

THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE ODE

A goodly thing it is to meet
In Friendship's circle bright,
Where nothing stains the pleasure sweet
Nor dims the radiant light
No unkind word our lips shall pass,
No envy sour thy mind,
But each shall seek the common weal,
The good of all mankind.

THE MARY STEWART COLLECT

Keep us O Lord from pettiness; let us be large in thought,
in word and deed.
Let us be done with fault finding and leave off self seeking.
May we put away all pretence and meet each other face to
face, without self pity and without prejudice.
May we never be hasty in judgement and always be
generous.
Let us take time for all things; make us grow clam, serene,
gentle.
Teach us to put into action our better impulses straight
forward and unafraid.
Grant that we may realize that it is the little things that
create differences; that in the big things of life we are one.
And may we strive to touch and know the great human
heart common to us all, and O Lord let us not forget to
be kind.

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