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Pratt era

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Pratt Institute - 1890

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Granny came back to France the following year and chaperoned Frank Remond’s class again - in the fall she collected her daughter and went home. She had taken a camera with her when she went to Europe - thinking to make some photographs of the places she visited. She photographed her 2 daughters and the pictures went to their father. The art students in the class saw the pictures and thought them remarkable and suggested to be done. Granny took their pictures and Frank Remond saw them. He was very enthusiastic and told her to give up painting and take up photography instead. She began to work seriously with the camera, washing her negatives, developing in the dark room.
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In the fall before she took the girls to Germany they all went to Paris for a month or so. Lived with a French family in the Rue du Bac. They had a wonderful chef with whom Granny made friends and learned to cook many French dishes. She was very fond of good food and was herself an excellent cook, tho she never did the cooking at home as a regular thing, only to make special dishes.

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