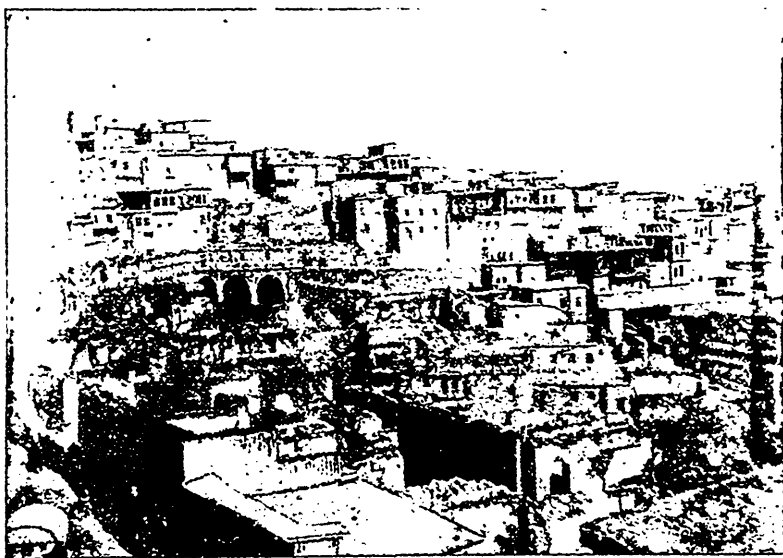


Harpoot College, saying that the need of oxen was imperative, that unless the ground could be ploughed before it dried and hardened, it could not be done at all, and the next harvest would be lost, and that "Mr. Wood's estimate was moderate," she loosened her grasp on the bank account and directed the financial secretary to send a draft for 5,000 liras (\$22,000), for the purchase of cattle and the progress of the harvest of 1897.

plished. One by one the expeditions closed and withdrew, returning by Sivas and Samsoun and coming out by the Black Sea. With the return of the expeditions, the field was closed, but subsequent to this, before leaving Constantinople, funds came amounting to \$15,000. This was happily placed with the Board of Foreign Missions at Stamboul, and is now being employed in the building of little houses in the interior as a winter shelter and pro-



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Unheard of toil, care, hard riding day and night, with risk of life, were all involved in the carrying out of that order. Among the uncivilized and robber bands of Kurds, the cattle that had been stolen and driven off must be picked up, purchased and brought back to the waiting farmers' field. There were routes so dangerous that a brigand chief was selected by those understanding the situation as the safest escort for the relief agents.

At length the task was accom-

tion where all had been destroyed.

On August 9th, Miss Barton and her little company started home by way of the Black Sea and the Danube, reaching London August 24th. Here, the news of the terrible August massacre in Constantinople reached them. Miss Barton offered to return to her field of toil, but quiet being restored, she continued her journey, reaching New York September 12th, after eight months' strenuous toil for the relief of the Armenian