

HOME CIRCLE

WHEN I HAVE TIME. When I have time so many things I'll do...

When I have time, the friend I love so well Shall know no more the many toiling days...

When you have time, the friend you hold so dear May be beyond the reach of all your sweet intent...

Now is the time. Ah, friend, no longer waiting scatter loving smiles and words of cheer...

A PATH OF POWER.

Any mother, considering any child of hers, has cause for discouragement. There is no perfect child; it is not well for a child to be thought perfect...

Mary a mother loses her power over her children just at this point. She sees a fault in Mary—a grave fault in its probable growth—and she determines to eradicate it from Mary...

The wise mother, on the other hand, puts first things first. Mary has a bad fault; it will hinder growth far, far on if not attended to...

If her child is inclined to stutter, the wise mother does not make her nervous by reminding her of it constantly. A far better method of curing it is to teach her to speak slowly and calmly...

To get a wrong thought out of the mind, put in a noble one. To dispel darkness, let in sunshine. To drive out bad temper, teach self-control...

INFLUENCE OF MUSIC.

The great Catholic composer, Palestrina, who died Feb. 2, 1594, spoke thus on the influence of music: "Music exerts a great influence upon the minds of mankind and is intended not only to cheer them, but also to guide and control them..."

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GENTLEFOLK.

Who does not admire a gentleman or a lady? They are well termed "gentlefolk." They are not the moneyed folk or the showy folk. If they have money, the display of it would be vulgar...

They are quiet, easy, simple and unobtrusive. They are not capricious. They have positive likes and dislikes. Solid and discerning, they are never fickle in their friendships...

The first of those, in its day, was regarded as a work of national importance. It enlisted the active cooperation of many of the leading bishops and best-known Catholic laymen, and had for its purposes the colonizing in the West on lands se-

lected for the purpose the Irish Catholics who lived in the congested quarters of eastern cities. It was not at all a movement aimed at influencing emigration from Ireland; on the contrary, any such aim was expressly disclaimed at the time...

And what merited it? Was it your cleverness or your accomplishments? Your clothes or your money? Was it the dinner you gave or the good time they had at your expense? No. It was some little action or attention out of the ordinary...

The quiet and order of every arrangement. It all seemed so simple and easy. It was simple and easy and natural; but it took years and years of thoughtful care and attention to turn out the finished product. The admirable qualities of mind and heart that constitute the gentle character were welded together in the process of time in no haphazard manner...

The accomplishments and manners of the merely well-bred; their ease and poise and bearing; the glamor of their position; the power they wield; the influence they have; the envy or admiration they excite; these may be all very desirable, "fortuna" they are called who occupy "the Seats of the Mighty." Are they ladies and gentlemen? Who knows? They may be only wearing the trappings.

INGENUOUS.

"Do you know how to take a tight cork out of a bottle without a cork-screw?" was asked by a woman the other day at a gossip party. "It's a mighty good thing to know in an emergency."

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in my bag, but when I tried to get the cork out I simply couldn't make it budge.

"Let me take it out for you," suggested a man across the aisle. "Then borrowing my pocket knife and using his own with it he removed the cork in a jiffy. He inserted the blades on opposite sides between the bottle and the cork, each turned in a different direction. Then when the blades were firmly pushed in he simply pressed the two together, gave them a wrench sideways and the cork came out without any trouble. I have since tried it on larger bottles with success. It is a trick worth knowing."

Bishop Spalding's Interest in the Irish Emigrant

(William J. Onahan in Chicago Record-Herald.)

In the various local press notices of the resignation of Bishop Spalding, and in the just estimate and appreciation of his elevated character and beneficent labors in his manifold capacity of ecclesiastic, litterateur and citizen, there is a curious omission of any reference to two important undertakings with which Bishop Spalding was conspicuously identified, and which, I am justified in claiming, owed their existence and their subsequent success in a great measure—first, to his initiative and secondly, to his powerful support and labors. I refer now to the Irish Catholic Colonization Association, of which Bishop Spalding was one of the most active and influential organizers, and of which he was president during the years of its existence; and the other great work of the Catholic University at Washington, which is wholly and entirely his creation.

His dream realized, and the Catholic University is now what he aimed it should be—the center and focus of Catholic higher education for priests and laymen.

Three little things which all agree.



The kettle the teapot & BLUE RIBBON TEA

It is perhaps worth while recalling that when the university was first organized the board of trustees, at the head of which was (and still is) his Eminence, Cardinal Gibbons, the rectorship was unanimously offered to Bishop Spalding. It was recognized that he was logically and intellectually the fitting incumbent, so he was strongly urged to accept the office. But the bishop's heart was in his diocese, and he was deeply attached to Peoria and to his friends there. The latter include the entire population, since all Catholic and non-Catholic, without exception, are the bishop's friends and admirers. The bishop declined to accept the presidency of the university, continuing, however, to serve on the board of trustees, of which he is still a member.

I do not need to speak of Bishop Spalding's activities in every field of religious, educational and literary work. My pen was set in motion on this subject only to repair the omission and oversight of the daily press in leaving out all the reference to the two important undertakings referred to in this notice, with which Bishop Spalding's name was so intimately identified and to which he gave his enthusiasm, his splendid capacities and his powerful and constant support. Both undertakings will be monuments and testimonials to the generous zeal and elevated aspirations of John Lancaster Spalding.

Rosary

The Rosary, says the Paulist Calendar, is a fitting devotion to precede the month of the Holy Souls, preparing us to pray all the more fervently for them, since during this month we so often ask Mary to pray for us "at the hour of our death."

But we also ask to pray for us now, that we may be faithful and true in following in her footsteps. It is not enough to sing her praises, to say her Rosary, to deck her altars, to crown her statues, to celebrate her festivities. We must imitate her example—her lowliness, her holiness, her purity, her love for God and for men; our lives must be echoes of her loyal answer to her Creator: "Be it done unto me according to Thy Word." We must practice such devotion as shall make us resemble her who was so like to God and so dear to Him; and thus may we hope to draw other souls to His love and service, even as she has drawn us nearer to Him.

cent labors in the cause of religion and education, but I may venture to say that the happy results attained through his efforts and labors in these colonies will redound as greatly to his honor as any other of the many with which his name will be associated in the coming time.

The other great and important undertaking Bishop Spalding had deeply at heart was higher education—especially the higher education of the clergy, which led him to plan the much-needed Catholic university in order to meet the long-felt want.

His own training in Europe universities, his ripe scholarship, his finest ideals in all that makes for the elevation of mankind; his knowledge of and intimate familiarity with the conditions of the Church and of society naturally spurred him on to the university idea. He first put this forth in a powerful and luminous sermon in Milwaukee, and followed this by speech and writing on different occasions, until he had aroused the interest and stirred the sympathy of ecclesiastics and laymen.

How, through the generous munificence of a great-hearted woman, Bishop Spalding was enabled to see the foundations laid and a majestic university building near its fair proportions in the capital of the nation; how, since then, building after building has been added and college after college grouped around the imposing center—all this would be long to tell in detail. Bishop Spalding created and not only made possible the Catholic University of America—he made of the theoretical idea a living and splendid fact.

Other great and high-minded ecclesiastics have had to do with its subsequent development, but Bishop Spalding will ever remain in grateful memory as the one who first conceived the necessity and then followed up the thought by earnest and persevering work to bring the project to fruition. The labor and toil and thought involved in all the preliminaries of such an undertaking may be imagined.

Happily the bishop has lived to see

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