## SANITARY COMMISSION.

TREASURY BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D. C., J June 22d, 1861.

Dear Sir,—We have the honor to inform you that at a meeting of the Sanitary Commission this day held in the city of New York, you were duly elected an associate member.

We enclose herewith copies of the address issued by the Commission, and of other papers, from which you will readily inform yourself as to its constitution and objects, and as to the urgent necessity which led to its creation by Government.

We trust you will be led to share our conviction that the speediest and most energetic action on the part of the Commission and its associate members, and of the whole country, is absolutely necessary to preserve our armies now in the field from the destructive epidemics to which ill-regulated camps are exposed.

For this purpose we entreat your active co-operation and support.

Any suggestions and advice which your experience may suggest are earnestly solicited. We also ask that you will do whatever lies in your power to obtain for the Commission the means required to carry out its object, to inform the public fully (through the press and otherwise) of the existence and design of the Commission, and of the great and pressing danger which it is intended to mitigate or to remove; to promote the establishment of auxiliary organizations, and so to direct the labors of associations already formed for the aid and relief of of our armies, that they may strengthen and support those of the Committee.

As this subject is one of national interest, and as prompt and energetic action on it by liberal, intelligent, and prudent men throughout the country is indispensable to prevent the most fearful disaster and loss, both public and private, we confidently rely on your cordial support and aid.

Communications may be addressed to E. HARRIS, M. D., Corresponding Secretary of the Commission, Washington, D. C. Subscriptions and donations to George T. STRONG, Treasurer, 68 Wall street, New York.

Very respectfully yours,

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