

*"Resolved,* That while we bid him a regretful adieu, and a God-speed in his new field of usefulness and labor, we hopefully look forward with pleasing anticipations to the time when the troubles, which now convulse our country, are over, and we shall be permitted to enjoy many happy re-unions at home."

After the adoption of this expression of his associates in arms, "Major Larrabee," says one present, "gave us a little talk. He said many good things, as he always does when he talks, and promised within sixty days to bring into the field a regiment, which would strive to equal the brilliant career of the Fifth Wisconsin. The feeling was, this will be hard to do, major; you have taken a heavy load; may your shoulders bear up under it. The major left the next morning and really there was a feeling of loneliness in camp. The best wishes of all the regiment go with him."

Gov. Salomon was commended in the Wisconsin gazettes for promoting Major Larrabee to the command of a new regiment: "He has been in active service since the commencement of the war; has proved himself an efficient, brave and popular officer, and has by his zealous, patriotic and untiring exertions richly earned the position to which he is now assigned." Reaching Milwaukee August 1st, he made a brief speech the next day to the Chamber of Commerce, thanking them for the noble part they had taken in raising the Twenty-Fourth Regiment; and declaring that his men should be well drilled, and that he was not going to the front to fight for any "ism," but "for the preservation of our nationality;" that, in his opinion, the idea of conciliation or compromise was absurd; that, in short, the war must be fought out by hard knocks.

Col. Larrabee at once appointed a series of war meetings in his old congressional district, at the county towns of Ozaukee, Sheboygan, Washington and Dodge, accompanied by such men as Edward G. Ryan, H. L. Palmer, Matt. H. Carpenter, and others, and succeeded in arousing such enthusiasm as to bring into the field enough men, it was said, for four regiments. In the final adjustment of the volunteers, Col. Larrabee's regiment was made up mainly of Milwaukee men—eleven enlisting from the Wisconsin printing office alone. Col. Larrabee received a stand of