

the Sanitary Commission to administer to their wants, and hence the more commendable and praiseworthy the generous aid afforded the Committee.

The Committee are indebted to the United States steamers Ironsides, Paul Jones, Nantucket, and other vessels, for valuable contributions in money and articles; to Lieut. Com. Luce, of the Nantucket, for the steering wheel of the steamer Weehawken; to the sailors at the naval asylum for contributions in money, mats, and a full rigged (model) ship, value, \$25.00.

For most of the articles contributed the Committee are indebted to the Hospitals of this city. To Satterlee, for a beautiful model of the Hospital, (value \$25;) an elaborately arranged arbor of artificial flowers, (value \$50,) and a large collection of rings, chains, crosses, &c., &c.; to the Convalescent Hospital, for a large number of frames, ingeniously made, canes, rings, chains and baskets; to Christian Street Hospital, for a complete model hospital tent, which is to be presented to the Hospital receiving the largest number of votes; to Turner's Lane, for number of charms, and a valuable donation of perfumery; to South Street Hospital, for beautiful specimens of inlaid work, books and rings; to Mower & McClellan, for rings, chains, &c., &c. Contributions were also made by Hospitals in Nashville, Tenn., and Brattleboro, Vt. The Committee are also indebted to the ladies of the Committee for valuable donations; to Miss Brady and friends for a National Flag Affghan, sold for \$100; to Misses Jones and Madeira for beautiful Flags, (\$10 a pair;) to Miss Madeira, for the "Village School," a most perfect and complete representation in miniature, of those well known Institutions; to Mrs. Dyer and Miss Dunlap, for valuable books containing collections of leaves and flowers, obtained from historic places while abroad.

The Haversack, is the title of a book published by the Committee, written by the soldiers, containing "brief and graphic sketches of army life; accounts of hardships and privations of prison life; acts of personal daring and hair-breadth escapes; and reminiscences of the march and bivouac, of the confliot and hospital."

The contributions have been very liberal. From the officers and crew of U. S. schooner James S. Chambers, East Gulf Blockading Squadron, the Committee received \$222.50.—A beautiful specimen of worsted work, representing the new Ironsides, was made by the sailors on board and sent to the Fair. It is valued at \$25. Fifty lithographs of Fort Sumpter, after the bombardment, were presented by General Gillmore.

Close by the eastern end of the avenue is the table of the irrepressible 24TH WARD.—The contributions from this ward, which has

done so nobly throughout the war, were so large as to justify the Committee in awarding a separate table or department for the display of goods. Before the ladies and gentlemen of the 24th commenced operations, an enthusiastic resident of the ward guaranteed a return of \$1,000, and everybody went to work with a will to collect funds and goods. The usual contributors were again called upon for means, and with few rare exceptions, they promptly responded to this appeal to their local pride. The ladies were thus supplied with means to make purchases of materials. Space is wanting to enumerate all the attractions of this table. Conspicuous among them is the elegantly wrought English Banner Screen, worked by Mrs. Ogden, the wife of the American Consul at Quebec, and to be presented either to John Bright or Richard Cobden, as a testimonial of our recognition of their intelligent appreciation of the true position of our Government and its loyal defenders in the present wicked rebellion against its lawful authority. Another attractive object is an elegant Affghan, the work of the skillful hands of the fair treasurer of the Committee, which has been purchased for the sum of five hundred dollars, (one half to the Sanitary and the other half to the Christian Commission,) by a liberal contributor to these kindred associations, and which has, with great propriety, been presented to the gentlemanly and efficient chairman of the Executive Committee. A miniature theatre, complete in all its details of scenery, &c., for the correct representation of the drama or opera at home, and calculated to delight the hearts of all juveniles, has been made and contributed by another of the members of this irrepressible 24th Ward Committee. The ladies of the department of the State of Delaware, with characteristic taste and discrimination, perceiving that this table was the gem of the whole affair, placed upon it for sale the most elegant Affghan within the walls of the building, to be presented, by subscription, to Admiral Dupont, or any other distinguished officer or statesman. A beautiful white quilt, the work of a very young lady, also deservedly attracts attention. Conspicuous and most beautiful in all this elegant collection, is a finely executed bust, in marble, of our "Savior," which has also been purchased by the same liberal contributor who bought the Affghan, for the sum of \$600, (one half to each of the great Commissions.) A bust in marble, of President Lincoln, was ordered three months ago, and was intended for this table, but owing to the illness of the artist, A. Marshall Swayne, Esq., its execution has been delayed; but the model, in plaster, has arrived, and may be seen on the table.—It is a most wonderful likeness of the honest President, executed in the most artistic manner, and ensures an equally strong likeness in marble. This bust it is intended to present,

by subscription, to the Union League, as a chaste and appropriate ornament to their new building. The usual variety of useful and fancy articles, are found in great abundance on its ample counters, where the most fastidious taste can be gratified. In addition to all its other merits, "The West Philadelphia Table," has received from the Executive Committee, the compliment of being the most methodical in its business arrangements and the most prompt in its settlements at the bank of all the departments in the Fair. The reader may be interested in knowing that the energetic Chairman of the Committee of ladies of this table, is relieved from responsibility on that thousand dollars guarantee, more than twice that sum having already been realized in cash, and the articles remaining are expected to produce double the sum already collected.

Eighteenth Ward occupies the first table on Union Avenue, entering from the East, and a brave display she makes, both in the quantity of goods and in the artistic arrangement. On each of the four corners is placed a large vase of wax fruit, one made and donated by Miss E. Garrison, of the Eighteenth Ward, and the other three made by Miss E. Getts, corner Seventeenth and Poplar Streets. The large beautiful vase of flowers was made by Miss Choate, Marlboro' Street, Eighteenth Ward, and the small vase donated by Miss K. Foreman, Eighteenth Ward. These are all of the wax preparations received from the Ward.

The Goddess of Liberty, in the centre of the table, was presented by Mrs. L. Brunner, Front Street, the Affghan sofa cushion by Mrs. Kossert, and the silk one by Mrs. Day. The beautiful pyramidal cake, valued at twenty dollars, was presented by Mrs. Liggins, Richmond Street. The other cakes by Mrs. Robbins, Cramp, Sheets and others. The glass shades by Messrs. Sheets & Duffy, and the three stands by Mr. Thos. Ollis; the gilding by Mr. Mason; the marble stand given by Mr. Robt. Day; breakfast cozeys by Mrs. Scott; pair blinds by Mr. B. Thompson. The ladies of the Ward prepared and braided twenty pairs of slippers, and the smaller articles came forward with great liberality. We can only designate a few of the more prominent contributions:

A donation from Mrs. Geo. Painter, Palmer Street, of dry goods, &c., valued at fifteen dollars, which was made into small dresses by ladies in the Ward; one bead basket, by Mrs. Sutton, and one by Mrs. Wainwright; Geo. W. Benners, six books, valued at nine dollars; Messrs. Worrell & Bro., paper for table and counter; Mr. Samuel Castner, handsome cushion, valued at forty-eight dollars; Miss Marks, large dolls; Mrs. Ruth, pair of deer and doll; Mr. House, plated castor; Mrs. Hague, bon apples; Misses Rotan, pair vases, valued at twelve dollars; Mrs. Fracker, vases, valued at six dollars; Mrs. Nuskey, two pairs shoes