

doctor said, for I took some notes. He said: 'It is necessary also that we develop our gifts. All the forces with which God endows Christian life are susceptible of growth, culture, and enlargement.' Then again: 'To stir up the gift which is in thee, is to obtain all information, obey all rules, improve all opportunities, acquire all arts, do all work, lay hold of all advantages and facilities by which your own life may be made happier and stronger, and your efforts for the world more successful.'"

"O, yes," said Mrs. Lyle, "its very easy to stand up in the pulpit and say all that, but it isn't so easy to put it into practice."

"I don't know about that," said Bessie Lansing. "When one is very much interested in anything, it is wonderful how all the energies of one's body and soul are brought to bear on that object."

"I suppose, Miss Bessie, you think gifts and everything else ought to be stirred up in behalf of foreign missions; that's your hobby," said Mrs. Lyle.

"Yes," answered Bessie, brightly; "and I don't know of any gift that cannot be turned to some account in that work. It takes in every thing."

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