

support and the approbation of the best friends of humanity.

The Society has opened up a new and important sphere of usefulness during the past year, in common with kindred institutions, by sending out Chaplains to our soldiers in the East; more especially to the sick and wounded in the hospitals. The Secretary of War has allowed the Society the privilege of appointing "War Chaplains" upon the condition of contributing £100 per annum towards the stipend of each person sent forth. Funds were immediately promised by some friends of the Society for the support of three such Chaplains including £100, each, from Messrs. McNeile, of Liverpool, and Stowell, of Manchester.

The following report of one of these Agents of the Society to the Parent Committee, is extracted from the London *Times* of the 20th October last, under the head of "The Church in the Crimea." After describing the fall of Sebastopol, of which he was an eye witness, he goes on to say:

"No doubt you are aware that the Third Division was not engaged on the 8th September; it formed the reserve during the attack. Some poor wounded fellows of the Light Division were brought to my hospital, and I was occupied in visiting them on Sunday the 9th. I regret that there were a few to whom I could be of no use, but others were in a condition to listen to me. It gave me no small degree of satisfaction to observe with what pleasure they received my words when I spoke to them of Jesus in his two-fold character of an atoning and sympathizing Saviour, as our great High Priest who is touched with the feeling of our infirmities. I met with a soldier of the 97th whose remarks (though he was suffering great pain) were most gratifying. He spoke to me of the blessedness of that time, when the nations would learn war no more. He said he derived great comfort from that passage in Malachi, "and they shall be mine, saith the Lord of Hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels." Altogether there was an earnestness in his manner, and so much of the Christian's experience in what he said, as would lead you to conclude that he was looking then to Jesus as the author and finisher of our faith. He spoke to me also about poor Captain Vicars, remarking how anxious he was that the men of his regiment should be brought to the knowledge of the Saviour. It is my experience