

## MISSION of CHRISTIAN WOMAN

The feast of Easter! A glorious day; a glorious sky overhead, brilliant sunshine.

Great, particularly great, is the splendor of those souls who have received Jesus-Christ in Holy Communion.

How beautiful! said a young girl to her companion, on leaving the church; how beautiful and how happy the priest is to have received from God the mission of giving the souls to God! I am jealous of man's privileges.

But, my dear friend, said the companion, you forget woman's influence over humanity, she can do much, she can do everything.

Is it not she who lays the foundation of the family, and consequently of human race? She receives her child baptized from the priest; it is she who forms its intelligence; it is she who awakens his mind to truth and his heart to virtue; it is she who prepares him to receive and comprehend the lessons of the priest; it is she who sows in this pure little soul germs which can with difficulty be eradicated.

A priest easily recognizes a child brought up by a christian mother: God, Holy Communion, Jesus, Mary, guardian angels, are familiar thoughts to him. In this respect I do not hesitate to say it, woman can do more than man.

True when the child keeps good and pure; but it is not given us to restore him the faith and innocence once lost.

You forget, my friend, something which plays an important part in the world; you forget prayer.