

no Co-operative dairy in Denmark. To-day there are more than 1200 and you have, no doubt, heard of their influence in the British market. Retail societies were almost unknown in Denmark prior to the eighties of the last century. In 1906 there were 1200. In Sweden, in the ten years ending 1906, 3162 co-operative societies of various kinds were registered. Finland in 1901 had one co-operative society—a store. In 1908 there were 310 stores, 308 dairies 206 banking and 192 for miscellaneous purposes. In a little more than six years 1016 societies came into existence. In Roumania there are more than 2000 credit societies, among the peasants, who were almost unacquainted with such institutions 15 years ago. In Hungary distributive co-operation was actually unknown in 1890. To-day there are more than 800 societies federated with the "Wholesale" organized in 1898. In Switzerland while the movement in its initiation was almost contemporary with that of the Rochdale pioneers, the great bulk of the existing societies have been formed during the last 20 years. No less than 2138 societies were established in that, the smallest country in Europe, between 1900 and 1907. Co-operative societies in Holland run into the thou-