

answer to my earnest prayer; keep them from the misery of living far from Thee, assist this woman in the work that I have given her to do. And now, my God, I thank Thee that Thou hast opened to me the door of life. May thy blessing rest on those pious Christians who are distributing thy Word to the soldiers, and on those, also, who come to bring that Word into our camp. I thank Thee, I thank Thee for Thy boundless mercies!"

He was silent, and the pale light of the moon lit up his dying but happy face, his spirit was fast passing away; the soldiers were thoughtful and silent; the woman in tears. The sufferer perceived her, he turned gently towards her, "You will remember my name," said he, "because it is written on the first page of my Testament." * * * * * He was silent again, his features expressed the sufferings he was undergoing. The sergeant approached him. "I shall write before to-morrow to Madame Briche," said he, "my handwriting is known to her, and will not alarm her, I shall be able by degrees to break the sad news to her, and, on our return, if God brings us back, we shall be able to finish the work of consolation which you have committed to us." "Thank you, sergeant, when all is over, you will take this book, for I shall keep it to the end, which is not far off. Stay near me with your wife, the rest can leave me, I cannot profit by their kind attentions, they will be more useful elsewhere." At a sign from Robert they departed, and he knelt down near his wife to assist in supporting their young friend. Soon the blood began to flow from the mouth of the dying man, the death rattle was heard, delirium followed. An hour thus passed. At length his senses returned for a moment, he feebly murmured, "Pardon—my mother,—thanks—my God." His head fell backwards, he was no more. The young woman leant towards him, gave him the last kiss, and took from his hands, already growing cold, the book which had led him to eternal life.—*Juvenile Missionary Record of Church of Scotland.*

SABBATH EXERCISES.

For December 21st.

Prove that it is our duty to redeem the time.

PROOF 1st—ECC. IX, 10. 2nd—MATTH. VI, 33. 3rd—ROM. XII, 11. 4th—EPH. V, 15, 16. 5th—IS. XXXVIII, 18.

For December 28th.

Prove the same by examples of those who have redeemed the time.