descriptions of Useful and Elegant Furniture as well and cheaply at their own Stores as any other house in the trade. Any article not in stock can be procured at a few days' notice. All goods by reliable makers, and guaranteed to be produced under fair conditions.

## OUR PRESENT STOCK INCLUDES:

		£	s.	d.
Handsome Walnut Drawing Room Suite, in Stamped Velvet	... ... ...	8	10	0 per set.
in American Leather	... ... ...	6	17	6 "
" Mahogany Hair-seated "Easies	... ... ...	5	5	0 per pair.
" Leather	... ... ...	from	1	15 0 "
" Hair-seated Couches	... ... ...	"	2	8 0 each.
" Sofas	... ... ...	"	2	8 0 "
" Leather Couches	... ... ...	"	1	6 0 "
" Sofas	... ... ...	"	1	6 0 "
" Walnut and Velvet Base-Rocker (extremely comfortable)	... ...	1	1	0 "
Iron and Brass Bedsteads (full size)	... ... ...	from	0	12 6 "
Bedroom Furniture of all descriptions.				
Handsome Satin-Walnut Stands (Skeleton)	... ... ...	4	4	0 per pair.
" (with Glass and Marble Slab)	... ... ...	7	7	0 full set.
Serviceable Painted	... ... ...	from	1	2 0 per pair.
Chairs in great variety, and at almost all prices.				
A large number of Bamboo and other Occasional Tables, from 2s. 6d. to		0	9	6 each.
Handsome Walnut Overmantels (bevelled plates)	... ... ...	2	12	0 "
" (smaller) ... ... ...	... ... ...	1	5	0 "

## BRUSSELS, TAPESTRY, KIDDERMINSTER, AND DUTCH CARPETS.

## RUGS IN GREAT VARIETY.

## BEDS AND BEDDING OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

Crockery and Hardware, suitable for all domestic purposes.

## WIRE AND OTHER MATTRESSES.

## LADIES' & GENTS' CYCLES.

These Machines are made by the Co-operative Cycle Society, Coventry, and are guaranteed of the best material and workmanship, and include all the latest improvements.