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OF THE

LADIES' BENEVOLENT

SOCIETY,

FOR THE YEAR

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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been permitted to dispense has been considerably greater during the past year than for several previous ones. As many as 52 women have received, during the year, the usual relief in bread, meat, groceries and fuel, and a small supply of clothing for themselves and their infants, in addition to the loan of a Box containing articles of dress for use during the month succeeding their confinement.

The Ladies of this Society are aware that its relief is sometimes extended to the wives of idle and intemperate persons, and that objections have been raised to it as though it were encouraging such men in their evil habits. Yet this Society can hardly believe that any charitably disposed persons would wish the consequences of the husbands' intemperance to be visited upon their wives and families at such a period as this Society contemplates in the relief which it extends; and the Ladies of its Managing Committee gratefully acknowledge that in all cases they meet with respect and gratitude from those whom it is their pleasing office to visit. Even if it could be laid down as a principle consistent with true charity that the families of the careless and vicious should be left to suffer the evils attendant upon their vicious courses, the period of a mother's suffering, in which the lives both of herself and of her infant might be endangered by neglect, would hardly be selected as the time for such an experiment upon a father's or husband's heart. The Society therefore cannot anticipate any diminution of the support which it has so readily received in times past, in consequence of an objection from which no system of charity is exempt, and which should never be urged against one which directs its charitable efforts to such a period as this Society contemplates; but confidently appeals to the kindness and benevolence of the Community in which its operations are conducted for continued support.

The Society have the pleasure of announcing that the Viscountess FALKLAND has kindly consented to become its Patroness, and have great hopes of its increased efficiency in consequence of the influence of Her Ladyship's exalted station in the Community over which she has been called to preside.

The Ladies of the Society have also had the satisfaction of welcoming the return of their Vice Patroness, Mrs. INGLIS, from her long absence; but they have been called upon to lament the departure of two of their most active and indefatigable Managers, Mrs. GRAY and Mrs. TAPP.

Encouraged by the past liberality with which their exertions have been sustained, and the hope of past usefulness in alleviating distress and promoting the comfort of their tried and suffering fellow-creatures, the Ladies of this Society humbly present their {annual supplication for the contributions of the benevolent, trusting that among the confessedly numerous claims upon their charity a prominent place will always be accorded to the

LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

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Relief afforded by the Ladies' Benevolent Society, during the year 1840.

52	Women have received assistance in Food, Fuel, and Clothing.
100	Articles of Clothing have been given.
21	Boxes of Clothing lent.
13½	Cords of Wood have been given.
568	Lbs. of Meat.
369	Loaves of Bread.
380	Lbs. of Oatmeal.
203	do. Rice.
193	do. Sugar.
47½	do. Tea.
43	do. Soap.
52½	do. Candles.

Religious Persuasion of the persons relieved.

26	Church of England.
19	Roman Catholics.
4	Methodists.
3	Baptists.
Total	52.

Native Country.

25	Nova Scotia.
23	Ireland.
2	England.
2	Scotland.
Total	52.

DR. *Ladies' Benevolent Society.*

		£.	s.	d.
1840.				
Jany. 1.	By Balance in Bank	8	5	7
	Subscriptions and Donations	65	12	2½
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		£73	17	9½
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1840.				
Decr. 31.	By paid for Bread and Groceries	31	16	5½
	Fuel and Truckage	12	7	4
	Flannel and Cotton	12	1	8
	Meat	11	10	8
	Coll. Subscriptions	3	0	0
	Contingent expences		9	0
	By Balance in Bank, Jany. 1, 1841.	2	12	8
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*Committee of Management for the year
1841.*

THE VISCOUNTESS FALKLAND, PATRONESS.

MRS. INGLIS, }
MRS. JEFFERY, } Vice Patronesses.

Managers.

MRS. BINNEY,
TOBIN,
GRASSIE,
MOREN,
J. CREIGHTON,

MRS. W. B. ALMON,
M. B. ALMON.
PARKER,
TREMAIN.

MRS. SCOTT, Treasurer.
MRS. W. COGSWELL, Secretary.

List of

Almon Mr
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Archibald
Binney Mr
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Blowers M
Bliss Mrs
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Collins Mr
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Clarke Mrs
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Duffus Mrs
Fairbanks
Flockart M
Grassie Mr
Gray Mrs
Head Mrs
Haliburton
Hutchinson
Hill Mrs
Hill Mrs W
Hill Mrs N
Hoffman M
Inglis Mrs
Jeffery Mrs
Jones Miss
Johnson M
Johnson M
Kinnear M
Keefer Mrs

*List of Subscriptions and Donations received
in 1840.*

s.	d.		£	s	d
5	7	Almon Mrs	1	0	0
12	2½	Almon Mrs W B	1	0	0
		Almon Mrs M B	1	0	0
17	9½	Almon Mr M B	0	10	0
		Allison Mrs	1	0	0
		Allison Mrs J C	0	10	0
		Allison Mrs D	0	10	0
		Archibald Mrs	0	10	0
s.	d.	Binney Mrs	1	0	0
16	5½	Binney Mrs S	1	0	0
7	4	Blowers Mrs	1	0	0
1	8	Bliss Mrs	1	0	0
10	8	Billopp Miss	0	10	0
0	0	Bennett Mr	1	0	0
9	0	Campbell Miss	3	0	0
12	8	Collins Mrs	2	0	0
		Cogswell Mrs.	1	0	0
17	9½	Cogswell Mrs W	1	0	0
		Clarke Mrs J	1	0	0
		Clarke Miss	0	10	0
		Creighton Mrs J	1	0	0
		Duffus Mrs J	0	10	0
		Fairbanks Mrs J	0	10	0
		Flockart Mrs	0	10	0
		Grassie Mrs	1	0	0
		Gray Mrs	0	10	0
		Head Mrs	0	10	0
		Haliburton Mrs	2	0	0
		Hutchinson Miss	1	0	0
		Hill Mrs	1	10	0
		Hill Mrs Wm	1	0	0
		Hill Mrs N T	0	5	0
		Hoffinan Mrs	0	5	0
		Inglis Mrs	2	10	0
		Jeffery Mrs	2	0	0
		Jones Miss	0	10	0
		Johnson Mrs	1	0	0
		Johnson Mrs J	0	5	2
		Kinnear Mrs	0	10	0
		Keefler Mrs J	0	5	0

Laughnan Rev J	£2 10 0
Morris Mrs JS	0 14 4½
Morris Miss	0 10 0
Moren Mrs J	0 10 0
Miller Miss M	0 10 0
Maynard Miss	0 5 0
O'Brien Rev R	1 0 0
Pryor Mrs	1 0 0
Pryor Mrs H	0 10 0
Parker Mrs	0 10 0
Robie-Mrs	1 0 0
Robinson Mrs W	1 0 0
Richardson Mrs A	0 7 6
Romans Mrs R	0 5 0
Starr Mrs J L	1 0 0
Scott Mrs	0 10 0
Smith Mrs W	0 10 0
Solomon Miss	0 10 0
Smith Mrs J R	0 10 0
Smelt Mrs	0 10 0
Taylor Mrs	1 5 0
Tapp Mrs	1 0 0
Tobin Mrs	1 0 0
Tobin Mrs M Junr	0 10 0
Tremain Mrs J	0 10 0
Twining Mrs C	0 5 0
Tempest Mrs J	0 5 0
Uniacke Mrs R J	1 0 0
Uniacke Mrs J B	1 0 0
Uniacke Mrs N	1 0 0
Uniacke Mrs A M	0 10 0
Wallace Mrs J	1 0 0
Wallace Mrs C H	1 0 0
Wallace Mrs C W	0 5 0
Welsford Mrs	1 0 0
Willis Miss	0 10 0
Winter Miss	0 5 0
Wellner Mrs	0 10 0
Young Mrs W	1 0 0
A Young Friend	0 5 2

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