

HOME CIRCLE

TO GOD AND IRELAND TRUE. I sit beside my darling's grave, Who in the prison died, And tho' my tears fall thick and fast, I think of him with pride;

"I love my God o'er all," he said, "And then I love my land, And next I love my Lily sweet, Who pledged me her white hand; To each—to all—I'm ever true; To God—to Ireland—and to you."

No tender nurse his hard bed smoothed Or softly raised his head; He fell asleep and woke in heaven; Ere I knew he was dead. Yet why should I my darling rue? He was to God and Ireland true.

Oh! 'tis a glorious memory; I'm prouder than a queen To sit beside my hero's grave, And think on what has been; And oh, my darling, I am true To God—to Ireland—and to you.

SPEAK NOT ILL.

Nay, speak no ill; a kindly word Can never leave a sting behind; And oh! to breathe each tale we've heard, Is far beneath a noble mind.

Full oft a better seed is sown, By choosing thus a kinder plan, For if but little good be known, Still let us speak the best we can.

Give me the heart that fain would hide; Would fain another's fault efface; How can it please? human pride To prove humanity but base?

No; let us reach a higher mood, A nobler estimate of man; Be earnest in the search for good, And speak of all as best we can.

Then speak no ill, but lenient be To other's as your own; If you're the first to fault to see, Be not the first to make it known.

For life is but a passing day, No lips may tell how short its span; Then, oh! the little time we stay Let's speak of all the best we can.

A HOME PICTURE.

Oh, the happy little home when the sun shone out, And the busy little mother got the children all about; And Johnny fetched the water, and Tommy brought the wood, And Billy-boy did both his shoes, as every laddie should— And Dannie rocked the cradle with a clatter and a song, To make the little sister grow so pretty and so strong.

Oh, the sweet peas and the morning-glories climbing round the door, And the tender vine of shadow with its length across the floor, Oh, the "pinies" and the roses, and the quiver of the grass, And the cheery call of friendship from the neighbors as they pass, Oh, the scuffle and the shouting, and the little mother's laugh, As a rabbit starts up somewhere, and her "great helps" scamper off.

Oh, the happy little home when the twilight fell, And all along the meadow rang the old cow bell

With a tinkle that is music through the rushing of the breeze— And I see the little mother in the tremble of the tears, And I hear the happy laughter as she cries, "The boys have come," And we know she's getting supper in the happy little home. —Louise R. Baker, in Locomotive Engineers' Journal.

THE WOMAN OF TACT.

She had been talking pleasantly to two or three women. She had made her good-byes all cheerful and bright, and after she had disappeared, one woman turned to another and said, in a tone that was scoffing: "She is a thorough woman of tact." How in this case the woman who had said none but pleasant words, who, by a bright story, had prevented the discussion of a petty scandal, was a woman who was as brave-hearted as any that ever lived, and who bore, not only her own, but the burdens of a good many other people, yet she saw no reason why she should inflict her troubles on her friends, or why she should not be in its best sense a woman of tact.

A woman of tact is one who feels that the story told to hurt your feelings is essentially bad form, and inconsiderate of the feelings of others.

A woman of tact is the one who is courteous to old people, who laughs with the young, and who makes herself agreeable to all women in all conditions of life.

A woman of tact is one who makes her good-morning a pleasant greeting, her visit a bright spot in the day, and her good-bye a hope she may come again.

A woman of tact is one who does not gauge people by their clothes, or their riches, but who condemns bad manners.

A veritable woman of tact is the best type of a Christian, for her very consideration makes other women long to imitate her. Remember that to do your work as a woman of tact means more than speaking from platform or assumed elevation.

A woman of tact is one who is courteous under all circumstances and in every condition in which she may

be placed. She is the woman who can receive the unwelcome guest with a smile so bright and a hand-shake so cordial that in trying to make the welcome seem real it becomes so. A woman of tact is one whose love for humanity is second only to her life's devotion, and whose watchword is unselfishness in thought and action. By making self last it finally becomes natural to have it so.

THE SIMPLEST WOMEN IN ROME.

By all the laws of Pontifical etiquette these three simple women ought to have the title of countess, but their brother has declined this honor for them. "They are the Pope's sisters," he says, "that is enough."

On the third floor of a house in the Piazza Rusticucci, near the Vatican, live the three unmarried sisters of His Holiness, Pope Pius X, Rosa, Maria and Anna Sarto. They dress like the working women of Italy, and receive their visitors in black stuff gowns. Maria often appears in an apron, with scissors suspended from her waist. They attend Mass daily at the little church of Santa Maria, close by, and spend much of their time in charity and good works.

A telephone connects the home of the sisters with the Vatican, but their relations with their brother have been much altered by his election to the Papacy. They do not run in and out of the Vatican whenever they like as has been reported. On the contrary, they see the Holy Father only at stated intervals. Every Sunday they assist at his Mass, and afterwards stay to share his breakfast of coffee and milk. On Wednesday they also see him for an hour, but they never dine with him, as has also been rumored. They address him when alone as "Beppi," but before others they say "Your Holiness" or "Holy Father."

When the Pope was elected he sent a telegram to his family worded thus: "The Holy Father, weeping, sends his first Apostolic Benediction to his sisters and friends." His secretary, Monsignor Bressan, was sent to fetch the sisters to Rome, where they were conducted to the apartment they inhabited before they moved to their present abode. In the afternoon they were taken to the Pontiff.

On seeing their brother the sisters wished to throw themselves at his feet, but the Pope embraced them long and tenderly, one after the other, saying: "I am always your own Beppi."

The sisters are quoted as saying that the Pope has no intention of leaving the Vatican, according to another rumor.

"The Holy Father says he will leave the Vatican carried out dead," one of them said to an inquirer.

The Pope's sisters have many treasures in their drawing room. There is a snapshot taken of the Patriarch of Venice was leaving for the Conclave that made him Pope, an intaglio picture of the college at Riese where the eight Sarto children were born; and a beautiful oil painting of their mother, the simple peasant dressmaker, who used to earn fifteenpence a day, and whose husband was an unimportant municipal employee. She was a very pious woman and every morning after her children had said their prayers she used to give them a little religious instruction, ending with these words: "My dear children, I would rather lose you all than that I should ever see you forget your Saviour Jesus Christ and His Holy Mother."

Visitors at the home of the sisters soon observe that tipping is in disfavor there. One of them at Christmas time slipped a silver coin into the hand of the maid who opened the door. "Smiling, she thanked the donor and said: "I have everything that I want, Signora; but, if I may have the money I will give it to a convent where they do a great deal for the poor and provide children with shoes." In this the sisters are imitating the Pope, who has abolished

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STRENGTH OF CHARACTER.

Strength of character consists of two things—power of will and power of self restraint. It requires two things, therefore, for its existence—strong feelings and strong command over them. Now, it is here we make a great mistake. We mistake strong feelings for strong character.

A man who bears all before him, before whose frown domestics tremble and the children quake, because he has his will obeyed and his own way in all things, we call a strong man. The truth is he is a weak man. It is his passions that are strong. He that is mastered by them is weak. You must measure the strength of a man by the power of the feelings he subdues, not by the power of those which subdue him, and hence composure is often the result of strength.

Did we ever see a man receive a flagrant insult only growing a little pale and then reply quietly? This is a man spiritually strong.

Or did we never see a man bearing a hopeless, daily trial remain silent and never tell the world what cankers his home peace? That is strength.

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RECIPES.

Popovers.—One cupful of flour, measured after sifting, one egg, unbeaten, one cupful of milk and a pinch of salt. Butter a gem pan and put it into a hot oven. Mix all the ingredients together, stirring hard with a wooden spoon. When the pan is hissing hot, pour in the batter, filling each compartment half or two-thirds full. Bake in a very hot oven until well puffed and brown, cover with a paper and finish baking. This quantity makes a dozen popovers.

Pickled Peaches.—Select perfect fruit and run the down from the skins with a rough towel. Weigh the fruit, and for every seven pounds allow three pounds of sugar and a quart and a half of vinegar. Have ready squares of muslin, and into each tie a portion of the following mixed spices: Two teaspoonfuls each of ground mace, cinnamon and allspice and a teaspoonful each of ground celery seed and cloves. Blend the spices thoroughly before tying the mixture in the little bags. Prick the peaches with a fork, put them into a kettle, turn on cold water to barely cover them and bring to a boil. Then take out the fruit, turn in the sugar and boil a quarter of an hour with the bags of spice. Next put in the peaches and cook them until they are tender. At the last remove the peaches to glass jars, boil the syrup down thick and turn it over them.

Bacon and Apples.—Slice bacon thin and fry it crisp. Transfer to a platter and keep it hot while you fry thick slices of unpeeled sweet apples in the bacon fat. When these are tender, drain and put in the centre of a hot platter. Lay the fried bacon about the edge of the dish, sprinkle sugar over the apples and serve.

White Cake.—After creaming half a cupful of butter beat it into it, gradually, one cupful of sugar, adding alternately half a cupful of milk, with which has been sifted the second time three level teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Flavor with a teaspoonful of extract and fold in the well-beaten whites of three eggs.

Quick Waffles.—One pint boiled rice, one pint milk, one saltspoonful salt, three eggs, one and one-half pints flour, three teaspoonfuls baking powder, one cupful butter and lard melted. Beat the yolks of the eggs with part of the milk and flour to a smooth batter; then the butter, the rest of the milk and the remainder of the flour, with the baking powder sifted in it; lastly, the whites of the eggs. Put them in a pitcher and pour into hot, well-greased waffle irons.

WHEN A GIRL IS ENGAGED. The wise girl needs no advice as to how she should bear herself during the period of her engagement. There is no danger that she will not take it seriously. The risk in her case is that she will be so much burdened down with her new duties that she will lose sight of the lighter and more pleasurable side of it. That is not the happiest engagement which is conducted to the refrain of the "Dead March" in "Saul." There are girls who consider all love affairs more or less as jokes, even those that lead to marriage. Their point of view is determined sometimes by their associates and sometimes by the part of the country in which they have been reared. In certain sections it used to be the custom not to announce an engagement until a very brief period before the wedding cards were out. Under those circumstances a girl seemed to take a keen pleasure in concealing her new relationship from

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those about her. I have known of girls who would not hesitate to deny point-blank the fact of their betrothal, even within a few weeks of their marriage. I once heard a girl say: "All my fun would be at an end if my engagement were announced. I shall have to live with one man for the rest of my natural life, and I mean to fly about a little before I settle down with him."

One would be tempted to condemn this sort of thing unreservedly were it not that these same flirtatious girls often become the most devoted wives and mothers, and never bestow a look or a thought upon other men after marriage. But, although there are instances of this kind, it is a decidedly unsafe rule to follow. More than this, it is unkind and unfair to all the parties concerned.

THE HOUR OF PERIL.

When visions cease and ideals have perished, when the heights of perfect living are lost to eyes turned downward, there is peril for the soul. We live by what we see, not merely by the gifts we have attained. God counts as His not only those who have reached the goal, but also those who are upon the road. Our hearts belong at the further end of our desire. In loving Christ, whom as yet we know imperfectly, we have put ourselves in vital contact with One who is Himself the truth in whom all our aspirations are to be first purified, then satisfied. It is God who gives the longing, and he will not let it die without attainment if our wills are true. He corrects our vision as He leads us toward the goal.

THE USE OF PERFUME.

Much has been said of the vulgarity of scent. Well, of course, there are vulgar perfumes, just as there are low music and art. The real reason of the tirade against the vulgarity of perfumes no doubt lies in the fact that the scent bottle is made too evident. A woman of taste in whatever class of life, will not pour on the eau de cologne by the pint. It is something far more delicate that she requires. It is not a rapid evaporation of strong scent that she delights in, but a very faint, clinging fragrance that is only got by packing fresh violets in her linen cupboard or hanging her dress in a wardrobe where a scent bottle is left to evaporate slowly. It takes a long time for the subtlest part of the scent to get into every fiber of the texture, but when she wears that dress there is no vulgarity about it. She brings a kind of fragrant presence with her into the room, and it accompanies her wherever she goes, reminding men of pleasant evenings in pleasant gardens where the lilies blow.

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