

ences, besides, the association of the children together will tend to increase their interest.

And in those homes where the better things of life are almost crowded out, I am sure the First-day School must be invaluable.

They say there is no easier way of reaching the parents than through the children, and have we not many instances where perhaps one little child has been led to the First-day School, which ended in the attendance of the whole family, even father and mother, not only at the First-day School, but at meeting also.

The First-day School is an auxiliary to the home training, but parents must remember that it is a help only, and that it does not lessen their responsibility in the least.

The teacher cannot be expected to do the work in an hour a week that has been intrusted to the parents to be done in a lifetime. It is an auxiliary where by interchange of thought between teacher and pupil, and the more thorough knowledge of the principles of our Society, and the precept and example of the Divine Master may be attained.

The lesson of the School should be one with the lessons of the home, and the responsibilities be shared by both, to bring our children to a love of our principles and a regard of the truth. And then we may be sure that as the heads of our homes are taken away that the young will be prepared to take their places, and continue the good work started by our Society.

One important point that must not be overlooked is the influence of the regularity of habits on the children, brought about by all the family getting up on First-day morning and preparing for First-day School, instead of lounging about in careless attire. These little things will stick to them throughout life, and no matter where their paths may lead them, their memory of home will be the sweeter for this discipline.

If parents would be more faithful during the early years of their children's lives, the children would naturally follow them.

We must all feel the importance of carefully guarding the young members from the evils surrounding them, and training a child in the way in which it should go, and ever seeking to incline him to look above for strength to resist wrong, for if we are able to instil obedience and purity in the tender years, the less will be the occasion to labor against misdoing in after life. If we educate our children aright our hands will be more strong and clean to help erring ones beyond our fold.

The constitutionality of the Chinese Exclusion law has been affirmed by a majority of the United States Supreme Court; its *justice* has not been and cannot be maintained. Three of the eight judges voting upon it dissented; and one of them, Judge Field, declared it to "be inhuman and brutal." Its inexpediency is so palpable that the Administration at Washington will probably be glad to allow it to become a dead letter, on the ground of the excessive expense of deporting the thousands of Chinese who have not been registered as required by the law.

While retaliation in China for such a gross violation of an amicable treaty would not be improbable if the act in question were carried out, there is hope now that the worst of this matter may be the disgrace it has inflicted upon our nation. As a Christian people, we have three prolonged crimes to be repented of. Two centuries of African negro slavery; "a century of dishonor" in the treatment of American Indians; and now, how long will last this present *incubus* of shameful treatment of Asiatic refugees in the "land of the free?"—*Friends' Review, Philadelphia.*

God wills it to be so. What need I more. While engaged in his business, I am released from every other. — *De Sales.*