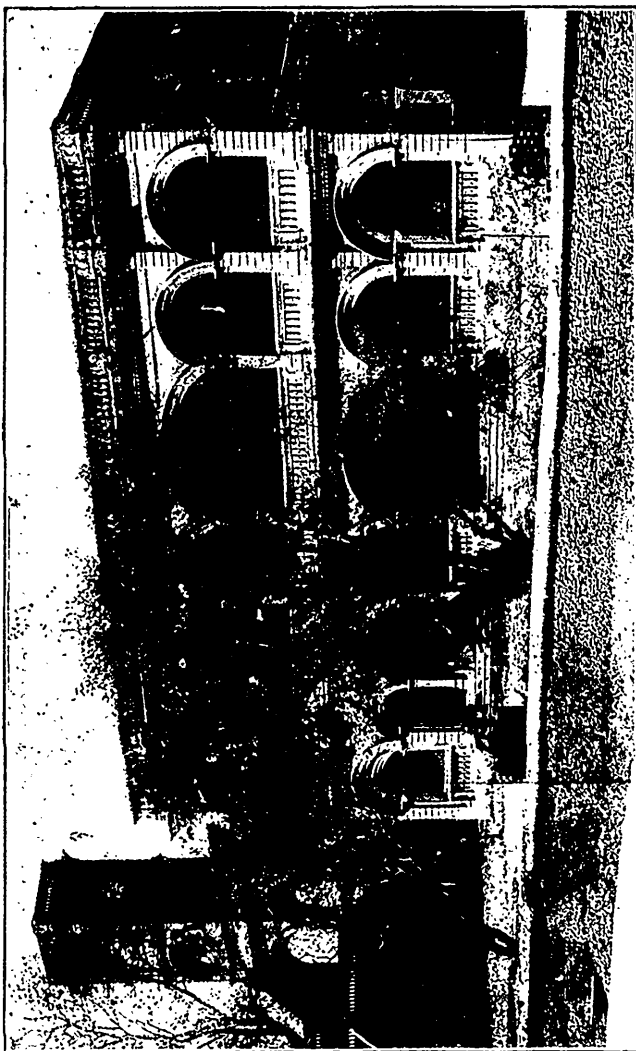


lages, and the need of a school for girls. Thoughtlessly, merely by way of experimenting with his pen, he closed with the question, "How would you like to come and

had made the proposal lightly. It was disconcerting to the missionaries, who were by no means sure they wanted the assistance of young women in the field. It was dis-



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take charge of such a school, if we decide to make the attempt?"

By the first returning steamer came the reply that she was ready to go as soon as they could open a way. The answer was a little disconcerting to the brother, who

concerting to the Church, unprepared as it was to send out a lady volunteer. But the die was cast. The question of a place for young women in the foreign field had been raised once and for all.

Like the gentle stirring of a