

Of Mrs. Gallaudet, "who was a part of Dr. Gallaudet's life," Mr. Booth says :

"She was one of the few peerless women found now and then in the world. Her face, figure, look, and bearing all bore the stamp of true nobility, and without the least show or pretence of affectation. In features she was regal. On the throne of England, in place of Victoria, she would be the admiration of the world. Speechless as she was, her presence alone in Washington had an immense influence in persuading Congress to establish the National College for Deaf-Mutes. Thad. Stevens, on his dying bed, sent her a note expressing the hope that she had not forgotten him. Such is the influence of a grand, queenly, but loving and kindly woman—one whom ordinary, dull, sordid, or frivolous souls cannot understand. She was, as well expressed by the poet,—

"A perfect woman, nobly planned,
To warn, to comfort and command,
And yet a spirit pure and bright,
With something of an angel light!"