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The Dorcas Society was a charitable organization founded by Sarah Ward (wife of Rev. Daniel S. Ward) in 1824. The aim of the Dorcas Society was to provide clothing for the poor. Members canvassed businesses, firms and also relied on volunteer donations to raise money. The success of the St. John's Dorcas Society led to the founding of Societies in Harbour Grace, Carbonear and Twillingate.

From the Harbor Grace Standard and Conception Advertiser
February 10, 1877

DORCAS SOCIETY

The Ladies of the Harbor Grace Dorcas Society have much pleasure in announcing that they have been enabled to relieve a large amount of poverty and distress which prevails in this town and surrounding district. Through the contributions both in money and goods of many kind friends, as well as the annual grant of £30 from the Government, 266 persons have been furnished with articles of warm clothing and blankets, who otherwise would have suffered much at this inclement season.

The following is a Statement of the receipts and expenditure:

Dr.

To amount collected by Mrs. C. W. Ross
and Miss Archibald
By Mrs. Jillard and Miss Isabel Bemister

To Government Grant
Members of Dorcas Society additional

£ 24	15	3
<u>23</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>9</u>
£ 48	5	0
30	0	0
<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>
£ 79	7	0

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By Cash paid for material	£ 56	15	3.5
By Goods	22	11	8.5
	<u>£ 79</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>

(Signed)

ELIZA A. NOEL
Secretary
SUSIE K. MUNN
Treasurer

The following were the amounts collected:
By Mrs. C.W. Ross and Miss Archibald

ALCOCK Mark	0	5	0
ALLAN S. G.	0	10	0
ALCOCK A.	0	5	0
ANDREWS S. S.	0	5	0
APSEY J.	0	5	0
BADCOCK R.	0	5	0
BENNETT T.R.	1	0	0
BRUNLEE J	0	5	0
BUTT W. Jr.	0	5	0
DAVIS	0	1	0
DAVIS Mrs.	0	2	6
DEVEREUX P	0	15	0
DWYER P.	0	5	0
FLETCHER D.	0	10	0
FLYNN Mrs.	0	2	0
FOLEY Mrs.	0	1	0
Friend	0	5	0
Friend	0	5	0
Friend	0	1	6
GREEN Mrs.	0	1	0
GREEN Miss	0	5	0
GREEN T.	0	10	0
HENNESY Mrs. W.	0	5	0
HENNESY J.	0	5	0
JILLARD Bros.	1	5	0
KENNEDY C. L.	0	5	0
LAHEY Mrs.	1	0	0
MUNN Miss	1	0	0
MUNN J.	2	0	0

MUNN W.P.	3	10	0
MUNN James	0	5	0
MAKINSON Mrs.	0	5	0
OKE Mrs.	0	5	0
PARSONS Mrs. J	0	5	0
PARSONS M.	0	5	0
PIKE Mrs. G.	0	10	0
PIKE Mrs. W.	0	5	0
PUMPHRY Mrs.	0	6	0
PREDERGAST L.	0	5	0
ROSS Rev A.	0	15	0
ROSS Mrs. C.W.	1	0	0
STRAPP J.	1	0	0
SMART Mrs.	0	5	0
SQUIRES J.	0	5	0
TRAPNEL Mrs. H.O.	0	5	0
TRAPNEL Mrs. H. O.	0	5	0
TAYLOR E.	0	5	0
WOOD S.	0	5	0
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	24	15	3

By Mrs. Jillard and Miss Isabel Bemister

ANDERSON Mrs.	0	2	6
ANDERSON R.	0	5	0
BAILEY Mrs.	0	5	0
BEMISTER Mrs.	0	10	0
BROWN Mrs. J.	0	5	0
BROWN Mrs. G.	0	7	0
CARFAGNINI Dr.	0	10	0
CAIRNS T. M.	0	5	0
CLIFT Mrs.	0	10	0
CLIFT Alex	0	10	0
CONNELL Mrs.	0	3	0
CRANE J. W.	0	5	0
D. B. B.	0	5	0
DOVE Mrs.	0	10	0
DRYSDALE J.B.	0	2	6
DRYSDALE M.	0	5	0
EMERSON Mrs.	0	10	0
FALCONIO Rev. D.	0	5	0
Friend	0	10	0
Friend	0	5	0
Friend	0	5	0

Friend	0	2	6
GORDON Mrs.	0	5	0
GODDEN J.	0	12	6
HANRAHAN Mrs.	0	5	0
HIPPISLEY J.	1	0	0
JARVIS J.	0	10	0
JONES Mrs.	0	5	0
KEEFE B.	0	2	6
LAHEY Mrs. R.	0	3	0
LAHEY Miss	0	2	6
LONGWILL D.B.	0	5	0
PARSONS B.	0	5	0
PARSONS Mrs E.	0	3	0
PARSONS J. & B.	2	10	0
PATERSON & FOSTER	3	10	0
PIKE R.	0	5	0
QUINTIN E.W.	0	10	0
ROSS & Co.	1	10	0
RUTHERFORD A.	0	5	0
RUTHERFORD G.C.	0	5	0
RUTHERFORD R.	0	2	6
SPENCE Mrs.	0	1	3
SQUIRES Alex	0	5	0
TRAVERS O.V.	0	10	0
TAPP Mrs.	0	5	0
TAYLOR John	0	7	6
THOMSON W. H.	0	10	0
WALSH Mrs. R.	0	10	0
WATTS C.	0	2	6
YOUNDAL & Co.	0	10	0
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