

Oberlin, Ohio.  
Jan. 19. 1898.

Dear Mrs. Belden.

The W. B. M. I. closed its financial year with a debt of \$4800. Believing that this debt should be borne by the women of our churches rather than by the missionaries, the Board has apportioned it among the States of the Interior, and asks Ohio for \$400, hoping the amount may be raised by Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>. 1898 and in ways that will not infringe upon the amount needed to do the work of the current year. The State Executive committee asks the Oberlin Society to raise \$75.00 This seems a large amount to add to our regular gifts, and it may not be possible to raise so much. But how shall we refuse to do what we can?

Can we not do something as a thank offering that - notwithstanding the burdens of the past year our Society was able to raise the full amount required for the work it was pledged to sustain?

An envelope is enclosed, addressed  
to our Treasurer, Mrs. Husted. Will  
you please place in it the sum  
you choose to give for the removal  
of this debt, and send it to Mrs.  
Husted this week if possible. Let  
it be distinctly understood that  
this offering is an extra, - as is  
the Thank-offering gathered in  
September, and should not be  
taken from the amount pledged  
for our regular work.

For the Committee -

Mrs. E. J. Bosworth, Secy.

# MRS. RORER,

who is at the head of the **Philadelphia School of Cookery**, holds the enviable reputation of being the highest authority on all branches of scientific cooking. Many housekeepers are already somewhat familiar with Mrs. Rorer's writings, and will find this a rare opportunity to hear her lecture and see her cook and serve special dishes.

## *The First Lecture, Jan. 31,*

attracts especial attention as it tells how to buy meats and cook them.

The lecture **Tuesday Evening, February 1st**, on "Luxurious Economy," is not a "fairy tale" since Mrs. Rorer agrees to show how to cook and serve a home dinner costing only 85 cents, and how a family of eight may fare daintily and nutritiously on \$10 a week.

One of the most popular lectures will be the one on **Friday Evening, February 4th**, on "The Chafing Dish."

**Price of the Course, \$1.50.**

*Tickets on Sale at Comings' on and after Monday,  
January 24.*