

care, and no young sisters depending on you for instruction? Do not deceive yourselves; you have begun here a work, which will be ended only when you die; and should you cease your labours now, you will be that most melancholy thing—a ruin which has never known completion.

I have spoken thus anxiously, thus strongly, because, every day I am reminded of the trials which beset you; more perhaps, in this country than at home. Our young girls have the liberty and power of women, before they can have a woman's experience and judgment. Your position is full of difficulty, for should no one exercise control over you, you will be left to drift on the waters of life, a prey to every fascinating temptation which comes by; what wonder, if many a weak one among you should be dazzled by the fine dress, and foolish flattering society; which she can make her own, if she should so choose. Do you not feel that I cannot have seen your faces daily, watched your growth of mind and body, and take no interest in your future? If you have not been to me as my own children, you have been my trusting affectionate pupils; and that means that you have thought with my thoughts, and acted in obedience to my will. This has knit up a bond between us, known only to those, who have experience of our relative positions.

And now my most earnest prayers go forth with you, that you may receive the help and guidance of God's Holy Spirit, which if you follow, your nearest friend may dismiss all anxiety on your account, knowing that they who live to the glory of God, have all that in this world they can desire.