

Rosalie's breath came quickly. "Very well," she said at length when Mr. Conant had discussed details. "Ten dollars at the start would be satisfactory. I'll come in early tomorrow morning and see Mr. Bently. I'd be willing to give up all my afternoons to it, but in the mornings I shall be working hard at the art league."

The Rosalie Cummings who some half-hour later strolled up Broadway with an attentive young man was enjoying an experience whose newness in no way prevented it proving the most delightful of her short life.

During supper it had been discovered that Miss Tindall was a friend of Miss Hancock's cousin, and when the two belated helpers had arrived in time for ice cream the party were on such jovial terms that they refused to break up at so early an hour. When it came out casually that Mr. Conant was not engaged to Miss Tindall, Rosalie pulled a stray curl out of its smooth bandage, re-tied her neck ribbon, and surrender-

ed herself to the exhilaration of the occasion. She and Mr. Conant had so much to say to each other that when they all got seats for a Christmas play it was not strange to be put next to him. At the close of a delicious little theatre supper at the Waldorf, Rosalie was not even surprised to find that same young gentleman escorting her down Fifth Avenue.

"A fellow gets awfully lonesome in New York," he was saying, as they passed under Washington Arch and crossed the square. "But we've had a corking good time tonight, and you must let me take you to the new play at the Empire next week. Why, this is the happiest Christmas I've had since I left home."

"I'm glad of that," said Rosalie, giving him her hand as they stopped before her door, "for it's the most exciting one I ever spent; but, then," with a coquettish toss of her head and a smile, whose significance was lost on him, "it's my first Christmas in New York."

The Western Home Monthly Birthday Calendar.

Tuesday, December 1.

"Speak gently! 'tis a little thing
Dropped in the heart's deep well;
The good, the joy that it may bring,
Eternity shall tell."

Wednesday, December 2.

"Can honor's voice provoke the silent
dust,
Or flattery soothe the dull, cold ear of
death?"

Thursday, December 3.

"How often have hearts beat in terror
Over evils that never occurred."

Friday, December 4.

"To smile in victory is easy,
In defeat, heroic."

Saturday, December 5.

"Blessed is the man that walketh not
in the counsel of the ungodly."

Sunday, December 6.

"The secret of our emotions never
lies in the bare object, but in its subtle
relation to our past."

Monday, December 7.

"Perfect love casteth out fear."

Tuesday, December 8.

"He who neglects the present mo-
ment throws away all he has."

Wednesday, December 9.

Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And departing leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time."

Thursday, December 10.

"Though the mills of God grind slowly
They grind exceedingly small."

Friday, December 11.

"Who would not give a trifle to prevent
What he would give a thousand worlds
to cure?"

Saturday, December 12.

"The growth of the higher feeling
within us is like the growth of faculty,
bringing with it a sense of added
strength."

Sunday, December 13.

"He does me a double wrong
That wounds me with the flatteries of
his tongue."

Monday, December 14.

"If the world be worth the winning,
Think, oh, think, it's worth enjoying."

Tuesday, December 15.

"If time be heavy on your hands
Are there no beggars at your gate?"

Wednesday, December 16.

"So nigh is grandeur to our dust;
So near is God to man,
When Duty whispers low, 'Thou must,'
The youth replies, 'I can.'"

Thursday, December 17.

"Glory is like a circle in the water
Which never ceaseth to enlarge itself
Till, by broad spreading, it disperse to
nought."

Friday, December 18.

"Pleasures are like poppies sped,
You pluck the flower, its bloom is fled.
Or like the snow falls in the river,
A moment seen, then gone forever."

Saturday, December 19.

"There was never yet a philosopher
Who could endure the toothache pa-
tiently."

Sunday, December 20.

"Happy he whom neither wealth nor
fashion,
Nor the march of the encroaching city
Drives an exile
From the hearth of his ancestral home-
stead."

Monday, December 21.

"One who is contented with what he
has done will never become famous for
what he will do."

Tuesday, December 22.

"Count that day lost whose low de-
scending sun
Views from your hand no worthy action
done."

Wednesday, December 23.

"God gives thee youth but once;
Keep, then, the childlike heart that will
His kingdom be."

Thursday, December 24.

"Speak clearly, if you speak at all,
Carve every word before you let it
fall."

Friday, December 25.

"Do all the good you can, to all the
people you can, as long as ever you
can, in every place you can."

Saturday, December 26.

"For 'tis the mind that makes the
body rich;
And as the sun breaks through the
Darkest clouds, so honor peereth in
The meanest habit."

Sunday, December 27.

"Who gives himself with his alms
feeds three: himself, his hungry
neighbor, and me."

Monday, December 28.

"He that cannot forgive others
breaks the bridge over which he must
pass himself; for every man has need
to be forgiven."

Tuesday, December 29.

"Speak gently! let no harsh word mar
The good we might do here."

Wednesday, December 30.

"Be Noble! and the nobleness that lies
In other men, sleeping, but never
dead,
Will rise in majesty to meet thine
own."

Thursday, December 31.

"What you make of life it will be to
you. Take it up bravely, bear it on
cheerfully, lay it down triumphantly."



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