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DRONFIELD MIDLAND RAILWAY RECORDS

The Midland Railway through Dronfield was opened on 1 February 1870. After the station closed on 2 January 1967, records relating to the early years of the Dronfield Station were handed over to the Old Dronfield Society and in 1971 the Society deposited the records with the Chesterfield Library on permanent loan.

The records, except one, are for 1870 - 1877 but they are not complete for this period. Apart from original records the collection includes a number of copy books which contain copies of other records related to the administration of the station. In some cases the copy books include several different types of records, entries having been made at both ends of a book. Not only are the pages of the copy books very thin, but headings are not visible in some sections making these records difficult to read.

The collection has the reference DMR which is followed by a box number eg. DMR/3. DMR/3/4 indicates book 4 (or bundle 4) in box 3.

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DMR/1-2     CONSIGNMENT NOTES FOR GOODS DESPATCHED FROM  
DRONFIELD STATION

The consignment notes are for goods despatched by both local firms and individuals. Those for the firms give an indication of the products made in the town together with their destinations. Coal is not included.

Total 9 bundles/rolls

DMR/1/1	1870	
DMR/1/2}		}
DMR/1/3}	1871	} Mainly Edward Lucas
DMR/1/4}		}
DMR/1/5	1871 - 1872	}
DMR/2/1	Feb 1870 - Apr 1870	}
DMR/2/2	Apr 1870 - Dec 1870	} Mainly firms other than Lucas
DMR/2/3	Jan 1871 - May 1871	} but includes some Lucas
DMR/2/4	May 1871 - July 1871	}

DMR/3 GOODS AND COACHING NUMBER TAKER'S BOOKS G.B.49  
(SIDINGS BOOKS)

The books record the outward and inward movements of wagons and loads on a daily basis. Destinations and train times are given. Coal, coke, rails predominate outwards; building materials, pig iron, castings inwards.

As separate books were used for the various sidings there is some overlapping of dates.

Total = 24 books

DMR/3/1	1 Feb 1870 - 9 Nov 1870
DMR/3/2	3 Feb 1870 - 16 Aug 1870
DMR/3/3	12 Apr 1870 - 27 Sep 1870
DMR/3/4	28 Sep 1870 - 7 Mar 1871
DMR/3/5	13 Feb 1871 - 22 Jun 1871
DMR/3/6	8 Mar 1871 - 5 Oct 1871
DMR/3/7	23 Jun 1871 - 5 Oct 1871
DMR/3/8	5 Oct 1871 - 26 Dec 1871
DMR/3/9	2 Mar 1872 - 18 May 1872
DMR/3/10	2 Apr 1872 - 2 Sep 1872
DMR/3/11	20 May 1872 - 9 Aug 1872
DMR/3/12	9 Aug 1872 - 8 Nov 1872
DMR/3/13	2 Sep 1872 - 3 Feb 1873
DMR/3/14	8 Nov 1872 - 14 Jan 1873
DMR/3/15	15 Jan 1873 - 12 Mar 1873
DMR/3/16	4 Feb 1873 - 16 July 1873
DMR/3/17	13 Mar 1873 - 10 May 1873
DMR/3/18	12 May 1873 - 22 July 1873
DMR/3/19	17 July 1873 - 2 Nov 1873
DMR/3/20	23 July 1873 - 11 Oct 1873
DMR/3/21	23 July 1873 - 9 Jan 1874
DMR/3/22	13 Oct 1873 - 31 Dec 1873
DMR/3/23	Jan 1874 - 26 Feb 1874
DMR/3/24	8 Apr 1874 - 18 May 1874

DMR/4 TICKET BOOKS FOR EXCESS LUGGAGE, DOGS ETCDMR/4  
Tickets issued.

These are concerned with traffic-related arrangements, problems and circumstances.

Total = 4 Books

DMR/4/16 Feb 1870 - Dec 1870

DMR/4/17 Feb 1876 - July 1876

DMR/4/18 Nov 1876 - Apr 1877 (Nov)

DMR/4/19 Apr 1877 - Oct 1877

DMR/4 PARCEL DELIVERY BOOK - By passenger train  
Shows consignees and amounts when parcels collectedDMR/4 STATION REQUISITION BOOKTotal = 3 Books  
Copies of requisitions for general stores

DMR/4/20 Feb 1870 - Oct 1872

DMR/4/21 Apr 1874 - Nov 1874

DMR/4 STATION WEIGHING MACHINE BOOK

DMR/4/22 Apr 1876 - Jan 1877

Record of tickets issued

DMR/4 INCORPORATION OFFICE RECEIPT BOOKS

DMR/4/21 Jan 1874 - Mar 1874

Shows consignees, nature of goods, consignee, weight and

DMR/4 CLOAK ROOM TICKET BOOKSTotal = 2 Books  
Tickets issued

DMR/4/22 Mar 1871 - Apr 1872

DMR/4/22 Feb 1870 - Mar 1872

DMR/4/23 Jan 1875 - Sep 1876

DMR/4 CASHLEANS RECEIPT BOOKS

Records of daily receipts

Total = 7 Books

DMR/4/9 Feb 1870 - May 1870

DMR/4/10 May 1870 - Aug 1870

DMR/4/11 Aug 1870 - Nov 1870

DMR/4/12 Nov 1870 - Feb 1871

DMR/4/13 Feb 1871 - May 1871

DMR/4/14 May 1871 - Aug 1871

DMR/4/15 Feb 1872 - May 1872

DMR/4 TELEGRAPHIC DESPATCHES FROM DRONFIELD

These are concerned with traffic related arrangements, problems and discrepancies.

Total = 2 Bundles

DMR/4/1 1870 - 1871  
DMR/4/2 1876 (April, June) 1877 (Nov)

DMR/4 PARCEL DELIVERY BOOK - By passenger train  
Shows consignees and signatures when parcels collected.

Total = 3 Books

DMR/4/3 Nov 1871 - Feb 1873  
DMR/4/4 Oct 1875 - Apr 1876  
DMR/4/5 Apr 1876 - Nov 1876

DMR/4 PARCELS CASH BOOK

DMR/4/6 Apr 1876 - Jan 1877

DMR/4 INCOMING GOODS INVOICE RECORD BOOKS

Showing geographical source, type of goods, consignee, weight and by whom received.

Total = 2 books

DMR/4/7 Mar 1871 - Apr 1872  
DMR/4/8 Aug 1872 - Mar 1873

DMR/4 CASH PAID IN RECORD BOOK

Records of daily receipts

Total = 7 Books

DMR/4/9 Feb 1870 - May 1870  
DMR/4/10 May 1870 - Aug 1870  
DMR/4/11 Aug 1870 - Nov 1870  
DMR/4/12 Nov 1870 - Feb 1871  
DMR/4/13 Feb 1871 - May 1871  
DMR/4/14 May 1871 - Aug 1871  
DMR/4/15 Feb 1872 - May 1872

**DMR/5-7**    MEMOS ADDRESSED TO THE STATION

DMR/5-11

They are mainly concerned with discrepancies, complaints, information, requests eg. related to charges, losses.

Memo headings for railway companies other than the Midland make an interesting collection.

Total = 15 Bundles

DMR/5/1	Jan 1870 - Jun 1870
DMR/5/2	Mar 1870 - July 1870
DMR/5/3	July 1870 - Sep 1870
DMR/5/4	Sep 1870 - Nov 1870
DMR/5/5	Nov 1870 - Dec 1870

DMR/6/1	Jan 1871 - Apr 1871
DMR/6/2	May 1871 - July 1871
DMR/6/3	Aug 1871 - Oct 1871
DMR/6/4	Oct 1871 - Sep 1872
DMR/6/5	Nov 1871 - Feb 1872

N.B. Dates overlap

DMR/7/1	Sep 1872 - Dec 1872
DMR/7/2	Dec 1872 - Feb 1873
DMR/7/3	Feb 1873 - July 1873
DMR/7/4	Aug 1873 - Oct 1873
DMR/7/5	Oct 1873 - Dec 1873

**DMR/8**    PARCELS WAY BILLS

Incoming and outgoing by passenger train  
Station of despatch shown.

Total = 7 Bundles

DMR/8/1	Feb 1870 - July 1870
DMR/8/2	Feb 1871 - July 1871
DMR/8/3	Aug 1871 - Dec 1871
DMR/8/4	Jan 1872 - Apr 1872
DMR/8/5	May 1872 - July 1872
DMR/8/6	Dec 1876
DMR/8/7	Jun 1877 - Aug 1877

- DMR/9 - 11 INVOICES FOR TRAFFIC RECEIVED  
 Via wagon at the station  
 Invoices are for individual wagons.
- Total = 10 Bundles
- DMR/9/1 Feb 1870 - Apr 1870 also contains copies of memos,  
 DMR/9/2 Aug 1871 - Oct 1871 also traffic local and foreign,  
 monthly summaries of invoices sent to several local  
 firms.
- DMR/10/1 Jan 1872  
 DMR/10/2 Apr 1872 - Jun 1872  
 DMR/10/3 Sep 1872 - Jun 1872 - also contains copies of memos,  
 DMR/10/4 Oct 1872 returns of goods traffic from Cranfield,  
 DMR/10/5 Nov 1872 summaries of invoices for several local firms
- DMR/11/1 Apr 1873 - May 1873 memos and letters from the  
 DMR/11/2 Aug 1873 They also contain weekly returns of  
 DMR/11/3 Nov 1873 - Dec 1873 Cranfield and other information.
- DMR/14/1 Feb 1870 - Feb 1871 - also contains goods received and  
 lost receipts, notices of special trains, some wages  
 memos, carriage rates for shovels, castings, ridge tools  
 spades etc.
- DMR/14/2 May 1872 - Aug 1872 - this contains goods sent  
 inward.
- DMR/14/3 Aug 1873 - Dec 1873
- DMR/14/4 Nov 1873 - Aug 1876
- DMR/14 DMR/14/5 COPY BOOK - Free invoices at one end, Daily Wagon  
 returns at the other  
 Feb 1870 - Sep 1873
- DMR/15 COPY BOOK - Abstracts of Local Traffic with monthly summaries etc.  
 Total = 2 Books
- DMR/15/1 Feb 1870 - May 1871 - Abstracts of local goods traffic  
 inwards and outwards showing individual destinations  
 on a monthly basis and composite monthly summaries  
 Returns of wagon arrivals and departures at back.

- DMR/13      COPY BOOKS - Abstract of Local Traffic forwarded - Parcels, Horses, Carriages and Dogs. Accounts with monthly summaries.  
Total = 3 Books - these books contain a miscellany of records apart from the above.
- DMR/13/1    Feb 1870 - Apr 1871 also contains copies of memos, accounts for some local firms, weekly wage summaries etc.
- DMR/13/2    Apr 1871 - Nov 1871 - also contains copies of memos, weekly returns of goods traffic local and foreign, monthly summaries of invoices sent to several local firms.
- DMR/13/3    Dec 1871 - Jun 1872 - also contains copies of memos, weekly returns of goods traffic from Dronfield, monthly summaries of invoices for several local firms.
- DMR/14      LETTER COPYING BOOKS - Copies of memos and letters from the station master. They also contain weekly returns of goods traffic from Dronfield and other information.  
Total = 4 Books
- DMR/14/1    Feb 1870 - Feb 1871 - also contains goods invoiced and not received, notices of special trains, some wages returns, carriage rates for shovels, castings, edge tools spindles etc.
- DMR/14/2    May 1872 - Oct 1872 - also contains goods not invoiced.
- DMR/14/3    Aug 1873 - Dec 1873
- DMR/14/4    Nov 1873 - Aug 1876
- DMR/14      DMR/14/5    COPY BOOK - Free invoices at one end; Daily Wagon returns at the other.  
Feb 1870 - Sep 1873
- DMR/15      COPY BOOK - Abstracts of Local Traffic with monthly summaries etc.  
Total = 2 Books
- DMR/15/1    Feb 1870 - May 1871 - Abstracts of local goods traffic inwards and outwards showing individual destinations on a monthly basis and composite monthly summaries  
Returns of wagon arrivals and departures at back.



- DMR/15/2 June 1872 - Aug 1873 - Front End details of carriage rates on separate sheet with examples of forms used; incoming carriage accounts; monthly summaries of carriage accounts for some local firms; claims for missing goods.  
Back - outgoing - monthly accounts for traffic forwarded to other stations with abstracts of accounts for traffic forwarded to individual stations; some abstracts for local firms.
- DMR/16 SIGNALMAN'S RECORD BOOK
- DMR/16/1 Jan 1871 - Nov 1871
- DMR/16 COPY BOOK - Daily advice of Collection
- DMR/16/2 Jan 1871 - Oct 1872
- DMR/16 COPY BOOK - Daily Wagon Returns - for Wilson Cammell siding and Dronfield Siding.  
 Invoices for incoming goods at rear.
- DMR/16/3 Jan 1876 - Aug 1876
- DMR/17 TICKETS ISSUED BOOK - Tickets issued at Dronfield
- Total 4 Books
- DMR/17/1 Sep 1870 - March 1871  
 DMR/17/2 Mar 1871 - Sep 1871  
 DMR/17/3 April 1872 - Oct 1872  
 DMR/17/4 Sep 1964 - April 1965
- DMR/18 CARMAN'S DELIVERY BOOKS
- Total 2 Books
- DMR/18/1 Feb 1870 - Sep 1871  
 DMR/18/2 Sep 1871 - Apr 1873
- DMR/19 & 20 COPY BOOKS FOR INVOICES for goods other than coal despatched from the station. Products and address of consignee often given. In most of the books recording is from either end. Monthly summaries recorded in some cases.
- Total = 9 Books
- DMR/19/1 Feb 1870 - Jun 1870  
 DMR/19/2 Feb 1870 - Jan 1871

DMR/19/3	Jul 1870 - Jan 1871
DMR/19/4	Feb 1871 - Jun 1871 - One end 'local'; one end 'foreign'
DMR/20/1	May 1870 - Jan 1872 - Wagon returns at one end
DMR/20/2	Jun 1871 - Oct 1871 - One end 'local'; one end 'foreign'
DMR/20/3	Jan 1872 - May 1873 - One end 'local'; one end 'foreign'
DMR/20/4	Apr 1872 - Aug 1873 - Wagon returns at one end.

DMR/21-23 COPY BOOKS - MINERAL INVOICES -Dronfield Silkstone Coal Co

This set of books contains at one end the invoices for coal and coke from Dronfield Silkstone Coal Co. At the other end there are daily abstracts of mineral traffic from Dronfield Silkstone Coal Co. and weekly summaries of mineral traffic, with destinations etc., for the same colliery. Also included are weekly summaries of mineral traffic for other collieries and mineral agents.

Total = 10 Books

DMR/21/1	Apr 1870 - Feb 1871
DMR/21/2	Mar 1871 - Oct 1871
DMR/21/3	Sep 1871 - Mar 1872 - NB Some invoices for other collieries and agents
DMR/22/1	Mar 1872 - Oct 1872
DMR/22/2	Jan 1873 - Sep 1873
DMR/22/3	Sep 1873 - Jan 1874
DMR/22/4	Jan 1874 - May 1874
DMR/23/1	May 1874 - Mar 1875
DMR/23/2	Mar 1875 - Aug 1875
DMR/23/3	Aug 1875 - Jun 1876

DMR/24-25 COPY BOOKS - Mineral Invoices for collieries other than Dronfield Silkstone Coal Co.

This set of books contains mineral invoices at one end of each book with daily abstracts for each colliery at the other end. NB Agencies also included.

Total = 6 Books

DMR/24/1	Feb 1870 - Aug 1871*
DMR/24/2	Oct 1871 - Feb 1873
DMR/24/3	Feb 1873 - Nov 1873
DMR/25/1	Jun 1874 - Feb 1875
DMR/25/2	Feb 1875 - Sep 1875
DMR/25/3	Oct 1875 - May 1876

\*This also contains the records for the Dronfield Silkstone Coal Co. for the period 22 - 28 Feb 1870.