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## MISSIONARY NEWS.

"Two petted little girls from our city school, Fatehgarh, had been carried off to their child-wife fate. Unable to endure the harsh treatment of their mothers-in-law, they both sprinkled their clothing with kerosene oil, set it on fire, and were burned to death,—just two out of the '2140 suicides among females in the United Provinces last year.'"

"A Career that is a Challenge.—There is a wonderful woman doctor here, Dr. Ida Scudder. She has a fine hospital, but perhaps her most unique work is touring in an auto. Every Wednesday she starts out with her machine, which she has fitted up as a travelling dispensary. She has certain stations along the road where she stops and where the sick congregate. They come in from every side and with about every kind of complaint. Her coming is a great event, and is looked forward to with intense eagerness. The gratitude of the afflicted people is most touching. Many not only pay the small fee, one-half anna (one cent), but bring garlands and bouquets. When she returns at night the auto is fairly covered with flowers, and she seems to be returning from a fete. Last Wednesday she treated 300 cases in that way. What a work! What an investment of life! And we have been seeking in vain for four years to secure women physicians. What are our college girls thinking of that they do not see this great chance? And America actually infested with doctors!"

The disabilities of Christian converts in India are still many and trying. In Mysore, the courts have persistently

decided that a Christian has no rights of citizenship, and forfeits all rights of property,—sacrificing them more completely than he would by committing a crime or being sentenced for murder. He is not considered fit to be the guardian of his own children. Repeated attempts have been made by the Christians to secure the repeal of these laws, but as yet the government in the hands of educated Brahmans, has refused them any redress.

Serious attempts are being made to present the Gospel "pure and undefiled" to the people of Utah. Two new Gospel wagons have just been started on their way, the support of which is borne by the American Baptist Publication Society, and the Danish Baptists of Iowa. Daily evangelistic meetings are held, and many are being converted.

Nellore, South India, a station of the American Baptist Mission, celebrated its Diamond Jubilee in February. Dr. Barbour and Dr. Anthony, of America, were present, and Rev. W. F. Armstrong, of Burma, so well-known to Canadian Baptists, was one of the delegates.

Another insidious device made use of by the Mormon Church to propagate its doctrine, is that of securing for one of their missionary elders the post of agent of the White Star Line at one of the ports abroad. The Emperor of Germany has considered this peril so insistent that he has absolutely forbidden entrance to all Mormon emissaries.

There are 30,000 Protestant missionary schools of all grades in operation in mission fields to-day. In them are gathered 1,500,000 of the young people