

125 Hanover Street. Baltimore November 6 1850.

My Dear Friend.

Pardon the liberty, I take in addressing you, I do it, because I am encouraged thereto by my confidence in your Benevolence. = Believing you have a heart to feel, for the woes and wants of others, I make this appeal to you. For many years, I have been preaching the Gospel to the Troops, stationed from time to time, at Fort McHenry, near this city, and have been the instrument, in the conversion of many of the Soldiers, for whose spiritual interests few care, even among those who sincerely love the Cause. With the aid of a few friends, I have been able to complete through Divine Providence, a very neat and commodious Chapel, with a large basement. = The latter designed for the purposes of a Library, Reading, and Sunday School Room. = I greatly desire to put into this Room, as many of the Leading Secular and Religious Papers of the country, as it may be in my power to obtain. = This I would not solicit gratuitously, had I the means of subscribing for them. = I make this appeal to you hoping that you will cheerfully send your ^{Journal} ~~papers~~ to the Reading Room, regularly, and thus aid me in elevating the moral condition of these poor fellows, who so often are called upon to meet death suddenly, and under the most appalling circumstances, with no kind friend at hand to pillow their aching heads, and point them to the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sin of the world? = Please let me hear from you immediately, and if your reply be favorable, direct your Paper to "Soldiers Chapel, Fort McHenry, Maryland, care of George W. Roberts, 125 Hanover Street, Baltimore.

Yours very truly.

George W. Roberts.

To the Editor of the
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