

## Parish News

Trowbridge

## The Co-operative Sick Society

The annual Supper of the members of this society was held in the Co-operative Hall on Sunday evening. and was attended by upwards of 100 members and friends. Previous to the supper, the usual business meeting was held, under the presidency of Mr. A. Bennett, when the secretary (Mr. J. Hart) gave his 18th balance sheet. His statement was very satisfactory, and showed that the year 1887 commenced with a balance in hand of £67 9s 9d.; received in contributions during the year, £234 18s 3d.; in fines, £1 14s 6d.; and interest on the money in bank, £1 8s 3d, - making a total of £305 10s 9d. After the expenditure had been deducted, which included £90 11s 6d. disbursed in sick pay, £18 at death of three members, £103 divided among 286 members, and other small sums, there was a reserve fund in favour of the society of £50 19s 8½d., as against £48 2s 8½d at the end of 1886. - On the motion of Mr. W. Wright, seconded by Mr. W. W. Mayell, the balance sheet was passed. - Mr J. Townsend proposed, and Mr. G. Hussey seconded, the reappointment of the committee. This was carried, and Mr. A. Laine returned thanks on behalf of the committee for the renewed confidence reposed in them. - Mr. W. Millard was, on the motion of Mr. F. Griffin, seconded by Mr. W. Hulbert, re-elected auditor, and on the proposition of Mr. Abrahams, seconded by Mr. Mayell, Mr. Geo. Wicks was re-appointed treasurer, and thanked for his past services. The supper was then partaken of, and the usual toast list at such gatherings having been dispensed with a very convivial evening was spent, songs being rendered by Messers. A. Maynard, A. Carpenter, J. Sartain, F. Signell, Jesse Baden, J. Morrell, and J. A. Applegate.

The Trowbridge Handbell Ringers gave several pieces on their bells, and also sung several glees, the company breaking up about half-past ten, highly please with the tone and sociality of their gathering.

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