

Miscellaneous and News Items.

A "Soldiers' Home" is to be established in Buffalo by the ladies.

NEARLY ten thousand dollars have been collected toward establishing a Soldiers' Home at Chicago.

SOME of the Rebel prisoners at Point Lookout recently planned an escape, but the plot was discovered and their flight prevented.

MAJOR HUNT, in whose behalf Senator Hale interested himself, and who has been on trial by a Court-Martial at Fortress Monroe for some time, has been honorably acquitted.

By order of the War Department, enlisted men who lose or dispose of revolver pistols intrusted to their care, will hereafter be charged \$20 in each case, that being the amount of pecuniary damage sustained by the Government as estimated by the Ordinance Department.

A LOUISVILLE man put some \$2500 in greenbacks in the chimney of his sitting room, thinking it would be safe from robbers there. His wife, in a fit of wifely tenderness and genuine feminine thoughtlessness, kindled a fire so as to give her liege lord and master a cheery welcome, and the greenbacks were burnt up.

THE Providence Journal says that the work of recruiting has been pushed with so much energy in Rhode Island, that its quota under the last call is not only filled, but the present call has been anticipated, and a large proportion of the men requisite to meet it. "We shall, without doubt, have our quota supplied before the tenth of March."

THE Memphis Bulletin publishes a card signed by three hundred of the best citizens of that city, addressed to the people of Tennessee, upon the subject of the re-organization of the State, and re-establishing relations with the National Government. It recommends immediate and unconditional emancipation as the best, truest policy, and only alternative.

THE new military bill passed by the rebel Senate place all white men from eighteen to fifty-five in the ranks at once, with the exception of certain civil officers, clergyman, overseers of negroes, and a few other exempted classes.—Those that are not able-bodied are to be employed in various services connected with the war. The conscription is to be sweeping and relentless.

THE Springfield Union says that there have been manufactured at the Armory in Springfield during the month, 25,700 muskets, a larger number than ever before fabricated in a single month. During the last two weeks 6000 were turned out each week, averaging 1000 each day. The largest number ever before manufactured in one week was 5040. When the last month's work is completed, there will be in store at the Armory over 200,000 guns, of which forty thousand are packed ready for shipments.

A PARTY of Gen. Crawford's staff, accompanied by an escort of cavalry, were caught in an ambush at Brentsville on Sunday, the 14th inst., and Major Larimer, of the 5th Pa. Res., was killed. It appears that they were entrapped into making a visit to the town for the ostensible purpose of settling some question which was referred to the Provost Marshal—Gen. Patrick. Four of our men were robbed of the valuables on their persons; but an equal number of rebels were robbed of their lives, that number at least having been killed, and a large proportion wounded in the brief conflict.

The U. S. Sanitary Commission

Was constituted by the Secretary of War in June, 1861, in accordance with the recommendation of the Surgeon General of the U. S. Army, and its appointment and plan of organization were approved by the President of the United States. Its present organization is as follows:

- H. W. Bellows, D. D., New York.
- A. D. Bache, LL. D., Washington.
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- Geo. T. Strong, Esq., New York.
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- F. N. Knapp, General Sup't, Washington, D. C.
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- Soldiers' Home, - - - - - Washington, D. C.
- Lodge No. 3, No. 208 F street, " "
- Lodge No. 4, 17th street, " "
- Lodge No. 5, - - - - - Georgetown, D. C.
- Soldiers' Home, Third street, Cincinnati, Ohio, Col.
- G. W. D. Andrews, Superintendent.
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- Cumberland River, New Dunleith.
- Potomac River, Elizabeth.

Hospital Directory.

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EASTERN DEPARTMENT.

- For information, address "Office Sanitary Commission, Washington, D. C."
- Washington, D. C., Annapolis Junction, Md.,
- Georgetown, D. C., Cumberland, Md.,
- Alexandria, Va., Point Lookout, Md.,
- Baltimore, Md., Fairfax, Va.,
- Fredrick City, Md., York, Penn.
- Annapolis, Md.

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- For information, address "Office Sanitary Commission, No. 1307 Chestnut street."
- Philadelphia, Penn., Germantown, Penn.,
- Chester, Penn., Chestnut Hill, Penn.,
- Reading, Penn., Harrisburg, Penn.

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- Newark, N. J., Boston, Mass.,
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- Mound City, Ill.
- Jeffersonville, Ind.,
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- New Albany, Ind.,
- Madison, Ind.,
- Indianapolis, Ind.,
- Miliken's Bend, La.,
- St. Louis, Mo.,
- Rolla, Mo.,
- Springfield, Mo.,
- Jefferson City, Mo.,
- Fronton, Mo.,
- Nashville, Tenn.,
- Corinth, Miss.,
- Cairo, Ill.,
- Stevenson, Ala.,

- Louisville, Ky.,
- Covington, Ky.,
- Lexington, Ky.,
- Munfordsville, Ky.,
- Bowling Green, Ky.,
- Chicago, Ill.,
- Lake Providence, La.,
- Leavenworth, Kansas,
- Memphis, Tenn.,
- Clarksboro, Tenn.,
- Murfreesboro, Tenn.,
- Gallatin, Tenn.,
- Vicksburg, Miss.,
- White River, Ark.,
- Point Pleasant, Va.,
- Chattanooga, Tenn.

In all cases the name, rank, company and regiment of the person enquired for should be given, and where he was when last heard from. If the application is by letter, the answer will be sent by return of mail; if in person, it will be answered at once; or if by telegraph, an answer will be returned immediately at the inquirer's expense.

The office of the Directory will be open daily from 8 o'clock, A. M., to 8 o'clock P. M., and in urgent cases applicants ringing the door bell will be received at any hour of the night.

Soldiers' Aid Societies, clergymen, editors and others, can scarcely serve the cause of humanity more effectually than by frequently and widely disseminating a knowledge of the above, among those who have friends in the army. The hospital statistics in this department of the Sanitary Commission are very complete and exact, and daily prove of incalculable value to the soldiers, their friends and relatives.

Supply Department.

The Sanitary Commission, under special authority of the President of the United States, maintains an extensive system of agencies for securing the safe conveyance to, and distribution of, goods put in its charge for the sick and wounded at points where they are most wanted. It operates with equal care and generosity at all points—at New Orleans and at Washington; its distributions being governed by a comparison of the wants of the patients in all cases. To ascertain the relative character of these wants in a trustworthy manner, and to secure an equitable distribution and honest use of the goods distributed, besides the unpaid services of the members of the Commission, twenty physicians of high professional and moral character, and more than fifty lay agents, are employed, under pecuniary securities for responsible and efficient service. The cost of these arrangements has thus far been about 3 per centum of the value of the goods distributed. The Commission has not been able to obtain authentic evidence of losses, miscarriage, or misappropriations, to the value of one dollar in ten thousand, of goods which have been once received at its shipping depots. The following is a list of these depots, to which auxiliary societies, and all disposed to aid the sick and wounded, without reference to States or localities, but simply to their relative necessity for assistance, are invited to send their offerings:

- Sanitary Commission, Branch Depot, No. 22 Summer street, Boston, Mass.
- Sanitary Commission, Branch Depot, No. 10 Third avenue, New York.
- Sanitary Commission, Branch Depot, No. 1307 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.
- Sanitary Commission, Branch Depot, No. 46 South Sharp street, Baltimore, Md.
- Sanitary Commission, Branch Depot, corner Vine and Sixth streets, Cincinnati, O.
- Sanitary Commission, Branch Depot, No. 95 Bank street, Cleveland, O.
- Sanitary Commission, Branch Depot, No. 66 Madison street, Chicago, Ill.
- Sanitary Commission, Branch Depot, No. 2 Adam's Block, Buffalo, New York.
- Sanitary Commission, Branch Depot, No. 59 Fourth street, Pittsburg, Penn.
- Sanitary Commission, Branch Depot, No. 32 Larned street, Detroit, Mich.
- Sanitary Commission, Branch Depot, Columbus, Ohio.
- Sanitary Commission, Branch Depot, Fifth street Louisville, Ky.

The Commission receives no pecuniary aid whatever from the Government, and is wholly dependent on the voluntary contributions of the public for the means of sustaining its operations. Contributions to the Treasury are solicited, and may be transmitted to George T. Strong, Esq., Treasurer, 68 Wall street, N. Y.

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