

The Chicago university had a total enrollment last year of 2,955 students and its enrollment for the regular school year of nine months was 1,942. Its faculty numbers 235 members. These figures reflect a prodigious growth. It was only seven years ago that the institution was started.

It is not generally known that Captain Sigsbee, late of the Maine, is the inventor of a deep-sea sounding machine, for which he got medals from Prussia and England. He also invented an ingenious parallel ruler for mechanical drawing.

B. & O. RECEIVERSHIP ENDED.

New Officers Have Taken Charge of the Road.

Baltimore, July 1.—The receivership of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad terminated at 12 o'clock last night and the property was turned over to the stockholders without celebration or formal ceremony. John K. Cowen and Oscar G. Murray were appointed receivers of the company on February 29th, 1896, by the United States court for the District of Maryland. Being familiar with the needs of the property the receivers decided that the only wise course to pursue was to practically rebuild and re-equip the railroad. The physical condition was bad, its equipment antiquated and inadequate to handle business and its insolvency was such as seriously to injure the revenues. The receivers' plans were discussed by the security holders and as a large majority agreed to the provision of enough funds to place the road in a condition to handle its traffic, they obtained permission of the court to issue certificates for the purchase, by means of equipment trusts and receivers' certificates, of new cars and locomotives and to improve the physical condition of the property. The plan also provided for the payment in full of all receivers' indebtedness, the entire floating debt of the company, represented by promissory notes and negotiable obligations, and of all car trust obligations, enabling the company to begin the fiscal year of 1899-1900 with all its obligations paid. For the reason that reorganization was possible without a foreclosure, the original charter of the company remains in force, and the next annual meeting of the stockholders will be the 73d. The new stock of the company is held by interests which cannot fall to be of great help to the property and much new capital has been invested in the securities, and there is a sufficiency of money for still further improvements, which are in progress, with a view to still further reducing the cost of transportation.

Melbourne, now the seventh city of the British empire, consisted at the time of Queen Victoria's accession of thirteen huts.

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IN SEARCH OF HIM

BY ROBIN GREY

CHAPTER X.—Continued.

"Have you a sister? I didn't know. What is her name?"

"Mary. I should like you to know her."

"And who is Miss Lilbourne? Does she live with you?"

"She is an orphan; my father and mother adopted her," said Bernard, his eyes fixed upon the sketch.

"Is she pretty?" asked Mildred in her slow, direct way.

"Yes—very."

"And she won't sit still when you ask her? How very unkind!"

"Oh, she was always very busy, you know!" said Bernard in some confusion. "The girls had always plenty to do, but, thanks to old Miss Selwyn, that's over now."

The sketch finished, he showed it to Lady Mildred, who was evidently much struck.

"How clever you are to do so much with so few touches! I should like to show it to my father. Will you, Mr. Stelling—Selwyn, I mean—be so kind as to give it to me?"

"I had meant to keep it," he said hesitatingly, "as a remembrance of one of those golden days which don't come twice, but I'll make a bargain with you, Lady Mildred."

"A bargain?"

"You shall have this sketch if you will give me your photograph. I have one photograph of you."

"Indeed!"

"Yes, but it was taken a long time back. You gave it to me at Oxford. It doesn't do you justice now. May I have another?"

"Well, I think that it would be only fair," she assented. "A photo of me is, after all, a poor return for this clever little sketch."

"Lady Mildred!"

"Nay; I mean to pay a compliment—not to fish for one, I assure you."

He leaned against the tree thoughtfully for a minute or two, and there was a brief silence.

"It is growing cooler," he said at last. "Come down to the water and I will row you about."

"It will remind me of Commemoration!" she said merrily, as he helped her out of the hammock.

"Your brother tells me that Mr. Martineau, of the firm of Leroy & Martineau, is your cousin, Lady Mil-

in the art of dress from Lady Mildred.

He wished so even more when her ladyship walked into the drawing-room some time later, her clear-cut face and plant figure set off by amethyst-colored plush, which caught the light on all its rippling folds.

She was conscious, as she entered, that she was looking at that moment as beautiful as it was in her power to look, but nothing in her perfect manners betrayed the thought. She crossed the room slowly, purposely stopping on the way to replace some flowers which had fallen from a vase. As she turned again, her glance fell upon a gentleman who stood on the white fur hearthrug, talking to her father. A sudden change passed over the face which before had been only beautiful. No other man ever carried himself with such careless grace as this man. As he stood, only the back of his head visible, she knew that it was Valdane; her breath came more quickly, her heart beat faster at the thought. His head perfectly still, her eyes fixed upon him. Then he turned slowly round, saw her, and at once came forward. She moved not an inch, but remained where she was, the brilliantly lighted room bringing out every point of her beauty.

Their hands met, and in that moment she knew that he was changed.

He looked ill and worn, but in her eyes a thousandfold more lovable. His greeting was cordial, but it lacked the delightful tone of mutual understanding. Almost in terror she scanned his face for the wherefore, but found it not.

"I did not know that you had come," she said.

"I arrived two or three hours ago. They told me you were somewhere in the grounds, so I went to look for you—as far as the lake-side. Then I came back; you were being well entertained and did not want me."

Lady Mildred's ebbing spirits came rushing back in swift flow. She thought she had a key now to his cold greeting and won appearance. It was love of her, she thought, which was telling upon him; she had accomplished her object, she had made Valdane jealous.

CHAPTER XI.

Bernard Selwyn had persuaded the



"OF COURSE YOU MAY HAVE SOME."

ded," he remarked, as they walked together through the park to the water.

"Yes, he is," she answered, without raising her head.

"It is strange. He has the management of some business for Miss Lilbourne."

"Indeed! Did she go to him by chance?"

"Quite by chance. She says he is very kind and painstaking. I shall be glad to meet him."

"I can't fancy Valdane a solicitor," she said, laughing. "He is so essentially a society man."

Bernard saw that he had started an unwelcome topic. He adroitly changed the subject.

The water was the great feature of the Clarisdale estate. It was a beautiful irregular-shaped lake, with a small island in the middle, much used for picnics. Bernard thought there might be many worse ways of spending a summer afternoon than sculling idly in the shade of the great trees, on the glassy surface of the water, with Lady Mildred's proud, sweet face before him, shaded by her wide-brimmed hat.

A long silence fell upon both during the latter part of that row, and as they walked slowly home together under a saffron-colored evening sky they hardly spoke at all. Lady Mildred was thinking that her companion, with twenty thousand a year to back him, was more than endurable. Bernard was wishing that Marguerite could have the advantage of a few lessons

doctor and his family to go to the seaside. It was a treat which they had never before enjoyed, and great was their delight at the prospect. The doctor, to whom a holiday had hitherto meant no more than the space of time between Friday and Tuesday, now procured another doctor to do his work for him and prepared for a couple of months' relaxation. They were very happy. Bernard, they all agreed, had behaved remarkably well; he had shown such thought and consideration. He was not at all unduly elated at his prosperity, and had done just the right thing in making no radical change until the will was proved and the tedious law business completed.

But when the cottage at Bournemouth had been taken, the trains looked out, and the day of departure fixed, Marguerite electrified them all by gently refusing to go.

"I have no right to a farthing of Bernard's money," she said, "and I should not feel happy, thank you."

"But, but, my dear," spluttered the good doctor, "that's false delicacy, you know—that's straining a point! You surely may accept favors from the man you are engaged to."

"Bernard and I are not engaged," she returned with quiet persistence; then, after a short pause, "nor ever shall be," she added.

"We shall see what Bernard will say to that," said Mary. "He is the only person that can manage you, Marguerite."

Marguerite smiled.

"We won't discuss it," she said steadily. "Only I am not going to Bournemouth."

There was no shaking her decision. Her will was indomitable, and unconsciously she influenced all. With quiet tact she persuaded them all to start without her, and lived on by herself in the dull, close London house, looking eagerly each day for a possible answer to the advertisement which Bernard had inserted in the West of England newspapers.

Had Valdane Martineau known of that advertisement it would have occasioned him some uneasiness. A rather strange thing had occurred on the morning the day after he paid his visit to the Stelling's house. A box of exquisite, cut, hot-house flowers had arrived for Miss Lilbourne. No message or card accompanied them, and Marguerite was thoroughly mystified. Mary thought that Bernard had sent them, but, on being written to on the subject, he was obliged to disclaim any knowledge of them. Each day arrived a fresh selection of choice and delicate blossoms; they were brought by a man from a floral depot, who knew nothing of the person who had ordered them or anything about it. Marguerite loved flowers and, left alone in her glory, she grew to hail the daily arrival of the fragrant treasures.

One day, soon after she was left alone, Mr. Martineau called. His ostensible reason was to say that he was going to Clarisdale the next day, and he asked whether there was anything he could do for her before he left.

She thought it was very kind of him to take so much trouble, and thanked him warmly. He stayed a long time, and she gave him tea in the drawing-room, which was almost full of those lovely flowers. He bent to smell one of a bunch of tea-rosebuds, and remarked that they were very fine for London. Hereupon she innocently revealed the fact that she did not know who had sent them.

"But it is some one who is very kind," she said—"some one who knows what flowers are to Londoners. Each morning I am always afraid it will be the last time. I think I shall cry when they leave off coming."

"The sender would feel more than repaid if he or she could but see how the gift is appreciated," returned Valdane gravely.

"You are fond of flowers, too," said Marguerite. "I knew you were by the way you noticed these when you came in. Won't you have a rosebud? I have so many, and I don't want to be selfish, you know."

"Will you really give me one of your flowers?"

"Of course—any you choose."

"If I might choose, I would ask for one of those." He pointed to a vase full of marguerites.

"Those—those have no scent."

"They are my favorite flowers."

"Of course you may have some."

She selected three of the pale starry flowers, with a piece of maiden-hair, and dexterously made up a button-hole for him.

He took it with a very low and quiet "Thank you," and, having no longer an excuse to linger, rose to take his leave.

(To be continued.)

THE HEAVIEST B. & O. TRAIN.

China still has the old-fashioned system of private letter-carrying. Letter shops are to be found in every town. If he has a letter to send, the Chinaman goes to a letter shop and bargains with the keeper thereof. He pays two-thirds of the cost, leaving the receiver to pay the rest on delivery.

In ten years American Life Insurance companies have doubled their assets, the amount rising from \$657,128,642 in 1888 to \$1,344,901,198 in 1898. The increase has been decidedly the greatest since prosperity returned to the country.

When the receivers of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad began the new famous series of improvements of the physical condition of the entire system, their object was to increase both the train load and the number of revenue tons per mile and at the same time reduce the cost of transportation. Much has been done, and by the lowering of grades, elimination of curves, laying of new steel rails and the purchase of heavy motive power they have very materially added to the number of cars per train. But it was not until the 17th of March last that a demonstration was made of what might be expected of the new Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. Enough new 50-ton capacity steel cars had been delivered to give the operating department a chance to experiment. Fifty steel cars, each weighing 34,000 pounds, were loaded with an average of 98,000 pounds of coal. To them was coupled a new 2x28 inch consolidation locomotive weighing 168,700 pounds and having 54 inch driving wheels. The start was made from Cumberland, Md., and the destination was Brunswick, Md., on the second division. In his report General Superintendent Fitzgerald says the train was pulled with comparative ease and that the class of engines used will be able to handle 50 cars of 50 tons capacity each on that division without trouble. Hitherto the train load on that division has been 325 units of 5 1/2 tons each or about 2,200 tons, a 40 per cent increase over that of five years ago. The 50 car train was computed as containing 497 units, or 6,458,100 pounds gross. The net weight of coal in the train was 4,758,100 pounds. It was by far the heaviest train ever handled over the line and demonstrated that heavy power, modern equipment with safety appliances, and a good track, mean more revenue tons per mile and a decreased cost of transportation.

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A KIND DEED SAVED A LIFE.

That wealth is not always deaf to the call of suffering is shown by the case of a poor young soldier who was lately pronounced by the surgeons at St. John's Hospital in Brooklyn to be on the road to recovery. He was Albert Duncan of the Second United States Infantry, who had been lingering between life and death for weeks, and was only saved, the physicians say, by the joy of seeing his father and mother.

Duncan had been sent to the hospital in the late autumn, suffering from fever and abscesses. He became so ill that the hospital authorities wrote to his parents, who live near Ashland, Ky., that if they wished to see their son alive they must come on at once.

The father, a poor farmer, was without money to pay his own and his wife's way to New York. He hoped to obtain it soon somehow; but the days went by, the sick soldier growing worse, profoundly discouraged as he was because he thought he should never see his father and mother again.

A visitor at the hospital, a lady, heard of the case, and asked Miss Helen Gould to investigate it. Miss Gould did so promptly, with the result that she sent money to the Duncans at Ashland. They started for Brooklyn on the first train after receiving it, and were quickly admitted to see the son.

The joy of the sight of them acted as a tonic to him, and, much to the surprise of the doctors, who had given him up, he began to improve. The mother came daily to see him, and remained each day as long as she was permitted. The son, constantly happy where he had been seemingly hopeless, gained steadily.

Through Miss Gould's generosity the mother remained near the hospital until her son was able to travel.

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Prescription Wanted.
Mrs. Oldham—Doctor, what shall I do to prevent these horrid wrinkles from coming at the corners of my eyes? Doctor—Stop getting old, madam. Two dollars, please.

Professor Benjamin Ide Wheeler Cornell, who has been elected president of the University of California, describes the ease with which he mastered the classics to the early age which he began his study. He says that every boy who means to study Latin should begin it, as did, as soon as he is able to read English.

It is reported that Alexander M. Donald of Cincinnati has accepted the first vice-presidency of the Standard Oil company and will remove to New York. The position carries with it a salary of \$200,000 a year.

Marriage must be unpopular in Hesse, Germany, where the diet of Hesse has voted that bachelors here after shall pay an income tax greater by 25 per cent than the income tax of the married men.

Dr. Richard Gatling, of gun fame says that the secret of his success was perseverance. "Above all," he says, "a young man should keep himself busy."

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[LETTER TO MRS. PINKHAM NO. 73,965]

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