

This is the only Christian medical school for women in North India, and perhaps in the whole of India, and some of the students come from far distances, as far as Calcutta, Central India, and the northwest frontier. All have medical zenana work in view. Plans and estimates have been prepared for a suitable building as a wing to the medical school. The buildings are designed so that they may at present be used as a hospital to supply the 30 beds required, and eventually, as the school grows, may give additional dormitories and lecture-rooms for the students.

UNITED STATES.

—Mr. John D. Rockefeller has given 276 acres of land, valued at \$600,000, to the city of Cleveland for park purposes. It will be named for him.

—According to the *Independent*, the gifts to the starving Armenians are some \$400,000 from America and \$300,000 from Great Britain.

—A report of the Tuskegee Institute, Ala., for colored boys and girls, says: "There are 375 boys and 375 girls in the school at an average of eighteen and one-half years, none under fourteen. A boy in the cotton field earns 40 cents a day. He graduates from the school and earns at his trade, or as a school teacher, \$1.50 a day, a gain of \$1.10 a day, or for a year, say 300 working days, \$330. A girl in the cotton field earns 25 cents a day. When she graduates from the school she can earn at sewing \$1 a day, a gain of 75 cents a day over the cotton field, or for one year of 300 working days, \$225. A gain for the 750 boys and girls in one year of \$208,125, or in twenty years more than \$4,000,000.

—There are 1,500,000 of French-speaking people in the United States, a third of them French Canadians in New England, and the French-American college at Springfield, Mass., aims to evangelize, enlighten, and Americanize this New England contingent. It costs

but \$12,500 annually for this work, which equips some 70 students, and it is really foreign missionary work on home missionary ground. The college has a property worth about \$35,000 and a weekly organ, *Le Citoyen Franco-Americain*, printed in French and English, the type for which is set by the students.

—The Norwegians are to build a portable church, 40 × 60 feet, in Minneapolis and ship it to Madagascar, where they are conducting a mission. The old Vikings sent their ships into all seas for plunder, but these go for philanthropy.

—No one of our missionary societies has suffered more from the hard times than the Baptist Missionary Union, which never until lately has had a debt of \$70,000. Yet a debt of \$203,000 was incurred two years ago; then the expenditures were cut down by the amount of \$109,000, and still further the next year; and yet the debt has been reduced only to \$163,000, and a further reduction of \$30,000 is proposed. Missionaries cannot be sent out, and those on furlough in this country cannot be returned.

—A new missionary has been sent out under the auspices of the American Board. This would not be a startling announcement in ordinary years, when from 30 to 50 recruits are sent annually to the front. But, in view of the fact that it is ten months since one has gone, the news becomes extraordinary indeed. It gives a more vivid idea, too, of how the hard times are affecting our beloved foreign missionary society. Nor would this modest reinforcement have been possible unless special provision had been made.—*Congregationalist*.

—In the midst of such general financial distress the American Board is able to sound one note of joy and thanksgiving over the receipt of a legacy of \$55,000 from the estate of Mrs. C. L. A. Tank, of Fort Howard, Wis. Of this sum, \$35,000 are for the present needs