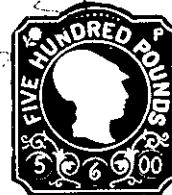


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COMPANIES FORM No. 169

Return by a company purchasing its own shares



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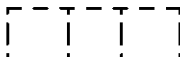
Pursuant to section 169 of the Companies Act 1985

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To the Registrar of Companies

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legibly, preferably
in black type, or
bold block lettering* insert full name
of company**Note**This return must be
delivered to the
Registrar within a
period of 28 days
beginning with the
first date on which
shares to which it
relates were delivered
to the company‡ A private company
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Company number

00424757

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Name of company

* WALTER AINSBURY & SON LIMITED

Shares were purchased by the company under section 162 of the above Act as follows:

Class of shares	ORDINARY		
Number of shares purchased	332		
Nominal value of each share	£1.00		
Date(s) on which the shares were delivered to the company	30/5/00		
Maximum prices paid \$ for each share			
Minimum prices paid \$ for each share			

The aggregate amount paid by the company for the shares to which this return relates was:

£ 112,000

Stamp duty payable pursuant to section 66 of the Finance Act 1986 on the aggregate amount at 50p per £100 or part of £100

£ 560

‡ Insert
Director,
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Receiver,
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Designation: SECRETARY

Date 30/05/00

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