

REPORT
OF THE
LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY,
FOR 1840.

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"Blessed is he that considereth the poor and needy; the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble."—Ps. XLI, I.
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THE LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

IS desirous of gratefully acknowledging the estimation in which its usefulness has generally been held in the minds of this Community, during the number of years it has been in operation, while it comes forward at the commencement of another year to solicit from the benevolent and charitable a continuance of the friendly contributions by which it has been sustained.

This Society feels that there is reason for thankfulness that its appeal at the beginning of the past year was not made in vain, but produced a most acceptable increase of its funds. Had it not been that the Lord so disposed the hearts of those whose abundance enabled them to minister in this way to the wants of their suffering fellow-creatures, the operations of this Society must have been very much curtailed, or its relief been withheld from many poor creatures in the hour of their distress. The number of claims upon the bounty which this Society has

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