

## Buffalo Commercial Advertiser.

Tuesday Evening, June 2, 1863.

## LOCAL &amp; MISCELLANEOUS.

U. S. CHRISTIAN COMMISSION.—In a recent visit, as far as Washington city, we had an opportunity of observing the operations of the U. S. Christian Commission, in behalf of our soldiers. And though favorably impressed in its behalf before, these impressions have been greatly strengthened by personal examination. Energetic action, and cheerful generosity, characterize the doings of this Commission. The labor is all rendered gratuitously, except at a few central points, where clerical hire and superintendence are absolutely necessary. Offices and storage are furnished free of rent. In Philadelphia, by Geo. H. Stuart, Esq., the indefatigable chairman of the Commission, who travels more miles, makes more speeches, and spends more time in this cause than any other man in the United States. In Washington city the accommodation for offices and storage is gratuitously furnished in the building of the Young Men's Christian Association. This is the central depot and the distributing office for the supply of the Army of the Potomac and its dependencies. Boxes and barrels and bundles of vast numbers are received here daily, containing everything needful for the comfort and blessing of the bodies and souls of our brave men. Originally, the Christian Commission proposed only to administer to the moral and spiritual wants of the soldier, principally by supplying them with religious literature, but it was soon found that this was only half work. And now, in addition to the piles of religious periodicals and tracts and Soldiers Hymn Books and Bibles, we find delicacies for the sick and wounded, jellies and jams and changes of clothing and slippers and wrappers and every thing that money and skill and affection can provide. It really does one's heart good to enter this great storehouse of supplies in the city of Washington, and witness the industry and eagerness with which they are dispatched to meet the demands of suffering and want. We noticed the numbers on the barrels and boxes from Philadelphia indicated that about 5000 had been received from that city alone, and on others, that were being sent to Aquia Creek, the number indicated that more than 500 had gone to that one place. There is, too, a directness and facility in the operations of the Commission which greatly commend it. There is no tedious formality; no red tape process; no questioning whether the supply be for the hospitals or the camp; for the sick or the well; if there be need and a responsible application, it is responded to at once. We met the faithful Chaplain of one of the brave New Jersey regiments who said he had made frequent application in various quarters for certain supplies needed for his men, and failed to get them. It then occurred to him to solicit aid from the Christian Commission, and he wrote to the chairman, Mr. Stuart, and received the prompt reply that "he had knocked at the right door," and his wants were supplied. The men employed by the Christian Commission to visit the camp hospitals and the armies in the field do a vast amount of good. They return from the scenes of their labors with narratives of thrilling interest. These laborers are all volunteers; they seek the soldiers' spiritual and temporal good, influenced by pure Christianity and patriotism. And hence we wonder not at their success in leading souls to the Saviour. We cannot too earnestly commend the Christian Commission to the favor of the public. We are satisfied that there is no organization for the benefit of the soldier more efficient in action, or more worthy of confidence. The branch Commission in this city, we learn, is making increased efforts to raise supplies. Our citizens who have already established a character for benevolence, need have no hesitancy in directing their bounty in the channels of the Christian Commission.

D. D. LORE

BUFFALO, June 1 1863

GREAT UNION MEETING IN BEHALF OF THE CHRISTIAN COMMISSION.—Yesterday afternoon a great union meeting, under the auspices of the Army Committee of the Young Men's Christian Union, and in behalf of the U. S. Christian Commission, was held in the Central Presbyterian Church. The announcement that Geo. H. Stuart, of Philadelphia, President of the Commission,

and Rev. C. P. Lyford, a delegate to the army, would be present, sufficed to completely fill the house, and the audience remained, exhibiting every sign of the deepest interest, from half past two till six o'clock. The leading pastors of nearly all denominations were present, and the assemblage was of a similar catholic character.

The meeting opened with the hymn, "Watchman tell us of the night," by the choir, after which Rev. Mr. Moore, of the Washington Street Baptist Church, read passages from the Old and New Testament scriptures. Rev. Dr. Clarke then gave the hymn, "Coronation," which was sung by the congregation. Dr. J. D. Hill, Chairman of the Army Committee, then made a brief prefatory address, in the course of which he mentioned, as the contribution of the Buffalo branch:

Stores and publications sent forward valued at.....	\$800 00
Cash paid to the Army Committee,.....	929 39
Raised by Ladies' Festival, and now on hand,.....	2500 00
Total,.....	\$4229 39

It has also sent one delegate to the army of the Cumberland.

Rev. C. P. Lyford was then introduced to the audience and delivered an address, nearly an hour and a half in length, and which we can only liken to one of Gough's for its surprising effect upon the audience. At times, scarcely a dry cheek, man's or woman's, could be seen in the audience, and not a symptom of weariness was visible. Mr. Lyford is a young man, of considerably less than thirty, slight in figure and evidently in bad health, but possessing a voice of great power and sweetness, and an earnestness and enthusiasm which form the secret of his oratory. He began by stating that he started to come to Buffalo five years and a half ago. At that time he was on his way here, a poor, dissipated miserable play actor, in the hope of getting an engagement in the Buffalo theater. He stopped at Troy, and there by God's grace was converted and led off on to a far different stage. By a strange and eventful route he had at last arrived.

Mr. Lyford then proceeded rapidly to show the urgent need for missionary work in the army.—The demoralizing influences at work there are fearful. At the same time no body of men are so receptive in their character. An intellectual starvation prevails, and the men eagerly seek religious reading. The speaker argued also that not only are souls to be saved by labor in the army, but our cause will be made stronger by adding to it the strength which virtue and religion give.

Mr. Lyford is now permanently stationed at Camp Convalescent, and he gave a thrilling account of his labors there. He told how, at the prayer meetings held, ten to fifty soldiers rose nightly to ask for prayers, the number of conversions being proportionately large. In fact, it is the speaker's belief that the spirit of God, in an especial manner, is visiting the army, and inclining its heart to hear the gospel. His address was largely made up of anecdote, by which he illustrated the noble work of the delegates of the Commission; how they bore to the sick, wounded, and dying, the comforts needed for the body first, and then poured into the ear, thus won by kindness, the message of a Savior's love. We cannot pretend to give even a sketch of Mr. Lyford's discourse. It was a most moving, and a

times thrilling one, and evidently made a deep impression upon all who listened. The gentleman went aside once or twice to make known that he is an abolitionist, but we can afford to pardon that, in view of the genuine Christian earnestness he exhibited in the good work to which he is devoted.

After a hymn had been sung. Mr. Stuart took the stand and the feeling aroused by Mr. Lyford was intensified by his long, rapid and surpassingly interesting address. He gave a more practical exposition of the Commission, an organization, by which we believe, it owes its existence more to his large heart, brain and purse than to any other cause. The delegates, of whom, at various times, 608 have been sent out, go with "the bread that perisheth" in one hand, and in the other "the bread of life." The work has been recognized by, and has received the hearty co-operation of the Administration, and is every where aided on by army officers, railroad and express companies, &c., &c. At a recent interview had by Mr. Stuart and others with Secretary Stanton, that official declared that "if we expect to put down the rebellion we must look to God for his blessing," and gave the assurance that the Commission would be helped in every possible manner. One Major General has placed a Commission delegate on his staff, in order to give him better facilities.

The Commission has three classes of delegates, all of whom work without remuneration. The first go to camps, and remain permanently with the different armies. The second are stationed at hospitals or other permanent posts. The third are "battle-field delegates," or "minute men," who, in various cities of the North, hold themselves in readiness to start at an hour's warning, for the field where a battle has been fought. Of the million of men now in the army and navy, Mr. Stuart stated that 100,000 are now sick or wounded. Some idea of the magnitude of the field may be gathered from this fact. The delegates have been at nearly every battle that has taken place since the Commission was organized, in November, 1861. They hold prayer meetings at night, distribute reading matter, stationery, delicacies of many kinds, and on occasion take part with the surgeons in caring for the sick and wounded. Everywhere they are welcomed and blessed by the soldiers.

Mr. Stuart gave a score of anecdotes to show the rich reward for its labor which the Commission has already reaped. Its work has made songs of triumph to be sung on the field of the dying, and has turned the house of pain into a vestibule of heaven. It has raised \$105,000; distributed 5,488 boxes of stores; 338,953 bibles and testaments, and a vast quantity of other reading matter. The aggregate value of stores &c., exclusive of reading matter, sent to the army would amount to a value over \$300,000.

We have no space to mention one in ten of the topics touched upon by Mr. Stuart in his masterly discourse. He concluded with a stirring appeal to the hearts and purses of his audience, which was responded to by a liberal collection. With a benediction by Chaplain Robie, the meeting was dismissed.

In the evening, Rev. Mr. Lyford and Rev. W. H. Shaw, the delegates from Buffalo to the army, addressed a large meeting at Grace M. E. Church. Mr. Stuart and Chaplain Robie also spoke to

equally crowded and interested house in the Washington street Baptist Church. Both of the gentlemen from abroad may rest assured that they have made an impression on the mind of the religious community of this city which will not soon be effaced.

**LADIES' CHRISTIAN COMMISSION.**—The Treasurer acknowledges the following contributions, in cash, in aid of the late Strawberry Festival held by the Ladies' Christian Commission:

S. G. Austin, S. F. Pratt, Esqs., Mrs. Wm. G. Fargo, Mrs. Gaius B. Rich, Chas. E. Ensign, S. S. Jewett, F. H. Root, L. C. Woodruff, D. S. Bennett, Bush & Howard, \$100 each.  
 Dean Richmond, Esq., Howard, Whitcomb & Co., Sidney Shepard, Sherman & Barnes, Hamlin & Mendon, E. Corning & Co., \$50 each.  
 Ed. S. Rich, S. O. Barnum, Bronson Rumsey, Esqs. Mrs. P. L. Sternbers, Mrs. G. H. Bryant, Mrs. J. D. Shepard, \$25 each.  
 Dr. Wright, \$20.  
 Young, Lockwood & Co., \$15 75.  
 Wm. H. Glenn, \$12.  
 Mrs. O. Bugbee, Nimbs & Gibson, Horace Utley, Henry Richmond, Thomas Clark, Mrs. E. E. Hazard, Mr. Zadoc Allen, Mrs. P. D. Patchin, \$10 each.  
 Geo. Palmer, H. L. Lansing, Jason Sexton, Wm. O. Newman, L. K. Plimpton, A. G. Williams, I. D. White, Mrs. P. Bennett, Edward Marvin, S. H. Fish, S. Cary, J. D. Sawyer, S. F. Schoellkopf, J. L. C. Jewett, Chas. Rosseel, Wm. F. Miller, Robinson & Co., I. V. Vanderpool, Mrs. O. G. Steele, Mrs. G. C. White, Wm. B. Peck, W. I. Mills, L. B. Lent, T. T. Bloomer, Mrs. W. T. Miller, Mrs. David Morse, Judge I. Verplanck, C. D. Norton, Mrs. P. P. Pratt, Mrs. Fisher, of Batavia, Mrs. J. C. Evans, Mrs. A. Rumsey, \$5 each.  
 Mrs. F. S. Haynes, C. Hitchcock, E. P. Selmser, A. T. Blackmer, Dr. Cary, Mrs. J. Lathrop, \$3 each.  
 Jesse Ketchum, Mrs. I. N. Scateherd, \$4 each.  
 Mrs. J. C. Evans & Son, \$8.  
 Geo. J. Bryan, \$6.  
 A. T. Taylor, Judge J. G. Masten, Mrs. Dr. Pratt, \$2 each.  
 A. W. Cutter, Henry Morse, Archie Hudson, Preston Hodges, Henry Childs, Mrs. J. R. Martin, Mrs. Rathbun, R. D. Sherman, Mrs. Lyons, \$1 each.

**BRANCH U. S. SANITARY COMMISSION,  
 GENERAL AID SOCIETY FOR THE ARMY,  
 BUFFALO, July 13th, 1863.**

The Ladies of the General Aid Society desire to express their gratitude for the generous assistance they have received the past week. On the 14th of June, when the invasion of Pennsylvania was thought a joke, the agent of the Commission, Mr. OLMSTED, telegraphed this Society to gather in and save supplies for Harrisburg.

Friday, July 10th, he telegraphed to send assorted hospital stores as fast as possible to Gettysburg, a supercargo to accompany them.

As soon as this was made known, supplies poured in, a responsible gentleman offered to go with them, the Superintendent of the Erie Railroad gave passes, and the Express Company, with their usual liberality, carried them without charge. All interested in the soldiers will rejoice to know that seventy boxes and barrels were shipped to-day.

This exhausts our stock, and as another great battle is imminent, we would beg all to assist in providing for the next call. Let every woman who can, make one shirt this week. They will find them ready cut at our rooms. Slippers are called for, to be made of carpet or heavy cloth,—also wines, jellies and delicacies. A generous response to this appeal is expected.

**Union of the Relief Associations—One Agency for Receiving and Distributing Hospital Supplies.**

The Ladies of the Hospital Relief Association would respectfully call the attention of the public and their Auxiliary Societies to the following communication, emanating from the United States Sanitary Commission at New York, which will explain itself:

*Erie,*

New York, April 11th. 1863.

To the U. S. Sanitary Commission:

GENTLEMEN:—The New York Committee of the U. S. Christian Commission, have recently had assigned to them a definite District, from which we are expected to gather all the means required for carrying on the work.

This District includes the States of Connecticut, New York and the Eastern half of New Jersey. We have undertaken to send delegates and a supply of reading matter to the Armies and Hospitals of the Atlantic coast, the Gulf of Mexico and the Lower Mississippi. This division of the field at home and the labor abroad is well understood by the Central Association in Philadelphia and its eastern branches, and they will not send any agents or employ any other means to collect money or stores in any portion of our District.

While we are still auxiliary to the Central Commission and cordially co-operating with it in its leading objects, we now think we may without embarrassing any other branch of the Christian Commission, enter into some arrangement with you, in regard to stores, which will be satisfactory to all parties. With the hope of securing an entirely cordial co-operation in the labors of our respective commissions, we are willing to agree to send to your Depository all the stores that may come into our possession. And, further, we will agree to state the arrangements between us in regard to stores, in the public meetings which may be held in the different portions of our field, and to recommend that all stores be sent directly to you. On your part, we presume you will be willing to agree to instruct your agents stationed on the Atlantic coast, in the Gulf of Mexico, &c., to furnish the few stores which our delegates may need to use in prosecuting their spiritual work, on the personal application to your agents, and at the same time showing their commissions from us.

OFFICE OF THE N. Y. COMMITTEE,  
Of the U. S. Christian Commission,  
No. 39 Bible House.

“Ordered that the Commission will accede to the proposal contained in the foregoing letter, and that its agents on the Atlantic coast in the Gulf of Mexico, and the Lower Mississippi, be directed through the General Secretary to conform thereto.”

At the last monthly meeting of this Association it was resolved that we make the united commissions the channel through which we hereafter send our hospital stores to be distributed by their agents in the departments of our army above designated; reserving to ourselves the right to send elsewhere as the needs of our soldiers at any time may require.

Let no one conclude that the wants of our hospitals and suffering soldiery are not of the most pressing character. It may be said that a large army is constantly passing through our hospitals, many to the grave, some crippled for life to their distant homes, and others back to camp. We believe the numbers and efficiency of those who have left the hospital for camp, have been doubled by the labors of the women of the North. In this efficient mode of aiding to suppress this rebellion, more, much more may yet be done; and whilst armies are saved to the Republic and millions to the public treasury, the highest duties of humanity and religion are performed.

Let no loyal woman fail to engage in this work, and let no one falter who has begun.

By order of the Association,  
Mrs. L. GARDNER, Cor. Sec'y.

Since writing the above a letter received from a member of the Committee in New York, says:

“We want now cotton drawers and socks, bed-ticks, corn and oat meal, corn starch, pickles, preserved fruits, and horse radish put up in vinegar. We hope our friends in city and country will respond to this call immediately.” “A word to the wise is sufficient.”  
Cor. Sec'y.

LADIES' THIRD WARD VOLUNTEERS AID SOCIETY.—  
A meeting will be held at the house of Mrs. Everard Peck, S. Washington street, on Wednesday, 23d instant, at 2½ P. M. CAROLINE HILLS, Sec'y.

The Ladies' Soldier's Aid Society have shipped during the last week to the Sanitary Commission at Buffalo, three boxes of goods valued at \$183 21. The following is a list of the articles:

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|---------------------|------------------------|
| feather pillows,    | 6 comforters,          |
| 2 lb. corn starch,  | 4 straw pillows,       |
| hop pillows,        | 12 pr. cotton socks,   |
| doz. napkins,       | 1 doz. fans,           |
| ½ doz. combs,       | 1 doz. handkerchiefs,  |
| ¼ lb. soap,         | 16 pr. slippers,       |
| 1 new shirts,       | 13 second hand shirts, |
| pairs pillow cases, | 13 towels,             |
| dress gowns,        | 27 prs. drawers,       |
| ¼ lb. crackers,     | Quantity old cotton,   |
| lint,               | Reading matter.        |
| 33 lb. dried fruit, | Valued at 123 21.      |

The following is a list of articles donated by the Young Ladies' Society of this village:

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|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 3 pr. sheets,                | 12 prs. pillow cases, |
| 34 handkerchiefs,            | 6 white shirts,       |
| 5 wool shirts,               | 12 pr. socks,         |
| 50 towels,                   | 13 doz. compresses,   |
| 30 rolls bandages,           | 30 ½ lb. dried fruit, |
| 12 packages finger bandages, |                       |
| 2 ½ lbs tapioca,             | 4 lb. corn starch,    |
| Large package,               | Old linen,            |
|                              | Valued at \$60.00.    |

By ORDER SECRETARY.

BRANCH U. S. SANITARY COMMISSION,  
GENERAL AID SOCIETY FOR THE ARMY,  
BUFFALO, July 30, 1863.

Lyman K. Bass, Esq.,

Chairman Lecture Committee:

Dear Sir—Your note tendering to the General Aid Society one half of the net proceeds of the first two evenings' lectures and exhibitions of "Fallon's Stereopticon," is just received.

We accept with pleasure your generous offer, and hope the proceeds, not only for our suffering soldiers but for the noble institution you represent, may be such as we have a right to expect from the citizens of Buffalo.

Very respectfully yours,  
Mrs. HORATIO SEYMOUR,  
President.

ROOMS OF THE CHRISTIAN COMMISSION,  
No. 1 WEST SENECA STREET,  
BUFFALO, July 30, 1863.

Lyman K. K. Bass, Esq.,

Chairman Lecture Committee.

Dear Sir: Your communication of this date, on behalf of the Young Men's Association, tendering to this Commission and to the General Aid Society the net proceeds of the first two lectures and exhibitions of "Fallon's Stereopticon," is received, and it is with great pleasure that I communicate to you our accept-

ance of the offer, and through you tender the thanks of this Society to the Young Men's Association for their liberality, and the spirit of their offer.

Very respectfully yours,  
Mrs. W. M. G. FARGO,  
President.

The course will begin, in St. James Hall, on Tuesday evening next. It promises to be the most attractive thing of the season.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS. — The Ladies of the Christian Commission acknowledge the following contributions for the week ending July 31st:

Mrs. Gazlay—two bottles currant wine, 40 illustrated papers, 5 magazines.

Mr. Daniel Webster—24 papers.

Mrs. L. K. Bogert—7 volumes books, 6 pamphlets, package papers.

Mrs. Phechar—1 bottle raspberry shrub, 1 do cherries, 6½ pounds dried apples.

Mrs. J. D. Sawyer—5 quarts currant jelly, 4 pairs of socks, 2 pillow cases, package papers.

Mrs. S. S. Guthrie—4 jars jelly.

Mrs. E. Stanberry—1 mosquito bar, package papers.

Mrs. D. G. Collamer—1 roll linen, 1 bottle catsup.

Miss Sarah Collamer—12 towels.

Miss Eva Collamer—24 towels.

Miss M. W. Bemis—12 towels, 1 fan.

Mrs. Wm. Stimpson—6 bottles currant wine, 2 do strawberry syrup, 2 do tomato, 4 bowls jelly, 1½ lbs. dried raspberries, 1½ do corn, 4¼ oz. lint, 4 volumes books, package pamphlets, 10 papers.

Wm. E. Stimpson—4 volumes books.

Lafayette Street S. S.—56 housewives.

Mrs. J. E. H. Wheeler—6 pounds prepared codfish, 1½ pound butter.

Mrs. T. J. Conry—10 volumes books, 25 magazines, 20 papers.

Mrs. Holmes—6 shirts, 2 bottles wine.

Mrs. T. A. Budd—

Mrs. Beecher—7 pounds dried apples.

Master Charles K. Smith—1½ pound lint, 40 magazines.

Mrs. B. Timmerman—5 bottles wine, 7 bottles jelly, 1 gallon preserved strawberries.

Mrs. John Benson—2 bottles old Port wine, 2 bottles raspberry wine.

Mrs. Claff—1 jar pickles.

Mrs. George Palmer—7 bottles currant shrub.

Mr. D. R. Hamlin—1 can currant, 1 can cherry pickles, 26 N. Y. Observers.

Mrs. J. F. Ernst—3 jars pickles.

Mrs. Gazlay—2 shirts from material furnished by the Commission.

DELIA S. AUSTIN, Ass't Secy.

The Treasurer of the Ladies' Christian Commission acknowledges the receipt the past month of the following sums:

The Young Ladies' Benevolent Society—\$73 39.

Master Warren Brown—\$10.

Miss Helen Bull—\$5.

Mrs. Dr. Pratt—\$5.

A Lady—\$5.

Mrs J. F. ERNST.

Treasurer.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS OF THE CHRISTIAN COMMISSION.—The ladies of the Christian Commission acknowledge the following contributions for the week ending July 25:

Mrs. J. B. Sweet—6 cans raspberry jam.

Mrs. C. J. Wells—4 hospital shirts, 1 undershirt, 3 drawers, 9 books, 6 bottles raspberry shrub.

Mrs. Orlando Allen—3 cans peaches, 1 keg pickles, 3 cans blackberry jam, 1 pkg pamphlets.

Mrs. L. L. Lewis—2 hospital shirts, 6 magazines.

Mrs. S. D. Sykes—3 lbs dried cherries.

Miss Nettie Jones—1 bottle wine, 1 do cordial, 1 pkg

nt, 3 vols books.

From Brocton, Chautauqua Co.—1 barrel containing

jars pickles, 3 bottles wine, 2 do preserved fruit, 12

do dried currants, 7½ do plums, 12 do cherries, 20 do

saches, 7 do raspberries, 27 do apples, 10 do lint, 1

kg bandages, 3 vols books, 1 pkg tracts and pam-

phlets.

Mrs. W. J. Mack—2 gal pickles.  
 Mrs. Wm. C. Grant—1 lb soap, 1 roll old linen, 1 do  
 cotton, 1 large mosquito net, 1 small do, 1 Bible.  
 Unknown—14 oz dried cherries.  
 Mrs. John D. Shepard—14 bowls jelly.  
 Mrs. T. S. Hawks—1 ream commercial note paper,  
 60 envelopes.  
 Mrs. N. H. Gardner—12 qts jam, 6 qts shrub, 16 lbs  
 dried fruit.  
 Mrs. J. L. Alberger—3 bottles cordial, 1 bottle wine,  
 1 do catsup, 6 jars jelly, 23 magazines.  
 First Presbyterian Church Aid Society—13 prs draw-  
 ers, 2 shirts, 4 prs woolen socks.  
 Master Warren Brown—\$10.  
 Mrs. James H. Mills—1 barrel containing 1 pr linen  
 sheets, 2 do pillow cases, 2 towels, 1 vest, 1 bottle wine,  
 3 lbs dried fruit, 450 newspapers, 12 magazines.  
 Mrs. Watkins Williams—3 bottles wine.  
 Master Johnnie W. Danforth—2 pkgs corn starch, 2  
 lbs dried apples, 4 oz lint.  
 Mrs. H. H. Hale—14 Independents.  
 Mrs. Hugh Webster—1 jar pickled peaches.  
 A Friend—\$5.  
 Mrs. Lot Clark—6 linen shirts, 2 broadcloth coats, 1  
 pkg pamphlets and books.  
 Mrs. S. S. Jewett—4 hospital shirts, 1 linen coat.  
 Mrs. P. R. Stover—2 hospital shirts.  
 Miss Helen Bull—10 Testaments, \$5.  
 Mrs. J. D. Sawyer—3 1/2 lbs sugar.  
 Mrs. M. Darrow—1 can brandy peaches.  
 Miss Louise Walbridge—13 bottles preserved cher-  
 ries.  
 Mrs. Dr. Loomis—3 gal pickles.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:—**The Ladies of the  
 Christian Commission acknowledge the follow-  
 ing contributions for the week ending August

7th  
 Mrs T. A. Budd—12 handkerchiefs, 2 pillow cases, 1 roll  
 linen, 53 bandages.  
 Mrs Towns—1 hat, 1 coat, 1 pkgc magazines  
 Lafayette Street Church—15 shirts.  
 Miss Hattie Grant—5 housewives, 2 books.  
 Miss Hannah Winslow—4 prs drawers.  
 Mrs Wm Ketchum—1 jug raspberry shrub, 10 bottles  
 do, 1 jar pickled plums, 3 pkgs N. Y. Observers.  
 From Cowlesville, through Rev Mrs Richardson—1  
 box containing 89 lbs dried fruit, 6 oz lint, 4 cans pres-  
 erved fruit, 1 peck onions, 2 towels, 1 pkgc tracts and  
 papers.  
 Freddy and Harry Gridley—2 housewives, 1 roll old  
 linen.  
 Mrs J C Evans—14 lbs dried apples, 2 galls cherry  
 shrub.  
 Mrs Geo H Chase—4 shirts, 3 prs socks, 1 pillow case,  
 20 magazines.  
 Mrs D D Bidwell—1 cotton sheet, 1 linen do, 10 prs  
 socks, 2 towels, 1 lb lint, 2 vests, 3 rolls old cotton and  
 linen, 30 magazines.  
 Mrs Oscar Cobb—2 cans jelly, 1 pkgc of papers and  
 magazines.  
 Mrs F Gridley—1 pkgc magazines and papers.  
 Mrs L L Lewis—2 shirts, 2 bottles raspberry shrub.  
 Mrs A Reynolds—1 dressing gown, 2 shirts, 1 vest.  
 Mrs J D Hill—33 magazines.  
 Mrs P L Sternberg—4 jars cherries, 1 do raspberries,  
 4 prs socks, 4 handkerchiefs, 1 roll linen, 24 magazines.  
 Mrs R Eames—12 handkerchiefs, 1 pkgc magazines, 1  
 do papers.  
 Mrs S N Callender—2 bottles shrub, 1 can pine ap-  
 ple, 23 magazines.  
 Mrs F W Breed—100 envelopes.  
 Mrs A McArthur—6 lbs dried apples, 2 lbs Indian  
 meal, 1 jar currant jelly.  
 Mrs De Royce—6 vols books.  
 A Friend—3 bottles black currant syrup, 30 volumes  
 books.  
 Mrs James Moffatt—10 bottles old currant vine.  
 FROM MATERIAL FURNISHED BY THE COMMISSION.  
 Mrs Newman—4 prs drawers.  
 Pearl Street M E Church—11 sheets, 2 bandages.

**BRANCH U. S. SANITARY COMMISSION.—**Re-  
 port of the Receipts and Disbursements of the  
 'General Aid Society for the Army' for the  
 month of July, 1863.

RECEIPTS.	
From St. Mark's M E Church Society.....	\$ 5 00
A friend.....	5 00
Miss Lottie Eustasbieve, Miss Clara Nims and and Master Nathan Williams.....	6 62
Mrs J A Newbold.....	1 00
C F S Thomas.....	3 00
Young Ladies Society, East Hamburg.....	4 00
Little girls, East Eagle street.....	12 25
Bazaar.....	7,554 25
French Booth.....	14 50
Griffins Mills Aid Society.....	20 00
Mrs Sarah Van Rensselaer.....	5 00
Jeanie Aldrich.....	50
H B Haskell, (Mina Lake).....	1 00
Young Ladies' Society, First Ward.....	71 61
Mrs George Bryant.....	10 00
Newstead Aid Society.....	5 00
Attica Aid Society.....	60 00
Forestville Aid Society.....	50
East Aurora Aid Society.....	5 00
Miss Lou and Master Deshier Welch.....	7 25
Membership fee.....	1 00
Mrs. Thomas Hutchinson (Lancaster).....	3 00
Harlow and Lottie Curtis.....	1 50
From sale of rags.....	1 75

On hand from June.....	7,798 73
	1,161 14
	8,959 87
DISBURSEMENTS.	
To paid for papers, stamps and printing.....	\$ 8 42
2,939 yards of cotton.....	692 72
Expenses from New York to Annapolis.....	9 00
Expenses of messenger with supplies to Har-	
risburg.....	17 80
162 lbs. crackers.....	10 53
40 lbs. corn starch.....	4 00
2 lbs. Sponges.....	5 00
360 lbs. corn meal.....	5 40
5 gallons whiskey.....	10 00
40 dozen bottles blackberry cordial.....	120 00
146 lbs. sugar.....	21 22
6 lbs. farina.....	90
The porter for two months.....	10 00
10½ yards linen.....	2 63
Buttons and tape.....	7 65
24 dozen socks.....	72 62
6 yards Valencia.....	6 57
305½ yards flannel.....	155 68
300 fans.....	12 00
Current expenses.....	5 17
Discharged soldiers.....	2 50
Cartage.....	2 00

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8959 87

Cash on hand August 1st.....\$7776 80

MRS. JAMES P. WHITE, Treasurer.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS OF THE GENERAL AID SOCIETY, for the week ending Aug. 13, 1863.

Elma Soldier's Aid Society (acknowledged as Elmira).....	\$5 00
Griffin's Mills.....	10 00
Church, of the Epiphany, Niagara City.....	5 00
St. Paul's Church.....	57 73
East Hamburgh Y. L. Aid Society.....	4 00
Williamsville, from collection on Thanksgiving Day.....	25 00

East Aurora—19 lbs dried fruit.  
Dansville—3 boxes, containing 6 comforters, 16 lbs corn starch, 102 handkerchiefs, 19 flannel shirts, 56 cotton shirts, 24 pillow cases, 19 sheets, 17 pillows, 27 prs drawers, 9 bed gowns, 144 towels and handkerchiefs, 34 prs socks, 16 prs slippers, 19 lbs lint, 168 lbs dried fruit, 33½ lbs groceries, 150 papers and books, 30 combs and fans.

Harris Hill—16 handkerchiefs, 7 cans apple butter, 9 cans cherries.

De Veaux College, Miss W. J. Miles—2 dressing gowns, 9 prs woolen socks, 6 prs slippers, 29 pocket handkerchiefs, 5 lbs old cotton, 8 lbs white sugar, 10 lbs farina, 2 lbs green tea, 1 pkg reading matter.

Griffin's Mills Soldier's Aid Society—1 package, containing 64 lbs dried apples, 21 lbs currants, 1¼ lbs blk currants, 8¼ lbs blackberries, 1 lb plums, 4¼ lbs cherries, 1 lb sage, 1 lb hops, 124 papers.

First Presbyterian Church Society—10 prs drawers, 5 prs slipper soles, 6 shirts, 3 rolls furniture binding.

Dr. Lord's Church Society—26 handkerchiefs and towels, 1 pr socks.

Presbyterian Church, Black Rock—10 papers, 5 pamphlets.

Cheektowaga, Mrs. Grove Clark—2 pillows, 1 sheet, 2 pillow cases.

Mrs. George R. Babcock—12 jars currant jelly.

Mrs. J. L. Waters—6 jars currant jelly.

Miss Bailey—18 papers.

Mrs. E. C. Root—2 qts black currant jam.

Mrs. Francis—1 jar plums, ¼ lb old cotton.

Mrs. Eustaphie—32 pamphlets, 3 games.

St. Paul's Church Society—253 prayer books, 50 books, 4 bottles preserved cherries.

St. John's Church Society—4 jars black currant jam, 1 bottle currant jelly, 4 lbs dried currants.

Mrs. J. Maxwell—4 lbs dried apples, 4 lbs dried currants.

East Hamburgh—39 magazines, 6 prs drawers, 7 shirts.

Miss Sue Thomas—5 books.

De Veaux College, Miss Kedie—1 box, containing 3 dressing gowns, 9 pairs slippers, 30 handkerchiefs, 4 towels, 21 pin-cushions, 3 lbs linen and cotton, 1 bunch thread, 3½ lbs crackers, ½ lb mint, 1 jar plum preserves, 1 drum figs, 3½ lbs corn starch, 1 pkg note paper, 2 pkgs envelopes, 10 lbs farina, and 3 of the handkerchiefs sent by 3 little boys, 167 magazines and papers.

Mrs. Chas. Rathbone, Eden—6 lbs dried fruit.

Breed, Butler & Co.—13 pencils, 22 holders, 1 box pens, 3 pkgs envelopes, 5 quires paper.

Mrs. McGilvray—7 lbs dried apples, 5 lbs plums and cherries.

La Grange—1 box, containing 18 lbs cherries, 37 lbs apples, 1 lb peaches, 1 jar pickled cabbage, 1½ lbs raspberries, 1 lb plums, 3 quilts, 4 fans, 2 prs drawers, 5 new shirts, 18 napkins, 3 prs pillow cases, 1 pr sheets, 1 linen coat, 1 pkg tracts, 5½ prs slippers, 3½ lbs linen and cotton, 5 eye shades, 7 shirts, 9 pin-cushions, 1 needle-book, 2 handkerchiefs, 4 arm slings, 1 pr socks, 1 dressing gown, 1 fikin pickles.

S. O. Barnum—15 pkgs books.

Chinese Tea Store—5 boxes.

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U. S. SANITARY COMMISSION.

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 Miss Bailey—18 papers.  
 Mrs. E. C. Root—2 qts black currant jam.  
 Mrs. Francis—1 glass jar plums, ¼ pound old cotton.  
 Mrs. Eustaphie—52 pamphlets, 3 gowns.  
 St. Paul's Church Society—283 prayer books, 50 books  
 4 bottles preserved cherries.  
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 S. O. Barnum—15 pkgs books.  
 China Tea Store—5 boxes.  
 Sidney Shepard & Co.—6 doz cans.  
 21st Regt. Rec. Committee—33 yds cloth.

ARTICLES MADE FROM MATERIAL FURNISHED BY THE SOCIETY.

Evans Soc.—10 shirts, 10 prs drawers.  
 Little Girls of 1st Ward—7 sheets, 23 hdkfs.  
 Universalist Soc.—22 sheets, 1 shirt, 27 prs cotton drawers, 3 prs flannel drawers, 1 pr socks.  
 South Wales Soc.—30 cotton shirts.  
 Alden Baptist Soc.—12 shirts, 12 prs drawers.  
 St. Paul's Soc.—6 shirts, 3 prs socks, 23 prs drawers.  
 Unitarian Soc.—9 shirts, 3 prs drawers.  
 East Aurora—(omitted) 12 shirts.  
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 Grace M. E. Soc.—23 shirts.  
 Unitarian Soc.—(omitted) 9 shirts, 12 prs drawers,  
 Harris' Hill Soc.—10 prs drawers, 5 shirts.  
 Presbyterian Soc., Black Rock—5 prs socks.  
 Dr. Lord's Soc.—15 prs drawers, 2 prs socks.  
 North Buffalo—10 prs drawers (Aug. 5th).  
 Griffin's Mills—25 prs drawers, 15 shirts.  
 Methodist Soc., Black Rock—12 shirts, 12 prs drawers.  
 Mrs. B. H. Austin—3 prs drawers (Aug. 5).  
 Mrs. Lapham—5 prs cotton drawers.  
 Mrs. E. J. Relf—2 shirts.  
 Mrs. Harries—6 shirts.  
 Mrs. Francis—6 shirts.  
 Miss Hattie Whittaker, for Little Girls' Aid Soc., 1st Ward—4 prs drawers.  
 Mrs. Van Weller—6 prs cotton drawers.  
 Mrs. Mount—2 prs cotton drawers.  
 Mrs. S. L. Marvin—12 prs drawers.  
 Mrs. Ream—12 prs drawers, 4 shirts.  
 Miss Jenny Barnes—6 prs drawers.  
 Miss Wescott—3 prs drawers.  
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 Miss Greenwood—3 prs drawers.  
 Mrs. Jenkins—2 shirts, 1 pr socks.  
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Master Edgar Reynolds—8 bottles whisky, 3 bottles Sherry wine, 1 do pickles.

Albion, N. Y.—1 box containing 53 lbs dried fruit, 3 cans currant jelly, 31 pairs new drawers, 19 new shirts, 3 pairs, 3 towels, 4 waste pkgs paper and magazines.

Mrs. Dr. Snow—1 hat, 1 vest.

Ladies' Aid Society, Westfield, N. Y.—9 new shirts, 26 pairs new drawers, 2 dressing gowns, 4 quilts, 1 pair slippers, 2 pillows, 5 pillow cases, 26 towels, 8 handkerchiefs, 34 lbs dried fruit.

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Mrs. Lyman Dunbar—1 coat, 1 linen sheet, 1 pair drawers, 1 roll old linen, 3 oz lint, 14 bandages, 1 bottle wine, 1 do catsup.

Mrs. L. L. Lewis—1 vest, 2 hats.

Mrs. John Gowans—7 magazines.

Mrs. U. D. Moore—1 jug blackberry wine.

Ladies' Aid Society, Fredonia, N. Y.—2 boxes containing 65 lbs dried fruit, 2 bottles currant juice, 1 jug do, 1 jug wine, 3 jars currant jam, 1 jug do, 1 jar currant jelly, 12 quarts shrub, 1 can preserved fruit, 1 bottle cider molasses, 1 jar and 1 can dried fruit, 16 shirts, 5 vests, 4 towels, 17 pairs drawers, 10 oz lint, 3 pkgs magazines and papers.

Mrs. S. G. Austin—12 jars currant jelly, 5 bottles wine, 6 do raspberry shrub, 6 do currant shrub, 3 cans raspberries, 1 roll old cotton.

Mrs. Oscar Cobb—3 gallons wine, 1 coat, large quantity of papers and pamphlets.

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