

perdition, and rush into the blackness of darkness forever! The Damnation Army brings its recruits from the homes of joy and peace and love, it sends its veterans away into sorrow, misery and destruction, from which they never return.

The Damnation Army has its barracks, its camps, its outposts everywhere. Every drinking saloon is a recruiting office, every gambling den, every haunt of sinful pleasure, is an outpost or a fortress of this grand army.

The Damnation Army has its reserves in every prison, and its invalids in every hospital, anxiously awaiting till they can rejoin their regiments; while every alms-house is a refuge for the disabled veterans. It has its foragers in the shape of beggars and tramps at every back door or front door in the land where there is a chance to get cold victuals, or hot victuals, old clothes, or new clothes. This army forages liberally, and lives in the country where it is quartered. You and I, temperate and industrious as we may be, do many a hard day's work to feed and clothe and protect this all-devouring host.

What shall be done with the Damnation Army? Suppose we turn our attention to it, investigate its origin, examine its forces, scan its roster, see who is commander-in-chief, and who are its aiders, abettors, sympathizers and supporters; inquire into its aims, scrutinize its record, and inspect the work it does. Having done this, perhaps we shall be prepared to act.

The Damnation Army means rebellion, treason, murder, desolation, and perdition. It makes war on home, happiness, life, health and peace. Shall not every man, and every woman, rally to resist the progress of this army, and to turn back its myriads from the paths of sin to the ways of peace? Shall we not also pray to God, the loving and mighty One, whose arm alone can work deliverance and bring salvation, to turn the feet of the wayward and sinful into paths of righteousness, and gather the multitudes who are away from God, into the ranks of those who are redeemed by blood and saved by grace divine?—*Christian Arm.*

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