

strength and wisdom to the faithful workers who have so devotedly watched over them.

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HEARTSEASE.

VIOLET and white being our School colours, and violets and pansies (heartsease) the flowers we have chosen for our own particular emblems, we the daughters of "All Hallows" in this western land must faithfully endeavour to bring our own life and character into correspondence with the depth, and beauty, and fragrance of the blossoms we have thus appropriated to ourselves. In no merely sentimental manner must this be done. Perfect womanhood is a gift of God, and God's gifts are all graces, that is, they can be won. It becomes a duty then to practise such virtues as will help to the growth of this perfect womanhood which God wills, and we humbly desire to attain. Fortitude is necessary to self-control, to an equable and serene spirit for meeting all trials and all duties alike, not letting others suffer because our own sky is overcast.

Have you noticed how curiously other peoples' faults are liable to be magnified by our own misfortunes?

As a soldier stands to his post with fortitude, heedless of the lures of pleasure or sloth, so teacher and pupil must stand, each to her everyday (it may be) humdrum class, to the due preparation of every lesson. It takes more fortitude to stand to one's arms *then* than to face fire in the turmoil of a battle,—in the excitement of an examination. You must learn to tell a disagreeable truth, if it is your place to do so, plainly yet tenderly.

To exert authority; in a word, to have the spirit of discipline, as well as the spirit of love.

All under authority, especially children, like to feel the support of a strong hand on them. If we are lax they miss the strength, without enjoying the indulgence. Strength, firmness, large-heartedness, these are what we need, we who hold in our keeping the human flowers of childhood destined to bloom for eternity.

Likes and dislikes are miserably small-minded, tho' they may pass in an irresponsible person, but we who bear authority have nothing to do with them. We need, too, the large-heartedness which never stoops to notice a personal slight, which sees good in every type of character, and Christ in all. Which cares for all with hearty mother-love, and most perhaps for those who need most care, and are, it may be, least responsive.

Above all we need a yearning love of souls, no power of imparting knowledge, no power of discipline will equal this. It is a glorious thing to spend one's life in raising the fallen, in nursing the sick, succouring the needy, but greater and most blessed to be as Guardian Angels to God's little ones, to endeavour to perfect one's womanhood for the sake of those who are most precious in His sight by reason of their innocence. To train them for His service. To teach girls, untouched as yet by worldly blight, to become by God's grace King's daughters indeed, Hearts-ease on earth, Saints hereafter in heaven.

The Relief of Ladysmith.

EVERY one has heard about the great war in South Africa be-