

How Many of The Old Vet erans Who Wore the Gray are Cared for by the State.

Mr. Editor:-It may not be uninteresting to mauy of your render to know something about the Soldiers Home. It is situnted just out side the eastern limits of Raleig
Here may be seen about a hund
red old comrades, ranging in years from about sixty to ninety years, and in every stage of infirmity from Some on beds from which they never Hope to rise, some on crutches, some with causs to support their feeble steps-getting about as best they
can and strangest of all, generally cheerful.
The Home is composed of two priucipal buildings, dormitories, woum and other houses. One of thi large buildings is the hospital in The other large buildiug contain twenty rooms, which will accommo date just forty men, as only two are assigued $t$ a room with a bed for cold bathe, and rooms nud bedding are kept scrupulously clean. Then Cifty men, sometimes as mort fyur have frreplaces for burning leated wy steune largo building io hrary und reading rooms or halls ounges, tables and chairs, wher the men can while away the day. All who can walk go to the dining room at meal time, where they find good wholesome food in jul, andanc The men are allowed a free pas over the railronds after six months tay that they may visit their oli at limit as to return.

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The superintendent, Capt. Brooks, a christian gentleman, kind and a chial in is intercourse with th old comrades, as indulgent as reasonable regulation will allow, while his good lady, the matron, is here and there ever active, with true womanly tenderness, caring for the welfare of those in need
Much more I could write concerning the Home, but will not take up so much space of your valuable paper. I will say, however, that with all the pleasant conditions named, many of the old comrades would prefer to be in their old native neighborhoods, if they could support themselves; and many think with a monthly allowance of six or seven dollars from the Home, they could hift for themselves and enjoy thei remaining days much better I presume. This would be less than the An Inmate in Rich Square 'Times.

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substance, while you sleep until 9 o'clock and growl like a hungry heathen because your mother don't kee breakfast wam for you. God hasn't given you the special privilege of being the "gentleman" of the family, But He has given you health and strengh. The fresh, swiftranning blood of youth courses through your veins. There is a place For you-something for you to do. Find it, and when you ind it. do it
with all your might. Make your with all your might. Make your
life worth something to yourself and the world. Scorn to be a drune, an idler, an excresence upon society. Have you reckoned the care and pains which were used to rear you to man's estate? Could yoll comit the sorrows that have come to those ence in the world? The bitter tears of your mother, the heartburnings thought of these? If you hou ever can you continue to dishonor them by squandering the days with corner loafers and growing oider day by day in laziness and general worth lessness ?
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