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The Young Woman and Her Problem

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Around the Fireplace

This is the first of another—a new year. Three hundred and sixty-five days for us to dwell in the depths of despair or on the heights of happiness. A marked contrast, you exclaim! Yes, it the wants of his wife. is true, and is just the reason I want to gather around the fireplace of The Her preparation for marriage should be heart talk on our needs for the coming managing. Home should be a place

pensive social gatherings, and luxurious cars, and soon ruins her husband's ambitions in the business world by her demands. His physical and mental vitality are weakened in the struggle to meet

Now what she really needs is a cozy every one of our young girls and women home which she is capable of managing. Western Home Monthly for a heart-to- based on the needs of successful home

fied but has no exercise or sunshine is useless.

I shall mention four internal needs. First, proper guidance; second gratitude for the opportunity to develop to work; third, thoughtful preparation; fourth, sacrifice. All these elements cultivated will make any girl successful, and popular.

Have we taken time to decide in our girlhood whether we want to go up or down? It may seem harder to go up hill than down. Of course, one can roll down hill very easily, and the nearer one is to the bottom the faster she goes. But there is an exhilarating fascination in the effort of climbing up hill-and once we start up the desire grows toward greater heights. Then there are beautiful resting places on the way up where one may stop for a moment to catch inspirational visions of wonderful landscapes. There is such a difference between the vision at the top of a hill and the view at the bottom. At the bottom one is cramped. At the top there is always plenty of room.

When Elizabeth Fry was eighteen years old she felt the need of proper guidance. She wrote these rules. They are worth while for every girl to copy:

First-Never lose any time; I do not think that lost which is spent in amusement or recreation some time every day; but always be in the habit of being employed. Second-Never err the least in truth. Third—Never say an ill thing of a person when I can say a good thing; not only speak charitably, but feel so. Fourth-Never be irritable or unkind to anybody. Fifth-Never indulge myself in luxuries that are not necessary. Sixth -Do all things with consideration, and when my path to act right is most difficult, put confidence in that Power alone which is able to assist me, and exert my own powers as far as they

Is it any wonder that she became a woman with world-wide fame, idolized for her wonderful work in the reformation of prisoners? One time, when she feared she could not accomplish what she should—as she was the mother of eleven children, she said: "Here I am a careworn wife and mother outwardly, but I believe these trials have been very useful to me." Her timidity before an audience is expressed in this way: "I find it an awful thing to rise amongst a large assembly, and, unless much covered with love and power, hardly know

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I believe in God.

I believe that God having made the world, at great expense of time and care will not lightly repudiate His own work and leave us to our own devices, even though He may be out of patience with us many times. I am encouraged to believe this because I have noticed that mortal men count the cost before undertaking the things that are much less important than world building.

I believe that there is a plan in life for each of us. I believe this because I want to believe it for it makes things easier for all of us, inasmuch as the pain the dentist or the surgeon causes us is easier to bear than would be the wanton buffetings of an ill-natured bully.

I believe in the ultimate goodness of humanity; that everybody is doing the best they can; that many people are thoughtless, but few are wicked.

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believe in you.

I believe in myself.

I believe.

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year. You know there is a vast difference between our needs and our wants. Very often our wants are satisfied at the sacrifice of our needs and the result may shape itself into tragedy. Mary, who works for four dollars a week wants a pair of thin silk stockings-she needs a good nourishing dinner, but she buys the silk stockings and eats a cream puff and five cents worth of candy for her meal, and soon Mary is ill for want of nourishment and warm footwear.

We girls all want more than we need. Homes are wrecked and poverty breeds in the effort to satisfy wants instead of

A girl prepares for marriage. She ex-

where her husband can rest and gain inspiration for advancement in his work. A recent article informs us that the real giants in the business world are great home men. Their homes while elegant are quiet. They are not club men-they are usually home evenings. It is their employees-men on the fringe of the business who use up their vitality in high living. James J. Hill is a splendid example of the successful man inspired by the ideal home life.

All girls have two kinds of needsinternal and external needs. We need internal nourishment in an external atmosphere of sunshine and warmth. A how to venture." She seemed always to pects costly furniture, fine clothes, ex- girl who has her internal needs satis- be "covered with love and power," for

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