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Wake, ye slothful, from your slumbers; Join the band of conquering freemen, Join your brave and noble brothers In the glorious cause of freedom.

Home was pleasant, friends were dear, But dearer still their country's cause: Did partings cost them many a tear? They'll shed their blood to crush her foes.

Cowardly, can you stay at home, While ten thousands daily go? When your country bids you come, Can you basely answer no?

Brighter days are in the future, God rewards the brave and true; But should you be proved unfaithful, Endless shame will fall to you.

Go! be brave! the clouds are breaking, The light of freedom gleams between; On! to glory's light awaking! Join the surely conquering band.

# Book Hotices.

THIRTEEN MONTHS IN THE REBEL ARMY Being a Narrative of Personal Adventures in the Infantry, Ordnance, Cavalry, Courier, and Hospital Services; with An Exhibition of the Power, Purposes, Earnestness, Military Despotism, and Demoralization of the South. By an Impressed New-Yorker. New-York: A. S.

The style of this book is sprightly; and as i abounds in narratives of personal adventures in connexion with the rebl army, it cannot fail to interest most who will peruse it. As to its truthfulness, we cannot speak positively. The author seems to aim at an honest statement of facts; though, granting him the credit of sincerity, some little allowance may be made, we think, for the bias of education, excitement, and fancy

TRACTS FOR SOLDIERS. - We have received from the American Tract Society, 929 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, two packages of Tracts, written expressly for soldiers. They are of convenient size for the pocket, are neatly gotten up, and well adapted in other respects for circulation and usefulness.

FRANK'S FRIEND; OR, THE RAMPART OF STRASBURG. By Rev. R. H. Caspari, Author of the Schoolmaster and his Son. Translated from the German.

This little volume is published by the Lutheran Board of Publication, Philadelphia. It is attractive in style, and well worthy of perusal. Its spirit is eminently Evangelical. We would recommend its distribution among our soldiers.

### Address of the Christian Commisssion.

The Christian Commission was called into existence by the voice of God for the

The new aspects of our great national struggle, with the vast enlargement of forces employed, demand for us enlargement of plans and a more perfect system for effecting the great purposes of our organization. We accept the increased and increasing responsibilities, as we accepted the work at first-as from God; and would meet them as God may give us wisdom and means with all our hearts. Duty to our soldiers and sailors, to our country and our God demands of us a few earnest words to the public.

The President, the Secretaries of War and of the Navy, and the General in command of our armies, gave us their letters of hearty commendation at the first: the Surgeon General and the Medical Directors of both the Army of the Potomac and the Army of Virginia have given us every facility and encouragement; the Government is now aiding us peculiarly in reaching the camps of the army with stores and publications for distribution; whilst both our delegates, and the stores and publications they distribute, are every where received amongst the wounded on the battle-fields and in hospitals, and by our soldiers in the army, with every demonstration of gladness and gratitude; and in the camps, officers cheerfully call out their men, regiment by regiment, to hear addresses from our delegates.

A vast army is all open to us. Thousands in the hospitals appeal to us for publications, for libraries and for delegates to aid such chaplains as have more than they can attend to under their charge, and for delegates to supply the place of chaplains where none have been appointed by the Government.

More than a million of men, called into the service of the country, on land and on sea, await Christian influences and benefactions at our hands. And every battle-field affords for us, and demands of us, especial help to care for the wounded and to counsel

Railroad, express and telegraph compa nies afford us special facilities of transportation and transmission for our men and stores, and messages to every point; and our delegates are all volunteers, giving their services freely for the love they bea to the soldiers and sailors, the country and God. And our Young Men's Christian Associations afford us, without charge, every facility in their several localities away from the seat of war for receiving and forwarding stores, or when near, for aiding in their distribution.

Thus one of the grandest special works ever opened to Christian patriots, presents itself to us, whilst an agency to do this great work has been specially provided which is far-reaching and full of life and energy, and the most economical ever known since the days of the apostles. Volunteer delegates have all along offered their services in greater numbers than we could commission, and the public have generously responded to every appeal for money and stores. We, therefore, make this ad dress, as well to thank the friends of our cause for their great generosity, as to spread before them our enlarged plans and systematic arrangements for carrying forward the grand work before us; and we do this in the full confidence that neither men, money, publications, nor stores, will be withheld, but freely and abundantly of-

fered in the enlarged measure required. We, as a Christian Commission, are an alliance of men of many Churches, chosen by a Convention of the Young Men's Christian Associations of many cities and States. denominational differences are sunk out of mind in the one predominant desire to give true religion, together with every temporal benefit in our power, to the brave men of our army and navy. And God has moved the hearts of his children so deeply, that already the number of boxes and barrels of publications and stores received has reached eight hundred and twenty-six, and the number of delegates commissioned over

✓ hundred. Prominent pastors of churchther with Christian merchants, and

other men of position and influence, have gone as delegates from Philadelphia, and from as far East as Maine-gone without pay, to perform for our suffering heroes such offices as, washing off the filth of helpless days and nights on the battle-field, dressing wounds bloody and offensive, and a thousand nameless things that money could not have hired them to do. This. together with the work of ministering to the sick, the wounded, the dying in the hospitals, distributing stores and publications, and holding meetings for prayer both in hospitals and camps, visiting and addressing soldiers in the field regiment by regiment, transmitting messages, letters and packages from their homes to the soldiers and from the soldiers to their homes, and whatever else the case might demand, or Christian sympathy might devise. They have often shared with the soldiers sometimes the hard couch and the hard bread, and sometimes sleepless nights and days without bread or couch, and all not only without pay, but with the greatest cheerfulness; and after having gone once as some have gone time after time and spent

many weeks in the work. The fruits of this work cannot be measured. The sick and wounded have been cared for, and in many instances saved from tide of vice and intemperance has been in many instances checked; and great numbers have been hopefully converted to God, both in the regiments and in the hospitals. One chaplain furnished by us with books and papers, and aided by one of our delegates in establishing prayer meetings in his regiment, writes that although he has been many years the pastor of a large and prosperous congregation, God has given him the mexpressible delight of seeing more conversions in his regiment in two months of his chaplaincy than in his congregation during any two whole years of his pastorate.

Another, the chaplain of one of the largest of our hospitals, says that he has been cheered by many cases of hopeful conversion, and never has known any field so white for the harvest.

Our delegates inform us of many conversions under their own immediate instructions, and of remarkable effects of the truth spoken to our heroes in the field. After an address upon profanity to one regiment, one captain in dismissing his company said: "Men, mark! never another oath is to be uttered in this company." Another said as much, with the emphasis of assurance that the first man uttering an oath should receive summary punishment. Intelligence comes of a revival in full progress in another regiment; and in another, of prayer meetings on

And facts of similar import reach us day Our delegates have gone to the fields and field hospitals of the battles of Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Seven Pines, the Chickahominy, Malvern Hill, Cedar Mountain, Centreville, Bull Run No. 2, and Fairfax, in Virginia, and South Mountain. Antietam and others in Maryland. Whilst in the West, the bloody field of Shiloh, not to mention others, was visited by a large delegation with ample stores from Chicag not included in the enumeration given.

Sabbath in every street of their camp.

Other delegates have been stationed in hospitals destitute of chaplains, and others in hospitals requiring assistant chaplains to work on from week to week. And yet others are in the field work, distributing reading matter and stores to soldiers, establishing prayer meetings, and addressing regiments.

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## For the Presbyterian Banner

The Presbytery of Zanesville. This body met in Coshocton, on the 16th of September. The Moderator, Rev. M. R. Miller, being absent, Rev. J. R. Duncan, the last Moderator present, presided, and Rev. L. B. W. Shryock was chosen Clerk pro tem.

A sermon from Jude 21st, was preached by Rev. John Kelly. After which the roll was called, and fourteen ministers and eighteen elders responded.

Written Reports from late Commissioners to the General Assembly were received,

read, and approved. The case of Dr. Plumer and the Western Theological Seminary elicited some discussion, but no definite action was taken. The general impression (as the writer was informed, for he was not present,) seemed

Revs. Drake, Moore, and Pcairs, obtained | was his wife's; both wept together for t'eir liberty to labor without the bounds of sins.

Presbytery till its next meeting. The church of Rush Creek being reported as in arrears with the salary of its

matter to the notice of those concerned. Sundry overtures were received and answered, and certain judicial cases either decided or put in shape for future decision. Rev. E. H. Leavitt was received from the Presbytery of Lodiana. A call being put into his hands from the Second church of Zanesville, and he having signified his acceptance of the same, a committee was appointed to attend to his installation.

The pastoral relation between Rev. John Arthur and the church of Mt. Zion was dissolved. Rev. W. M. Robinson was dismissed to

the Presbytery of Washington; and Rev. M. A. Hoge to that of Western Reserve. Very satisfactory reports were received from the Professors in the Western Theological Seminary, and from Washington delegates, they all desire to go again, and College, concerning the moral and literary standing of certain of our licentiates and candidates now prosecuting their studies in these Institutions.

Commissioners to the next General Assembly were nominated, viz.: Revs. Willdeath; the dying have been pointed with son and Duncan, principals; and Revs. prayer to Jesus; the living in the army Ferguson and Alexander, alternates: with adopted for the abolition of slavery. - Geo. have been cheered to duty; the swelling Elders Matthew Scott and William Monroe, principals, and William Black and Robert Buchanan, alternates.

> brother by the Presbytery, at its last meet-A call was put into the hands of Rev. A. R. Hamilton, for one-half his time, from the church of Madison, which he asked and obtained leave to retain till the next meeting of Presbytery. A similar permit was granted Rev. C. C. B. Duncan,

> n regard to the calls of Deerfield and Oak-The petition for the organization of church in New Concord was not granted. The churches of Eben's Creek, Linton, Senecaville, Bristol, Brownsville, Newark, Mt. Pleasant, and Muskingum, obtained

meeting of Presbytery.

Presbytery resolved to meet at the call of the Moderator, during the session of Synod soon to convene at Bucyrus; and to hold its next stated meeting in Washington, on the second Tuesday of April, 1863. After the usual cordial vote of thanks to the people of Coshocton for courtesies, kindness, &c., Presbytery adjourned. W. M. FERGUSON, S. C.

#### "You Read-I'm too Wicked."

By attending meetings where the Bible and churches were ridiculed, and by reading skeptical authors, Mr --- became a confirmed infidel. In his rage one day, while speaking against the followers of Jesus, he seized the Bible from the stand, cast it into the fire, and watched it until it was consumed. His wife and child stood amazed, fearing to speak a word. He continued in this mad career, spending his Sundays among scoffers and blasphemers, negro or slavery question."—Andrew Jackthe Word of God.

Months passed away in this wretchedness. when being alone with her mother one day, litle Mary asked, "Mother, can't I go to Sunday School?" "I should be willing," said her mother,

" but you know your father will whip you if you go." "Can't I go in the afternoons, when father's away at his meeting?" "Perhaps you might; but you know how

your father hates religion." Mary hesitated, and then said, "If you will let me go, I won't mind being whipped; may I go next Sunday?"

"You may, but take care how you speak of it to your father." "Oh, I'm so glad," said the dear child and her face lit up with cheerful smiles as she imprinted a kiss on her mother's

cheek. The next Sunday Mary went, for the first time, to the Sunday School. She was delighted; the singing charmed her; the voice of prayer solemnized her, and the loving, holy talk of a devoted teacher won her heart. That Sunday to her was a high day and a holy day. She became a faith-

ful, diligent scholar. It was not long before her teacher presented her with a small Bible as a birthday gift. She was delighted; but what could she do with it? Where could she conceal it? Would it be burned, like her mother's? Many anxious thoughts passed through her mind. Well, she knew if it were placed on the bookshelf, it would be destroyed. She concluded to hide it beneath her pillow. So between the bed and mattress she deposited her sacred treasure. Many were the happy hours she spent

alone, perusing its most precious pages. About two years after she began attendng the school, one Sunday afternoon her father came home earlier than usual. Having to go up stairs for something, on reaching Mary's room he heard her voice in

earnest prayer. "O God, have mercy on my dear father Show him his sins Let him feel his need of Jesus Christ. May he seek thy mercy, and find peace through believing in Jesus." guiltiness before God. The hand of God had touched him. The light of heaven

wife, "I feel very strange."
His wife looking at him, anxiously said, Shall I send for the doctor." "No, I'm not sick, but I feel an awful

the house?'

fetch it?" "Yes, child, do." Quickly she was in her room, and brought the book and handed it to her father. He gave it to his wife, saying, "You read; ly. "Have mercy upon me, O God, ac-

was this poor trembling sinner. When the Psalm was finished, he said, 'Can't you pray for me?" Blushing at I cannot; I have not prayed since I was a

Mary's face beamed with joy that her prayers were now answered. Many times had she sought the Lord alone, and prayed Stated Supply, Rev. W. Morris Grimes for her father's conversion. That day salwas appointed to visit it, and bring this vation came to that house. While partaking of their evening meal, he said, "I would like to go somewhere to church tonight." The wife answered, "I don't know hardly where to go, but I'll go with you." Mary said, "Won't you go and hear Mr. B——?" They consented. She led them to the sanctuary where was her Sunday School. The Gospel of Jesus was proclaimed, and the words reached the heart of this man. He went home to pray. He sought and obtained mercy. His wife became a Christian; all three united with the church. Mary is now a devoted Sunday School teacher, endeavoring to lead other children to Christ. The infidel is a zealous Christian, and has written, defending the faith he once sought to destroy. Who can over-estimate the influence of pious child? Verily he leadeth the blind by a way they know not, and in paths they have not known.—British Messenger.

#### The Original Anti-Slavery Agitators. There is not a man living who wishes

more sincerely than I do to see a plan Washington, April 12, 1786. "The scheme, my dear Marquis, which

you propose as a precedent to encourage In default of the Board of Missions to the emancipation of the black people in furnish the amount asked for the support | this country from the state of bondage in of Rev. C. C. B. Duncan, measures were which they are held, is a striking evidence taken to redeem the pledge made to this of the benevolence of your heart."- Washington to Lafayette, 1783.

"It is the most carnest wish of Ameri ca, to see an entire stop forever put to the wicked, cruel and unnatural trade in slaves. -Meeting at Fairfax, Va., July 18th, 1774, presided over by Washington. "I tremble for my country, when I reflect that God is just. His justice cannot

sleep forever."-Jefferson's Notes on Slavery in Virginia, 1782. "The King of Great Britain has waged cruel war against human nature itself, violating its most sacred rights of life and liberty, in the persons of a distant people who never offended him; captivating them leave to supply themselves till next regular and carrying them into slavery in another hemisphere, or to incur miserable death in their transportation hither." - Jefferson's

Original Draft of the Declaration of Independence. "After the year 1800 of the Christian Era, there shall be neither slavery nor involuntary servitude in any of the said States," (all of the territories then belonging to the United States.) - Jefferson's Ordinance of 1787, unanimously approved by

Congress, and signed by Washington. "We have seen the mere distinction of color made, in the most enlightened period of time, a ground of the most oppressive dominion ever exercised by man over man. --James Madison.

"We have found that this evil has prayed upon the very vitals of the Union, and has been prejudicial to all the States in which it has existed."-James Monroe. "The tariff was only the pretext, and disunion and a Southern Confederacy the real object. The next pretext will be the son, May, 1833.

"Sir, I envy neither the heart nor the head of that man from the North, who rises here to defend slavery on principle.' John Randolph of Roanoke.

"The people of Carolina form two classes, the rich and the poor. The poor are very poor; the rich, who have slaves to do all their work, give them no employment. The little they get is laid out in brandy, not in books and newspapers; hence they know nothing of the comparative blessing of our country, or of the dangers which threaten it; therefore they care nothing about it." - Gen. Francis Marion to Bar. on de Kalb.

"So long as God allows the vital current to flow through my veins, I will never, never, never, by word or thought, by mind or will, aid in submitting one rood of free territory to the everlasting curse of human bondage."—Henry Clay.

Alluding to the time the above sentiment was uttered, Thomas H. Benton says: That was a proud day. I could have wished that I had spoken the same words: I speak them now, telling you they were his, and adopting them as my own.'

"We consider the voluntary enslaving of one part of the human race by another as utterly inconsistent with the law of God. which enjoins that 'all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do yo even so to them."-Resolutions unani mously adopted by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States of America, 1818.

### The Army Ambulance Corps.

The complete and comprehensive plan

of Mr. H. M. Pierce, President of Rutger's Institute, New York City, for greater efficiency in the ambulance and field-hospital arrangements will, in all probability, be put into operation very soon. No more Christian and humane work has enlisted the sympathies and active labors of any one during the rebellion. The friends and relatives of half a million of our brave Union soldiers are intensely interested in the success of Mr. Pierce's systematic plan for the relief of our sick in hospitals, and He stood powerless, almost paralyzed the immediate removal of the wounded Quietly he turned and came down stairs, from the battle-field. It is believed by and was overcome with a sense of his great | those competent to judge of the past inadequate preparations for the care of those who fall in battle, that had his proposition had beamed upon his dark, polluted soul. been adopted when first proposed, before He sank down on a chair and said to his the last battle of Bull Run, hundreds of lives would have been saved. Heretofore a portion of the soldiers have been You do n't look well; what's the matter? detailed for these purposes. When relieved from military restraint, they have become intemperate, careless, and unmanweight on my heart; is n't there a Bible in ageable, and have proved wholly unfit for the duties to which they have been assign He sighed heavily when Mary spoke, ed. Able, inteligent, humane, and patri "Father, I know where there is one; shall otic men, will now be enlisted, mustered into the United States service, instructed and drilled for hospital duty. There will thus be returned to the ranks 16,000 fighting men at present engaged in this service This new system, which will revolutionize I'm too wicked." Opening the book in our present hospital arrangements, finds the middle, her eye fell on the fifty-first universal acceptance not only with the Psalm, which she read slowly and distinct- people of our loyal States, but with the soldiers in the field, with our army officers cording to thy loving-kindness," never fell and military authorities. It will be of immense assistance to the Surgeon-General upon ears more ready to receive them than who has long felt the need of such an or ganization. The Governors of the loyal States have greatly assisted Mr. Pierce such an unexpected request, she said, "No. with their counsel and influence with the Secretary of War and Gen. Halleck. The little girl." The dear child seeing her adoption of this salutary improvement refather's distress, said, "Father, shall I flects great credit upon the War Depart-pray?" "Yes, child, if you can." She ment. The amount of good this new army kneeled down, her father and mother both corps will accomplish is incalculable. It to be that the whole matter belongs of right | fell on their knees, when she poured out a | will certainly give new heart and confito the General Assembly, and that all fervent prayer for mercy and salvation for dence to our soldiers when going into bat-Presbyterial action tends only to undesirathese her parents. God was in that room. tle, will greatly facilitate recruiting, and ble complications and angry disputes among Jesus was there. The Holy Spirit was tend to relieve the anxieties of those have brethren.

That father's heart was melted; so ing friends in the army. EALL

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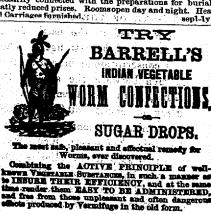
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