

me. Earnestly we sought guidance of the Lord, entreating  
 and I that He would not leave us to our own devices, or, let  
 from us in any degree choose our own way, but that He  
 back would make our way clear to go where His work  
 ent might be waiting for us. I remembered my former  
 ed labors for the soldiers and sailors. Letters had come  
 es- to me from many of them in England, referring to our  
 ar past meetings, and speaking with grateful happiness  
 : of blessings received in those meetings. We thought  
 f for many reasons of England, with a loving desire to  
 return, but I felt I was not perhaps needed there so  
 much as elsewhere. My place at Portsmouth had been  
 filled up; a "Soldiers' Home" had been established  
 there by another "Soldiers' Friend;" and in other  
 garrisons many christian ladies were occupied with the  
 temporal and spiritual welfare of our men, and although  
 there remains great need of *more* such workers, even  
 in England, yet the need there is not *so* great as in  
 some other places. We laid the matter repeatedly  
 before the Lord in importunate prayer for the leadings  
 of the Holy Spirit; and as we sought direction from  
 Him, the thought of HALIFAX came with increasing  
 power to our minds. We understood that here our  
 soldiers and sailors, but especially the soldiers, were