

direction. There are now more than 220 female students in the various medical colleges and schools, and the number is rapidly increasing. In India, at all events, the lady medical students hold their own. At the half-yearly examination at Hyderabad it is noted that two of the lady competitors, Miss Boardman and Miss Furdonji, beat the whole of the male students, and secured the first places in their class.

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.—The road is constructed with a view to solidity, the grades are easy, the curves broad, the bridges generally of stone. There are safety sidings running up inclines provided at all points where danger might arise from the train, or a part of it, becoming unmanageable in ascending or descending the mountain. Every precaution has been taken against snow and land slides, drifting snows, cloud bursts and consequent freshets. In short, the highest results of modern engineering skill are to be seen all along the road. A returning party comprised a professor of geology in a New England college, an army general, a superintendent of a large cotton factory, and the writer, who were provided with tickets permitting the use of every kind of train and unlimited stop-over privileges. The cars are most elegant and comfortable; the service is admirable. Very notable is the intimate acquaintance of the train hands with the most interesting points

and with the history of the road. Every one appears desirous to impart requested information, and make the journey as interesting as possible. Dining cars are furnished along parts of the route; elsewhere, usually located at points of special interest, are cottage hotels, immaculately neat, at which can be obtained board and lodging as good as the best. I say without hesitation that the scenery along and near the Canadian Pacific Railway surpasses in variety, beauty and sublimity, anything the country can show, excluding the Yellowstone Park. From the car windows ducks could be seen by millions, wild geese by thousands, swans and pelicans by hundreds, curlews, plover, etc., simply countless, with here and there an antelope, coyote, or wild cat. The Honest Angler can find within a mile of the track hundreds of lakes and streams abounding with the finest game fish. Numerous thriving settlements are springing up all along the line. The prairie of Manitoba is of unequalled fertility, producing wheat, barley, and other grains the best in the world. The forest wealth is such that the supply of finest lumber seems inexhaustible. Veins of coal of superior quality and of great depth are found near the surface in areas the extent of which is best expressed in thousands of square miles. The climate, though showing great extremes of heat and cold, will become more even with wise forestry, and is eminently adapted to produce a race of men after the Scandinavian type.—*Ex.*

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"EDUCATION does not mean a mechanical system of securing a general average of performance, it means the general intellectual and moral training of the young."—*Joseph Chamberlain, M.P.*

WE have gone quite far enough in furnishing education and school day luxuries without cost or sacrifice on the part of pupils or parents. In no one thing does the private school have more advantage over the public school