## 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, Nor envy sour the mind,

But each shall seek the common weal, The good of all mankind.

## 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 pretense and meet each other face to face, without self pity and without prejudice;
- May we never be hasty in judgement and always generous;
- Let us take the time for all things; make us grow calm, serene, gentle;
- Teach us to put into action our better impulses, straightforward 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 to know the great human heart common to us all, and O Lord God, let us not forget to be kind.