

the higher education of women, under the auspices of the Presbyterian Church. Some addition was made to the endowment, and the school opened with Dr. L. G. Hay, of Indianapolis, as president and financial agent. He was succeeded by John Mason Duncan, an educator of much experience and executive ability.

Another institution which records Terre Haute liberality, is the St. Ann's Orphan Asylum, a plain but commodious building on N. Thirteenth street. It was originally built as a hospital at a cost of nearly \$200,000, when Mr. Chauncey Rose gave \$10,000 and an additional large subscription was given by other citizens, but for many years it has been a useful and meritorious institution in sheltering 125, or more, orphan children from various parts of this Catholic Diocese which supports it.

St. Anthony's Hospital is an interesting and beneficent charity. From a small beginning it has developed into a great institution. It was established by the late Mrs. Herman Holman under the charge of the sisters of St. Francis. Later Mr. Holman bought and transferred to the Franciscan sisters the beautiful property on South Sixth street, known as the St. Agnes Female College. By extensive additions and improvements to the original buildings and to the grounds, St. Anthony's Hospital has been made a most attractive, spacious and beneficent institution. There are four large wards to provide for about forty patients, and twenty-four smaller rooms, all neatly and comfortably furnished. The provisions for surgical and medical treatment and nursing are complete. A hydraulic elevator gives access to each story. The buildings contain a beautiful private chapel for the sisterhood, an operating room, dispensary, consultation and operating rooms, dead room, a detached building for contagious diseases, and dining rooms and kitchen which exhibit the most perfect culinary system. Prior to this time, since the opening of the hospital in 1882, over 2,000 patients have been cared for. The hospital is managed by the sisters of St. Francis, a number of whom were sent from Europe for this special work. About \$65,000 have been expended in establishing this philanthropic institution, of which the greater portion came from Mr. Holman, while \$10,000 or more was contributed by others. The city contributes \$100 per month towards defraying current expenses. There is but little revenue from patients, as all are treated without charge who are unable to pay. In addition to these, and volunteer contributions, it is understood that the liberal founder continues his

gifts. The physicians of the city gratuitously care for the patients, and their services, though free, are assiduous and skillful.

Though under Catholic control, the hospital is open to all, of any sect or rank, the only passport for admission being necessity; and the governing principle, charity.

The Old Ladies' Home, to be opened during 1889, was endowed by Mr. W. R. McKeen, who purchased for its use and enlarged and improved the Dowling Homestead. This graceful beneficence, long the unrealized dream of the Ladies' Aid Society, will be under the control of that organization. Rooms for the future inmates have been furnished by the ladies of the various churches. No record of Terre Haute's good works would be complete without the name of the Ladies' Aid Society. This organization, which dates back to the war when charitable women found so much to do in aiding the widows and orphans of the gallant soldiers, has collected and distributed an immense amount of money during its existence. Its work was so judicious and useful that the practical philanthropist, Mr. Chauncey Rose, transferred to it a large amount of money, which, invested at interest, supplies the society with the greater part of the funds used for the relief of the needy. The membership of the society is small for so great a work but the work is never slighted.

The Public Library of the city, established in connection with the public school system, which authorizes a light tax for its support, is at the service of any who can furnish the endorsement of a city freeholder. A large convenient suite of rooms near Seventh and Main streets, hold the increasing library which has been yearly added to by contributions and the surplus remaining from the tax after paying expenses. The reading-rooms, which are free to the public, are always well filled.

When on a fine summer afternoon several thousand people stream towards the north of the city, the beautiful breathing place, Collett's park, becomes important. It was the gift of Josephus Collett to the city, and is a fine tract of grove and lawn, 20 acres in extent. It is at the northern limit of the city, open rolling land extends beyond it to the river, and the fields and open country bound it on the north. It is just far enough to be an escape from the city, but near enough to be of easy access.

Woodland cemetery, in the northwest quarter of the city, has been so long used that  
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