Lucy Rider Meyer (1849-1922) was a Christian activist during the progressive era and one of the most influential women in the large, powerful Methodist denomination. She was a visionary educator who opened the Chicago Training School for Home and Foreign Missions, and an innovator in Christian social work who created new avenues for women’s Christian activism including the office of deaconess. Notably, she was also a female STEM pioneer who became an advocate for science education and public healthcare. Using the concept, the “the new Christian woman,” this project provides a broader understanding of women’s social service and activism. Meyer not only exemplified this new Christian woman, she created a training school and career paths for thousands of new Christian women, who went on to open hospitals, schools, orphanages, and countless other institutions.

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