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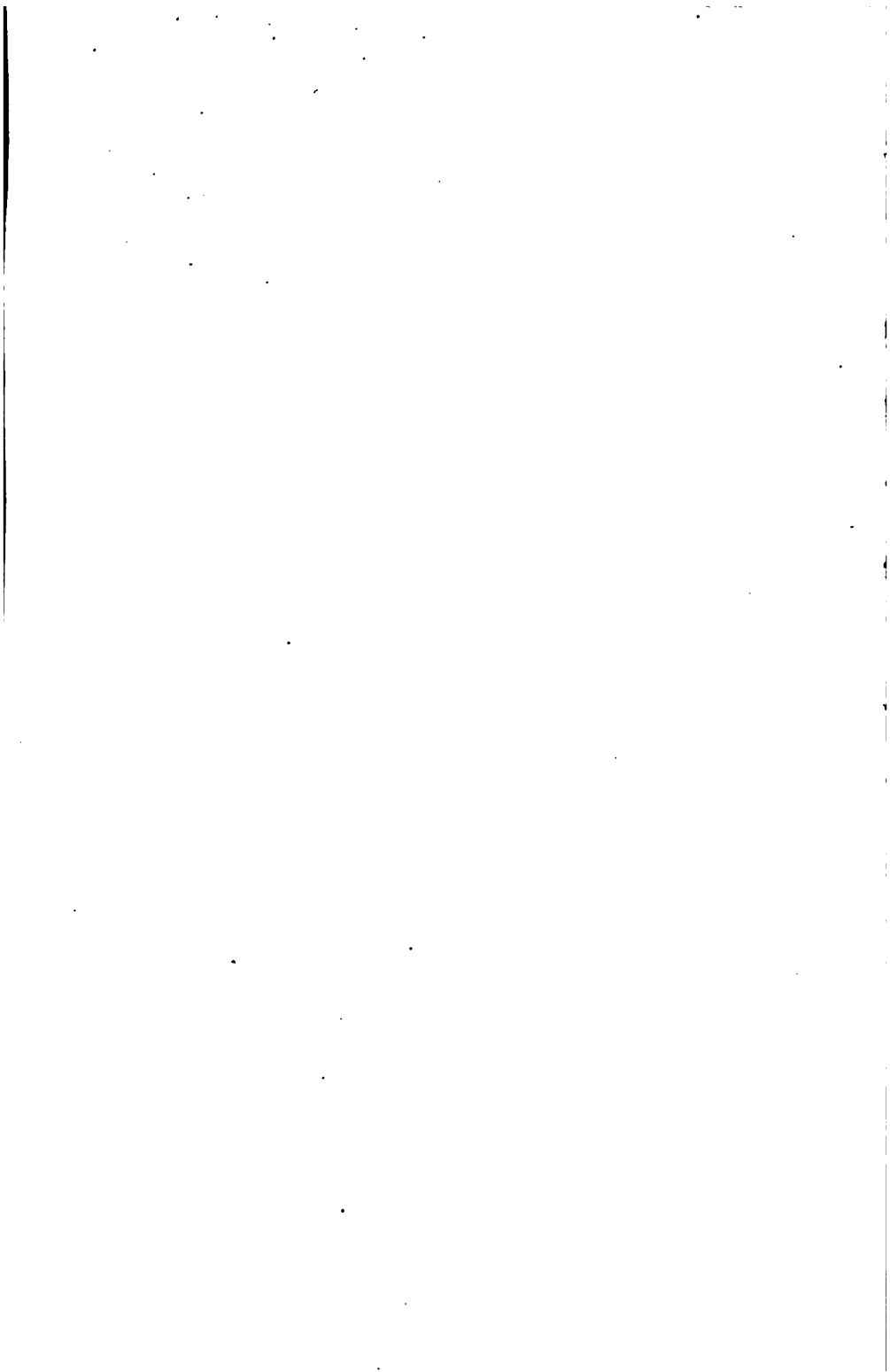
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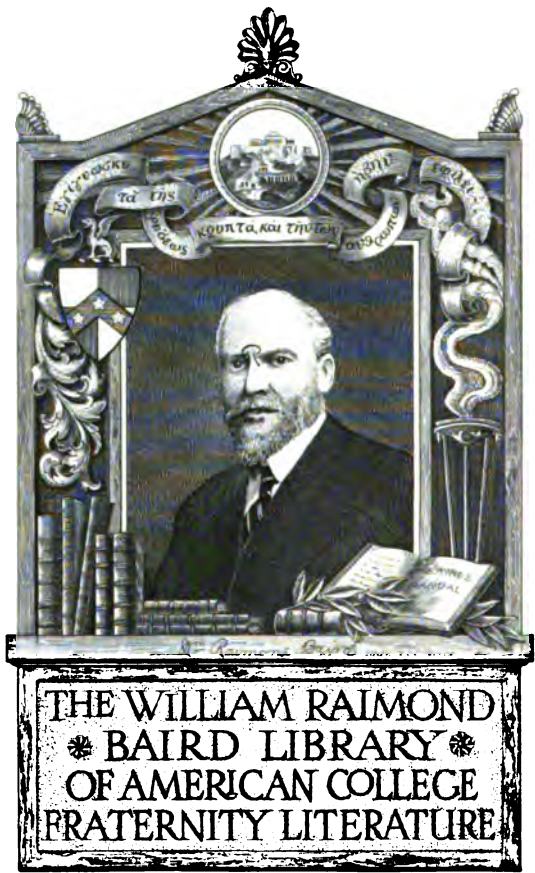


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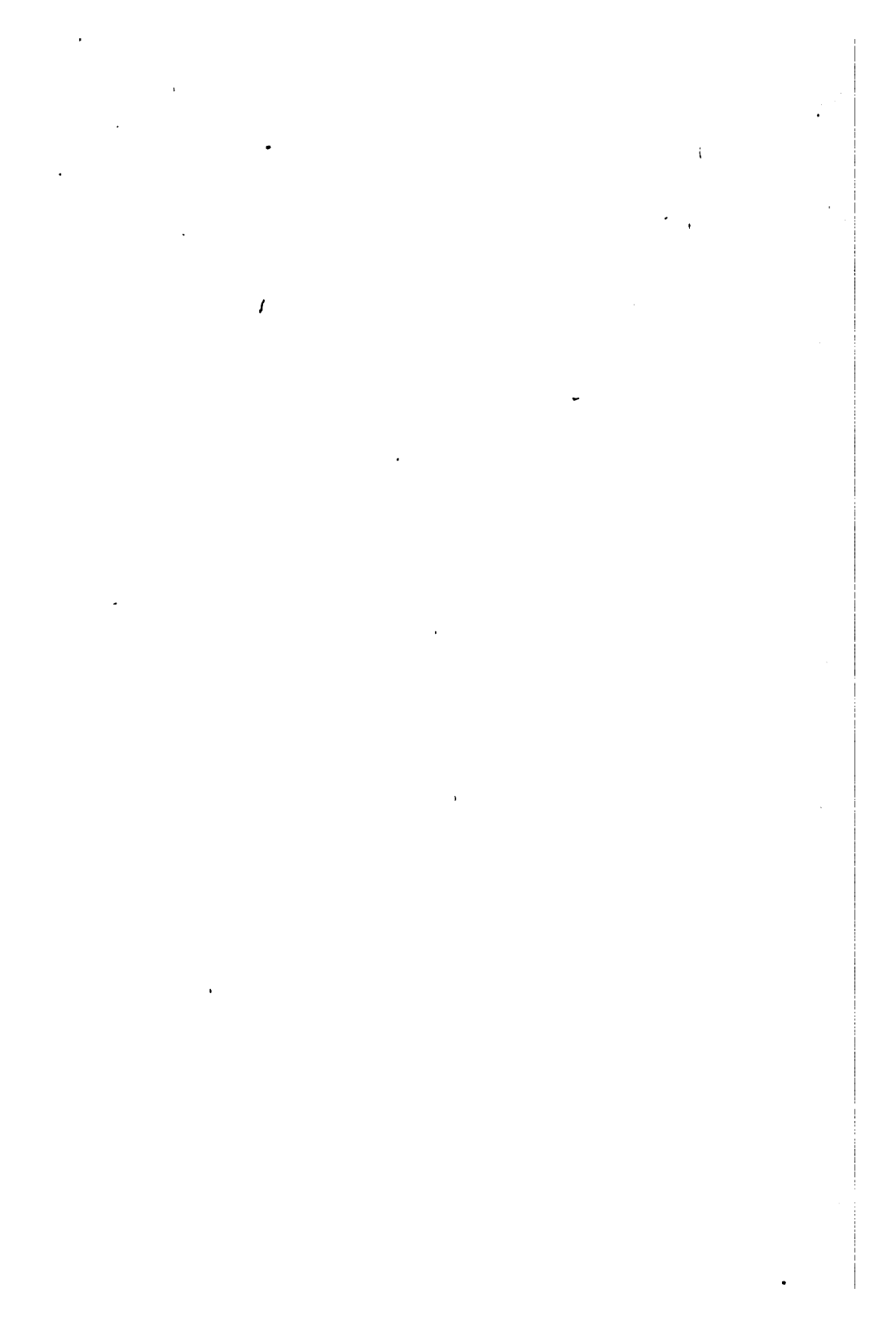


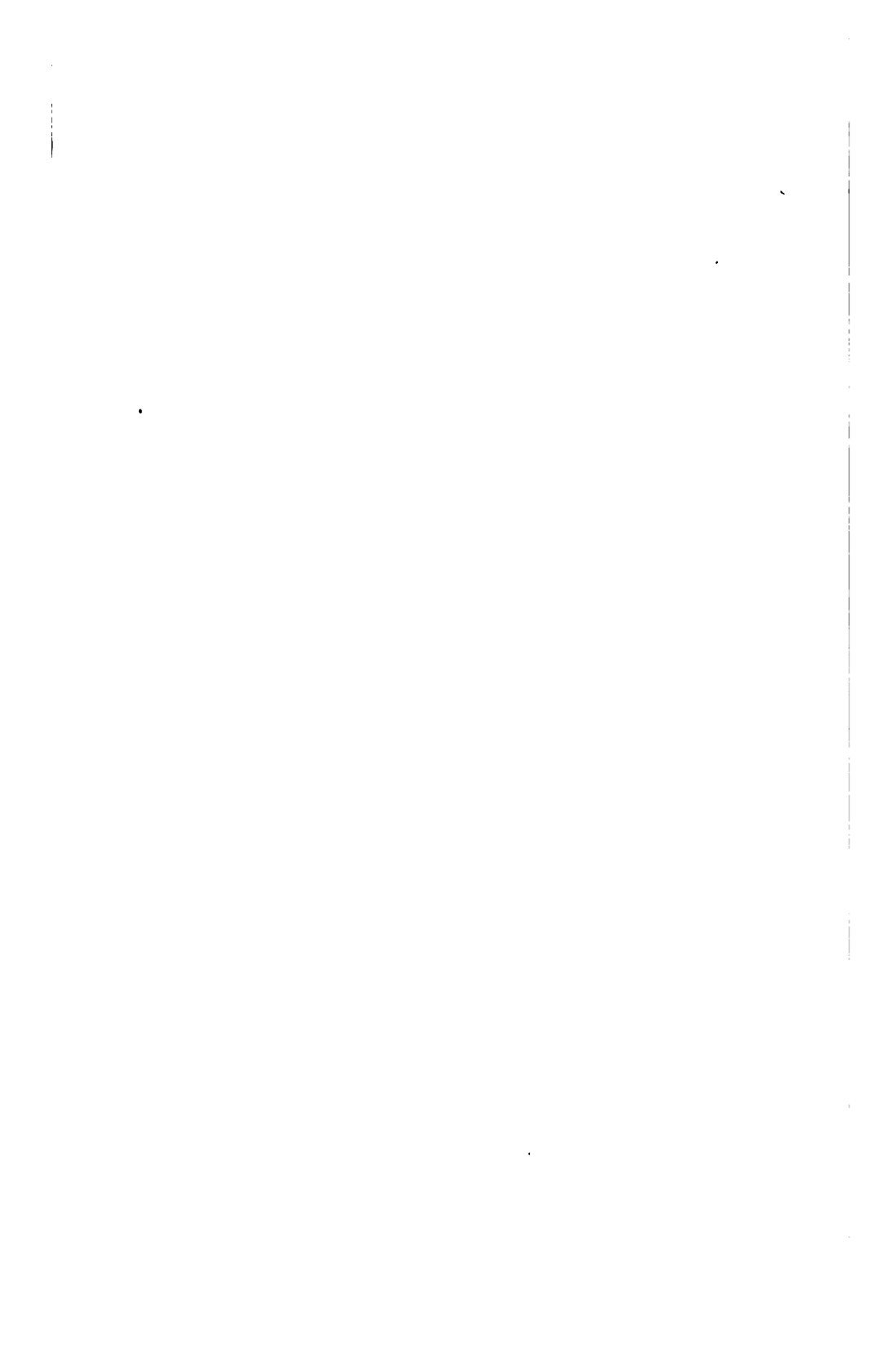
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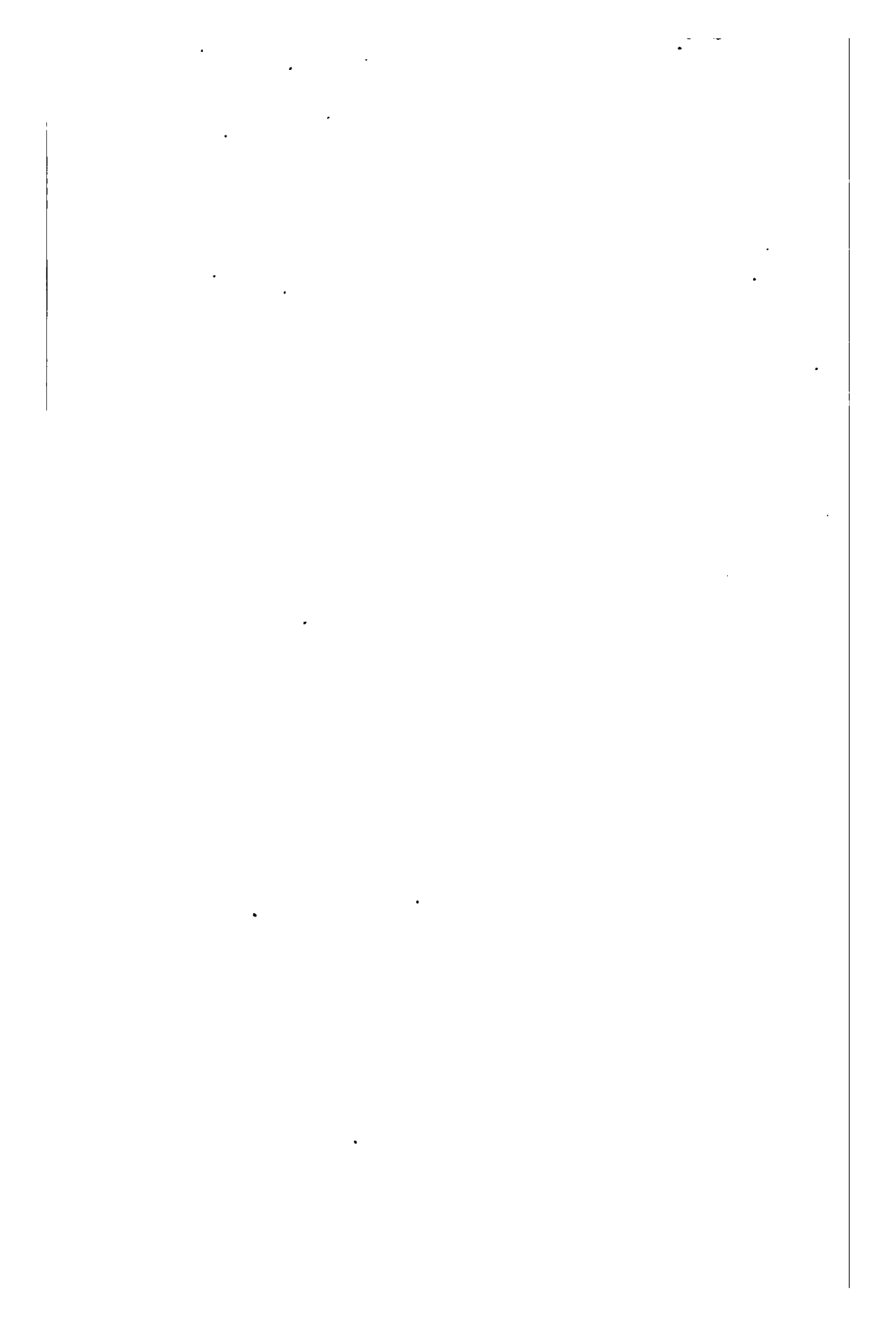


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FRIENDSHIP MUST LIVE! AH, MAY ITS IMPULSE HIGH
STILL GUIDE AND GUARD THE THETA DELTA CHI.

JOHN BROUGHAM

ABEL BEACH.

In a plainly-furnished back room of Union College, one May evening in 1846, nearly forty-four years ago—by design, and yet by accident—met six noble men, boys they were then, full of life, vigor and LOVE. How little did they dream that the tiny seeds they were so innocently planting would grow into mighty oaks, which the winds of time can never sway. Our fraternity owes the love of a lifetime to those six. Four of them have closed the pages of their history, but “their works do follow them.” All honor to their memory; of them we may speak in a subsequent issue. Our purpose now is to dwell upon the living heroes. Abel Beach was born in Groton, N. Y., February 7, 1829. He was the youngest of four boys, with one younger sister, and had more privileges of home and school life than the others. The school life he enjoyed, taking from the first deep interest in his studies. He soon grew out of Groton Academy and went to Homer, where at the then famous Homer Academy he finished his preparatory course at the early age of sixteen, and in September, 1846, entered the Sophomore class at Union. This class ('49) was the largest which ever entered Union, numbering 200. Union College was just at the zenith of her glory, under the leadership of the renowned Dr. Nott, and this class will go down to posterity as “the most important and noted class which ever graduated from Union.” Fred. Seward is

remembered as a classmate, and President Arthur was a member of the class preceding. Among the many things which this historic class is noted for is the origin and founding of several fraternities, of which Theta Delta Chi is the most prominent. Union had one of the four branches of *Φ B K*, and Theta Delta Chi had more "Phi Bets" in this class than any other fraternity, Beach being one of the four. There were twelve men in the class who took a "full bill" of marks; among them was Abel Beach, who took third position in the entire class. Owing to financial necessities Bro. Beach taught school during certain portions of the year, being absent about one-third of the time, yet he kept easy pace with his class. He graduated at the age of twenty. Immediately after graduation he accepted a position in the Ithaca Academy with his old academy principal. He taught here two years. He gave up for a short time, on account of a bronchial affection, but being imbued with a strong love for teaching, we find him very soon teaching again in Westfield Academy, and while here, in 1853, he read law in addition to his school duties. He completed his law studies and was admitted to the Superior Court of Buffalo in 1854. He gave up teaching a second time on account of the reappearance of his bronchial trouble. About this time the attention of many eastern people was turned toward Iowa, a then vast uncultivated western State. In the fall of 1854 Bro. Beach left Buffalo, traveling by steamer from Rock Island to Muscatine and staging it from that point to Iowa City. There was not a mile of railroad in Iowa at that time. He arrived in Iowa City, as he supposed, "a stranger in a strange land," and put up at the Park House, the principal hotel in the town. After he registered, the proprietor looked first at the name and then at him, and reached out his hand with a glad recognition, inquiring: "How are all the folks?" It was a man who had been brought up one of his nearest neighbors in his youth. He was made to feel himself at home, and his prospects were bright at once. He was admitted to the practice of law by the Supreme Court of Iowa, but his love for teaching coming back with full force, he accepted the chair of "Latin and Greek" in the State University. This

position he held for a year, and then his bronchial difficulty returning with renewed vigor, he resigned his position and sadly gave up teaching for good. This necessary step completely disconcerted all the calculations of his life's work, and as he himself expresses it, "With varying health my subsequent life has been unsteady if not fickle." He filled the position of Deputy Auditor of the State of Iowa for four years, during the two terms of Col. Pattee, a part of which was during Governor Kirkwood's administration. After this he assisted Judge Howell during 1860 and '61, as local and associate editor of the *Keokuk Gate City*, but night work was too hard for his uncertain health, and he was obliged to give it up. He then engaged in the retail and wholesale book business in Iowa and made money during the war, but lost all he had and more during the depressing times which succeeded the war. For three years he lived upon a farm just out from Iowa City, which he improved and worked upon until he became satisfied that he was not cut out for a farmer. He sold his farm and invested the money in Davenport in business. Meeting with reverses which swamped his entire capital, he was again thrown upon his own resources, and in 1874 went to Washington, where he served as clerk in the Quartermaster General's office and Pension office for about ten years. During this period he found time, outside of his office duties, to design and patent a very perfect writing tablet, now in use in several of the departments at Washington. For awhile he wrote for the Surgeon General's office, in the old "10th Street Theatre," where Lincoln was shot. He worked faithfully, but his health gradually failed and he was sick too much of the time to claim a salary; and his physician said if he wished to live he must get out. So, in 1884, he left Washington and quietly rested and recuperated with his family friends in Groton and Northern Pennsylvania for three years. His health slowly improving, he returned to Iowa City in 1887, and is now living there, devoting as much of his time as his health will permit to the pension and insurance business. This is a brief summary of the dif-

ferent periods of Bro. Beach's life. Let us now lay aside regularity and speak of the different events and reminiscences which have served to make his life either joyful or sad, without any reference to their sequence.

In September, 1856, he married Miss Zerelda E. Bowen, daughter of Colonel Bowen of Iowa City. To them were born three boys; one died in 1861, at three years of age; his youngest son died in June, 1878, of rheumatic heart disease, and his oldest son was killed in a railroad accident a month later. Now, without wife or children, Bro. Beach is sadly living his life alone, though ever blest with devoted personal friends. The picture portrayed in the beautiful lines from his pen, which are printed on another page, tell the story with a pathos which none can feel except he has passed through the same experience. Bro. Beach is the author of many beautiful poems, some of which have appeared in print, but many have not. The SHIELD is promised the pleasure of first giving publicity to these gems, and from time to time will publish them.

During his college life Bro. Beach was particularly attracted to William Hyslop—one of the noble six—and was perhaps more intimate with him than any of the others, owing to the fact that they roomed together. In regard to the founding of Theta Delta Chi, Bro. Beach writes :

“My recollection is, we aimed at good moral and intellectual qualifications that would give us a high standing and of which we could be proud, in comparison with other college societies, and social characteristics that would secure a closer union under mystical but innocent and pure rites and ceremonies of the order ; and to engender a perpetual and inalienable personal friendship among the members in the world outside as well as in college life—a striking and feeling illustration of this purpose and its grand fulfillment being seen in the incident of war history given in a late number of the SHIELD. We appreciated the artistic attractions of badges as well as their social significance, and so it was a study to design one which should be attractive to the eye, and inspire exalted and ennobling thought. In this aim we felt like congratulating ourselves upon our success.”

I give the following college incident in Bro. Beach's own words :

“When I first went to ‘Union’ it was after the venerable head, Dr. Nott,

had been president a long term of years, and given to it much of its glory and reputation. The old doctor had been at that period afflicted with rheumatism for years, and though most of us thought we were very fortunate in ever getting his hearing on "Kame's Elements of Criticism," his name could not be spared from the head of the faculty, for the prestige.

But two of the buildings "on the hill"—the "North" and the "South" colleges—were erected, and I had my room in the former, while the doctor's abode was in the latter, he being confined to his quarters, as was understood, by rheumatism. It is needless to remind the old-time occupants of these classic halls that frequently after the mental toil of the day was over we would sit down to a refreshing game of whist in one of our rooms before committing our thoughts to Morpheus—though contrary to known college rules and discipline. One evening at a late hour, in my room, several of us Theta Deltas were thus captivated, and such the all-absorbing nature of the game that we neglected the usual care of bolting the door after one of our innocent spectators had gone out; yet we had no apprehensions whatever of danger from the quarter whence it came. Transgressors are apt to neglect to look in the right direction at the right time. But just as a couple of our quartette were made happy by the bountiful "raking in," we were startled by an uncommon and halting step, and, turning round, there we beheld Dr. Nott, not quite like Banquo's ghost in illusion, but in actual real life, making an almost midnight tour of the old "North College"—and forgetting the etiquette of knocking at the partly open portal.

It is needless to say we were all dumbfounded. We knew our visitor perfectly, yet we were ever afterward doubtful whether he knew his guests, and though he took some memoranda of rather ambiguous rooms, it was the last we ever heard of it. But that game was not finished that night! We flattered ourselves "the old Doctor" discovered, on reference, that the boys he had found so openly and flagrantly refractory had not a reputation for being behind in their lessons, and so on thought he considered it was only "semi-occasional" and concluded to let it pass with the simple scare. But "rheumatism" was set down by that little company as a most treacherous complaint, from the inroads of which we were not always shielded."

It is quite evident that literary pursuits were more congenial to Bro. Beach than business, as may be judged from the following extract taken from a letter written to Dr. Gilbert in 1871:

"To the soul which has once tasted the fruits of higher life than the mere struggle for earthly subsistence, or the chasing of that phantom called wealth, there comes at times a sad and inexpressible regret that the bright visions of our youth have come to so serious a waking and

that after all we find ourselves struggling shoulder to shoulder with the masses for those worldly fruits which crumble to ashes when brought within our grasp. How pleasant, then, in this uncertain and unsatisfying struggle is the reflection that we have been instrumental in planting or sustaining some institution which shall live beyond the brief allotment of our mortal life and bless whoever may come within the pale of its influence."

Whether the latter part of the sentiment refers to generality I cannot say, but it seems to have the marks of Theta Delta Chi stamped upon every word, for the fraternity has lived and proven a great blessing and source of much happiness to hundreds of prominent men whose names are emblazoned high up on the pedestal of fame. The lasting qualities of the college boy's love for his fraternity are beautifully expressed in a letter written by Bro. Beach under date Iowa City, September 26, 1869, to Bro. Andrew H. Green of Syracuse, from which I am permitted to quote :

"I was gratified to receive your letter of inquiry and to note your undying interest in your old class and society mate, even though it contained no news of your own history, which I could read with avidity. If I had not been so woefully silent I would like to assure you this interest is not one-sided. But duties as well as friends thicken as we go on in life, and amid the crowd and pressure we but hastily glance back at the halcyon schoolboy days of other years, give old friends the sacred but unperceived recognition of memory and good wishes, and turn again into the currents of surrounding, unrelenting duties. In such a way I assure you I have often thought of you."

The photograph from which the frontispiece is taken, which we present to our readers in this issue, was taken in 1876, when Bro. Beach was in better health than at present, and is a faithful picture of him as he appeared then. The badge worn by Bro. Beach, and one of the original seven which were first swung to the light of day and announced to Union College and the world that a new race had sprung into being, carefully preserved during all these years, is at present in the writer's hands, entrusted to his care 'till it shall be disposed of according to Bro. Beach's direction. The original Constitution, which was prepared by a committee consisting of Hyslop, Green and Beach, is in the handwriting of Bro. Beach, and to him is due the honor of being the author of the

motto which is the corner stone of our temple of friendship. That Bro. Beach has retained his love and interest very keenly all these years is seen in his letter of regret to the graduate banquet, printed in the report on another page, and also in the following, written after receiving a late copy of the SHIELD :

"I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of copies of "THE SHIELD" sent, but more especially to learn thereby that our cherished society journal is in the land of the living, with marked improvement and auspicious prospects of success under its present able management. May "THE SHIELD" ever defend and be upheld."

I can find no better sentiment with which to close this disjointed sketch than the words of Bro. Beach's letter to me when sending his badge under date January 22, 1890 :

"To-day I send you by express, at your request, my original badge, though I do not imagine it is very different from the one now in use in the fraternity. It is over forty years ago, when I was a mere boy, so to speak, that I first had the honor and pleasure, with my other six brothers, to bring it to the light of day, and add its bright, effulgent stars to a galaxy already large and grand, and established by prestige in our Alma Mater. It was no trifling enterprise for our little band at such a time, and our hearts naturally thrilled, not only with joy, but anxious solicitude, to usher into being a new College Fraternity, however generous and brotherly our foundation principles; however graceful and attractive the insignia of our membership. I am thankful beyond expression that it was no failure, that the tender plant then placed has grown to such majestic and comely proportions, and that it bids fair, even beyond our most sanguine expectations, to expand and increase in magnitude, beauty and influence. As I look back to those days of happiness and hope, I am only saddened to think but two out of that happy and enthusiastic band of seven are now left to witness and enjoy the consummation already attained."

The following letter, received from our worthy brother, Dr. F. E. Martindale—*Union*, class of 1850—so thoroughly expresses the true nature of Bro. Beach, that it should be made a part of this record. While it is a personal expression, I assume the liberty of giving it entire :

PORT RICHMOND, N. Y., March 7, 1889.

CLAY W. HOLMES :

DEAR SIR AND BRO. :—Yours of the 6th inst., with inclosed proof sheet of history of Bro. Abel Beach, is at hand. That document apparently covers the ground fully and is to me an exceedingly interesting record of one of the prominent founders of $\Theta \Delta X$. The fact therein specially

referred to, as to the short period of time actually spent by him within the College precincts, will readily account for the comparatively slight acquaintance had with him by under classmen of his own society. I recall having met him occasionally after my entrance into the Society in '48, but no such intimacy was possible between us as was notably the case in respect of Green, Hyslop and Akin. Bro. Beach, as I remember him, was essentially of quiet, retiring habits, a close student, manifesting but slight interest in our Society matters, but the deepest possible in his books. I can hardly imagine him to have been enthusiastic about anything except it was Greek or Latin; and yet, behind his quiet manner and recluse habits I am inclined to the opinion that there did exist a feeling of pride in his having been identified with the foundation of the then infant Greek letter society; yet with him, as with others not actively engaged in the work of construction, I question if the idea was ever entertained of its possible growth beyond the limited circle within which it had its origin.

My impression of Abel Beach from my standpoint of to-day, looking back through the vista of forty-one years that have elapsed since we last met, is that he was born for the profession of letters he has so greatly honored and for which he seemed, by the bent of both mind and inclination, particularly adapted. He is undoubtedly a man of great learning and literary ability, and, as one of the Immortal Six, must ever hold a prominent place in any record of the origin and growth of $\Theta \Delta X$.

The purpose you have in view of collating the records of our living founders, from their own lips or pens, will undoubtedly meet with the approval of the Brotherhood all over the country.

A few more years having elapsed they too will have been "gathered unto their Fathers," and the time must surely come when such records will prove of priceless value as memorials of the founders of a society that has expanded beyond all conception of its organizers and has acquired a reputation, and to-day occupies a position second to none of its College compeers throughout the length and breadth of the land.

F. E. MARTINDALE.

The Significance of the Insignificant.

Though now with little thought I plant
The Acorn insignificant,
In coming years it will invoke
The stately, all-enduring Oak.

And who e'er pulls a paltry weed,
Whoever plants a garden seed,
Has done a deed of lasting worth,
And made to man a better earth.

—ABEL BEACH.

**WINSOR BROWN FRENCH.**

Winsor Brown French was born in Proctorsville, Vt. When four years of age his parents moved to Wilton, N. Y. He received a common school education while at home. He then began, by earnest study, to fit himself for college. He entered Tuft's College in 1855. He depended largely upon his own efforts for the means to pursue his college course. He taught school and worked during vacations on his father's farm. He graduated in 1859. Immediately after graduating he went to Saratoga Springs and began to study law in the office of Pond & Lester. He was admitted to the bar in 1861.

At the breaking out of the war, he raised Company D of the 77th New York Regiment, known as the "Bemes Heights Battalion," and was chosen its Captain. At the request of Colonel McKean he declined the captiancy and was at once mustered in as Adjutant of the regiment, which position he held through the Peninsular campaign, until after the seven days' fight before Richmond. For gallantry on the field, by recommendation of his superior officers he was pro-

moted to Major, and very soon again to Lieutenant-Colonel, and to Colonel in 1863. He was detailed on recruiting duty, and returned to Saratoga to secure more men. His efforts were successful, and the citizens of Saratoga will always remember the famous meeting, which was held in the Pavilion grounds into midnight, before the day of the draft. He rejoined his regiment in October, 1863, and commanded it, with the exception of one short furlough, until the battle of Cedar Creek, in November, 1864, when the brigade commander being killed early in the action, Colonel French succeeded to the command, and then "won his spurs." He was soon commissioned Brigadier-General of United States Volunteers, "for gallant and meritorious service in the field during the war." While yet in command of his regiment, at the battle of Fredericksburg he, with his regiment, was the first to gain the heights and recapture the Washington field battery, captured by the Confederates at Bull Run.

He came home with his regiment and was mustered out December 13, 1864. There are many incidents in the army life of Bro. French which would be of deep interest to all Theta Delts, and we had hoped to be able to give them in connection with this sketch, but Bro. French is a busy man, and withal very modest. He promised to write out his war record, but pressing business has prevented. We hope to give it in a future number.

After the war he resumed the practice of law, forming a co-partnership with Hon. Alembert Pond, with whom he had studied. This partnership existed till 1888, since which time Bro. French has continued practice alone. In 1868 he was elected District Attorney of Saratoga County and served one term. He has been a member of the Grand Army of the Republic since its organization, and is at present Commander of his Post. He has always been a prominent Republican, and, being an orator of acknowledged ability, has done the party good service as a campaign speaker.

He is one of the founders of the Saratoga Athenæum and its present Secretary. He is Vice-President of the United

States Mutual Accident Association of New York city and one of its counsel. In his social life Bro. French has an equal prominence. He is a philanthropic supporter of the interests of unfortunate veterans and their families, and is much loved by the poor. Bro. French has been twice married and is the father of four children, three of whom are now living. His home is his paradise. He is a genial, companionable man, in good health and spirits. He is fond of sports and social enjoyments, and keeps up with the clubs and society gatherings of the community.

He has not forgotten his college enthusiasm and the love for Theta Delta Chi. While in college he was a leader in fraternity affairs. He went to Providence to assist in the memorable initiation of the Hon. John M. Hay, at which ceremony Brothers Burdge, Stone and Simonds were also present. In the midst of business Bro. French does not forget Theta Delta Chi. He retains a deep attachment for those who were his cotemporaries—and, if we may judge from his letters, the vestal fires are still burning brightly in his heart. Any Theta Delta who visits Saratoga will be well repaid by looking up Bro. French. He is one of the stars in our bright constellation, whose refulgence will brighten the pathway of any brother upon whom it may chance to shine.

THE NEW YORK GRADUATE ASSOCIATION.

The annual reunion and dinner of the New York graduates took place at "the Hotel Brunswick," in New York city, on the evening of February 14th. A short business session was called at 7 p. m. The executive committee tendered their report, and the President, Hon. Willis S. Paine, was unanimously re-elected as also were all the other officers—see published list. No other business appearing, the banquet hall was

thrown open and the brothers at once proceeded to locate themselves and prepare for the business of the evening. Seated in the chair of state was President Paine, supported on the right by the Hon. Daniel N. Lockwood, Moses Lyman and A. L. Bartlett; on the left by W. S. Kimball, the Hon. Samuel D. Morris and the Rev. Albert C. Bunn. At the other end of the table were Albert G. Hetherington of Philadelphia, the toastmaster of the evening, and an aggregation of the old Phi charge, thirteen strong.

The menu was faithfully discussed, and the dinner was well served and promptly dispatched. Everybody seemed to be as hungry as the scribe. At the conclusion of the courses President Paine opened the "post prandial feast" in a few well-selected remarks on the general weal of the fraternity. Among other things, he alluded to the dispute existing among fraternity publications in regard to the right of priority claimed by the "SHIELD" to its title, and produced what is supposed to be the only copy of the original SHIELD published in July, 1869. No one present had seen it, therefore it was a veritable curiosity. It was kindly loaned to the editor for the benefit of the readers of the SHIELD.

The toastmaster of the evening was then introduced—our "Curley," as we knew him in his college days, changed only in the presence of the tell-tale gray, which is gradually whitening the handsome jet-black curls, but with the same sparkling eye and jolly wit of yore—and opened fire with a few facetious remarks and called upon the speakers. No subjects were assigned, but each followed the bent of his own inclination.

Daniel N. Lockwood, a member of the old Alpha—the mother of us all—with "The Love of Theta Delta Chi" as his theme, paid an eloquent tribute to the fraternity. He told how he loved her during his college days, and said he was still prouder of his beloved fraternity than of any other thing in his life. It is not to be wondered at that Bro. Lockwood's career in law and politics has been so successful. The eloquence which pervaded his speech gave evidence of his power and ability to sway any audience.

The President then read the following letter of regret :

SENATE CHAMBER,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 7, 1890. }

MY DEAR BRO. PAINE :

I am under many obligations for your invitation to attend the annual banquet of the New York Graduate Association. It would give me great pleasure to meet your Association, for I cherish a most sincere friendship for all the members of our fraternity, but it will not be possible for me to be in New York on the 14th, and I must deprive myself of this pleasure. I thank you for the cordial urgency you add to the tempting invitation.

Sincerely yours,

NATHAN F. DIXON.

The President proposed the health of the Hon. Nathan F. Dixon, the first Theta Delt honored with a seat in the United States Senate. All arose, and his health was drank with a cheer.

Rev. Albert C. Bunn said this was the first time he had met the brothers, in a body, in many years. It seemed like old times and awakened his old love for the fraternity. He expressed a firm intention to be present at the next banquet.

Hon. Samuel D. Morris, the oldest member present, said his memory reverted to the time when Andrew Jackson was elected President. Although old in years, he was not old in feeling and still glad to welcome Theta Delts. The trouble with business men in this age is that they do not stop long enough in this hurrying career to renew their social joys. It would give them renewed strength for the duties they are called upon to perform. It always gives me pleasure to be present at such gatherings as this. I recollect away back, forty years ago, when these pleasant associations were formed, and have had many regrets that I have not more faithfully kept up the early and loved associations. If I had, I could have known more of those whom I loved when in college. There is only one now living whom I knew, and, although he lives in this city, I have not seen him in thirty-eight years. I hoped to see him here to-night. Young men, I was a Theta Delt long before you were born. I give you a word of advice: when you start out in life, make your mark high and let your watchword be friendship. I regret the many years I have thrown away in

politics. Men say I have had a successful political career. No. It has been a miserable failure. I gave up friends and the social joys of life. The less you have to do with politics, except as a good citizen, the better you are off. I am glad to be here with you and feel as young as any of you while I am here. I am glad to see the spirit of friendship. It makes one feel good to be with his brothers. I shall be more social in the future than I have been heretofore.

William S. Kimball said he never made a speech in his life. He was present at the graduate dinner two years ago, the only one he had ever attended before. He testified to his love for the fraternity, and said he would be glad to assist in the re-establishment of the Chi.

The President proposed the health of Bro. Kimball, who, although not always present, never failed to give substantial evidence of his remembrance of Theta Delta Chi at every banquet. His health was both smoked and drank.

J. H. Bradbury, the only survivor of the three actors who belong to the fraternity, gave evidence of his abilities in the remarks he made concerning Florida and "Bill Teadworth," and the Theta Delt flag in the sand.

Clay W. Holmes spoke in reference to "THE SHIELD," and gave a history of its publication and his experiences. Much interest was manifested, and substantial encouragement received, for which the thanks of the editor are gratefully tendered.

Bro. Kimball moved that every member present subscribe for the SHIELD, which was unanimously carried.

A. L. Bartlett, President of the Grand Lodge, spoke on the Fraternity. He said it meant perhaps love. It has a wide significance. When it saves a man from a Spanish prison, when it rescues a man from an ignominious death, it shows us that there is something in it deeper than the mere expression. When we contemplate the history of Theta Delta Chi we get some idea of what "fraternity" means.

James Cruikshank spoke briefly but eloquently of his love for Theta Delta Chi.

Edmund W. Powers said: No occasion but a reunion of Theta Delta Chi would have brought me out. I re-echo the eloquent sentiments of the other brothers. The object of this fraternity is the love which exists between us. The intellectual training is not the only thing in a college course. The development of the social is what makes a man a good citizen and a good husband.

I. P. Pardee spoke of the many reunions he had attended, and the renewal of the old college life in meeting so many brothers from the Phi. Over one-third of the brothers present to-night are members of the Phi. I knew and loved them when in college, and to meet them here is a source of great pleasure to me. I have always been proud of the Phi. I am glad to know that the old Phi charge is doing such a good work in making the "SHIELD" the pride of the fraternity and the peer of any fraternity magazine published in the land. The Theta Delta Chi fraternity was the first to publish a purely fraternity publication, and to-night I can say she now publishes the best one. You all know that Clay Holmes is doing a grand work. The Phi is proud of it, and we have to-night given substantial evidence of our faith in him and our desire to support him in every way possible.

Moses Lyman said: I am glad to be with you. It is a pleasure, and I hope to repeat it. The stately Hudson is the pride of New York. The whole United States is proud of her Mississippi. The Nile is the pride of Egypt. The Amazon is the glory of South America, The Thames is the delight of England. In the midst of the ocean I look for the waters of each—and the ocean answers: "I know them not. They are mingled together." So it is with us. We know no Alpha, no Delta, no Zeta. We all meet together and know no charge. We see only the friendship which exists in all alike and mingles here to-night, illustrating the divinity which exists therein. I hope to be with you another year.

Regrets were received from many of the brothers, and the following were read:

FEBRUARY 14, 1890.

MY DEAR DOUGLASS :

I find, at the last moment, my flesh *can't* participate in our annual feast this evening; but my spirit will be at the board in full proportions.

Yours in truth, A. W. NICOLL.

IOWA CITY, Iowa, January 22, 1890.

DEAR BROTHERS :

I am in receipt of your kind invitation to be present at the "New York Graduate Banquet," on the 14th prox., and would only be too happy to do so, but other duties and engagements will prevent. I wish you a very happy reunion of heart and hand, a social good time to be remembered, and a lever power in all our fraternity conventions exerted that will lift to still more glorious heights our grand old "Theta Delta Chi."

Speaking with seeming counsel—as a "Father in Israel"—allow me to add the following sentiment :

Consider not only the present, with its many allurements and cares,
Whether born for a prince or a peasant, eternal your interests stand;
Have a care for the plant that repays you in the golden fruit that it bears,
And the pæans of ages will praise you for labors so loving, so grand.

Here's to the "SHIELD": Long may it prosper, protect and prevail!

Fraternally yours, ABEL BEACH.

The Toastmaster then proposed the customary reverential toast to the Omega charge, which was drank in silence, and the pleasant reunion was over.

The following list comprises those who were present and registered: Samuel D. Morris, *A*, '48; James Cruikshank, *A*, '51; Moses Lyman, *Z*, '58; W. S. Kimball, *A*, '58; D. N. Lockwood, *A*, '65; Albert C. Bunn, *Ξ*, '67; Willis S. Paine, *A*, '68; Clay W. Holmes, *Φ*, '69; A. G. Hetherington, *Γ*, '71; Jac. B. Juvenal and Benjamin Douglass, Jr., *Φ*, '71; I. P. Pardee, *Φ*, '74; Barton Pardee and Charles B. Adamson, *Φ*, '77; Charles D. Marvin and Alexander Elliott, Jr., *Φ*, '78; E. A. Scribner, *H*, '79; J. H. Bradbury, *K*, '79; John Markle, *Φ*, '80; Edmund W. Powers, *K*, '81; C. W. Davenport, *Φ*, '81; A. Markle, *Φ*, '82; Robert J. Mahon *I*^a, '83; A. L. Bartlett, *A*, '84; Charles P. Stevens, *K*, '84; Elias A. de Lima, *B*, '86; G. R. Tuska, *II*^a, '88; E. C. Ehlers, *II*^a, '92; F. H. Patterson, *I*^a, '90; Richard D. Pope, *II*^a, '92.

BOND OF THE THETA DELT.

Let us cherish for each other, as true brother should for brothers,
Heartfelt friendship, never failing through the ages of eternity,
And our SHIELD will amply cover all devoted friends or lovers,
Who with happy hearts are sailing in the ship of our Fraternity.

—ABEL BEACH.

TEMPUS FUGIT.

While with spring time you are playing, it is never once delaying,—
While soft summer winds you're greeting, golden clouds are ever fleeing,—
While rich harvest days are staying, scere leaves falling are betraying
That o'erhead, beyond entreating, winter winds will soon be meeting.

—ABEL BEACH.

CENTRAL NEW YORK ASSOCIATION.

The ninth annual re-union of the Central Association took place at the Globe Hotel, in Syracuse, on the evening of February 21st. The meeting was called to order at 9 p. m. In the absence of the President, Dr. D. Pardee, Vice-President Andrew H. Green, of Syracuse, presided. The following brothers were present: A. H. Green, *A*, '47; Clay W Holmes, *Φ*, '69; Jacob Spahn, *X*, '70; A. G. Benedict, *Ψ*, '72; I. N. Gere, *Ψ*, '84; J. D. Cary, *Ψ*, '84; W. R. Sherrerd, *Δ*, '86; Wm. E. Carr and Chas. C. Hoff, *Ξ*, '90; W. R. Webster, *B*, '90; R. B. Perrine, *Ψ*, '90; W. E. Hills, *Ξ*, '91; M. N. McLaren, Jr., and E. C. Haggett, *B*, '91; J. C. Hallock, *Δ*, '91; D. C. Lee, *Ψ*, '91; W. I. Vose and T. B. Van Dorn, *B*, '92; H. E. Wilford, N. P. Willis, Chas T. Ives and H. W. Maur, *Ψ*, '92; Frank L. Counard, *B*, '93. After the regular routine business was completed, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Andrew H. Green, Syracuse; Vice-Presidents, Clay W. Holmes, Elmira; Rev. Lewis Halsey, Farmer Village; Jacob Spahn, Rochester; L. W. Petrie, Syracuse; Morris Sherrerd, Troy; F. W. Thompson, Syracuse; Secretary and Treasurer, M. N. McLaren, Ithaca. The date of the next banquet was fixed upon as the Friday nearest Washington's Birthday. No other business appearing, the brothers

adjourned to the banquet hall. After the dinner had been served and consumed, the toast-master of the evening, Brother J. D. Cary, introduced the orator of the evening, Brother Jacob Spahn, who immediately electrified his audience by stating that "the toast-master did not span the Area when he asked me to Spahn the floor." The full text of his oration will be found on another page of this number. After this feast of reason, the toast-master settled down to business and ground out the grist—the only objection which could possibly be raised would be that he talked more than any of the speakers and took the wind out of everybody's sails before he would give the floor.

The effect was so marked that one of the boys had a dream after he got home,—with haste he traced his vision, and the result of his midnight labor is reproduced for the



benefit of those who were similarly affected. It is an accurate reproduction, especially the ears. Everyone who was there will recognize it except the original of the

picture. It is a question as to whether we sympathize most with the subject or the artist. One would think from an examination that the toast would scratch his neck going down. Perhaps it did. In the brief respites, while the jolly toast-master was recuperating for an onslaught on the next victim, the following brothers made brief remarks on the subjects assigned: Prof. A. G. Benedict, "Our Fraternity, Our Fine Chapter House, and Our Loyal Sisters." Fraternity is a very beautiful decoration of college life. It gives us what nothing else will. To say I have enjoyed my connection with this fraternity is putting it feebly.

The Delta Charge..... Morris H. Sherrerd.

The Beta Charge..... W. R. Webster.

- The Xi Charge C. C. Hoff.
 The SHIELD..... Clay W. Holmes.
 The Grand Lodge..... J. C. Hallock.
 Mixed Drinks..... M. N. McLaren, Jr.
 The Ladies J. H. Pardee.
 The Omega Charge..... In silence, and standing.

The wee small hour of three having arrived, the banquet was broken up. Those who should have attended this banquet but failed to put in an appearance, have no conception of the enjoyable season which they missed. To the older graduates such occasions are invaluable. They renew one's age and freshen his memory. The iron-clad habits of business gain so cruel a hold upon some men that it is very hard to shake it off. If you would only try it once the charm would entice you every time. Don't let another banquet go by. Attend it and show your love for Theta Delta Chi and she will return it a thousand-fold. The ninth annual banquet was a perfect success in everything except numbers, and those who were there received a full measure of enjoyment.

AN ORATION

DELIVERED AT

The Central New York Association Banquet

BY

COLONEL JACOB SPAHN.

In March, 1879, a book was put into the market by a journalist named Henry George, which created quite a sensation among social reformers. Its chief feature stood out as the advocacy of a new theory of political administration. The central factor of this theory rested in the proposition that all taxation should be imposed upon and derived from land alone, and that the last should be national domain to the exclusion of private ownership therein, and private title thereto. The land was then to be leased out by the government for every manner of social or industrial purpose at fair and commensurate rentals, and these rentals were to constitute the national revenue from internal sources for the public use as well as for the administration of local and general public affairs. The new scheme contemplated a state of things in which private ownership of land should wholly cease, and rentals, in place of depending

upon an accord between a personal landlord and a lessee, should be fixed by the government alone. Mr. George entitled his book *PROGRESS AND POVERTY*. It has made a fortune for him which he may since have invested in remunerative real estate, for he has almost entirely subsided as an oracle and an authority in matters of political economy. There was little which the book contributed to the questions he discussed that could strictly be called new; nor was his discussion of these questions quite as clear and logical as he sought to make it radical and revolutionary. Still the ambition of the effort was very lofty while, from the nature of things, the theme itself, race amelioration, is always timely. Mr. George set forth boldly to abolish poverty; and as he viewed in poverty the source of all crime, his mission became the eradication of that evil among human kind, while broadening the scope of and the opportunities for general happiness. This looked exceedingly philanthropic and spurred scholars on to investigate his reasoning. There were innumerable reviews and criticisms of it, good, bad and indifferent, which led to invitations and banquets of the author in various quarters of the globe. Such are now no longer tendered the missionary of "Single tax reform," and they doubtless remain to him only as a flattering reminiscence of the time once when he was a noted, a feted and an almost great man. But all the interesting business ended rather in the defeat of the book and its doctrines, than in their wide propagation and general adoption. To-day these doctrines do not own the weight which they seemed to have while their vehicle, Mr. George and his book, were fresh to the public. Other teachers have come, and other books have been written having the amelioration of man and the improvement of society in view, so the little tome on *PROGRESS AND POVERTY* is giving way to other thought rapidly and becoming one of the curiosities of the literature of tentative political economy. Latterly a novellette by a Bostonian, Edward J. Bellamy, entitled *LOOKING BACKWARD*, has crowded Mr. George's book almost entirely out of the field. The author of this novelette is an imaginative lawyer. Despite its unpretentious form and title, the contribution that its tenets furnish to the ever swelling literature of social reform, is very considerable, and these tenets are as striking as the contribution itself is original. Mr. Bellamy's plan is simple. He is essentially a communist. Observing, as any thoughtful person may readily do without great mental exertion, that the incentive to nearly all selfish human endeavor in civilized communities, which operates most potently, is the acquisition of personal wealth, or more specifically stated, the acquisition of hard cash, Mr. Bellamy proposes another form of economic abolition altogether different from the one proposed by his predecessor for social reform and advocates therefore the eradication of money out of the social economy. The Bellamy proposition is not thus stated with the most scientific nicety of precision, yet this unassuming wording of it here is intended in all good faith to carry the

sense and scope of it home to the man of average education and understanding. Mr. Bellamy has found, as every intelligent man who looks about him must find, that a great deal of the crime and wrong perpetrated in the world, that the nigh constant lapses from virtue, male and female, in all quarters where money constitutes an invincible social force and is able to purchase everything reasonably worth wishing for, come from or are due to the plain, practical fact that a person without money is of very little account, though nature may have endowed this person with the combined virtues sanctioned by all the religious creeds of civilized man. If, then, money be legislated into nonentity by taking from it all value—by abolishing it as a universal means of exchange—by emasculating its wonderful faculty of accomplishing all manner of bad as well as difficult things for its possessor—by placing it where it has not even the buying power of confederate scrip—where, moreover, it is confiscated and destroyed at once as soon as any of it is discovered, and where the ownership of it in any quantity is as idle as the title to a ton of salt water a thousand fathoms under mid-ocean, while all property, real and personal, becomes a common fund in which the rights of each person are equal, according to an established standard of merit (or desert), lives will no longer be staked nor taken for money, reputations will not be made nor blasted, honors will not come nor go, toil will not be wasted nor devoted, wrong will neither be wrought nor crime contrived and committed, solely for money. From this felicitous condition will result a conservation of humane energy for virtue untainted with avarice and uninspired by greed. The awful dread of the distress and privations of poverty will in the same instant be removed with their ungenerous influences upon human action. And this, in brief, is the ingenious Bostonian's scheme.

Mr. Bellamy has struck the nerve of much that pains and entails misery to man. The potency of money (a wholly artificial quality) is the practical cause productive and provocative of nearly all the misery and crime in the world which have not their origin in heredity, and even the worst share of the same thus originated. To annihilate money as a factor in human affairs takes away the evident occasion of almost unlimited mischief, outrage, cruelty, oppression, selfishness, and other most humiliatingly human manifestations of inhumanity. If the better trend of the world figures in the adoption and execution of the peculiar line of conduct which the doctrine of altruism involves (a truth that ought to be self-evident), then the annihilation of money and the reorganization of society into a commune of coequal proprietors sharing all property and enjoying all rights therein and thereto, in the manner Bellamy would fix, will certainly reduce to the vanishing point the almost earth-wide scope of one of the great passions of mankind, money-getting, with all its unfortunate, degrading, dangerous and damnable incidents.

But while crime and vice will undoubtedly cease to obtain recruits from

that particular and peculiar quarter, the other conditions whence they are recruited still remain favorable and abide. The fact is too plain and true, alas, that the artificial potency possessed by money is not the cause-total of all social evil and human sin, nor of vice nor of crime in man. What disposition shall be made of the various malevolent passions of the human heart which do not concern money nor its fluctuations in the financial market, and are neither affected nor influenced by matters of purely material prosperity?

Othello did not smother Desdemona for money, though he willingly enough slaughtered for sordid hire and risked his life lavishly in behalf of the republic of Venice and its honors to him. The sorrowing Werther, whose misery and troubles are sincere and poignant as any misery and troubles ever were (his right name out of the domain of fiction having been Jerusalem), will not be made way with when money is summarily legislated out of existence; and the debatable alternative before his melancholy mind will still be murder of himself or of his rival in the affections of Charlotte. With or without money, rejuvenated Faust will do wrong and bring sin, dishonor, disgrace, death and the punishment of eternal hell-fire to beautiful but confiding Marguerite, as well as assassinate her brother Valentine. And, indeed, what good or service to even Mephistopheles would money be? The pitiful tragedies in Romeo and Juliet annually find their romantic counterparts in every clime, endlessly repeating themselves with no very material alterations, whatever be the material prosperity of the two love-stricken young people who perennially figure in them. Lucrece, virtuous and by that very token most radiantly seductive to the lecherous Tarquin, will meet and be overwhelmed with shame be the coin current of the land Roman talents or buzzard dollars. The mandate of vile Appius Claudius, which drove a father's knife into Virginia's innocent heart, went forth and would have gone forth, with money playing no part whatever among the motives of any of the actors in this o'er true and most harrowing Roman melo-drama, nor influencing in the slightest its sinuous movement from act to act. Infatuated Antony will become doubly traitor again and brand himself, though brave and wise as he had been so often before, both fool and coward at Acteum for wanton Cleopatra, notwithstanding spouse Octavia, faithful and loving at loyal Rome, sacrifices her money and supplicates her household gods without stint in his drunken, unworthy and ungrateful behalf. Money and money-getting do not figure here as the spur of unusual human action any more than either figured at Austerlitz with Napoleon or marked the sweeping motive for the Russian invasion and the campaign of Moscow with all their tragedies and blood-curdling horrors. To the profounder psychologist it is a serious question, indeed, whether tired Jay Gould's industry and application are inspired at all any more by the desire to add another dollar to his already immense and more than useless fortune. Thus are enumerated, by way

of illustration, a diverse series of forces, each of which wrought a malevolent effect upon the humanity cotemporaneous with it, as far and as deep as it was able to reach.

The gravest portion of the human problem still vainly pleads for solution, and it becomes quite clear from the foregoing illustrations that the salvation of the race is neither realized through the abolition of private titles to land nor the extinction of money as an operating entity in the great social and economic world, be the promises of Messrs. George and Bellamy respectively in the premises ever so solemn and their reasoning ever so conclusive on the surface. But, brethren, we may still be thankful to these two writers. They have shed some light in very dark places, and such illumination as it furnished is not the less valuable because it prove of no more candle-power than that of a few tallow dips. The stride of the time is upward toward that solution of the social problem which began in the profoundly charitable teachings of the carpenter's child and culminated with the sacrifice on Calvary Hill. You will not even find an Ingersoll to flout at these, whatever he may have to offer in ridicule of the Mosaic revelation. If I, a very humble mouth-piece in matters of such momentous concern, have any commendations to formulate, they are, as they must be in the premises, wholly congratulatory to the American people. And I am proud to be one of this great people. We are in the van of humanity. But the farthest place in the pitiable foreground reached by even us has brought little succor to the common lot. The position of man, the condition of society, are still woefully below the place and plane where, in this advanced century, the progress of human thought has a right to look for it and demand that it be located. Human justice and charity are essential myths; and the idols of the masses—particularly the political idols—are still incarnated charlatans. Reform is the constant cry, revolution the constant ambition. When the cry for reform ceases to be cant, and the outcome of revolution ceases to be the prologue for a system worse than the evils which the revolution was inaugurated to annihilate, then may we look aloof for better things with a stout heart and unalloyed confidence in the future. Society has been often convulsed, and often bespattered with the blood of innocents in the annals of time, and yet the race, considering the centuries upon centuries which have passed since it first came to till the soil and rear Parthenons and dream to make a slave of the treacherous lightning, our day does not and cannot yet figure as the time

"When the war drum throbbed no longer, and the battle flags were furled,
In the parliament of man and Federation of the world."

It is, as has just been said, the sad experience of the most acute and far-seeing humanitarians to learn that much of the cry among men for reform is cant—the hollow bruit of partisan opposition greedy for power, or the stubborn insistence of sophistical doctrinarism clamoring for prose-lytes. Men do not take kindly to true reform, or Socrates would not

have been doomed by a jury of his foolish fellow-citizens to cut his wise days short, and point pathetically the moral of one of the most interesting tales of human stupidity in classic history; nor would Huss have expired in agony, a useless sacrifice, upon the stake, and the Roman Catholic Church now flourish the wide world over a stupendous power for obstruction, notwithstanding Luther; nor would the broad-rayed Protestantism which the great German flashed out upon the religious night of his time, have been diverted from its quickening path to expend its best potency, scattered and shattered into a hundred contentious, denominational sects, each succeeding one more readily than its predecessor, splitting hairs to foment exegetical discord that can end and must end only in the disintegration of all true religion, and in the vindication of sour pessimism, coupled with the success of cold agnosticism.

And before man can expect his material prosperity to change, he must undergo a subjective moral and psychological change so sweepingly fundamental as to alter entirely his essential inner nature. This neither George nor Bellamy takes into account. This, moreover, the writer dwells upon with sorrow more profound than he can muster language to depict.

Henry George has lived in the city of New York just long enough to see the paralyzing effect of constantly advancing rental values upon human energy. He has noted what is patent to all clear-seeing eyes, that under such a system of things as prevails in New York city the common man must toil principally for a more fortunate fellow, his landlord, and the latter has but to sit in comfort twirling his lazy thumbs as rental values spin up to higher figures (the "unearned increment") and enrich him more and more. Hence Mr. George's panacea for all human evils, to wit: the abolition of private titles to and the nationalization of land. Mr. Bellamy, on the other hand, is a Bostonian. He has seen the political administration of his state but too often within the past decade, reduced to a thing wholly mercenary, and the political administration of the towns and cities of that state to a thing which money could buy and did buy shamelessly. So in his turn he cries aloud for the abolition of an evil (not essentially an evil, either, yet the source of untold evil), to wit: money. Of the two Bellamy is nearest the particular failing which menaces our country. He has observed truly that the morality of the republic is being sapped by the free use of money everywhere and for every political purpose. Were the heroes who sacrificed their lives at Bunker Hill, Valley Forge, Camden and Yorktown to rise up in a new life from the battle fields where their bones are interred, and, looking around them, to see the moral misshape which things have taken in the land they fought to liberate—to see that even so insignificant a matter as an election to a ward office is no longer possible without the free use of money, and that the sure guaranty of a seat in so august an assemblage as the United States Senate hangs upon a

price, so that this parliamentary body, is become only a club for millionaires—they would hie themselves back again to their graves, caring only to leave over the soil which encases their heroic bones a malediction upon the weak posterity that succeeded them and spoiled wholly the great boon to humanity for which they fought, bled and died. Spoiled, did I say?—nay, the heroes were cheated, because this treacherous and pusillanimous posterity has permitted money to play the controlling part in American politics, when the great scheme of the founders might have been realized fully in that broad wisdom and enlightened benevolence which the good men intended.

Brethren, I give way to no man for love of this land nor patriotic loyalty to its purpose and traditions, born foreigner though I am; but within the forty-two states now constituting the union, I have yet to find a single community in which money will not obtain an office for any average man right speedily, be he with merit or no merit for the same. Indeed, it would seem, from a mere cursory glance over the personality constituting the minor public service of our state and national governments, that high moral worth is as little essential for an election or an appointment to office as lofty intellectual qualifications. Any New York state legislature, these last twenty years, will afford innumerable instances most drastically in point. And the legislatures of the rest of the states have, herein, never been better than that of the Empire state. When finally the law-making power of our American cities is scrutinized, it analyzes into elements mainly rank, rotten and utterly unavailable for any useful, wholesome or progressive purpose. If there be a fellow-citizen more fortunate of observation than I in this peculiarly significant and yet discouraging respect, he is most welcome with his experience. For the luck of the last I will fall upon his neck and send high my gratitude to that just God whom all the hopeful rely upon for the rectification of wrong, the vindication of right, and the utter discomfiture of sham, humbug, inefficiency and dishonesty.

I say finally that while the debt we owe to the revolutionary founders was one sheer incapable of any repayment at all by us, the average mind has not troubled itself much with the recognition of that solemn fact, and the proud trust to which we succeeded as the heirs of George Washington has been abused by ambition, plundered by plotters, prostituted by the two great political parties to innumerable base uses, and finally, at least once, been placed by treason and treachery upon the brink of everlasting destruction.

On this particular anniversary occasion, the eve of the birthday of a man who proved good and pure as he towered high over his contemporaries—a man to whose exalted prowess in war this fortunate Republic mainly owes its existence—these words are passing meet, addressed as they be to a coming generation of voters. Upon you college young men, more than upon any other class of young men, shall rest the re-

sponsibility of effecting a re-generation of things social, political and moral in this misgoverned land. Before you now are opportunities for patriotism scarcely less great than those that fell to the glorious lot of the founders. What will you accomplish with them, for the good of the future—what shall be your contribution here toward the elevation of the race? Aye, what record, what glorious example shall you leave as a lesson to the millions that will follow when you and your generation have turned to dust?

THETA DELTA CHI.

The Old Theta Delta Chi,
With its banner floating high,
Is our motto and our song
Which again our strains prolong.

Archly our bright SHIELD betrays
In the "Theta" (Θ) endless days,
Though outsiders first cry, "O!"
And at length, "I told you so!"

With its equal triune arms,
In the center "Delta" (Δ) charms,
By the side of treasured store,
Like the Pharaoh's Nile of yore.

While importing sentiment high,
With *esprit* we mention "Chi" (X);
And for friends it may perplex
Know 'tis excellent; not X.

In the azure space above
Beam the beauteous Stars of love;
And their rich, resplendent light
Can but guide our steps aright.

On wings through ethereal space,
With the speeded Arrow's grace,
To friends distant, far and near,
Are borne greetings and good cheer.

Like the old time valiant knight,
Wearing royal armor bright,
We our Shields now bear in front,
As in college days was wont.

February 14th, 1880.

—ABEL BRACH.





EDWARD LEICESTER PLUNKETT.

EDWARD LEICESTER BROWN

A Memoir by Mrs. E. L. Brown

Edward Leicester Brown, Pittsfield, Mass., was born in 1837. He obtained his education in the common schools of his native town, and attended in the picture-gallery of the same town a class among the Rocks, in the study of natural history in his father's home. The father, a devoted man, took a prominent part in the education of the students and in the class-room of the picture-gallery.

In the fall of 1857, he entered Harvard University, his love for mathematics leading him to choose the course of a mathematician, and while in that college that he found his beloved mathematics which he received so much comfort and pleasure in studying. He now felt, hitherto peaceful, that he was going to study. A serious disease attacked his eyes, and he was obliged to discontinue his course of study, and on the sad Christmas day of 1857 his vision was wholly obstructed and he had looked upon those beloved mathematical things of nature for the last time. It was a terrible thing, in the first flush of manhood, at twenty-seven years of age, to become totally blind. Still he did not give up hope, and he went at once to New York and there placed himself under the care of two eminent oculists, but in spite of every effort his eyes were that could not be restored. He did not, however, in the fall of the summer returned to Pittsfield still hoping again for a cure. The knowledge that this condition must be permanent did not come to him in one dark, or a weighing cloud. Little by little it stole over him and at last he realized with all the agonies of despair that he was indeed forever blind. It took weeks, months, and even years for one who has been so suddenly stricken to cure for himself, to learn to walk, first, of old-fashioned cane, to have a place for everything and everything in its place, to learn the delicate sense of touch by which the eyes so keenly made up for their departed sense. He learned to save himself and to accomplish his to let pain fully inde-



THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

EDWARD LEICESTER PLUNKETT.

A Memoir by M. S. Bradley.

Edward Leicester Plunkett was born in Pittsfield, Mass., July 6th, 1856. He obtained his early education at Greylock Institute, located in the picturesque village of South Williamstown, Mass., among the Berkshire hills and only about ten miles distant from his home. There his ability and brightness enabled him to take a prominent place, both in popularity among the students and in the class-room itself.

In the fall of 1877 he entered Lafayette College, at Easton, Pa. His love for mathematics and his own native ingenuity led him to choose the course of a mechanical engineer. It was while in that college that he joined his beloved fraternity from which he received so much comfort and pleasure in later years.

But now his hitherto peaceful sky became overcast with clouds. A serious disease attacked his eyes. Its severity was so great that he was obliged to discontinue his course in college and on the sad Christmas day of 1877 his vision became wholly extinct and he had looked upon those he loved; on the beautiful things of nature for the last time. It was a terrible thing, in the first flush of manhood, at twenty-one years of age, to become totally blind. Still he did not give up hope. He came at once to New York and there placed himself under the care of two eminent oculists, but in spite of every effort his lost eyesight could not be restored. He did not, however, realize it, and in the summer returned to Pittsfield still hoping against hope. The knowledge that this condition must be permanent did not come to him in one dark, overwhelming cloud. Little by little it stole over him and at last he realized with all the bitterness of despair that he was blind—forever blind. It takes weeks, months, and even years for one who has been so suddenly afflicted to care for himself, to learn to walk, first of all with a cane, to have a place for everything and everything in its place, to learn the delicate sense of touch by which the blind so nearly make up for their departed sense. He learned to shave himself and to accomplish his toilet perfectly inde-

pendently. His mother, dear, devoted aid to her afflicted son, read to him daily and he was wont to amuse himself by whitling various quaint and ingenious articles out of wood. So he passed the year of 1879. Early in 1880 Mr. May, a New York lawyer, called upon him and happened to mention, incidentally, that he had attended the commencement exercises of a medical college very recently where a blind man had graduated among the first members of his class. This statement created great interest in Brother Plunkett's mind. A short time afterwards his sister was returning from New York when she accidentally met this blind man en route to Lennox. Edward and his mother hearing of the fact determined to visit this talented blind physician, and did so. Hearing such an encouraging view of the matter, he determined after much thought and consultation, to make the attempt to do likewise. With this purpose in view they went to New York and attended lectures for about six weeks, until he assured himself that he was fitted to comprehend the lectures and to engage in so difficult a study as medicine; then they returned home.

The next year the task was commenced in real earnest, and so continued for four years, always having someone to read to him and to study with him summers. In dissecting, some one of his many student friends made the dissections while he felt them out, and no abnormality, however slight, escaped his tender and observant touch. In 1885, after four years of painfully diligent labor, he reached the goal and received his reward. He was an M. D.

After graduation his own love for teaching and the enormous fund of information which he possessed, not as is too often the case, stowed away in books on the library shelf, but at his tongue's end, led him to become an instructor; and no one was better suited for the task, as results showed, for among all his students none ever failed to pass a creditable examination.

As a Theta Delt, he was strong, loyal and sincere, and while he was able to attend but few meetings, it was one of his greatest delights to hear the accounts of the secret doings at the meetings from a brother's lips. As his mother so aptly ex-

presses it, "The thought of brotherhood, of fraternity is always sweet, but is most precious to the person who finds himself dependent; thus it was with my son." His mother was his mainstay, his eyes by which all his learning came, the comfort and solace of his dark hours, the companion of his bright ones. The poem dedicated to her by Mr. Bartlett, of Concord, Mass., is indeed a beautiful one. It is as follows :

" May he who made the *blind* to see,
Comfort, and bless and strengthen thee.
And with his never-failing love
Uplift tear-blinded eyes above
To scenes which blessed the close shut eyes,
Opened in blessed Paradise.

" Your love to clouded eyes gave light,
Endowed a helpless soul with might,
So that it rose a giant power
Worthy his manhood's early flower,
And his short life in splendor shone
Both with his genius and your own."

After an illness of short duration, so short that few of his friends were informed of it, he died at 2:30 a. m., January 10th, of pneumonia. Just before his death he reached out his hand trembling and cold, and said: "I want someone to give me the grip of Theta Delta Chi." And then he lay back in his bed and commenced singing one of the fraternity songs with such a sweetness, such a pathos that it brought fresh tears to the already moist eyes in the room.

In his funeral sermon the Rev. Robert Collyer said: "Stricken in early life by the terrible calamity of losing his eyesight, lamed and crippled as he was, he was content with nothing short of the best attainable. A man endowed with rare mental gifts, with a persistency and determination indomitable, he gained the love and reverence of his students and of all who knew him."

As he lay in his coffin, surrounded by flowers, his face wore a calm and peaceful look. His lips were parted as if about to speak. His massive brow, speaking much of the intellect it had concealed, was cold and white as chiseled marble; while on his breast, like a sunbeam, shone forth the shield of the black, white and blue. Faithful in life and faithful in death.

Thus passed away a great and noble man. An immeasurable loss to his family, to his fraternity and to all the world. His bearers were Theta Deltas, and as we bore him out of the door an echo of the scripture seemed to rise before us, "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away: blessed be the name of the Lord."

THE DELTA CHARGE.

BY J. C. HALLOCK.

The writer would beg the leniency of his readers for the inaccuracies or omissions that may occur in this sketch, hoping some allowance will be made for the very imperfect condition in which he found the charge records at the beginning of his work. When Delta died, in 1870, all her records were apparently destroyed, leaving new Delta to begin life with nothing more known of her past history than the stories and traditions told by graduates during their occasional visits. But little was done during the earlier years of new Delta's existence to put the records in any systematic shape, and considerable time and labor have been spent in the past two years gathering what little information we now possess.

It was in the early part of 1853 Delta was first established, at the R. P. I., through the efforts of W. P. Merriam, a brother who was too well known to the fraternity to need any introduction. The initiation took place in the old Mansion House, here in Troy, the entire Alpha charge being present and the charter members of Theta Delta Chi at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute were Antonio DeLacerda, Augusto De Lacerda, W. P. Oppenheimer, George A. Mason and Chas. B. Richards, the last named being the only one now living according to all obtainable information. Within a few days after the establishment, Geo. B. Hunt and J. P. Beach were initiated, and others soon followed. The words of F. C. Draper best describe Delta's early struggle: "I entered the R. P. I. in September, 1853, and was during that term initiated into the mysteries, etc. I remember that Geo. B. Hunt, G. B. Hill and E. D.

Barton were amongst the members at that date and these members were augmented shortly, by myself, McDonald, Harleston, Prioleau, John Clark, Murney, Clark Fisher, Coit, Tilgham, James Smith, *cum multis alies ques prescribere longum est.* We were under a cloud as a body and forbidden to hold meetings by our professors, with old Ben. Franklin Greene at their head, who, with divers assistants, various other deep shades of Greene, thought hardly of our gatherings and strove to squelch us out. We continued, however, in our nefarious practices and secret gatherings and wore our badges under the flaps of our waistcoats while in the lecture rooms; which act of temerity would, had it been discovered, have been to us a source of Green and yellow melancholy, for I have no doubt the faculty would have voted for our expulsion. But it was not to be and the Delta continued to flourish, extending her branches like the banyan tree, far and wide." The places of meeting continually changed from some of the members' rooms to rooms rented in various public buildings. Old Delta contained many well known men, none of whom were better known to the fraternity than J. J. Henry, the Union soldier found dead on the battle-field, his hand locked with that of a Confederate in the firm grasp of Theta Delta Chi. His badge; which was in the possession of W. H. Scranton at the time of the latter's death, was quite a curiosity, far different from any other ever seen by the writer. But little more is known of old Delta. Her life ended in 1870, the wherefor, many reasons being given, but the one most generally accepted is this: Up to that time she had ranked first among the fraternities at the R. P. I., and being unable to secure freshmen, who, to the minds of members present, would sustain her past rank, they relinquished the charter rather than take second place. According to statements given the writer, the charge records, constitution and charter were burned by several of the brothers in an open fireplace at the old Astor House in New York, soon after the death of the charge. This completes the history of old Delta as known by the charge now existing, and to obtain much further information is almost impossible owing to the death of most of the older members.

Delta sprang into new life November 2d, 1883, under the following circumstances. J. F. Echeverria, of the class of '84, at the R. P. I., was in 1882 initiated by the Pi Deuteron charge and during the Christmas vacation of the same year, M. R. Sherrerd, '86, was initiated by the Phi. Soon after, M. F. Aguayo, '84, and W. C. Hawley, '86, were initiated by the Rho Deuteron charge. In the fall of 1883, two freshmen, H. Rosenreter and J. C. Schreiber were pledged, and November 2d, they were initiated in the law office of F. E. Wadhams, in Albany. Thus, after a lapse of thirteen years, Delta was re-established at the "Troy Polytechnic." N. L. F. Bachman was at that time President of the Grand Lodge and he, with a delegation from Psi, performed the initiation ceremony. For a while meetings were held in the office of E. L. Peltier, K, and in the fall of 1884 they moved into rooms in a public building. From there, in March, 1887, they moved into more convenient and commodious quarters where we are now situated, content in the knowledge our rooms are second to none in the city.

A Theta Delt's Trip to California.

A recent journey to California gave me the opportunity of renewing acquaintance with a number of brothers whose names are not unfamiliar to the readers of the SHIELD. It was a source of regret that I was not able to spend more time in fraternal converse.

My first call was on that enthusiastic brother, Henry G. Merriam, of Waverly, Brown, '58; my second, on Clay W. Holmes, the zealous editor of the SHIELD and business manager of the *Daily Advertiser*, in his well-appointed and handsome new building in Elmira.

On the afternoon when I passed through Buffalo, the eloquent D. N. Lockwood, Union, '65, was summing up in the celebrated Faulkner case, in which Brother W. B. Hoyt, of Cornell, also won many laurels.

Kansas City is the headquarters of a glorious company of Theta Delts, among whom I recall Albert Bushnell, Ψ, '71; Cameron Mann, Ξ, '70; Henry French, Ψ, '72; H. H. Getman, Ψ, '79; Charles Palmer, Ψ; Randolph Seymour, Ψ; Don Mann, Ξ, and Paul C. Phillips, of Amherst. Brother Bushnell, a prominent lumber merchant, is organist in the First Baptist Church and a composer of music. He has written the music for a new Theta Delta Chi song which is to be published soon in sheet form.

and which will take a high rank, if not a leading position, among similar musical compositions. He is also a leading member of the New York Club. Some time ago Mr. and Mrs. Bushnell gave a most enjoyable reception to the Kansas City Theta Deltis.

The Rev. Cameron Mann, D. D., who a few years ago declined a call to the chaplaincy of his alma mater, and who took so prominent a part in the late general convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, is the popular rector of the leading Episcopal organization in the city. His people have already laid the foundation for what will be one of the largest and most beautiful churches in the city. Randolph Seymour is in one of the city banks. Brothers French, Getman and Palmer have already won a reputation at the bar. Don Mann is on the editorial corps of one of the daily newspapers. Brother Phillips is director of the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium.

While traveling through New Mexico and Arizona, I formed a pleasant acquaintance with a fellow passenger, Mr. Morris, who was on his way to look at some property he had recently purchased in Arizona. This gentleman is a son of the late Hon. Thomas Morris, the United States Senator from Illinois, who secured for Ulysses S. Grant his appointment to West Point, and who is mentioned in Grant's autobiography. Ever after Gen. Grant and Senator Morris were warm personal friends.

Mr. Morris spoke of his brother, who went from Illinois to Texas, where he became a prominent and universally popular citizen, and was elected mayor in a city which had declared for prohibition. A saloon keeper, enraged at the action of the temperance men, came up behind Mayor Morris, shot him dead and then fled to escape lynching. "I think," said Mr. Morris, "that my brother wore a badge like yours and was a member of the Theta Delta Chi." I had an indistinct recollection of having seen the name in our catalogue, but could not be certain until I reached home, when I found the name Edgar R. Morris, Brown, '59. He was a cotemporary in the old Zeta of John Hay, William L. Stone, McWalter B. Noyes, H. G. Merriam, Moses Lyman, and Hon. H. G. Spooner. I have written his brother for further particulars of his history which I hope to give to the SHIELD.

At Los Angeles, holding the responsible position of Clerk of the Court of Los Angeles County, I found that zealous and well-known member of our fraternity, C. A. Luckenbach.

A pleasant drive over well built roads, bordered by oranges, lemons, palms, ferns and fragrant pepper trees, brings me to Pasadena, queen among the young cities of Southern California, where I find a cherished friend, James McLachlan, Ψ, '78, formerly School Commissioner of Tompkins County, and later a popular young lawyer of Ithaca. He belongs to a family of Theta Deltis, including Rev. John McLachlan, of Buffalo, and Prof. Arch McLachlan, of Seneca Falls, each member distinguished in his profession. I expected to call on Brother McLachlan,

then to return home with the relative who accompanied me, but Brother McLachlan is irresistible as an advocate, and I found it impossible to decline his cordial invitation to spend the night in pleasant Pasadena and his more than pleasant home. Here, with music and reminiscences, the hours passed too quickly. Next morning Brother McLachlan accompanied me to Los Angeles, where he had business at Court, and at the depot introduced me to a son of the noted John Brown of Harper's Ferry fame.

At San Diego I spent a pleasant evening with another old Ithaca friend, Hon. Walter G. Smith, Cornell, late of the New York Legislature, now editor and co-proprietor of the San Diego *Daily Sun*. Mr. Smith wields as trenchant a pen as ever, and makes his mark wherever he goes. He is recognized as one of the ablest editorial writers on the Pacific coast. Clarence L. Barbour, Ψ, '76, is practicing law successfully in San Diego.

I had not left the train at Fresno for fifteen minutes before I began to make inquiries as to the whereabouts of "Fate" Bachman, the popular ex-President of the Grand Lodge, whose letter in the last SHIELD gave pleasure to all your readers. I learned that his ranch was situated several miles out of town, and made arrangements to go to see him, but was obliged to change my plans and to leave Fresno sooner than I had intended, so could not visit our brother at "Rancho de Clapboard."

I had written him, however, on my arrival, and he called just in time to give me the longed for visit. Brother Bachman is the same whole-souled, warm-hearted friend whom we knew in the days of yore. He asked me to say to brother Thetes, in the east, that his latch-string hangs out, and that any brother who wilfully fails to visit him may expect to meet a different fate by being summoned at once to join the Omega charge.

I hoped to call on Bishop Wingfield at Benicia, but learned that he also was in New York City, attending the session of the Episcopal General Convention.

LEWIS HALSEY.

Farmer Village, N. Y., Jan. 19th, '89.

PAN HELLENISM.

The fraternity press—or at least that portion which is in favor of the project—seems anxious to hear from the SHIELD, on the subject of Pan Hellenic consolidation. By gratifying this curiosity at the earliest moment, their minds will be eased and no further trouble need be looked for, as we can bury it so deep in this one article that no space will be needed in the next number for an obituary. This subject received some attention in the April SHIELD of 1884, and the writer conclu-

sively proved that Theta Delta Chi had no use for it. The strangest phase of this subject is that only those fraternities which are prominent in numerical strength seem to be agitating it. Beta Theta Pi, and Alpha Tau Omega seem to take the lead. The last number of the Alpha Tau Omega *Palm* devotes considerable space to the subject, giving a form for Pan Hellenic Constitution. It publishes letters from fifteen charges on the subject, eight being in favor and seven opposed. We note the language of one writer, which is brief and decidedly expressive: "Our chapter does not approve of consolidation with any other fraternity. *Let every tub stand on its own bottom.*" It is difficult to imagine what suggested the idea to the original projector. He could not have realized what a mixed up mess he was making for clearer heads to analyze. What conceivable good could possibly result from such a move? Is it contemplated in the organization of any fraternity that they shall call upon any other fraternity or clique of fraternities to correct, or modify their constitution or customs, or even make suggestions in regard to any subject pertaining to them or their welfare? Nearly, if not all the questions agitated seem to be such as should be settled by each fraternity for itself, according to its peculiar needs. The cardinal principles of any fraternity should be—secrecy and friendship such as is only begotten by intimate association. Such a thing is possible with the few, but the moment a large body of men are united, the tender band of love is broken, and you have association without feeling. What would be thought of the man who should advocate the propriety of consolidating all religious denominations under one great sect? He would be frowned down at once as worse than a heretic. It is as feasible a project, however, as Pan Hellenism and would be accomplished more easily. All religious denominations have a common purpose, and are not in any way antagonistic in their workings. All fraternities have a common reason for existence, but from the very moment of their organization their attitude must of a necessity be repellent and consolidation, for even one common purpose, would be a death-blow to the prime factors in their existence.

The Phi Gamma Delta *Quarterly* for November, contains in its "Convention Pot-pourri" such a spicy and unanswerable argument against Pan Hellenism that we beg the privilege of reproducing in part:

"The main questions are what is meant by Pan Hellenism? How far is inter-fraternal and con-fraternalism feasible? And lastly *cui bono?*"

In the first place Pan Hellenism is a fraternal relation between the lion and the lamb. The lion and the lamb shall lie down together. And the problem is—if the Pan Hellenic amity is to be made permanent as *Pan Hellenic Amity*, and not as a robbing match—how to so average it that the lamb will not find himself inside the lion. To put the point in other words—this being the age of combinations of capital. Pan Hellenism is a kind of a Greek trust. That brethren shall dwell together in unity will be admitted to have its attractive features, but it is not generally assumed to be part of the plan that the Greek letters with which some of the brethren are labelled shall vanish like the Digamma and be forever lost. You, brothers, will no doubt comprehend that my definition of Pan Hellenism is to be gathered from what I have left unsaid. How far is it possible? The lion will, no doubt, in time lose his appetite for lamb, even though properly roasted and seasoned with mint. Until he has made this compromise with his digestion, the relations between the parties will be more or less strained."

No argument is more emphatic than that by exclusion, and it would hardly seem necessary to follow up the subject further. The only "Pan Hellenism" which will ever be reached, is the interchange of courtesy between the editors of the Greek press. This we believe possible, and indeed, it already exists, with only now and then a snap and snarl. In days past the managers of the SHIELD did not approve of exchanging with other fraternity journals at all, holding that the SHIELD was intended exclusively for the members of the Theta Delta Chi. Even so. The SHIELD of the present is for Theta Delt, but nothing is or will be published therein which will

unfold the unwritten secrets of the fraternity, to the gaze of the outside world, therefore the present management can see no chance for harm to ensue if an exchange list is maintained. Some good may result thereby. We, therefore, greet the editorial Greeks, and appreciate the courtesies they extend us. It will do each of us good to examine the work of the others, and see wherein they excel us. It will also lessen the tendency which exists in each of us to say we have the best and only magazine. Further than this Theta Delta Chi has no conceivable use for Pan Hellenism. She is no infant. What she lacks in members she more than makes up in loyalty, and while she has no desire to see the downfall of any other Greek society, she aims to plant her pennant on the highest peak, and her motto will never be effaced from the galaxy of shining stars till the pyramids of Egypt shall crumble—in the deepest recesses of the largest of which can be found firmly imbedded for all time, the cabalistic signs of our order.

THE SHIELD.

As there has for some years existed a difference of opinion in regard to the establishment of the SHIELD, we give the following facts, partly historical, and to answer inquiries which are being frequently received concerning back volumes: The convention of 1868 directed the publication of a fraternity periodical to be known as the SHIELD, to be edited and published by the Grand Lodge, composed of P. C. Gilbert, W. C. Strawbridge and Jac. B. Juvenal. The subscription price was \$1.00 per year, and no advertisements were inserted. The first number which appeared in July, 1869, was devoted entirely to fraternity topics. It was supposed that no copies were in existence, but by the merest accident a copy of this number was discovered among the old archives of Bro. Willis S. Paine, in a recent overhauling of his effects, and to him we are indebted for the loan of the valuable document. The first page of this historic *Shield* is reproduced in this number of the SHIELD as perfectly as possible. The yellowness of age and

the poor quality of paper prevent a perfect representation. Such as it is, however, it establishes the fact of our priority as regards the issuance of a fraternity publication, and also our clear right and title to the use of our name, the SHIELD. Our friends of Phi Kappa Psi should note this fact, and would be entirely excusable if they should courteously change the name of their journal. Such a procedure would save some confusion. As sufficient subscriptions were not received to justify the continuance of the SHIELD, it was merged into the *College Review*, and published for two years by Bros. P. C. Gilbert and Wm. L. Stone, beginning September 1, 1869, and ending July, 1871.

Edwin A. Start, of Boston, revived the SHIELD and issued it as Vol. 1, No. 1, under date January, 1884, although previously in 1869 it had been published by the authority of the convention. Volumes 1 and 2 were published each four numbers. No. 4 of Vol. II being dated January, 1886, and then suspended. No numbers of either volume are now in print, as far as known.

Sept. 11, 1886, Bro. N. A. Shaw published No. 1, of Vol. III, this being the only number of this volume printed and none are in print.

February 1, 1888, F. L. Jones having been appointed editor by the convention of 1887, resumed publication as No. 1 of Vol. IV. Three numbers of this volume were issued by him in New York city, but the question of finances, the great stumbling block on all previous occasions, again came near being the ruin of our journal, when the present publisher assumed the business management of the publication—Bro. Jones still editing. At the last convention the SHIELD was donated for a term of five years, "for better or worse," to its present editor and publisher, and we leave it to speak for itself. It bids fair to have been born again—at least it will not be suspended for a period of years—unless its pages become so rank as to merit and receive the disapproval of Theta Deltas. If life is spared the SHIELD has at least a run of five years, if it receives the support of the fraternity, which it may now justly hope for. Upon the character of this support will depend the future size and interest of the SHIELD. Improvements will be made whenever possible, and continued if they are appreciated and rewarded by substantial support.

THE GRAND LODGE.

List of Members Since Organization, Compiled by
Frederic Carter, Secretary.

Convention of 1868.

John Adams Johnson, Ξ, '62.....President.
Clay W. Holmes, Φ, '69.....Secretary.
James H. Shankland, Ζ, '69.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1869.

Porteus C. Gilbert, Ξ, '62.....President.
William C. Strawbridge, Δ, '70.....Secretary.
Jacques B. Juvenal, Φ, '71.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1870.

Porteus C. Gilbert, Ξ, '62.....President.
Adelbert P. Little, Χ, '72.....Secretary.
John Church, Ψ, '72.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1871.

Porteus C. Gilbert, Ξ, '62.....President.
Edward B. Hamlin, Ζ, '72.....Secretary.
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Convention of 1872.

S. Douglass Cornell, Ξ, '60.....President.
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Convention of 1873.

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Convention of 1874.

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Convention of 1875.

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I. P. Pardee, Φ , '74.....President.

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No Convention held in 1876.

Convention of 1877.

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Convention of 1878.

Henderson H. Eddy, K, '76.....President.

Seward D. Allen, Ψ , '78.....Secretary.

Seward A. Simons, B, '79.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1879.

Charles C. Kneisly, Z, '73.....President.

Seward A. Simons, B, '79.....Secretary.

R. H. Eddy.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1880.

Charles C. Kneisley, Z, '73.....President.

R. H. Eddy.....Secretary.

Jesse F. Libby, H.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1881.

I. P. Pardee, Φ , '74.....President.

Jesse F. Libby.....Secretary.

Herbert F. Kincaid, O^a.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1882.

N. LaFayette Bachman, Ψ , '72.....President.

Herbert F. Kincaid, O^a.....Secretary.

George L. Taft, A, '84.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1883.

Seward A. Simons, B, '79.....President.

George L. Taft, A, '84.....Secretary.

George P. Lawyer, Ψ , '85.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1884.

Seward A. Simons, *B*.....President.
 George P. Lawyer, *Ψ*, '85.....Secretary.
 Carl A. Harstrom, *Ξ*.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1885.

John M. Curtis, *Σ*, '65.....President.
 Carl A. Harstrom, *Ξ*, '86.....Secretary.
 Isaac C. Blandy, *Δ*, '87.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1886.

John M. Curtis, *Σ*, '65.....President.
 Isaac C. Blandy, *Δ*, '87.....Secretary.
 Henry C. Hill, *H*, '88.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1887.

Rev. Calbraith B. Perry, *Z*, '67.....President.
 Resigned and succeeded by
 Arthur L. Bartlett, *A*, '84.....President.
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 M. A. Kilvert, *I*, '89.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1888.

Arthur L. Bartlett, *A*, '84.....President.
 A. L. Coville, *P*,^a '89.....Secretary.
 Frederic Carter, *E*,^a '90.....Treasurer.

Convention of 1889.

Arthur L. Bartlett, *A*, '84.....President.
 Frederic Carter, *E*,^a '90.....Secretary.
 James C. Hallock, *Δ*, '91.....Treasurer.

At the Twenty-first Annual Convention, held at the Astor House in New York, January 24th and 25th, 1868, the first Grand Lodge was elected. John A. Johnson was chosen President and he immediately resigned. His resignation was not accepted and he served through his term of office. The section of the Constitution creating the Grand Lodge was ratified and adopted at this Convention.

This list is a preliminary one. In some cases the class of the officer is not definitely known, and in one case there is doubt as to the rightful holder of office. If this list can be corrected and the history of each member and his address obtained, the whole can be made into an interesting article as often appears in the SHIELD. If any member of the Fraternity can give information of ANY degree of interest, will he forward it to the Secretary of the Grand Lodge and assist him in further preparation of this list. So far as known, this is the only existing. Authority for data—Books of Records.

Our Graduates.

NOTE.—This department we intend to make a special feature of THE SHIELD, and to insure its completeness we desire every graduate to aid us by contributing such items of information—no matter how trifling they may seem—about members of the fraternity, the current happenings with themselves or their families, or matters affecting their interests, as promptly as they occur or come to their ears. We would like to keep *au courant* with and pleasantly mention every graduate member and will be glad to do so if our wishes are fulfilled.—EDITOR.

Daniel Lockwood, Union '65, Buffalo, N. Y., was born in 1844, at Hamburgh, Erie county, N. Y. His early education was received in Buffalo, at the Central school. He entered Union College in 1861. During his college course he was a leader in the athletics. He was captain of the base ball nine during the entire four years. After graduating he studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1866. Soon after he formed a partnership under the firm name of Humphreys & Lockwood, which firm still exists. In 1874 he was elected district attorney of Erie county, and held the office one term. In 1876 he was elected a member of the forty-fifth Congress. From that date to the present time he has been a prominent and successful leader in the Democratic party of Western New York. His influence has extended far beyond, and, indeed, has been felt in the whole country. To him belongs the honor of having nominated Grover Cleveland for Mayor of Buffalo, then Governor of the State, and finally President of the United States. Whether the result of the last presidential election would have been different had Bro. Lockwood nominated Cleveland for his second term, we cannot say, but it was certain that when Lockwood was at the helm success was achieved. In 1887, Bro. Lockwood was appointed United States District Attorney for the Northern District of New York. He filled the office successfully, but felt it his duty to resign when the administration changed. He has been President of the Akron Cement Works for several years; is a director in two of Buffalo's best banks; and also interested in several other corporations. As a Theta Delt, Bro. Lockwood has always been a success. He is President of the Graduate Association of Western New York. He never fails to welcome a brother with the greatest cordiality, and whenever he lifts his voice to utter any sentiment in regard to Theta Delta Chi, it is always one of highest praise. Well may we cherish such men. Bro. Lockwood is one of the number who reflect credit and honor upon Theta Delta Chi.

Rev John McLachlan, Hamilton, '70, was born in Millhouse, Argyle-shire, Scotland, in the year 1843. His early education was acquired there. In 1855 his parents left their native land and finally settled in Groton,

N. Y. Young John entered school at once and prepared for college at the Groton Academy. In 1866 he entered Hamilton College, and was a member of the old Phoenix society, which will be remembered by the older members of the Psi. Several of the members of this society, including McLachlan and R. S. Green, organized a local fraternity which they called Alpha Phi. After an existence of a year it was decided that a *real* substantial college fraternity was what they wanted. After much looking around, Theta Delta Chi was chosen and an application made for a charter. In 1867 the Psi Charge was established, with Brother McLachlan as one of its charter members. After graduating he entered Auburn Theological Seminary, where he remained three years. After completing his course he took charge of the Presbyterian Church at Pleasantville. While here his career was marked with great success. During his pastorate he represented his district in the Inter-National Y. M. C. A. Convention, at Toronto. In the fall of 1879 he represented his Presbytery in the General Assembly. In 1882 he received a call from a church in Waterloo which he accepted, remaining two years. In 1884 he was called to the Central Presbyterian Church of Buffalo. Singular success has attended his pastorate in Buffalo. He represented the Buffalo churches in the General Assembly held at Omaha. Brother McLachlan is one of the numerous shining lights of Theta Delta Chi. Her roll includes many pastors and we are proud to be represented so well in this field. The brothers are cordially invited to visit his church, corner Pearl and Genesee streets, any Sabbath, when they will be well repaid for their trouble, in hearing a good practical sermon.

Thomas Guilford Smith, A. M., C. E., R. P. I., '61, resides in Buffalo, N. Y. He was born in Philadelphia, Aug. 27, 1839. He prepared for college at the Central High School in Philadelphia. Entered Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1858, graduating in 1861 as civil engineer. In August of same year he accepted a position in the engineer department of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad. He was promoted to resident engineer. He resigned in 1865, and was manager of the Philadelphia Sugar Refinery till 1869. In 1872 he took a trip to Europe. In 1873 he was appointed Secretary of the Union Iron Company of Buffalo, N. Y. In 1878 he became again connected with the Philadelphia and Reading as western sales agent for their coal. In 1883 he joined the firm of Albright & Smith, and took the western agency of Philadelphia and Reading coal. He is still so connected. Bro. Smith has occupied several positions of trust and influence in Buffalo. He was a member of the board of Civil Service Examiners for municipal appointments in the city of Buffalo, a member of the New York State Board of Civil Service Examiners, a curator of the Buffalo Fine Arts Academy, President of Charity Organization Society of Buffalo, President of graduate association of R. P. I., in 1888. He is a member of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, American So-

ciety of Civil Engineers, and American Institute of Mining Engineers. He has published several engineering reports. He married Miss Mary Stewart Ives, daughter of Chauncey P. Ives, Lansingburg, N. Y., in 1864, and has two sons. In Buffalo Bro. Smith is looked upon as one of her leading citizens. His name is being agitated in educational circles just now as a most fitting candidate for one of the vacancies in the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York. Buffalo has no representative upon the board, while other counties in the state have from one to three. Buffalo has a just claim to the appointment, owing to her large educational interests, and Bro. Smith is conceded on all sides to be a most worthy and acceptable candidate. The SHIELD hopes he may get there, and calls upon every Theta Delt in the State to exert his influence in favor of Bro. T. Guilford Smith.

Rev. R. S. Green, D. D., Hamilton, '67, assumed the pastorate of the Lafayette Street Presbyterian Church in Buffalo, October 19th, 1881, with a membership of three hundred and eleven. After a successful pastorate of more than eight years, with a membership of six hundred and twenty-two, he has, owing to the health of his wife, decided to accept a call to the Central Presbyterian Church of Orange. He closed his labors in Buffalo March 2d. *Our Church at Work* published in its March issue a full account of Dr. Green's farewell, and this recital proves conclusively that he was loved by his people and that they gave him up with deep regret. The Central Church, of Orange, have reason to rejoice in the providence which has led Dr. Green to become their pastor. Brother Benjamin Douglass is a member of this church, and reference to Dr. Green is made in a letter from him published in "Correspondence." Dr. Green was one of the charter members of the Psi Charge, and his name is the first on the roll. The Psi has many sons of whom she can justly be proud. None, however, have reflected greater renown than Bro. Green.

William B. Hoyt, Cornell, '81, was born in the village of East Aurora, N. Y. He entered Cornell University in the year 1877 and graduated in 1881. He was one of the first members elected to the Φ B K society at Cornell. The Cornell *Daily Sun*, at the time of its starting, the third college daily in the United States, was founded by Bro. Hoyt. He was also an editor of the *Cornell Era* and the *Cornell Review*. On graduating from college he commenced the study of law in Buffalo and was admitted to the bar in 1883. In December, 1887, he was appointed Assistant United States District Attorney for the Northern District of New York.

Seward A. Simons, Cornell, '79. The birth-place of Seward A. Simons was Union Springs, N. Y., where he was born November 14th, 1859. In 1863 he, with his father, moved to Buffalo and received his early education in the Central School. He graduated at the age of fifteen and entered Cornell in 1875, and was the youngest man in his class. During his

course he was elected editor of the *Era*, and on graduating in 1877, was elected to *Φ B K*. In 1883 he was elected President of the Grand Lodge, and in 1884 was re-elected to the same office. He was admitted to the bar in 1881 and in 1887 formed the partnership of White & Simons. In 1884 he was attorney for the charter revision, and in 1887 was elected President of the Republican League. He was also Vice-President, in 1887, of the National Convention of Republican Clubs.

Osgood Tilton Eastman, Amherst, '86, Kansas City, Mo., was born at Framingham, Mass. In college he was known as a whole-souled fellow and a Christian gentleman. He was greatly interested in athletics, played on the foot-ball team and was an officer of the Athletic Association. After graduation he went to Omaha, Neb., and became an employe of the Union Pacific Railway Company in its car service depot. When this department was abolished, he became clerk in the freight office. He applied himself faithfully to his duties, was trusted by his employers, and has now been rewarded by being sent to Kansas City, Mo., as head clerk in the general freight depot Union Pacific Railway. Quoting his own words: "They have sent me down here as 'chief clerk' to try me, and I'm going to try and make it go, and I guess I can. It is quite a lift for me, lots of hard work, responsibility, etc., but just what I want, one step in the right direction, and more to follow, if successful here." In Omaha Bro. Eastman was Superintendent of the Sunday School connected with the Second Congregational church, and was universally respected. His friends spoke very highly of his abilities and character. His life at Omaha is a good example of what an upright Christian young man can do in the west.

John C. Graves, Hamilton, '61, is the son of the Hon. Ezra Graves, for many years County Judge and Surrogate of Herkimer County, N. Y. He was born in Herkimer, Nov. 13th, 1839. He was educated at Fairfield Academy, entered Tufts College in 1858, and longing for a change, left there at the end of the Freshman year and entered Union. The commencement of the Junior year found him at Hamilton College, where he graduated in 1861. He was admitted to the bar in 1862 and returned to Herkimer, where he practiced with his father until 1867, when he moved to Buffalo. He practiced law here one year and then took up commercial business. For a number of years he was Clerk of the Superior Court of Buffalo. He is at present the President of the Frontier Elevator, and has been much interested in the revision of the charter of the city of Buffalo during the past year.

Theodore I. Heizmann, R. P. I., '59, of Reading, Pa., is enjoying a bit of national notoriety just now. About a year ago he produced a new American patriotic hymn entitled, "Hail to the Land of the Free and the Brave," which was given to the musical world. It has since been arranged for brass band instruments by the leader of the Washington

Marine Band. The words and music have just been put in print and it is suggested that the song be sung on Washington's Birthday. The hymn is printed on another page of the present number, and we suggest that the song book committee include Bro. Heizmann's beautiful hymn in the fraternity song book. The hymn is copyrighted, but justly it can be claimed and used by the fraternity. Bro. Heizmann has retired from active business. For a long time he was Chief Engineer, Maintenance of Way, Pennsylvania Railroad. This position he resigned in 1874, and since that time has spent much of his time travelling in Europe and Africa. At present his time is almost entirely devoted to painting and musical composition.

George Pomeroy, Union, '57, died in Omaha, Nebraska, January 1st, 1869. He entered the volunteer service as a private in the 1st Maine Regiment. He fought in twenty battles and was severely wounded at Antietam. He was promoted to lieutenant-colonel and was offered a colonel's commission, but declined it. He was then appointed paymaster in the volunteer service and afterward in the regular army. He was a son-in-law of the Hon. O. B. Matterson, M. C., who died at Utica, N. Y., Dec. 22d, 1889. I knew Pomeroy well, nay intimately. He was one of the old fashioned, genuine $\Theta \Delta X$'s, and a classmate of Bro. Jack Beach (a son of Hon. Augustus Beach, the distinguished lawyer who was one of the prosecuting attorneys in the great trial of the late Henry Ward Beecher). When I say he was a genuine Theta Delt, I can say no more in regard to his character. I loved him, as who would not who knew him?—WM. L. STONE.

Col. Wm. L. Stone, Brown, '57, Jersey City, N. J., has recently published a biographical sketch and memorial of the late Judge William J. Bacon, of Utica, N. Y., who was for many years on the Supreme Bench, and at one time one of the judges of the Court of Appeals of the State. The work is issued in the most artistic style, with a fine portrait. The Colonel has also made a valuable contribution to the history of the late war in a letter to be published in the April number of the *Century*, explaining the final disposition of the secret archives of the Confederacy upon the flight of the late Jefferson Davis, an explanation he received from the lips of our late Bro. Tench F. Tilghman, R. P. I., '55, to whose custody the papers were entrusted for secretion while accompanying the fugitive President in the latter's attempt to escape.

William H. Chace, Hobart, '84, is the eldest of three brothers, all of whom are Theta Delt. He spent his school days in the village of Mayville, N. Y., where he was born. He entered Hobart in 1880. While in college he was elected to $\Phi B K$. After graduating he spent three years studying medicine at the University of Buffalo and took his degree in 1887. He has been practicing in Mayville since that time. He expects soon, however, to make Buffalo his home.

F. T. Brown, Bowdoin, '85, principal of the High School at Hopkinton, Mass., has resigned that position for the purpose of taking a course in medicine. Bro. Brown was a member of the famous '85 Bowdoin crew which once held the inter-collegiate four-oared championship. Two other Theta Deltas were also on this crew.

Rev. Pierre Cushing, Hobart, '81, was brought up at Hammondsport, N. Y., entered Hobart College and graduated in 1881 as salutatorian of his class. He entered the Theological Seminary in the following year. He was made a deacon in the Episcopal Church in 1885, and ordained in 1886. He is now Rector of St. Mark's Church, at Leroy, N. Y.

Robert J. Mahon, Columbia, '83, is practicing law in New York (see professional card) and enjoying what he calls the "perfect happiness of life" in the companionship of a lovely wife and two bright and handsome children. One of them, Robert J., Jr., he promises to Theta Delta Chi. May his life be spared, and the fruition of his hopes be realized.

James Sheldon, Hobart, '77, the son of the Hon. James Sheldon, one of Buffalo's most respected citizens, was born in Buffalo, July 20th, 1856. He entered Hobart College in the class of 1877, but did not graduate. After leaving college he began the study of law with the firm of Morey & Baker, and was admitted to practice as a counsellor April 8th, 1881. He now resides upon a small stock farm at Big Tree, in the Town of Hamburg, Erie County, N. Y., and practices law at Buffalo, at the Law Exchange.

Frank S. Rice, LaFayette, '70, is engaged in the practice of law in Aspen, Col. He is the editor of "The Code of Procedure of Colorado," a comprehensive work of more than 800 pages, embodying the results of over 7,000 cases. This will be of interest to our legal brothers. Its title is "Rice's Annotated Code." Bro. Rice was one of the charter members of the Phi, and his love for Theta Delta Chi is best described in his own words: "I fancy that as we grow older our affections expand in every way, but to me there is a fascination and charm about my early Theta Delt memories that the disappointments of active life are powerless to subdue."

Carl A. Harstrom, Hobart, '86, Peekskill, N. Y., is principal of the Vieuland Preparatory School for Boys. The school is now completing its second year and is prospering finely. Anything would prosper under the management of such a whole-souled, energetic gentleman as Carl A. Harstrom. He is training his boys in the right way. He does not forget among other things the good old fraternity. Ten of his last year's pupils are now blooming Theta Deltas, and more are growing up to follow. Theta Deltas who have boys to fit for college, should show their love for the fraternity by sending them to Vieuland, where excellent moral training, freely tintured with Theta Delt trimmings will be dispensed to the queen's taste.

S. A. Watson, Hobart, '85, is principal of the Little Falls Academy, Little Falls, N. Y.

C. C. Gardner, Dartmouth, '87, is located at Sargent, Neb., and is cashier of the Custer County Bank.

Edward M. Wilkins, R. P. I., '89, is engineer of the Crozer Coal and Coke Company, at Elkhorn, West Virginia.

Frederick C. Edwards, Dickinson, '88, is filling a prominent position in the laboratory of G. G. Green, Woodbury, N. J.

Thomas Earle, R. P. I., '87, is in the engineering department of the Norfolk and Western Railroad. His address is Atlantic Hotel, Norfolk, Va.

Wm. C. Strawbridge, R. P. I., '70, Philadelphia, Pa.; owing to the demands of his private law practice, has tendered his resignation to the Attorney General, as counsel for the United States in the Bell Telephone patent case.

Wm. L. Stone, Jr., Columbia, '83, has left West Superior, Mich., and located permanently in Osborne, Kan., where he has formed a copartnership with Mr. J. K. Mitchell, who succeeds to the law practice of Walrond, Mitchell & Heren.

B. P. Lamberton, Dickinson, '61, Commander of the training ship, Jamestown, U. S. N., touched at Trinidad, January 2, St. Thomas, January 27, and arrived at Port Royal, S. C., February 15. His cruise will terminate at Hampton Roads about April 10.

Wilber H. Burnett, Dickinson, '66, lives in Felton, Del. He is one of the most active business men of his town. He has a large family in whose society he delights. He is the same jolly Theta Delt, full of jokes, and enjoys nothing more than to talk of the good old times in the past.

S. Saltonstall, Hobart, '92, is now attending the Harvard Law School. At the last Harvard field day he won the 100-yard dash, and was second in the 220. He will represent Harvard in the Mott-Haven games next May. He is also a competitor for a position on the Harvard Freshmen crew.

Abner W. C. Nowlin, William and Mary, '54, No. 4 I street, N. W., Washington, D. C., has recently accepted an appointment in the printing bureau of the treasury department. He was formerly editor-in-chief of the Richmond *Whig*. He is a warm friend and companion of Colonel Wm. Lamb, and a loyal, whole-souled Theta Delt.

J. H. Cunningham, Hamilton, is still located at Utica, and ably fills his position as editor-in-chief of the Utica Morning *Herald*. His heart still throbs loudly for the old fraternity, and the latch-string of his lovely home always hangs on the outside to a Theta Delt. If our good fortune ever lands us in Utica that latch-string will surely be pulled.

Jas. M. Shumacher, Tufts, '65, is President of the First National Bank of Jacksonville, Fla. He is a man of wide influence throughout the entire state, and has won an enviable reputation for business ability and integrity. He is as ardent a Theta Delt as one could wish to meet, and takes great delight in entertaining visiting brothers.

Hon. Alvaro F. Gibbons, Charleston, W. Va., has the sympathy of the entire fraternity in his great bereavement, occasioned by the death of his estimable wife, which occurred in February. Mrs. Gibbons was a kind, gifted, and lovely Christian woman. She had a large circle of loving friends who will miss her sadly. The light which has gone out in Bro. Gibbons' home, leaves a darkness which no earthly agency can eliminate.

C. A. Whittemore, Bowdoin, '76, is pleasantly located at Grand Rapids, Mich. He is chairman of the committee on geology, mineralogy and archæology in the Kent Scientific Institute. Bro. Whittemore was present at the organization of Gamma Deuteron Charge. It was the first time he had attended any reunion of the fraternity in thirteen years, but he gave convincing proof that his love for Theta Delta Chi had not waned. His enthusiasm was genuine, and when it was over he felt that he had a new lease of life.

William N. Northway, Union, '53, is City Engineer of Chicago. A year ago Bro. Hawley, Δ, '86, went to Bro. Northway's office on business, not knowing that he was a Θ Δ X. He stated his business to Mr. Northway and received a courteous reply. An assistant was called and Bro. Hawley went with him and got part of the information he desired. The office was warm and Bro. Hawley unbuttoned his coat, and in a few minutes returned to Mr. Northway's desk to ask for some more information. The latter looked up and without answering the question, remarked:

"Young man, where did you get that pin?" Bro. Hawley asked him if it was a familiar one to him.

"Well rather."

"Well, I got it at R. P. I., Troy, N. Y.," replied Bro. Hawley.

"Is that so? I helped put that charge there." Then they "shook," and dropping business, talked Θ Δ X for a while. Bro. Northway is an enthusiastic Θ Δ X. He is one of the committee engaged in getting up the Chicago Graduate Association. He was City Engineer under Mayor Roache's administration, and still holds the office under Mayor Creiger. He is a prominent member of the Western Society of Engineers, and is one of the most popular men in the present city government.

Edwin Henry Sibley, Cornell, '80, known by the Beta boys as "Hiram," is located at Franklin, Pa. He is evidently a busy man. His offices are numerous, still he fills them all with satisfaction. He is manager of the Prospect Hill stock farm, located at Franklin, where they raise blooded

trotting horses and fine Jersey cows, which bring fabulous prices. He is manager of the Charles Miller Pipe Line at Oil City, sixty miles long, for the transmission of oil; local treasurer of the Galena Oil Works and the Signal Oil Works; treasurer of the Anglo-American Oxide Company, which controls the Bradley patent process for making oxides of lead and zinc; secretary of the Pennsylvania Paint Company of Erie, Pa., who make railroad paints; secretary and treasurer of the Cincinnati and South Eastern Railroad Company. In spite of all these offices Bro. Sibley has some time to devote to other things. He took a very active part in the anti-liquor campaign in Pennsylvania, and had the satisfaction of seeing Venango county carry the point three to one. Bro. Sibley does not forget his fraternity. He writes: "I look back with great pleasure on my fraternity associations and am always glad to see the boys."

F. G. Patchin, Hamilton, '82, graduated from Albany Law School in 1883. After traveling through the west he brought up in Atlanta, Ga., and secured a position as assistant stenographer in the Superior Court, under Sam Small. Later he was manager of the advertising department of Julius Ellinger & Co., for three years. Has for several years done literary work for American and English magazines. He did work on the *Atlanta Constitution* under Grady, the brilliant Southern orator, while living in that city. On the first of July last he launched out in business for himself, and like a loyal Theta Delt he at once tenders his advertisement to the *SHIELD* without being asked. If all Theta Delt would do the same what a journal the *SHIELD* would become. Bro. Patchin was married in 1884, and has a youthful scion, who is being trained by a true-hearted, enthusiastic Theta Delt mother for future usefulness in the fraternity. When he gets ready to prepare for college, Carl Harstrom's Theta Delt School will be the proper place for him. The editor had the pleasure of a short visit with Bro. Patchin recently. By the way our latch-string always hangs on the outside, and a cordial invitation is extended to any Theta Delt to visit us.

Major Henry G. Thomas, Bowdoin, '58, Paymaster U. S. A., has been absent from duty on sick leave nearly six years. He recently applied for assignment to some light duty or to be retired, but instead his sick leave was extended another year. We regret the continuance of his ill health. His changeful military history is interesting: Appointed captain 5th Me. Vol. Inf., June, 1861; honorably mustered out 20th Aug., 1861; Capt. 11th Regt. Inf., 5th Aug., accepted 20th Aug., 1861; Col. 79th U. S. Col. Inf., 20th Mch., 1863; honorably mustered out 11th July, 1863; Col. U. S. Colored Vol. Inf., 16th Jany, 1874, Brigadier-General of Volunteers 30th Nov., accepted 9th Dec., 1864; Brevet Maj.-Gen. 13th Mch., 1865; honorably mustered out 15th Jany, 1866; Maj. 41st Regt. Inf., declined 28th July, 1886; transferred to 20th Inf., 22d Oct., 1867; transferred to Pay Dept., with rank of major; 23d July, 1878. His retirement, by operation

of law, will take place April 5th, 1901, unless ill health compels him to retire entirely from the service before that date.

R. W. Rogers, Union, '66, resides at No. 136 Gravier street, New Orleans, La. He is a successful contractor on public works of the city.

Rt. Rev. Calbraith B. Perry, Brown, '67, has recently been appointed warden of Hoffman Hall, Fiske University, Nashville, Tenn., where he may be addressed.

Thomas J. Rundle, Hobart, '60, who was retired from the New York Custom House by the late administration, is again in the same place. He was appointed U. S. storekeeper in January.

Willie M. Rexford, Union, '60, University Club, New York, is at present engaged in the construction of a branch line of the Wheeling & Lake Erie R. R., extending from Portland to Steubenville, Ohio.

Thomas E. Rogers, Dickinson, '66, Washington, D. C., is superintendent of the National Bank Redemption Agency in the U. S. Treasurer's office. He is always glad to welcome any Theta Delt who will visit him.

William M. Miller, of R. P. I., is one of the most prominent members of the Junior Law Class, in the University of Michigan. Bro. Miller takes an active interest in young Gamma Deuteron and was a prominent factor in its organization.

Elbert S. Carman, Brown, '58, has sold the *Rural New Yorker* to other parties. He will still be editor-in-chief of the paper, and the release from business care will give him greater opportunities to exercise his editorial abilities. **Frank L. Jones**, former editor of the SHIELD, is connected with the paper.

Stephen Wood Linington, Columbia, '89, has accepted a splendid position in the office of the District Attorney of Queen's County, at Jamaica, Long Island. Bro. Linington distinguished himself while in college, and is now actively engaged in the preparation of a condensed law manual, to lighten the labors of subsequent classes of benighted law students.

Dr. Benj. R. Davidson, Dickinson, '68, is located in Davidsonville, Md., actively engaged in the practice of medicine. He was present at the Convention of Physicians held in Baltimore, Jan. 2d, to frame a law regulating the practice of medicine in the state. The Doctor is still the same jolly, popular Theta Delt, and always gives a hearty welcome to his brothers.

Edward J. McCrossin, Columbia, '89, has been seriously ill with a complication of brain fever and pneumonia. He was stricken shortly after successfully coping with a series of peculiarly difficult examinations. He was confined to his room for a month, being delirious or unconscious for ten days or more. He is now, despite a subsequent relapse, on the high road to recovery. Bro. McCrossin will go south for his health as soon as his condition will permit.

Lieut.-Col. William Smith, Univ. Vermont, '54, Deputy Paymaster-General U. S. A., Department of Dakota, has been on leave since Jan. 19. He has spent a portion of his time visiting his old home in Vermont; we have heard of him as being in New York and Washington. Just as we go to press we find in the *Mail and Express*, under date March 12th, the following:

"In selecting a Paymaster-General of the army, which resulted yesterday in the nomination of Lieut.-Col. William Smith Deputy Paymaster for the Department of the Dakotas, President Harrison first considered the rank of the applicants, then the character of the men constituting the class from which the selection was to be made. He began the consideration with the man at the head of the list, the ranking Deputy Paymaster, and going down the list met the name of the man selected as the first one who possessed all of the requirements. There was no favoritism shown, and no extraneous influences operated for or against any of the men who came within the scope of possibility. Col. Smith had both the rank and character. There was much good material from which to make a selection, and not a little competition for the distinction. The friends of a half dozen or more Deputy Paymasters were tireless in their efforts in behalf of favorites, but there was no ill humor shown, and the selection proves quite satisfactory. Col. Smith has a spotless record as an executive officer, a brilliant war record, and he is a man of the highest type of character. There could be no objection offered to his appointment from any standpoint whatever."

And the following in the *Army and Navy Register* of March 15th:

"The appointment of Lieutenant-Colonel William Smith, of the Pay Department, to be Paymaster-General of the army was very promptly confirmed by the Senate (Mch. 15th), and the list of staff brigadier generals is complete. Col. Smith visited President Harrison to ask that this appointment be given to his brother, Col. Rodney Smith, the senior officer of the corps. The President on looking into the matter soon discovered that Colonel William Smith entered the volunteer service in 1861, while his brother entered the regular service three years later, having been his clerk prior to that date. This discovery is said to have led Mr. Harrison to give the place to William, a result which no one seems to have expected, and it is understood that no one was ever more surprised than Lieut.-Col. Smith himself. The new Paymaster-General will retire March 25th, 1895, so that he will have a little more than four years in office."

Such extracts as these in the public press are very flattering and will be read by all Theta Deltas with great pleasure. We congratulate Bro. William Smith, or rather Brigadier-General Smith, upon his good fortune. The SHIELD has heretofore espoused the cause of Col. Rodney Smith, who was next in rank to the retired paymaster, and his most natural successor. We are informed on good authority that William had been working for some time in the interest of his brother Rodney, never dreaming of his own appointment. Our warmest wishes are extended to Bro. William that his future official career may be as bright as his past record. This promotion necessitates a change in residence. Bro. Smith will take up his quarters in the War Department, Washington, where he should hereafter be addressed.

Bro. Rev. Willis P. Odell, Lambda, '80, has been for the past four years pastor of the Center M. E. Church, of Walden, Mass. His church, the largest in the city, is a beautiful structure free from all encumbrances. Bro. Odell has a wonderful command of words and a very pleasing, elo-

quent delivery. His efforts have been most successful in every direction. He is without doubt one of the leading and most promising young divines of his conference. In the fall of '88 the church gave him a three months' vacation, during which he traveled through Palestine and the Holy Land. The most popular of his services are his Sunday evening talks, which are always largely attended. He is beloved by his church and the community at large. As a Theta Delt he is always interested in the doings of the fraternity, and accords a hearty welcome to all who visit him. All Theta Delt will wish him continued success.

Moses Lyman, Zeta, has been a resident of Waverly, N. Y., for many years. He is the owner of a large toy factory. He was the projector of the "Figs in Clover" puzzle which took the whole country by storm last year. He is now manufacturing the "Spider and Fly" puzzle, which bids fair to have an extended sale. Bro. Lyman can talk Theta Delta Chi just as enthusiastically now as he could thirty years ago. He is rooted and grounded in the faith and smiles blandly when a brother Theta Delt visits him. He and Bro. Henry G. Merriam are a good team. A recent visit and a royal reception enables the editor to assure any Theta Delt, who will take the trouble to drop off at Waverly expressly to see them, that he will be well repaid for his visit.

G. T. Atkinson, Dickinson, '68, is a practicing physician, and at present A. A. Surgeon in the Marine Hospital Service. He is located in Crisfield, Md. He has held numerous positions of honor and trust in his town, and is justly regarded as one of the substantial citizens of the state. He is one of a committee of five, appointed by the Convention of Physicians which met in Baltimore, Jan. 2d, to draft a state law regulating the practice of medicine. Dr. Atkinson's home is situated on the eastern shore of Maryland, where the generous waters of the Chesapeake teem with diamond back terrapins, wild fowl, and the finest oysters and crabs in the world. He enjoys life and, although twenty-four years out of college, still has a warm place in his heart for Theta Delta Chi and delights in making it pleasant for any of the brothers who visit him.

Chas. M. Burrows, Columbia, '88, who recently left Albion to accept the chair of Medical Jurisprudence, in the College of Physicians, at Chicago, as noted in last SHIELD, has just been visited with a sad affliction which will call forth the sympathy of all. He was married less than four months ago to Miss Margaret Cain, of Albion. They had hardly got settled in their happy home at 333 East Ohio Street, Chicago, when Mrs. Burrows was prostrated by a severe attack of influenza and on the 6th of January she succumbed to the fell destroyer and passed quietly over the river. She was a member of the Presbyterian church, a faithful christian, possessed of marked characteristics, lovely in her deep-rooted virtues, and sincerely devoted to her friends. Her mission on earth is ended and the beauty of her character remains as a heritage to those who loved

her. Only those who have passed through the same can feel the deepest sympathy for our bereaved brother. Yet the hearts of all Theta Deltas will be touched while they bare their heads and mourn with Bro. Burrows in his deep affliction.

Henry G. Merriam, Brown, '58, Waverly, N. Y., is spending the winter with his wife in Florida. He attended the Brown dinner in New York, and would have been present at the Graduate Reunion except for his trip. The real old genuine Theta Delt spirit crops out all over Bro. Merriam. He is not actively engaged in business and delights in receiving visits from any one who wears the shield. The editor has spent many happy hours at his home.

Edwin J. Crandall, Tufts, '89, is at present studying law in Boston university. He writes that he spent a winter in Florida. While at Jacksonville he called upon Bro. Shumacher, and using his own words: "I was accorded such a greeting as only Theta Deltas know how to give. I shall never forget the hours we passed together while he entertained me with college reminiscences and interesting talk." So it is the world over. The bond of affection engendered during college life by fraternity association is never forgotten. It slumbers perhaps, but is instantly awakened when the wearer of the shield presents himself.

R. B. Seymour, Hamilton, '84, Kansas City, Mo., has for about two years occupied a position in the National Exchange Bank. On the 1st of March he resigned it to occupy the cashiership of the Kansas City Piano Company, located at No. 1123 Main street, and is now pleasantly located there. Bro. Seymour does the "basso profundo" in the quartette choir of the First Baptist Church of that city. The wife of Bro. H. H. Getman sings alto, and Bro. A. Bushnell is the organist. He is secretary and treasurer of the Orpheus Male Society, which comprises the best singers in the city, and also secretary of the executive committee of the New York Society of Kansas City.

Eugene L. Oatley, Cornell, '82, after leaving Cornell was librarian of city and school district library in Utica till fall of 1884, when he entered Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia, graduating in 1886 with honor, being one of two who had general average of 100. While yet a senior he occupied the position of demonstrator of chemistry during session of 1885-6, being formally appointed to the position after graduation. In 1889 he was appointed professor of chemistry, which chair he now holds. He is also associate surgeon of the Commercial Traveler's Mutual Life Insurance Company, member of the Franklin Institute of Philadelphia. He also has a very excellent private practice. He is pleasantly located at 4,003 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, and like all other Theta Deltas, always has time to visit with any of the boys who will take the trouble to hunt him up.

Charles McDonald, R. P. I., '57, was elected president of the Engineers' club of New York city at a meeting held Jan. 14, '90.

Rev. William E. Petrie, Dartmouth, '74, one of the early members of the Omicron Deuteron, is in the senior class of Union Theological Seminary.

Warren A. Bennett, Dartmouth, '83, Gloucester, Mass., is engaged in the coal business with his brother, under the firm name of Bennett Brothers.

Rev. W. R. Cross, Bowdoin, '61, Foxcroft, Me.; formerly pastor of the church at Milltown, N. B., resigned to accept a call from the Congregational church of Foxcroft.

Thomas Earle, R. P. I., '87, is with the Engineers' Corps of the Norfolk and Western Railway. He can be addressed care of Chief Engineer N. & W. Railway, Roanoke, Va.

Warren J. Moulton, Amherst, '88, is teaching in Professor Leal's School for Boys in Plainfield, N. J. He is an ardent Theta Delt, and has our thanks for financial remembrance.

T. C. Blandy, R. P. I., '87, is tired of the single blessedness theory, judging from the recent announcement of his engagement with a charming young lady of Lansingburg. The columns of the SHIELD will be open for the final announcement.

Paul C. Phillips, Amherst, '88, is pleasantly located in Kansas City. He is physical director of the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium. On another page will be found an interesting letter from him. We hope to hear more about Kansas City from Bro. Phillips hereafter.

N. M. Hall, Dartmouth, '88, is at present attending Andover Theological Seminary. In addition to his regular work he contributes to the *Christian Union*, *Congregationalist* and *Manchester Mirror*. He was also editor of Vol. I of the *Berkeley Beacon*. His address is Andover, Mass.

Richard H. Eddy, M. D., Tufts, '80, of North Attleboro, Mass., was married at Providence, R. I., March 6th, to Miss Emma Frances Beaudreau, of Malden, Mass. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Eddy's father, the Rev. Richard Eddy, D. D., pastor of the Belton Universalist Church.

William O. Conrad, Amherst, '87, is finishing his course in the Union Theological Seminary this winter. He has been supplying a church in Newton, L. I., for several weeks. He has received and accepted a call from the Presbyterian Church at "Blue Earth City," Minn, where he preached during the last summer vacation. Bro. Conrad's father was at one time pastor of this church, and it seems peculiarly fitting that he should accept and fill the pulpit his father graced in the days gone by. All Theta Delt wish him success in his life's work.

Frank Kimball, Bowdoin, '79, of Norway, Me., has recently become the head of the new firm of Kimball & Williams, wholesale and retail druggists, succeeding A. O. Noyes. This is an old and well established business, probably the largest in Maine, west of Lewiston and Portland.

Frederick J. Swift, Hamilton, '85, is attending the Union Theological Seminary in New York. Since graduation Bro Swift has been a successful teacher of elocution in the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, and this year has filled a vacancy in the institute in addition to his theological studies at the seminary.

Col. Edward Harleston, and **J. J. McPherson**, R. P.-I., '58; **C. Elliott Rowand**, '56 and **James McB. Prioleau**, Union, '57, form a coterie of Charleston (S. C.) men who seem to have disappeared from view many years ago. The SHIELD would be glad to hear from them in behalf of their old time friends, who are in these days scanning the Graduate personals for information.

Nathaniel R. Webster, Bowdoin, '81, Gloucester, Mass., did not finish his course at Bowdoin. Entering Amherst he graduated in 1881, and went to Germany where he remained two years engaged in the study of law. In the fall of '84 he returned to his home and joined his father in business, as the legal profession did not seem to have charms sufficient to hold him. He has made no changes since.

J. P. Houston, Dartmouth, '84, Somonank, Ill., is a flourishing M. D. He graduated from the Chicago Medical College in '89, receiving the In-galls' prize of one hundred dollars in cash for the best examination in science, literature and medicine. He was assistant physician of the Illinois Eastern Hospital for the Insane at Kankakee, which position he resigned Nov. 1, '89, to practice his profession in Somonank.

Irving Meredith, Dartmouth, '88, after leaving college was connected with the Boston *Journal* for a time, but gave up journalism for a theological course, which he is now pursuing at Union Theological Seminary. Last summer he traveled through the west engaged in missionary work. In order to go about from place to place he purchased a pony. He was lucky, and got a prize "bucker". Meredith was equal to the occasion, however, and gained much renown among the cowboys as a "broncho-buster."

L. Halsey Williams, Washington and Jefferson, at present resides in Pittsburg, but his business interests are divided between that city and Philadelphia. He is vice-president of the Eastern Pennsylvania Phonograph Company. This company is located at 306 Stock Exchange Place, rooms 26-31, and is engaged in leasing the Edison Phonograph and Graphophone, one of the greatest inventions of the present age. A letter from Bro. Williams, published under the head of correspondence, proves that he has not forgotten the memories of college days.

W. W. Winslow, I, '85, is practicing law in his native town, Punxsutawney, Pa.

Henry F. Lewis, I, '85, is practicing medicine in Chicago. His address is 56 Forty-Seventh street.

Frank C. Southworth, I, '87, is studying at the Harvard Divinity School with the intention of becoming a Unitarian minister.

Hosea Webster, M. E., B, '80, is at the head of the H. R. Worthington Pump Company's Chicago branch, at 95 Lake street.

Charles S. Thompson, I, '87, is city freight solicitor of the Illinois Central Railroad. His address is in care of the railroad, at Chicago.

J. P. Minier, I, '85, is a printer associated with the publishing house of D. D. Merrill, St. Paul, Minn. He was married last spring.

F. M. Kendall, Bet., '80, has resigned his excellent position as Superintendent of the Public Schools of Grand Rapids, Mich., to accept a more desirable one in the publishing house of Ginn & Co., at Chicago.

Fox Holden, Cornell, '72, has just been selected principal of the State Normal School, at Plattsburg, N. Y. We regret the crowded state of our columns which prevents an extended notice. We promise it for next number.

G. E. Ladd, I, '87, is employed in the Geological Survey of the State of Missouri. His special work relates to clays. He was married to Mary Hammond, of Bradford, Mass., in July last. His present address is Jefferson City, Mo.

Major P. D. Vroom, R. P. I., '62, Inspector-General U. S. A., is absent from his post, at Omaha, on a two months' leave, from March 1st. A portion of his leave has been passed in New York and among friends at his old home, Trenton, N. J.

Major William E. Norris, Brown, '57, for a long time unheard of, has recently come to light as residing at Oakland, Cal. He may be addressed care U. S. Pension Office, San Francisco, Cal. We hope to give an extended personal in the next SHIELD.

C. N. Kendall, Psi, '82, Superintendent of Public Schools at Jackson, Mich., has ventured on the lecture platform, having recently completed a very interesting and successful course to the young men of that city, on "Habits of Work." At least such is the verdict of the local papers.

Homer Holliday, Union, '50, Hornellsville, N. Y., is a leading lawyer in his city and counsel for the N. Y., L. E. & W. R. R. Co. It is long since his old friends, Hall, Morris and Matthews have looked into his face and he would greatly gratify them, as well as many others, by attending the New York Graduate Reunions. Possibly he could renew his own youth.

F. E. Martindale, Union, '53, one of the old original Theta Delts, is still alive with fraternity recollection and kind memory of the founders of the fraternity, all of whom he knew well. Most of them have crossed the border and age is slowly telling on him as well as the few other survivors. Bro. Martindale has been a successful practitioner of medicine for many years. He is surgeon of the S. R. Smith Infirmary and chief of staff of the Nursery and Children's Hospital, of Long Island. He is loved by those who are entrusted to his professional care, and highly esteemed by the community in which he has lived for years. His home life is happy and in his declining years he is reaping the reward of the faithful. Theta Delta Chi is proud to claim him as a brother and wishes for him that his last days may be "days of pleasure and peace." We shall, in a subsequent issue, give his portrait and full history.

H. A. Smith, M. D., Lafayette, '72, resides at No. 1319 North 15th St., Philadelphia, where he settled down twelve years ago. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1875, spent a year or more in the Philadelphia Hospital and then went to Germany and devoted a year to hospital practice. Returning in 1877, he opened an office in his present location and has maintained a steady practice ever since, successful and honored in his profession. The old Phi boys will remember Harry and his lovely house at Chestnut Hill, where he always delighted in taking and entertaining any of his brothers. Now located in his own home, with a charming wife and two lovely children, he is to his old companions the same Harry, and will always be glad to welcome any of them, or any other Theta Delt. We can vouch for it.

Frank J. Kline, Washington and Jefferson, '69, who entered Sophomore at Lafayette in 1866, remaining one term and planting the seed which took root and produced the Phi Charge, had not been heard of by the Phi since he left college and all supposed him dead. The editor recently determined to ascertain what had become of him. The result was a reply from Bro. Kline. He entered the University of Chicago after leaving Lafayette and graduated in 1869. Went to Minneapolis, devoting the first few years to civil engineering and since that time to exploring and surveying pine lands. His address is 803 Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis. A more extended notice of Bro. Kline will be given in a history of the Phi Charge, now in preparation for the SHIELD.

Ricardo M. Arango, C. E., R. P. I., '86, is engaged in engineering in Panama, his native city. Bro. Arango is one of the A's most popular members. At present he is one of a commission of three which has been appointed by the Government of the U. S. of Columbia to examine the report of the French engineers to the French Government on the present state of the Panama canal, and report on the same to the Columbian Government. He has recently completed a road for his Government near Panama, and is engaged in other enterprises.

Gen. Ralph H. Brandeth, Hobart, '81, of New York, experienced the loss by fire of his elegant residence at Briar Cliff, near Sing Sing, March 10th. The students at Holbrook Military Academy, near by, turned out and forming a salvage corps, saved nearly all the furniture, paintings and bric-a-brac on the two lower floors. The boys left the building only when ordered out by the firemen, and then threw snowballs into the flames and snapped cameras at the fire. The loss was about \$35,000. We have been burned out ourselves and know just how to sympathize with Bro. Brandeth. The saddest part of such an experience is the loss of many articles made dear by association which money can not replace.

V. U. Shaffer, Dickinson, '66, resides at Phoenixville, Pa. He took the honors of his class in Freshman year, left college to enter the army. Served in 34th Pa., Militia. Was in iron business till 1870, his last position being General Superintendent of the Lochiel Iron Works, at Harrisburg. In 1870 he purchased the *Phoenixville Independent*, which he conducted and edited till last year he sold out to a stock company and is resting on his oars. Bro. Shaffer's active connection with the Sigma was brief, but he retains a great affection for his old associates, and well he may, as they were all good fellows. I speak from personal knowledge, having known them all very well.

Rev. Albert C. Bunn, Hobart, '67, residing at No. 608 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn, is rector of the Church of the Atonement. Dr. Bunn studied medicine, graduating from the Buffalo Medical College, and spent five years as a medical missionary in China, where he established Christ's Hospital for men, and the Elizabeth Bunn Hospital for women and children. His theological study was under the Rev. Dr. George William Smith, $\Theta \Delta X$, President Trinity College. He is a member of the Missionary Council of the P. E. Church; also of the Missionary Committee of the Diocese of Long Island. He is one of the Board of Managers of Church Charity Foundation, etc. Bro. Bunn was present at the New York Graduate dinner.

F. G. Perine, Hamilton, '87, has entered heart and soul into the busy life of a newspaper man. After graduation he entered the employ of the Hon. Henry Barnard, formerly United States Commissioner of Education, as his private secretary. In August, '88, he accepted a position on the city staff of the *Hartford Times*, where he still remains. He has been called the "Artist Reporter," as he has taken to illustrating the text of his articles with sketches which he engraves himself by a lately invented process. Perine has not forgotten $\Theta \Delta X$, nor old "Psi," at Hamilton. He is always ready to share his board and bed with any wearer of the shield, and extends a cordial invitation to any of the boys to give him a call.

Charles A. Luckenbach, Lehigh, '86, is senior partner in the real estate agency of Luckenbach & Cheesebro, Los Angeles, Cal.

John C. Mason, Hamilton, '86, has completed his law study and entered as a partner one of the strongest law firms of Johnstown, N. Y. The firm will now be known as Fraser, Carroll & Mason.

Rev. Dr. Robert L. Bachman, Hamilton, '71; pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Utica, has been called upon to mourn the death of his beloved wife. In his bereavement he has the sympathy of his many friends and acquaintances, who know of the loss which both he and the church have sustained.

Hon. Clarence L. Barber, Hamilton, '76. It will be a source of pleasure to many to learn that Brother Barber is regaining his health at Los Angeles, Cal., whither he went with his family some months since. All hope that soon he will be entirely recovered.

Frank J. Lemon, Hamilton, '88, has been suffering for some time with lung trouble. From the South, where he has spent the winter, he has decided to go to California, to try its mild climate during the inclement weather of spring. We hope he will be benefitted by the change and return East with his old-time vigor and enthusiasm.

John B. Shulen, Hamilton, '87, has accepted a position on the Charity Hospital Medical Staff, Blackwell's Island, New York. He finds the island a fine preparation for his practice in the metropolis, which he expects to begin during the coming year.

Sherman W. Brown, Hamilton, '87, Andover Theological Seminary '90, has been awarded the Andover Scholarship. This scholarship is one of the most valuable in the country, furnishing the holder \$1,200 to enable him to further pursue his studies abroad for two years. He has the congratulations of all upon his well-merited honor.

Charles M. Parkhurst, Hamilton, '80, has just returned to his Duluth home after a short sojourn in California. He has planned to return soon, however, to the western slope in company with his wife and daughter.

Dr. James Scott, of Bel Air, Md., is away on a trip to Europe, for the purpose of educating his daughter.

J. R. Stipler, Dickinson, '83, is practicing law at Bel Air, Md.

Thomas Roberts, C. E., Dickinson, read a paper before the House, at Harrisburg, Pa., which was highly spoken of by the Governor of this State.

Hugh H. Pitcairn, Dickinson, '89, is an employe of the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., and is stationed at York, Pa.

W. W. Salmon, Dickinson, '86, who has been lately married, still holds his enviable position on the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad.

F. G. Gale, Dartmouth, '76, Waterville, P. Q., Canada, manufacturers of wire mattresses. The firm is George Gale & Sons. They hold patents in Germany, France, Spain, Great Britain and the Dominion. His exhibit took first prize and medal at the Paris Exhibition.

R. A. Heberling, Dickinson, '88, is taking a law course at the University of Pennsylvania.

D. B. Brandt, Dickinson, '87, is in business with his father in Harrisburg, Pa.

A. J. Harbaugh, Dickinson, '83, is Principal of the Smithsburg Academy at Smithsburg, Mo.

D. B. Jones, Dickinson, '84, is Principal of the High School at New Castle, Del.

C. S. Sargeant, Dartmouth, '76, is pastor of the Congregational Church at Adams, Mass. His labors are meeting with great success, especially in the Sunday-school.

J. W. Ernst, Dartmouth, '76, is Principal of Dow Academy, Franconia, N. H.

Henry O. Aiken, Dartmouth, '87, is at Princeton Theological Seminary. He recently addressed a Dartmouth mass meeting here with Brother O. S. Davis and another graduate.

R. S. Bartlett, Dartmouth, '89, is attending Boston University Law School. His residence is 27 Ruthven street, Roxbury, Mass.

L. R. Wentworth, Dartmouth, '81, Somerville, Mass., has been chosen a member of the Common Council.

John H. Bixby, Dartmouth, '83, was married Dec. 10th, to Fannie L. Emerson, of Rochester, N. Y. He is now teaching in Ridge, N. H.

W. H. Marble, Dartmouth, '83, late pastor of the Congregational Church in Enfield, N. H., has located at Wallace, Kansas.

George M. French, M. D., Lambda, is also located in Malden, Mass. He began to practice his profession in Malden about four years ago, and has been unusually successful. He may be seen at almost any time of day or night hurriedly driving through the streets in his attendance upon his patients. He has a large practice and is well liked by the people of Malden.

Brother Neill, Lehigh, '88, is studying law with Sherman & Trumbine, Titusville, Pa.

Brother Johnston, Lehigh, '89, is with the Bethlehem Iron Co.

Brother Cochran, Lehigh, is studying the growth of the pine in the forests of northern Michigan.

Samuel F. Tower, Dartmouth, '84, is teaching in the Boston English High School.

H. W. Thurston, Dartmouth, '86, is Principal of Lyons Township High School, La Grange, Ill.

Edwin Fairley, Amherst, '86, is attending Union Theological Seminary, Junior Class. He supplied the Congregational Church at Pitcher, N. Y., during the summer vacation.

F. S. Bates, Lehigh, '88, with Ohio Oil Co., Oil City, Pa.

C. M. Wilkens is studying law at Warren, Ohio.

Archibald Johnston, Lehigh, '89, is a superintendent of the Government works of Bethlehem Iron Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

Charles H. Deans, Lehigh, '89, who was in the employ of SooySmith & Co., of Boston, Mass., left for California last week.

George W. Harris, Lehigh, '89, is with the Silver Brook Mining Co., Silver Brook, Pa.

Charles B. Cassady, Lehigh, '90, has a good position with the Johnson Steamship Co., Baltimore, Md.

Mason D. Pratt, Lehigh, '86, is located at Dubuque, Iowa, at civil engineering.

E. P. Van Kirk, Lehigh, '86, is stationed at Elizabeth, Pa.

E. A. Heikes, Lehigh, '86, is Professor of Mathematics at the Millersville State Normal School, Millersville, Pa.

Frank Williams, Lehigh, '87, is superintendent of the Michigan Steel Co., Detroit, Mich.

Frank F. Amsden, Lehigh, '87, is with the L. I. & S. Co., Scranton, Pa.

Howard S. Neiman, Lehigh, '88, is with the Albany Analine Co., at Albany, N. Y.

William L. Neill, Lehigh, '88, is studying law at Titusville, Pa.

H. L. Bowman, Lehigh, '85, who a short time ago entered upon the responsibilities of married life, is stationed at Pittsburg.

Charles Thomas, Lehigh, '85, is at present consulting engineer of one of Chicago's street paving firms.

Horace A. Luckenback, Lehigh, '86, is book-keeper for D. & A. Luckenbach, of Bethlehem Roller Mills, Bethlehem, Pa.

Joseph F. Cochran, Lehigh, '91, is with the Superior Lumber Co., Ashland, Wis.

Robert R. White, Amherst, '89, has entered Union Theological Seminary. He preached in Christ Chapel, New York, last summer, and had charge of several parties of the "*Tribune* Fresh Air" children, going out with them.

J. Leon Chamberlain, Amherst, '89, is teaching in a private school in Flatbush, L. I.

Warren J. Moulton, Amherst, '88, is still connected with Leal's school at Plainfield, N. J.

A. J. Hopkins, Amherst, '85, is instructor in chemistry at the Peekskill Military Academy, Peekskill, N. Y.

F. L. Palmer, Amherst, '85, is at Yale Divinity School. Address, 119 College street, New Haven.

George Cornwell, Amherst, '88, is the Monitor of the middle class at Union Theological Seminary, where he is doing the same earnest work which characterized his course in college. Last summer he travelled through Minnesota and Wisconsin establishing Sunday-schools.

Charles W. E. Chapin, Hamilton, '89, is a Junior in Union Theological Seminary. He spent last summer in journalism and rest at Richfield Springs.

Charles S. Thompson, Brown, '62, Superintendent of the American District Telegraph Co., of Brooklyn, N. Y., whose unfortunate illness was mentioned in our last issue, has, we are glad to say, entirely recovered his health and has been attending to his official duties since the holidays.

Franklin Burdge, Brown, '56, is passing the winter in Florida for his health, a late communication locating him temporarily at Key West.

Capt. Edward O. Gibson, U. S. A., Union, '62, has been visiting his brother, Dr. Kasson Gibson, in New York city. He intends to pass the balance of the winter in Washington. He is retired from active service by disability, having lost his right leg some years ago. His connection with the army dates back to Sept. 3, 1862, when he was appointed Second Lieutenant of the 114th N. Y. Vol. Infantry; his subsequent record being: Appointed 1st Lieutenant 1st Nov., 1863; honorably mustered out 8th June, 1865; 2d Lieutenant 17th Regular Infantry 23d Feb.—accepted 2d May, 1866; transferred to the 26th Infantry 21st Sept., 1866; made 1st Lieutenant 28th July; transferred to 10th Infantry 19th May, 1869; made Captain 21st May, 1883; retired 16th Feb., 1885. He has been lately heard of groping about the wilds of New York, but his fraternity friends have so far failed to encounter him.

Hon. John M. Clark, R. P. I., '56, 2000 Prairie ave., Chicago, Ill., has recently been confirmed by the Senate as Collector of Customs for the port of Chicago. He was at one time the Republican candidate for Mayor, but naturally, in that city, met with defeat. This recognition by the President of his abilities, worth and public services, will be exceedingly gratifying to the fraternity. He spent the greater part of last year in Europe.

SAUNDERS-BURROWS.

A pretty little initiation took place at East Saginaw, Mich., on Dec. 18th, last, as a result of which Miss Nellie L. Saunders became, through Hymen's bonds, a sister Theta Delta. The young lady in question and Dr. Lorenzo Burrows, Jr., a brother of Rho Deuteron, '89, were united in marriage at the residence of Mr. Edwin Saunders, the bride's father, in that city, by the Rev. J. Hudson. The ceremony was private, only the immediate friends and relatives of the contracting parties, and the various charges of the Fraternity being honored with invitations. The gifts were numerous and elegant. The wedding trip included Detroit, Chicago, New York and other eastern cities. About the middle of January Prof. Burrows returned to his duties as assistant in the medical department of the University of Michigan, and the happy young couple are now at home to their friends at No. 65 East Washington St., Ann Arbor, Mich. The SHIELD unites with Theta Deltas everywhere in wishing Dr. and Mrs. Burrows long and happy life.

THETA DELTA CHI FRATERNITY, EPSILON DEUTERON CHARGE.

In Memoriam.

JAIRUS WILLIAM KENNAN,

Y. U., S. S. S. '92.

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in his infinite wisdom to remove from our number, our brother, JAIRUS WILLIAM KENNAN; and

WHEREAS, In his death we have lost a faithful and earnest friend and brother, it is eminently fitting that we should pay our best tribute of respect to his memory; therefore,

Resolved, That while humbly submitting to the decree of Almighty God, we as a brotherhood deeply mourn his loss, and extend to his bereaved friends our warmest sympathies.

Resolved, That in the death of our brother, Epsilon Deuteron Charge has lost one of its most valued members and the Fraternity one whose loyalty and upright character won the respect of all.

Resolved, That printed copies of these resolutions be sent to the relatives of our deceased brother, to the Grand Lodge, to each Charge, and to the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD for publication.

EDWIN ROWE, JR.,

Y. U., S. S. S. '90.

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in his infinite wisdom to remove from our number, our brother, EDWIN ROWE, JR.; and

WHEREAS, In his death we have lost a faithful and earnest friend and brother, it is eminently fitting that we should pay our best tribute of respect to his memory; therefore,

Resolved, That while humbly submitting to the decree of Almighty God, we as a brotherhood deeply mourn his loss, and extend to his bereaved friends our warmest sympathies.

Resolved, That in the death of our brother, Epsilon Deuteron Charge has lost one of its most valued members, and the Fraternity one whose loyalty and upright character won the respect of all.

Resolved, That printed copies of these resolutions be sent to the relatives of our deceased brother, to the Grand Lodge, to each Charge, and to the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD for publication.

For the Charge.

C. B. SPRUCE, '90.

H. H. SHEPARD, '91.

R. W. SPRAGUE, '91.

New Haven, Conn., March 17, 1890.

THETA DELTA CHI FRATERNITY, PHI CHARGE.
IN MEMORY OF

EDWARD L. PLUNKETT, M. D.,
LAFAYETTE COLLEGE, '80.

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father has seen fit to transfer Brother EDWARD L. PLUNKETT, M. D., of the class of 1880, to the Omega Charge; and

Whereas, We have lost in his death a faithful and especially earnest brother, who has ever shown a deep interest in the welfare of our beloved Fraternity; therefore,

Resolved, That although humbly submitting to the decree of Almighty God, whose ways are past finding out, we mourn his death, and extend our warmest sympathy to his bereaved friends.

Resolved, That in the death of our brother, Phi Charge has lost one of its most valued and enthusiastic members and the Fraternity one of its most loyal men.

Resolved, That printed copies of these resolutions be sent to the relatives of our late brother, to the Grand Lodge, to each Charge, and to the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD for publication.

For the Charge:

C. K. READ, '90.
A. E. KEIGWIN, '91.
W. LAMONTE, '93.

Easton, Pa., March 8, 1890.

THETA DELTA CHI FRATERNITY, KAPPA CHARGE.
IN MEMORY OF

CHARLES WARREN SUMNER,
CLASS OF '69, TUFTS COLLEGE.

Whereas, We, the members of Kappa Charge of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity, Tufts College, have with deep sorrow learned of the death of our esteemed brother, CHARLES WARREN SUMNER, class of '69, Tufts College, deceased January 3, 1890; be it

Resolved, That by his death our Fraternity has lost a worthy brother, Tufts College one of its most honored sons, and the State a faithful and efficient servant.

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family of our deceased brother.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, to the several Charges of our Fraternity, to the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD, the *Tuftsian*, and be entered upon the records of the Charge.

For the Charge:

W. L. RICKETTS, '90.
F. W. PERKINS, '91.
C. G. KIPP, '93.

Tufts College, Jan. 20, 1890.

STANLEY M. TODD.

CHICAGO, March 6, 1890.

On behalf of Iota Charge, it is our duty to announce the death, January 30, 1890, of STANLEY MAJOR TODD. He was born in Stockton, N. Y., August 23, 1864. He fitted for college at Cortland High School and Albany Academy. He entered Harvard College in the fall of '83 and shortly after became a member of Iota Charge. After graduating, in 1887, he went to Paris, where he studied in the School of Political Science two years. In the fall of '89 he returned to his home in Stockton and was elected a delegate to the Republican State Convention. In September he entered the School of Political Science of Columbia College and would have graduated the following June. In December he contracted the illness which caused his death.

CHARLES S. THOMPSON, '87.
HENRY F. LEWIS, '85.

Editorial.

It is perhaps an easy matter to write of the living—but when in sadness of heart, with tear-shadowed eye we attempt to pay a last parting tribute of respect to loved ones who have gone on before to join the Angel band—the hand is palsied, the brain refuses to think, and we can do little but weep. Our Brother Plunkett is dead—stricken like a reed by the wind, he has vanished and his accustomed haunts shall know him no more forever. Can it be possible that we shall never again see his smiling face; never again clasp his hand in the grip which was so dear to him that he must give it on the very verge of the immortal shore; never again hear him sing the songs he loved so well? When all the orators have ceased to proclaim the disadvantages of fraternity association; when all the famous writers have recorded their theories of the evils produced by fraternal companionship, and all has been said which might serve to prove conclusively that the greatest curse to the college student would be to join “a brotherhood”—then I will come forward and simply relate the story of the beautiful life, the glorious love and the saintly affection of the blind hero for his chosen fraternity, adding thereto the mother’s loving testimony, and who shall then say that Fraternity is not a boon to mankind, an ennobling, endearing virtue which makes life more worth the living?

The memorial which has been contributed by an affectionate brother is published on another page. We have added a portrait, copied from the best obtainable photograph, taken when Brother Plunkett entered Lafayette in 1877 at the age of 21. This looks as he did then, and will be cherished by his old companions of the Phi charge then in college. Probably no member of the fraternity had so strong an affection for Theta Delta Chi as Brother Plunkett. Shut out from all the glories of vision, he leaned, next to his loving mother,

upon his fraternity. It was all in all to him, and it satisfied him. The last time the writer saw him was at the graduate banquet in New York, in February, 1889. Happy in the love of the boys, surrounded by a number of the old Phi boys he seemed to overflow with good cheer and happiness.

Brothers, we have transferred a bright and shining star to the Omega charge. As the years go by we shall miss his pleasant face and his wise counsel. With hearts saddened, let us not forget the lonely mother who gave her boy to Theta Delta Chi. While she mourns for him she bears a tender regard for Theta Delta Chi, because it contributed the most precious enjoyments of his darkened life.

" In the long sigh that sets our spirits free,
We own the love that calls us back to thee,"

EVERY number of the SHIELD since the management reverted to its present incumbent, has been increased in size and the present number equals in size any fraternity quarterly and far exceeds most of them. It is our intention to give at least four hundred pages of reading matter in this volume, if the same can be done without stuffing. Everything obtainable in the line of news in regard to our fraternity or its members will be printed. General college news is of interest to all. Matters pertaining to other fraternities are of interest to undergraduates. Any letters of interest will be welcomed as well as reminiscences. We hope to make the SHIELD so full of interest to all that it will not be necessary to drum for subscribers.

THE first page of the original SHIELD of historic fame has been at considerable expense reproduced, and appears in this number. There are many articles of interest on the remaining pages which will be reprinted as matters of record. It is the desire of the editor to make the SHIELD a permanent record of all matters of interest. Such a course involves no small outlay. This can only be met by responsive support from the graduates. The subscription price is so small that no one can feel it. It is hoped that those who have not already subscribed will do so after an examination of this number. Much inter-

esting matter appears in the present issue. Several articles are crowded out by lack of space, which will appear in the July number.

It has recently come to the knowledge of the editor that some member of the fraternity is endeavoring to create, among the undergraduate members of the various charges, a feeling of dissatisfaction with our present form of government by a Grand Lodge, and the malcontent suggests a council of some sort. I am not familiar with its details, but should not consider it necessary to outline them, if I were. I am not informed as to whom we are indebted for this new departure, and wish to put the SHIELD on record, while yet in ignorance, so that no appearance of personality may be charged. It is evident that the idea is not original. It resembles in general character the system now in vogue with some fraternities having a large number of chapters, which really renders it necessary for them to have a larger governing power to be representative. I object, strongly and persistently, to any such move, upon the part of any member of this fraternity. My reasons are that it is always wise to let well enough alone. I declare, without fear of truthful denial, that the Grand Lodge of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity is as good a governing power as exists in any fraternity in the land. No man dare bring a charge against the loyalty or honest purpose of any member of that body. It is simply a waste of time to add anything in defense of the Grand Lodge, but the merits of the case should be carefully considered by every charge. And we note the following points: The size of the Grand Lodge is ample for the number of charges we have. Being naturally conservative, it is not probable that the number of charges will be sufficiently increased to render it necessary to increase the size of the governing power. If such a time ever comes, then will be the proper time to consider the question. The idea of the Grand Lodge was conceived by this fraternity as an original proposition, and the writer is proud to record the fact that he was of the number who propagated the idea, and his vote assisted in

its adoption. Now it may be that in the days gone by reasonable objections could have been raised against the Grand Lodge. If the personality of the body was not what it should have been, it did not reflect upon the idea, or the form of government, but upon those whose votes created the personality of the body. I do not assume even that this was ever the case. I declare, however, that whatever may have been, the present is no time in which to bring forward such an idea. The last convention, in its wisdom, ratified a constitution whose provisions are all we might desire. Now let us have peace. If any man has a *new* idea to suggest, we will hear him patiently and give it due consideration, but we have little patience with the one who trots out something which lacks the slightest claim of originality, and would at once brand us as imitators. Theta Delta Chi has too good a record as leaders to stultify herself at this late day by allowing such an idea to take root.

THOSE who have not already paid for vol. VI, are hereby notified that a remittance of \$1.25 at once will pay for the year. It will ease your conscience and the publisher's mind. The charges have already received notice. Your remittance should be sent at once. Some charges, we regret to say, have not yet sent in any money for vol. V. This is not right. Do your duty and do it promptly. Hereafter the SHIELD will not be sent to charges in arrears or to graduates unless they remit promptly in advance. All charges which pay their subscriptions for the current year promptly will receive a bound volume at the end of the year for their hall. No copy will be sent during the year, and no charge will be made for the bound volume.

WE give under the head of graduate personals a number of extended sketches of some of our prominent graduates. It seems fitting that the fraternity at large should be made acquainted with the high standing and prosperity of those who by their lives and work are giving Theta Delta Chi such a high rank among the fraternities. We shall, as opportunity offers,

present short biographies of our "bright stars." The effort put forth to secure accurate personal information in regard to old graduates has met with marked success, amply proven by the large number we are able to give. Many interesting personals have unavoidably been crowded out, which will be printed in the next number.

WE trust that the leeway conceded to the management of the SHIELD by the last convention, the results of which are apparent in this number, will not be a source of regret to any brother. We have not forgotten our promise. No pains have been spared to make the SHIELD the peer of any journal in the land. The "gruesome cover" has been superseded by a design which pleases the editor. The change is final, and we hope all will be suited with it. We have followed no ones suggestions. The magazine throughout is the ideal of the editor and contains the evidence of his best ability. So it will remain unless experience shall suggest improvements. If the brothers accord a cheerful and sufficient support, the SHIELD is firmly established. If not, we will pocket the loss without a whine, as the result of gratifying our pride in our cherished fraternity, and resign the pen. Present evidence is not wanting to show that the SHIELD is a "pretty lively bird" and will die hard.

OUR warmest thanks are tendered to Bro. L. Halsey Williams for a copy of the good old song book, published in 1858, which was in use when the writer was in college. It awakens many sweet memories of the halcyon days in the long ago, and although the sight of a copy had not greeted his eyes in over twenty years, it was instantly recognized. No song book has been published since which would so thoroughly fill the bill with the graduates of the fifties, sixties or seventies, for use at the graduate dinners, and if some of the old graduates will contribute of their means, the editor will agree to duplicate the book and publish enough copies to supply all the charges and see that they are on hand at every graduate din-

ner. More than this, he will contribute twenty-five dollars toward printing them if necessary. In our humble judgment it is the best song book we ever had. It is full of songs we all know, written by such men as George Upton, J. Kilbourne Jones, Moses Lyman, Jr., Henry F. Clark and John M. Hay. No objection could be made to adding new songs, but the good old book would make the welkin ring every time. Come brothers—you who have been blessed with good fortune, send in a check, and the books will be forthcoming.

THE Chicago Graduate Association of Theta Delta Chi will be the next bud to blossom. A few enthusiastic brothers in the famous western metropolis, chief among whom are W. R. Northway, *A* '53; George P. Upton, *Z* '54; Robert Forsyth, *Delta*, '59; Hosea Webster, *B*, '80; J. B. Houston, *O*^a, '84; W. C. Hawley, *Delta*, '86, and Max A. Kilvert, *I*, '89, are stirring up the graduates of the west. They have issued a call for a reunion and banquet to be held at Kinsley's, (Adams street, opposite the post-office) at 7:30 p. m., Friday, April 11, '90. A large number have already promised to be present, and the reunion bids fair to be a great success. If any brother in the vicinity of Chicago has not received an invitation, he may consider this; a formal invitation to be present and aid in the organization of the new graduate association. The remarks in regard to the Southern banquet will apply with equal force here. These graduate associations should be well attended. We regret our inability to be present, having already promised to attend the Southern banquet. Don't fail to go. It will do you good.

ALL subscriptions to the SHIELD for this year's volume are now due, and it is your duty to pay at once, before it is forgotten. Bills have already been sent to all Charges, and they are expected to remit promptly. Remember that it is obligatory upon you to take the SHIELD. Sample copies of the SHIELD have been sent to every graduate member whose address is known, and subscriptions are now in order. Responses are coming in rapidly. Let the good work go on.

THE Southern Association banquet will be held at the Hote Rennert, Baltimore, Md., at 9 p. m., April 11th. A most cordial invitation is extended, through the SHIELD, to every graduate brother who can possibly do so to be present. Please notify Bro. Alex M. Rich, secretary, Reisterstown, Md., of your intention to be present. There is nothing which will keep alive the brotherly love of the Theta Delta Chi and inspire new zeal like a banquet. I speak from experience. After twenty years of fraternal inactivity, during which the pressing cares of business drove out all the pleasant recollections of college and society life, the pleasure experienced at a banquet of the New York Graduate Association four years ago, awakened the long dormant fire of Theta Delt love, and no banquet within reach has been neglected since. It has renewed my youth, as it will that of any brother who will attend. Lay aside business and go to this banquet if possible. It will be the best investment you can make. Age comes upon us all too soon. Let us not forget the vestal fires. Our Southern brothers need our presence. It is worth the exertion of a great effort. No man will sacrifice more in his effort to be present than the writer, but we shall be there, providence permitting.

THE price of the present volume of the SHIELD has been reduced to members of active charges *actually in college*, with the express understanding that it is the duty of every member to subscribe and *pay promptly*. All graduates and those who have left college will as usual pay \$1.25, and *remit direct* to the publisher. Will the charges please note that they must not collect from any but members in college. Bills have already been mailed to the corresponding secretaries. It would be proper to remit \$1.00 for each member from the treasury, and assess the amount. Graduates will please note that no person is authorized to collect or receive subscriptions. Always remit direct to the publisher. If any additions are made to the members in a charge they should send their subscription. Owing to the tardy manner in which active charges remitted for Vol. V, (about half not yet having paid), the publisher

has concluded not to send the SHIELD to any charge till the subscription price is paid. One copy will be sent for each dollar remitted, and all will be forwarded to the address of the charge editor. If your SHIELD fails to arrive you may readily surmise why it is not forthcoming.

THE undergraduate brothers are reminded that the SHIELD will be glad to receive copies of all college publications. Much news can be gleaned from them which is of interest to graduate members as well as the other charges. Due acknowledgment will be made in next number of the SHIELD after their receipt.

IN the last number of the SHIELD reference was made to a prize offered by the Alpha Tau Omega *Palm* for the best article on Pan-Hellenism. By mistake the value of the prize was stated \$50. It should have been \$25. We trust no harm was done by the error, which was simply an oversight in proof-reading.

THETA DELTA CHI extends to Delta Tau Delta her sincere sympathy in the loss of Mr. J. M. Phillips of Chattanooga, Tenn., the able editor of the last number of the *Rainbow*, who met his death in October last. We had not heard of the sad event until after the December SHIELD was issued, hence the apparent delay in our tender.

WE hope our professional brothers will appreciate the value of our directory and send in their cards for insertion. The price is so nominal (\$1.75) that you will not feel it, while the SHIELD will be benefitted largely. If you desire the SHIELD to maintain its present size, your support is absolutely necessary. We have increased its size at every issue, until now we have approximate 100 pages of reading matter. This will be the average size of subsequent numbers if the receipts will warrant it.

WORK on our catalogue has been much delayed, owing to the long-continued illness of Bro. O. S. Davis. With his customary pluck, however, he rises from the ruins of his disappointed hopes. Within a week from the time he was successfully convalescent he began again the work, and now is actively pushing it. He is sending out over four hundred letters every week. A completely classified blank is sent to each brother whose address is known. If every brother who receives this blank will carefully fill it out at once and return to Bro. Davis, our catalogue will be promptly forthcoming. A delay by *one single brother* will hinder the work by just as long a time as he neglects to do his part. The catalogue will not be printed till the copy is all complete. If you have not already done so, fill out the blank at once and mail it to Bro. O. S. Davis, White River Junction, Vt. If you have received no blank, write to him for one, as he may not have your proper address.

THE next number of the SHIELD will contain as a frontispiece a portrait of Andrew H. Green of Syracuse, who is the only living founder beside Abel Beach, whose portrait appears in this number. A sketch of Bro. Green's life will also be given.

Mr. William R. Baird, of New York, is preparing a new edition of "American College Fraternities." The first edition, while painfully incorrect in many particulars, served an excellent purpose, and we hail with delight the prospect of a revised edition. All fraternities should co-operate in every way with Mr. Baird in the work and lend the use of their columns to advance its sale. Editors of the various fraternity periodicals can no doubt render valuable aid, and for one the SHIELD tenders her humble services, hoping thereby to secure a more accurate record of Theta Delta Chi.

A communication received from Mr. Baird, since the above was written, states that he can not go to press with the new edition till 800 subscriptions are received. Not quite half that number have been thus far sent in. Mr. Baird states that he

will submit his article on Theta Delta Chi to the SHIELD editor for examination and correction. This book is of as much interest and value to fraternity men, either active or graduate, as an encyclopædia is to the literary or professional man. Its price, \$2.00, puts it within reach of all. We quote from Mr. Baird's announcement :

The proposed edition is designed to contain :

1. A record of the development of the Fraternity system.
2. A statement of the features common to all or nearly all of the fraternities.
3. An account in detail of each fraternity, including the men's fraternities, the women's fraternities, the local, honorary, professional and special fraternities, embracing so far as possible the following points: (1.) The circumstances surrounding its origin and the names of the founders. (2.) Its chapter list, including the name of each chapter, date of its establishment, the cause of decrease if any, the number of members, characteristic and origin of particular chapters. (3.) Organizations other than chapters, such as clubs, camps, etc. (4.) The past and present forms of government. (5.) The publications of each fraternity, including catalogues, periodicals, song books, histories and music. (6.) Miscellaneous historical facts. (7.) Prominent alumni, including Senators, Congressmen, Judges, Federal and State officials, Clergy, College Presidents, Professors, authors and others. (8.) Insignia, including badges, colors, flags and other emblems.
4. A list of the colleges containing one or more chapters, with appropriate information about their age, annuals and other facts.
5. A summary of facts in tabular form.
6. The arrangement for the existence of the fraternities.

The last edition was illustrated with steel plates. The present one will be illustrated simply with wood cuts, if at all, the former style being too expensive; the present size of the book may or may not be retained.

The new edition will only be issued provided eight hundred subscriptions are obtained in advance of publication at two dollars a copy. If a sufficient number of the Fraternity men desire the book, subscribing will be the test of the sincerity of their wish. The last edition was a failure financially, on account of the discounts given to agents and the expensive illustrations.

The SHIELD sees the desirability and necessity of such a book, and urges every Theta Delta Chi to subscribe for what will be an exceedingly valuable addition to his library. In order to help along the good work, orders for this book will be received by the publisher and turned over to Mr. Baird. Do

not send your money until the book is published, but send your name in at once. Every graduate will be fully repaid for his subscription by the information contained therein, which will awaken his interest in his own fraternity and show its status as compared with others. Active charges should make up their list of subscriptions now. Send them to the SHIELD. Do it at once. We want this book issued. Mr. Baird takes the proper stand, and the sooner you subscribe the sooner the book will be issued. Let us hear from you at once.

THE next reunion and banquet of the Buffalo Graduate Association will be held at the Iroquois hotel, in Buffalo, May 30th. Don't forget the fact, and be there if possible.

A LIST of all new initiates of the year was promised for this number. Letters were written to all the charges to furnish such information, and four out of eighteen supplied it. The list will be published as soon as complete, if not too late in the season.

It is not possible, in the hurry incident to editing and preparing copy for the SHIELD, in connection with the extensive business in which the editor is engaged, to avoid making a considerable number of errors. Readers of the SHIELD, as well as those who are directly affected by such errors, will kindly bear with the editor. All errors discovered will be corrected in the next number. If the brothers will make the corrections as soon as they are announced, the danger of being misled will be materially lessened.

DO NOT forget that our advertisers have invested their money in the SHIELD, and if you do not patronize them the investment is a dead loss to them. Much effort has been made to secure a large number, as the income derived therefrom assures the success and permanency of the SHIELD—during its time of probation. When the subscription list shall have reached a maximum, then, if it be the desire of the fraternity, they can

be lessened in number. In the meantime, however, while the number is largely augmented in this issue over any fraternity magazine published, the utmost care has been exercised in their selection. The editor feels personally responsible for every advertisement in the SHIELD, and unhesitatingly adds his recommend to everything therein advertised. Many of the ads. are from personal friends in whom he has an abiding interest. A number are from Theta Delts and such demand an all-absorbing interest. In the interest of those who have thus contributed to the success of the present volume of the SHIELD short notes will be interspersed in reading matter. Your indulgence is craved—do not take offense at it. It is simply business. The SHIELD is devoted primarily to matters pertaining to Theta Delta Chi, but there is room for a few words for our business patrons. Do not forget the policy outlined in the last number. Our motto is fraternity and business, but no literary "per se."

AS WE go to press the official announcement of the establishment of a charge at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology is received. The initiation ceremony will take place at the Tremont House in Boston on the evening of March 21st. A full account will appear in the next SHIELD.

WE are indebted to Rev. A. W. Pierce, Principal of Goddard Seminary, Barre, Vt., for copies of the old SHIELD—Nos. 3 and 4, of both Vol. 1 and 2; also to Brother William L. Stone, of Jersey City, for No. 2 of Vol. 2. We need to complete our file, the old original No. 1 of 1869; No. 1 of Vol. 1, January, 1884; Nos. 1 and 2 of Vol. 2 (January and April, 1885), and No. 1, Vol. 3, September, 1886. If any reader of the SHIELD has any of these numbers which he is willing to spare and will send them to the editor, his kindness will be acknowledged with many thanks.

A DIRECTORY of New York city was promised in this number of the SHIELD. The same is in print, but not yet corrected in a sufficient degree to justify its publication. The pressure

of other matter of greater importance would crowd it out in any event. One of the good brothers of the Phi charge—enthusiastic in his love for the fraternity—has volunteered to pay the entire expense of a graduate directory, which he desires distributed gratuitously to all the brothers in the territory covered. He suggests that the directory should include New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Boston and other smaller cities of the Middle States. It will be published in pocket form as soon as complete data can be obtained. This will be a desirable book, and brothers residing in any of the cities named would confer a favor by informing the editor *at once* of their own address and occupation, and also give as many other names as may be possible. It is intended as a complete list of graduates permanently located. College students in New York city will not be included, except such as have permanent homes in the city.

THE attention of undergraduate editors, as well as all others, is called to the fact that any personal item should contain the college, class and address of the subject, and the full name should always be given. No personal will hereafter be published which is not sufficiently explicit to locate accurately. It will also save the editor the trouble of re-writing entirely the copy, if the brothers will be careful to observe the same style, viz.: Name, college, class and residence—as seen in this number of the SHIELD.

The seventh annual banquet of the New England Association will be held at Young's Hotel, Boston, under auspices of Kappa charge, April 17th, at 7:30 p. m. Dinner tickets, \$2.50. Do not fail to attend if possible. Send to F. W. Perkins, College Hill, Mass., for tickets before April 14.

It seems advisable to change the date of issue of the second number so that it may reach undergraduates before college closes. It will be dated June and mailed about June 10. The third number will contain commencement news and be issued September 15.

FANCY AND FACT.

[FROM EXPERIENCE.]

Last night, in sweet transport of vision, methought
I was happy at home with my loved and lost boys,
Who had come as of yore and endearingly sought
My time to beguile with their innocent joys.

Home comforting joys!

Their past was with many dear memories crowned,
With many sweet charms and good deeds was made bright;
Their present the halo of youth shone around,
Their future was lit with Hope's heavenly light.

Resplendent the light!

O presence most dear! O sweet moment of bliss!
No rapture more hallowed could angels impart
To man from the mansions above than was this
Brief hour of delight to a fond father's heart.

O'erflowing my heart!

But alas! The bright vision, dispelled, is soon made
To deepen the darkness where light seemed to gleam.
My boys in their silent beds long since were laid;
I wake but to find that my bliss was a dream.

Delusive the dream!

'Tis well that the future lies hid in the mist,
When dreaming we need but to reach and receive.
The goal of ambition is often a tryst
Where fortune and honor but gleam and deceive.

Dreams only deceive!

The ocean of life to the young and the bold,
With its beauteous expanse and its perfume of breeze,
With Utopian isles hiding treasures untold,
Has a thousand alluring charms suited to please.

In prospect to please!

O how often at noon, under calm sunlit skies,
The gallant bark glides o'er the gem crested wave
But to sink 'neath the mountainous billows that rise
In the lightning-torn night, when no effort can save:

Heaven only could save!

And now, as I gaze on the wreck-stricken shore,
Or am tossed on the deep at the sport of the wind,
My spirit in anguish cries out—nevermore
Will peace be my lot till the heaven I find.

Shall finally find!

Editorial Notes and Comments.

CO-OPERATIVE housekeeping has been successfully tried by about twenty students at the Boston University. They are located in Holyoke street, at the South End, about a mile and a half from the College. They are known collectively as Lambda Charge of Theta Delta Chi, and enjoy the distinction of being the only college fraternity having a club house in Boston. The boys live on the best of the market, and it is not at an expensive rate, either. In their plan a commissary is appointed, who makes the purchases and attends to all the necessities of the dining-room, in return for which he is exempt from paying a board-bill. The actual expense of the week is added up at the end of each week, and apportioned equally among the members. Accommodation equal to that at the club would cost the average student at least \$8 per week. It is estimated that \$5 per week covers all expenses of room and board, the board averaging something like \$2.50 each week. The accommodations of the house are much too small now, after a three-years' trial of the club, and next fall the students will be located in more commodious quarters nearer the college. There is also some talk of uniting with the ten "Tech" students, who are to be instituted as a chapter of the fraternity, so that plans may be made for a club-house that shall accommodate at least fifty.—*N. Y. Tribune*, March 22.

The above extract covers two important points—economy and companionship. While it enables the boys to have the best for the least money, it builds up an intimate friendship which will live till death. This strengthens the fraternity, both directly and indirectly.

FRATERNITY men as a rule are not sufficiently well informed in regard to the Greek world. It is not one in ten, whose information even about his own fraternity extends beyond his own chapter lines, and in general absolute ignorance in regard to other fraternities prevails.—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

This statement certainly would have been absolutely correct made twenty or perhaps even ten years ago, but since fraternity journals have appeared, this state of ignorance is rapidly disappearing. These journals are filling a long felt want for a means of communication between chapters of fra-

ternities, and graduate members who can be reached in no other way. Even if the under-graduates are kept posted by correspondence, as soon as the member of a fraternity leaves college, his means of information is cut off and he at once begins to lose the vital interest in fraternity affairs unless he is visited by the fraternity periodical. The day will come when the fraternity magazine will be the oracle of every college society, and if any bond of sympathy ever exists between rival societies, it will be generated and fostered through the fraternity press.

“THE question may fairly be raised,” said a Harvard graduate, a rising young lawyer, the other day, “whether it is for the best interests of the alumni of colleges, who live in and near this city, that \$5 or \$6 should be charged for a plate at the annual college dinners. In college we thought a \$3 dinner was a banquet fit for the gods, but in New York city the executive committees of the alumni associations seem to think that it is necessary to hold the annual dinner at a grand place like Delmonico’s or the Brunswick. Of course there is a good reason for resorting to these places because there is plenty of room there. What would meet the wishes of a large majority of the alumni, who are for the most part young men struggling to get a place in their chosen professions, is that a hostelry should be selected for the annual dinner where all the alumni would go, and where they would enjoy themselves in a good old-fashioned college way—a dinner for about \$3, and songs and speeches that would promote good fellowship.—*N. Y. Sun*, February 15, '90.

The above extract so accurately represents the opinion formed by the writer after much experience in the banquet business, that he is led to present it with comments. There is no question as to the truth of the statement, not only with reference to college students, but also with two-thirds of the alumni. The older and more fortunate graduates do not for a moment regard the price of a dinner, but they should give more regard to the painful necessity which debars so many of the less favored graduates from lending their presence. I think I am entirely safe in asserting that the attendance at our last graduate dinner would have been double at a less price. When the expense of a journey to New York and the extras are added to the price of a banquet ticket, the amount is quite startling in the case of those who live at any distance from the

city. Of course modesty forbids a true reason being given. To the writer the "menu" has few attractions. The "post prandial feast," is that which fills the soul with delight and renews pleasant memories of happy days. It is that to which we look forward, and after it is passed we live it over again and again. We can get "blue points and consomme," anywhere and at any time, but how seldom we have the opportunity of listening to the wit of our own "Curly Hetherington," or such eloquence as that which poured forth from the lips of our honored Dan Lockwood at the last banquet. It seems that we are not sufficiently thoughtful of our brothers. The experiment of a reduced price would, I think, prove conclusively that the arguments are based upon fact, while upon this subject another point is suggested. Let a fund be created by the payment of a regular annual fee—not less than one dollar or more than three dollars—by every member of the graduate association, the proceeds of which, after paying the expense of printing and postage, shall be devoted to complimentary tickets, which shall be presented to the venerable graduates and early workers in the fraternity. To such men as Franklin Burdge, Wm. L. Stone, Andrew H. Green, and many others, to whom we owe so much, it would be tangible proof to them of our abiding interest in them, and a *real* sincere desire for their presence. Could it be known that any number of such men were going to be present at a banquet, the effect would be magical. The serious consideration of this suggestion is asked at the hands of the executive committee.

"If there is one distinction more than another in which Phi Gamma Delta can boast pre-eminence, it is that she is a literary fraternity. By this is not meant that the nature of her meetings are of a literary cast, but that her sons have attained prominence in the field of scholarship and literature, rather than in politics. We are never weary of enumerating the names of Lew Wallace, Edward Eggleston, Maurice Thompson, John Clark Redpath, General Sheridan and a host of lesser lights to the prospective candidate."—Phi Gamma *Quarterly*. A fraternity which makes such claims should prove it by her legitimate sons, which the above are not, having been elected honorary members of Phi Gamma Delta after they became famous; we doubt that Gen. Sheridan ever took even the

oath of allegiance to Phi Gamma Delta. All fraternities at one period of their lives seem to have initiated such members, but with the exception of Phi Gamma Delta and Alpha Tau Omega all have stopped it, generally by legislation. These two continue it, and Phi Gamma Delta's chapter at Pennsylvania State College is even now boasting of the expectation of electing three of the professors of that institution. A fraternity such as Phi Gamma Delta should be able to raise her own noted sons.—*The Rainbow of ΔΤΔ.*

What possible sense there is in any fraternity electing honorary members, we cannot see. It is directly antagonistic to the first principles of fraternity life and no man whether an honorary member or otherwise, who has not been an actual participant in the joys and sorrows of his fraternity, by personal contact in college, can for a moment feel any enthusiasm or love for his brotherhood. He has the name, but it is a hollow mockery. Fraternities may if they please elect noted men honorary members, but when they set them up as standard of excellence of *this* fraternity as a means of influencing the guileless freshman, they not only do great injustice to the noted men, but also disgrace themselves by false representations. Theta Delta Chi, so far as the writer is informed, has never aspired to draw into its ranks any men of renown, after their record has been made, by the means of honorary membership and has no honor list except that of her legitimate sons who have earned their right to the name by excellent service in college. Now comes back to us the refulgence of their renown. Many men of note are glad to recognize Theta Delta Chi as their fraternity, and we can justly point with pride to them as representatives of our fraternity.

The only "breeze" at Indiana State University this spring was furnished by ΦΔΘ. They expelled one of their members and another resigned. They were both immediately taken in by ΒΘΠ.—ΣΧ *Quarterly*. We should rather say the "breeze" was furnished by ΒΘΠ, who seems to be distinguishing herself in her own peculiar manner at that university. Last year they initiated an expelled ΦΚΨ, and the year before an ex-ΦΓΔ, and this summer we were informed by one of their own chapter that they had pledged a ΣΧ.—ΦΓΔ *Quarterly*.

A sort of Pan-Hellenic chapter, it seems. Last year the Betas had a man in their ranks who was expelled from ΚΣ for gross deception and fraud.—ΚΣ *Quarterly*.

It does seem strange that any fraternity will take in a man who has been expelled from any other fraternity. Reasoning by first principles only, no man would be expelled except for good and sufficient reasons. A man who is unfit for association in one fraternity is surely not worthy of membership in any other society of the same standing. Theta Delta Chi has no desire to swell her ranks by admitting the castaways of any other fraternity. A member of the fraternity cannot at will resign. He is always a member if his conduct entitles him to it. If not he is expelled. If all fraternities would adopt the same rigid rule, never under any circumstances to accept a man who has resigned or been expelled from any other like organization, then the unruly ones could be more easily brought under the sway of proper influences. The name of every expelled member of a fraternity should be published, not only in journals of the fraternity from which he was expelled, but in every other—Pan-Hellenic enthusiasts should chew this morsel. It would be a good work well done, and belongs legitimately to the line of work which fraternities might take up in common. Take the matter to your conventions and pass the edicts. Theta Delta Chi proposes it and will lead the van.

“A sheepskin is a poor passport to public favor, and those who have nothing else to offer will be apt to find the road to success a difficult one.”

This is the closing remark of an editorial in the last *Anchora*, based upon a discussion between a group of young ladies, as to whether any attempt at general culture should be made while in college. To the college student no sentiment is so fraught with weighty truth. Many young men seem to think when they pass for the last time the portals of “Alma Mater,” with a diploma under their arms that they are the happy possessors of an “open sesame” to any position of trust which the world has to offer. Could we relate the experiences of the multitude who have been rudely awakened from their blissful dream almost on the very threshold of life’s experience, it would need no argument to prove that a sheepskin without brains and culture is absolutely worthless. If everyone could realize this at the beginning of their college course, how much higher would be

the standing of college students of both sexes. The minutes are golden, yet there is time for both physical and mental culture if no opportunities are neglected. Our fraternity relations are powers for good in this direction if rightly exercised.

We clip from the December *Arrow* :

"In the coming convention certainly not too much stress can be put upon the idea that Pi Beta Phi must *not* pledge preps. We can better afford to allow the entire field to other fraternities when the only harvest possible is one so immature as preparatory students. Such initiates have not breathed enough of the atmosphere that surrounds more advanced college life to know how to adopt a fireside that will bring her into the most congenial companionship. We, as an organization of college young women banded together for common helpfulness, cannot afford to adopt other than grown-up members into our chapter household."

The sentiment expressed in this extract has the true ring. Many of the college societies lay great stress upon the elevated standard which they claim to hold; but give themselves away when they crowd into institutions which are already full, or academies which ape the title "College," and not only pledge, but initiate preps. If Pi Beta Phi will rigidly practice what she preaches in her *Arrow*, no fear need be entertained as to her standard. It will be as high and float as long as any in the land. Those are the sentiments of Theta Delta Chi, good sister, and we congratulate you on your grit.

The Phi Delta Theta *Scroll* takes exception to the fact that some of their alumni organizations do not send reports of their doings to the *Scroll*. He says, "Let them remember that the matter is of interest to the whole fraternity." Yes, indeed. We agree most heartily with the *Scroll*, and we also deplore the fact that Theta Delta Chi is fully as recreant in this particular. When you get together for a good time, don't forget the SHIELD. Send a report and let all the boys know that you are alive and enjoying the privileges and benefits of the fraternity. The handsome thing would always be to send the poor editor, who works so hard for love, an invitation. He can not attend all the spreads, but "it is sweet to be remembered," you know.

How often has it occurred that two Theta Deltas have been associated together for a long time in entire ignorance of the fact that they were brothers? No one knows. The SHIELD takes to itself the credit of having introduced several, with much surprise to themselves, through its pages. The following extract from a letter just received from Benj. Douglass, Jr., illustrates this point very strongly. He writes: "I am just in receipt of yours informing me that the Rev. R. S. Green is a Theta Delt. The news is a great surprise to me. Dr. Green has dined with me several times. I am a member of the church in Orange which gave him a call. It is singular that I should have entertained a Theta Delt so long unawares." Graduates may make more startling discoveries than this by carefully reading the graduate personals.

The Pi Beta Phi sorosis, at Lombard University, seems to be on excellent terms with Phi Delta Theta or *vice versa*. The chapter letter in December *Arrow* relates two very pleasant and Pan-Hellenic events. The Zeta chapter of Phi Delta Theta invited the Pi Beta Phis to a joint meeting in their Chapter Hall, and presented them as a token of their regard and esteem with seventy-five dollars. This was a very neat way of expressing it; and decidedly substantial. On Hallowe'en, the Sorosis invited the Phi Deltas to an "initiation and grub," at the residence of one of the sisters. They blindfolded the boys and ushered them into the presence of the girls, who were attired in sheet and pillow case uniform. The narrative recites that after they had razzle-dazzled the boys to their hearts' content they proceeded to grub, a genuine Hallowe'en supper, the last course being a dish of "chestnuts." No doubt, the boys enjoyed it equally as well as the girls. We wonder if Cupid was there to manipulate the arrow of Pi Beta Phi.

Correspondence.

As many letters are received which are best communicated to the readers of the SHIELD in their natural condition, this department has been organized. Letters are invited on any subject of interest to the Fraternity. Suggestions or opinions on current fraternity topics and reminiscences, or personal history of any Theta Delta, will be welcomed. In the present issue we have inserted a number of letters to show how the SHIELD has been received.

JERSEY CITY, Dec. 26, 1889.

Dear Shield: It seems to me that the SHIELD should be made a repertory of just such incidents as that relating to Bro. George Pomeroy (see graduate personals), giving an account of those who have gone over to the Silent Majority and those who are still living among us. It also appears to me that it would be a good plan to have one number of the SHIELD devoted solely to an account of all of our $\Theta \Delta X$ brothers of whom we have any knowledge, even if we take the accounts in the old numbers of the SHIELD and publish them over in extenso. Then we will have them all in tangible form, and in one issue. While in college I got a blank book and had each member of the fraternity write his name in it. I devoted three pages to each, and from time to time I have put down their history as I have gleaned it through the years. I had thought, should you desire it, I would send you a copy of this up to date, and you could publish it. This however I know, that nothing, it seems to me, would be of greater interest.

Yours,

WILLIAM L. STONE.

14 WALL ST., NEW YORK, Dec. 27, 1889.

Dear Brother: The December number of the SHIELD just received. It is something to be proud of. Glad to see that it is in such good hands. Has an aristocratic appearance, as though it was not ashamed of itself.

Yours truly, CHARLES S. MARVIN.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 26, 1889.

Dear Bro. Holmes: The SHIELD is a thing of beauty and a joy forever. I enclose check for my subscription. The fraternity seems to be booming.

Fraternally yours,

F. L. PALMER.

OGDEN, UTAH, Feb. 14, 1890.

Dear Brother: The sample copy of the SHIELD that I received some time since was carefully read, and my interest in the Fraternity was con-

siderably increased. I have been unable to meet Theta Deltas in the charge room since my graduation, but I would like to keep informed of the whereabouts of my brothers, so send me the SHIELD. With best wishes for the SHIELD and the Fraternity, I am

Yours in the sacred bonds, F. J. METCALF.

SWEETWATER, Tenn., Feb. 7, 1890.

Dear Brother: I enclose check for SHIELD. I am interested in anything connected with the good of dear old $\Theta \Delta X$. I loved her as a boy, and she has strengthened with my strength. I remember the old boys of Hamilton, and as their names come before me in the SHIELD I live over pleasant memories. I will write you a note some day of my work and of bringing $\Theta \Delta X$ South in a grand convention.

Yours, J. S. BACHMAN.

CRISFIELD, Md., Jan. 16, 1890.

Dear Brother: Enclosed you will find my subscription for the SHIELD. The sample copy you kindly sent was full of interesting things to me. I will hail the arrival of the next number with pleasure. I hope the present year will be one of unprecedented success for the SHIELD. Every Theta Delt should subscribe.

Yours fraternally,

G. T. ATKINSON.

2613 PACIFIC AVE., SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 10, 1890.

Dear Brother: I arrived here on the 6th, and found December number of the SHIELD waiting for me. It did me lots of good and brought me back to college once more when I read its pages. Enclosed find \$1.25 for my subscription to the next volume.

That letter of Bachman's is great, and when I get a chance I am going to run down to Fresno to see him. I met several Theta Deltas in Kansas City, and all of them were very enthusiastic. With a good old grip, I am

Yours in the bonds, L. C. DU BOIS.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 27, 1889.

My Dear Brother: I am much pleased with the SHIELD. It is a credit in every way to the Fraternity. I am glad to be a subscriber, and hope you will be sustained. By means of the SHIELD I hope to keep in touch with Fraternity life.

Fraternally yours,

MAHLON N. GILBERT,

Hobart, '70.

NEW YORK, Dec. 38, 1889.

Dear Brother: I enclose check for subscription to volume VI. Permit me to say that I have read the SHIELD with a great deal of interest; in fact it is only since you have taken charge of the publication that I

have taken the interest and time to examine the journal. I consider that you are deserving of the utmost praise for the valuable assistance you have rendered our Fraternity.

Sincerely yours,

BENJ. DOUGLASS, JR.,
Phi, '71.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 31, 1889.

Dear Brother: I received at my Pittsburg address the last copy of the SHIELD, and it is a reminder on the subject of subscription. If not already paid advise me and I will remit.

The story told in your California letter is of itself worth the year's subscription.

Your notes in regard to graduates I find exceedingly interesting. I was never aware before that Mr. Henry Harley was a Theta Delta Chi. I knew him well and came frequently in contact with him, and regret very much that I never gave him the old grip.

Very truly yours in $\Theta \Delta X$, L. HALSEY WILLIAMS.

SCOTTSVILLE, N. Y., Jan. 11, 1890.

Dear Brother: The last SHIELD was received at the proper time. I am glad the convention saw fit to bestow the whole management upon you, and I hope every Theta Delt will show his appreciation of the first-class fraternity magazine which the SHIELD now is, by subscribing for it at once. Please find enclosed \$1.25 for my subscription to the next volume.

Fraternally yours,

EDWARD S. BROWN.

UTICA, Dec. 27, 1889.

Dear Brother: I have before me the very excellent December number of the SHIELD, and I am proud indeed of the fraternity that has such a publication.

You are doing a good work for Theta Delta Chi. A magazine representing the life, the movement of the fraternity, helps us all. It unites us more strongly.

Yours in the bonds,

JAS. T. HOWES,
Beta, '88.

"CITY OF COWBOYS," Feb. 10, 1890.

Dear Bro. Editor: Allow me to preface my remarks by the statement that cowboys are not so numerous in the city as at this time last year, and although we did have to drive the buffalos off the diamond at one of the ball games last summer, their inroads are not of frequent occurrence, and being easily driven off, the games are very little delayed.

We do not appreciate the strength of our sentiment for $\Theta \Delta X$ until some sudden chance discloses it to us. I had been out here two weeks

in the fall of '88, had received no letter from any one and was consequently somewhat cerulean when one of my little boy gymnasts brought me a card with "Compliments of A. Bushnell, Θ Δ X, Hamilton College, '71," on it. Why, I just sat stupefied and read and re-read those symbols. I never knew those few lines could mean so much.

There are nine of us here in the city now (with O. T. Eastman, Mu Deuteron, '86), mostly Hamilton boys.

Brother A. R. U. Heard pounced in on me Feb. 1st for a three hours visit. He was on his way to Boston.

Brother Humphrey, I hear, is out in the wilds of Kansas. May we hear from him.

Of my own work I need only say that it is what its name implies—physical. Our gymnasium is one of the largest and finest equipped in the West, and well patronized withal. I have sixteen classes a week in it, including two ladies' and girls' classes numbering 130 members. You may judge that all these classes keep me moderately busy, but I am interested in this kind of work, and as a stepping-stone to something higher, enjoy it.

Yours in the bonds,

Kansas City.

PAUL C. PHILLIPS.

SOMONANK, Ill., Feb. 24, '90.

Dear Brother: Am proud of the SHIELD, and as one of the enthusiastic supporters of Vol. I, and one of its associate editors, I am more than pleased with its success. Long live the SHIELD, the organ of Theta Delta Chi. I congratulate you on its present appearance. Count on me for all the support my time and financial condition will warrant.

Yours in the bonds,

J. P. HOUSTON.

UTICA, N. Y., Jan. 11, 1890.

My Dear Bro.: The SHIELD is in every way a credit to its editor and publisher. It ought to be appreciated by the boys, which reminds me that I have not remitted for last Vol. I send \$2.50 for last Vol. and the next one to come. You may well be proud of your work and Theta Delta Chi more than satisfied with her quarterly.

Yours affectionately,

J. H. CUNNINGHAM.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 31, '89.

Dear Bro.: I am much impressed with the SHIELD. In typography it is first-class, and in its general fund of information it is invaluable. It should be in the hands of every graduate member.

I sincerely hope that one result of your noble efforts will be the re-establishment of defunct charges. We surely ought to be represented in every first class college in the country. Yours fraternally,

V. O. TAYLOR, Tufts, '68.

WOLLASTON, Mass., Jan. 7, 1890.

Dear Brother: The December SHIELD is just at hand. I feel a sinful amount of pride in the splendid issue. I am ready to compare it with any fraternity publication in the land. I joyfully enclose my subscription to Vol. 6, and wish you the magnificent success your noble work deserves.

Fraternally,

LUTHER FREEMAN, Lambda, '89.

IN the last number, an error was made in J. F. Newman's ad. "Graduate Watch *Chain* should have read *Charm*." This charm consists of a double-faced badge, shaped exactly like the pin, with a pendant ring for attaching to the watch guard. It was adopted by the last convention as a graduate badge, and certainly is very appropriate. It has been placed in the hands of Mr. J. F. Newman, who is headquarters for all kinds of Theta Delt jewelry. He will supply it to all who apply.

SYRACUSE, Jan. 7, 1890.

Dear Brother: Enclosed find \$2.50 for my subscription to the SHIELD for the volume just closed, also the next one. I am very much pleased with the great improvement in the SHIELD, and heartily wish for your success in the line of action you have taken up.

What we alumni want, as you say, is news of the boys and the work and successes of our beloved fraternity—not literary work. You have my sincere congratulations for the work of the past year and best wishes for that of the next.

Yours fraternally,

IRVING N. GERE, Psi, '84.

LITTLE FALLS, N. Y., Jan. 3, '90.

Dear Bro.: I understand you are publishing "THE SHIELD," and I also hear it highly spoken of. Please send me the December number containing the convention reports. I feel it my duty to take the publication and wish to keep up in fraternity matters. You may enter my name as a regular subscriber. Yours in the bonds,

S. A. WATSON, Hobart, '85.

VERNON O. TAYLOR, Kappa, '68, is now located in Providence as special agent for "The Winner Investment Co.," of Kansas City, Mo., one of the largest institutions in the west. It does a large amount of business and pays a good rate of interest on investments. Bro. Taylor says the institution is sound, and as his word is good and has always passed at par during the twenty-five years of our acquaintance, no hesitation is felt in recommending Theta Delt's desirous of investing money to give him a chance. See his business card.

Our Exchanges.

[All Fraternity magazines are requested to exchange with THE SHIELD. Two copies should be sent to Mr. Clay W. Holmes, Editor SHIELD, Elmira, N. Y. In return two copies of THE SHIELD will be sent wherever directed.—ED.]

THE SHIELD acknowledges with many thanks the receipt of the Amherst Olio for 1891—the first college annual of the current year received. As it cannot be described by comparison, it must be taken on its merits, of which it has many. The general get up of the book is fine, and does credit to the printers. The sketches are those of master hands and decidedly expressive, the portraits excellent. The fraternity records with their elegant steel plate cuts make a splendid appearance. The editorial work exhibits much care and thought, to say nothing of the wit and humor which crops out all around—a book of which Amherst may well be proud. Among the editors we notice the name of Bro. Nathan P. Avery.

The Sigma Chi *Quarterly*, for November, contains much matter of interest. It has as its leader a well written article on, "What Alumni Owe Their Alma Mater," other articles and several poems. While they make up a good literary, they are not what we should consider soul inspiring to old graduates. They would rather read something which bristled all over with fraternity. The Greek press receives full comment. No criticisms are made, and many kind things are said. The February number is not behind its predecessor in interest. A good number for a lawyer to read. The Greek press receives liberal attention marked with kindly good feeling. The critic leads off with a page article on the SHIELD. We clip:

"At the birth of each new era, with a recognizing start,
Nation wildly looks at nation standing with mute lips apart."

These lines have been gratuitously furnished by Mr. Lowell, to illus-

trate the attitude of the Greek press at the changed design on the famous cover of the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD. Long and persistent have been our repudiations of the "Woman of the Bath." But the influenza touched her, and she slept. It is an ill wind that blows *nobody* good. The reason of this felicitous demise is, that the SHIELD's editorial and typographical management have been transferred from New York city to Elmira, where they have been entrusted to the editorship of a practical printer. * * * The alumni personals are numerous and full, and constitute the strongest feature of the magazine. Besides showing sagacity in devoting much space to the alumni, this printer-editor shows it also in calling attention to the advertisements in the SHIELD, saying a good word for every advertiser in particular.

"Our friend Lowell" has also said:

"Nature fits all her children with something to do,
He who would write and can't write, can surely review."

We now give you another chance to do the obituary act on "the seed catalogue cover." We propose to keep on till we get our gun properly sighted, so that it will hit the mark every time, and then we shall stick. The first plate was an emergency. Anything for a change. It could not be worse. We further note that we are running the SHIELD for business. The aim of every journal should be to give that which will be of interest to the graduates. Pretty talk and a handsome cover don't pay bills. We venture the assertion that the SHIELD will keep her business end up with any other publication of its kind. We shall put in ads. and will not forget our advertisers by any means.

THE "Echo of the Seneca," published by the junior class of Hobart College for 1890, is at hand. We are indebted to Bro. Chas. C. Hoff, and thank him for kindly remembering the SHIELD. The Echo is a neat volume containing the usual fraternity and college records. It is embellished with a number of appropriate sketches and gives good views of the college buildings. Several poems and a well written poetic prophecy are characteristics of the volume. We note as a feature of the volume that in the catalogue of classes and various organizations every man's fraternity is indicated by placing the Greek characters directly after his name. This renders it easy

for graduates to recognize their own men in reading the book. It is a feature which should be introduced into all college annuals.

IF you want an encyclopedia, don't fail to buy the best in the market. Johnson's is acknowledged by all to be far superior to any other. A Theta Delt will be aided by your patronage. Don't forget Bro. Nichols.

The Alpha Tau Omega *Palm* for January, is full of information for her fraternity, discussions and chapter letters being the prominent features save one—Pan Hellenism, which receives much attention. We are sorry we cannot agree with our brother editor, but an examination of his chapter correspondence proves that *A TΩ* is divided against itself. Look well to your text, "United we stand, divided we fall," may be the epitaph which will be recorded on your tombstone, unless you press more lightly on the dynamite cartridge which you are nursing. While it is clearly evident that the best of motives prompts this discussion, it can only end in smoke or total ruin, if persisted in.

The February number of the *Sibyl* is of usual size and contains much of interest. The editorial work is of a high order. The only department which seems to be lacking is the graduate personals. The alumni seek eagerly any news of the friends and companions of their college days, and no amount of literary matter of the highest order of merit will awaken the interest and enthusiasm of a twenty year graduate half so quickly as a two line item of an old chum. Among the articles of interest in this number, "The Adventures of a would-be Poet," by the editor-in-chief deserves special mention. As we read of the expansive imagination of the would-be poet, which struggled for crystallization, as portrayed therein by this able writer, we rejoice that poetry was entirely neglected in our make-up.

SEE Bro. Patchen's ad. of Typewriter Ribbons. They are splendid ribbons, and all good Theta Delt will use them.

THE Delta Kappa Epsilon *Quarterly* reserves all rights on her cover, and fearing that some one may steal her thunder does the copyright act. The editor should read exchange comments on the old SHIELD cover. The $\Delta K E$ makes a first-class second. While the design is no doubt eminently appropriate and representative, the general effect is sombre, at least to the uninitiated. We would not speak of it, but we have been so thoroughly "razzle-dazzled," we cannot contain ourselves without passing it along. Don't relieve yourself by trying tit for tat, but just let your eye rest on the $B \Theta \Pi$ Dragon. It is little, but Oh! My. There is much to interest Deke's in the January number, convention reports and addresses, chapter letters and a few graduate personals, but little for outsiders. This is as it should be. We would suggest that if the editor were to follow our plan of writing up a few of the prominent graduates for each number, it would add a savor to the otherwise excellent journal, which would enable it to issue more than three numbers in a year. We could give you an excellent subject for a beginning. One of Elmira's most noted divines, who has been the writer's much-loved pastor for thirteen years, is as worthy a representative as $\Delta K E$ need ask for, or any other fraternity, either.

THE Delta Upsilon *Quarterly* opens vol. 8, with a Christmas number. It contains convention notes, extended Greek notes, and more graduate personal items than any other journal which we receive. It is newsy and neat, and wears the appearance of a successful career. The long experience of Editor Crossett makes it easy for him to produce a "multum in parvo" journal. Its 72 pages contain more matter in condensed form than may be found in any other two.

The Chi Phi *Quarterly* for January, shows up with a new cover designed by a lady artist. It is neat and appropriate. Some might pronounce it esthetic, but it is not gaudy. We rather like it, chiefly because it is clearly original. The number is full of interesting articles, and all others are over-

shadowed by the ably prepared and very extensive obituary notice of the Hon. Henry W. Grady, which is accompanied with frontispiece plate. It seems eminently appropriate for fraternity journals to become the final record of the valiant deeds and great achievements of the noble men who have helped to establish the standing of a brotherhood. Verily, their works do remain.

THE Delta Tau Delta *Rainbow*, under its new editorial management, keeps up its recognized standard. The October number contains a number of historical articles which are valuable as $\Delta T \Delta$ records. In this she is fulfilling the best mission of a fraternity periodical. The January number treats of "The Fraternity in College Politics." The chapter letters are numerous, but there seems to be no attention given to graduate personals.

THE Elmira Water Cure is one of the best places in the country for the "rest-seeking" worker. Located on a beautiful hill side, facing one of the finest views in the State, and with a natural glen on the property, it combines all the natural beauties which give the visitor the pleasure of natural scenery, and a delightful home life. No better summer resort in the country. The editor spends many happy hours there and assures any brother that if he would spend a few weeks there with his family—sick or well—a second visit would be sure to follow.

FROM lack of time we are obliged to leave a few of our visitors without any notice in this number. Phi Kappa Psi, Beta Theta Pi, and Kappa Sigma, have been received. We note the absence of Alpha Phi. We trust an oversight has occurred, the correction of which will bring this spicy journal to our exchange table.

BRANDRETH'S Pills and Allcock's Porous Plasters only need $\Theta \Delta X$ stamped upon them to make them perfect. Don't forget Bro. Ralph Brandreth when you have a lame back or a pain in your stomach.

THE *Green Bag*, in its February issue, publishes an interesting article from the pen of Bro. Jacob Spahn, Rochester, N. Y., entitled "Kemmler's Case and the Death Penalty."

College and School, a new visitor to our exchange table, was recently established at Utica, N. Y. It is edited by F. G. Barry, Clinton Schollard, William H. Hayne and M. B. Hedges. Typographically neat and full of general news relating to colleges and schools, it will doubtless be an interesting journal in the educational world. Its editorials on topics of the day are vigorous and timely. The department of college news is full and well kept up.

It has been said that it was impossible to obtain a good fountain pen. For one the writer has quite believed it, having tried numerous so-called "best fountain pens," but never with gratifying results. A Wirt pen now graces our editorial table. It works to a charm. It has never yet failed to do its duty on first call. It will be a perfect success if it holds out. I can see no reason why it should not, as it has been submitted to very severe tests. We feel justified in stating our belief that the Wirt pen is the best.

THE December *Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi sorosis, does great credit to the fraternity. A well-written contributed article, entitled "A Woman at the College de France, at Paris;" an open letter, by the presiding grand officer; short, spicy editorials; and a full complement of exceedingly interesting chapter letters, highly creditable to the correspondents who penned them, make up a rich number. Little attention is paid to the Greek world or exchanges. A respectable number of graduate personals completes the number. We welcome the *Arrow* to our table, and are pleased to quote from its pages.

REMEMBER that a Theta Delt is Vice-President of the United States Mutual Accident Insurance Association, which is a sufficient guarantee of its standing. The editor has carried a policy in it for many years. It is one of the cheapest and best accident associations in the country.

THE Kappa Alpha Theta *Journal* is a welcome addition to our exchange table. The January number is the first under a new corps of editors from Upsilon chapter, located at Minneapolis. The burdensome apology of the opening editorial indicates a becoming modesty, but the *Journal* itself is one which

old hands at the business might well be proud of. Cheer up, Sister Kemp. We congratulate you on your first journalistic effort. The *Journal* throughout is in excellent taste. The chapter letters are brief and well written, edited to the queen's taste, and the leading articles are full of good common sense. The cover is unique and very characteristic. All in all, the Kappa Alpha Theta *Journal* is a graceful, well-arranged and creditable publication.

THE *Key* for December is a credit to its editorial board. "The Possibilities of Fraternity Journalism," its leading article, has much of truth in it. No fraternity journal will be an immense success which aims wholly or in part to the literary. The woods are full of literary magazines. The only thing which will give long life to the Greek press is news—fraternity news, personal items about graduates, their successes and failures, the doings of the fraternity. Two contributed articles, "Woman in Journalism" and "Woman in Medicine," are all that could be desired for a good literary magazine. The chapter letters bubble over with fraternity and redeem the number from the otherwise "magazine effect." More of fraternity will increase your subscription list.

THE Delta Gamma *Anchora* for February contains much that is of interest. Several of the chapter editors have written a "chapter opinion" on fraternity extension, and the opinions advanced bespeak careful thought and a high standard of excellence for Delta Gamma. The chapter letters are short and newsy; the editorials more extended than usual, and full of sound sense. The policy adopted by the *Anchora* of announcing a subject for discussion in its next number, and calling upon chapters to write on this special subject produces much readable matter and relieves the editors. The subject for next number is, "How shall we make our College course count most?" While the consideration of such subjects is of intellectual value to undergraduates, the lack of interesting personals explains the necessity of the editorial appeal to graduates. No fraternity journal can afford to neglect the

"personals" or fraternity gossip unless undergraduate support will maintain it financially. While *Anchora* is a valuable addition to our table, it seems to contain less of fraternity news "per se" than any of the other journals.

THE Phi Delta Theta *Scroll* issues its December number under new management, and changes its location from New York to Columbus, Ohio. We have enjoyed reading this first number, as we know just how it is ourselves.

We desire to compliment Editor Brown on the neat appearance of his first attempt. The matter is good and well arranged. The chapter letters are brief and sensible. We notice the following in one from Virginia, which is the sentiment of the chapter: "Run $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on her merits as a fraternity, but never at the expense of a rival." This is truly a spirit worthy of emulation, but lost sight of by many fraternities. The February number contains extended editorials, which are the principal feature of the number. Those with numerous chapter letters fill up the number. Greek news and personals occupy a very limited space.

THE January *Quarterly* of Phi Gamma Delta, opening up the twelfth volume, is of usual size and full of good matter. Its leading articles all pertain to the fraternity, as they should. Two pages are devoted to comments, showing the *Quarterly* as others see it. There is no reason why we should not blow our own horns. If we do not, no one else will. Considerable attention is devoted to exchanges, and many excellent comments are given, lacking entirely any appearance of unkind criticism. This department is of more interest, probably, to the editors than others. We are sorry time prevented an expression of opinion on the SHIELD; we like to see ourselves as others see us. For the mistake in properly crediting extract from "The Genius of Fraternity," in our October number, we crave pardon. Those things will happen. We discover a similar but worse mistake on the part of another recent quarterly in crediting us.

Fraternity Gossip,

Sigma Alpha Epsilon has entered the University of Cincinnati.

Zeta Psi, which last year entered Yale as a Junior Society, is about to erect a chapter house.

Zeta Psi has a chapter in the Case Scientific School of Western Reserve University at Cleveland, O.

Beta Theta Pi is negotiating for the absorption of $Z \Phi$, a local society, at the University of Missouri.

Kappa Alpha was founded at Union College, in 1825; has 4 chapters; the last established at Cornell, in 1868.

Chi Phi was founded in 1854, at Franklin-Marshall College; has 22 chapters; the last established in 1884 at Harvard.

Phi Delta Theta was founded in 1848, at Miami University; 67 chapters; last established at Brown University, in 1889.

Sigma Phi was founded at Union College in 1827; has 7 chapters; the last established at Lehigh University, in 1887.

Phi Kappa Psi was founded at Jefferson College, in 1852; has 34 chapters; the last established at Swarthmore College, in 1889.

Psi Upsilon was founded in 1833, at Union College, now has 19 chapters; last one established in 1884, at Lehigh University.

Delta Kappa Epsilon was founded in 1844, at Yale, now has 30 chapters; last one established in 1885, at University of Alabama.

Out of nine members drawn from the class of '90 at Amherst for $\Phi B K$, $\Theta \Delta X$ gets two, Brothers F. A. Ballou and H. K. Whitaker.

The Mystic Seven fraternity, later known as the $\Phi \Theta \Delta$, having chapters at the universities of Virginia and North Carolina,

has been absorbed by $B \Theta II$, thus placing her long-struggling Virginia chapter on good footing, and reviving her defunct chapter at Chapel Hill. The North Carolina chapter was established in 1885. The Virginia chapter had existed as a local since the Wesleyan chapter went into ΔKE in 1867.

According to the statistical table of $\Delta T \Delta$ for 1888-9 the Indiana University chapter (established a little over a year ago), enrolled the largest membership for the year, 21 members, The Kenyon chapter, with 3, was the smallest. Her total membership for the year was 447.

Amherst College has nine fraternities, and their membership for the present year is made up as follows: $\Delta \Delta \Phi$, 36; ΨT , 33; ΔKE , 34; ΔT , 34; $\chi \Psi$, 22; $\chi \Phi$, 33; $B \Theta II$, 28; $\Theta \Delta \chi$, 33; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 27—total, 280. The total number of students is 344, leaving 64 neutrals.

Phi Beta Kappa at her last convention must have paid considerable attention to the west, or the west to her, as besides charters for Kansas and Northwestern, it is now stated that De Pauw University was chartered and a chapter will shortly be organized there.

The Phi Gamma Delta *Quarterly* has three salaried editors. We believe this is the only journal which pays any of its editors anything. Love seems to be the inspiring force which produces most of the Greek journals of the present day.

From correspondence in different Richmond College chapter reports, we learn that a member of $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ at that institution is endeavoring to band together a body of students to make application for a $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ charter.

By the burning of the Breyfogle block in Columbus, Ohio, last summer, the State University Chapter of $\chi \Phi$ lost hall, furniture, charter and paraphernalia. The chapter records fortunately were not destroyed.

Phi Kappa Sigma has again revived at Northwestern University, and will join with ΣX , $\Phi K \Psi$ and $B \Theta II$ in the Pan-Hellenic banquet. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ again declines to join because ΔT is excluded.

Chi Psi was founded in 1842, at Williams College; has 17 chapters; the last established in 1884, at Rochester University.

Beta Theta Pi was founded in 1839, at Miami University; has 54 chapters; last established in 1889, at Dartmouth and Syracuse University.

Delta Upsilon was founded at Williams College, in 1834; now has 24 chapters; the last one established in 1887, at De Pauw University.

Alpha Delta Phi was founded in 1832, at Hamilton College. It now has 19 chapters, the last one being established in 1889, at Johns Hopkins University.

Those who engage in athletic sports are sure to receive bruises. One of the simplest remedies for all manner of sprains and bruises is Pond's Extract. Keep it always in your room.

The Phi Gamma Delta *Quarterly* says hereafter the fraternity will limit new chapters to institutions of the very highest rank, but will be on the alert to revive defunct chapters as far as possible.

At the Convention of *J K E* at Boston, in October, two graduates of the old Miami chapter were present and secured the successful issue of a petition from seven students to revive the chapter. The chapter was installed the Thursday before Christmas by the aid of six or seven visiting members. All save one of the initiates are old students in the University. This makes active three of the five chapters which were in existence when the college closed in 1873. *A Δ Φ* and *J T* are the ones then existing and now not revived.

The second annual banquet of the Genesee chapter of Alpha Delta Phi (graduate) was held at the chapter house in Rochester, Friday evening, February 7th. Nearly a hundred members were present. Edward L. Adams, editor of the Elmira Advertiser, acted as toastmaster. Many excellent speeches were made and a very interesting paper on "General and Technical Education" was presented by W. J. Milne, Ph. D., Principal of the Albany Normal School. A movement was started which will probably result in the erection of a new and

commodious chapter house for the active chapter of the fraternity in the University of Rochester.

Alpha Delta Phi and Beta Theta Pi have entered chapter houses at Johns Hopkins' University.

Kappa Alpha Theta has adopted black and gold as shown in the pansy blossom for their fraternity colors.

The seven men who founded the Amherst chapter of the Delta Upsilon on July 29, 1847, are all living.

Zeta Psi has moved into a recently purchased house at Rutgers, and is also erecting a chapter house at Yale.

Beta Theta Pi has recently established chapters at the University of Minnesota, and Pennsylvania State College.

The charter of the parent chapter of Delta Gamma at Oxford Institute, Oxford, Miss., has been revoked.—*Φ Γ Δ Quarterly*.

The Grand Arch Council of Phi Kappa Psi will hold its next meeting in April, under the auspices of the Chicago Alumni Association.

Delta Tau Delta has recently established chapters at Boston University, Tufts College, the Mass. Institute of Technology and Fulton University.—*K A Θ Journal*.

Phi Beta Kappa has granted a charter to the new chapter at De Pauw University, and Phi Kappa Psi has secured the residence of the former president for a chapter house.

Delta Tau Delta, last year chartered chapters at Boston University, Tufts College, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Tulane University, and revived at Lehigh and Virginia.

THE Pinar Del Rio Cigar is the best all-around smoker the editor ever saw. He has smoked the cigar for years, and therefore speaks with full knowledge. Boys try it. You will never find a cigar for the money which will equal it.

Psi Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon and Delta Psi are said to be making efforts towards planting chapters in the University of Melbourne, Australia. One thousand four hundred students are enrolled there.

Sigma Phi is moving toward the establishing of a chapter at Cornell.

A Phi Kappa Psi Alumni Association has been recently organized in Pittsburg.

The chapter house of Sigma Chi at the University of Michigan is to be remodelled.

Delta Tau Delta will hereafter hold biennial conventions instead of annual ones as heretofore.

Phi Gamma Delta has recently secured a commodious chapter house at Lehigh University.

Psi Upsilon has an average chapter membership of 27.3, Delta Kappa Epsilon of 25, and Delta Upsilon of 22.

Nearly three-fourths of the whole house of bishops of the Protestant Episcopal church in the United States are members of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity.

The Yale chapter of Zeta Psi, established last spring, is building a chapter house. The Rutgers' chapter has purchased a house which it will remodel for chapter house purposes.

THE editor has two policies of \$5,000 each in the Phoenix Mutual Life, and is much pleased with them. There is no better life insurance, either as straight life or endowment. The latter under threefold combination being peculiarly desirable.

A Pan Hellenic Club of over one hundred members has been organized at Birmingham, Ala., and the fraternity men of Omaha, Neb., are said to be taking steps in the same direction.

Delta Phi has absorbed Iota Kappa Alpha at Trinity, but strong protests are being heard from the alumni of the latter society, which has long occupied a commanding position among New England societies.

Sigma Chi has located her recently established chapters as far apart as is possible, her Alpha Tau chapter being at the University of North Carolina, and Alpha Upsilon at the University of Southern California.

The Beta Theta Pi chapter, which was started *sub rosa* last spring, at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., has at

last blossomed out. The membership is about fifteen, and there are left less than twenty neutrals in the whole college.—*D. U. Quarterly.*

The annual convention of Psi Upsilon will be held at Providence, R. I., May 1 and 2, 1890. The literary exercises will be held in the evening of the first day, followed by the usual ball. The dinner will take place the evening of the 2d, at the Narragansett hotel.

The chapter of Phi Delta Theta which has heretofore existed at the University of Minnesota is no more, and now Delta Kappa Epsilon makes her bow there with nineteen charter members; in other words she has *lifted* the Phi Delta Theta chapter.—*K A Θ Journal.*

Θ N E has been condemned by the faculty of Syracuse University, and members of the organization are debarred from all college honors—*Φ Γ Δ Quarterly.*

We are glad to hear it, and wish every college would take the same action. It should not be allowable for a member of any fraternity to join Θ N E. It is a fire-brand which will yet make sad havoc in the Greek world.

The new plan of bearing the expenses of our convention is an admirable one. All chapters are obliged to send at least one delegate, and the traveling expenses and those of the convention are to be shared equally by the chapters. This does away with the absence of delegates on account of being so far away that they do not feel as though they could afford to send a delegate so far.—*Kappa Alpha Theta.*

Kappa Alpha Theta glories in a chapter house, which is owned by the Lambda charge at the University of Vermont, at Burlington. This is the only chapter house in the state of Vermont, and the first and only ladies' chapter house in America—so says the *K A Θ Journal*—and we have no reason to doubt the statement. Why should the girls not have all the good things. The SHIELD sends fraternal greetings to the pioneer chapter house, and congratulates the Lambda girls on their success.

Alpha Tau Omega has established a chapter at Albion college, Michigan.

Pi Beta Phi has established a chapter at Ohio University, with 7 members.

The harvest of initiates in all the fraternities seems to be up to the usual average.

Alpha Delta Phi is to build a new chapter house at Amherst, to cost about \$40,000.00.

The Sigma Chi catalogue is now in press, and will soon be delivered to the fraternity.

The Epsilon alumni chapter of Sigma Chi has recently been chartered in the city of Washington.

Kappa Sigma organized her Alpha Zeta chapter on January 3d at the College of William and Mary.

A non-secret ladies' society, entitled Kappa Kappa Kappa, has been founded at Boston University.—*Anchor*.

The Pi charge *K A θ* at Albion College gave a *Tea* in their hall, at which their gentlemen friends were guests.

Several fraternities at the University of Georgia have taken in men who do not intend to go to college.—*The Key*.

The Alpha Zeta is a new fraternity founded at Cornell. None but Americans speaking either Spanish or Portugese can belong.

Phi Gamma Delta has established chapters at Sheffield Scientific School and Massachusetts Institute of Technology.—*Rainbow*.

Three fraternity journals are now published at the University of Minnesota, viz.: The *Δ T Δ Rainbow*, the *Δ Γ Anchora* and the *K A θ Journal*.

Miami University at present has but two fraternities, *B Θ II* and *Φ Δ Θ*. It is rumored that *Δ K E* is making an effort to re-establish her defunct chapter.

The Amherst chapter of Chi Psi held their twenty-fifth anniversary reception on the evening of March 7th, at their lodge room. There was a large attendance.

Zeta Psi claims to still hold her chapter at Princeton. It cannot be very strong.

Phi Gamma Delta is at work on a new catalogue, which will soon be published.

President Andrews, of Brown University, is a member of the Brown chapter ΔT .

Alpha Tau Omega has recently established a chapter at Cumberland University.

Dr. Dodge, the late President of Madison University, was a member of Alpha Delta Phi.

Chi Psi has during the past year lost its Rochester chapter, organized in 1884.—*The Rainbow*.

The De Pauw chapter of $\Phi K \Psi$ has taken possession of a new chapter house.—*\Phi I \Delta Quarterly*.

Ex-President Porter of Yale succeeds the late ex-President Woolsey as President of Phi Beta Kappa.

The semi-centennial of the Alpha chapter of $B \Theta \Pi$ was celebrated at Miami University last June.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon is said to have given up the fight at Erskine College and disbanded.—*The Rainbow*.

The Sigma Chi *Quarterly* issues a strictly private monthly bulletin, which is sent under seal to members only.

Hobart College has four fraternities, with a total membership of 51, made up as follows: $X \Phi$ 14, KA 15, $\Theta \Delta X$ 5, $\Phi K \Psi$ 17.

Kappa Sigma and Delta Theta Psi have within the last month established a chapter at the College of William and Mary.

A chapter of $\Delta K E$ has been established at Vanderbilt University, making the eighth fraternity which has secured a footing there.

Total membership of Sigma Chi for 1889 was 427. Of these, 265 were expected to return to College at the fall session.—*The Scroll*.

This must be intended to mean the active membership.—ED.

Kappa Alpha Theta, at her late convention, changed her signs, pass-words and grip and adopted a new ritual.

Only two numbers of the last volume of *The Rainbow* were issued. The last two failed to materialize. The first number of Volume XIII appears on time.

It is rumored that Rutgers College authorities will require all students to room in the new dormitory now building. What will become of the chapter houses?

Delta Upsilon chapter at Syracuse University gave the Chi chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta (Sorosis) an informal reception Nov. 7th, in the parlors of their chapter house.

No "prep." nor professor can be hereafter initiated in $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, by resolution of their last convention. Japs and colored friends are still eligible for membership.—*K A Journal*.

Hon. J. Sloat Fassett, President of the New York State Senate, and the leading spirit of Republican State politics, is a graduate of Rochester University and an $A \Delta \Phi$.

At the 14th semi-annual field day of the Athletic Association of Hobart College, held Oct. 18, 1889, C. C. Hoff, $\Theta \Delta X$, '90, won seven prizes, the largest number captured by one person.

There are five sisterhoods at the Northwestern University:—Alpha Phi, Delta Gamma, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, and Gamma Phi Beta. This record takes the cake.

Three chapters were organized at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology last year, $\Delta \Psi$, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ and $\Delta T \Delta$, making a total of five chapters there. Theta Delta Chi opens the ball this year with her θ^a .

Sigma Nu has issued a new catalogue compiled by Grant W. Harrington, of Lawrence, Kansas. Our exchanges speak very highly of it, but the SHIELD has not seen a copy and must therefore refrain from joining the chorus.

Beta Theta Pi has adopted the rose as the fraternity flower, leaving the variety to the option of the chapters.—*The Arrow*. There is no accounting for tastes. A hideous dragon to guard their portals and a beautiful rose on their bosoms.

"We heartily agree with the editorial which objects to 'verbose accounts of each particular billy-goat.' The Greek journals have had quite enough of minute descriptions of his lordship's actions. *Requiescat in pace Billy.*"—*Editorial in Σ X Quarterly.* So say we all of us.

Wellesley College has revived her two Greek-letter societies, Z A and Φ Σ, which had become extinct by faculty edict. They have fitted up a club room in common. Their objects are social and intellectual development, but the intellectual seems to be the basis for selection to membership.

HAIL THETA DELTA CHI.

Inscribed to James McLachlan, Psi, '78, Pasadena, Cal., by Lewis Halsey, X, '68.
Air, America.

Hail, Theta Delta Chi!
Raise now the chorus high,
Her praise prolong.
Long have we loved her name,
Lived to extend her fame,
Ever her sons the same,
We shout our song.

God bless our brotherhood,
Grant us the great,—the good—
To wear our shield!
May hope and purpose high
Point as our arrows fly,
Where, in our starry sky,
Light is revealed!

As now we give the grip,
With smile upon the lip,
May doubts depart;
In concord may we meet,
Gladly each brother greet,
In union strong and sweet,
Be one in heart!

May Theta's banner fly
Forever proud and high,
Throughout our land!
Then, brothers, brave and true,
Cheer for Black, White and Blue,
As we our vows renew,
Hand clasped in hand!

College Notes.

The University of Minnesota has 910 students enrolled this year.

Columbia College will put a base ball nine in the field this season.

A triangular base ball league has been formed between Amherst, Dartmouth and Williams.

The Juniors at Amherst are preparing a song book. The class voted \$250 for its publication.

Ohio State University has a larger number of students this year than ever before.

The twenty-sixth annual dinner of the Dartmouth College Association of New York city was held at Delmonico's, January 24.

The College of William and Mary has more students this year than ever before in her entire history.

Hamilton College, which will soon celebrate its centennial, has had 2,605 alumni, of whom 1,954 are living.—*Mail and Express.*

The last catalogue of Syracuse University shows a total of 648 students. The course in civil engineering has been discontinued.

At the annual meeting of the trustees of Dickinson College, in Philadelphia, January 9th, it was decided to re-establish the Reed Law School.

An inter-collegiate base ball league may be formed this year, comprising Cornell, Brown, Columbia, Lafayette and University of Pennsylvania.

The university boat race between Oxford and Cambridge will be rowed April 1. English papers think the Oxford eight is the stronger and will win the race this year.

Columbia College men won a prize banner for fine marching in the Washington Centennial parade. The prize was presented to them by Gen. Daniel Butterfield, January 18th.

The annual dinner of the New York alumni of Trinity College took place at Delmonico's, February 10. Dr. Geo. Williamson Smith, the president of Trinity College, is a $\Theta \Delta X$.

The Yale navy has just purchased a new pair-oared paper shell. It is built on one of Waters' new models and is much steadier than the wooden shell hitherto used.—*Mail and Express*.

The law school established at the College of William and Mary, was the first in America, and after that of Blackstone in England, the first in the English speaking world.—*Mail and Express*.

Lehigh University has 418 students. A new course in architecture is introduced, and elective studies appear for the first time in this year's catalogue. Four thousand volumes were added to the library last fall.

A reception was tendered to President Reed, of Dickinson College, January 9th, by the alumni of the college residing in Philadelphia. The reception took place at Hotel Bellevue and many distinguished guests were present.

A movement is on foot at Princeton to resurrect the *Tiger*. The effort was made two years ago and all the faculty except one favored it. This one man prevented. The prospect is that the strong efforts of the undergraduates will this time be crowned with success. The paper will be run on a reform basis.

Steam heat is being introduced throughout every building connected with Dickinson College. Electric lights illuminate the college grounds at night, and nothing is left undone which tends to promote the comfort of the students.

The College of Montana, at Deer Lodge, is the only college in this state, established in 1884. It now has 150 students. There are three large and neat college buildings and a debt of \$25,000. The trustees are striving to lift this debt and secure a permanent endowment.

George Kennan is a most acceptable lecturer before college students, as is Miss Amelia B. Edwards, both of whom have had numerous engagements in college towns this winter.—*Mail and Express*. Both have lectured this winter in Elmira before the Elmira College (female) and gave intense satisfaction.

The Association of Iowa College Faculties has issued the following edict:

That all conventions, oratorical, fraternity, Y. M. C. A., etc., shall be conducted during vacation.

That no student shall be excused during the session to attend any convention or assembly.

That any one failing to comply with the above is liable to suspension or expulsion.—*The Arrow*.

Princeton has 768 students. Its college property amounts to \$4,000,000. The college and society libraries contain 140,200 volumes. What a field for fraternities. And what an unreasonable faculty. Many who would otherwise be directed to Princeton are now guided to other colleges by the fraternity influence of alumni—a power which no institution in the land can overcome. Fraternity alumni are doing more for colleges than the colleges ever did for fraternities. It is a mistaken antagonism, as any fraternity alumnus will testify. If Princeton would open her gates to fraternities, it would be but a short time before her roll would be nearer 1,200 than 800.

Rev. Chas. Van Norden, D. D., recently elected president of the Elmira College, (Female) assumed the duties of his new position, February 3d. Dr. Van Norden graduated at Hamilton College in 1863. He was valedictorian of his class. He graduated from Union Theological Seminary in 1866, and received the degree of D. D. from the University of New York. He was pastor of the Washington Street Presbyterian Church in Beverly, Mass., five years; of the First Church in St. Albans, ten years; of the North Church, of Springfield, Mass., four years. The Elmira College is fast taking rank as one of the leading female colleges of this country. For thirty-five years it has maintained its high standard and held its own. With its conservatory of music equal to any between New York and Chicago, a school of art with superior advantages, and a vigorous president in his prime, there is no reason why this institution should not become famous.

The college papers of the University of Pennsylvania are raising a storm about the faculty's latest decree forbidding smoking "in and about the college buildings," and have made one or two allusions to the professors smoking in their own rooms, which the editors consider in violation of the faculty's own order.

At Wesleyan this winter, an agreeable feature of student life has been the unusually large number of informal receptions given by the societies in their club-houses. Two successful entertainments of this sort occurred this week—that of Alpha Delta Phi's, at which many ladies were present, and the Psi U. reception to D. K. E. Seniors.—*N. Y. Evening Post.*

Brown University is to have, after April 1, a new monthly periodical, to be called the *Brown Literary Magazine*. The *Brunonian* will continue to be published, but will confine its efforts to editorial and news matter, while the new magazine will represent the college literary spirit.—*Mail and Express.*

Charge Letters.

[Charge editors are again requested to write on only one side of the paper and to assume a style somewhat more expansive than a telegraphic communication. The next letter is due on June 1st, 1890, and should be as long as possible. Write legibly.]

BETA.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Since the last issue of the SHIELD, Beta has succeeded in securing two more men. Henry Merriam, '92, of Waverly, N. Y., and Emory Wilson, '93, of Washington, D. C. Bro. Merriam's father is one of Zeta's men, class of '58. This swells our number to fifteen; rather small for Beta, but we have been unfortunate in losing some of our old men this year. We hope to get at least two more men before the close of the year.

The Syracuse banquet was quite a success, but would have been more so if some of our alumni would not drown Theta Delta Chi in their business, and if some of the undergraduates could possibly keep from getting broke. But what was lacking in numbers was made up in quality, especially in our Toastmaster, who by his witty remarks made himself popular with everyone. It was a treat, also, to grasp the hand of one of the founders of our fraternity, Bro. Andrew H. Green, of Syracuse.

We have been kept under a cloud of excitement at Cornell for the past week. Both the under-classes decided to hold their banquets, the Sophomores at Auburn and the Freshmen at Ithaca, on the same night, February 21st. Two or three days previous to the banquet the Freshman President mysteriously disappeared, and all the attempts of his classmates to find him proved futile until Friday afternoon, when he unexpectedly turned up, having been released by his captors in time for the banquet, on condition that he would not reveal who they were. But the Freshmen were highly excited and decided not to let the Sophomores get off without retaliating; so they assembled near the station, and when the Sophomores came down they met a warm reception, and many of them showed the effects of it after they got on the train, but the Freshmen received their share of it.

The SHIELD has given a number of personals about Beta's graduates in recent issues, but one or two of them have changed since then. Bro. Parker, '89, who has been ill in Ithaca all winter, has gone to Cleveland, in the employ of the Brush Company. Bro. Stranahan, '90, has gone to New Mexico for his health.

We received a card from Bro. Hallock last month. It resembled him, but we are expecting a visit from the entire Grand Lodge, and we will try to keep him longer then.

Bro. Johnson will not row this year, on account of the press of University work.

Bro. Johnson is training for the base ball team, and stands a good chance of getting in. Bro. Wilson is also training for the Freshmen team which will be the first that we have sent out since '76, but we have lots of good material and expect to win. The Varsity bids fair to be even more than last year.

The end of the term is approaching with its examinations, and many are the greetings here.

We have just received a group picture of the Ann Arbor boys, and they all look like good Theta Deltis. We wish them success and prosperity.

GAMMA DEUTERON.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Your editor in the Fraternity Charge is glad to avail himself of this opportunity to introduce to the members of Theta Delta Chi their youngest offspring—Gamma Deuteron—and her seven charter members. We cannot forget the grateful interest which the establishment of this charge has awakened among Theta Deltis everywhere. Remembering the special manner in which the new charge has been welcomed into the bosom of our Fraternity, and the hearty reception accorded to the new men as they entered into the brotherhood, I know I am not alone in saying they are venturing out into the hitherto "Unexplored West" and seeking new fields of conquest, marks one of the most progressive and liberal steps in the evolution of Theta Delta Chi.

The new charge has hopes on the advantages sure to accrue to our Fraternity from this and the similar steps, which it is the hope and belief of all well-wishers to follow; but Bro. Holmes' several postals remind me that space as well as time is limited. I can't help congratulating our excellent and efficient Grand Lodge, and the society at large, on the successful execution, and the new brothers on their participation in the work of Theta Deuteron.

Gamma Deuteron was established at Ann Arbor, on December 13th, 1890, and has been sufficiently set forth in the last SHIELD. The charter members, all of whom are literary students, are Brothers Edward D. Walker, '90; Walter H. Butler, '91; Lyman B. Trumbull, '91; Clarence M. Deane, '91; George Reber, '91; George T. McGee, '92; and Edwin W. Case, '92. Since that time Brothers William Manning Miller, Delta, '93; Lewis Henry Remond, Jr., and John Herbert Winans, both of Rho Deuteron, have affiliated as active members. No initiations have as yet occurred.

The Charge is prosperous in every respect, and already occupies an excellent position among its older contemporaries for so young an organization. The societies represented here, in the order of their continuous existence, are: $X\Psi$, $A\Delta\Phi$, ΔKE , $\Sigma\Phi$, $Z\Psi$, $\Psi\Gamma$, $B\Theta$, $\Phi K\Psi$, $\Delta T\Delta$, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, $M\Sigma A$, $A T\Omega$ and $\Sigma A E$, together with the professional fraternities $\Phi\Delta\Phi$, ΣX , $\Delta\Sigma\Delta$, ΦX , $N\Sigma N$, and the sororities $\Gamma\Phi B$, Sorosis, ΔT and $\Pi B\Phi$. The University is a prolific field for fraternities, having, according to the new catalogue just issued, upwards of 2,150 students. At the date of last year's annual $\Psi\Gamma$ led with a membership of 32, the others ranging from this down to 8. $A\Delta\Phi$, ΔKE and $\Psi\Gamma$ own handsome and commodious brick or stone houses, and nearly all the others rent houses for their members' occupancy.

We have been accorded a permanent editorship on the *Argonaut*, one of the college weeklies, and Bro. Warner has been installed as editor. A long and hard struggle awaits us before we can hope to obtain recognition in a position on the board of the *Palladium*, the annual. It is issued by a close corporation composed of representatives from the nine fraternities first named above, and unanimous consent is required for the admission of new societies to the charmed circle. None have yet been admitted, and petitions and protests are in vain. The non-represented fraternities are about equal in numbers to the nine, but lack organization and determination. Their plates are admitted in the *Palladium* as advertisements, on payment of a sum of money. Society is also, to some extent, dominated by the same league.

The standing of the Charge in scholarship is all that could be desired, and I have been pleased to note that our influence is extending in many directions. Bro. De Puy has been elected Vice-President of the Engineering Society.

DELTA.

RENSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

To write, sensibly and at any length, and say nothing, is a natural gift and not a talent that can be acquired. How many charge editors wish such a gift could be counted among their possessions when the time for the next letter comes and they can think of absolutely nothing new since their last. Blessed are they who are born journalists.

Delta's list of visitors is not as long as we would like to see it, though probably we should think of our extreme Western and Eastern sisters and be thankful we are honored with even a small number. On their return from the establishment of Gamma Deuteron, Bros. Bartlett and Carter stopped over one day, thus bringing the new Grand Lodge together for the first time since convention. Bro. Du Bois, E^{Δ} , spent a day or so with us just before his departure for the West. May the best of success attend him. About a month later Bro. Hills, Ξ , stayed over night on his return to college after the holidays, and still a month later

Bro. Jones, *II*^A, was with us for a few hours. Bro. Neiman, *N*^A, who is a chemist in Albany, drops in occasionally, and Bro. Blandy, '87, spent a week with us early in the year. As a result of that visit, his engagement was announced shortly afterward. If we may be pardoned for the repetition, Theta Deltas are ever welcome at Delta, and we hope some of the undergraduates will take advantage of their Easter vacation—a luxury of which we cannot boast—to prove for themselves the truth of the above.

At present but one fraternity at the R. P. I., Chi Phi, occupies a house, but it is rumored the Delta Phi's will move into one ere long, and thus start a movement which will soon end in every fraternity being compelled to at least rent a house, or lose their rank among their rivals here. Fortune favoring, we shall not be the last to move.

"Ward politics" have now shown themselves in the Freshman class, nearly one-half refusing to recognize the office of Grand Marshal, and it may result in the failure of the customary banquet and sleighride. It had been the hope of the upper class-men that the graduating class this year would carry with it most of the stubborn element; but now the Freshmen have taken it up, no one can tell where it will end. Any settlement of the question appears as far remote as it did a year ago.

The *Transit* is now fairly under way, and will, nothing now unforeseen preventing, appear about the third week in May. A copy will be sent to each charge, and we hope to receive more exchanges than we did last year.

Initiates during year: Tim. B. Cram, Washington, D. C., '93; C. V. Rice, Sharon, Pa., '93; J. D. Ringwood, Ilion, N. Y., '93.

EPSILON DEUTERON.

YALE UNIVERSITY.

We take pleasure in announcing that since the last issue we have initiated Messrs. Charles Newman Gunn, New Haven, of the Senior, and Jarius W. Kennan, St. Louis, Mo., of the Freshman classes, both of whom are "smooth" men and worthy Theta Deltas. Bro. Gunn would have joined us in Freshman year but for family reasons, which till now he has been unable to overcome. He is a Senior appointment man, and one of the most popular men in his class.

The Grand Lodge, accompanied by Bros. Saltonstall and Griffing, of Harvard; Tower, Hopkins, Stiness and Webb of Brown, swooped down upon us, January 30th, and, during the few days of their stay, we of Epsilon Deuteron at least enjoyed a very "glassy" time, and trust the visiting brethren enjoyed themselves sufficiently to call again.

During the month we have also been honored by flying visits from Bro. F. L. Jones, of New York; Bro. Luce, of Lambda; and Bro. Ruthven, of Epsilon Deuteron. Bro. Blair, '91, is on his class tug of war team,

and Bro. Robinson, '91, is training with the athletic team for the two-mile bicycle race; both are doing excellent work.

In closing, we are happy to state that the home-stretch of the college year finds us in the most prosperous condition we have enjoyed since our establishment, and there is no reason why the erection of our new temple may not find us the strongest fraternity in the University.

ETA.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

On account of a mistake in addressing her letter, Eta was not represented in the last issue of the SHIELD, and therefore craves your indulgence in presenting some things which should have appeared then. All the brothers here are much pleased to note the steady improvement in the SHIELD, and we feel sure that under Bro. Holmes' efficient management we shall realize one of our chief ambitions, viz: to have a journal which shall truly represent our interests and take among similar publications the high rank to which our beloved fraternity entitles it.

Although our '93 delegation is not as large as some we have initiated, it is of first rate quality. The names of the new brothers are as follows: H. S. Baker, Bridgton, Me.; C. C. Bucknam, Eastport, Me.; B. F. Barker, Bath, Me.; C. H. Howard, South Paris, Me.; W. Spring, New Gloucester, Me. At the same time we also initiated S. B. Abbott, '92, of Farmington, Me. They are all fine fellows and are an honor to us. Our prospects for next year are bright, as we already have in view several excellent men for our '94 delegation.

The all-absorbing topic here at Bowdoin now is the proposed boat race with Cornell, which is to take place next June, at Lake Cayuga. At a meeting of the Boating Association it voted to put an eight-oared crew in training, and a large sum of money was raised by the students. The alumni will doubtless respond liberally to request for aid in this matter. This is our first venture in "eights," but we have in times past taken a high place of honor in "fours," and while we are not at all confident of victory this year, we feel sure that, with the boating material now in college, we can make a good showing at least. Eta will certainly have three men on the crew, and perhaps more, for we have by far more boating men than any other fraternity here. Bro. Brown, captain of the college crew, which in '85 lowered the intercollegiate record for "fours," is with us again in the medical department. Bros. H. H. Hastings, C. H. Hastings, Parker, Horne and H. W. Poore have rowed on their respective class crews and are all fine oarsmen. The candidates have already gone into active training, and are hard at work. Fred Plaisted, Bowdoin's old trainer, will doubtless coach the crew.

Last fall, for the first time in her history, Bowdoin put a foot-ball eleven into the field and it did her great credit, being defeated only once, and

that the first game played. On this, as on other things, Eta was well represented. Bro. H. H. Hastings played left guard, Bro. Freeman end-rush, and Bro. C. H. Hastings left guard. Bro. Parker played the first game and would have been an invaluable man had not a sprained ankle forced him on the retired list. The eleven was coached by Bro. Haskell, Yale ex-'92, who was with us for some time, and intends to enter Bowdoin.

Bro. Freeman sings first bass in the Glee club and is leader of the Banjo and Guitar club. Bro. Stearns is also a member of the latter.

Toby Lyons, of the "Syracuse Stars," has been coaching the ball team. Eta will probably have two men on the nine—Bros. Freeman and Spring. Bro. Freeman was elected captain, but resigned. He will, however, cover second base during the coming season. Bro. Spring will probably play third base and exchange catcher.

The annual athletic exhibition will be held next month, and it is being looked forward to with much interest. $\Theta \Delta$'s will probably take a prominent part. Bro. Bucknam is becoming one of the most promising general athletes in the college.

In class elections we have more than held our own, or to use an expression more forcible than elegant, "scooped things." In the Senior class Bro. Chandler has the Parting Address, Bro. Mitchell the Poem, and Bro. Hastings is chairman of the committee on arrangements.

In the Junior class Bro. Ridlon is chairman of the committee on arrangements. The Sophomores have not yet elected their officers.

In the Freshman class Bro. Howard is Orator, Bro. Bucknam has the Parting Address, and Bro. Baker is Secretary and Treasurer.

Our having the chairmanships of the committees of arrangements in the Senior and Junior classes means that both the Ivy hop and the "Dance on the Green" will be led by Theta Deltas—honors greatly prized by all the fraternities, as they are the chief social events of the college year.

Bro. Chandler has won golden opinions from everybody as managing editor of the Bowdoin *Orient*. He will also represent us on the '68 prize speaking, with very good chances of success, as he took the Junior Declamation prize last year.

A part of what I have written may lay us open to the charge of egotism, but it seems to me that real news concerning any Charge is of much more interest to the rest of the Fraternity than any "glittering generalities" can be.

We are all pleased at the prospects of our Fraternity's latest—Gamma Deuteron—and say good bye with wishes for her continued success, and a fraternal greeting to the other Charges.

KAPPA.

TUFTS COLLEGE.

All of us at Kappa, with the possible exception of the Charge editor, were much pleased to learn that our letter was called for, because it meant that another number of the SHIELD, whose coming we have grown accustomed to anticipate with great interest, was in course of active preparation. The regularity with which nearly all the letters of former issues have begun with praises of the SHIELD might seem to some outside our fraternity as if they had been utilized as a handy method of filling up space, and that, too, in way least likely of being frowned upon by the editor; but to us this does not seem to be the case, for if there is any one department of fraternity activity in which we can take just pride and satisfaction, it is in our quarterly, and we can no more help expressing our joy than a boy can help whistling when he is happy. This is the case at present; perhaps when we have become satiated with the array of good things presented for our delectation every three months, we may be able to accept them with stolid indifference, but we hope that such a state of affairs will never prevail, and if the excellence of each succeeding number over that of its predecessor continues to increase as it has in the past, there is little likelihood that it ever will. And so we fall right in with the old custom and wish success to Vol. VI of the SHIELD.

This has been a most prosperous winter for Kappa. With deep interest and perfect harmony in our ranks, with the respect of the student-body, both in other fraternities and among the non-secret men, we have experienced a season of great pleasure and profit since college opened last fall. I spoke in my last of the encouraging way with which the newly initiated brothers entered into the fraternity spirit, and how the fact presaged great benefit to them and to us. What was then so auspiciously foreshadowed has become a most substantial reality, and today Kappa charge is in as flourishing a condition as we—I won't say could wish, it will never be that, but at least as we could expect.

Our literary work in the meetings has been very interesting and instructive. We have not attempted to supplant the work of the college curriculum, but rather to lay stress on features that are treated there only incidentally, if at all. Our programmes have contained subjects of all sorts, purely literary, purely instructive and purely practical, with a preponderance of the last mentioned kind. Facility in extemporaneous speech has been sought after as much as any one thing. Sometimes we combine several features in one programme, as, for instance, in this as a sample:

1. Robert Browning; his life and works.
2. Speech on "The Outlook for a College Graduate."
3. Louis Agassiz; his life and services to the cause of Natural Science.

Here is a comprehensive essay in number 1, a speech on a practical topic in number 2, and something more of the nature of a sketch in num-

ber 3. Nearly all these composite programmes have something of practical concern to the brothers as college men, who are fitting themselves for their life career in the world, and it is a feature that meets with general and hearty approval. As these topics are selected to be presented as speeches, or better, as informal remarks, we gain two ends with an economical expenditure of means, or, in other words, "kill two birds with one stone."

The feature of our literary work that adapts itself most completely to the chief end we have in view, the attainment of skill in speaking *ex tempore*, is the presentation of a paper, to be followed by a general discussion. This discussion may take whatsoever course it pleases; possibly it will bring up in a region which has not the remotest connection with the starting point; but we care nothing for that, as the effect sought after is to have the brothers stand on their feet and say something. The reading of the paper serves merely to set the ball a-rolling, and as long as it rolls we are perfectly willing to let it take its own course. The essay is criticised not merely as regards the matter itself, but also as to its style and method of treatment. We take no final vote on the merits of the question or of the arguments, for the hesitating ones would be even more indisposed to speak if their remarks were to have the appearance of formal arguments. In short, we strive to make the talking as informal and spontaneous as conversation, allowing, of course, for the fact that we are in a regularly organized assembly, and the result, so far, has been very gratifying.

Our catalogue committee has been at work this winter in collecting information about Kappa's graduates for the general catalogue of the fraternity. Blank forms of circulars containing a most comprehensive set of questions, have been sent out, and the returns have been coming in for some little time. They are quite full in most cases, and where they are lacking the deficiencies have been to a considerable extent supplied by personal investigation into college catalogues, charge records and history, and the like. and when Brother Davis is ready to issue our long-hoped-for general catalogue, our quota will, I think, be as complete as it is possible to make it. The committee has also sent out to the graduates a circular giving information about our men, "who they are and what they are doing to maintain the high position that Kappa has always held on College Hill." This circular has been very gladly received, and the letters that have come back to us commending the plan and expressing gratification at the showing we can make, have given us another proof of the deep interest Kappa's graduates, of many years' standing even, take in the active work of the charge to-day.

When our initiation was over last October we thought that our ranks were formed for the year, but there have been two changes. Brother Bennington, '91, has left college to enter the medical office of his uncle in Windsor, Vt. His loss will be especially felt in base ball next spring,

for he was our principal pitcher. Our numbers will not long remain depleted, however. We have just pledged a new man in college, Mr. P. T. Needham, of Lawrence, Mass., and probably by the time this issue of the SHIELD appears he will have been initiated. A significant indication of the standing of Theta Delta Chi at Tufts may be found in the fact that Mr. Needham had been previously approached by two out of the three other fraternities before he was asked by us. We think he will be a valuable addition to our number.

I suppose that by this time nearly all, or possibly all, of the charges have been visited by the Grand Lodge. Kappa was favored by their august presence on the evening of January 27, and we hope that they were as much satisfied with the condition of our charge as we were pleased to entertain them. President Bartlett's words were just as full of enthusiasm and fraternity zeal as ever. Whoever his successor may be, we may surely say to him, as was said to a certain distinguished official, "You have a hard man to follow." Brothers Carter and Hallock also had a good word to say.

One word more and we are done. Kappa has charge of the annual banquet of the New England Association this year, and its members would be glad to see a large number of Theta Deltas present, regardless of their geographical location. The banquet will be held about the middle of April, in Boston, and invitations will be sent to all the charges.

And now, with best wishes to all, we bring this letter to an end. This will be the last time during this college year that we will send our greetings through the pages of the SHIELD, for our next issue will find Commencement over with and the brothers scattered to the four quarters of the globe. We hope all the charges have had a prosperous and pleasant winter, although to confess it in such a winter as this is to credit your charge with an extraordinary degree of fraternal power. But the balmy days of spring will soon repay us for all our discomforts and tell us that ere long we may lock up our dormitories and settle down for a good long vacation. In the pleasant mood aroused by such a prospect we of Kappa say good-bye.

LAMBDA.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

Brother W. F. Gilman, lately elected to represent Lambda on the SHIELD, has been obliged by illness to leave his work and go home. Consequently the same old pen will go on scratching for this quarter, at least. The request came so late to do his work that this letter will perhaps contain not much but a disconnected statement of our present condition.

We are on the eve of the second term examinations and a glance over our term's successes and honors may not be void of interest.

As first of all, perhaps, in importance should be mentioned the organization of the Boston University Glee Club. An endeavor has been made in other years to arrange one, and a few men have occasionally gone out under that name, sometimes with and sometimes without credit. Finally a real, live Glee Club has been organized and is giving increased satisfaction to its hearers within and without college. It made its debut Friday evening, January 31st, in Jacob Sleeper Hall. Since then it has done considerable work, and is to-night—March 5th—giving an entertainment at the Y. M. C. A. building. Brother G. F. Kenney is the leader, and Brother J. W. Spencer is business manager. We have two men on besides the leader: Brothers Snow and Hawkins. With it goes Brother Adams as reader and impersonator, and to him a large part of the success must be attributed.

On the Banjo Club we are represented by Brother Hawkins and Brother Sylvester. Brother Spencer is also business manager of this.

As for literary matters, Brother Willett has been elected second business manager of the *University Beacon*, and Brother Wenzel is one of the associate editors for half a year. On Friday of this week the annual election of the Beacon Association will be held, at which will be chosen a president, clerk and one director of the Association, and the editor-in-chief of the *Beacon*. According to a recently formed custom a woman would be elected this year; yet one of Lambda's men is a candidate for the position. Which one—the man or the woman—will be elected, a few days will disclose.

Brother A. C. Downs, '92, has left college to attend to the business of his father, who is too feeble to take care of it himself.

Brother G. H. Spencer is supplying the pulpit of the First Methodist Episcopal Church at Lawrence for the remainder of the Conference year, the pastor having recently died.

Brother G. F. Willett, '91, at the last meeting of the New England Inter-collegiate Press Association was elected its secretary.

During the term we have had calls from the President and Secretary of the Grand Lodge, from Brother Jones and from many of our alumni.

The charge is prospering. Our numerous correspondents may be pleased to know in addition that we are sober and in our right minds.

ALBERT CANDLIN.

PERSONALS.

J. T. Draper, '84, is teaching natural sciences in the High School at Pueblo, Col.

J. B. Scott, '83, is practicing law at Grafton, Mass.

M. H. Bowman, '81, is Principal of the High School at West Medway, Mass.

W. M. Brigham, '87, has recently been admitted to the Suffolk bar, and is practicing at Marlboro, Mass.

F. J. Metcalf, '86, is teaching at Ogden, Utah.

Irving Smith, ex-'88, is attending Bryant and Stratton's Commercial School.

J. D. Pickles, '77, sailed Feb. 12th for a four months' trip to Europe, Egypt and the Holy Land.

A. J. Clough, '78, is Principal of the High School at Green Bay, Wis.

S. I. Bailey, '81, is in South America preparing a map of the southern heavens, under the direction of the Howard Observatory authorities.

G. T. Richardson, ex-'87, is city editor of the Boston *Daily Advertiser*.

A. H. Noyes, '87, who left us to go to Trinity, has lately received a very flattering offer from one of the English universities in Japan.

W. E. Chenery, '87, who was incorrectly dubbed M. D. in a recent number, will graduate from the Howard Medical School this year, and intends to further prosecute his studies in Europe.

MU DEUTERON.

AMHERST.

We are in mid-term time, with but little to enliven the daily routine of the winter term's steady grind. Now and then, to be sure, there are social events of more or less brilliancy, to which, however, only a favored few are invited. The record, then, of fraternity news from Mu Deuteron suitable for publication in the columns of the SHIELD is most meagre. At the beginning of the term the brothers came back joyfully after the rest of the holidays; then there were the fond greetings of brother to brother on one day. On the next we heard of poor Hendy's death. Whatever may be said of the life of Henderson, '91, in his death all were united in one common grief. It was so unexpected to lose him who was so full of life and attractive qualities.

He's gone in his beauty,
His strength and his pride;
Yes, gone from among us,
But, oh, he has died!

The second "drawing" of the $\Phi B K$ from '90 was of but four men, among whom was one more $\theta \Delta$; thus giving to Mu Deuteron three members of that *rank* society, a proportion much larger than any other society has. In the other classes our general scholarship is being fully maintained, or even advanced, for we all expected great things from our '91 delegation. Our prospect for representation in the Kellogg Prize speaking is good, for several of the brothers from '92 and '93 have done excellent work. We all rejoice in the success of Bro. Avery, '91, who is chosen to the Lester Prize oratorical contest. It is a coveted position of much honor to all who contend, because of the sharpness of the rivalry.

Our present house has proved itself too small for our growing needs, and so plans are on foot to enlarge it by an addition which shall include

the goat hall and suitable parlors, together with a few more suites for the brothers. If consummated it will give us a home first-class in all the particulars essential for a society's success in Amherst.

And to it, in the future as in the past, we shall ever welcome all Theta Deltas.

NU DEUTERON.

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Like Sigma, Nu Deuteron "bobs up serenely," not with twelve, but with eleven men, whose beauty cannot be questioned. Our latest additions are Bro. C. W. Gearhart, '93, of Danville, Pa., and Bro. L. S. Harris, of Silver Brook, Pa. Both have given evidence of being loyal Theta Deltas in every respect, and it gives me pleasure to introduce them to the fraternity at large.

We are not an athletic association, but manage to get a representative on the different teams in college. Bro. Gearhart will represent his fraternity on the base ball team this year. He is considered one of the finest fielders among college nines. We had hoped to have Bro. Ely on the 'varsity eleven last fall, but sickness compelled him to retire early in the season. Bro. Harris is training for lacrosse, and if he keeps up his great showing, is sure of a place on the team. The rest of us keep up our muscle in other ways, such as—well, wait until you visit us and then we will show you.

Bro. Morris, '91, as editor-in-chief of the *Epitome*, promises a fine annual this year. He is working hard for the success of the production, and we feel sure that the efforts of himself and associate editors will meet with general approval among college men. Bro. J. G. Hearne still seems to be our leader in society, which can be accounted for only from the fact that he is so "pretty." Bros. D. G. Hearne, Ely, Merrick and Gearhart are close seconds, however, in the matter of society. Bros. Heilig and Holcombe seem to realize why they are sent to college—they study from morning till night.

Our delegates (?) to the last convention report a good time, but seem unable give us very minute details of the proceedings. The establishing of a charge at the University of Michigan is pleasing to us all, and to our new brothers we extend that friendship and love which so characterizes Theta Delta Chi.

Our visitors this term have been numerous. Those to whom we have had the pleasure of showing the sights of this quaint old Pennsylvania Dutch town are Bros. Colnon, Beta; Dumont, Phi; Jones, Pi Deuteron; Coville and Dillworth, Rho Deuteron; Pierce, Xi. We were also pleased to have with us Bros. Neiman, Thomas and H. A. Luckenbach, of our own charge. We hope many others will give us a chance to show them the hospitality of Nu Deuteron. Bro. Bartlett and the other members of the Grand Lodge expect to visit us in the near future.

In closing, Nu Deuteron extends a hearty grip to the brothers of the different charges, with the hope that with them all the same hearty and thorough fraternal feeling prevails as with the brothers of our charge.

XI.

HOBART COLLEGE.

At the beginning of this college year we started in with four men, two seniors and two juniors. From the fact of our getting no men, then the report was started by the other fraternities here that our charter had been taken from us, and that we could not initiate men. However, at Christmas, we took in one man, Bro. J. Erwin Broadhead, '93, of Jermyn, Pa., and after the holiday vacation we "swung" Bro. Leslie Fenton Potter, of Iola, Kansas, both men that two of the other fraternities had been rushing from the beginning of the year, so it then became evident that we had not lost our charter and were to continue "in the ring." Since that time our prospects have been continually brightening, and there is now no cause for apprehension concerning the future of the charge. We were weakened somewhat by Bro. Palmer's leaving at Christmas, he dropping college to accept a position in the city comptroller's office, Brooklyn. Being the most popular and original man in college when here, he is missed, both by the charge and the college at large. We now number five men, two seniors, one junior, and two freshmen, but in a short time we shall add a sophomore to the crowd whom we have already pledged. We are also certain of two first-class men at commencement time, so the Xi will begin next year with six energetic men. There will also be a greater necessity for good rushing at that time, because two of the other fraternities represented here, the Sigma Phi and Kappa Alpha will be in chapter houses then, as the first are building and the second have bought a house, and both will be ready for occupation by commencement. The college is showing much interest in base ball and athletics this year, and we are represented in both, by Bro. Hoff, catcher on the team, and who is also training for the State Inter-Collegiate field day.

CHAS. C. HOFF.

OMICRON DEUTERON.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

Situated as we are, up in the wilds of New Hampshire, far from pleasures of the cities and larger towns, we very naturally make more of our society during the winter term. There has been a manifest improvement in the literary programs this term, while the social spirit exceeds that of any other term. One of the features of our meetings has been a society novel, the chapters being contributed by different brothers. Several of the brothers in '92 are competing for the editorships of the college annual, and we will surely have one, and probably three. Dartmouth's interest

in base ball and athletics is as strong as ever. There are more men training for the athletic team than ever before, among whom are a number of Theta Deltas. Her hopes of winning the athletic pennant, as well as the base ball are strong.

Bro. Smith was unable to return to college this term, but we understand he is to be with us again next term.

Bro. Fletcher has been obliged to leave college on account of ill-health. He will spend the remainder of the winter in Florida, and if his health permits will return to college next year.

Wednesday evening, February 26, Baron Shirley, '92, of Andover, N. H., was initiated. He has been in college a year and has had opportunity to form an opinion of the societies, and his choice shows that Omicron Deuteron is not far behind the other fraternities having chapters in Dartmouth College. Bro. Shirley is a man of literary ability and is sure to win laurels for $\Theta \Delta X$. February 21st was the usual day for the sophomore and freshman class suppers, the former being held at Springfield, Mass., the latter at Manchester, N. H. Brother Shirley was toastmaster and Brother Weston was orator at the sophomore supper, while other brothers responded to toasts at both suppers.

The senior class has had its split and recovered somewhat quicker than previous classes. At their election Bro. Bacon was chosen poet for class day.

Bros. Belknap and Jarvis, who have been instructing the youth of Northern Vermont have returned.

Our annual prize speaking will take place Wednesday evening, March 12.

The operetta, which was to be rendered the first of March, has been postponed a short time, owing to the severe illness of one of the brothers, who is to have a prominent part.

Bro. French has been appointed Assistant Librarian, thus giving us three out of the four Assistant Librarians chosen from the Academical Department, and the Librarian is a member of *K K K*. We are looking forward with expectancy to the coming of the Grand Lodge, and hope to be able to present the operetta the night they are here.

PI DEUTERON.

COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

At no time since the establishment of Theta Delta Chi at C. C. N. Y. has the Pi Deuteron charge been in a more prosperous condition or entertained brighter prospects for the future. We now have fourteen active members and can favorably compete with any of the five fraternities here. From the general tenor of the charge letters in the last SHIELD it is evident that the other charges have been equally successful.

We have just received the decision of the Grand Lodge in regard to the

establishment of another charge at Boston. We were very sorry to hear that any negative vote had been cast, as we were decidedly in favor of such an addition to the fraternity.

Shortly after the last issue of the SHIELD, Pi Deuteron held its annual Christmas reunion. Many resident graduates and brothers from our sister charge were present. After an initiation supper was served and the remainder of the evening spent in jollification. But our pleasure was in part marred by an accident, which occurred later in the evening, and which, but for the timely appearance of some of the members, might have resulted much worse than it did. Part of the drapery in an ante-room had caught fire, and several of the brothers' coats and hats were burned, but the damage otherwise was small.

The first monthly meeting of the $\Theta \Delta X$ club, composed of graduates and undergraduates, was held the last Friday evening in January. The attendance was quite large and several new members for the club were obtained. Much of the success so far has been due to the efforts of Bro. Mapes.

We are this year represented on the *Microcosm* by Bros. Patterson, Trafford and Nelson, who is Chairman of the Board. It is expected that the Annual will soon appear, and that it will outshine all previous publications of the college. Bro. Patterson has been elected Secretary of the Athletic Association and Bro. Whitehorne has received an office in his class.

Pi Deuteron takes great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bros. Lawson, Lee and Wilmurt, of '93. These men have already shown an active interest in the welfare of the charge, and we feel sure that we have made no mistake in thus increasing our roll. We extend our fraternal greeting to all the charges.

FORREST R. TRAFFORD.

PERSONALS.

Bro. Cole, '92, is attending the Columbia Law School.

Bro. Parker, '92, has recently joined the Seventh Regiment.

Bro. Bogert, '90, is now studying at Trenton, N. J., under a private tutor, but frequently finds time to visit New York.

Bro. J. I. Little, Jr., '90, is practicing law at 54 William street, this city.

Bro. Anthon, '90, has returned to the city. It is understood that he intends taking a post-graduate course at Columbia.

Bro. Collins, '93, has left college. We hope that he may soon return.

Bro. Lee, '93, has taken a leave of absence for a month. He intends to accompany his father in an extended tour through Mexico and the South.

Bro. Alsdorf, '89, is studying law.

RHO DEUTERON.

COLUMBIA COLLEGE.

Rho Deuteron is as active and flourishing as ever, though she has just finished her semi-annual examinations and is now looking around to find

out who has been injured in the fray. As yet no Theta Delt has been found among the wounded.

Since you last heard from us we have been quite busy with receptions and banquets. The Theta Delta Chi club has already held two meetings at our rooms, both being successful. Many graduates and undergraduates were present at both and all had a most enjoyable time. These affairs are entirely social, and in this way bring together the older and younger members of the fraternity, a practice which I think should be followed by all our sister charges.

The banquet of the New York Graduate Association has also taken place here and some of the brothers of our charge attended. But without doubt you have already read all about that enjoyable affair in the preceding pages.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity our new member, Bro. Douglas, of the Medical School. He was initiated not long ago and we all believe that he will prove a worthy brother in the fraternity.

It has been our custom here to give an occasional reception to the men we are "rushing." Such a gathering took place during the latter part of February, and proved to be a jolly affair. Many brothers and outsiders were present. We hold all these affairs at our rooms, which are still at 574 Fifth Avenue, where we would be pleased to meet any of the brothers when they come to the city.

Of late many changes have occurred at Columbia. Among others a new President has been installed. The ceremony took place at the Metropolitan Opera House in the beginning of February and was a very impressive affair. Presidents and professors from the various colleges attended, as well as a number of men renowned in other walks of life, among whom figured many old Theta Deltas. In the evening the alumni gave a banquet to the new President, and a few days later the President and Mrs. Low gave a series of receptions to the students of the various departments of the college. President Low is a very popular man among the students, having only been graduated with the class of '70. As a result of the new administration the students have already been promised a gymnasium by the trustees, a very necessary thing at Columbia.

Our annual, the *Columbian*, is soon to appear, and in it, as usual, "we hold our own." According to its statistics, among the large number of fraternities existing here, only three exceed us in numbers.

It is with deep sorrow that we acquaint the fraternity with the death of one of our brothers, Dr. Plunkett. He was at the time of his death an instructor in the Medical Department of Columbia College, and though a member of another charge, yet his death was deeply felt by all the brothers in Rho Deuteron.

In closing, let me extend to all the brothers the best wishes of the charge.

SIGMA.

DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to the SHIELD we have lost two loyal brothers, Dr. F. L. Barnum, '91, and W. F. Sadler, '93. Brother Barnum was obliged to leave college on account of his profession, which demanded his undivided attention, and Brother Sadler to the lumber business—whether this consists in assorting material for matches or toothpicks we have been unable to discover. While we miss the companionship of these worthy brothers, we wish them success and God-speed on their respective roads to fame and fortune.

It has been rumored in college circles here that an effort is on foot to establish a chapter of some fraternity. This has largely resulted from the conservative policy of the fraternities at present flourishing here. There are six with an average of ten men each, which would make a total of (60) sixty fraternity men in college, or about one half of the total membership of the college. We have been unable to find out anything definite, but know that such a movement is being agitated. A new chapter of any fraternity will have up-hill work here unless they are indifferent as to their choice of men. With this exception it has been very quiet with us.

The prospect of our base ball team at present occupies the attention of those interested in that sport. Bro. Pettinos, '92, will represent us on the team, and as he is one of the directors, our interests will be well cared for.

The glee club of the college will give their first entertainment February 14th, and will then take a two weeks' trip. Bro. Heberling has the honor to be president of that body and Bro. Pettinos, secretary.

Bro. Brandt, '92, has entered many of the events in the mid-winter sports held here annually. Though young and timid, he is a high kicker and jumper. We anticipate an excellent record for him in the future.

We are much pleased with the account of the ceremonies incident to the establishment of the "Gamma Deuteron." We extend the right hand of fellowship to our baby sister and express the hope that she may enjoy many long years of prosperity.

The Senior class have adopted the Oxford cap and gown, but only three of our number are permitted the privilege, Bros. Hamilton, Webbert and your Charge Editor.

The Sigma has enjoyed one of its most prosperous years, and though we have unexpectedly lost some right royal men by leaving college and expect to graduate three more, our prospects are as bright for the future as our remembrance of the past is pleasant and encouraging.

SAMUEL S. WALLACE.

PHI.

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE

This issue of the SHIELD will greet us with our first anniversary of the re-establishment of Phi charge at Lafayette College. During that year we have met with success beyond our expectations and are prepared to begin a new year with fourteen active and three resident members. Since the last edition of the SHIELD we have received into our fold two new members, both of the class of '93, W. Lamont and C. Chamberlin.

The issue of the *Melange*, junior edition, will soon appear, and promises to excel all former numbers.

The athletic mid-winter sports take place on the 28th inst., and promise rare sport and some sharp contests. Regular drills and trainings are going on daily to prepare for them. Lehigh has a number of entries, which will make it all the more interesting.

Bros. Hearne and Gerhardt, of Nu Deuteron, paid us a visit on Saturday, the 15th inst., and during the evening we had a good time. They returned the following day.

The class of '92 gave their supper at the United States Hotel on the 21st inst. Bro. W. Dumont presided. Some lively times were had and more are anticipated soon.

We are now improving the appearance of our rooms. We observe the old proverb, "slow, but sure," and work accordingly. This will be our guide in future, not that we are slow, but that we generally accomplish what we aim at. There are here as in all other colleges, considerable strife and rivalry among the different fraternities, but there is a notable absence of personal enmity.

This term soon closes. Reviews have already begun and the "pollers" are putting in full time.

Base ball is booming and a good team is in prospect for this season.

Phi charge sends greetings of goodwill to her sister charges and hopes to see some of their members in Easton in the near future, where they are ever welcome. Good entertainment will be extended to the best of our ability.

W. L. SANDERSON.

PSI.

HAMILTON COLLEGE.

"Better and grander with each number," is the verdict of Psi in regard to the SHIELD. We eagerly await the new volume, anxious to read of the beginning of Theta Delta Chi as it clusters about the life of Bro. Beach, to read the initiatory letter of Gamma Deuteron, and to know of the increasing life and prosperity of our beloved fraternity, as disclosed in its representative magazine.

The life at Psi has been an uneventful one during the past term. There has been nothing more worthy of note than the fact that we have become more bound together by fraternal ties. The association we get by living under one roof and eating from one board, we feel to be the secret of our unity. When we look back and compare our life in the college dormitories with that in the chapter house, we believe we are able to speak from experience of the influence of a chapter house on college men. We know that in our own charge there is more fraternal feeling, because we have learned to know each other better through a more personal contact with each other. Our class feeling is no less, for now there is a fraternity pride in a legitimate spirit, and it can be governed and regulated. "Old Hamilton" means more to us now; for we are assured that we will always have a home whenever we are called back to the college town, and know that as alumni we will find something more than cold dormitories to greet us. With us there is more association with other fraternities than formerly, and thus, isolation, the one objection to this life, is opposed and answered from our experience. And more, Hamilton students testify that fraternity house life produces gentlemen. The fact that neither the students nor faculty would abandon the chapter house system shows plainly the spirit at Clinton. May Psi's charge house and its results ever be a glory to Theta Delta Chi.

"Bookish Hamilton" may have been an accurate term during bygone winter days, but another spirit is present this year, which almost vies with "bookishness" for supremacy,—certainly it does in popularity,—that is athletics. Not that there has not been for a year a good athletic feeling, but it is quite unusual for it to burn so brightly during the winter months. The inter-collegiate pennant won by the college at Albany last spring, taught the fellows that if success crowns their efforts this year, there must be unusual work done: hence the training and interest so early in the season, for the Syracuse contest in May. The faculty are quite favorable to the feeling and have assigned rooms in North College to the trainer, W. A. Elkes, of Saratoga, who occupied the position of trainer last year.

A foot ball organization has been effected with Bro. Lee as secretary and treasurer. At the opening of the fall term, games will be played with other colleges of the league—Hobart, Rochester, Syracuse and Union.

The glee and banjo clubs have just completed a successful tour through Central New York. Concerts were given at Clinton, Oneida, Syracuse, Rochester, Cazenovia and Norwich. The press complimented their efforts very highly. A large reception was tendered them at Syracuse.

With this term Bro. Perine closes his term as President of the college Y. M. C. A. During his term the association has been reorganized under a new constitution and made to work with new zeal and method. His influence has been greatly felt. At a recent election Bro. Lee was elected senior vice-president for the ensuing year.

Bros. Northrop and Jenkins recently assisted Bro. Rogers, '89, at a prize speaking contest in Boonville Academy.

Bros. F. G. Perine, '87, of the *Hartford Times*, and J. H. Pardee, '89, of the Inter-National Collection Co., of Buffalo, were recent visitors at Psi's home.

ERRORS IN DECEMBER NUMBER.

Page 214—Randall should have been Randolph.

Page 208, first line—Read Wm. L. Stone. Second line—Read Elbert S. Carman.

Page 221—The address of Guy M. McDowell is Danville instead of Warren.

Page 214—J. H. Winans, should have been credited to Columbia College.

Page 216—Dr. L. Burrows should also have been credited to Columbia College.

**"HAIL TO THE LAND OF THE FREE
AND THE BRAVE."**

An American Patriotic Hymn, by Theodore I. Heizman.

Hail to the land of the free and the brave!
Hail to the flag that forever shall wave!
Monarch or despot shall ne'er lay his hand
Upon the brave men of this fair, happy land.

Holding on high Freedom's banner unfurl'd,
Hope of th' oppress'd in all parts of the world;
Showing all nations that men can be free,
And order and law reign with true liberty.

Faithful and loyal to Freedom's great cause;
Ready to battle for right and the laws;
God grant that Virtue may e'er be our guide;
That Justice and Honor with us may abide.

Repeat last two lines of each verse as chorus.

OUR THETA DELTA CHI.

Air, "'Twas Off the Blue Canaries."

We sing the joys of festal boards
Where flows the rich champagne,
Where hand to hand, and glass to glass,
We shout the wild refrain;
We love the jovial sounds of mirth
Which rise from earth to sky,
But dearer to each others heart
Is Theta Delta Chi.

CHO.—Our Theta Delta Chi! Our Theta Delta Chi!
We'll place her foremost in our hearts,
Dear Theta Delta Chi.

We sing the pleasures of the chase,
Where sound the huntsman's cheers,
As guns in hand and hounds in front,
We rouse the foxes' fears.
We follow hard the flying chase
With ardor fierce and high;
But stronger does that ardor burn
For Theta Delta Chi.

CHO.—Our Theta, etc.

We sing the charms of glowing lips,
Of sparkling blue eyes bright,
Of fairy form and dainty foot,
Of heaving bosom white.
We sing the bloom of peach like cheeks
Where blushes fit and fly,
But more to us than maiden's love
Is Theta Delta Chi.

CHO.—Our Theta, etc.

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Beta,	-	-	-	1870	Cornell University.
<i>Gamma,</i>	-	-	-	1852	<i>University of Vermont.</i>
Gamma Deuteron,	-	-	-	1889	University of Michigan.
Delta,	-	-	-	1853	Rennselaer Polytechnic Institute.
<i>Epsilon,</i>	-	-	-	1853	<i>College of William and Mary.</i>
Epsilon Deuteron,	-	-	-	1887	Yale University.
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STILL GUIDE AND GUARD THE THETA DELTA CHI.

JOHN BROUGHAM

ANDREW HEATLEY GREEN.

About the year 1779 a naval force under command of Admiral John Arbuthnot, B. N., sailed from England to take part in the war with the American Colonies. William Green accompanied the expedition as secretary to the Admiral. During the period of their service the fleet were for some time anchored in the harbor of Newport, R. I., and in the social interchange of courtesies which ensued between ship and shore, the young secretary chanced to meet a Miss Temperance Heatley, the daughter of a resident Scotch merchant.

He was so "intemperately" smitten by the charms of the lovely American belle that he resigned his position, as soon as peace was declared, married Miss Heatley, and took up his residence in New York City. When in 1893 the couple were returning from a voyage to England, and while the good ship was bravely buffeting the rough waves of the Atlantic Mrs. Green gave birth to a son,

"A thing too young for such a place,"

whom the glad and faithful father appropriately named after his old Admiral, "John Arbuthnot." The son was, in due time, sent to school at Bordeaux, France. Long after, he told how here he saw the first Napoleon reviewing his soldiers. From school he entered a counting house in New York. After-

ward he sailed with Captain Porter, U. S. N., as "captain's clerk." Rejoining his parents and some brothers and sisters at Utica, N. Y., he married, in 1828, Miss Jane Dickson, the daughter of Thomas Dickson, Esq., of Dublin, Ireland—a lady of many estimable traits of character. Of their six children the second was the subject of this sketch. Andrew Heatley Green, who was born February 5, 1830. His early years were passed amid the delights of rural surroundings. At first his father's home was a brick mansion upon a plot of about thirty acres of land situated on the Mohawk River, and intersected by railroad and canal—the new wonder of the time. The place had many attractions for boys. On the Christmas preceding his sixth birthday, Andrew's father presented him with a handsome illustrated copy of "Robinson Crusoe in recognition of his ability to read. A faithful perusal of this book was followed, the succeeding summer, by an expedition of several school boys, led by Andrew, to discover and occupy Crusoe Island. The boys followed the road the first day and spent the night in a wayside barn. The discouragements of the second day dispelled all the visionary glory, and the boys were glad to return to paternal arms, and bear as best they might maternal reproaches and the mortification of failure.

When Andrew was about ten years old his father removed to a farm, inherited from his parents, on the Mohawk river. Soon after Andrew began his preparation for college, in the Utica Academy. The principal, at that time, was George Spencer, a graduate of Union College. Andrew became warmly attached to him, and to win his approval, was one of the strongest incentives to exertion. At fifteen he was prepared for college. In the same year he was awarded a prize for speaking at the Academy exhibition—a volume of Leigh Hunt's "Imagination and Fancy." By Mr. Spencer's advice Andrew was sent to Union. He passed the college examination in July, 1845, but returned to Utica to continue the studies of the Freshman year at the Academy. He joined the Sophomore class at the beginning of the first term in the fall. To do credit to his former teacher he exerted himself during

his first term to maintain a high standard. This he accomplished reaching, the maximum grade. Afterward he somewhat relaxed his efforts, and indulged more his inclination for the society of his friends and classmates.

To give a picture of "Andy," as he was familiarly designated by his chums, I depend upon the memory of one of his dearest friends, who says, as he recalls him he was of medium height, a well-knit frame, erect as that of the proverbial Indian, head set well back upon the shoulders, and his bearing altogether the personification of dignity. His complexion was ruddy, his hair sandy, eyes a keen blue, peering from beneath somewhat heavy eyebrows. A whole-souled, straight-forward young man, honest and sturdy, beaming with intelligence and ability, affectionate and companionable, notwithstanding his manly dignity, which was not averse to joviality. He selected for his friends those who, with him, became the founders and subsequent members of our beloved and honored fraternity. Their history proves the wisdom of his choice, and is a fitting index to his character as a college man.

His popularity was proven by his election as President of the "Senate," a literary society of the Senior class. He was always a fairly industrious student, especially in the languages. At "Commencement" he had honorable place, and his oration on "Consecrated Grounds" possessed much merit. The year succeeding graduation he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. After graduation he returned home for a short rest. In September, 1849, accompanied by his old room mate, Bro. Brown, he went south to teach for a time. Brown's destination was North Carolina. Green stopped at Richmond, Va., and remained there about three months. While there he boarded at the same house with the gifted and erratic Poe, whose melancholy death occurred in October of the same year. He finally secured a school near Hillsboro, in Powhatan Co., 18 miles from Richmond. Here, in a "log school house," he taught about twenty-five pupils. His situation was pleasant and the people friendly and hospitable. Before the year was

quite completed he suffered from a severe attack of typhoid fever. Upon recovering he declined their strong appeals to remain a second year, owing to his earnest desire to begin at once the study of law. On his way home he stopped at New York to visit his brother chum, William Hyslop, as it proved, for the last time. It was a delightful reunion. The year 1851 was devoted to study in the law office of Spencer & Kernan, who then ranked as the most eminent law firm in Utica. Admission to the bar followed the usual examination, which he successfully passed in 1852. Accepting a proffered partnership, a year was spent in the practice of law at Syracuse. Not satisfied with his prospects there, he returned to Utica early in 1853. He was immediately elected City Clerk. He held this position only one year, owing to political change in the appointing power. He read the declaration of independence at the city celebration July 4, 1853. In August, 1854, he received from Commodore William Merwin, U. S. N., the unsolicited appointment of "Commodore's Secretary and Judge Advocate of Courts Martial" in the Pacific Squadron. He sailed on the flagship Independence from New York in September for Rio Janeiro. The ship spent several months at the principal ports of Chili and Peru. At sea his time was largely devoted to study and general reading. When in port court martials were numerous. Although several officers of high rank were tried before him, the fairness of his decisions was never questioned. He was a great friend of the sailors. Whenever arraigned before the court, if asked if they desired counsel, they always *selected* Green. After fifteen months' service he resigned, and leaving the squadron at San Francisco, returned home by way of Panama. In 1856 he took an active part in the Presidential canvass and stumped several counties for Buchanan. In the spring of 1857 he was nominated on the Democratic ticket for City Attorney of Utica, but suffered defeat with his party. Soon after he accepted an offer from a former Utica friend, Horace R. Bigelow, a leading lawyer of St. Paul, Minn., to join him in his practice. This was accepted, and he went to St. Paul. In September, 1857, he took charge of a party, in

the interest of a land company, to locate a town site at Pokegomah Falls, on the upper Mississippi. This expedition was fraught with many hardships and physical discomforts. The trip, however, was romantic. Some time was spent at an Indian trading post. The journey was mostly made on foot or in the birch canoe of the aborigines. The return trip was on the frozen river. A few months after his return to St. Paul he was recommended to President Buchanan by Gov. Sibley, of Minnesota, and Horatio Seymour the United States Senators, Judge Denio, and many others, prominent public men of New York, for Judge of the Supreme Court of Dakota, in the event of the organization of that territory. The territory was not, however, organized during Buchanan's administration. In 1858 he formed a partnership at St. Paul with William S. Spencer, Esq., one of the firm with whom he had studied in Utica, and a lawyer of much ability. To this firm was soon added the Hon. John B. Brisbin, the most prominent advocate in the State. This firm did the most active and important business in the State until the spring of 1861, when Green withdrew and returned to Utica. He remained in Utica a year, when he was induced by his brothers, then residing in Syracuse, to remove to that city. One of these brothers, the late Gen. John A. Green, was at that time one of the most active leaders of the Democratic party in the State. A partnership was formed with John C. Hunt and the firm transacted a large legal business until 1872, when Green accepted an invitation from Judge George F. Comstock to enter into partnership with him and his son, George F. Comstock, jr. This partnership has existed ever since.

Bro. Green was married December 31, 1863, to Mary, the eldest daughter of the Hon. Rutger B. Miller, of Utica, a gentleman of much learning and ability, who represented Oneida county in both the State and National legislatures, and whose father, Judge Morris S. Miller, also sat in Congress. Mrs. Green's mother was the eldest child of the late Hon. Henry Seymour, and a sister of Governor Horatio Seymour. Mr. and Mrs. Green have had born to them four sons and three daugh-

ters, of whom the sons and the youngest daughter survive to bless their declining years.

Since his return to Syracuse, Bro. Green's time has been mainly devoted to the assiduous practice of his profession, rendered necessary by the needs of his family. During the life of his brother above referred to, considerable attention was given to politics, but since his death, in 1872, less time has been devoted to it. He has several times been a delegate to the State Convention and sometimes the head of the city campaign clubs. For some years prior to 1883 he gave some attention to farming, but not since that date. He inherited but a small patrimony, and only recently came into its possession, by the lamented death of his mother, Dec. 15, 1889.

He has been an occasional contributor to the press. He lately competed for the prize offered by the *New York World* for the best general editorial. His article was classed, by the committee, among sixteen of the best, out of about six hundred received.

As a citizen Bro. Green has always been held in high regard. No better proof of the confidence and esteem of his friends and acquaintances in Syracuse, where he has lived for so many years, than the fact that at present, as the treasurer of an association in that city, he is the custodian of a fund of nearly one hundred thousand dollars, and no security has ever been required, except that afforded by his own integrity.

Reverting to Bro. Green's college life, we cite his experience and history as a Theta Delt :

During his college life he roomed with Theodore B. Brown, another of the founders of the Alpha, and the two were warm friends while Brown lived. Samuel F. Wile, one of his first acquaintances, was a most genial and cheerful companion. Abel Beach, William G. Aiken and William Hyslop were also numbered among his warm friends, and formed the crowd to whose deliberations we owe so much. It hardly appears in whose fertile brain was created the original conception of the new organization; but as a continuation of the plans discussed in the little back room of old Union on that memorable May

evening in 1846, Hyslop, Green and Beach were commissioned to consider and frame the constitution of the new fraternity. It had originally been intended to form only a society, entirely local, for mutual improvement by means of essays and debates. As the plan was further discussed the project changed in its character to the formation of a secret fraternity. The committee had long discussions upon the name, constitution and badge. To Bro. Beach is due the name and motto. Much care and labor were bestowed upon the constitution, and for the admirable document which was finally evolved we are chiefly indebted to Bro. Andrew H. Green. It may be said of him he little dreamed that the document he was preparing was to be the guiding star of thousands who should listen and subscribe to the vows therein contained, or that he would live to see a brotherhood emanate from this humble beginning which should extend to "the uttermost parts of the earth." The regard in which Bro. Green was held by the other members of the Alpha can easily be inferred from the following extract taken from a letter received from Dr. Francis E. Martindale in reply to a request for information :

"You ask of me some interesting college reminiscences of Andrew H. Green for your forthcoming history of his life. You scarcely seem to realize the fact that nearly half a century has elapsed since last I clasped the hand of the young man, whom of all others of the coterie of our then infant society, I regarded with pride in respect of his ability; with admiration in respect of his forensic talent; and a warm affection for himself personally, as the possessor of the many noble traits and charming characteristics which had first attracted me.

"Andy" was of the same age as myself, and we were much more intimate than was usual in those days, as between members of different classes, even of the same society connection. I recall distinctly my regarding "Andy's" judgment as supreme in its influence over my acts in all matters pertaining to the interests and welfare of the fraternity.

I can from knowledge aver that Andrew H. Green is one of nature's noblemen. Perhaps this is not so much to his credit as to that of his immediate ancestors, in that it was born in him. He could not help being what his nature made him,—a man, every inch of him.

"Andy" was our Society orator always, and it is with some satisfaction that I am now able to recall one of the incidents connected with the occasion of the installation of the officers of the Beta charge, originally locat-

ed at Ballston Law School, of which we were at the time very proud, as being Theta Delta Chi's first born; and the more so from our present standpoint, in the subsequent rapid growth of the fraternity. "Andy" was of course the orator of the occasion, and in his after-dinner speech he presented a bird's-eye view of the future of the Society, with her imaginary offspring regarding with just pride, from their standpoint of the future, their "Alpha"-Mater at old "Union," the true mother of a noble progeny. Little dreamed he, or any of those present, of the actual growth to be attained by the progeny, or the speedy demise that was soon to overtake the parent organization."

At the Convention of 1854, held in Schenectady, Bro. Green was the orator and Bro. E. S. Carman was the poet. At the banquet following this Convention Bro. Green was the toast-master, and it is recorded that he was guilty of perpetrating several puns, one of the best being "The Theta Delta Chi, it will never need an Ode as long as it has a '*Carman*.'" Bro. Green has been the President of the Central New York Graduate Association several years. At the last reunion, held in Syracuse February 21st, he presided, and the writer sitting beside him, wondered what must be his thoughts as he gazed upon the younger sons of Theta Delta Chi before him. How must his heart have swelled with honest pride in beholding the fruits of the tree of which he had helped to plant the seed so many years ago.

Bro. Andrew H. Green of the present day is a man of 61 years. He looks substantially as seen in the frontispiece, which is from a recent photograph. The writer sees him as one who has been a man among men, but whose years begin to tell upon his physical frame, while he yet shows the mental vigor of earlier days. The fates have not been so propitious as to allow him to spend his declining years in the bosom of his family, contemplating the valiant deeds done in the days that are past, but he must needs retain the harness and toil on. One would hardly believe, to look at him, that it were possible, but it is a fact that within a few weeks he has prepared a most exhaustive brief covering a very important law case, of which he has had entire charge. The most fitting tribute we can pay our brother is aptly expressed in the sentiment attributed by the poet to Ulysses:

“ Old age hath yet his honor and his toil,
 Death closes all, but something ere the end,
 Some work of noble note may yet be done
 Not unbecoming men.”

Bro. Green is not disposed to let Bro. Beach carry off all the poetical honors of the founders, but proposes, though he enters the arena late, to court the muse. He never attempted rhyme until Valentine's day in 1887, when the inspiration overtook him and he penned some verses to an absent daughter. Having come into possession of this Valentine we propose to run the risk of Bro. Green's displeasure by quoting it entire :

A FATHER'S VALENTINE.

“ Of all the girls, my own I count most fair,
 And this 'gainst all the world I will declare,
 Tho' few her years, (by few I mean but twelve),
 Such witching art as hers had never elve!

Winning are all her ways, her temper sweet,
 For angels' selves she is comparison meet,
 The charm that most of all to friends endears,
 Is love—O may it brighten all her years!

So vouched my Valentine, when critics' eyes,
 Less kind than hers, affected to despise,
 'Tis said, “ She will but at it laugh,
 Or ask, mayhap, Is Papa clean-gone daff?”

But, whispers love, fear not, who knows but she
 Will think these lines, because they're penned by thee,
 Are better far than any to be bought,
 Or culled from book, e'en on Parnassus sought?

And so I'll send them straight away,
 By Cupid's swiftest car, if that I may,
 But O, for me what happiness 'twould be,
 Were I but near her, when she opens to see,

HER VALENTINE.

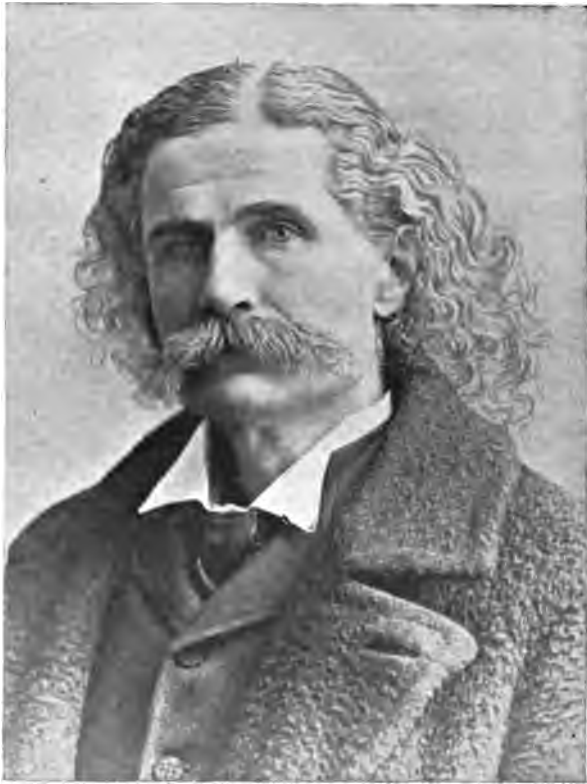
It seems quite a strange fact that the two leading factors in our organization, each important in his particular sphere, should have been spared for so many years, while so many of the younger element among the founders should have been stricken down before their life work was apparently completed.

All honor to the men “who builded better than they knew.”

The two survivors of the noble band are still left to share with us the honors and joys of our beloved fraternity. In the natural order of things they will soon be gathered home to their fathers. As they approach the portals of the Omega charge they can bear with them the cheering thought that they have erected for themselves a monument which shall last in the ages to come, and their names, together with the others, will be handed down from generation to generation as glittering jewels in the honor list of our noble order.

THE OLD FRATERNITY CHAIR.

It may not be generally known that there is still in existence a relic of great interest to the Fraternity—an old arm-chair—inseparably connected with the history of the "Alpha." Twenty-five years ago this chair was regarded as a precious heirloom, and its custody was most carefully entrusted by each departing guardian to his successor. This was done as long as the parent charge was in active existence. Upon the chair are inscribed the names of many of the early members, and around it are gathered the friendships and associations of those elder brothers in Theta Delta Chi. Its exact age is, at present writing, unknown to us, and we would be glad if each and every one of the old Alpha would send the SHIELD his recollections concerning it, giving, if possible, some account of its history and origin. With such data at hand, we may be able in a future issue to give our readers a complete description of this relic, its history, names of those who have officially occupied it, etc. It is now in the possession of Robert Payne, of Brooklyn, one of the last members at Union, who treasures it so highly that he thinks it must not leave his home.—*Reprint of Vol. 3, No. 1.*



ELBERT S. CARMAN.

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the more general shortcomings of his generation in the present issues of the *Southwestern*. These criticisms have been given to the public in a way that is more than any other in his time. He has been able to express reflected and bettered than our own. He has been distinguished by the *Southwestern* for his *Southwestern* and also to contribute to the knowledge mission of the *Southwestern*. His own record of those who have been "sinning stars of our brilliant country" and introducing thus early into the world of editorial hell and from which I have also received much encouragement since I have been through waters of fraternal journalism.

Elbert S. Carman was born at 122 1/2 West 157th Street in New York City on September 18, 1878. His early education was completed in Brooklyn, and boarding school at New York City. He entered Brown University in 1896. Among his professors were Clarence S. Bates, Rev. McWalter B. Sisson, Rev. D. C. Merriam, Merrick Goldthwait, and others. He was a member of his own class. College friends of his include: Fred, Frankum Burdige, R. G. M. Merritt, W. H. L. Thomas, B. Lincoln Ray, Thomas Swales and Henry Blaisdell. All men whose names are familiar to prominent actors in the early days of the *Southwestern*. We are glad to see that H. G. Merriam, in a letter of recent date, says:

I have a very pleasant remembrance of Elbert S. Carman. His good common sense and ways made him many friends among his college associates. I recollect him as a large and well proportioned youth. In fact, he was handsome. He ranked as one of the finest looking men in college. He always dressed in good taste. This, with his pleasant bearing and good fellowship, made him very popular with the college students, as well as in the society outside."

After graduating Brother Carman's first venture was in the wholesale cloth and woolen business, as clerk for Abemethy



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Bro. H. G. Merriam, in a letter of recent date, says :

"I have a very pleasant remembrance of Egbert S. Carman. His genial and gentlemanly ways made him many friends among his college associates. I recollect him as a large and well proportioned youth. In fact, he was handsome. He ranked as one of the finest looking men in college. He always dressed in good taste. This, with his pleasant bearing and good fellowship, made him very popular with the college students, as well as in the society outside."

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different varieties and sub-species of wheat upon each other. Of more immediate interest to the gardening fraternity will be the results of Mr. Carman's efforts in the hybridization of roses of various species upon *Rosa rugosa*, of which there are now 250 distinct plants many of which will blossom next summer, and concerning which we shall have more to say in the next Rose Number of *The American Garden*. One of them (the first hybrid with *R. rugosa* ever produced, so far as known), has already been placed in the hands of a leading nursery firm for propagation and dissemination. It is named after his wife, "Agnes Emily Carman." The latest achievement at River Edge was the remarkable potato contest described in the January *Garden*.

For a man who is so constantly before the public, Mr. Carman is possessed of a singularly retiring disposition, as becomes a follower of our gentle art, and he is seldom seen at the meetings of agriculturists or at exhibitions. His life is in his work and his home, and only by contact with the man in his daily walk and work, can one learn the breadth and simple honesty of his character; the lack of ambition save to do good work; his indifference to public judgment on his acts, yet sensitiveness to criticism of his motives, and the charity of his feelings toward rival workers—which help to make up the sum of his nature. Mr. Carman's place at River Edge, N. J., is looked upon by his friends as both a real and an ideal home. Not that it is so large or fine as many that abound, or excels in number and splendor of its productions, like so many show places, but in the love and appreciation of country life and pleasures that are felt there. A new fruit or vegetable is not merely to eat, but gives enjoyment such as a picture or other work of art affords to many. There appears an idealization of everyday life, a perception of the beautiful in the useful, something of the kinship supposed to exist between human and inanimate nature in the early ages."

Bro. Carman was married in 1873 to Miss Agnes E. Brown, the daughter of Prof. D. F. Brown. A daughter fifteen years of age and a son of ten bless their home. Perhaps he little realized, when as associate editor, he wedded the lady of his choice, that he was taking to himself one who would contribute so much toward the success and renown of her lord. It is a pleasant fact to relate that Mrs. Carman has always rendered material assistance in all his horticultural and agricultural work—at least in so far as the improvement of varieties is concerned. She also had general superintendence of his experiment grounds. Success must always attend such united efforts as these. It is not surprising, therefore, that Bro. Carman has made an enviable record. What a beautiful thing it is to say.

that a wife and husband work together thus, as if only *one*, and in such happy accord. None can doubt that this home is a happy one,

"Two souls with but a single thought,
Two hearts that beat as one."

Bro. Carman is not personally known by many of the members of the fraternity. The reason for this is evident from the statements made in the article quoted. He is of a retiring disposition, deeply absorbed in his life work, and his time is fully occupied. One fact, however, never published before, will explain the reason for his non-appearance at any of the fraternity gatherings of recent years. It is best given in his own words, taken from a personal letter :

"There is but *one* thing that deters me from taking a more active part. It is that an affection of the eyes obliges me to keep away from tobacco smoke. It sets me wild. When I tell you that I have had fears that I would lose my sight, you will appreciate this."

Evidence is not wanting that the love of Theta Delta Chi burns fervently in Bro. Carman's heart. The lively interest he takes in all matters pertaining to her welfare, the delight he displays in the SHIELD as the index of the prosperity of the fraternity, and the hearty welcome he accords to any Theta Delt who takes the trouble to hunt him out in his suburban home, all testify to his sterling loyalty. While it has never been the pleasure of the editor to meet him, a future visit is chronicled in our diary, and if life is spared, some day it is our strongest desire to visit, in his own home, the brother Theta Delt who to-day stands as the most noted horticulturist in this country. Mark it down, boys, on the roll of honor. We have many names of renown—none more worthy, in every way, of our veneration.

We take pleasure in giving our readers an elegant portrait of Bro. Carman in this issue. One look at it is sufficient to prove all we have said about him, and will enable you to join in the assertion that he is one of nature's noblemen. We wish for him yet many years of prosperity and happiness surrounded by his loving family, in their delightful suburban home at River Edge, N. J.

PSI CHARGE HOUSE.

At last the Psi has a home of her own. On Saturday evening, May 10th, the charge celebrated the complete occupancy of their new home, giving a complimentary banquet to the Alumni and the members of neighboring charges. The rooms and tables were tastefully decorated with the fraternity colors. Thirty-two brothers participated. Prof. James G. Rogers, of Boonville, presided, and the inimitable brother of historic fame John D. Cary, of Richfield Springs, officiated as toastmaster. Bro. Duncan C. Lee delivered the address of welcome in behalf of the active members of the charge, and a happy response was made by Bro. J. C. Hallock, of the Delta.

The following toasts were responded to: "Our Fraternity," by A. L. Bartlett, president of the G. L.; "The Fair and Florid," by Charles E. Birch of the Delta; "The Beta Charge," by J. P. Van Dorn; "The Epsilon Deuteron Charge," by Frederic Carter, secretary of the G. L.; "The Delta Charge," by C. C. Arosemena; "Our Charge Home," by F. W. Petrie; "The Law," by A. R. Getman; "The Press," by Edwin H. Millard; "Medicine," by Dr. A. D. Getman; "Theology," by C. W. E. Chapin. At a late hour, after a most enjoyable time, the house was declared duly consecrated to the fraternity use. The college yell was given and the banquet was over. The entire Grand Lodge was present as guests of the occasion. The editor regretted his inability to be there, owing to business engagements. A complete description of the building, appeared in the *Utica Herald*, of April 29, from the pen of Bro. J. H. Cunningham, the able editor-in-chief, one of Psi's old members, and we reproduce it entire.

The Psi charge of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity at Hamilton college has just completed its chapter house, and is now boarding in the elegant and spacious home. Altho' the youngest of the college fraternities' the Theta Delts have as fine a house as any chapter on the hill, altho' without it is plain and unassuming. It is located at about the middle point of Sophomore hill. The interior arrangement of the house is excellent. The spacious halls, tinted in terra-cotta, have a very cheering effect upon those who enter the wide portal, and this effect is increased by the library, parlor and reception, dining and cloak rooms, which communicate with

each other and the hall by large folding doors. These rooms are finished in oak, ash and maple. The parlor is finished in tints of cream, contrasting well with the green reception room opposite. The massive fire-place and mantel and the large bay window at the end of the dining room, with old blue as the predominant tint of the walls and ceiling, make this one of the most pleasant dining rooms. An easily worked elevator brings the room into close connection with the culinary department. At the end of the hall is a well lighted library, and adjoining a large sleeping apartment. Portieres and rugs here and there give the whole a home-like appearance. The oak staircase leads to the upper hall, into which open the apartments of the charge and the bath room. The third story contains the well arranged lodge-room and sleeping apartments. The basement has a finely equipped kitchen, finished in Norwegian pine and cherry, rooms for the matron and an airy cellar. The entire house is heated by hot air and is supplied by hot and cold water, baths and closets. The modern improvements are those of a city home. In the rear of the house a tennis court is being arranged for the use of the members of the charge. The Theta Deltas certainly are to be congratulated upon the completion of so pleasant a home.

THE GAMMA CHARGE.

The following list comprises the ten, who were the founders of the Gamma charge. Those in italics have finished their course and joined the silent Omega.

Wilbur Palmer Davis, '52, St. Albans, Vt., since attorney at law, register in probate, editor St. Albans Messenger.

Edward Daniel Atwater, '53, Burlington, Vt., since civil engineer, United States surveyor.

Frederick Harley Baldwin, '53, Hinesburgh, Vt., since merchant and capitalist.

Edward Judson Hill, '53, Burlington, Vt., since attorney at law, author Hill's Commercial Law Practice, Hill's Chancery Practice, Hill's Probate Guide, Hill's Digest, Illinois Reports, Chicago, Ill.

George Dimon Kellogg, '53, Troy, N. Y., since attorney at law, New York City.

Oscar Frisbie, '56, Willsboro, N. Y., since attorney at law New York City.

Samuel Rice Henry, '54, Westford, Vt., teacher, (died in November, 1854.)

William Worthington Gadcomb, '54, St. Albans, Vt., since merchant.

William Smith, '54, Orwell, Vt., since Paymaster U. S. A. with rank of Brigadier General.

Rodney Smith, '54, Deputy Paymaster U. S. A. with rank as Colonel.

No closer organization ever existed, no bond of union could have been firmer, more faithful nor more mutual than the friendship which bound these ten under-graduates together into a society whose existence was almost exoterically unknown, and whose name they unanimously voted never to divulge and whose existence was through them merged into $\theta \Delta X$, as the Gamma charge. They organized this society at the University of Vermont, in 1851, and had determined to make and keep it the most secret of the societies, but when it became necessary to increase in numbers and strength, this exclusiveness and secrecy had to be given up. Brother Kellogg at his home in Troy, N. Y., formed the acquaintance of Bro. William H. Merriam and a correspondence was opened which led to the granting of a dispensation to Bro. William H. Merriam and James Demarest, who came early in June, 1852, to initiate us. Merriam's felicitous language on that occasion was this, "We come," he said, "the sons of York from the Mohawk Valley, from the halls of old Union to the queen village of the Champlain Valley, to the University of Vermont. We bring with us a divinity panoplied by her shield, to whisper in your ears,—the ears of these Green Mountain boys here, the undying friendship and to prescribe the unfaltering courage, the unceasing labor and the unsullied honor which she expects from her votaries who alone are permitted to wear her emblems," "and now gentlemen," he concluded, "we are prepared at this twilight hour, between the shadows of the Adirondacks and the Green Mountains, in this Hillside village at the Lakeside, to minister at her mystic shrine."

The ceremonies ended with a glorious banquet. The keen

wit of a Merriam was fully met by that of our Henry who retorted to the charge of our being Green Mountain boys, that "the winter of our discontent was turned into joy by the ones of York."

Theta Delta Chi gave us the organization, means and opportunities for outward manifestation which was needed. Ten borrowed badges were sent us by the brothers at Union and in a few days we *swung out*. No happier or prouder men ever donned "THE SHIELD."

EDWARD J. HILL.

Chicago, Ill., April 23, 1890.

ANNUAL CONVENTION OF 1853.

This convention was general not representative. It was held under the auspices of the Delta, at Troy, N. Y., early in June, 1853. All the active members of both Alpha and Delta and Brothers Davis and Hill, Kellogg and Southgate of the Gamma were in attendance. Graduates were also participants in the exercises, the Beta was well represented though it then had become dormant. The brethren of the Delta entertained right royally; Brothers De Lacerda, Richards, Mason and Hunt were especially attentive to the brethren from other charges than the Delta. The banquet which closed the convention at the Troy House was a very distinguished affair; Brother Merriam delivered a characteristic oration and Brother Kellogg a witty poem. Much routine business was transacted, the ritual was revised and improved and important standing resolutions were adopted. To this convention the spirit of expansion, so to speak, which has prevailed in the $\Theta \Delta \chi$ is doubtless due. The general feeling which pervaded this convention was one of great satisfaction with the fraternity and an anxiety to have it extended by charges in other institutions of learning.

E. J. HILL.

THE CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

The first meeting of graduate members of $\Theta \Delta X$ ever held in Chicago, and so far as known west of Buffalo, occurred on the evening of April 11, 1890, at Kinsley's. There were twenty-six present, and it was a gratifying success. As the President, William R. Northway, *A*'53, was detained until late, Dr. Truman W. Miller, Ξ '61, presided till his arrival. Seated at the table were the following brothers: William R. Northway, *A*'53; Edward J. Hill *I*'53; B. B. Kingsbry, *H*'57; Henry Newbegin, *H*'57; Dr. Truman W. Miller, Ξ '61; W. M. Lawrence, *K*'73; George M. Lovejoy, *K*'82; Dr. C. H. Buchanan Θ '73; H. L. Sterrett, Θ '86; Ed. L. Case, Θ '86; William A. Douglas, Φ '74; B. J. Wertheimer *O*'76; Hosea Webster, *B*'80; Henry Longwell *B*'83; J. S. Collman, *P*'83; Dr. H. F. Lewis, *I*'85; C. F. Thompson, *I*'87; F. P. Eldredge, Φ '88; M. A. Kilvert, *I*'89; J. H. Winans, *P*'87; Dr. C. M. Burrows, *P*'88; C. E. Thomas, *N*'85; J. H. Spengler, *N*'85; W. T. Chandler, *T*'74; E. S. Hobbs, *H*'74; W. C. Hawley, Δ '86.

The menu card was folded and tied with black, white and blue ribbons. It was plain and neat and bore on its face the simple legend, "Theta Delta Chi"

Though very few of those present had ever met before, they were not long in getting acquainted, and a jollier crowd of Theta Delts never met. The vestal fires in our hearts, which, in some cases, had smouldered for long years, were again fanned into flame and we were college boys once more.

After disposing of the substantial part of the repast, cigars were lighted and the scheme of organization as planned by the committee was carried out by the election of the following officers for the ensuing year:—

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| President, | Wm. R. Northway, | <i>A</i> '53. |
| 1st Vice President, | John M. Clarke, | Δ ('), Chicago. |
| 2d " " | Geo. P. Upton, | <i>Z</i> '54, " " |
| 3d " " | Robt. Forsyth, | Δ '69, " " |
| 4th " " | Henry Newbegin, | <i>H</i> '57, " " |
| 5th " " | Dr. Truman W. Miller, | Ξ '61, Chicago. |

6th Vice President, H. L. Sterrett, *θ* '86, Cincinnati, O.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

M. A. Kilvert, *I* '89, chairman, Chicago.

W. C. Hawley, *Δ* '86, Sec'y, "

Hosea Webster, *B* '80, Treas., "

B. J. Wertheimer, *O*^a '76, "

Dr. C. M. Burrows, *P*^a '88, "

The routine business was quickly disposed of, and in the absence of a toastmaster the President called on the following for remarks:

Brother Hill spoke in regard to the Gamma, its institution and history; also in regard to the fraternity at large during his college life, mentioning such well known names as Merriam, Kellogg, Green, Beach, De Lacerda, Upton, Burdge and Mason. Brother Hill was present at the institution of the Gamma and, also, of the Delta, and was a charter member of the former. He said that the Zeta, Eta, and Epsilon charges owed their establishment to the Gamma.

Brother Newbegin said that he had never risen above the rank of Vice President, and though he had been at various times Vice President of every thing from a debating society to a railroad, he considered the vice presidency of the Central Graduate Association superior to all others in the honor conferred. Brother Newbegin is the father of two Theta Delta Sons, and will be the grandfather of who knows how many more, so he deserves all the honor the fraternity can bestow upon him.

Brother Kingsbury made a few remarks about the Eta in his day. He came from Defiance, O., to attend the banquet and renew his youth. That he enjoyed the banquet was clearly evident. The fact that he was taken to be a classmate of Brother Hawley's ('86) shows that he found, in the fraternal association, that spring for which De Soto searched so long in vain. Theta Deltas who are getting bald or grey, take notice, and go to the next banquet.

Brother Winans was called upon to talk about the Gamma Deuteron, and gave an excellent report of that charge.

Brother Webster spoke briefly and Brother Buchanan told how when abroad, and in trouble, his $\theta \Delta X$ pin had been the means of finding him friends and aiding him in many ways.

Brother Hawley, Secretary of the Association, spoke of the many hearty and encouraging replies he had received in reply to the circulars and invitations sent out, and read letters of regret from the following:

Rt. Rev. Mahlon N. Gilbert, Hon. William C. McAdam, N. L. Bachman, A. L. Fullerton and Clay W. Holmes.

Brother Kilvert stated the object of the Association and the means to be employed, and, after some discussion, it was unanimously decided to have another banquet as early in the fall as possible.

A telegram had been sent early in the evening to the Southern Association which was banqueting at the same time in Baltimore, and a telegram of congratulation was received from them.

Toasts were drank to "The Fraternity," "The Southern Association of Theta Delta Chi," "The Shield," "The Grand Lodge," "The Golden West Association of Theta Delta Chi" and lastly, in silence, "The Omega Charge."

After a few songs the company broke up at an early hour in the morning, and every one present voted it a success, and wished for another meeting soon. One member said a few days after. "I haven't been so near being a boy in twenty-five years."

The Central Graduate Association certainly has every prospect of success. It has over 160 names on its list, and though many are scattered throughout the various states of the Northwest, there are about fifty in Chicago, and fifty now within twelve hours ride from the city.

The committee which took upon itself the work of organizing the Association feels amply rewarded by the success attending its efforts and by the interest shown in all quarters by Theta Delts, old and young.

The Executive committee met May 2d, and perfected the form of organization. A constitution was adopted and various

other business was transacted. The thanks of the Association are due to Brothers J. P. Houston, A. Bushnell, V.G. Curtis, G. M. Stewart and the secretaries of the charges for the aid given in securing the addresses of the graduates.

It is proposed to hold another banquet sometime next fall, and the regular annual banquet will be held in January of each year. It is hoped that every member of the fraternity in or near Chicago will try to be present, and will endeavor to induce all other Theta Deltas of his acquaintance to attend, also.

It is a matter of regret to those present that three members of the committee, who assisted in making arrangements for the meeting, were prevented at the last moment from attending. Brother Upton could not leave his editorial duties on the *Tribune*; Brother Forsyth was detained by pressing business, and Dr. Houston by professional duties.

NEW ENGLAND BANQUET.

The seventh annual reunion and banquet of the New England Association was held on Thursday, April 17, at Young's Hotel, Boston. At a short business meeting before the dinner, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Seth P. Smith, Omicron Deuteron; Vice Presidents, Hon. Nathan F. Dixon, Zeta, W. S. Kimball, Delta, Hon. Charles G. Pope, Kappa, Rev. Henry C. McCook, Pi; Secretary and Treasurer, E. H. Newbegin, Eta; Directors, Fred Packer, Eta, T. H. Sylvester, Lambda, M. M. Johnson, Kappa, G. B. Hawley, Theta Deuteron, F. W. Plummer, Omicron Deuteron, E. Dana Pierce, Mu Deuteron, S. A. Hopkins, Zeta, H. H. Shepard, Epsilon Deuteron. The management of the next banquet was given to Eta charge.

At eight o'clock dinner was announced to the gratification of all. Immediately we marched by, two's to the banquet hall, fifty strong. After the divine blessing had been invoked by Brother George H. Spencer, the brothers seated themselves around the festive board and made a vigorous attack on the

tempting viands spread before them. When the menu had been discussed to the satisfaction of all, the smoke curling upward from the cigarettes provided by Brother W. S. Kimball, with his usual generosity, indicated that the physical man was in a receptive mood for the "feast of reason." President Smith elevated his mass of avoirdupois to the perpendicular and addressed the brothers. He referred to the prosperous condition of the New England charge, and extended the greetings of the New England Association to its latest addition, Theta Deuteron. At the close of his interesting remarks, he introduced Brother A. W. Grose, who, on behalf of Kappa charge, with a few appropriate words welcomed the brothers to the banquet collectively and individually.

Although it was not exactly the season for the Aurora Borealis, we were treated to the scintillations of a part of the Northern Lights by the Poet of the evening, Brother George B. Chandler, of Eta. His subject was "My Penates," and the applause that followed was ample proof that his modern treatment of a classic theme had touched a responsive chord in the heart of his hearers.

There was one incident in connection that gave cause for general regret and sorrow. On the menu card was the name of Rev. David Gregg, of Boston, as orator, but owing to an attack of nervous prostration, which had already made it impossible for him to occupy his pulpit for some Sundays previous, he was unable to be present. It was a great disappointment to us, who knew the treat his eloquence would have furnished, and also to him, for he had been anticipating the occasion with considerable pleasure. It had been hoped that he might, at least, be able to look in upon us and extend his regrets in person, but his inexorable medical attendant objected, and we had to receive them from the lips of another.

The President then introduced the toastmaster, Brother G. H. Spencer, of Lambda, who with a few pleasant remarks, proceeded to dispense the post prandial diet.

Brother A. L. Bartlett, President of the Grand Lodge, responded for "Theta Delta Chi," and, in the absence of Brother

Holmes, who was unable to be with us, for THE SHIELD. Brother Bartlett's remarks were mostly of a practical nature, being in regard to prompt payment of G. L. dues and to financially supporting our quarterly. He urged all the delegates present to see to it that their charges were not behind in their obligations.

The next toast was of especial interest, as it related to our new charge, Theta Deuteron, and Brother Ensworth was asked to speak to it. He pictured most felicitously the vague and wandering state generally characteristic of babyhood, but showed that a Theta Delt babe was a most precocious infant, and that it had quite definite ideas of what a place in the ranks of Theta Delta Chi meant. That these ideas met with the hearty approval of all was manifested by vociferous applause at the close of Brother Ensworth's remarks.

Brother Smith was next called upon to read the numerous letters of regret which had been received. Among them were letters from Rev. Henry C. McCook, D. D., of Philadelphia, President Smith, of Trinity college, Col. William Lamb, of Norfolk, Va., Rt. Rev. Mahlon N. Gilbert, Assistant Bishop of Minnesota, Hon. Daniel Lockwood, of Buffalo, N. Y., Hon. Nathon F. Dixon, United States Senator from Rhode Island; Hon. John Hay, Washington, D. C., Frederick Carter, Secretary of G.L., J.C. Hallock, Treasurer of G.L., and others. These letters were interesting and indicative of enthusiasm and spirit, and their reading gave renewed evidence of the interest Theta Deltas retain for their fraternity after their college days are over.

The Toastmaster then called up Brother Tower, Zeta, to respond to "Unity in Theta Delta Chi;" Brother Tewksbury, Omicron Deuteron, to "The Ladies," and Brother Farnham, Mu Deuteron, to "The Outlook for Theta Delta Chi in New England."

As the hour was growing late, the President called on the brothers to join hands and march round the table singing our Parting Song to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne." Then after paying our tender tribute of respect to the brothers gone before by drinking in silence to the Omega charge, we separated with the feeling that the seventh annual banquet had been most successful.

F. W. P.

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION BANQUET.

The fourth annual reunion and banquet of the Southern Graduate Association was held at the Hotel Rennert, in Baltimore, at 9 P. M. April 11th. In the absence of the president, Bro. A. M. Rich occupied the the chair. The question of the desirability of continuing the association was brought up for discussion. A number of letters were read from brothers who were unable to be present, all of whom expressed a strong belief in the good derived from graduate associations, and a desire that the Southern Graduate Association should be kept up. Those present were strongly in favor of its continuance. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: O. P. Baldwin, president; A. M. Rich, sec'y and treas.; John H. Foss, Geo. H. Childs and Chas. B. Cassidy, excutive committee.

No further business appearing the meeting was adjourned to the banquet hall. President Baldwin officiated as master of the feast. A telegram of greeting was sent to the Chicago Association then in session, and a reply was received before we left the table. Thus by means of the electric current, though hundreds of miles apart, we were one in thought. The banquet was entirely informal, with no set toasts,—but none the less enjoyable. Remarks were made by Bro.'s Benj. C. Potts, Geo. H. Childs, J. Royston Stifler, O. P. Baldwin, A. M. Rich, Clay W. Holmes, W. R. McKuen, Wm. M. Coleman, H. H. Pitcairn, and others. Letters of regret were received from Col. John Hay, Chas. W. Curtis, Jas. H. Perry, Rev. Henry C. McCook, Rev. J. McBride Sterrett, F. L. Jones, Col. Wm. L. Stone, R. A. Heberling, Dr. Eugene L. Oatley, Hon. E. O. Graves and other.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Bro. Wm. S. Kimball, of Rochester, for the remembrance, so familiar to all, of Theta Delt cigarettes. A vote of thanks was tendered to Bro. A. M. Rich, for his earnest and untiring work in behalf of the Southern Graduate Association. "The Shield" was kindly remembered and every brother present not already a subscriber, added his name to the roll. One of the enjoyable features of

the evening was the presence of Bro. Wm. C. Coleman, of the class of '58, University of North Carolina. Those who were in college and active members of the fraternity twenty-five years ago will remember the good old song book published in 1858. Brother Coleman is the author of some of the best songs in this book, and it afforded peculiar pleasure to sing these songs with their author. It was the first time in many years that Brother Coleman had been present at any Theta Delt meeting. He seemed to enjoy it and renewed his youth. It only needs some such occasion to awaken the old time love. It never dies, although with those who are isolated it is like Rip Van Winkle's sleep. The only regret of the reunion was that so many brothers missed the good time. The next banquet should have a larger attendance.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP.

The May number of *Beta Theta Pi* contains a communicated article entitled "A Plea for Honorary Membership." We quote the opening remarks entire.

One is conscious of some temerity in venturing to discuss the question of honorary membership. It is a very delicate matter. Any proposition to depart, in appearance as well as in fact, from the time-honored traditions of the fraternity will be sure to meet with the most virtuous indignation and violent opposition. Beta Theta Pi has always steadily refused to admit honorary members. But this prohibition—venerable with age and sanctified by its antiquity—has not always been observed. Precept and practice have once and again run counter, and with the usual result. I am telling no tales out of school when I say that it is an open secret that some of our most useful and active members were initiated only under the broadest and most liberal construction of the "under-graduate" clause. So far as the fraternity is concerned, not harm but good has come of this.

Other fraternities have made a like discovery. Sigma Chi openly elects honorary members. So, I understand, does Alpha Delta Phi. Whether Psi Upsilon is equally frank I do not know, but it is certain that some of her most distinguished members were received long after their undergraduate days. Witness Professor Goldwin Smith, who, in various reviews and in magazine articles, has done so much to counteract the

harsh and mistaken criticism of Dickens, and to give the people of England and the continent an intelligent and a comprehensive idea of the American fraternity system.

The writer goes on to state that a fair survey forces the conviction that the process very generally exists, although *sub rosa*, in most fraternities,—presumably as a fraternity necessity. First, because the “unsophisticated” will join the fraternity which has the largest roll of illustrious names, second, the more influential the “*fratres in urbe*,” the stronger the chapter. A possible solution is outlined. The motives prompting the selection of the two kinds are entirely different. The method of elections should be different. In short, the convention should elect the first class and the chapter the second. The sum of the article being a tacit defense of the system. The editorial on this subject reads thus :

The “plea for honorary membership,” which appears in the first pages of this issue, should provoke a prompt and effective discussion of an important topic. If, as the writer of the article has found reason to believe, the rule of the fraternity against the election of honorary members is often broken, in spirit if not in letter, it behooves us speedily to correct the fault. The law should be either enforced or repealed.

For ourselves, we do not know of any recent violations of the rule, direct or indirect. But we do know of two or three instances in which a chapter has longed, and longed in vain, to initiate, as an honorary member, a college graduate who would be an honor and a cause of great good to any fraternity, and who would gladly enter Beta Theta Pi. Perhaps some of our chapters are lacking in ingenuity ; but we rather commend that simple, straightforward integrity of principle and purpose which stands fast by the laws of the fraternity even at a seeming disadvantage.

In its last number the SHIELD gave an extract on this subject with comments. Having a desire to promote the best interests of fraternity journalism the above extracts are given, hoping that it may stir up the subject, and enable the SHIELD, to present to the fraternity world, communications on the negative side of the question. The editor presents a few remarks, and calls upon the brothers to respond, enlarging upon his suggested thoughts or giving original ideas. Beside being antagonistic to the first principles of fraternity organization, it is decidedly unjust to other fraternities—to take the world as

a vantage ground and capture men of fame for mercenary motives. A fraternity founded in the seventies can not be expected to have so large or noted a roll of honor men as one founded in the twenties. We admit that the older society has a decided advantage over the younger. Is it fair, however, for the younger to "search the world over" in quest of eminent men, who, not having been able (?) to present attractions sufficient while in college to be "invited"—but who by latent ability, not then discovered, or by "dumb luck," so to speak, have since become renowned;—and if any be found sufficiently weak-minded, to initiate them into their fraternity, to play the part of "stool-pigeons," to decoy the unwary freshman? We assert that the most generous code of fraternity ethics must exclude such procedure. It is decidedly discourteous to the "honorable victim," and gives a false standing to the fraternity. If the "unsophisticated" could stop to investigate, he would discover that the Hon. Mr. Jones—who is set up as the standard of excellence, which represents the fraternity in question, graduated in 1850 while the fraternity itself was not born till 1870—a dead give away. The dates and names are mythical—to illustrate the point. The argument is general and the writer has reference to no fraternity in particular. This argument alone would decide the question without hesitation in the mind of any one who was disposed to have equal regard for "fraternities" and "noted men"—on general principles of ethics—a sort of pan-hellenistic theory perhaps—but one which the editor believes—by whatever name it be called. Again, if the founders of any Greek letter fraternity were called upon to give the reasons for their organizing themselves, it would be discovered, that the prime element in each and every fraternity was the fellowship of college life—the fraternal union which results only from *close* banding together and constant companionship—like unto that of brothers at home. This is what gives value to a fraternity connection.

" We live for those who love us
For those we know are true,"

is a sentiment which graphically expresses the essence of fra-

ternity. It goes with us when we leave college, and abides with us so long as life lasts. No honorary member can feel this, therefore, he is not a brother, except in name—a hollow mockery.

No false position will contribute lasting advantage to any fraternity. The "frater-in-urbe" who has been regularly elected, and served during his entire college course as an active member—sometimes after graduation loses his interest and is not of material advantage to a chapter. Much less then would the "honorary frater" aid the chapter, as he could not reasonably be expected to be enthusiastic. Other points might be made. The argument is not in defense of Theta Delta Chi as it is not her custom either "sub rosa" or otherwise, to elect or initiate any honorary members.

THE BUFFALO BANQUET.

The second annual meeting of the Western New York Graduate Association was held at the Hotel Iroquois in Buffalo, Friday evening, May 30th. The business meeting commenced at 8:30 p. m., with President Lockwood in the chair. The following brethren were present: General John C. Graves, Ψ '62, Hon. Daniel M. Lockwood, 'A '65, Clay W. Holmes, ϕ '69, Jacob Spahn, X '70, W. P. L. Stafford, Ψ '76, James Sheldon, Σ '77, Dr. Benj. H. Grove, B '77, Seward A. Simons, B '79, Dr. W. H. Chase, Ξ '84, Henry Chace, Ξ '86, Clark H. Zimmerman, Ψ '87, J. O. Chace, Ξ '88, V. Mott Pierce, I '88, William G. Preston, J '88, and J. H. Pardee, Ψ '89. The treasurer made his report of the year's finances. It was resolved that twenty-five dollars be contributed to the Shield. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Hon. Daniel N. Lockwood; vice presidents, Jacob Spahn, Clay W. Holmes; secretary and treasurer, Henry Chace; executive committee, W. S. Kimball, Seward S. Simons, W. D. Hoyt, M. H. Briggs and the secretary. No further business appearing adjournment was taken to the banquet hall. The banquet was much like all others,—a de-

lightful menu; the card a neat folder decorated with the black, white and blue tastefully arranged; a hungry crowd; a social time, a number of old familiar Theta Delt songs, and to top off with the familiar remembrance of Bro. Kimball. After the last course had been set aside Bro. Lockwood, as toast-master, gave one of his slick oratorical talks and with a peroration fit for a better subject called upon the editor of the fraternity journal to speak to the "Shield." In response to "Our Fraternity" Bro. Spahn gave a sample of Rochester's most recent wit. Bro. J. H. Pardee responded to the "Ladies," and "The Beauties of the Niagara as Adapted to the Enjoyments of Theta Delts" was dilated upon by Bro. V. Mott Pierce. This sentiment was suggested by the invitation of Bro. Pierce for the boys to take a ride on the Niagara river in his beautiful launch "Diana." At 2:30 in the afternoon eight jolly Theta Delts accepted the thoughtful courtesy of Bro. Pierce and they had a lovely ride, returning just in time for the banquet. They were loud in praise of the ride, the launch, and Bro. Pierce. As all were in a mood for social talk no further toasts were proposed, but a general good time prevailed, and at a very reasonable hour the banquet was declared over. It was suggested that the next banquet should be held in Rochester. Every one present seemed to be in favor of the suggestion and it was left to the discretion of the executive committee.

THETA DEUTERON.

On the evening of March 21st one of the pleasantest and most successful gatherings of its kind which it has been our pleasure to record, took place at the Tremont House in Boston. Another star was added to our constellation and Theta Deuteron was born to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Eight of her brightest students were initiated into the mysteries of Theta Delta Chi, and to them was entrusted the charter of the newly constituted charge. The entire Grand Lodge was present to assist the embassy—composed of Bros. Joseph B. Hall, E^a, W. L. Ricketts, K, and S. E. Whitaker, A, in the

ceremony of initiating the following candidates as charter members :

G. Burton Hawley, No. 7 Main street, Hartford, Conn.

Horace H. Ensworth, No. 510 Farmington avenue, Hartford, Conn.

Clarence E. Whitley, No. 231 Lawrence street, Hartford, Conn.

Thomas H. Creden, No. 940 Broadway, So Boston, Mass.

Francis C. Norton, Rockland, Me.

J. Francis White, Waterbury, Conn.

William C. Capron, No. 41 Willard street, Hartford, Conn.

Frank H. Dorr, Great Falls, N. H.

After the ceremonies attending the initiation were concluded, the President of the Grand Lodge delivered the charter and declared the Theta Deuteron charge duly established. The banquet table was the next point of attraction. Thirty-eight Theta Delt visitors joined the happy band and helped the Theta Deuteron to make their first banquet a success. Bro. E. S. Griffing, of Iota, officiated as toast-master. The following brothers responded to toasts :

A. L. Bartlett, Seth P. Smith, W. L. Ricketts, J. W. Spencer, S. Saltonstall, J. B. Benton, G. B. Hawley, J. C. Hallock, H. D. Bullock, W. B. Mitchell, J. B. Hall and S. E. Whitaker. The following is a list of those present at the banquet : A. L. Bartlett, Pres't. G. L., Frederic Carter, Sec'y. G. L., J. C. Hallock, Treas. G. L. From Kappa charge : W. L. Ricketts, F. W. Perkins, A. G. Randall, R. T. Needham, A. P. Thompson, F. E. Kimball, H. J. Perry, M. M. Johnson, Thomas Whitmore, F. H. Stephenson, F. D. Lyon, Stephen Rounds, A. W. Grose, J. B. Grose, C. G. Kipp, and W. S. Gray. From Epsilon Deuteron : C. M. Robinson, Paul Sheaffer, J. B. Hall and G. C. Worthington. From Lambda : A. L. Pitcher, G. R. Keene, F. R. Magee, J. H. Fuller, S. E. Whitaker, W. H. Hutchinson, W. R. Stockbridge, J. N. Luce and J. W. Spencer. From Eta : W. B. Mitchell and J. F. Hodgdon. From Omicron Deuteron :

Seth P. Smith and J. B. Benton. Iota : E. S. Griffing.
Zeta : H. D. Bullock.

The Theta Deuteron has settled right down to business. They have secured rooms at 102 Pembroke street and are ready to receive and entertain their Theta Delt brothers. Although young they have fully absorbed the true spirit and bid fair to loom up as a bright star without delay. Long live Theta Deuteron.

WEAR YOUR BADGE.

It seems to be the feeling of most fraternity men that their badges are to be dropped when they leave college. Various reasons are assigned for this notion, some of them surprising in the extreme. The most general one, however, is that it is not fitting for a man of business or a professional dignitary to sport a badge which savors of boyhood association. It is not the purpose of this article to cite the numerous excuses men make for laying aside their badges, as none of them are well founded in fact. The reverse rather is true. The presence of a fraternity badge which in itself declares the wearer to be a college bred man, is an honorable passport. The masses respect education, even though they do not possess it. Masonic and other society pins are so numerous that they are scarcely noticed except by fellow members. Fraternity badges, however, are so rare that they gain an added respect. It is not for this, however, that we should wear them. Respect for the fraternity you pledged to support even to the end of life is the first consideration. The presence of a society pin on a man's person carries with it the acknowledged admission that its wearer possesses a regard for his fraternity which rises with his advancement. It further declares that he is not ashamed of the companionship of his youth, and this silent testimony is of decidedly greater power than any vocal professions of constancy which he may make in the absence of such token, of decidedly greater moment is it to the fraternity

however. The average fraternity man makes a record for himself on the advancing scale. His fraternity pin associates him, in the eye of the preparatory student, with the fraternity to which he belongs. If he stands well in his community, a feeling of respect is engendered in the mind of the unsophisticated youth, and when he enters college the evidence held forth by the "fraternity rusher" does not begin to have the same effect as the first impressions received from the "graduate wearer of the badge." Perhaps the graduates have never thought of this point. More assistance can be rendered to the active charges by its alumni in this one way than in all others. In addition to this, much of personal pleasure would be contributed to the graduates, which is now lost. How frequently is it the case that two men will be intimately associated in business for years without even dreaming that they have a common bond of sympathy. The presence of a badge would have contributed more to the pleasure and profit of such transactions than can be described in words. Many such instances have come under the editor's eye within the past year. If you have never thought of this do so now and resolve that hereafter you will never lay it aside for a single day. Wear it where it can be seen. Don't be ashamed of it. In your travels you may chance to meet a brother and the weary hours will become pleasant moments.



Our Graduates.

NOTE.—This department we intend to make a special feature of THE SHIELD, and to insure its completeness we desire every graduate to aid us by contributing such items of information—no matter how trifling they may seem—about members of the fraternity, the current happenings with themselves or their families, or matters affecting their interests, as promptly as they occur or come to their ears. We would like to keep *an courant* with and pleasantly mention every graduate member and will be glad to do so if our wishes are fulfilled.—EDITOR.

Edward J. Hill, University Vermont, 1853, is senior member of the law firm of E. J. Hill & Son, 119 LaSalle street, Chicago. "Brother Hill was born at Albion, Orleans county, N. Y., June 24, 1833; read law at Burlington, Vermont, from 1853 to 1855, and was admitted to practice in 1855, but was engaged in mercantile pursuits from 1856 to 1860. He commenced the active practice of the law at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in June, 1860, where he gained an excellent reputation as a wise counsellor, a skilful practitioner and a lawyer of persistency and courage. He was admitted to the Supreme Court of the state in August, 1860, and to the Supreme Court of the United States in 1863. He removed to Chicago in June, 1868; was admitted to the Supreme Court of Illinois in 1869, and has been in active practice at Chicago from that time." The *Bench and Bar* of Chicago says of him: Mr. Hill is a thorough lawyer in every department of the profession. His cases are always thoroughly prepared, and he always appears in court with the authorities at hand with which to support his propositions. He is a good advocate, always presenting his case pointedly and in a comprehensive manner, and always makes every point his case contains. He is a logician of high order and is an effective speaker, either before a court or a jury. Mr. Hill is easy in his manner, affable and courteous, and bears the impress of a liberal education. He is a polished gentleman of fine personal appearance. He is of medium height, of stout build, and well proportioned; has a high broad forehead, with black hair and sharp black eyes.

He is a studious, industrious, patient lawyer, who has won a high reputation both as a practitioner and legal writer. In style he is terse, vigorous, apt in illustration, accurate and concise in statement, without repetition. He is the author of several works of great merit, among which may be mentioned his "Digest of the Illinois Reports," which has received high encomiums from the lawyers and judges throughout the country." Brother Hill was one of the most active of the ten founders of the *Gamma* charge, which he in person with others represented at the establishment of the *Delta* and in the general convention of the *Fratern-*

ity held at Troy, N. Y., in June, 1853. By his counsel and correspondence he afterward aided in the granting of dispensations respectively to the Epsilon and Eta.

Frederick Harley Baldwin, University of Vermont, '52, was born at Hinesburg, Vermont, in 1830, and lived there until he died in 1870. He was a genial good-natured soul, full of wit and dry humor. He excelled in English literature and the classics. He was a ray of sunshine in the *Gamma*. Brother Baldwin was its second presiding officer; his firmness and easy manners made his administration of its affairs very successful, during which to be absent from a communication was never thought of by any of its members. The *Gamma* had a banquet on his installation at which he opened the exercises by the Latin sentence, "*Nunc tempus est corpora curator.*" To all at U. V. M. this was as brimful of fun as well as of meaning, for one morning in the spring of his Freshman year while the class were reading Livy, at recitation, which occurred during the hour after prayers, at sunrise and before breakfast it came Brother Baldwin's turn to read and translate. His section commenced with these words, "*Nunc tempus est corpora curator,*" and as he pronounced them the breakfast bell sounded and he translated, "Now is the time for breakfast." The professor nodded assent and the class filed out to verify both the text and translation. Later on, at recitation he astonished the professor and the boys by apparently stumbling over the word *bisconsul* where it occurred in the text. His translation ran somewhat thus, "This man was the son of a patrician whose father was (*bisconsul*) two consuls. The professor grinned; the class howled; Brother Baldwin looked serene. The professor said "Try that again," when Brother Baldwin, the grim humor twinkling in his eye, said, "Professor I can't get any other meaning out of *bisconsul* than that this man was the son of two consular fathers." With a hearty laugh the professor said "next" and the fun was over. At a public examination in Ancient History, to one of the questions put, which was, "What became of Numa Pompilius? Brother Baldwin, looking as solemn as a sphinx answered, "I believe he died." For some time after he graduated he traveled, then he accepted a position in a counting room at Chicago, which he relinquished to read law. He was admitted to the bar, but in 1857 accepted a partnership in general merchandise in his native village, with his father and an elder brother, in which he continued until his death. He always cherished a cordial welcome for everything relating to $\Theta\Delta X$. He was the most genial and popular of the ten founders of the *Gamma*.

Fox Holden, Cornell '72, is Principal of the State Normal School at Plattsburgh, N. Y. He was born at North Lansing, N. Y., in 1849. Prepared for college at the Ithaca Academy and graduated in the course of arts at Cornell in 1872. He was at once chosen Principal of the Trumansburg Academy. In 1873 he became Principal of the Addison Acad-

emy. In 1875 he was elected Principal of the Ithaca High School and remained there five years. To-day the Ithaca High School enjoys the enviable distinction of being one of the first five academies of the State, a position due to the untiring efforts and ability of Bro. Holden. It was here "Prof." Holden "won his spurs." In the midst of his school labors he studied law, and was admitted to the bar in 1881. He became Superintendent of the Plattsburgh schools in 1882, and has since filled the position in every sense of the word. In 1883 Syracuse University conferred upon him the degree of Master of Arts, and in 1885 he was elected a member of Phi Beta Kappa at Cornell. He was recently chosen Principal of the State Normal School. The Plattsburg press speaks highly of Bro. Holden and we would like to reprint the kindly notices, but space forbids.

T. James Rundel, Hobart '60, was brought up in Bridgeport, Conn. After graduating at Hobart he entered the Albany Law School and graduated therefrom in the spring of 1862. In the fall of the same year, patriotism being stronger than law, he dropped Blackstone and raised a company, which enlisted and joined the famous Banks expedition. They fought in all the Louisiana campaigns and at Port Hudson. Later they were in the Shenandoah Valley campaign under "Phil. Sheridan." Bro. Rundel was in command of the 156th Regiment N. Y. Vol. Infantry on the memorable day when they were driven from their position. Bronson Howard's "Shenandoah," as it is now being produced in New York, must carry him back very forcibly to the time when he struggled on the field. A few months later he took the regiment from Baltimore to Savannah to report to Gen. Sherman. For a few months he had a separate command at Brunswick and Darien, Ga. He served as Judge Advocate on several important military commissions and courts martial. He was wounded at the battle of Cedar Creek, Oct. 19, 1864. This laid him up for three months, the only time he was not on active duty for three years. Bro. Rundel's domestic life was very happy. About nine years ago his loving wife was called to her eternal home, leaving a cherished daughter, who is now the consolation of his otherwise lonely life. Any one who may see fit to visit Bro. Rundel at his lovely home, No. 168 East 71st street, New York city, will receive a cordial welcome.

Rev. J. McBride Sterrett, D. D., University of Rochester '67, after graduation studied at the Harvard Divinity School, and later at the Cambridge Episcopal Theological Seminary, taking the degree of B. D. in 1872. In 1886 his alma mater conferred upon him the honored title "D. D." After spending some years as rector of a church in Bedford, Pa., he was elected Professor of Ethics and Apologetics in the Seabury Divinity School of Faribault, Minn., in 1882. He still holds the same position. He was married January 20, 1876, to Miss Adlumia Dent, of Brookland, Pa. A little daughter has joined the angel band. Six bright

boys surround the fireside, all being nurtured for $\Theta \Delta X$. The oldest is now reading Caesar, and will soon be ready to take the vows. No greater evidence is needed of Bro. Sterrett's respect for and love of his chosen fraternity. He says he has pledged them all and believes they will make worthy members. Bro. Sterrett has been abroad three times, spending some time studying in Germany. He has written largely for church periodicals and is the author of a volume entitled "Studies in Hegel's Philosophy of Religion." Bro. Sterrett still sports his badge not a whit less proudly than when first pinned to his breast. He is building a home in Washington, D. C., and will move his family there the coming fall. He will still retain a lectureship in Faribault.

Rev. W. S. Sayres, Dartmouth '76, is the rector of Grace Church (Episcopal), Montevideo, Minn. Bro. Sayres has for the past two years been a missionary in western Minnesota. He is also Secretary of the Central Convocation, which includes Minneapolis and St. Paul. Like all missionaries Bro. Sayres has given up the possibilities of "home comforts," such as are possible in the East, to serve the Master in the Western wilds. An investigation into the private affairs of any missionary would probably disclose the fact that a little extra help would be appreciated. Theta Delta Chi is honored by having a large representation among the clergy, of whom quite a number are missionaries. We also have a goodly number of successful and wealthy business men, who are abundantly able to remember these struggling brothers who have sacrificed their all for the Master. We hope the wealthy brothers will see the point and make some missionary happy.

Frank J. Kline, class of '69, entered Washington and Jefferson College in 1865. While there he joined the Pi charge of our fraternity. He left there and entered Sophomore at Lafayette in 1866. He remained only one term, but while here he laid the ground work for the Phi charge by inducing the present editor of the SHIELD to go over to Carlisle and join the Sigma charge. From the time he left Lafayette till about three months ago not a word was ever heard from him. Determined effort on the part of the writer has unearthed him, and Bro. Kline communicates the following: After leaving Lafayette he entered the University of Chicago and graduated therefrom in 1869. In 1870 he settled in Minneapolis. After spending a few years in civil engineering he took up the business of exploring and surveying pine lands, in which he is still engaged. He may be addressed at 803 Hennepin ave., Minneapolis, Minn.

Rev. C. T. Burnley, Hamilton '73, is located in Hudson, Wis., one of the most beautiful towns in all the Northwest, twenty miles east of St. Paul on the banks of Lake St. Croix. He is the successful and honored pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. If any of the brethren want a cordial welcome, and an opportunity, on their journey to or from the West, to hear a practical and eloquent sermon, let them stop off at Hud-

son. Any hackman will put you down promptly at his door for a quarter and Brother B. will pay the quarter and supply lodging.

V. G. Curtis, Tufts '66, is pleasantly located at Winona, Minn., and is Superintendent of Schools. He has held the position four years. Before he settled in Winona he was at Stillwater. Bro. Curtis' record as a school teacher and superintendent is one of which he may well be proud. He has served twenty-one years at the business. Five years in Ilion, N. Y., ten years at Corry, Pa., and two at Stillwater, in all of which positions he won the utmost confidence and high regard of the people. He first made his mark as Superintendent of the public schools at Stillwater, in the Northwest, which reputation he has gradually built upon until he has reached his present proud position, as one of the leading if not foremost educators in the West. We clip the following pleasant notice of Bro. Curtis from a Chicago magazine; "One of the strongest city superintendents of the West is Mr. V. G. Curtis, of Winona, Minn. Mr. Curtis comes from Pennsylvania, where he is well known by all the leading educational men. For several years he was Superintendent of Schools at Stillwater, Minn. The citizens of this place showed their appreciation of his services in a very substantial manner, viz., by raising his salary, and that, too, more than once. The Winona Board offered him \$2,500—a sum greater than was ever paid to his predecessors. Naturally, the people of Stillwater were reluctant to part with him. Mr. Curtis is a very successful manager, a man of remarkable tact and of good judgment. The schools of Winona have never been in such excellent condition as they are now."

C. W. French, Dartmouth '79, resides at La Grange, Ill. He has just completed a life of Abraham Lincoln, for a series of men who were prominent in the civil war. The book will soon be published in New York. Every Theta Delt should read this graphic history. This sketch should make a popular name for Bro. French in the literary world.

Charles J. Humphrey, Amherst '89, is Land Agent for the Showalter Mortgage Co., at Wellington, Kansas, which position he accepted immediately after leaving college. Bro. Humphrey writes: "I am on the road a good deal, looking after land, land-sharks, ducks, geese, jack-rabbits, and coyotes, and enjoy the work first rate. I would advise any westward Theta Delt to buy a cheap home in the Kansas land of plenty rather than starve his wife and babies in a sod shanty on a claim in the Oklahoma country or Cherokee strip." He is much interested in the SHIELD and hopes the "boys" will make it a success. Bro. Humphrey has done his share in good shape.

A. H. Campbell, Dartmouth '77, Principal of the Normal School at Johnson, Vt., is now in Europe, accompanied by his wife, in search of health and information. He left New York March 29th, expecting to return July 1st. From London they will take a trip to Paris, then through

southern France into Italy, visiting all the famous places. From Florence they will take in the beauties of Switzerland, then down the Rhine to Cologne, then to Germany, where the German school system will be thoroughly examined. We wish them a delightful trip and a safe return to resume their accustomed duties.

Warren Munger, Kenyon '58, resides in Dayton, O. He is one of the leading attorneys of his native city and has been for many years.

Hon. E. P. Mathews, Kenyon '79, is a prominent attorney in Dayton, O., and President of the city council.

A. M. Heard, Amherst '88, is located at Arkansas City, Kan. He is connected with the First National Bank, the third largest bank in the entire State, and one of the strongest financial institutions of the Southwest.

Ed. L. Case, Kenyon, '86, is a resident of Prairie du Chien, Wis. While in College Bro. Case was much interested in athletics, and he has not forgotten the sport. He does some sculling and has won several races in different regattas in that section. He writes that he meets very few Theta Deltas. The Chicago banquet was the first gathering of Theta Delta Chi he has attended since leaving College. It will probably not be his last. The Chicago reunion seems to have stirred up several brothers. Let the good work go on.

Jas. C. Coit, R. P. I., '58, resides at Cheraw, S. C. He is engaged in cotton planting. Evidently the farmers of South Carolina are waking up to the fact that they entitled to be heard in the political arena. The Farmers' Association had an enthusiastic meeting at Columbia, March 27th, and nominated state officers, demanding that they be endorsed. Bro. Coit received a hearty and unanimous nomination for lieutenant governor, and we hope he will be elected.

Major Peter D. Vroom, R. P. I., '62, Inspector General U. S. A. is ordered to report in person to the inspector general of the army for temporary duty in his office at Washington on the expiration of his present leave of absence April 1st.

Frank H. McCall, Lehigh, '89, made a pleasant call upon the "Shield" a few weeks since. He was bound for Topeka, Kan., to accept a position in the main office of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad. He is now at work and any of the boys visiting Topeka, which by the way is one of the loveliest and most progressive of western cities, should not fail to look up Bro. McCall.

Dr. Francis H. Brown, Harvard, '57, of Boston, Mass., has devised a plan by which six deaf persons, who formerly heard nothing of the sermon, now hardly miss a word of it when they attend church. A large sound receiver stands near the preacher and branch speaking tubes run by way of the floor from it to each of the deaf persons. This is another

evidence of the doctor's humanitarianism, showing his good works are not confined to the body alone, but include the mind as well. Who knows how far reaching his simple invention may prove. Clearly he is a benefactor to his race as well as a favorite in the fraternity.

Clarence S. Bate, Brown and Union, '58, of Louisville, Ky, is a striking example of the beneficial influence exerted by fraternity connection. A confederate officer in the late war, he was captured, tried by a court-martial for guerilla warfare, and sentenced to death. In the progress of the sentence to the President for confirmation, however, the papers passed through the hands of the Hon. John Hay, his old fraternity friend, who at once appealed to President Lincoln for Bate's pardon. A sincere regard for his faithful secretary caused him to grant it. The sentence, therefore, was never confirmed, and Bate is to-day a living evidence of Hay's warm-heartedness and of the value of fraternity in the hour of need. In College he was noted for the strength of his friendships as well as the depth of his enmities. Being of a passionate southern disposition, quick in resentment, he was sometimes led thereby into serious complications, one of which came near having a tragical result. While at Brown, a misunderstanding occurred between him and another student named Williams, which led to a challenge being given and accepted, resulting in a duel. After exchanging shots on the field without injury to either, the seconds intervened and effected a settlement of the affair satisfactory to both principals. That the combat had a bloodless ending was due only to the seconds, who, in pursuance of a secret arrangement between themselves charged the pistols with blank cartridges—a fact which when discovered by Bate long after made him furious at the deception practiced upon him. The affair naturally created great excitement in the College and become widely known through the press, resulting in his expulsion and departure for Union, where he graduated. At both Colleges his warm generous nature won many close friends, who still remember him with affection. We hope Bro. Bate may be induced to attend the next convention to be held in New York in November of this year. He will see evidence of the warmth of fraternity regard which will amply repay him for his trouble.

Geo. M. Brockway, Amherst, '89, who left College at the end of the sophomore year on account of ill health and has since been engaged in the study of medicine, received the degree of M. D. from the University of Buffalo at the recent commencement. Brother Brockway stood sixth in a class of fifty-two, and at the competitive examinations for internes at the Buffalo General Hospital was ranked first among the four successful candidates.

C. W. Davenport, Lafayette, '81, is a resident of Erie, Pa. He has his full share of work, and yet he finds time to give some attention to his fraternity. If any one doubts Bro. Davenport's ability as an execu-

tive officer let him glance at the numerous important positions he now occupies and be satisfied. He is chairman of the Erie Car Works; President of the Martel Furnace Co.; manager of Davenport & Fairbairn, car wheel makers, and chairman of the American Fusee Co. Tally one for the Phi's business men.

Charles William Curtis, Cornell, '88, is located in Washington, D. C., at No. 925 F street, N. W. After graduating as a civil engineer at Cornell he returned home to find his father seriously ill. He traveled with him for several months in search of health without success, and in less than a year his death followed. Bro. Curtis was offered a position in the law firm of which his father had been senior member, and is now studying law to fit himself for this position. He will graduate from the National Law School this month. Bro. Curtis is one of the enthusiastic band of Theta Delts.

E. R. Morse, Cornell, '79, is located at Proctor, Vt. He studied law after leaving College and was admitted to the bar in 1882. He occupied a position with the Producers Marble Co. for about five years, then for a short time was private secretary to Secretary Proctor. He then accepted the position of assistant treasurer of the Vermont Marble Co., located at Proctor, which position he still holds. He is also vice president of the Clarendon and Pittsfield Railroad Co., and a director of the Rutland and Tidewater Railroad Co. Bro. Morse is one of the highly respected citizens of Proctor. He has been honored with several town offices.

Rev. Jas. F. Powers, Tufts, '61, was a deputy from the diocese of central Pennsylvania to the general convention of the Episcopal Church held last October in New York City. Bro. Powers' Church, (Trinity), Pottsville, Pa., has the largest communicant list of any in the diocese.

Clarence J. Jenkins, Union, '59, has been a resident of St. Louis, Mo. for the past ten years. He is engaged in the mercantile business. He takes great interest in beneficiary societies. He is a past regent in the Royal Arcanum. Past master workman in the A. O. U. W. Chancellor in the Legion of Honor, and a good loyal Theta Delt.

William Macon Coleman, University of N. C., '58, of Forestville, Md., while in College was freshman competitor, sophomore competitor, junior debater, and editor of the University Magazine. Divided the class prize with Tom Mason, of Virginia. He graduated with second distinction. After graduation he read theology at Princeton, and later at Columbia, S. C. He then went to Heidelberg, Germany, where he took a course in theology and philosophy, attending also a course of lectures in Paris. He then returned to his native land and read law with Chief Justice Pearson, of North Carolina, and was admitted to the bar. For two years he did newspaper work in Chicago, and later was editor of the *Daily Standard*, of Raleigh, N. C. In 1868 he was elected attorney-general on the republican ticket. This position he resigned to accept a con-

sulship in Europe. On his return he located at Forestville, Md., where he has since been engaged in literary pursuits. Bro. Coleman was the convention poet at Washington in 1858. He is the author of some of the most popular songs in the song book which was published in 1858.

F. H. Wilder, Tufts, '86, after leaving College took Horace Greely's advice and went west. He engaged in the loan and insurance business in Milton, Cavalier County, North Dakota. He remained there until about three months ago when he removed to Cavalier, Pembria County, North Dakota, where he is now located. He is agent for the Vermont Loan and Trust Co., of Brattleboro, Vt., with branch offices at Grand Forks, N. D., and Spokane Falls, Wash. It is evident that Bro. Wilder is respected in the community in which he dwells, from the fact that he was recently elected a justice of the peace. The genuine old love for Theta Delta Chi is easily recognized in the letter we publish in the correspondence department.

Benjamin B. Kingsbury, Bowdoin, 1857, was born in Temple, N. H., May 15, 1837, and fitted for college at New Ipswich Academy. After leaving college he taught Latin and Greek for a year in St. Charles College, St. Charles, Mo., then in St. Paul's college in Palmyra, Mo., where he had for a colleague, Professor Cone, now president of Buchtel college, Akron, O. After teaching for a time he took up the study of law, and graduated from Harvard Law School in 1862. The following year he went to California for his health, and remained at San Jose for two years practicing his profession. He then went to St. Charles, Missouri, where he practiced for several years in company with Mr. Hess. Dissolved in 1870. He was circuit attorney for four years, then filled an editorial position in St. Charles for four years. Removed to St. Louis in 1876, thence to Defiance, Ohio, where he entered into partnership with Bro. Henry Newbegin. After a long and successful practice the firm dissolved in 1888. Since that time he has been alone and is now practicing on his own account. Bro. Kingsbury's career has perhaps been somewhat uneventful, but he has always been successful in his practice. His domestic life has had its pleasures and sorrows. He married Miss S. R. Freeman, daughter of the Rev. R. Freeman, of Sandwich, Mass. They have had four children, one boy died at the age of one year, and a lovely daughter, Annie M., died at Akron, O., Feb. 12. 1889—at the age of twenty, just as she was blossoming into womanhood. A daughter Bessie, and a son, Benj. F., still living, make up the affectionate household which now surrounds him. After thirty-five years experience, as a Theta Delt, Bro. Kingsbury testifies to his love for the good old times, they proving that the recollections of Theta Delta Chi are dearly cherished.

A. Norton Fitch, Cornell, 1871, is pleasantly located at Tacoma, Wash. He is president of the Traders Bank of Tacoma. In the midst of business he does not not forget the associations of college days—and if any Theta

Delt should stray far enough away from home to land in Tacoma, he would get a warm welcome from Bro. Fitch.

Hon. H. W. Cory, Tufts, '67, is a resident of St. Paul, Minn. He has been Judge of the Municipal Court in St. Paul, for five years and has a good prospect for at least four years more. He still loves Theta Delta Chi. In a recent letter he states he has not forgotten the grip—which is a standing invitation to any Theta Delt to call on him. He also states that St. Paul contains a considerable number of Theta Delt, who are all good citizens—good fellows, and doing well. It is quite evident that Bro. Cory is doing well.

Hon. Geo. W. Long, Dartmouth, '79, is a prominent attorney of Troy, Ohio. He is one of the principal stockholders of the Electric Plant located in that city. Although a Democrat he was twice elected Mayor of Troy, which is a strongly Republican city, by a good majority. This fact proves conclusively that Bro. Long is highly respected by the entire community in which he resides, and is entitled to special mention on the honor roll of Theta Delta Chi.

Lincoln Artz, Dartmouth, '88, was prepared for college by Bro. H. T. Kincaid and trained for the fraternity in his early days. He is now a member of the firm of Artz Bros., wholesale and retail furniture dealers, of Dayton, Ohio.

Walter H. Small, Dartmouth, '77, is just closing his eleventh year as principal of the High School, at Hudson, Mass. Owing chiefly to his exertions, the school has doubled in numbers, although the town has grown but little; an excellent library has been established in connection with the school, and an increased number have gone to college. Three have joined Theta Delta Chi. Brother Small is deservedly popular with pupils and citizens. He is president of the Middlesex County School-master's club.

Rev. Geo. F. Pratt, Bowdoin, '76, formerly an Episcopal clergyman in Clinton, Mass., has joined the Unitarian denomination and is pastor of the church in Berlin, Mass. He is an enthusiastic Theta Delt.

Rev. F. W. Ernst, Dartmouth, '76, is very successful as principal of Dow Academy, Franconia, N. H.

Frank T. Beede, one of the charter members of Omicron Deuteron, is living in Hudson, Mass., where he was formerly principal of the High School. He is engaged in the shoe business.

Ralph E. Joslin, Tufts, '86, is engaged in the practice of law with his father, in Hudson, Mass. He was unanimously elected to the school committee at the last town meeting. He is already one of the prominent men of that vicinity.

E. B. Lawrence, Tufts, '89, is sub-master of the High School in Keene, N. H.

S. W. Mendum, Tufts, '85, is coming into prominence politically, as secretary of the United Question Clubs, of Mass. He is sub-master of the High School in Woburn, Mass.

James G. Riggs, Amherst, '88, is principal of the Yates Union school, located at Chittenango, N. Y. He has just been re-elected for a second year with a material advance in salary—a most conclusive proof that his first year's service was entirely satisfactory. Brother Riggs read an able paper before the Onondaga Educational Council of school principals, at Syracuse, in April.

C. N. Kendall, Hamilton, '82. The following from the Jackson *Patriot* of May 23, will be of interest to the fraternity: Yesterday morning C. N. Kendall, superintendent of schools of district No. 1, received word that he had been chosen superintendent of the East Saginaw schools at a salary of \$2,400 per annum. Mr. Kendall telegraphed his acceptance and tendered his resignation as superintendent of schools in district No. 1. Mr. Kendall is a graduate of Hamilton College, class of 1882. Following his graduation he taught one year in Chicago and two years in Milwaukee. In 1885 he was chosen principle of the Jackson west side high school, which position he filled with marked satisfaction for two years, being elected superintendent of district No. 1 early in 1887. The best evidence of Mr. Kendall as an educator is shown in the advanced position the schools of the district hold to-day—second to none in the state. Aside from Mr. Kendall's generous education and native abilities, his pronounced success as an educator has been largely due to his attractive personal mannerisms, which drew about him many warm friends and admirers, both in educational and social circles. Jackson regrets losing a man of Mr. Kendall's worth but congratulates East Saginaw upon securing him to superintend its large and excellent school system. His successor, in this city, has not yet been chosen, but whoever he may be he will discover the beneficent results of Mr. Kendall's labors displayed upon every hand, for the success attained in the west side school system is largely due to his untiring and discriminating care.

C. S. Thatcher, Cornell, '78, has taken up his residence in St. Joseph, Mo. He is professor of mathematics in the high school of that city.

V. O. Taylor, Tufts, '68, may hereafter be found on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week at room fifty, *Times* building, New York City, the remainder of the week being spent in his Providence office. The boys are cordially invited to drop in and see him on business or pleasure.

Edwin C. Frost, Brown, '90, will be a passenger on "The City of New York," which sails for England June 18th. He will spend some time abroad. The date of his return is not yet fixed.

Gonzalo de Quesada C. C. N. Y., '88, who has been studying law for some time, has been secretary to the Argentine delegation to the Pan-

American Congress and is now traveling with them in France. Bro. Quesada left on the Normandie on May 3. He goes with the delegation to France and Spain, and then to Argentine, expecting to return in about six months.

Archibald Anthon, C. C. N. Y., '90, who attended the Annapolis Academy for a few years, is now taking the post-graduate course in electrical engineering at Columbia College.

Charles A. MacDonald, C. E., R. P. I., '57, who is president of the Union Bridge Co., in New York, was recently elected president of the Engineer's Club, New York City.

H. A. Gillis, Lehigh, who has been master mechanic of the Erie repair shops in Elmira since October, 1888, has just received the appointment of master mechanic of the Delaware division of the Erie railroad to take effect June 1st. This news comes just as we are in press and no particulars are at hand. It will necessitate his removal to Port Jervis, N. Y., which will deprive the editor of his cheering presence. We rejoice in his advancement, as it is a high compliment to his sterling ability.

Alexander L. Holley. A monument will be erected to the memory of Bro. Holley in one of the prominent parks of New York City. During his life time he was acknowledged to be the greatest steel expert in America.

E. L. Peltier, has left Troy, N. Y., and is now located in West Superior, Wis., engaged in the practice of law. He says that West Superior is a rushing town.

HOUSTON-ADAMS.

Bro. James P. Houston, of Somonauk, Ill., was married on April 2, 1890, at high twelve, to Miss Minnie G. Adams, of Sandwich, Ill. The ceremony was performed in the Congregational Church at Sandwich, in the presence of three hundred friends and relatives. A reception at the bride's home followed the ceremony, with a bountiful collation and a shower of congratulations. The bride is a remarkably accomplished musician, brilliantly intelligent and highly respected by all. Charming in her manners and conversation she was a queen in society circles and will be much missed. The happy couple went to Chicago for a few days' trip, and on their return the doctor will settle down once more to business.

STIFLER-BROWNEL.

Bro. J. Royston Stifer, of Belair, Md., was united in marriage to Mrs. Wella Brownel, daughter of Felix McCurley, Esq., of Baltimore, April 17th. The ceremony was performed in St. George's P. E. Church, in the city of Baltimore. Among the guests were a number of Theta Deltas residing in Baltimore, who presented the bride with an elegant silver card basket on behalf of the Southern Graduate Association. The gift was voted at the recent banquet.

Editorial.

The closing paragraph of the letter received from Brother Martindale giving recollections of Andrew H. Green, and which is quoted from in the history of Brother Green's life, suggests the following thoughts.

Brother Martindale says :

"I cannot remember having met my dear old friend and brother since our last parting on the platform of the Central depot at Schenectady in June, 1849, when with arms to shoulders, and right hands clasped in the once familiar grip, we bade each other a long and perhaps an everlasting farewell. God bless and have you in his keeping my old and well beloved friend of the days of our youth."

It is not difficult to imagine how great would be the joy of two such friends, who should meet after so many years separation. The SHIELD suggests that our annual convention would be a great and crowning success if the old and honored members could be induced to attend. Already I have the promise of Brothers Beach and Green to be present at the next convention in New York next fall, if their health will permit. Now if we can get them there, and Brother Martindale, and any others of the old Alpha, and Brothers Wm. L. Stone, Franklin Burdge and other distinguished representatives of other Charges, what a reunion we would have. The benefits would be double. It would bring together old men who had not met for years, and give them great joy among themselves. It would likewise bring large accessions of younger and zealous Theta Deltas who have never seen the "honor men" of the fraternity, and would with much pride and joy clasp their hands and listen to their expressions of venerable love for the fraternity which has grown to such gigantic proportions since they left the field of action. What a convention it would be. Brothers can we not combine to make the forty-fourth annual convention the greatest convention ever held by the fraternity?

It is certain that these dear aged brothers will be warmed in their hearts to receive an invitation from the Grand Lodge to attend, and judging from the response made to the personal invitation of the writer given to Brothers Beach and Green, every one of them will be overjoyed to think they are remembered by the fraternity, and put forth every effort to be present.

We are indebted to E. J. Hill, of Chicago, for the history of the Gamma Charge, which is published in this issue. Brother Hill evidently received a full dose of "revival" from the Chicago reunion. Who says that reunions are not of benefit? He pays Brothers Kilvert and Hawley a high compliment for the energy they displayed in the difficult task of getting the old graduates wakened up and assembled. We wish more of the brothers would emulate Brother Hill's example. He has devoted much time to the collection of facts, pertaining to the Gamma Charge, evidently putting himself to considerable trouble in the effort. He has rendered great assistance to the SHIELD, and we hope the brothers will get as much enjoyment out of his contribution as it affords the editor to publish it.

The day has come when chapter houses are a necessity. It is well said that "competition is the life of business." It can as truly be said that chapter houses are the essence of fraternity life. In the early days of Greek letter societies nothing of the kind was dreamed of. We were wont to congregate in the room of some favored brother to while away the hours of recreation. The chapter house offers many advantages. It admits of the cultivation of the domestic relation of brotherhood, which tends more firmly to cement the ties that bind us and in the years to come will prove a monument of enduring love. Much might be said in favor of, but little against chapter houses. The object of these remarks is to awaken the graduate brothers to the duty which devolves upon them. It will readily be conceded that in this age of advancement we must make progress or go into a decline. Chapter houses cost

money. The boys who are the active members of any Charge cannot of their own resources construct such houses as will be a credit to the fraternity or themselves. They cannot depend upon parental resources for aid, as the fathers are not personally interested. We as graduates have, or *certainly* ought to have, an abiding interest in the welfare and prosperity of our individual Charges. We are as much a part of the Charge as the under-graduate members. We ought not to wait to be solicited by them to contribute, but instead we should take the lead. Some of us may not be in a financial condition to contribute largely, but we surely can show our desire to advance the best interests of the fraternity at large, and our own Charge in particular, by giving voluntarily our mite. We should take the matter in charge and build the houses ourselves. Some of our members are able to contribute liberally. Indeed a charge house could be built for almost every Charge, except the recent ones, by some one member, but this is not what we want. We should all share in the expense, and then the houses will verily be "ours." Brothers we must have charge houses. Don't stand back in the gloom of unconsciousness, but start the ball rolling by making a good liberal subscription toward a house for your own Charge.

It is with hesitation and after much urging that the letter of Brother Gillis is published. It is very pleasant to feel that there is a good brother in this vicinity who will drop in occasionally and cheer up the disconsolate editor. Do not imagine for a moment that the life of the editor is all sunshine. Far from it. Our enthusiasm occasionally gets a black eye which would dampen the ardor of a seraph. Smarting under the chilling encouragement contained in a letter just received, he is constrained to let Brother Gillis have his way. Without further apology the letter is given in evidence :

"DEAR SIR :

I really do not care to subscribe to the "SHIELD." I have been out of College so long, and am so taken up with work, that if I get the "SHIELD" I do not look in it. Have

not looked inside the book since you sent it. I do not like to discourage you, but if you need the copy you sent me to send to some one else, I will with pleasure return it.

Yours truly,

———— May 7, 1890. —————

The editor is "taken up with work" too, and ventures the assertion that the major portion of the SHIELD is made up while Bro. — is quietly sleeping away the memories of the ties which once afforded the principal enjoyment of his College life. We do not hope he will be struck by lightning, but we sincerely trust that some day a match will be touched to the smouldering embers of his love. He has it in him. If he had allowed himself to read the particular number of the SHIELD he thrust aside so easily, he never would have sent such a letter.

The editor desires to say a word to the undergraduates for which, if they adopt the suggestions, they will thank him twenty-five years hence, if not before. One of the things least thought of during college days is the preservation of correspondence and the record of daily incidents as they occur. Their value, at the time, is of perhaps little moment it is true—but in later years when the dear brother is dead from whom you received pleasant letters, they become of great value. You prize them because the hand that penned them only lives in the memory of their pages. Memory becomes a blank as the years go by on the details of many incidents which you would give much to recall, but unless carefully recorded they cannot be resurrected. Then again the careful preservation of all these things is equally as essential. The writer's own experience is a case in point. I did preserve my correspondence and kept a faithful diary of passing events, but in the lapse of years, absorbed in business, I forgot them and in the "annual uprootings incident to house cleaning" the domestic not recognizing any value in a lot of "old letters and books" has consigned them to the rag bag. Their absence might never have been noticed but in taking up the SHIELD my first need was for such records

to "take me back to college days." Nothing could be found—and memory alone serves—a very poor servant after being buried for almost twenty-five years in the cares of business, to provide material for the editor's quill. Boys keep a diary and preserve your letters and charge records.

A letter from Brother W. C. Hawley, published under the head of "correspondence," is a practical illustration of a difficulty the editor of the SHIELD has noted with no small degree of regret. The Charges do not seem to realize the importance of the office of corresponding secretary. One of the best results which a fraternity organization could accomplish would seem to be the inculcation of business principles, at least so far as the subsequent career of its members is concerned. "Order is heaven's first law"—a trite maxim truly. Its concomitant may be stated as follows: "Promptness is the first principle of business"—a sure road to success. A Charge should be most careful in its selection of a corresponding secretary. Do not think it is an unimportant office fit only to be saddled upon any one who is willing to take it. Pick out the one who is best fitted to take it, and then let the one who is honored with the office realize his preferment and take hold of the work as a matter of business. The outside credit and reputation of the Charge depends upon him. To-day some of our best Charges are dwelling under a cloud because of the neglect of their corresponding secretaries. This is not as it should be. Boys brace up and do your duty. If you carry out a similar policy after you leave college your life will not be successful. That you have other pressing duties is admitted. If they be so numerous as to deter you from attending properly to the duties of your office resign at once, and let some one else take the work.

We are advised by Brother Frank S. Curtis, Mt. Vernon, O., that Theta's lodge will be sold next fall unless the graduate members come to the rescue and lift the mortgage. This must not be. Graduates of Theta, put your shoulders to the wheel. Do not wait to be appealed to personally, but send a good lib-

eral subscription to Brother Curtis at once. With this debt lifted Theta can be revived. We should not lose sight of our old Charges. Better strive to revive and maintain them than to look for new worlds to conquer.

Will Charge editors please note that the next number of the SHIELD will be issued September 1st. so as to reach them at the beginning of the fall term. This number will contain the commencement letters. Will the editors please prepare their letters directly after commencement while everything is fresh in mind, and before the attractions of vacation absorb your attention—a result of which would be no letter. Remember that it is your duty to perform your part faithfully, or the SHIELD cannot maintain its high standard.

We acknowledge with thanks receipt of numbers to complete our file as follows :

No. 1, Vol. I (1884) from Brother Thomas E. Rogers, Washington. No. 1, Vol. I, ('84) and No. 2, Vol. 2 (1885) from Brother Abel Beach, Iowa City. Also No. 1 Vol. III from Brother G. A. Porter, '91, Bowdoin. This completes our set excepting the old original No. 1, 1869 and No. 1, Vol. II (1885). We hope some brother may be able to send the No. 1, Vol. II at least.

In order to avert the possibility of wounding the feelings of any brother, the editor wishes to announce that hereafter no article of any description will be accepted for publication in the SHIELD unless it has a direct bearing upon the fraternity. O-rations, poems or speeches, whether delivered at banquets or elsewhere, which do not pertain directly to the fraternity must be declined. This step is necessitated in order to be consistent with our policy as previously announced. Plenty of matter is at hand with which to make a full number and much is left over for future numbers. We do not care for literary productions, as we are not posing as a "Magazine," but simply as a fraternity news basket. If the brothers will kindly remember this, it will save us the pain of declining any article not in keep-

ing with this policy. To come down to practical business the SHIELD is yet far from self supporting, and while the publisher is willing to bear the expense of anything which is "Theta Delt" he cannot spend his substance on that which belongs to the literary field.

The SHIELD has, according to promise, given a more extended history of the two honored survivors of our fraternity than has ever before appeared in print. Sketches like these are only obtained and prepared with much labor. It is due to those who have been instrumental by their personal work and influence in making our fraternity what it is, that there should appear in the published records, such a history as will perpetuate their memory and enable their good works to live after them. The SHIELD now proposes to introduce into its pages other names, some well known, others perhaps not familiar, but equally worthy of notice. It is not possible to take them up in the order of precedence. Several are in preparation. It had been our intention to present a sketch of our worthy brother, Col. Wm. L. Stone in this number, but lack of time has prevented its completion. We have been fortunate in being able to complete another, that of E. S. Carman, and take great pleasure in giving place to a brief notice of so worthy a brother. In the next number we hope to give a history of Col. Wm. L. Stone and Dr. Francis E. Martindale.

A number of unseen difficulties are encountered in the present issue of the SHIELD. Believing that it would be of greater interest to the undergraduates to have the number before the close of the college year, an entire change has been planned, and the dates hereafter will be March, June, September and December. This will give number two just previous to commencement and number three at the opening of the college year. The appearance of number one having been unavoidably delayed by pressure of other business, scant time is allotted for proper editorial work on this number. Our exchanges have accumulated and no time can be given to a proper read-

ing. Of a necessity, therefore, much desirable matter must be omitted which will appear in number three. At the present writing the first part of this number is in press, and no copy has been prepared for the remaining sections. The size of the number will depend upon the amount of time which can be stolen from other duties during the week in which to make copy under pressure. How many pages can be ground out is as uncertain to the editor as to his readers. If you are surprised at the shrinkage, temper your astonishment with the thought that it was not our purpose to cut down the size after having given so large a number, but duties crowd so fast upon the editor during the summer months that the numbers must be unequal in size, and in an exact ratio with the opportunities afforded for this line of work. One hundred reading pages is the standard of the SHIELD. All under that number in any issue will be balanced by equal excess in the numbers of the current volume. If the total of a volume exceeds four hundred pages you will have received more than was bargained for, and be thankful in proportion.

The Phi Charge will hold her twenty-third annual reunion at Easton, Pa., Monday evening, June 23d, at 11 p m. It is proposed to make this pre-eminently a reunion of the older graduates. Assurances have already been received that nearly all of the charter members will be present. If this mention strikes the eye of any member of the Phi Charge who has not already received an invitation, he is hereby informed that it is because his address is not possessed by the Charge, and as one of the committee of arrangements the editor is duly authorized to extend the proper invitation. He also urges you to drop busy care for a short time and join us in our effort to revive the old Phi love. Any Theta Delt who can make it convenient to be present is assured a hearty welcome. This will be a reunion such as the Phi Charge has never before experienced. Drop a note to Brother Frank W. Stewart that you will be there, and a glorious welcome will await you.

The grave and reverend seniors as they go forth from College should not forget the SHIELD. Their subscriptions are needed as well as their influence. There seems to be a lack of personal interest in regard to fraternity news. The SHIELD can disseminate news about the fraternity quickly, and anything which appears in its columns is sure to be seen by the brothers. It is our organ of information; and its pages are open to any brother who desires to express an opinion, or contribute anything of interest to the fraternity. It is a difficult task for the editor to do all the thinking and writing. He invites the brothers to take up any subject, more especially such as are suggested in the published editorial notes, and give his own opinion. Place would be gladly accorded to a dozen articles on the same subject. Let us talk freely among ourselves on matters possessing common interest.

A letter from Brother A. M. Rich states that the brothers in Baltimore have concluded to make an effort to secure a club house in that city. It is proposed to get a convenient room in a central part of the city at a moderate expense, where resident brothers can congregate, and visiting brothers be entertained. To maintain such a room membership dues of \$10.00 per annum will be charged. Subscriptions are solicited from brothers residing in the vicinity of Baltimore, and it is hoped that a sufficient sum be received to justify the venture. Communicate with Alex. M. Rich, Secretary, Reisterstown, Md.

The SHIELD approves of rooms in any city where it is possible to maintain them. This is a day of chapter houses, and fraternity houses. How nice it would be for visitors to have such a place to visit and make headquarters. Business men knowing the address of such a club house could use it as a meeting place; have letters addressed there and in many other ways make it a convenience. We hope Baltimore will succeed and that other cities will take the hint and make the same move.

In Memoriam.

HERMAN BRAGG,

CLASS OF '73, TUFTS COLLEGE.

WHEREAS, In the dispensations of Almighty God, our esteemed brother, HERMAN BRAGG, of the Class of '73, Tufts College, was called from our midst, by death, January 23, 1890; be it

Resolved, That our Fraternity mourns that it has lost a true brother, and Tufts College a loyal son;

Resolved, That we have a deep and heartfelt sympathy for all those to whom he was a dear relative or friend;

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Charge, and that a copy be sent to the family of the deceased, to each Charge of our Fraternity, to the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD, and to the *Tuftonian*.

FOR THE CHARGE, { MELVIN M. JOHNSON,
A. G. RANDALL,
ALBERT O. THAYER.

FRATERNITY HALL, Kappa Charge, March 10, 1890.

Editorial Notes and Comments.

Chapter letters seem to be a source of anxiety to the Greek editorial staff just now. The current exchanges give considerable space to the Chapter editor. *Beta Theta Pi* devotes a page and a half to the subject, in which an ideal charge is made against the editors of the Greek press that Chapter letters are so polished by the editorial pen as not to be recognizable when they appear in print. He further states that he has been at times accused of writing Chapter letters which have appeared in his columns, and defends himself as follows :

This we have not done, and will not do. The magazine of a fraternity should represent that fraternity to itself as it is. The ignorance, the carelessness, the ecstatic self-satisfaction of a corresponding secretary is to be guarded against and corrected as far as possible ; but every chapter letter should show the character of the chapter from which it comes. The fraternity at large wishes to see each chapter in the natural light of day. We want no colored lights to heighten artificial charms, no posing for the admiration of credulous observers.

This is the principle we have followed in *The Beta Theta Pi*. It is the only manly and honorable rule of conduct. And as a matter of fact the chapter letters which appear in these pages are generally published as received, except in mere verbal matters. The care and taste with which most of them are prepared are a credit at once to the chapters and to the fraternity at large.

The same editor in his exchange notes on the SHIELD says in reference to our charge letters :

A chapter-letter writer feelingly states that "To write sensibly and at any length and say nothing is a natural gift, and not a talent that can be acquired." We may add that it is also a talent to be deplored, if pitilessly exercised. The —— letter claims so many honors and triumphs that we were successfully tempted to refer to the contemporary number and letter of the *D. K. E. Quarterly*, where we heard the very same exulting strain pealing in another key. The mystery of certain kinds of chapter letters is still veiled from us. It began in mystery and ended in mist. In meekness of spirit we gently hie away to "fresh fields and pastures new."

The position of charge editor does not seem to be regarded of so much importance as it really is. If the best men for such

work be elected, there would be no need for such comments as above. Most of the charge letters for the SHIELD are meritorious—sometimes they seem to be “an unpleasant duty,” and the sooner they are over the better the charge editor feels. It should be the pride of a charge to elect its best man to the office, and then he should take pains and great care to give a newsy letter, yet one worthy the charge. Such letters would not need the editor's retouch.

Henry C. Brockmeyer, ex-Lieutenant Governor, is a keen observer of men and a reader of their natures. I have in mind an incident that I always recall with a smile. When Brockmeyer was Lieutenant Governor, John S. Phelps, the Governor, was taken dangerously ill. His condition fluctuated from day to day. He would be reported at death's door one day and out of danger the next. Coming out of the State House one morning I met Brockmeyer, and saluting him, asked whether he had heard as to Governor Phelps' condition. He replied: “Not directly, but I observe that he is much better to-day. The indications are that he is out of danger.” I looked my surprise and remarked interrogatively, “indications?” “Yes,” he replied, “indications. As I came over to the capitol to-day I met a half dozen acquaintances who passed me with a ‘Good morning Brock.’ Had the condition of the governor been at all critical they would have said, ‘And how is our lieutenant governor to-day. I hope you are well,’ and all that kind of nonsense.”—*St. Louis Globe Democrat, March 23, '90*

The incident noted in above extract concerning Brother Brockmeyer is too good to be lost sight of. It is vouched for by the good brother who sends it.

“I want to thank you for the last number of the SHIELD. It is a dandy and the ideal in my opinion of what the SHIELD should be. My wife took as much pleasure in it as I did, and we are both anxious already for the next number.”

This extract from the letter of an enthusiastic brother is a fair sample of a large number received since the last number was issued. If we did not “build better than we knew” it is certain that we printed many more pages than we intended to and put forth a standard which it will be hard to maintain. It was the original intention to have one hundred pages of reading matter in each number making a total yearly out-put of

400 pages. This is much above the usual average of the Greek press. Two hundred pages will hardly be reached by three out of four. Perhaps three print 100 pages each—and of this amount considerable is literary. The size of the SHIELD would be equal to the best, if 100 pages only were issued. The only serious objection at present visible to the editor is the increasing cost, and the deficiency which would exist at the end of the year. The actual cost of each number would exceed the subscription price at the present rate. A number of the brothers in writing have suggested increasing the regular rate to \$2.00 per year for the next volume. If the support accorded is sufficient to warrant it, the size will be maintained at an average of 120 pages—with the understanding that the subscription price to graduates shall be increased next year to \$2.00. If any one has any remarks to make against such a course, let him speak now or forever after hold his peace. It is no picnic for the editor to spend days and weeks of hard labor to get out "a dandy" SHIELD, as the boys call it, and in the end find himself three or four hundred dollars in the hole. The fact is proudly recorded that the SHIELD has drawn forth liberal support, and many new subscriptions. They are coming in nicely, but not enough are yet received to carry us through the year. Every individual Theta Delt should write to some brother who is removed from his friends and tell him about it. These are the ones who enjoy the SHIELD most heartily, and they quickly subscribe if they hear of it. The editor cannot do both.

A bill granting to the survivors of the forlorn hope storming party at Port Hudson the medals promised to them at the time by Gen. Banks, has been passed by the United States Senate. The bill is now in the Committee on Military Affairs of the House. On June 14th, in the Port Hudson campaign, the Union assault was disastrously repulsed. Gen. Banks called for volunteers for a forlorn hope to lead the way in another desperate charge on that almost impregnable stronghold. A thousand men responded, were counted off into companies, were drilled a week or two to get accustomed to each other, bade each other good-bye, and then awaited the order to lead a charge from which few of them would ever have returned. Vicksburg surrendered, Port Hudson followed suit, and the necessity for the assault was obviated. As a mark of distinction to

the men who composed the storming party, however, as an heirloom for their families and to keep alive among their descendants the sentiment of loyal devotion which inspired their fathers, the medals ought to be granted by Congress. But the bill ought to be amended in one respect. Medals should not only be issued to the survivors, but to the members of that daring band who are now dead, to be handed to their nearest surviving relatives.

We insert this clipping to note that $\Theta \downarrow X$ was represented in this heroic band by at least one brother—T. James Rundel, of New York city. At this writing we have not been advised as to whether the bill passed or not. See graduate personal of Bro. Rundel.

In an acrid discussion of "Pan-Hellenism" the editor cannot imagine what suggested the idea to the original projector, and asks what conceivable good could possibly result from such a move? He thinks it would be as easy to consolidate the varying religious sects as the fraternities. But perhaps the unsympathetic writer mistakes the object of Pan-Hellenism, at least as understood and favored by Beta Theta Pi. We have never advocated "consolidation," whatever certain other partisans may have in mind. A communality of high aims, and especially of friendly alliance in the use of the best means and methods of effecting the desired results, is about as much as we would care to insist upon. Is not the spirit of inter-fraternity life already greatly improved? Shall there not be still further progress?

The above is an extract from *Beta Theta Pi Exchange* comments on the SHIELD. Will the editor please amend. It was not intended as "acrid," but "forcible." We yield the point and confess our misunderstood position. As there was no personality in the article it is a pleasure to acknowledge that "consolidation" had seemed to be a factor in Pan-Hellenism. No time had been devoted to past discussions on the subject, and supposing such to be the case, forcible arguments were given. If it be, however, that "a friendly alliance" between Greek-letter societies for purposes of the highest good and advancement of all be the contemplated idea, then we favor Pan-Hellenism in so far as such alliance can be accomplished without destroying the individuality of the fraternities "per se." There are many things in common. The Greek press can be Pan-Hellenic, at least. We are open to conviction. If any

Theta Delt would like to be heard on the subject, pro or con, send on your contribution. Do not leave the SHIELD to speak alone.

The SHIELD is profuse of editorial dicta and comments, as every new editor's first issues usually are, and some old and new straw is vigorously threshed over, with profit and pleasure to all concerned, it is earnestly hoped. It is often a good thing for a somewhat laggard fraternity to secure a live, able editor, who has ideas and knowledge about matters and methods, and has force and fluency of expression, to stir and spur his sluggish brethren.—*Beta Theta Pi Exchange*.

This would convey to the average reader that Theta Delta Chi has been, or is now, sluggish. With all due respect, we deny the implication, Brother Editor. We may have seemed to be sluggish, perhaps, occasioned by the fact that the fraternity journal had a weak and struggling existence, which was evident to all, not from lack of editorial ability, but financial support. The editor did not possess sufficient "gall" to talk "turkey" to the boys, both old and young. The present management proposes to be heard, not in defence of itself, but of the fraternity journal. Hence the new life is noticeable. Theta Delta Chi does not boast her renown. We are pleased to know that we have our just share, and as one of the components of the Greek world are happy in the honor and renown of all other sister societies. We have not been dead or sleeping either. It has always been the policy of Theta Delta Chi to take good material or none. When such is not at hand we are forced into unwilling idleness, which is translated into sluggishness by the outside world.

The SHIELD unkindly repeats a malicious slur on the Beta chapter at the Indiana State University, and adds another tail to the smallish original kite by a gratuitous dissertation on fraternities that swell their ranks by admitting "castaways."—*Beta Theta Pi*.

The rebuke is not merited, as no intention of unkindness was present. The desire to make a forcible point on admitting expelled members was our reason for making use of the extract. No custom will as quickly degenerate the entire Greek world as that of receiving members expelled from other societies. . If

the facts as stated be untrue, then the extract is a slur and it should be officially denied. Not only the SHIELD but the journals of original entry should retract. The SHIELD will be glad to do so, if Beta Theta Pi can furnish the denial.

Bro. Clarence L. Barber writes that he finds much in the SHIELD to interest him. We stated in the last number that he was at Los Angeles. This was an error. He is located at San Diego, Cal.

Col. John Hay is a college bred man, fastidious in his tastes, handsome in appearance, with polished and fascinating manners, fond of society, and by marriage with the daughter of Amasa Stone, of Cleveland, very wealthy and possesses three homes. His little poem, "Little Breeches," made him a reputation almost equal to Bret Harte's "Heathen Chinee." —*Philadelphia Saturday Review and Republic, Jan. 18, 1890*

Possibly none of these items are new to our readers, but such pleasant extracts of so prominent and enthusiastic a Theta Delt will always find a place in the SHIELD.

We are led to say a practical word to the chapter historian, suggested by the difficulty which appears to be experienced in the collection of data for the forthcoming catalogue. The duties incumbent upon this office appear but little understood, and when understood but indifferently executed. The position is an onerous one at best, and one requiring more patient, unrequited toil than any other. But because the position is seemingly unimportant it should not be neglected. * * * Another duty is that of furnishing the *Quarterly* with an occasional grist of alumni personals; but this would be a comparatively easy task if each chapter would furnish itself with a substantial book in which are enrolled the names of all initiates, a short biography embracing the salient points in each life, with a space left blank for the addition from time to time of items of interest, either in writing or in the form of newspaper clippings. With such a fund to draw from, *Quarterly* items would be easily furnished and the issuing of a catalogue a comparatively easy task. The idea has been effectively tried by several chapters, and we would urge all others to adopt some similar plan, as it will not only save much useless labor but will abundantly repay in many other ways the slight pains expended upon it.—*Extracts from Editorial in Φ Γ Δ Quarterly.*

These remarks fit Theta Delta Chi exactly. If in the past the various charges had given more attention to permanent

records the building of a correct catalogue would have been child's play. As matters now stand, by the time facts are all collated it will be necessary to go over the ground again to make corrections for the year's changes, or else issue an imperfect catalogue. The SHIELD labors under great disadvantage on account of the absence of such records. All items of news are gathered by personal effort, and no assistance has ever come from the charges. Boys, keep a record. It will be valuable in the years to come.

"Everybody will accept the following as an invariable rule: Organization increases the power of the elements possessed by the component parts of the organization. If those elements be evil, the evil influence is necessarily increased; if the elements be good, the good influence must be increased. This fact is axiomatic. No anti-fraternity philosophy can gainsay it."

The aim then should be, first to secure such men as possess good elements; second, to educate the brothers whose tendencies are evil up to a higher standard of morality. Then no greater boon to mankind exists than fraternities.

"Some time ago we wrote to our alumni asking them for their photographs and sketches of their lives. We are hearing from them daily and are decorating our hall with the pictures, which will make a valuable collection when completed. Their biographies will be entered in a book kept by the chapter for that purpose. Nothing encourages a chapter so much as knowing that it enjoys the hearty co-operation of its alumni."—*Extract from charge letter Σ. X. Quarterly.*

Nothing could be so valuable to a charge as a collection of the photographs of its members. They would be of special interest to the alumni. Why not establish a rule that photographs of every member should be deposited with the charge before leaving college.

"Shall Pi Beta Phi be literary or social, or both? Shall we be a sorosis or a fraternity?"

Is the idea of making an effort to enter such schools as Wellesley, Vassar, and Smith a good one?"

The above questions are asked by the editor in the March number of *The Arrow*. It seems strange that the "sisterhoods"

have not already entered such institutions. It would seem that such a course would give them a standing not yet attained, or at least an independence and strength which cannot be felt while they exist only in mixed institutions. An elegant field is open. Seize the opportunity girls.

The Senior class of Brown University has recently voted to exclude all intoxicants at the class supper to be held in June. All honor to the young men who take such a course, while state politics thrust liquor into every nook and corner of little Rhody.—*Beta Theta Pi*.

This is one of the reforms which indicate true manhood, and the class or fraternity which emulates such an example challenges the admiration of the world. Good for the seniors of Brown.

The difficulties of fraternity journalism are probably what suggest its frequent discussion.

The fact that busy people are the only people who have time to do gratuitous work goes to prove that an enthusiastic editor, with no time to waste upon the reason why fraternity journalism is up hill work, is the only man who can make a readable magazine without money.—*The Arrow*.

Right you are sister editor. You must be one of that kind yourself. Misery loves company and the SHIELD hails you as a sympathizing worker.

And, speaking of the failure of a Phi Kappa Psi to meet his fraternity expenses, and his consequent expulsion, the editor of the *Σ. X. Quarterly* says:—

"If due accommodation had been extended to the member and he wilfully or negligently continued to refuse to pay his dues, we think this action was just and proper. The day has passed when Greek letter fraternities bore with dead-beats and financial parasites, for fear of exposing themselves by expelling them. The fraternities are too strong now, and have become too practical in their business methods, to support men who impose upon them by refusing to share the financial burdens necessary to sustain the chapter and the general fraternity organization."

It is to be deeply regretted that all the Greek societies are afflicted occasionally with parasites who filch their way through the active years of fraternity and never think of supporting, financially, the institutions of the order. The names of such men should be presented to our annual conventions as abusing the advantages of fraternity fellowship, and as the *Sigma Chi* advocates, should be met with immediate, public and dishonorable expulsion. For this fraternity "barnacle," as he may be called, cannot have those qualities of mind and heart, the possession of

which distinguishes the true Greek from the barbarian. Moreover, the man who fails to meet his financial obligations to his chapter, or the chapter which does not contribute its full share to the general fraternity expenses cannot, man or chapter, exhibit that loyalty and cordial goodwill which are the guardians of the fraternity idea.

Let us hope that within the borders of Phi Gamma Delta, the genus *parasitus* is nearly extinct and that a high sense of honor is the dominant spirit characterizing the fraternity we love."—*Φ. Γ. Δ. Quarterly*.

A man has no inherent right to absorb from others without giving his mite. The college man who will not pay his fraternity dues and promptly bear his just share of expenses, is a first-class man to be "dropped like a hot brick." Such a man will not reflect credit upon the fraternity when he leaves college.

But in the matter of assisting chapters to occupy rooms and to build or rent houses, there is a broad field for philanthropic giving, pure and simple. Remember that when you contribute to a chapter house fund, you are honoring the chapter to which you owe much if not the most of the valuable training which you received at your alma mater; that you are honoring your general fraternity, which is now beginning to be judged to a certain extent by the number of its chapters which occupy or own houses. Remember that you are doing the noblest thing that man can do, namely, the giving of your means that your fellow-men may be happier, and that their youth at college may be of more benefit to themselves, to their fraternity, and to the world.—*Σ. X. Quarterly*.

This sentiment is inserted for the benefit of the alumni. Fathers, brothers, don't forget that we were young once. Because we were denied the advantages of chapter houses during our college days, it is no reason why we should leave our active younger brothers to shift for themselves. We have a vital interest in them. Their success and prosperity is the success and prosperity of our fraternity. Shall we leave them to struggle alone, or put our shoulders to the wheel?

* * * We make a final appeal to the chapters, to the manhood of the members to help us with our enormous expenses, to pay the debt they have incurred to the QUARTERLY. The QUARTERLY is not published for charitable and gratuitous distribution as many seem to think, but for the good of Phi Gamma Delta, and the chapter who combats the progress of the Fraternity by lack of support to her organ certainly deserves a reprimand. Please accord us, our brothers of delinquent chapters, your immediate financial support."—*Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*.

The editor regrets that it cannot be said of the "SHIELD" that every charge has paid its share promptly. The fact is, several of the charges are behind. The "SHIELD" has adopted the rule of requiring payment in advance.

Correspondence.

As many letters are received which are best communicated to the readers of the SHIELD in their natural condition, this department has been organized. Letters are invited on any subject of interest to the Fraternity. Suggestions or opinions on current fraternity topics and reminiscences, or personal history of any Theta Delt, will be welcomed. In the present issue we have inserted a number of letters to show how the SHIELD has been received.

ANOTHER CALIFORNIA LETTER.

SANGUS, Cal., April 25, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—Here I am in Southern California living in an engineers camp, enjoying the fine climate, and the tough beef, if you can call that enjoyment. I have often heard the boys of Epsilon Deuteron kick about tough meat, but I am fully convinced that they do not know what the word tough means. However, if any one wants to learn the true significance of the word let him try living in an engineers camp for a week or two. Our camp here is about 1200 feet north of the station of Sangus, where the road to Santa-Barbara branches off. It is in a large field of fox-tail grass, on the edge of a broad valley which extends for quite a distance west. Our nearest post office is Newhall, about three miles below, and we have a little canvass mail bag for the camp, which goes down on one train and back on the next. One afternoon a few days ago, I was busily employed working traverses, when one of the men came up with the mail. He threw me over a pamphlet forwarded from San Francisco, which turned out to be No. I of Volume VI of the SHIELD. "The SHIELD," what a glorious emblem, and what a publication. I wish I could see you dear Bro. Holmes, and give you the dear old grip of $\Theta \Delta X$, for that last "SHIELD" is simply a dandy. I was more than surprised at it, and I think it is the *best* fraternity magazine published. You can not imagine how happy I was to get it, and I spent the evening reading its contents, page by page. By the way, I should like to subscribe for Baird's new edition on College Fraternities, I had a copy of his last edition, but left it in New Haven for the boys when I left there. I am very happy to know that a charge has been established in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and when I am in a position to devote some time to it, I want to see one on the Pacific coast. From the present outlook, it will be about two years before we shall strike San Francisco again, for any length of time, for from here we move up into Oregon, and after that we shall probably finish the coast line, of which there are about 125 miles to locate yet. I enjoy this rough kind of life very much, and like my work, so I

have nothing to complain of. All I ask is to keep posted about the fraternity and I will remain happy. I must go to work now, so shall have to close, with love.

Ever yours in the bonds,

L. C. DuBois, Yale, '89.

Address, 4th and Townsend Sts., San Francisco, Cal., Room 79.

AS OTHERS SEE US.

ELMIRA, N. Y., May 15, 1890.

DEAR BRO'S. :—Brother Holmes is engaged in three occupations, manager of the *Elmira Advertiser*, proprietor of Holmes' Fragrant Frostilla, and editor of the SHIELD; these I know of, and I should not be surprised if he had several other things to take up his time. As manager of the *Advertiser* he has all any ordinary man would care to attend to, and it keeps him busy early and late; but he does not seem to know what it is to be tired when he talks or works for $\Theta \Delta X$, and sits up until the "wee small hours" when, to tell the truth, he ought to be at home with his good family. He spares neither himself nor his purse in the good work, and so far it has been purely a work of love and honor, for I regret to say, there are a good many Theta Deltis who have not subscribed for the "SHIELD," and that some of the charges are very slow in their remittances.

It is the duty and privilege of every good Theta Delt to subscribe to his fraternity journal; and besides, once having done so, I feel assured it will be such a pleasure, as none willingly again forego. We have in the SHIELD the best printed and best edited fraternity journal I have seen and I have seen nearly all of them. We should be proud of it, and lend every possible aid for its support and advancement. Brother Holmes will do all that it is possible for any one to do; but even he cannot make a success of the SHIELD, for any length of time, without the hearty co-operation of the brothers. I wish every Theta Delt could see him, as I have, coat off and hard at it; yet, ready at any time to welcome a brother in the heartiest manner. Brothers Frank and Fred McCall, and myself spent a very enjoyable hour with him a few nights ago, and I had the pleasure of prescribing for a hot crank pin, on the engine which runs his plant.

The letters from the charge editors (when they write) are a very interesting feature of the SHIELD, and I always look anxiously to see what Bro. Beaumont has to say, and if he knew how much interest I take in his remarks, I am sure he would write regularly and keep us all well informed as to what Nu Deuteron is doing. Let all charge editors wake up for there are lots of others who cannot be with their charges, and yet are just as anxious to hear of them as I am to hear of Nu Deuteron.

H. A. GILLIS.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 9, 1890.

DEAR BRO. :—I wish through the pages of the SHIELD to extend my thanks to the corresponding secretaries of those charges which aided me

in getting a list of the graduates in and about Chicago, for the Central Graduate Association of $\Theta \Delta X$. I appreciate the trouble necessary to properly compile such a list from the charge records, and the extra time and work required when one is busy with college duties. In the majority of cases the replies which I received were prompt and business-like ; but there were two or three whose authors should learn at once the necessity of doing things in a business-like manner. To learn that "the only man from our charge who is in your vicinity is Jimmy Jones (no class given), and he is city attorney of L——" is highly interesting, but rather unsatisfactory if you find by the directory that Mr. Jones is *not* city attorney and that there are just seven more James Jones' in that place, of whom two or three are lawyers. In this particular instance I happened to know that Mr. James H. Jones, — charge, class of '85 was not not and never had been (altho' he was for a short time, over a year ago, in that office), city attorney of L——, but that he is with a private corporation. Otherwise I fear Bro. Jones would not have known about the banquet in time to have attended it. In writing to the SHIELD the initials of a brother's name should always be given. To read that "Bro. Smith is in business in Jayville, Mo.," doesn't insure Bro. Smith's receiving an invitation to the banquet ; whereas if the writer had taken pains to say, "Bro. W. J. Smith, etc.," it would have been easy to have reached him.

From the two charges having the largest number of graduates in Chicago, I was unable to get any list whatever, and from one of them not even a reply. If one man is not able to properly attend to the duties of the office of corresponding sec'y, I would suggest the election of an assistant, to attend to the correspondence other than that with the charges, or perhaps to assist in that if necessary. I do not wish to find fault, but would call the attention of the secretaries to these things simply for their own good and the good of the fraternity. Again, thanking those who have so promptly and kindly assisted me in making up the list of graduates in this vicinity,

I am very fraternally,

W. C. HAWLEY,

Sec'y Central Graduate Ass'n $\Theta \Delta X$.

HALLOWELL, Me., March 25, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—Your letter relating to the SHIELD was received during my sickness. Now that I am out of bed I hasten to reply and to send my subscription for the same. You will find that it is not the small amount of money asked for that causes the apparent neglect on the part of our brothers, but a lack of interest in and of itself. Personals, giving a history of our brothers and their positions in business life, being made one of the leading features of the work, must cause a greater interest. We like to know about each other. Trusting you may have the best of success, I remain,

FRED EMERY BEANE.

FARMER VILLAGE, N. Y., April 11, 1890.

DEAR BRO. HOLMES :—The last issue of the SHIELD was received this morning. It is grand! Accept congratulations. Long live the SHIELD and its editor.

Yours fraternally,

LEWIS HALSEY.

108 N. 4th St., St. Louis, Mo., March 20, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—I can only say that I am as loyal to Theta Delta Chi as in the youth of my membership. I enclose \$1.25 for the SHIELD and wish for it the success it deserves.

Fraternally yours,

G. M. STEWART.

FORT WASHAKIE, WYO., April 25, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—I received your circular and a copy of the SHIELD a day or two ago. I have seen but one Theta Delt in four years. Major Vroom, and would be very glad in this out of the way corner to hear of them through the pages of the SHIELD. I enclose a check for my subscription for one year, I am fraternally yours,

H. G. TROUT.

NEW YORK, April 29, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—Enclosed please find my check for \$2.50 in payment of subscriptions to SHIELD, 1889 and '90. Please pardon the delay in sending it. I have heard nothing but praise for the last number; you have set a high standard and we look for great things in the subsequent numbers. Very fraternally yours,

E. A. DELIMA.

DENVER, Col., April 28, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—Your sample copy of the SHIELD is before me, and without waiting to give it full attention I enclose price of subscription. It surely must be a credit to our fraternity. There was some talk at one time of publishing a directory giving address and business of our graduates. If it was ever done and is not now too old I should be pleased to have a copy. I should also be obliged if you could give me the New York City address of "Ben." Douglas, who used to be a fellow member of the Phi with me. I guess you'll think I want considerable, but I haven't seen a Theta Delt for years, with the exception of Geo. Markle for a few minutes on his way west last winter, and would like to hear from and see some of the boys again. Very faithfully.

L. P. APPELMAN.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 15, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—It gives me great pleasure to enclose the accompanying draft on New York for \$1.25, as a year's subscription to the new SHIELD. I have subscribed so often for the magazine, only to receive one or two

numbers and then have the excuse given of "lack of support," that I had grown somewhat sceptical as to new subscriptions, but I know your publishing house to be a good one and I am pleased with the vigor with which you have opened the campaign, and accordingly make my little contribution once more. Candidly, I think the subscription price might be a little larger, as I think the work is certainly worth more. Wishing you all success in your enterprise, I am very fraternally yours.

C. W. CURTIS.

ARKANSAS CITY, Kas., April 14, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—To say I enjoy the SHIELD and appreciate your efforts in its behalf is expressing it mildly. Find enclosed \$2.50 for two years. Don't stop the magazine. Fraternally yours,

A. M. HEARD.

PORTLAND, Or., April 15, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—April number of the SHIELD has just arrived. I am much pleased with it and feel confident of its continued success in your able hands. You will always have my best support.

GEO. B. MARKLE.

NEW YORK, April 18, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—The SHIELD is a beauty and full of life. You should feel proud of it. Returns from advertisement are already large enough to cover its cost. Yes, it pays to advertise. Fraternally yours,

F. G. PATCHIN.

PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, Wis., April 22, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—The sample copy of SHIELD sent me was received this morning. I am very much pleased with it and enclose \$1.25 for one year's subscription. About forty of us met at a dinner in Chicago, April 14, and organized a Western Graduate Association of $\Theta \Delta X$. It was the first gathering of Theta Deltas I have been present at since 1866, and you may be sure no such time will elapse before I am present at another. My love for $\Theta \Delta X$ has always been strong but now it is stronger than ever.

Yours fraternally, ED. L. CASE Θ '86

CAVALIER, N. D., April 17, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—The April number of the SHIELD came to hand to-day. I am much pleased with it and hasten to enclose the subscription price. Would have done so long ago had the SHIELD been sent me heretofore. I am particularly interested in fraternity news, for although far away, and

entirely outside of any influence socially from Theta Delt's, and of the good times which serve to deepen and intensify the true spirit of love and enthusiasm, I still have all my ancient interest in the Theta Delta Chi. The SHIELD to-day gave me many valuable and interesting bits of information about brothers I knew formerly, but had lost track of long ago, and also pleasant news concerning the welfare and prosperity of the Fraternity at large. Although I have never attended any reunion of Theta Delt's, and hardly given anyone the grip since I left Tufts, nearly four years ago, I hope to be present at many reunions in years to come, when I can renew the love for Theta Delta Chi, which burns as brightly in my bosom as it did four years ago. Yours in the bonds,

F. H. WILDER, K '86.

PHOENIXVILLE, Pa., April 24, 1890.

DEAR BRO.—The boys were wont to define glory as "being found dead on the battle field and having your name spelled wrong in the papers." The April number of the SHIELD arrived in grand shape and I am sure it must be a source of pride and pleasure to every Theta Delta Chi. I have enjoyed the perusal and with it the revival of old associations and mayhap the mistake of an initial "U" for "N" won't deprive me of the post of honor as a member of Sigma Charge. Wishing you unbounded success and the brethren never ending pleasure with profit to all, I remain, yours fraternally,

V. N. SHAFFER.

BETHLEHEM; Penna, April 12, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—Have just received the April number of the SHIELD, and am delighted with it; it is "a dandy" and I hope that every Theta Delt will give it his support. No brother who has the interest of the Fraternity at heart will fail to subscribe. With best wishes for its success I enclose you my subscription. Fraternally,

HORACE LUCKENBACH.

SHARPSBURG, Md., April 11, 1889.

DEAR BRO.:—I herewith enclose subscription price of the SHIELD for the sixth volume. The April number is particularly attractive to graduate members of $\Theta \Delta X$, and should be little less so to the active membership, who will naturally feel an interest in and curiosity concerning their predecessors. It is worth double the subscription price; it is a mine of interesting fraternity matter. Very truly in $\Theta \Delta X$, CHAS. G. BIGGS.

NEW YORK, April 14, 1890.

DEAR BRO.:—I am in receipt of the SHIELD, improved and enlarged, and remit at once the \$1.25 which is your due. The number before me is

a revelation, connecting the past of thirty years ago with the energy, progressive spirit and improvements of the present. This connecting link is, I am assured, if I have ever mistook it, the abiding friendships planted in the hearts of young men, under the auspices of Theta Delta Chi. If ever in the struggle of existence, or in the environments of new surroundings; or in the happiness of the home circle, I had seemed to have forgotten the early fraternal impressions of Theta Delt reunions and to have unconsciously approved those Shakesporean words,

"Ceremony was but devised at to set a gloss
On faint deeds hollow welcome:
But where there is true friendship there needs none."

I am now brought back to a full participation of my old feelings and for this I thank you; the upholder of the SHIELD, and give you to-day those better words of Shakespeare,

"And friendship shall combine and brotherhood,"

as to myself. It is hard for one to write his own biography, even if there was plenty of straw at hand to manufacture, and label himself the brick, properly gone through the fires of life's trials, and on exhibition without crack or blemish, but I feel braver in this company than in any other human society, for the knowledge that the SHIELD of $\Theta \Delta \chi$ is a synonym for the ancient mantle of charity.

My dear brother thanking you for having brought me "out of myself" by means of the SHIELD, I remain yours in the bonds,

T. JAMES RUNDEL.

MEDIA, Pa., April 5, 1890.

DEAR BRO.;—I enclose \$5.00. Put me down as a permanent for the SHIELD. There is a special attraction in its autobiographical department. Haven't had time to interview myself upon the interesting topic of my life, but when I do I will be glad to give you the result. Very truly,

BENJ. C. POTTS.



Our Exchanges.

[All Fraternity magazines are requested to exchange with THE SHIELD. Two copies should be sent to Mr. Clay W. Holmes, Editor SHIELD, Elmira, N. Y. In return two copies of THE SHIELD will be sent wherever directed.—ED.]

"The exchanges furnish one of the pleasant features of fraternity journalistic life, but we sometimes wonder how great the value of the exchange department may be to the average member of the fraternity at large. * * * To one who can read the various fraternity publications, the opportunity to check up statements of one by another is very valuable. It seems to be impossible to subdue and cover up the inordinate conceit and self complacency of the average fraternity correspondent, and contributor. It is a rare occurrence that both sides of the tale are rehearsed, the victory and the defeat, the success and the failure, the honors won in one's own circle and those won by others. Some of the journals succeed fairly well in dispossessing their matter of these disagreeable characteristics, while others are reeking with them. They all bear close checking up by a rigid double entry system. We propose to inaugurate a departure from the stereotyped exchange paragraph and occasionally insert a bunch of clippings under the heading "As Others See Us," which will contain the comments of correspondents of other communities upon our chapters, their membership and condition. Many of them will doubtless be unfavorable and unpalatable, while others can but be favorable. Let it be distinctly understood that this section of *The Rainbow* is not to be a fighting corner, where rival correspondents are to try lances, and our own chapter correspondents are warned that they may often find the editor's blue pencil more fatal to this sarcasm, than the lance of their adversary. We do not believe in making *The Rainbow* a battle-ground, though it may be sometimes necessary as it is in the present number, to say, and say plainly and without varnish, very unpleasant things concerning a contemporary. We shall be as ready to commend as to criticise, to quote creditable paragraphs as to insert "dreadful and awful examples of what never ought to be said." Ours may not always truthfully be described as a bow for peace, for we shall not go about crying, "Peace, peace," when there ought to be neither peace nor truce. There are certain evils in the fraternity system, certain tendencies in our midst, and certain tendencies of our neighbors that may at any time creep over the wall into our garden, to our hurt.

Against these we shall direct our pen, upon these we shall use our sharpest instruments, wherever they may rise. Let no one accuse us of malice, of spite, of jealousy, or of wilful distortion of facts. Such a spirit of fairness as nature has given us, and such culture as education may have given it, we shall use."

The above extract from the exchange leader of the April *Rainbow* covers so nearly the ideas the the SHIELD that they are quoted at length for the double purpose of expressing our own sentiments and showing that others are of the same mind. The SHIELD objects to "the stereotyped exchange paragraph," yet the style peculiar to the ordinary exchange editorial cannot well be avoided. If our readers do not object, such clippings as to the editor seem to be of interest will be inserted. Sometimes perhaps an old style paragraph may be written, but no system of regularity will be observed, and at times the entire department may be omitted.

The Columbian, '91, issued by the junior class of Columbia college is a good sized book, neat in appearance and filled with appropriate designs by the comic artist. Half tone group portraits of the athletic organizations embellish the volume. A statistical record of the year's athletic sports is given. Bro. Gustav R. Tuska is a member of the board of editors. Taken as a whole the book compares favorably with those issued at other colleges.

The Brown and Blue, '91. While every college annual received by the editor has been neat and elegant, all others thus far at hand are eclipsed by *The Brown and Blue* issued by the junior class of Tufts college. Seldom has it been our pleasure to examine a book at once so unassuming and yet so complete in its conception; so plainly neat, and yet so rich in all its pages. The book reflects great credit upon its editor-in-chief, Bro. F. W. Perkins, whose name is familiar to readers of the SHIELD as charge editor of Kappa for the past year. The book contains as a frontispiece view "Goddard Chapel." An elegant group portrait of the editorial staff follows. Each of the fraternities has a group picture of its members. Magnifi-

cent portraits of Prof. B. G. Brown and Rev. T. J. Sawyer, D. D. also adorn the book. The football team concludes the collection. All are photogravure prints of superior excellence, and give the book its dignity and elegant appearance. The general text is well edited and the printer has done himself proud in the good taste exhibited, as well as in the execution of the work. The book merits a more detailed description but space forbids.

The Hub of '91 will readily be located without any geographical designation. The juniors of the College of Liberal Arts, of Boston University, are to be congratulated upon the beautiful volume they send forth this year, and the SHIELD is proud of Bro. Albert Candlin, the editor-in-chief. *The Hub* is peculiarly attractive from the fact that not a single advertisement appears, and is the only college annual thus far received which does not contain so many advertisements as to mar an otherwise beautiful book. The cover of this book is not so gaudy and expensive as some others, but it is neat and attractive. Taken with its gilded leaves it presents a striking exterior very pleasant in the expression it conveys. Its interior is well made up. The plate work is not as elaborate as in many other annuals, but taken as a whole the entire book has a decided look of richness which is entirely satisfying. The general designs and editorial work are noteworthy. One would naturally infer from the absence of ads that the business management had been peculiarly successful. As it was in the hands of Bro. J. W. Spencer assisted by Bro. Wenzel, Lambda charge can well be proud of *The Hub*, and all Theta Delts who are so fortunate as to get a copy will join the SHIELD in extending hearty congratulations.

The Melange, published by the class of '90 in Lafayette college, Easton, Pa., is a most welcome addition to the many handsome volumes which have recently been received. Naturally any production from our Alma Mater would be ten-

derly regarded. *The Melange* is a neat book of the average size plainly but substantially bound and prefaced with a portrait of the late Major J. G. Fox. The book contains many unique sketches, beside a number of half tone plates. Steel plate designs of the different classes, as well as the fraternities, grace the book. Its general matter is neatly arranged and carefully edited. The name of Bro. R. C. Bryant appears among the literary committee.

The Epitome, published by the class of '91 at Lehigh, is received just as the SHIELD goes to press. A hasty examination shows a neat, well executed, and carefully arranged book. Bro. Harry T. Morris as editor-in-chief has shown himself to be equal to the occasion. The result of his labor merits the hearty congratulation of the SHIELD, which is hereby extended. It affords us pleasure to note that a number of annuals for the current year have a Theta Delt as editor-in-chief, and all are praiseworthy productions. A detailed description of the contents of *The Epitome* would cover much that is common to other annuals. Among the noticeable features is a frontispiece of the fraternity chapter houses, and the facsimile autographs of the faculty which are departures from the majority of annuals. The entire book, including the advertising pages, is printed on enamelled paper, which adds much to the general effect. A tri-colored banquet plate of '91, designed by Chasmar & Co., is a decidedly unique introduction, and quite attractive.

A very interesting article, (for lawyers), on "The Modern law of Curtesy," from the pen of Bro. George Lawyer, of New York, appears in a recent number of the *Central Law Journal*.

The *Beta Theta Pi* for May has an unusual amount of excellent matter, which bespeaks painstaking thought. An article on honorary members is referred to in extenso in another

place. Pan Hellenism receives attention. Correspondence with all the chapters indicates that the Pan Hellenic league is embryonic yet, so far as $B \Theta \Pi$ is concerned. In the exchange columns the SHIELD receives liberal notice, and returns thanks for the kind words extended. We find there, however, a few comments which call for individual notice. These are referred to under "Notes and Comments." The SHIELD accepts them in the kindly spirit in which it believes they were written, and remarks with much pleasure, the uniform courtesy with which the entire Greek press is treated.

The *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly* for June comes to our table just as we are grinding out the last batch of copy. The number is replete with excellent matter. The un-fraternity man in the chapter, a war retrospect, the law of fraternity, and convention notes, constitute the bulk of the first part. The "Table Talker" is as usual of great interest. The SHIELD receives a full share of attention. Pan-Hellenism is reproduced with the following comments :

Like the SHIELD, the *Quarterly* has no further use for Pan-Hellenism than the heartiest of good will to all Greeks, or as we have previously put it, a desire for a spirit of kindness and inter-fraternal love and a wish to gain not only the approval and respect of the members of our own order, but likewise the esteem and respect of our contemporaries. We are always ready to co-operate, but never willing to consolidate.

The error in fraternity history referred to is acknowledged. The information was obtained from a college annual. As these publications are usually supposed to be correct, we may be excused. The comments on other journals are profuse, but of the kindest character. It is a pleasure to be seen through the "Table-Talker's" glasses. A strong editorial on chapter houses marks this journal also, which we quote entire, as it expresses our sentiments exactly :

The permanent positions which fraternities occupy in American college life of to-day cannot be better exemplified than by the rapidly increasing numbers of chapter houses, which are the distinctive feature of the present stage of their development. The chapter house idea is no longer experimental. No longer looked forward to as an almost unattainable

luxury, it has in many colleges become a necessity to bare existence. Recognizing this fact, many of our chapters, taking time by the forelock, have found permanent homes, some building, others leasing houses for the purpose.

The pleasures thus resulting from a closer fellowship which a house makes possible are very manifest. By this means the bonds of friendship are knit more closely than they could otherwise possibly be, and the true possibilities of a fraternity life are realized.

There are two courses open to a chapter for attaining this end. Either to build with the assistance of alumni or to lease one furnished until more prosperous times render the former more feasible. The former plan is doubtless the most desirable for old established chapters, backed up with a strong and wealthy alumni membership. Either induce some of them to erect a house as an investment, or as is probably more feasible, form a stock company and distribute stock among your graduates. Do not wait for a house to spring up of itself or for some alumnus to offer to build it, but appoint a committee, co-operating, if possible, with some energetic alumnus, and canvass your members. You will find them much more ready to aid you in a matter promising substantial results than you expected. Place the price of shares within the reach of all, and receive, if possible, a grant of a building lot from the college authorities, which may thus exempt it from taxation.

Relieve yourselves of the idea that chapter homes are an impossibility. Arouse your alumni, and by a little intelligent and co-operative action wonders may be accomplished. Establish a sinking fund, to which may be added the contributions of graduating members.

Phi Gamma Delta has done very little for a man who cannot afford to contribute from fifty to a hundred dollars to such a fund, and many would doubtless be glad of the opportunity. The plan is at least worth an experiment, and if honestly tried will doubtless yield good fruit.

The *Key* for March has much in it of interest, not only to Kappas, but to outsiders as well. Its leader on "The Possibilities of Fraternity Journalism," opens with this question: "Should a Greek-letter magazine contain only fraternity articles?" Arguments pro and con follow, but without any stand being taken by the contributor. The general items and chapter letters are newsy, and the reader is satisfied with the generous meal. The comments on the December SHIELD are quite playful. With more years and the added cares of every-day "after-college" life, the editor would not be likely to be so unsympathizing. Reference is made to the absence of arrange-

ment in graduate personals. It may not have occurred to the critic that there is a "system in our madness." These personals never will be arranged by years or classified by colleges so long as the present editor holds the helm—for this reason: Such an arrangement would invite the alumni to select out the personals pertaining to their own college or class and give the others the go-by, thus losing interest in the generality. It is a trick of journalism which we learned some time ago.

The perusal of other fraternity journals has contributed much of pleasure to the editor, and as far as possible, subjects of interest have been reproduced, entire or in part, together with liberal comments, in the Exchange department. An expression is desired from our subscribers as to the interest which they convey. Shall they be continued in the same manner? It seems to be a mooted question with some journals as to whether it is best to have an Exchange department at all. Some have eliminated it. In the absence of objections from our readers this department will be continued after the manner of the present number. It affords an excellent means of comparing ideas. We may give out some good ones. We certainly receive many. Brothers will confer a favor by speaking their minds.

The *Palm* for April has added a tail to its kite which will either make it the pioneer of a successful cause or drag it down from its giddy heights. It remains to be seen. The SHIELD has acknowledged in another column that its conception of Pan-Hellenism was perhaps at fault. We consent to eliminate consolidation, which we hold to be impossible and foreign to the subject as considered by the majority of the Greek press. Does the *Palm* hold such a position, or is its kite held by the string of fellow sympathy—a desire to benefit all other fraternities even if *it* suffers in consequence? If so, the Pan-Hellenism you advocate may be a possibility. That which will uplift the standard of all fraternities and establish a good feeling which shall guide each in its relations with every other frater-

nity, causing them to have due consideration and admit that the world is large enough for us all, is the kind of fellowship Theta Delta Chi desires. Let the *Palm* put its platform on its banner and then we can argue the case intelligently. Much credit is due the editor for his effort, even if it should prove to be in a lost cause.

The *Rainbow* for April is well filled with matter of genuine interest not only to Deltas, but all fraternity men in general. Its symposium leads off with a sound and sensible article on "Fraternity and Morality." The entire article is worthy of a reprint, and we would be glad to give it a place in the SHIELD, but in the absence of room, a few extracts have been eliminated expressing the essence of the most important feature of college fraternity life. An extended editorial on "Chapter Houses" indicates that $\Delta T \Delta$ is on the war path. Every fraternity must come to it sooner or later.

The *Arrow's* editor should interview their printer and instruct him slightly in Greek. We admit that it is difficult to get Greek text which will match well with English, but that used in the *Arrow* is simply excruciating and mars the appearance of the book sadly. The editor is exposed to criticism without being in fault. If the printer won't get what he ought to have for the work, try somebody else.

It is with regret that we are obliged to leave the Exchange department without a notice of *Delta Kappa Epsilon* and *Sigma Chi*, two of the best journals known to the Greek press: Time and space forbid. Our rule is to take them up as it happens, giving precedence to none. Next time our first attention will be given those remaining.

The Delta Upsilon *Quarterly* for February is a handsome number. Numerous half-tone portraits embellish the volume, and the biographies make it a valuable number for the fraternity. All its departments are well filled and the book contains much of interest.

College and Fraternity.

Kappa Alpha has recently purchased a house at Hobart. They will make some alterations in the interior.

Chapters of *B Θ Π* have recently been granted to the University of Cincinnati and the University of Minnesota.

The fraternities of Kappa Alpha, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Chi Phi at the University of Georgia have been suspended for a year.—*Beta Theta Pi*.

Phi Beta Kappa has established her Pennsylvania Gamma Chapter at Lafayette College. Nine members of the faculty received an election to membership.

Sigma Phi is building a chapter house at Hobart which will cost, including furnishings, about \$14,000. It will be formally opened during commencement week.

Prof. N. L. Andrews, Ph. D., LL. D., dean of the faculty at Madison University, has been chosen acting president of the institution by its board of trustees.—*Φ Γ Δ Quarterly*.

The Hon. John. W. Griggs *Φ*, '68, lately president of the New Jersey State Senate, has been elected commencement orator before the Franklin Literary Society of Lafayette College.

A local society at Buchtel College has a badge shaped like the Beta Theta Pi badge, and calculated to deceive the careless observer. The organization is known as "Lone Star."—*Beta Theta Pi*.

Alpha Delta Phi has initiated more than one hundred honorary members during her existence of fifty-eight years. This fact accounts for the many names of college presidents and of other persons of renown which embellish her catalogue.—*Φ Γ Δ Quarterly*.

An effort is being made to organize in Washington a university club on the plan of the University Club of New York.

There are over five hundred college men in the Capital City, of which number nearly two hundred are members of Congress.—*Φ Γ Δ Quarterly.*

The oldest college dormitory in the United States is that known as South Middle at Yale. It was erected in 1752.—*Mail and Ex.*

Professor (to glib sophomore)—‘Sir, you seem to be evolving that translation from your inner consciousness.’ Sophomore—No, professor; last night in my devotions I read that “by faith Enoch was translated,” and I thought I would try it on Horace.—*Mail and Ex.*

There is an interesting controversy at Syracuse University between the two strongest rival fraternities. This year the *Ψ Γ* men secured the control of the *University News* to the exclusion of the *Φ Κ Ψ* and the latter have secured an injunction restraining the publication of the journal.—*Φ Γ Δ Quarterly.*

The Sigma Chis are the last fraternity to enter a chapter house. Four fraternities and one sorority now occupy chapter houses, entered in the following order: Chi Psi, Phi Kappa Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Gamma Phi Beta and Sigma Chi. None of these chapters own their houses, in every case rented buildings being occupied.—*Univ. Wisconsin letter in Φ Κ Ψ Shield.*

The recent national convention of Pi Beta Phi, held at Galesburg, Ills., settled the question that their organization was not to be known as a “fraternity,” nor as a “sorority,” but as a sorosis. The convention adopted the carnation in its various forms as the flower of the sorosis: it also adopted Pallas Athene. Pallas is henceforth to be the patron goddess of the Pi Beta Phis, and will ever wear a carnation in her hair.—*Beta Theta Pi.*

There must be a spirit of morality pervading the chapter if in college or after life the members expect to exert any influence upon the world’s improvement. If our Greek-letter societies do not ennoble and decorate men with moral purity and righteous motives, we had better abandon them and seek other methods of inculcating lofty aspirations in life and in charac-

ter. But our fraternities can promote good if they but make efforts in the proper directions. Let each member appreciate that he does not merit the name of Greek unless he be pure in thought, in act and in speech. Let us cleanse ourselves and when we have done that, the miasma will have been driven from our midst.—*Φ Γ Δ Quarterly*.

The Trinity Alpha Delta Phi men are to have a club house which in point of utility and design will differ very materially from anything of the kind yet erected there.—*Mail and Ex.*

Dr. Stetson, president of the Des Moines College (co-educational), has announced that students who fall in love with each other during any term are violating one of the college rules and are subject to severe discipline.—*Mail and Ex.*

The total land grants made by the United States for educational purposes during the first century of its existence amount to over 80,000,000 acres, or 125,000 square miles, a territory greater than the area of Great Britain and Ireland, and equal to one-half the area of France.—*Mail and Ex.*

Some very interesting statistics have just been collected by the *Trinity Tablet* regarding the physical effects of pulling on tug-of-war teams. Harvard has moved that it be excluded from the intercollegiate games, and Cornell is much opposed to the event. The *Tablet* sent for opinions to various authorities on the subject, and, while nearly all agree of the injurious effects on immature lads, many think it decreases the speed of runners and suppleness of jumpers.—*Mail and Ex.*

There is a movement on foot at Yale to secure the erection of a building to be called the Yale Home, where sick students may receive the care and attention that cannot be given in their rooms. President Dwight is heartily in favor of the plan, and Dr. Seaver, the college physician, is working to accomplish it. It is estimated that an annual income of \$700 will be sufficient to meet all expense outside of the slight fees which the patients would pay. An appeal will soon be made to the alumni and friends of the college for funds to start this work.—*Mail and Express*.

The Mott Haven cup, won by Yale last year, and competed for at the intercollegiate games for the last thirteen years, will be given to Harvard after the games the spring. Harvard has won it eight out of thirteen times, and there is no more room left upon it for inscriptions. The record of the colleges since the cup was first competed for is as follows: In 1876 Princeton won it, and for the three following years it went to Columbia. In 1880 Harvard took it and retained it until Yale won it in 1887. In 1888 it again went to Harvard, and last year Yale won, with Columbia a close second. The number of first places are Harvard, 52; Columbia, 45; Yale, 34; University of Pennsylvania, 26; Princeton, 24; Lafayette, 4; Dartmouth, 4; Williams, 3; Lehigh, 3; Stevens, 3; Amherst, 3; Wesleyan, 2; Cornell, 2; C. C. N. Y., 2; Michigan, 1; Union, 1. —*Mail and Ex.*

The Mt. Union College correspondent of the *Sigma Alpha Epsilon Record* writes that it was Theta Delta Chi, not Alpha Delta Phi that was to enter there.

We don't believe this story either.—ED SHIELD.— Φ K Ψ *Shield*.

Here is the "milk in the cocoanut." A lot of smart young alecks in Mount Vernon thought they would take their pick of fraternities, never for a moment supposing that the fraternities would have a word to say in the matter. Quite likely they applied to $A \Delta \Phi$, and perhaps others. They did apply to $\Theta \chi$ and their communication was presented to the last convention. *Not a single vote* was cast in favor of granting their request. That is how near Theta Delta Chi came to entering there.

MAKING MONEY IN VACATION.—About one year ago I procured instructions for plating with Gold, Silver and Nickle, and devoted my summer vacation to plating. In 43 days I cleared \$391.10, a sufficient amount to pay my expenses for the college year. At nearly every house I plated spoons, castors or jewelry, and find it pleasant, instructive and profitable. My brother in 19 days cleared \$162.40. Knowing that there are many desiring an education who have not the necessary means, I trust that my experience will be to such a joyful revelation. By sending 25 cents to The Zanesville Chemical Co., Zanesville, Ohio, you will receive directions for making Gold, Silver and Nickle solutions, with the necessary instructions for using them, and in an hour's practice you will be quite proficient.

NELLIE B.—

Charge Letters.

[Charge editors are again requested to write on only one side of the paper and to assume a style somewhat more expansive than a telegraphic communication. The next letter is due on August 1st, 1890, and should be as long as possible. Write legibly.]

BETA.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have been visited by Bros. Bartlett and Carter of the Grand Lodge, and we can only say that we wish such visits came oftener. Bro. Potter of Xi also honored us with a short visit, in the hope of seeing the Princeton nine play our Cornell nine, but as usual the rain interfered.

Beta has joined the Inter-fraternity Tennis association, and for the present will be represented by Bros. Connard and Wilson, both of '93.

Everyone in Ithaca is looking with a great deal of interest to the race between Cornell and her old rival Bowdoin, to be rowed here on the eighth of this month. Bowdoin has always rowed Cornell close races, and this one promises to be no exception to the rule. We are glad to learn that Eta will be represented on the crew, and hope to meet not only her oarsmen but as many more of her men as can possibly come with them.

Beta's rank since you last heard from us has been strengthened by another good man, James F. Barker, Chicago, '93. Our loss through graduation will not be slight, for although only three of our boys are of '90, yet we do not see how we can spare one of them. Of these, Bro. Webster will probably enter the Westinghouse works, Bro. Sewall will build houses in Chicago. Bro. Morrison will take post graduate work in the university, so that we will not lose him yet.

With many wishes for the pleasantest of vacations we send this our last greeting to the other charges.

GAMMA DEUTERON.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Gamma Deuteron still lives and is in as flourishing a condition as could be expected of a five months' infant. We have been fortunate in securing as our first initiate Brother Hugh Farber Mc Gaughey, a promising and very congenial freshman in the literary department, whom I take

pleasure in presenting to the fraternity. We now number eleven members, of whom five are juniors, two sophomores and one freshman, besides two from the law and one from the medical department.

The boys are making heroic efforts to secure a Charge house by next fall, and the prospects of success are very good.

Matters in the university are progressing finely, despite the little attempt at hazing that was made a fortnight or so ago. Five daring "Sophs" kidnapped the freshman toastmaster on the evening preceding their banquet and carried him to a small town twelve miles distant. Thence they were pursued by a party of '93's, who recaptured the chief and bore him triumphantly back to town. For this revival of old-time class spirit the five guilty lads have been suspended for a year by the faculty. Nevertheless they have been allowed to remain and take an active part in the spring athletics.

Commencement will occur on the 27th prox. We will not graduate any men from the regular courses. The annual issued by the "Independents" of the university—the *Castalian*, was out several weeks ago, and is a very creditable production from a literary point of view. Its editorial on the "Frats" is vicious and its "grinds" bear heavily on fraternity members. The fraternity annual, the *Palladium*, is promised next week.

Base ball rages on the campus. Nine of the fraternities have teams in the field, comprising an inter-fraternity league. These, with the fifteen or more regular class and department nines, keep the base ball excitement at a fever heat. In athletics the "Frats" and "Independents" have happily buried the hatchet, and have formed a strong nine which has just returned from a victorious trip east. In a very pretty game at Ithaca the Michigan boys defeated the Cornellians by a score of two to one.

We had a very pleasant, though flying visit from Bro. Frank L. Jones.

'88, who stopped off over night on his way east from Chicago, who left us some excellent advice and lots of fraternal enthusiasm. Bro. C. N. Kendall, of Jackson, Mich., made us a fraternal call one evening soon after.

At the conclusion of the present year Bro. Burrows will resign his position as assistant professor in ophthalmology here, and will remove to East Saginaw, Mich., where he will begin the practice of his profession.

Bro. Winans will next year assume the editorship of the *Law Journal*, a monthly magazine which will be launched on the public next fall.

DELTA.

RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Owing to the increased work of the senior grade Bro. Hallock was forced to give up the SHIELD editorship. This will be a disappointment

to all who have read his letters, always so full of zeal and enthusiasm in the work of the fraternity for which he is noted.

Delta has been made happy since the last SHIELD by one initiate and by the unusually large number of visitors. Bro. Carter and Bro. Saltonstall were with us in the early part of the quarter. We enjoyed their visit very much although it was brief.

On the tenth of March we initiated Bro. Jose B. Palacios. He is already very much in love with the fraternity and will make an earnest Theta Delt. Bro. Jones made us a short visit in March, followed by Bro. Watson.

Delta welcomes Theta Deuteron with open arms. Starting in life well equipped with good men, and situated in a good school, she will certainly be a credit to our fraternity. We wish her long life. Bro. Williams made us a short visit in April.

On the tenth of May five of Delta's men, Bros. Hallock, Arrosamena, Ringwood, Birch and Cox paid a visit to our Hamilton brothers, on the occasion of the Psi house warming. We wish to thank them again, through the SHIELD, for the good time they gave us; everything that could be done to make their guests happy was done, and every man from Delta who was fortunate enough to go avers that it will not be the last time he visits Psi Charge.

Coming home from Hamilton we brought with us Bros. Rogers, Vose and Van Dorn, and Bros. Bartlett and Carter of the G. L. We had lively times during their short stay. We enjoyed their visit very much indeed, and were only sorry that we could not keep them a month. Our annual banquet comes off on the 17th of June, and we expect to have a good time. We extend a cordial invitation to all Theta Delt. to be present, and we promise to entertain them to the best of our ability.

EPSILON DEUTERON.

YALE UNIVERSITY.

The college year, now fast drawing to a close, has been one of varied experience for *E^Δ*, replete with sad as well as pleasant memories. On March 17th, like a clap of thunder from a clear sky, came the terrible news that two of our brothers, Rowe and Kennan, whom we had all seen but a few hours since, well and happy, had been called by the all-wise Master to swell the long roll of the Omega Charge. The horror of the shock most of us will never forget.

During the holidays sickness removed from our membership roll brothers Strong and Law, and later Brother Worthington. Each of these brothers seemed to leave a gap impossible to fill, and we miss them sadly.

We look back with pleasure to the jolly times we enjoyed on the occasion of the official visit of the Grand Lodge in February, and also the visits of various brothers from time to time during the year. We wish

to congratulate the fraternity in general and to compliment Brother Holmes in particular, upon the last issue of the SHIELD; as all who see it remark, "it is the best fraternity publication ever gotten out." We have recently had our charge house renovated throughout and now enjoy much more home like and attractive quarters, and cleanliness being next to Godliness, we now consider our house quite a sanctuary.

Since the Atalanta race on the 24th we feel justly proud of our eight and have no fear that Yale's proud record on the water will suffer at the hand of the '90 crew. The nine also has been doing excellent work, and we are confident of winning again "this year," though to be sure the championship this year is merely "wind."

Three of our numbers, Bros, Gunn, McKnight and Spruce go forth to make their bow before the rude, wicked world this year, and to make a name and fame for themselves and for Theta Delt. Bro. Gunn has been appointed one of the number to read theses at commencement. Our plans for enjoying the coming summer are, of course, varied as the tastes of the different men. Some will seek the balmy, briny sea breeze, and perchance through its agency will succeed ere next fall in losing some of their freshness; others will seek temporary oblivion in the solitude of some mountain fastness. Bros. Stoddard and Ricketts, and also Bro. Law will "cross the pond" the latter part of June, while Bros. Carter and Ruthven go to California, where the latter expects to locate permanently.

Thus in pleasurable contemplation of the present, and with bright hopes for the future; we will say *vale* till next fall.

ZETA.

BROWN UNIVERSITY.

As Zeta was not represented in the last issue of the SHIELD it would seem proper to expect quite a newsy letter this quarter from the charge at old Brown.

It would indeed be very gratifying to me if I were able to produce such a letter, but as Brown is a rather "dry" college such cannot be expected. This year Zeta is thinking a great deal about Commencement, which occurs June 18th, for upon that day six of our brothers sever their active connection with our charge. This is the first delegation to graduate since our charge was re-established three years ago, and though we shall undoubtedly miss the presence of our graduating brothers, we are proud to be able to turn out from our folds such loyal Theta Delts as they are. Class Day, which occurs on June 13th, will be a great day for Zeta. We have secured one of the finest rooms in college for holding our spread, and we hope to have a grand gathering of our graduates and friends.

We have had quite a lively base ball season this spring, for, contrary to the records of recent years, we have been able to boast of our ball nine.

It has repeatedly shown the excellent material which it contains by the records the men have earned in their contests with several of the best college nines. We do not wish to brag, but like every Brown man, feel quite proud to be able to say that once more, after so many years, Brown has what can be truthfully called a ball nine.

During our last spring recess our minstrel troupe, composed principally of the college musical organizations, went out to explore the wild west, not so much for the purpose of founding a university in those regions as of attracting attention to our college and thereby influencing men to come to Brown. The venture met with decided success financially, and now all that we desire is to see a few western men entering the freshman class next fall.

The juniors this year are to depart from the custom established by preceding classes in the matter of an annual celebration and, instead of having a tin horn blow out, have decided to sit down like gentlemen and attempt to pacify the inner man with bread and — water. The junior class of each New England college has been invited to send a representative, and it now looks as though the venture, for such it is with us, will be a grand success.

For some reason or other the Zeta boys are not athletes, though we have several good tennis players and some of the boys frequently assist, in a modest manner, in tossing the sphere. In literary circles we are well represented. Brother Webb has been on the *Brunonian* board for the past year and was also the business manager of the *Brown Magazine*. Brother Lish has just been elected a member of the *Magazine* board, and is to occupy the same position that Brother Webb recently held. Brother Frost is also the secretary of the ninety *Liber* board. The college whist champions are Theta Delts; Brothers Stiness and Goldthwait having proved themselves such at the recent whist tournament.

Our graduating delegation is composed of the following brothers: Edwin C. Frost, Stephen G. Goldthwait, Fred M. Rhodes, Edward C. Stiness, Clifford S. Tower, George H. Webb. Brother Frost is class prophet, Brother Goldthwait, hymnist, Brother Rhodes holds the office of vice president of his class, and Brother Tower is a member of the Class Day Committee. Thus we feel that we have a very fair supply of the honors, this time around.

Among our graduates things are about as usual.

Hon. Augustus S. Miller, Z '71, who was speaker of the last House of Representatives in "Little Rhody," has just been re-elected. Dr. V. O. Taylor, K '68, is reported as going to be on Gov. Davis' staff.

In concluding we can simply say that we are in a very prosperous condition and when college opens next fall old Zeta will be found in her proper place among the other fraternities at Brown.

ETA.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

For the past week old Bowdoin campus has been alive with visitors and friends, the guests of Ivy and Field days. The enjoyment of the outdoor part of the program was greatly marred by the rainy weather, which prevailed a greater part of the time. Water and ninety-one seem to be one and inseparable. Field day was postponed from Tuesday until Friday, and as a result many of the visitors left for home before the exercises came off. Despite the rain on Ivy day the exercises in Memorial hall were unusually successful and interesting. The hop in the evening was all that could be desired, and much credit is due the committee of arrangements, of which Brother Ridlon was chairman.

At the close of the Ivy exercises on Wednesday, came the senior's last chapel. The beautiful room was filled with spectators, and the exercises were conducted with their usual simplicity and impressiveness. After reading of the scriptures by President Hyde, singing by the choir, and prayer, the seniors formed in a compact body and, swaying from side to side, singing and keeping step to the slow measures of "Auld Lang Syne," the class of '90 slowly passed down the aisle, and in a few moments they had finished their last chapel exercises at old Bowdoin. Seven Theta Deltas were in that little group of seniors—seven brothers who have worked cheerfully and faithfully for Eta during the four years of their college life. We shall surely miss their pleasant faces, and may we strive to cherish the same love and interest in the welfare of $\Theta \Delta X$ as was present in the delegation of the class of '90.

The term which is now so rapidly drawing to a close has been one of the pleasantest of the college year. Bowdoin is still taking a deep interest in boating and athletics. The "right" has practiced faithfully during the past term, and the result of the race with Cornell is looked forward to with considerable interest. The first race of the season took place to-day, (May 30th), in Boston, with the crew of the Boston Athletic Association, and the telegram just received tells us the good news: "Bowdoin wins by two boat lengths." Brothers H. H. Hastings, C. H. Hastings and Parker are on the crew, while Brothers Horne and H. W. Poor are substitutes. The two last mentioned have rowed on their respective class crews this year, and in addition Brother P. C. Newbegin has entered the list as an oarsman from '91.

Brothers Alexander, Freeman, and H. H. Hastings have received provisional appointments for commencement parts.

Brother J. F. Hodgdon has taken charge of the *Old Orchard Rambler* for the season of 1890. The brother has already had some experience in journalism, and we wish him success and profit in his undertaking. If any of our brothers should chance to visit this popular summer resort during the coming months, we hope they will not fail to call upon him at

the *Rambler* office. Brother Hodgdon has also been chosen managing editor of the college annual to be published by the class of '92.

As was prophesied in the last copy of the SHIELD, Brother G. B. Chandler was the successful candidate at the '68 prize speaking, the subject of his oration being "*The Forum or The Fireside?*" All who have seen the *Orient* for the past year will testify to Brother Chandler's ability as a writer and journalist.

Brother E. H. Newbegin has been elected exchange editor of the *Orient* for the coming year, and Brother Ridlon has charge of the column entitled "Rhyme and Reason."

The athletic exhibition was held in the town hall at the close of the winter term, and was considered one of the finest exhibitions that Bowdoin has given. One new feature was a tug o'war between Bates college and Bowdoin. Each team was allowed four men with a total weight of 600 pounds. Brother Horne was anchor for the home team, and in a three minute's pull Bates was easily beaten by sixteen inches. The prize for the best class drill was awarded to '91.

Brother Dudley and W. W. Poor, both of '91, are teaching the summer term of the Pembroke high school, Pembroke, Maine.

Brother Frank Durgin has been elected corresponding secretary for Eta during the coming year.

We have not yet had the pleasure of receiving our annual visit from the Grand Lodge, but we hope that President Bartlett and his associates will make us a fraternal call some time within the coming month.

THETA DEUTERON.

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

Theta Deuteron, perhaps better known as the "baby," is most proud of the opportunity to introduce herself to her numerous sisters and formally announce her existence to the world.

On the eve of the twenty-first day of March, 1890, this bouncing infant, well developed in all its members, was ushered into the realm of Theta Delta Chi. Being of such a noble family the event attracted no little attention in the society world of Tech.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology is a comparatively young institution, and is presided over by a faculty to whom the word athletics seems foreign. Being thus debarred from attaining any great prominence in the athletic world, Tech's name and progress is not so widely published as that of many smaller seats of learning. Hence its phenomenal but steady growth and its present size and standing may be a matter of surprise to some of the brothers. The last annual catalogue contains

the names of 967 students, representing thirty-five states, the District of Columbia and fifteen foreign countries. Theta Delta Chi is the sixth fraternity to establish a charge or chapter at Tech. The other fraternities and the dates of their establishment are as follows: ΣX , 1882; ΘZ , 1885; $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, 1889; $\Delta T \Delta$, 1889; $\Delta \Psi$, 1889. There are fifty graduate students in college, and ten other fraternities are represented by them, and there are four local secret societies.

As the college year comes to an end the latter part of May, and the annual examinations cover the last two weeks, our time is too limited to enable us to do much in the base ball line, and we support no 'Varsity team. But perhaps you have heard of the Tech football eleven. To be sure Dartmouth's heavy men were too much for us last year, but the championship of the Eastern Intercollegiate League was held by Tech. for the two preceding seasons, and the outlook for the fall games is promising.

Our publications are as follows: *The Tech.*, a fortnightly; *The Technology Quarterly*; *The Architectural Review*, a monthly published by the architectural department, and *Technique*, published annually. Theta Delta Chi must certainly flourish in such a field as Tech. presents.

Since our establishment our numbers have increased by four, and the charge at present consists of twelve members. The new initiates are George W. Baker, '92, of Hartford, Conn.; James Wilson Pierce, '91, of Cambridge, Mass.; Andrew P. Newman, jr., '92, of Roxbury, Mass., and Hamilton Rice, '91, formerly of Kappa.

During our short existence as Theta Delt we have been royally entertained by both Lambda and Kappa at their charge houses, and the annual banquet of the New England association presented an opportunity of meeting many brothers from other charges. We have also had the pleasure of entertaining at our meetings Brothers Sanger and Sprague, *E*²; Johnson, *K*; Griffing, *I*; Bullock, *Z*, and a number of the Lambda boys, and to each we owe thanks for instruction and advice tendered. Joining forces with Lambda; Theta Deuteron challenged Kappa to a friendly game on the diamond, not realizing that Kappa included nearly the entire Tufts college team. Kappa won the contest by a single run.

Located as we are in "The Hub of the Universe," we expect to have the pleasure of entertaining many visitors, and will be most happy to see any brothers who may drop in upon us. Commencement was the third day of June, and college opens again September 29th.

KAPPA.

TUFTS COLLEGE.

With the sun of a beautiful spring day streaming in the windows, cries of "love-forty" and "vantage in" pouring in one's ears, it is an arduous

task to concentrate attention upon a letter. However, Kappa always will do her best not to be found wanting when any interest of her fraternity calls.

We are, now-a-days, spending most of our time on the tennis court and base ball field, nine of the brothers being regular or substitute members of the team, and Brother Leighton manager. Saturday, May 3d, Lambda and Theta Deuteron tried to down us in base ball, but one more of our men safely traveled from third to home. The following Monday they visited us again, this time at our rooms, and we shook hands over the game and made merry together. And let me say just here, brothers, that if you want to infuse real, genuine, fraternal spirit more thoroughly into your veins, in some way or other, combine with a sister charge and have a rousing good time together. I can voice the sentiment of all the brothers in saying that it would be impossible to be more royally entertained than we were a few weeks ago at the Lambda charge house on the occasion of a reception to Theta Deuteron.

In our college life and work we are still endeavoring to prevent any resemblance to the "man that fell out of the balloon." How well we succeed, behold. Ninety-one's "Brown and Blue" has just appeared under the direction of Brother Perkins, editor-in-chief. All the charges have probably received a copy by this time and it will speak for itself. Three weeks ago '92 elected her "Brown and Blue" officers, and Brother Kimball as editor-in-chief is already formulating his plans to make it the best annual ever issued here. On next year's *Tufstonian* we will be represented by four editors, one more than any other fraternity, and in addition to these, Brother A. W. Grose has just been chosen for his second year as business manager. This will be the fourth successive year that a Theta Delt has held this position. Brother Crandall last year placed the publication on a paying basis and this year Brother Grose has turned quite a sum into the treasury,—the first time this has been done since the publication of the *Tufstonian* in its present form.

The New England banquet need not be more than mentioned here. You may read of it in other columns in better form than I could hope to present it. Introducing to you all Brother P. T. Needham, of Lawrence, Mass., initiated since the last issue of the SHIELD, we call upon you to keep your eyes open, for the boys of Kappa will be scattered all over the country this summer, ever ready to meet a brother Theta Delt.

When just about to mail this letter the news was announced to me that at the faculty meeting held last night, May 22d, Brother Perkins was elected by the faculty to the position of editor-in-chief of the *Tufstonian*. This is considered the highest honor that can be conferred on any college man.

MELVIN M. JOHNSON.

TUFTS COLLEGE, MASS., MAY 22d, 1890.

DEAR BROTHER HOLMES :—Having assumed the position of charge editor for Kappa only this week, and being overburdened with other work, I have been unable to prepare anything but a hastily written charge letter, and have had no time to collect personals. If you will forgive me this time I will try to reform and give you more and better for the next issue. However, I fear that I cannot be as successful as my predecessor, who has this evening been elected editor-in-chief of the *Tufsonian* for the ensuing year. Call on me for everything that I can assist you in.

Fraternally yours,

MELVIN M. JOHNSON.

LAMBDA.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

Bro. W. F. Gillman, who was elected "Charge Editor," and unable to send his first letter to the SHIELD on account of illness, soon after accepted a position to teach in the Boydton Institute, Boydton, Va., but expected to return to B. U. in time to furnish his installment for the June number. A change of plans has kept him in the South, and his position on the SHIELD has just been filled by the present writer, who is notified he has about two hours to get up a letter. So this will be but a hasty record of the important events of the term.

The college has enlarged its quarters by purchasing a building connecting with the present C. L. A. building, three floors to be used by us and the rest by the Law School. The University Glee Club, spoken of in the last issue, has proved a success, having appeared in the suburban towns with both financial and artistic profit. They will sing for the last time this term at the Trustees' reception to the Seniors, June 4th.

Another new society lately organized is the Monday Club. The officers are Bro. Hobson, President; Bro. Adams, Secretary, and Bros. Bickford, Kenny and J. W. Spencer, Executive Committee. The following persons have addressed the club at their monthly dinners and have been elected honorary members: Prof. M. L. Perrin, Ph. D.; Prof. Daniel Dorchester, Jun. A. M.; Mr. James E. Murdock, the veteran actor and reader, and Bro. Irving P. Fox, A. B., of the Boston *Courier*.

The Hub, published by '91, is out, and it is a beauty. It reflects considerable credit on $\Theta \Delta X$, as the title page bears the names of Bro. Candlin, editor-in-chief; Bro. J. W. Spencer, business manager, and Bro. Wenzel, assistant manager. The larger part of the cartoons are from the artistic pen of Bro. Wenzel. The class of '92 have just elected Bro. Gillman editor-in-chief for their annual. The business manager went to another fraternity this time, however.

The election of Proctors occurred May 2d. The class of '91 were requested to send six names to the Faculty, and the '92 boys three names, from which two Proctors and a Senior Librarian would be selected. The elections by popular vote resulted in sending to the Faculty the names of one $\Delta T \Delta$, three $B \Theta \Pi$ and two $\Theta \Delta X$ for the Seniors, and one $\Delta T \Delta$, and two $\Theta \Delta X$ for the Juniors. Every man returned by the Faculty was a Theta Delt. They were, Senior Proctor, Bro. Candlin; Junior Proctor, Bro. Tewksbury, and Senior Librarian, Bro. Snow.

Fraternity spirit has been lively of late, with the New England banquet, Lambda's reception to Theta Deuteron, at which Kappa was invited, and Kappa's reception to Theta Deuteron, to which Lambda was invited, and last but not least, base ball. However, we will give Kappa the pleasure of reporting the game. We may say, though, that our baby is doing well and already getting out of its frocks. The true Theta Delt spirit is there!

The first of the term two original "dramas" were presented at the Philharmonic Society, one written by members of $B \Theta \Pi$, "The Unexpected Always Happens;" and the other, written by a '92 $\Theta \Delta X$, "The Silver Lining." The last entertainment was an admirable presentation of Howells' "Garroters," in which every man in the cast (five in all) was a Theta Delt—Bros. Tewksbury, Hawkins, Fuller, Pitcher and W. S. Spencer. Bro. Sylvester played the Harmonic Bells on this occasion with great success.

Lambda recently made a gift of \$30 to the Mathematical Club of Boston University, as a nucleus for a fund to purchase a telescope.

Bro. W. S. Spencer has successfully conducted a choral union in Chelsea this winter. He gave a concert last month as a climax of the term's work. A mixed quartette from the college, of which Bro. Spencer is also director, assisted on the programme, and Bro. Adams furnished the readings.

We should not forget to mention the result of the Beacon election, which Bro. Candlin announced as close at hand in his last letter. It turned out to be a "woman's rights" day, and so our "man" was defeated. Miss Emily A. Young, of $K K \Gamma$, was the successful candidate, and is putting considerable push into the old Beacon. The Freshmen, entitled to one representative on the Beacon the first term of their Sophomore year, have elected Bro. Hopkins to fill that position.

The Freshmen made their "exit" on the evening of May 29th. Bro. Hopkins delivered the oration and Bro. Kellogg, President of the Class, conducted the exercises.

The Seniors are now preparing to leave us. At the Sophomore reception to the Seniors Bro. Tewksbury delivered the oration and Bro. Sylvester responded to a toast on "Our College Buildings." The Faculty

reception, the Trustee reception and the Seniors' own reception were all affairs to gladden the hearts of the members of '90.

Bro. Wyman has bought out the present college booksellers, Bros. Whitaker and Locke, and will furnish text books at the college at the usual rates for the next three years. His brother expects to enter B. U. in the fall. Bro. Wyman has secured a lucrative position for the summer at the National Bank of Redemption, this city.

Bro. Cobb is shining in the athletic world as a member of the Longwood Tennis Club. He is also an assistant Episcopal rector, and has acted most satisfactorily the present term as President of the Philomathean. He is succeeded in this latter position by Miss Harris, A. Φ, who was supported by our men. Bro. Sylvester was elected Secretary on the same board.

Bro. Wenzel is serving faithfully as Assistant Librarian, having entire charge of the work. Since his advent to the library he has catalogued the entire list of books:

Bro. N. W. Jordan, of '81, is with us. Bro. Jordan has been pastor of the First M. E. Church, St. Paul, for several years, but is out of health, and so is recuperating in the suburbs of Boston. We are glad to note that he is improving.

Bros. George H. Spencer and S. E. Whitaker, of the class of '90, expect to be in Boston a few years more, Bro. Spencer at the School of Theology and Bro. Whitaker at the School of Technology.

Bro. Hobson, '89, was unable to finish his work at the Law School this year, on account of illness, and he is recuperating at Island Pond, Vt. His classmate, Bro. Webber, has finished his "exams" and retired to Rochester, Vt., for a summer's refreshing.

Bro. Bickford, at present at the Moverick National Bank, will enter the Law School next year. He is hard at work on some new plans regarding the improvement of our charge house for another year, for he is at present Lambda's representative business man.

My time is up, and I fear Bro. Holmes will not have room for more at this late hour. So, adieu! Lambda charge is happy and hearty, while her flag flies at top mast in a stiff breeze. "More anon."

MU DEUTERON.

AMHERST COLLEGE.

With pleasure we look back on the year now so nearly at an end. The universal prosperity of the fraternity, as revealed to us by the Convention, in the improved charge correspondence, and in the SHIELD, has conspired with our consciousness of Mu Deuteron's own advancement, to make the spirit strong within us. One of the latest of our pleasures was the visit of the Grand Lodge. Bro. Bartlett gave us some true Theta Delt inspiration by his words. Bro. Carter made us especially happy by

telling us that he noticed a decided improvement in our literary exercises. Debating is a department to which, like almost all fraternities at Amherst, we devote a good share of attention, and in this, as Bro. Carter noticed, we have surely gained ground within a year. Our debates have much more spirit, and perhaps more solid argument, than a year ago. In more distinctively literary work some of the brothers have been charming our hearts, and one, it seems, has charmed the world outside, so that we are now represented on the *Student* by Bro. Avery, '91. It is too early yet to count up the external result of our year's work, for Commencement, with its tale of prizes, is yet to come. We do know, however, that Bro. Smith is to uphold $\Theta \Delta X$ at the Sophomore speaking, and Bros. Whitaker and Ballou on the Commencement stage. The first "drawing" from '91 for $\Phi B K$, consisting of nine men, yielded us three, Bros. Avery, Cooley and Woodworth, and the last two of these are among the first four, the monitors.

The addition to our house is progressing, but this will be a fruitful theme for the next effort of the charge editor, not to speak of the constant yields it gives the corresponding secretary, so it must not be spoiled now.

Since this letter was begun news has come from Worcester of Amherst's glorious victory in the athletic meeting. Bro. Alexander helped in the good work, breaking the intercollegiate record for the shot put. All kinds of athletics are hopeful at Amherst this spring. To be sure O^A has probably rejoiced more than M^A over two ball games at Hanover last week, but Worcester makes us square. Our Freshmen made a fine record, winning all its games, including one with the Yale Freshmen here and one with the Harvard Freshmen on their own grounds. The Williams Freshmen, after agreeing to a date, have decided not to trouble themselves. Bro. Baldwin plays third base on this team.

Soon now we must bid farewell to the brothers who have taken the lead in our past year's labors, toils and successes—to the Seniors of '90. Splendid Theta Deltas they are. Loyalty and faithful work have been their watchwords. Soon, too, the verdant sub-Freshman will appear for his examination, and we shall begin to try our hand at filling up the depleted ranks.

NU DEUTERON.

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

As the time for the appearance of the next SHIELD arrives, Nu Deuteron feels it her joyful duty to aid in the support and advancement of so good and enthusiastic a journal.

Much can be said (yea, even too much), concerning the individual brothers of Nu Deuteron. Bro. "Kid" (D. G.), Hearne has just com-

pleted his Thesis, a work which was highly complimented by the Faculty. Bro. Kid could have received an honor had he wished, but his shy nature interfered.

Bros. Beaumont and Holcombe have been quite "rooty" of late, enjoying each other's company to such an extent that they are now inseparable companions.

Bros. "Pretty" Hearne and Ely enjoy an occasional stroll out in the direction of our quaint little "Dutch" city, Allentown.

Our University annual, *The Epitome*, of which Bro. Morris is editor-in-chief, has just been issued. Bro. Morris deserves much praise, as the book is the best ever produced at Lehigh.

Bro. Heilig looms up like a mighty Hercules of knowledge. Although a Junior, he has much of the required outline of his Thesis. He shuts himself up in his room immediately after his day's work at the University, and there, with his eccentric strap, valves, slide bars, triple gearing, etc., he amuses himself to his heart's content. One night while all the brothers were congregated in the parlor, there came pealing forth in the stilly night, like the wail of some departing spirit, a shriek and hissing of steam from the direction of Bro. *Lowleg's* room. All the brothers hastened to the rescue, and alas! there stood the brother vainly trying to start his engine, which was on a "dead center."

Bro. Merrick has nearly completed this term's work and will leave us next week for his summer vacation.

We have seen but little of Bros. Fargason and Harris lately. Bro. Fargason has been under the weather and Bro. Harris has been "boning" for the examination. Bro. Gearhart is holding down first base for the Varsity team.

We have been very highly honored as well as pleased in having with us since our last letter Bros. Bartlett and Carter of the Grand Lodge. Their visit was immensely enjoyed by Nu Deuteron and we endeavored to make it enjoyable for them. They gave us glowing accounts of the prosperity of the fraternity. It was with many a "come again" and hearty hand-shake that they proceeded on their journey of visits.

Bro. Hills, of Xi, sojourned with us a few days. Bros. Keigwin, Dumont and Sanderson, of Phi, were recently with us.

Bros. Nelson, Lawson and Lee, of Pi Deuteron, called here after the C. C. N. Y.-Lehigh Lacrosse game.

Bro. Deans made us a pleasant visit last week. He has just finished the construction of a lighthouse in Boston harbor. He will spend his vacation in Louisville, Ky. Bro. Pratt dropped in on us unexpectedly some time ago. He is now at Johnstown, Pa., with the Johnstown Street Railway Company. Bro. Frank McCall has gone to Topeka, Kan. He is with the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad Company.

Lehigh has done marvelous things in athletics this spring. The base ball team has greatly improved over previous years, having won the championship of Pennsylvania. The lacrosse team won the intercollegiate championship of the United States.

In conclusion, we will say, as before, that the doors of Nu Deuteron are always open with a joyful welcome to all brothers.

With Nu Deuteron's best wishes to the editor of the SHIELD and all the charges of our glorious fraternity, we are yours in the bond,

NU DEUTERON.

OMICRON DEUTERON.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

I suppose that all the other charges are sending in their reports of the appointment of members of $\Theta \Delta X$ to positions on commencement, and Omicron Deuteron does not propose to be behind. Brothers Abbott and Mills have been assigned to English orations upon, "Stanley's Emin Pasha Expedition" and "Philosophical Impulse of the French Revolution" respectively, while Bro. Benton has a dissertation upon, "Ibsen as a Representative Author."

Had not the Senior class voted to do away with all the "superfluous" exercises of commencement week, Bro. Bacon would have filled the position of class poet.

Very seldom do we receive visits from brothers of other charges; we wish more might find their way to Hanover. The G. L. paid its annual visit Wednesday, May 14th, and during the Amherst games, the 23d and 24th we received visits from Brothers Sibley and Stiles of Mu Deuteron.

Though the announcements have not yet been made, it is understood that Brothers Belknap and Shirley, '92, have been elected to editorships on the literary monthly, thus giving us for next year, three out of the six editors; Bro. Shirley has also been elected to '92's Ægis board.

This spring Bro. Potter represents us on the athletic, and Bro. Thompson on the base ball team. Brothers Baehr, Lakeman, Shurtleff and Watson are on the Dartmouth reserve. Brother Shurtleff has been elected Junior director and Senior manager of the athletic team, and Bro. Lakeman, captain of the foot ball team for next year. Several of the brothers are competing for prizes and in all probability we shall obtain our usual number.

RHO DEUTERON.

COLUMBIA COLLEGE.

Just now the final examinations are absorbing the attention of all the students and in consequence matters, foreign to study, have had to suffer

more or less. But nevertheless, some good work has been done in the charge. As a result we would introduce to the fraternity, Brothers Hicks '93 mines, and Averill '92 law, Van Tine '92 medical, Jones '93 mines. The last named of the new initiates is a brother of a present member of our charge from the class of '90. With the outgoing class of '90 we lose a few men. In the mines we lose Brothers St. John and Jones. Brother St. John has been president of his class in the Senior year, is a member of the glee club, is the only undergraduate editor on the *Mines Quarterly* and is president of the 'Varsity bicycle club, of the Engineering society. Brother Jones has also held various offices in his class and Natural History societies. These are the only men we lose in the arts and mines. In the law we lose Brothers Morris and Pollock, while in the medical we shall miss Bro. Remer.

The Columbian, our annual, appeared last week, published by the Junior classes in the arts and mines. This is the first time that the two schools have combined to publish our annual, and it has proved a success; so that '92 has decided to have a joint publication also. Among the editors elected by the class was Bro. Tuska mines '91, who was also treasurer of the board. In the *Columbian* the number of members of the various fraternities is as follows (but *we* have since added four new names to our number),

Psi Upsilon.....	38
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Phi Gamma Delta.....	25
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Total..... 231

A special feature of the book was the publishing of a large number of full page prints of crews, nines, etc. This made the book especially interesting.

The Peithologian Society recently held its annual banquet at which Bro. Murtha acted as toast-master. He has since been elected to its presidency.

Brother Scofield is now a member of the Freshman crew which is to row the Harvard Freshman as well as the Cornell and Yale Freshman teams. Brother Dilworth is in the 'Varsity eleven which is to go in training in the early part of September. Recently the Dramatic association produced a play at the Berkeley Lyceum. We were quite well represented in it; as Brothers Hanley, St. John, Averill and Dilworth, all had prominent parts.

Not long ago we received our annual visit from the Grand Lodge and were glad to hear such good news from the other charges. We would also wish to congratulate the fraternity on account of the new-born, the Mass. Institute of Technology charge. Among some of the visitors we have lately had at our rooms, have been Bro's. Mapes of Harvard, Taft of Brown, and Hanley and Sullivan of Dartmouth.

The $\Phi B K$ Society has recently determined the standard of admission here. Heretofore the members of the Senior class could be chosen from their standing in the class as shown under the old marking system. But the abolishment of marks compelled new regulations as to admission. Hereafter all men receiving honors throughout the college course in any study will be eligible to election, but the number of members elected from any class must not exceed one-fourth of the members of the class at graduation.

The origin of the Columbia's colors was brought to the attention of the students by an article, "A College Commencement Fifty Years Ago," in the last *Spectator*. The author, now the proctor of the college, says that at commencements in the '40's the members of the Philolexian and Peithologian societies used to wear their society regalia. The former was distinguished by a blue satin rosette with silver tassels, while the members of the latter society wore white satin rosettes with gold tassels. When the two societies joined their anniversary celebrations, the two colors were united, and Columbia's colors became light blue and white.

In conclusion, we would extend our best wishes for an enjoyable vacation to all the brothers in the fraternity.

SIGMA.

DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Theta Delta Chi will never be ashamed of its magazine while it remains under the present management. The increased power given to the editor of the *SHIELD*, by the last convention, has already been productive of good. The opening number of Vol. VI is an honor to the fraternity and eclipses all previous issues, both in size and neatness of appearance. Since our last letter we have been honored by a visit from President Bartlett and Secretary Carter of the Grand Lodge, and during the two days of their stay Sigma passed a very enjoyable time and trusts that they enjoyed themselves sufficiently to look forward with anticipations of pleasure to future visits. We are gratified with the glowing accounts they give of the other charges, but we cannot help thinking that no little of our present success as a fraternity, is due to the untiring efforts of the Grand Lodge.

Commencement is drawing upon us and we are on the eve of the third term examinations. The Senior examinations are already over and the standing of the members of the class announced. Brother Hamilton, as

usual, stands first and graduates at the head of his class. Brother Wallace is president of the class and Bro. Webbert will deliver the prophecy on class day. Sigma graduates three loyal members this year, and will greatly miss their presence. We will be reduced to six next year, but have bright hopes of being able to swell our number to its accustomed size by the addition of good men from the incoming Freshman class. We leave two men pledged in the preparatory class, who are going to enter college next fall, and hope to be able to introduce them in our next letter.

PHI.

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

This issue of the SHIELD will greet us with our commencement exercises and the completion of another year of college work. Great preparations are going on to make this a grand commencement. It promises to eclipse all former ones. The seniors have finished and the rest are getting ready for the "exams," which are drawing near. The *Melange* is out and is a very good edition, excelling all former issues, both in style and composition. The demand for copies is very great and a large sale is predicted. This being the first commencement which finds us in good working order, we are making great preparations for our annual banquet. Invitations have been sent to all alumni of the charge and we expect an unusually large number will be present.

The junior oratorical contest occurred May 26. Bro. Weisley secured the prize. Bro. Dumont, '92, is playing on the college base ball team. The attractions here in Easton since the last issue of the SHIELD have been unusually numerous. Bros. Bartlett and Carter of the Grand Lodge paid us a visit and came just in the height of our bazaar and centennial celebrations. After being entertained by the Phi they went to Bethlehem to visit Nu Deuteron. This first year of our work has been unusually successful and we are wide awake accepting all opportunities which will afford us any advantage. We want to begin the next college year fully equipped for any encounter. We have yet several good men in view and may before the close of the term increase our number. Several improvements have been made in our rooms. They are our pride and we are not afraid to compare them with those of any other fraternity here. Any of our visiting brethren will find them very convenient if they ever pass through Easton and have occasion to lay over. They are in direct communication by car line with all railroad depots, making them easy of access. Bro. Clay Holmes paid us a visit in the beginning of the term. He is as deeply interested in "the boys" as ever. Bro. Stem, '68, of Philadelphia, also was here and spent some time with us. Bro. Beaumont, '91, and Bro. Gerhart, '93, of Nu Deuteron, paid us a visit. Bro. Fritz, '90, who has been absent from college all the term has returned to finish the term. Bro. Reed, '90, intends to take another year in special studies and read law in the city, so we will only lose two members.

We extend a cordial invitation to our brethren to visit us during commencement week and attend our banquet. Wishing you all success and with a hearty grip, we remain as ever in the bonds. W. L. SANDERSON.

PSI.

HAMILTON COLLEGE.

An event marking a new epoc in the history of Psi was the complimentary banquet of May 10th, of which a newspaper account is given elsewhere in the SHIELD. The time when the members of Psi might be able to entertain their visiting brethren under their own "vine and fig tree" has ever been the objective point since the project of building a charge house was started. As the members had occupied the house in its semi-finished condition for over two years, continually anticipating its final completion, it is no wonder that they wished a formal dedication of the charge home; and that dedication has now transformed hope and expectation into delightful realization. At an early hour on the evening mentioned; after justice had been done the spread, there came the characteristic "feast of reason and flow of soul" which ever render such occasions so enjoyable, Bro. Rogers, '89, as president of the evening, made a very happy hit in his opening address when he alluded to the incident of the "Great Plague" in which the people carried their dead out into the streets upon the cry, "Bring out your dead! Bring out your dead!" He made the application by urging the members present to cast their dead and apathetic ideas among the refuse of the banquet table and to take to themselves a renewed fraternity zeal. This sentiment pervaded the remarks of many of the following speakers. As toastmaster; Bro. Cary, '84, presided in his customary felicitous manner, and again gave proof of his decided success as an after-dinner speaker. Bro. Petrie, '76, gave the history of the trials and difficulties experienced by the board of trustees in their work of procuring funds and in finally building the house. He paid a glowing tribute to the service of Bro. Benedict, '72, who, as a trustee, has spared neither time nor pains in procuring a charge home for Psi. The toasts and responses bristled throughout with wit, humor and repartee, nor did they infrequently rise to passionate oratory. Their impromptu character made them delightfully informal and impressed one with the literary training which is the distinguishing charm of Theta Deltas. It was with much pleasure that we had among us at this time Bro. Bartlett and Carter of the Grand Lodge. The good work they are doing is appreciated by Psi, who is always ready for her share of the benefits of such a visitation.

Hamilton's commencement is from June 22d to 26th. Bro. Perine, our only senior, has been chosen class day orator, and will fully and acceptably sustain the dignity of the position. As was expected, Bro. Lee, '91, won new laurels in the field sports held at Syracuse on the 30th ult. The four prizes captured by him aided Hamilton materially in carrying off the inter-collegiate pennant.

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FRANCIS EWELL MARTINDALE.

Francis Ewell Martindale another of the active founders of Theta Delta Chi, (although not duly credited in the records as such) was the only surviving son by his second wife, of the late Henry Clinton Martindale, of Sandy Hill, Washington county, N. Y. Judge Martindale, as he was more familiarly called, from his having officiated as County Judge of Washington county for several years, represented his Congressional district in Congress for six terms, ranging through the administration of the younger Adams and the two of Andrew Jackson. It was during the presidency of the former that Judge Martindale became acquainted with the late Dr. James Ewell, of Washington, one of the most eminent physicians then resident at the national capitol. This acquaintance resulted in his marriage, during the winter of 1826, to Olivia Francis, Dr. Ewell's youngest daughter, then twenty years of age, and the birth, February 12, 1830, at the family homestead at Sandy Hill, of the subject of this sketch. There the child grew and flourished amid as beautiful surroundings as heart could desire. In his early youth as we are told, there developed some singularly imaginative characteristics in the boy's inner consciousness, which nearly resulted on one occasion, in his flooding the family residence, in his search after hidden treasure supposed to be concealed beneath the shingled roof.

The residence of Judge Martindale was situated on the main street of the village, just within its limits, and was shaded by rows of magnificent elms. Here, after worrying

through all the diseases of childhood with the assistance of the village doctor, we find him at the age of twelve, a robust, active, energetic lad, attending school with a perfunctory regularity due to a sense of the serious possibilities awaiting any lapse of duty that might become known to his father. Tall for his years, with light brown curly hair and all the vim and go of energetic youth, we find him chief in all athletic exercises, a fine skater, and swimmer, an expert at base ball as then understood, supple and lithe of limb, the personification of boyhood manliness.

At this period of our subject's career it had been decided by his father that he should be educated solely for the duties and responsibilities of a farmer's life, and he was at once inducted into the laborious exercise of the ordinary farmer's daily experience. This system of education of muscle and sinew was maintained for three years until the boy reached the age of fifteen, when the mother's influence was brought to bear in the interests of her son's education for the profession his grandfather had so greatly honored. The boy was thereupon given the choice of the farm in his own right, or a college education for the profession of his grandfather. He promptly chose the latter and at once entered upon the study of Latin with his father, a thorough scholar in that language. He soon mastered the rudiments and entered upon the translation of the "Historia Sacra." After becoming fairly grounded in his knowledge of Latin, he was sent to the Academy at Glens Falls, three miles distant, walking to and from during the summer months and boarding at the Falls during the winter. After a year and a half of hard work, he had so thoroughly prepared for college as to have been enabled to enter the Sophomore year at old Union, in September, 1847.

His career there up to the second term was comparatively uneventful, if we may except the usual number of college scrapes, when, through the earnest solicitations of Green and Akin, he was finally induced to join the original founders in developing the capacity for growth and expansion of the then "unswung" Theta Delta Chi Society, the special inducement

held out being, that he should enter the organization as one of the original founders, a pledge which has thus far had but a quasi acceptance from the present governing body of the fraternity.

With the accession of Martindale who at once developed a remarkable talent for influencing his collegiate acquaintances, the effort at increasing the society membership was entered upon with vigor, and soon, against very strong counter influences, Theodore Fonda was brought into the fold, much to the chagrin of his brother Jessie, then teaching in some neighboring community.

In the spring of '48 the latter joined Theodore, entering college third term Sophomore.

Very shortly thereafter, under Martindale's persuasive influence Jessie was induced to cast in his lot with the rapidly increasing membership of the young society, then being regarded by its contemporaries, as destined to prove a very active and energetic contestant for all worthy unpledged Soph's and Freshmen.

Martindale has been justly credited with having been largely instrumental in furthering the success of the effort then made, to elevate the Theta Delta Chi Society to the high level of superiority over its compeers, it has in later years attained. He was a young man considerably above the average in ability, and to what extent his personal efforts toward securing the highest class of membership for the society, may have influenced his chances for $\Phi B K$ at graduation, it is certain that from his stand-point of to-day, his instrumentality in that direction must prove a source of far greater pride to him than had he graduated sixth instead of nineteenth in a class numbering 112 students.

At the termination of the first term of his Senior year in order to utilize his time to the best advantage by reason of his very limited resources, Martindale withdrew from college and at once entered Dr. Alden March's office at Albany, as medical student and bookkeeper, for which service he was to receive a weekly allowance of three dollars.

At the close of the second term Senior, he returned to college for his class examinations, resuming his service at Dr. March's office immediately thereafter, and so continued until his final return for graduation in June, 1850.

With the view to a more speedy realization of the funds needful for the prosecution of his medical studies, Martindale applied for and received an appointment as Professor of Latin and Greek and the cognate branches in the military institute then flourishing at Portsmouth, Va. After a year spent in this service we find him attending a course of lectures in the year 1852 at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, then located in Crosby street, New York City. In the fall of the same year he resumed his medical studies in Dr. March's office, attending the fall course of lectures at the Albany Medical College and the succeeding spring course in 1853, receiving his diploma in June of that year. In the meantime the doctor had formed a matrimonial alliance with the youngest daughter of General Denzse of Richmond county, N. Y., by whom he has had seven children, six daughters and a son, four daughters only surviving at the date of this writing.

In 1855 the doctor, through the political influence of his eldest brother the late Gen. J. H. Martindale, of Rochester, N. Y., secured the appointment of deputy health officer of the port of New York, the quarantine station being then located at Tompkinsville, Staten Island. This position he held until the spring of 1857 when he resigned, and with his family moved to Ottumwa, Iowa, then a village of about 3,000 inhabitants, now a city of 30,000. He at once plunged into land speculation, purchasing a tract of ten acres in what is now the built up portion of the city. The doctor, however, was wise enough to keep six hundred dollars on deposit in the local bank at that place, when one afternoon on the arrival of the stage from Keokuk, he heard one of the passengers quietly remark to a bystander, "Clark, Dodge & Co. have failed." Instantly the doctor hurried to the bank, drew a check for the full amount on deposit in gold and returned to the hotel. One hour thereafter the bank had closed its doors.

The great financial crash of the fall of '57 left the doctor high and dry on the quicksand of impecuniosity, with plenty of unimproved town lots as capital and a rapidly diminishing cash reserve fund as collateral.

Disgusted with his western experience the doctor returned with his family to his native place and very soon after was offered an appointment by Captain Shufeldt, of the steamer Quaker City, then plying between New York and Havana, as surgeon of that vessel which was promptly accepted and he remained in this service until the fall of 1859. In the spring of 1860 the doctor opened an office on Atlantic street, above Court, in the city of Brooklyn, where he practiced his profession with indifferent success until the mutterings of the incipient rebellion early in 1861, culminated in the departure for the seat of war of the New York City militia and other state regiments.

Enthused by patriotic impulse and the tocsin of war resounding throughout the north, the doctor tendered his professional services to Commodore Breese, then in command at the Brooklyn navy yard and was appointed by the navy department, acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. N., and ordered to the steam gunboat, Montgomery, then awaiting orders for service on the Blockade in the Gulf of Mexico. He remained on duty with the gulf squadron under the commands successively of Commodore Mervin and McKeon, and Admiral Farragut, until July, 1862 when the vessel was ordered home, the men's time having expired.

On or about September 15, 1862, the doctor was ordered to join the gunboat Valley City at Fortress Monroe, for service in the sounds of North Carolina. While stationed at Plymouth, N. C., in July, '63, in charge of the temporary hospital at that place, he was attacked with a congestive chill, a virulent type of southern swamp fever which nearly cost him his life. His naturally strong constitution pulled him through however, but the doctor will carry the mark of that attack to his grave in an almost total deafness of both ears.

Early in the summer of '63 his resignation as acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. N. was tendered the navy department

and accepted, and he returned to New York with a view to acquiring a larger surgical experience in the army hospitals at the north, barely escaping the attack of the rebel ram *Albemarle* in the sound of that name on his way to Norfolk, via Dismal Swamp canal.

Presenting himself before the army medical examining board in Houston street, New York City, soon after his arrival, he was appointed an acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. A. and ordered to report to the surgeon commanding the hospital ship *Atlantic* for service in conveying wounded soldiers from Fortress Monroe to the hospitals at Philadelphia and New York. In this arduous service the doctor succumbed to a severe attack of typhoid fever which placed him *hors de combat* for six weeks, when upon his recovery he was ordered to report to the De Camp general hospital at Davids Island, New York harbor for duty. The doctor remained at this hospital until the summer of '65 when he was ordered before another medical examining board for examination for promotion, about the time of the assassination of the lamented martyr president, Abraham Lincoln.

It has always been a matter of regret to the doctor since, that his commission as Assistant Surgeon, U. S. V., was signed by President Johnson rather than by that most noble of all American patriots.

Early in October '65 the doctor was detached from duty at Davids Island and ordered to the command of the *Dale*, U. S. A. general hospital at Worcester, Mass., which he closed late in December of the same year turning the proceeds of the sale of hospital material over to the Surg. Gen. Dept. U. S. A. and receiving the thanks of the department and a commission as Brevet Major for meritorious services.

The doctor being again adrift gravitated to New York City where he served as sanitary inspector of the board of health, until the close of the cholera epidemic of 1867 when he finally located at Port Richmond, S. I., where he has since remained in the successful practice of his profession.

Dr. Martindale is now a permanent member of the medical

society of the state of New York also a Fellow of the Medical Association of the state of New York. He is president of the medical society of the county of Richmond, also chief of the staff of the Nursery and Childs hospital, S. I., and visiting surgeon to the S. R. Smith infirmary, and is with one exception the present senior member of the medical profession on Staten Island.

For quite forty years, during the trials and vicissitudes of a laborious professional life, the same old love which animated his active college work, has been maintained in his loyal bosom and to-day with memory still fresh and green does our brother Martindale loom up as one of the noble band to whom we look as the founders of our order. We have been led for many years to think that the six whose names are published as such, were the founders of our fraternity. While it may be admitted that the original conception of the plan may not have emanated from his brain, it must likewise be conceded that this conception did not arise simultaneously in the minds of the other six. One of them must certainly have first promulgated the idea, which was rapidly taken up by the other five, and in their first search for congenial material they happened by good luck to light upon Martindale. He at once became an aggressive worker, and who shall say that we do not owe more to Martindale's able tactics and persuasive eloquence, than to the combined efforts of the other six, in the actual results of those first moves upon which so entirely depended the growth and subsequent standing of Theta Delta Chi in the Greek world. True it is, that Martindale's ability and efforts were recognized by the six, as they solemnly agreed that he should be known and remembered as one of the founders. Since this be so, the SHIELD hopes that due honor will be hereafter accorded to Brother Martindale, because he really was one of the founders, (builders) of the fraternity. The editor gives notice that at the next convention he will ask official action on the insertion of his name on the records as one of the original seven. No man could be more worthy. For nearly half a century he has maintained an honorable name. He has served his country

faithfully, and his profession with credit,—never doing aught which would reflect against the fraternity, but rather everything which would tend to its renown. It is a source of regret that physical disability prevents his more frequent intercourse with members of the fraternity. His deafness is a serious hindrance which has kept him from our gatherings. His heart beats just as warmly, however, for Theta Delta Chi, and he is ever ready to lend a helping hand. The editor has called upon him many times for assistance, and never failed to get prompt attention and much valuable information.

This sketch would be incomplete without some evidence of the regard in which Brother Martindale was held by those who knew him when in college. The appended letters from Brothers Green and Beach, speak from the heart. With these we close our sketch with the fond wish that Brother Martindale's declining years may be blessed with much happiness to himself and family.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., June 15, 1890.

DEAR BROTHER HOLMES:—The June SHIELD, in spite of the disadvantages under which it was issued, sustains the interest of recent numbers, if the too large space given to the notice of my humble self be excepted. Yet I thank you for the kind words there spoken. May I say too, the warm remembrance of Bro. Frank E. Martindale, (Alpha, 1850) is most welcome. I here return him a not less affectionate greeting. The more than forty years which have passed since we parted, both buoyant with the hopes and ambition of youth, have not dimmed the picture which his handsome form and attractive character then imprinted on my mind. I can see him now, as I saw him then, tall and well proportioned, ruddy, vigorous, cheery, hearty in manner, an agreeable companion, a gentleman in all things, a man whose whole personality was such that his acquisition by the new society gave at once a most favorable augury of, and contributed yearly to, its subsequent success. Glad am I to see that time has not been able to lessen the ardor with which he can greet an old friend! I hope it has dealt gently with him in all respects. I have heard enough of his life to be assured that it has kept the promise of his youth, has been faithful and honorable, and not without distinction in his chosen profession. May good fortune and happiness attend him always, is the fervent wish of his friend and brother in $\Theta \Delta X$.

ANDREW H. GREEN.

IOWA CITY, Ia., July 10, 1890.

DEAR BROTHER:—I am pleased to learn from your favor of 7th inst.

that you are writing up Dr. Martindale for the next number of SHIELD. You ask my recollection as to his being admitted to the honor roll of the founders of the fraternity, and while I can not be positive I have an impression to that effect.

I had ever held him in high estimation and though he was in a class below ours in the college course, I believe he possessed the highest regard of each one of the founders, and his presence at any of our meetings betokened general good cheer and fraternal relations of the heart to heart kind. I think it would be congenial to all that Martindale be understood to sustain the relation of one of the founders. A few lines to honor the event:—

When Theta Delta Chi was young
 Though step was brisk, and eye was bright,
 Her gallant deeds were yet unsung,
 When banners to the breeze were flung,
 And coyly pearly gates were swung,
 For him, our primal Neophyte.

Each curious eye on him reclines,
 As Theta Delt's were proud to lead
 Our new born brother to the shrine:
 A whole souled man as you will find,
 "A every inch a man," you mind,—
 For golden effort, golden meed!

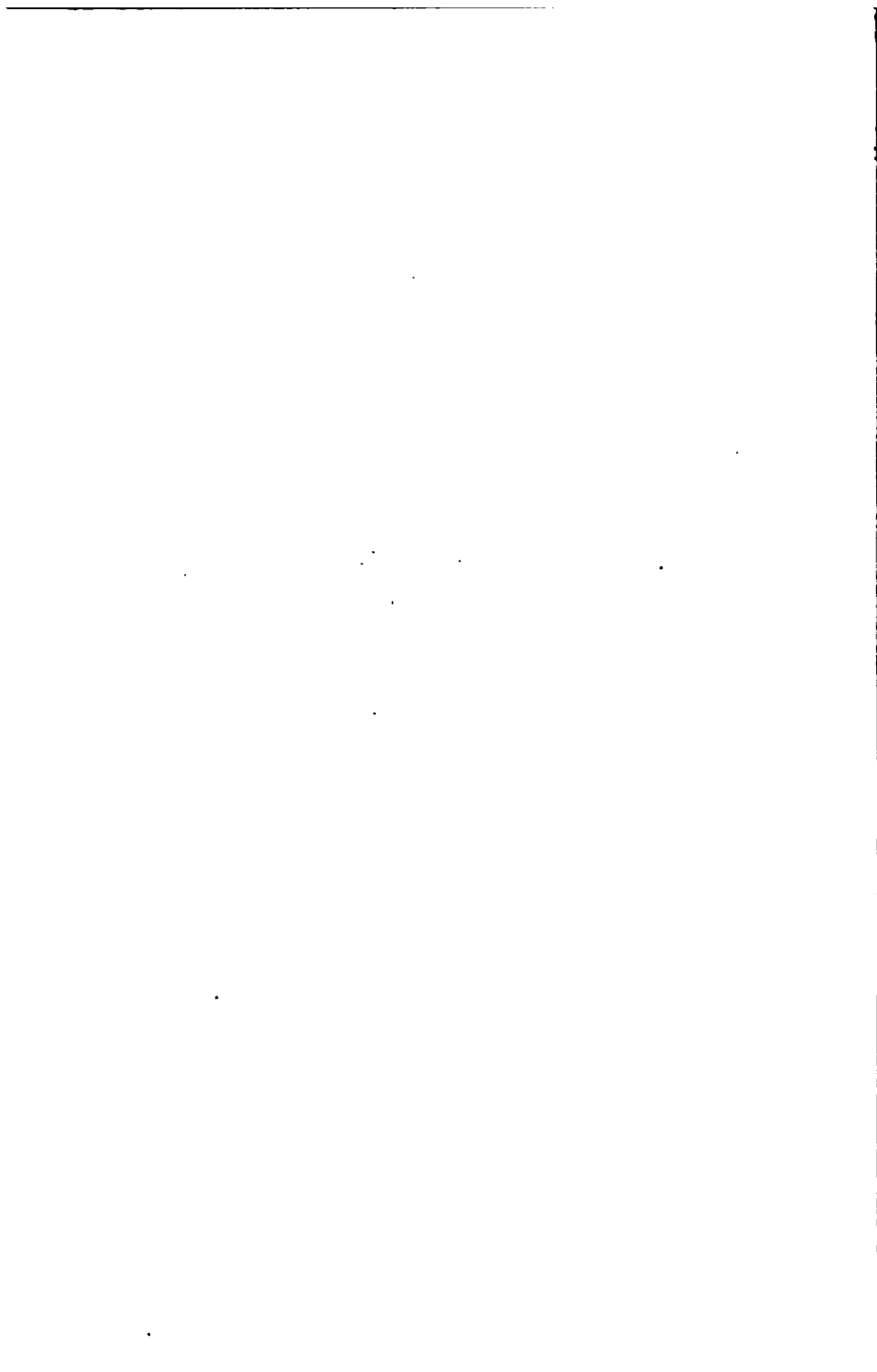
Yours fraternally,

ABEL BEACH.

SUMMER RECREATION.

The May number of the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* gives an account of the Delta Upsilon camp on Lake George with illustrations. There is much about a summer resort that is attractive and desirable. There seems to be no reason why the fraternal associations cultivated during term-time should not be perpetuated during the season of rest. The boys must have some place in which to while away the happy hours of the summer vacation. Without any preconceived arrangement they wander hither and thither, and spend the days alone. If there were some common point of recreation it would tend to bring together not only numbers of undergraduates, but many of the alumni. This would give the boys the opportunity of seeing a different side of their companions and tend to make a stronger bond of union. It would also extend the acquaintance to the alumni and make the fraternal ties stronger all around. The editor has been whiling away the time at one of the lovely resorts on the Thousand Islands and writes under a lively

sense of the pleasure which would result from the companionship of any of the brothers. Too many ways in which to perpetuate the friendships of youth can not be devised. The memories of the halcyon days of college life abide through after years. While drowned in the busy cares of active life, anxious yearning comes for the careless happy days which were spent in college. Then a vague longing existed for the very cares and troubles which, when they are forced upon us make us grow weary, and long for the rest and peace which leaves us when we step out with sheepskin under the arm eager for the fray. To be sure, there is a happiness more holy and substantial in the family circle which we build up when wife and lovely children surround us. As the little ones grow up we look forward to the time when they shall bloom, but with this comes a parental responsibility which is not light. Notwithstanding this it is fitting for us to retain our youth and vivacity. It gives a zest to our home life and is an effectual antidote to the cares and trials which worry us. Such youth can only survive by the keeping up of our own youthful associations. In no way is this more readily accomplished than by fraternity companionship. When we see the gray-haired sire surrounded by college boys and listen to his oft repeated declaration that he feels as young as when he first took upon himself the vows of fraternal constancy, we can assert that the fraternity is a means of good to humanity as it perpetuates youth. Now, nothing would be pleasanter than to gather at some pleasant spot where old and young could while away the dreamy hours of a summer vacation surrounded by Theta Deltas. The alumni could with small contributions all around raise a sufficient fund to purchase a plot of ground and build a cottage large enough to accommodate twenty or twenty-five, or tents could be pitched and many more cared for. Why not have a Theta Delt Camp. Too many ways of renewing and augmenting our social joys can not be devised. The older graduates must be the ones to agitate such a scheme. The editor suggests a camp on the St. Lawrence. Some of the most delightful spots on the continent are to be found there. What is the opinion of the readers of the SHIELD? We invite correspondence on the subject.

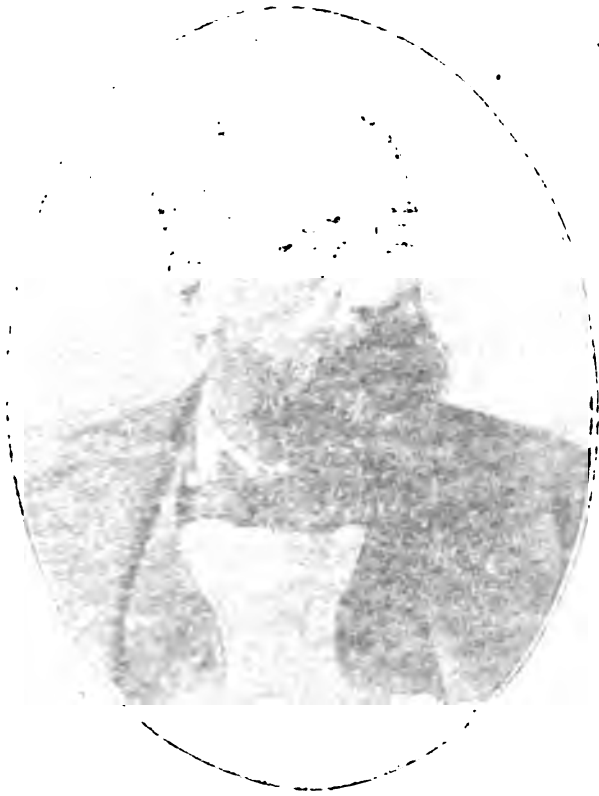




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the New York *Journal of Commerce*. This position he filled for a number of years with success. In 1867 the firm of Stone & Barron was formed and a large printing and publishing house started. They did a prosperous business until in 1872, when the never-to-be-forgotten "Black Friday" paralyzed New York, and like many others, Stone & Barron succumbed. As soon as the affairs of the firm were settled Bro. Stone entered the Custom House, and for fifteen years held the position of clerk in the Naval Office. He was then appointed Inspector of Customs in Jersey City, which position he still holds. He resides at No. 537 Bergen avenue, Jersey City. The fruits of his married life are three noble sons, all between twenty-five and thirty, and a charming daughter of eighteen. The eldest son, William L., jr., is a Theta Delt and resides in West Superior, Wis.

These, in brief, are the historic points in the every-day life of Bro. Stone. It is the editor's desire to place on record such facts as have not heretofore been presented to the fraternity, for the especial purpose of giving to the more recent members, who have never had the pleasure of meeting him, a knowledge of the debt they owe this valiant and magnanimous brother knight for his labors in behalf of Theta Delta Chi. In order to do this, permit the pen to record, without order, whatever comes to mind. The Zeta charge was established in the same year that Stone entered college, but it does not appear that he was a charter member, so far as the writer knows. Being a nephew of the President, Stone naturally became a prominent character in the college. His personal characteristics also rendered him a desirable subject for initiation. During his entire college career he took an active part in the affairs of the charge, as well as the fraternity in general. He had for companions some of the best Theta Deltas, such as Burdge, Hay, Simons, Goforth, Pond, Spooner, Merriam, Lyman, and a number of others whose names are famous in our annals and loved by the brethren. When he went to Germany he was clothed with full power to establish charges of the fraternity at one or more of the great German universities. The death

of his classmate, before referred to, called him suddenly home, so that nothing was done. The commission was, however, highly complimentary and testified to his sterling worth as a Theta Delt. During the summer vacation of 1856 he, together with Bro. Clarence S. Bate, visited the Mammoth Cave, and while exploring it discovered a great avenue, which added two miles to the previously known length of the cave. This new avenue yet bears the name of "Stone and Bate's avenue." The discovery made, at the time, a great sensation throughout the United States. Stone and Hay were chums and roomed together for some time. After leaving college, during the decade of the sixties, but little appears of vital interest except the fact that Bro. Stone's face was one of the most familiar at every convention, and he always participated in them, thus exhibiting his deep interest in the affairs of the fraternity.

After he entered the printing business he exhibited his abiding interest in things fraternal. After the publication of the first SHIELD, in 1869, Bro. Stone published and edited *The College Review*. He was assisted for a time by Bro. Gilbert, but the greater portion of the work was done by Stone. The journal did not meet with the patronage it merited and was suspended at the end of its second year. In 1867 Bro. Stone compiled and printed the first catalogue of the fraternity. It was a beautiful and expensive book. Much of the cost of this book was borne by Bro. Stone's firm, owing to the failure of some of the charges to pay their assessments. He also printed the proceedings of the great convention of 1870. It was with great difficulty that he persuaded his partner to consent to the printing of this elegant pamphlet, on account of the uncertainty of payment. Each charge was to take a certain number of copies. His own charge failed to pay their assessment. After waiting a long time and sending many duns to the charge, they got impatient at his persistence in the endeavor to secure payment, and expelled him from the fraternity. This action on their part raised such a row throughout the other charges, that the first business done at the next convention, held about a month after the occurrence, was to

take it back and appoint a committee to wait on Bro. Stone, begging him to come to the convention and forgive them. He did it promptly and willingly—again proving his deep-seated love for the fraternity. Bro. Stone has probably delivered more orations before the conventions than any other brother. His oration of 1870 is well remembered, and that of 1880, on "The Memories of Theta Delta Chi," is one of the memorable articles which exhibits perfect familiarity with the affairs of the fraternity and an intimate knowledge of the personal character of all its members. In it he refers to all the prominent members who have passed over the river to join the silent Omega, and pays each one a beautiful tribute. Although this oration has been published, it is worthy a reprint, and as soon as the SHIELD can find room it will be reproduced. Bro. Stone was a faithful contributor to the SHIELD in its early days. Every number of the first and second volumes contains something of interest from his pen. Although his time is mostly given to his regular line of literary work, our readers may in the future expect to see something from his able pen occasionally.

About the year 1873 the fraternity seemed to be on the decline, and for several years the prospect was fair for a disbanding of most of the charges. During this period it is probable that the efforts of Brothers Stone and Burdge contributed more than any other factor toward the life of the fraternity.

The members of the fraternity prior to 1875 were very familiar with Bro. Stone. His name was a watchword in all the charges. The editor remembers the delight he experienced from his companionship during the convention of 1867. After this memorable convention was over an invitation to spend Sunday at his home was gladly accepted, and the long years since elapsed have not effaced the delightful memories of that visit. Twenty-three years have rolled by since that time and not once had his pleasant face been seen. Longing for a sight of the old war horse, a visit was recently made to his home. The same cheery greeting, the same hearty grip, as of yore, thrilled through and through, as with hands clasped we looked at each other for the first time in almost a quarter of a century.

It needed not a word more to convince the writer that his love for Theta Delta Chi was as warm as ever. During this visit much was learned about his private life and labors which was before unknown. During all the years he has been working at his regular business much time has also been found for literary work. The library and historical collection which Bro. Stone possesses surprised the writer, as it has many noted men who have for the first time seen it. Bro. Stone has spent all his spare time and substance in making this vast collection. The library contains about twenty-five hundred volumes. Three hundred and forty books pertain to Burgoyne's campaign, and about four hundred to the American Revolution. More than forty volumes have been translated from German into English by his ready pen. In addition, he has written a number of valuable works, among which are "History of New York City," "Reminiscences of Saratoga and Ballston," "Campaign of General Burgoyne and St. Leger's Expedition," "The Life and Times of Sir William Johnston, Bart.," "Life and Writings of Col. William L. Stone," (his father), "Historical Guide Book of Saratoga Springs," "Genealogy of the Stone Family," and many others, all of which are valuable historical works.

In addition to this work, he has contributed at least eighty articles to Appleton's Biographical Cyclopædia. Among the number was a sketch of his chum, Col. John Hay. He also writes for the Smithsonian publications, to which he has in the past supplied much matter of great scientific and historical value. He is also a frequent contributor to the popular literary magazines of the day. At the present time his labors are devoted to the life of Gov. George Clinton, which will soon be issued in two large octavo volumes.

Bro. Stone was elected secretary of the Saratoga Monument Association in 1870, the date of its incorporation, and is one of the original trustees and incorporators. He still holds the position, and it can be justly said that he is the only man living who could have so ably filled it. It is probably due to this position that his attention has been so inde-

fatigably directed to the collection of data on the American Revolution. In 1877, October 17th, at the laying of the corner stone of the Saratoga monument, the centennial of Burgoyne's surrender, Stone delivered the historical address, in the presence of 40,000 people.

In 1876 the United States Centennial Commission appointed Stone Centennial Historian for the State of New York. In connection with this work he received autograph letters from the President, Cabinet, United States Senators and Congressmen, the Governors of all States and the entire Centennial Commission. This is probably the most complete, if not the only, collection of Centennial autographs in existence.

The task of collecting such a library as Stone's would be the work of an ordinary man's life time, and indeed it is doubtful if any man other than Stone could ever have succeeded in bringing together so much, because his creative powers have contributed the choicest part of the collection. No man can estimate the value of this library except the painstaking worker who collected it. A sentiment peculiarly apropos was found in one of his works, "Good it is to inherit a library; it is better to collect one; therefore surely he may exclaim, as in the gloaming he contemplates the backs of his loved ones, they are mine and I am theirs."

Of many of the volumes in this collection there are but two copies; one in Stone's library, the other in the British museum. Of some Stone has the only known copy. These rare books have been collected with great labor and expense, through agents in foreign countries.

Another peculiar and valuable feature is that in every possible case an autograph letter or signature has been obtained of the subjects of the biographies and bound in the book. Also numberless portraits and sketches. There are probably two thousand autographs, all of which are neatly preserved and bound. All the works in the library are bound uniformly as to size and appearance.

The editor is so thoroughly imbued with admiration for this library that pages might yet be filled with a history of its

peculiar features, but space forbids. It would take a volume to do it justice. To sum it all up, Bro. Stone's library is the rarest in this country and does credit to the nation.

To prove that the SHIELD is not alone in its admiration, permit the quotation of the following from an address delivered by the late Judge William J. Bacon, of Utica, on the Continental Congress, which appeared in the *Magazine of American History*, July, 1888 :

"I desire, as a matter of justice, to state that for the main facts connected with the passage of the resolution on Independence and the signing of the Declaration, I am indebted to the painstaking industry of my friend, William L. Stone, of New York, who has made our Revolutionary history the subject of the most indefatigable research, and who, as the result of many years of earnest and unrequited labor, possesses, in my opinion, in a set of more than 300 bound volumes, a more rare and valuable collection of documents, histories, manuscripts, autographs, etc., concerning the campaign of Burgoyne, the battles and surrender at Saratoga and the concomitant results, than is contained in any public institution, or the library of any American scholar, living or dead."

In the progress of Stone's researches for information many geological and historical specimens have fallen into his possession, of rare value, such as possessed by no other person. Even the Smithsonian is supplied with plaster casts of these self-same specimens. Col. H. B. Carrington says: "There is no other similar collection in the world, not excepting even the British Museum." These, when added to his library, make a collection of immense historic value, not computable in dollars.

That William L. Stone is recognized and acknowledged by the literary world to be a historian and literary character of note, is clearly proven by the fact that without any solicitation on his part he has been elected either an honorary or corresponding member of every literary and historical society in this country, and of all the most prominent ones in Europe, including the famous Musical and Dramatic Society of Athens, Greece, considered one of the most honored elections in the world. He has a bound collection of at least two hundred certificates of election.

Of even greater interest to Theta Deltas, he has a scrap

book collection of nearly every convention invitation; also banquet invitations and menus, and all published documents pertaining to the fraternity—something not possessed probably by any other member of the fraternity. There is no questioning the fact that Bro. Stone may justly claim the honor of being the greatest historian and literary character in the fraternity, and the SHIELD places him high on her honor roll. To all his personal honor Theta Delta Chi lays *claim*, as he is one of her most loyal sons. He is a powerfully brilliant star in the glorious constellation which puts Theta Delta Chi in the front rank of college fraternities. Theology, Horticulture, History and Literature—glorious professions—in which Theta Deltas shine forth brilliantly.

While more space has been consumed than might seem fitting to younger readers of the SHIELD, the editor feels that such a subject must have his just dues. Bro. Stone has done much for the fraternity in the years gone by. He has contributed money, brains, energy, and always was ready to fill the breach when others failed. He is and has been dearly loved for twenty-five years by the writer. He always will be so long as life shall last, and should he be summoned to join the silent Omega first, a pilgrimage will be made to his grave to shed the silent tear of affection.

Our task is done. We have not done our subject justice, but it is a source of affectionate personal pride that we have been permitted to write the first extended biography of Bro. Stone ever published. His portrait, which appears as a frontispiece to this sketch, is the first ever published. He has often been requested to permit its use in his literary productions, but has never acceded thereto. When asked for permission, he remarked, "Anything for Theta Delta Chi."

We close our labors expressing the hope that Bro. Stone may yet be spared long years to the enjoyment of the many honors which have been heaped upon him.

REMINISCENCES.

In a recent issue of the SHIELD there is an intimation of opposition to the continuance of the Grand Lodge. Old members will recall the time when the Alpha held the executive power now delegated to the Grand Lodge. In the early days of our history it was unavoidable. After a time, when charges had multiplied, much dissatisfaction was found because the parent charge had more power than all of the others. Very bitter controversies arose, and for several years our conventions were exciting. No member of the Alpha would, I think, now deny that her policy was wrong and hindered the best development of the fraternity. Jealous of her authority, she was not less arbitrary when she numbered less than enough to fill her own offices than she had been in the days of numerical prosperity, and because of the exercise of such arbitrary power caused two of our best charges to surrender their charters.

Who of the very large number present at the memorable convention at Troy, 1859, will ever forget the eloquence expended to curtail the power of the Alpha, and the not less brilliant oratory of the delegates of that charge for the continuance of "inherited rights." The Alpha won, for her long-headed founders had provided, in the constitution, that no amendment could be made without her approval. In other words, the constitution gave her the power to veto any act of the convention. Her final extinction was, probably, all that ever permitted the adoption of the present admirable elective system. Any successful effort to the centralization of power in a charge would certainly lead to jealousies, and would tend to repel that present lively interest that the graduate members are glad and anxious to maintain.

But to recur to the convention at Troy. What a galaxy of successful achievements were there foreshadowed. All of them cannot be remembered and mentioned by name, but prominent among the champions of their Alpha's "rights," "the prestige inherited from the foundation," was the brilliant Lockwood, pluming his wings for Congressional honors, and

to name Governors and Presidents in words of exquisite beauty and convincing logic at the State and National Conventions of his party; Stewart, the successful counsellor and advocate, whose plea and graceful eloquence prefigured one of the greatest legal luminaries of the Mississippi Valley; And then there was Ralston, the caustic Tristram Burgess, of the parent charge, and who delighted to hold the book of laws above his head and cry, "Behold the Constitution!" Fighting to be delivered "from the bonds of despotism," were the stately, fiery Vroom, of the Delta, who has gained renown on fields of battle and for gallant deeds is now an officer high in rank in the regular military service of our country. Another earnest champion of the same charge was Potts, who fought with all the vigor and enthusiasm of a champion for the Truth. These brothers will be remembered as conspicuous in that great two days debate. There were many others, however, who took a part, but who realized that the fight was futile with argument, and they sought by persuasion to gain the desired concession. Benevolent Ben. F. Lee, who was a kind of father to us youngsters of the Xi, then, as always, was busy to secure peace by "pouring oil upon the troubled waters," while in reality he was viewing the fight with the keenest enjoyment. And there was courteous S. Douglas Cornell, not less *apparently* anxious and urgent for harmony, but who was also experiencing the happiest moment of his life. How he did enjoy an argumentative fracas, cooling down as his antagonist became excited, and finally, with inimitable grace and with the most exasperating smile, metaphorically speaking, flooring his antagonist. Memory recalls one other, now a Federal Judge in Tennessee, and I can only speak of him as that audacious, brainy Freshman, little Dick Gibson, who rushed to the front of the fray and held his ground with the same earnestness that has characterized his later successful career.

In those days it was customary to have an oration and poem, and on this occasion conspicuous posters were displayed all over the city of Troy inviting the public to the literary entertainment at the Opera House. A few hours before the time

advertised for the exercises to begin word was received that neither orator or poet could come. Consternation ensued. Something must be done. Finally a brother, one of the New York *Herald* staff, was persuaded to prepare an oration, and a brother, whose name I have forgotten, was found to read an old convention poem by Bro. John Brougham. A splendid band of music was in attendance and the house was packed with the beauty and literary aristocracy of Troy. The exercises, excepting the music, were a fizzle, but good feeling prevailed. In fact, flirtations with the crowd of young ladies of the seminary were so entertaining as to preclude close attention and adverse criticism. It so happened that Theta Delts were reporters for the local papers and the next day's issue contained glowing accounts of "Grand Entertainment," "Poetical Inspiration," etc. Later a serenade was given to the young ladies of the seminary, which closed with as ludicrous an episode as was ever witnessed, and which will be remembered by all who were present. But as that now grey-haired head of a family might object to the mention of his name, I designate him Lothario. The grounds of the seminary were enclosed with a high iron fence, one side of which approached near to the building. Lothario sought to receive a bouquet extended by a fair hand from a window, and ascended the fence to reach it. He achieved his purpose, but in attempting to return to earth he was eaught by the broadest part of his trousers upon one of the pickets of the fence, and there he hung until released. The release, owing to the great height of the fence and a good quality of cloth, was neither easy or speedy. The band was not held responsible for hideous discords, but the smothered laughter behind the blinds was exasperating, especially to the suspended Lothario.

The convention closed with a banquet at the Troy House, at which about one hundred brothers were seated.

In those days the Troy Female Seminary was not only famous as a seat of learning, but was distinguished for having a "sisterhood" of our fraternity, which was known as Chi Delta Theta. The "badge" was a ring, the seal of which was

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tion of our shield with the order of letters reversed. It is not to be inferred that the "sisterhood" had any knowledge of our affairs. It was simply imitative—an open expression of admiration for the Delta.

In elaborateness of programme, display and "pyrotechnics," numbers in attendance and interest in the business proceedings, that convention has never been excelled. It also marked the close of the first era of our prosperity. The war soon followed, and no fraternity suffered in consequence so severely as ours, for there can be no doubt that $\Theta \Delta \chi$ was then the most popular and best known of all of the Greek letter societies in the Southern States. Not only did our charges lead in the Southern colleges, but some of our Northern drew largely from that section. But no charge suffered so severely as the Xi, as previous to that time one-half of her members were from the South, and all were enthusiastic workers and fine men.

Many cases might be mentioned of the strength that binds in Theta Delta Chi. Instances are known in which the bitterness and hatreds of our civil war vanished before the memories of that bond of friendship, pledged by the benediction of our initiation. A tragic instance of the value of this friendship occurred in Washington. Bro. King, of the Xi, was from that city. All of his interests, social and material, were at the South, and he cast in his lot with the Confederacy. Slipping through the lines of sentries around Washington on one occasion to visit his family, and possibly to gain information, he was caught, tried and condemned as a spy. All efforts for clemency, and they were many, had failed, until it came to the knowledge of Bro. Hay, private secretary to the President. Pardon was obtained and Bro. King was released.

P. C. GILBERT.

WARREN, Pa., June 15, 1890.

**REMINISCENCES OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
THE MU DEUTERON CHARGE.**

[Read at the Quinquennial Celebration, June 24, 1890.]

The first intimation that came to the writer of the organization of a new secret society in Amherst College was in February, 1885. One evening, at the close of our class gymnasium drill, the genial Tuck approached me and said in a low voice, "Call around at Sherman's room to-night at nine o'clock." There was an air of mystery in his manner that provoked curiosity, but evidently nothing further was to be said in so public a place. At the set time I called on Sherman and asked what was up. He unfolded the plan. We had thought before that there was room in college for a new society; we had felt the need of it, but fancied that for us it was too late. We were now within a few months of graduation. The plan should have been set on foot earlier. Still we felt that our college life was incomplete, unsatisfied. A closer tie was needed to bind us to men outside of our class; if it should awaken friendship for men of other colleges, so much the better. Presently Tuck came in and we put our heads together over Baird's "American College Fraternities."

A correspondence ensued with two or three of the best fraternities not represented at Amherst. One letter was addressed to the Tufts charge of Theta Delta Chi. A letter from Kappa to President Simons, of the Grand Lodge, led to an investigation of our prospects. We received first a letter, then a visit from him, and sufficient encouragement to proceed. Little by little we had been taking men of the different classes into our confidence. In our own class there were thirty non-society men, while in the whole college 115, or a little over a third of the number of students, were still outside of the seven fraternities. The most brilliant and popular men were of course already in the societies. There was, however, no difficulty in selecting fine men of good scholarship and good fellowship, if they could only be persuaded to join our undertaking. In this we were not disappointed. Some good men withheld from conscientious scruples; a few because they were lacking

in courage. The former we regretted to lose; the latter did not come up to our standard.

I fancy that our campaign, considering the large number of men interested in it, was the most secret ever carried on at Amherst, for our society was secret not merely in its inner transactions, but its very existence was still a profound secret. Our meetings were held under difficulty, and were always liable to interruptions. We often gathered informally in the north entry of North College, in Sherman's room, or with Hopkins, I believe. If some outsider entered, the subject of conversation suddenly changed. I recall one solemn conclave held in my quarters, No. 5 South. My couch was used as a divan, and we discussed affairs of state late into the night.

Thus with few incidents the work of pledging men to our prospective society steadily progressed. Our work with the Freshman class (1888), was most simple. They were large in numbers and many good men were still unclaimed by the societies. Our membership was finally completed as follows: Nine Seniors ('85); first, Sidney A. Sherman, who set the movement on foot, sometimes known as the "great-grandfather of Mu Deuteron"; second, Edward A. Tuck, his right hand man; third, the writer of these lines, who supported Sidney's left hand; also, Edward M. Woodward, father of the '85 class boy; Arthur J. Hopkins, Curtis Dean, Esq., Dr. Josiah W. Morris, Dr. Ernest H. Smith and Rev. Charles H. Longfellow. Five Juniors—Edward G. Adams, Osgood T. Eastman, Edwin Fairley, Prof. John D. Hird and Rev. James S. Young. Two Sophomores—Nelson Haskell and T. H. Harriman; and nine goodly Freshmen—A. G. Baker, George M. Brockway, Irving A. Burnap, George Cornwell, Eleazer O. Hopkins, Frank L. Garfield, Lester Marsh, Paul C. Phillips and James G. Riggs.

Finally came the 15th of June, the day set for the establishment of the charge. Tuck, who was a Mason, had won the heart of Mr. Holland, of the local lodge, and through him we obtained the use of their hall for our ceremonies, and their banqueting hall for our feast. Mr. Holland also showed us great kindness in ordering the things necessary for the "spread,"

and thus no curiosity or suspicion was aroused. The printers were also very obliging, and our programmes were printed in town without revealing the secret.

In the afternoon President Simons interviewed President Seelye and obtained his approval of our plans. In the early evening the boys gathered one by one and were admitted by the guardian of the portal. Three brothers from Dartmouth had come to assist in the initiation. By — o'clock all our company was assembled, and our guests proceeded to the organization of Mu Deuteron. Pardon me, ladies, if the details of this part of our history are omitted. Let me assure you, in passing, that everything was done properly and impressively. By ten o'clock we were a duly organized charge of Theta Delta Chi and bore the name of Mu Deuteron. While the rest of the boys were learning some of the fraternity songs under the direction of their older brothers, a few of us put the finishing touches to the banquet tables. Our feast was necessarily not an elaborate one, but it was one long to be remembered. Fruits of various kinds, with ice cream and lemonade, were the viands, and it was a most delicious spread. I remember that the first piece of furniture which we bought as a society was a prime lemon-squeezer, and it was initiated the same evening that we were. Some of the Freshmen had gathered wild flowers in the afternoon, and the table, which was set in the form of a Tau cross, was radiant with clovers, buttercups and daisies. Of the toasts and the songs I need not speak here. Are they not recorded in the book of archives of Mu Deuteron? At two o'clock we left the hall and went down to the quiet street. We had already practiced a yell in the lodge room, and now the silence of the night was broken with the new cry of "Ra; Ra, Ra; Ra, Ra, Ra; Amherst; Theta, Delta, Chi." Up the street we marched to the Ψ Γ House, and there again we raised our pæan. Again we advanced to College Hill, and once more we lifted our shout of triumph. At last our secret was an open one. Our first task was accomplished. Mu Deuteron of Theta Delta Chi was now entered upon a career of usefulness and joy.

F. L. PALMER, '85.

UPON ALCYONE.

I wish I were upon Alcyone,
 Listening, ethereal days of vanishment,
 Unto the harmony of God. He spake
 That all the world should sing in unison,
 Even as ye would that men should unto you,
 Do ye to each even the least of things.

Alcyone, Oh fond Alcyone,
 Thou art the only orb the Master made,
 Whereon the Great Composer's fairest hymn
 Is sung by men with full-voiced harmony.
 Alcyone, Oh fond Alcyone,
 Wooed by strong Neptune: bright Apollo's moon!
 Alcyone, Oh fond Alcyone,
 Would I might linger ever on thy name.
 Within thy starlit dells no discord steals,
 Never one note that tells of human pain.
 All inequality of men, all bitterness,
 Melt from thy bounds like glaciers at the sea.

On fair Alcyone there is no greed—
 For why should men have greed for what all have?
 We do not envy yellow Gold himself
 When we are rich as he, and we can mate
 His shining beauty in our well-lined purse,
 Nor do we plot to ruin our brother man,
 When we can sympathize with misery,
 And feel the arrow stinging in our heart
 That slew our brother. O foul Greed
 Thou untamed curse of men. Thou hidest well
 Thy bloody fangs and thou art called fair names,
 Yet in whatever shape thou showest thy face,
 We recognize thee—subtlest curse of men.

And thou, Oh Poverty, most cruel shape,
 In spite of all that poets find to praise
 Thou art all foul within. Of all the sins
 That men have sinned, because of thee were named
 Upon the whitest scroll within the heaven,
 It would turn black as night without a star.

What horrid shape is this that speeds along
 Riding a chariot of flame! Ah Cruelty—
 Whate'er thy wanton shape—thou human thing—

I know thee: crushing the life out
 Of all who fall in prayer before thy course,
 Clutching thy chariot wheels: searing the hearts
 Of all who feel thy flames! Monster of earth,
 How long, Oh God, how long must Cruelty
 Rule all thy worlds but fair Alcyone!

Alcyone, Oh blest Alcyone,
 How sweeter art thou than all lands beside!
 In all thy fair domains no field of war
 Has ever been or can be. The loud drum,
 The bugle shrill have never been debased
 To steel the breast to murder. Pompous war!
 In all thy glory thou art murder still!
 The fairest rouging thou canst give thy cheeks,
 Too much resembles blood—thy soul shows through.

How peaceful is it here to lie and feel
 No sorrow ever bursts within thy realm—
 No crime, that godless necessary act
 That has its rise in centuries of wrong,
 Crime, that draws close the heart strings and shuts out
 All noblest sentiment, each highest aim,
 And shuts in only bitterness and death—
 No wretched failures, errors of the earth,
 Wise in its own conceits and social forms;
 Men toil for good of all, thus good of each
 Is but the keynote of their happiness.
 Thou disappointing thing! Thou canst not here
 Rear thy triumphant head and glorify
 Thy cruel success over a brother man—
 The mantle of sweet Charity is here
 And charity is greatest of the three.
 Sweet charity how far art thou from earth,
 Sporting in grottos of Alcyone,
 Where not a taint of tyranny of thought,
 Even molests thy singing all day long.
 The thoughts of men were made to be as free
 As was the soil—yet both have been enslaved.
 Has immemorial theft a righteousness,
 Or can the centuries allot to one
 That which is justly all men's heritage?
 Do thy weak lambs forever wear no fleece,
 And shivering bleat and die while God ordain
 A few strong rams shall wear the warmth of all!
 This is no work of God but it was born

Deep in the selfish heart of savage men,
 When might was right—nay, rather when it is.
 Are we forever doomed to wander thus
 Like poor dumb brutes and thank the gracious God,
 For the keen wind that pierceth to our hearts,
 And then hath chilled us for a thousand years;
 No, no, God hail the coming day when all
 The wealth shall be to all and none to *none*.
 Debauchery of man and womanhood
 How old art thou and yet how terrible!
 Let all men fear thee, for our fairest flowers
 All withered, lie before thy blasting touch!
 Yet brutal shape, thou too wouldst disappear
 If, only, man's surroundings were more fair.
 Man's sin and wretchedness is not inborn,
 Nor yet rests in stars nor fates beyond—
 It lies in social chains, that like the web,
 Enfold us struggling insects in a mesh.

Alcyone, Oh realm of quiet peace
 Where sunshine rests upon a thousand hills,
 And not a dell nor cave within thy bounds
 That is not radiant as is light herself,
 Thou sweet Alcyone, I'll lay me here
 Where brooks are tinkling over pebbly beds,
 And then I'll follow on the wings of thought
 To the far open glades and free retreats.
 How blest this spot! Why am I here at peace?
 Why drudge no more at uncongenial tasks
 That chained my soul on earth? Forsooth,
 Here is all freedom in *full* government,
 In law for *all* and for no man, no law.
 How blissfully shall steal their lives away,
 When all men are contented with their lots.

Upon the wave a shallop floats along—
 I lie between its hollow swelling tides
 In fond content. How sweet the fields, that lie
 On either side for many an eagle's flight,
 With pansies pied and poppies all asleep,
 Whose souls commune with mine and say, "'Tis peace."
 Faster and faster still my shallop fair,
 Skims o'er the waves like falcons on the wing,
 But touches not. Now am I winging high
 Upon fair pinions never spread before,
 And soaring on the air all zephyrless.

How sweetly pass the dreamy hours away
 Upon these lazy billows of cloud lakes !
 Some shepherds rove below me on the hills
 And hold sweet converse with fair daffodils—
 For daffodils, upon Alcyone,
 Are all alive, corporeal, as we—
 And thus I found the days of each were fair:
 Within this model realm so free as air,
 Each came to know the other, and the souls
 Of men and flowers—all things that God controls,
 Fair birds and silvery fishes and dumb brutes
 Commune in harmony with hearts like lutes,
 And then I saw a palace spreading wide:
 Its walls of crystal air outshone in pride
 The fondest gems that grace Golconda's caves,
 Or sleep with open eyes in ocean waves.
 And thro, the walls—for here are none to care,
 Can you divine ? There are no secrets where
 There are no sins. The eye may freely rove
 'Twixt many a colonnade and fair alcove,
 'Neath domes of *alabaster* wrought in gold,
 And *turkoi's blue* that *ebon* does enfold.
 Far in the distance of a vast concave,
 That high uprears its mighty architrave,
 Inwrought in pearls translucent, starry bright,
 OMEGA stands: such is this palace hight:
 'Neath this the SHIELD of Theta Delta Chi.
 Fair friendship, Oh fair Goddess; Thou most high
 Art queenly secret of Alcyone.
 All fairness of the world is due to thee.
 This is thy palace fair, whence rays of light
 Sweep to the battle with powers of right,
 And banish every plague spot from thy realm:
 All men are rich where thou dost hold the helm.
 Nor prince nor pauper owns Alcyone,
 But all own all. This is the brilliancy
 Of matchless government. The perfect rule
 Of God extends even to the tiniest jewel
 Of humankind within his vast domain ;
 So are all earthly rulings most humane,
 And liberty and brotherhood assured
 When wise and perfect laws, in thought matured,
 An omnipresent and omnipotent.
 Alcyone, Oh land of sweet content,

Where souls of Theta Delts forever dwell;
 Ruling a model state! Sweet infidel,
 Thou art a banished heroine from our earth—
 But time shall be when even here, the mirth
 And sparkling joyousness of thy bright eyes
 Shall overrule and all wrong exorcise.

Alcyone, Oh fond Alcyone!
 Down to thy starry palaces I fall
 And enter in to grip the friendly hands
 That planned so radiant a world as thine.
 I hear the prophets in thy halls of light,
 Swearing that days like thine shall come to all
 The large-eyed planets that swim round the sun,
 To all the cyclopean systems one by one,
 Circling about the bright Alcyone.
 Oh haste the time when earth may know the boon
 And carry into wide and full effect,
 The principles of Theta Delta Chi!

Ah, Edward Bellamy, our work foreran,
 Thy godlike teaching by full fifty years;
 And, were the mystic letters of our shield
 The watchword of all souls upon the earth,
 Thy happiest visions could not then surpass,
 The fond reality of this our realm.

Alcyone, Oh fond Alcyone!
 Let me but linger in thy velvet dells,
 And play within the summer of thy hills,
 Till all the worlds have banished pain and tears.
 Then on the wings of morning I may trace
 Amid glad hearts in all the radiant worlds,
 The godly work—the echoing battle cry
 Of our fair goddess, Theta Delta Chi.

—C. H. PATTERSON.

TURNER'S FALLS, JUNE 8, 1890.



DELTA UPSILON RECORD.

The May number of Delta Upsilon *Quarterly* takes up the SHIELD on the subject of priority of issue, and after quoting it almost entire, reproduces the first page of the SHIELD from our print in the last number, and alongside of it the first four pages of the *Record*, and writes as follows :

"Though the size, table of contents, number of pages, etc., are not given, the reproduction of the title page definitely places the magazine. So much for Theta Delta Chi, now for Delta Upsilon. We have in our possession a *forty* page pamphlet, bound in a cover of gold and blue, six by nine inches in size, whose title page reads : 'Vol. I, October and April, 1867-68, Nos. 1 and 2. *Our Record*. Published by the Delta Upsilon Fraternity. Editors : Henry Randall Waite, Hamilton Chapter; Nelson B. Sizer, New York Chapter, New York; Baker & Goodwin, Printers, Printing House Square. 1868.'"

Here follows a list of all the articles published in the number, after which the editor continues :

"In order that the comparison between the SHIELD and *Our Record* can be made more easily, we have had reproduced the title page of the SHIELD and four pages of *Our Record*—the latter being reduced to one-fourth of original size. From these plates it is conclusively shown that Delta Upsilon's *Our Record* was more than a year in advance of the SHIELD."

The editor here diverges from the subject in hand and refers to fraternity colors. We give his extract in another column, with comments. He concludes his article with the following, assuming our phraseology in a recent issue :

"Our friends of Theta Delta Chi should note these facts and would be entirely excusable if they should courteously cease to claim the honor of having been the first to publish a fraternity magazine or the first to adopt emblematic colors.'"

In an editorial on the same subject the editor repeats the assertion and deduces his conclusions in these words :

"An interesting matter to all Greeks is the attempt to substantiate Theta Delta Chi's claim that she published the first fraternity periodical. To silence the doubting Thomases the first page of the first number (issued in July, 1869) is photographically displayed. It was a four-column publication, but the writer does not state its exact size, or the number of pages. This sample page, with four of Delta Upsilon's *Our Record* of 1867-68, we have had reproduced, and will be found elsewhere in this

issue. From these plates it will be clearly seen that Delta Upsilon is entitled to the honor of having published the first fraternity magazine."

In reply we have to state that we were not before aware that any college society had antedated Theta Delta Chi in the publication of college or fraternity literature. We concede the point without argument, but respectfully note that this does not in any way affect our position or statement. We repeat that so far as at present known, Theta Delta Chi published the first *fraternity magazine*, and Delta Upsilon, then known as the *anti-secret society*, published the first *anti-fraternity magazine*. Delta Upsilon, in those days, would not allow herself to be recognized as a fraternity, but rather as the society inimical in every way to the regular fraternities. In fact, it was known as the "sour grapes" society. Seeing the falseness of her position, the society resolved itself into a fraternity, and is now recognized as such, and her quarterly can justly be styled a fraternity magazine. It is, however, far-fetched to claim in this day an honor which was loudly repudiated in 1867—even for the sake of being admitted to have been the first to print a fraternity magazine.

A strange fact is noticeable. On the title page appears, "Published by the Delta Upsilon FRATERNITY." In those days the claim of this society was that it was not a fraternity, but an *open* society, and upon the ground of opposition to all Greek letter fraternities (literally secret societies), the bulk of their membership was obtained. The writer's personal recollection enables him to state this proposition as an absolute fact, and while he was in college it was common knowledge that those who were either antagonistic to fraternities on general principles or became artificially tainted with such sentiments while in college, from failure to receive "a bid" to join any of the regular fraternities, could and did join Delta Upsilon. In fact, the entire membership in those days was composed of a mixture of the two classes. When Delta Upsilon decided to drop the role and become a *secret* order like the others, then she became a fraternity, in the common acceptance of the term, and from this time should the *Quarterly* date as a fraternity magazine.

Next !

THE SHIELD OF PHI KAPPA PSI
versus
THE THETA DELTA CHI SHIELD.

The June number of the Phi Kappa Psi *Shield* opens up with an article under the above caption. It starts out with the following :

“ We have purposed for some time to publish the following excerpt from a recent issue of the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD, and to append a comment or two relative to the matters therein discussed, and avail ourselves of the present opportunity to lay the matter fully before the readers of the *Shield* ” :

Here follows in full our article which appears on page 43 of present volume. After which the editor proceeds to dilate as follows :

“ We infer from the foregoing that our contemporary ‘rests his case’ and pauses for a reply. Before we attempt any answer, let us briefly restate the matter as it appears to us.

The editor of a journal devoted to the interests of a fraternity which permits it to die four times, and then revives it only by making it practically the personal property of an individual member of the fraternity, modestly asks us to relinquish the title which we have honorably won by a continuous publication of our journal for more than ten years. The grounds of the request are these : In 1869 three members of $\Theta \Delta X$ issued one copy of a little pamphlet which was called THE SHIELD. Three months later one of these gentlemen, in company with another Theta Delt, engaged in the publication of another paper, which, so far as appears in the above statement, had no distinct connection with $\Theta \Delta X$, at least none of an official character. Twelve years and a half pass by and another enthusiastic member of the fraternity, as an individual enterprise, published the SHIELD, getting a fresh start by naming the first issue Vol. I, No. 1, and this journal lived through two years, with eight issues. In January, 1886, death again overtook the unfortunate struggler, until enthusiast number three appeared with a brief flash of one issue in September, 1886, called Vol. III, No. 1.

In February, 1888, the SHIELD became official, and has since appeared with reasonable regularity three and four times a year, though its moribund condition may be inferred from the peculiar style with which advertisements of corn medicine, Poud’s Extract, Havana cigars and what not are sandwiched in between editorials, college and fraternity notes, and among other regular literary matter.

The *Shield* came into existence in November, 1879, and from its first issue was the accredited mouthpiece of the fraternity, though the financial responsibility was borne by two brothers, Edgar F. Smith and Otis H. Kendall, both now in the faculty of the University of Pennsylvania. These brothers published three volumes upon their own account, when the Grand Arch Council relieved them of the burden and placed the publication of our official organ in the hands of Ohio Beta chapter, which body chose the present editor to conduct the paper, a position he has since filled, except for the two years that our journal was in the hands of Kansas Alpha.

The Theta Delta Chi SHIELD rests its whole case, as it appears to us, upon the fact that an enthusiastic $\Theta \Delta X$ issued a fugitive pamphlet in 1869, so little known that it was only by accident that the present generation have been permitted to gaze upon it. In 1884, a year after the *Shield* had become *de jure* the organ of $\Phi K \Psi$, and five years after it had begun to exist in that capacity *de facto*, our fellow Greeks of the $\Theta \Delta X$ persuasion raise an outcry that we have unrightfully possessed ourselves of what naturally was theirs, and as if to fasten their preposterous claim to priority, inserted on the title page of their journal, 'FOUNDED IN 1869; RE-ESTABLISHED IN 1884.'

Up to the latter date the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD had appeared, all told, *once!* Our journal had existed five years, and had appeared thirty-six times! We were blissfully unconscious of trespass until late in 1884, when through the kindness of the editor of the *Beta Theta Pi*, who had been our college chum, and who in some manner got a glimpse of the SHIELD, which was raising the outcry at our piracy (?), we were informed that a formal demand would be made for us to haul down our sign.

Nothing daunted, month by month and year by year, the *Shield* reflected the lustre of its brightness on $\Phi K \Psi$ and such other members of the Greek fold as desired it, for we have never in our history indulged in the superlative folly of attempted *sub rosa* issue, until the year of our Lord 1888, when again we are startled by the reappearance of the many lived SHIELD, which in many ways from then till now has tried its hardest to frown us down as an awfully improper person, 'don't you know,' actually daring to use a title made sacred in the dim past by a little pamphlet whose very existence even $\Theta \Delta X$'s only knew by tradition until 1890, when by photographic process they were permitted to gaze upon the venerable document through the medium of the SHIELD.

Come, come, neighbor of the SHIELD, let us hear no more of the miserable pretense of priority of publication.

The *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi has a mission, and for these ten years past has been lustily endeavoring to fulfill it, with no recourse for revenue to patent medicine, corn cures, or cigar advertisements, in its literary departments. The members of $\Phi K \Psi$ love it, support it and pay the editor handsomely for his services, and would be sadly at a loss if it did

not appear ten times each college year. We have no quarrel with $\Theta \Delta \chi$ or her SHIELD; we regret as sincerely as we can that your fraternity has not supported its publications in the past, and feel, as a fellow journalist, heartily ashamed that the earnest efforts you are putting forth meet with no heartier response. We need not conflict. Our paths are separate. If you are troubled by the confusion (?) you have our permission to call your journal anything you please. Since the tremendous onslaughts which have been made *in re* the *Shield*, we shall not be surprised to hear you attempt an injunction against our badge, or any paraphernalia of Greekdom in which the semblance of the shape of a shield appears, unless forsooth it antedate 1847. If a like argument *in re* badge were to be instituted against yourselves, how would you defend yourselves?"

Before proceeding to reply *seriatim* to this "effusive effusion," permit the editor to state that he does not consider the subject worth the room it takes up, and it is only given for the sake of defending a principle of equity, for which college fraternities as a class have little regard. Apropos of this same subject is the Kappa Sigma *Star and Crescent* comment on another page. Before we cross swords with the Phi Psi editor, we wish to shake hands and assure him that no personal feeling is at stake, no slurs or unkind words are meant, but we shall use the English language plainly and then subside. Facts are stubborn things, not always pleasant but nevertheless true. So far as the editor is concerned, or for that matter the entire fraternity, it makes no conceivable difference whether the *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi changes its name or not, but right is right, and Phi Kappa Psi has no right to the name. But to proceed *seriatim* in reply. In regard to "resting our case," the article in question was not written to stir up anybody's ire, or even to seek comment, but simply to give to the fraternity a true and explicit history of her journal. The two line remark that has elicited all this labor on the part of the Phi Psi editor was really intended as a pleasant drive on a brother editor. We cannot calmly sit by, however, and let such a batch of stuff be hurled at us without sallying forth in self-defense. It makes no difference when the SHIELD was first issued, or by whom, or how many times, the fact of priority exists and the title, *de jure* and *de facto*, rests in Theta Delta Chi, because the SHIELD issued in 1869 was *not* "a fugitive pamphlet" issued

by an enthusiastic Theta Delt, as is erroneously stated by Phi Psi, but the official journal of the fraternity, authorized and directed by its convention of 1868 and published by its *Grand Lodge*. The one bona fide issue gave us a trade-mark to the name, which we have a right to claim and do claim, and any fraternity using the same is guilty of piracy in fact. In this particular case it is not all the piracy the aforesaid fraternity is guilty of. They have pirated our badge as well. It might have originally been "ignorant piracy" in both cases. We notice, however, that when the ignorance was dispelled no effort was made to remedy the matter. The second piracy is the natural outcome of the first. In order to complete this question at this point we note Phi Psi's last query as to how we would defend ourselves if a like argument were raised against us "*in re* badge?" Without hesitation we answer that if it could be said of us that we had copied any other fraternity in selecting the shield as an emblem—although we have held undisputed and unquestioned title to it for forty-three years—the writer would ask the next convention to drop any part or factor of the badge (or all of it if necessary), which infringed against any other fraternity's priority, and the assertion is ventured that it would be changed. If not, the writer would disown the fraternity. We would respectfully note that Theta Delta Chi has tried to avoid patterning after any other society, and has yet to be charged with so doing.

This rests our case so far as title goes. We do not suppose any benefit or change will be effected thereby, and it makes little difference. We can rest serene in the consciousness that we became possessed of both the "Shield badge" and "Shield journal" honorably, without treading upon anybody's toes. We shall not worry Phi Psi, and hope the subject will be dropped, honors easy, with the public understanding that "THE SHIELD" always means "the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD," and the "*Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi" means what it says.

In regard to the "moribund condition," the editor does not like to apologize, but many journals have been so free to criticize that which was really none of their business that

we must rise in explanation. These particular reading notices of advertisements were prepared with the expectation that they would all be inserted together at the last end of short items. After the galley proofs had been read the editor was taken suddenly sick and for two days was confined to bed. During this time the printer made up the pages and mixed these advertisements with other matter, anywhere it would fit in, and printed the forms. When sufficiently recovered to return to duty, a sight of them probably shocked the editor as much as any one else, but the issue was late and "we let it slide." Maybe you will know how it is yourself some day. Does that satisfy you? The "money chest" of the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD has enough in it to print the largest and best fraternity magazine now issued by any fraternity, and is doing it. She puts her money into the journal instead of into the editor's pocket. The editor is willing to work without remuneration.

The Phi Psi's regret that the fraternity has not supported its journal calls forth the following general remarks, which hit Theta Delta Chi as well as others. The success of a fraternity journal depends not upon the fraternity but upon the editor, in almost every instance. A very dry, insipid publication may be made to succeed by a pushing editor. A really meritorious and brilliantly edited journal will die a quick death if left to run itself. The "merit will win" theory sounds very nice, but lots of "elbow grease" helps it amazingly. Lastly, our paths are separate and the tail does not often wag the dog.

THE PHI BANQUET.

On the evening of June 23d occurred a banquet of the Phi charge to commemorate the twenty-third year of her existence. Plates were spread for twenty-four, of which twelve were graduates. W. N. Stem, '68, Frank W. Stewart and Clay W. Holmes, '69, Charles H. Baldwin, '70, B. Douglass, jr., '71, Dr. H. S. Smith, '72, Dr. H. D. Michler, '76, John Markle, '80, J. W. Campbell, '82, Prescott Adamson, '83, George T. Carter, '84, L. S. Clymer, '85, and the following active mem-

bers of the charge: C. K. Read, '90, R. C. Bryant, A. J. Weisley, W. L. Sanderson and A. E. Keigwin, '91, E. L. Meyers, Wayne Dumont, E. A. Loux and W. A. Jones, jr., '92, E. C. Chamberlin, W. LaMonte and G. G. Honness, '93.

At eleven o'clock the jolly Phi boys gathered around the festive board and renewed the old joys while the elegant menu was being served. When faithful work had satiated the hungry mortals, Frank W. Stewart, as master of the feast, opened up with his usual grace and masterly eloquence, and the following toasts were responded to:

Theta Delta Chi, by W. N. Stem.
 The Old Phi, Clay W. Holmes.
 The Phi Reorganized, A. J. Weisley.
 The Alumni, Benj. Douglass, jr.
 The Ladies, E. A. Loux.
 The Omega, Wayne Dumont.
 Alma Mater, C. K. Read.

Many of the older members of the Phi who fully intended to be present, were prevented at the last moment. Telegrams of regret were received from Izzie Pardee, Stanhope, N. J.; and Frank S. Rice, Aspen, Col.; and letters from J. M. Harris, Pottsville, Pa.; L. P. Appleman, Denver, Col.; Howard F. Smith, Elkhart, Ind.; P. C. Kauffman, Vancouver, Wash.; Casper Dull, Harrisburg, Pa.; Daniel C. Herr, Harrisburg, Pa.; Alex. H. Sherrerd, Scranton, Pa.; James Verner Long, Pittsburg, Pa.; also from several invited guests from other charges.

Bro. Kimball's Theta Delta cigarettes were not wanting to complete the "fraternal spirit" of the banquet. Some of those present had not met for more than twenty years and the reunion of these brothers was indeed a joy to behold. It did us all good to be there. The only regret was that every member of the Phi could not have been present. The universal verdict at the close was that every one had been doubly repaid for the effort made to be present. For the benefit of the older members of the Phi the editor is constrained to print under correspondence the letter of Bro. J. M. Harris. It will make good reading for any one, but to the editor, who was one

of his "boon companions" in college, and who had not heard in twenty years whether he was alive or dead, and who aches for a sight of his old familiar "phiz," this letter was indeed a "Rip Van Winkle" leaf of the past, and as it was read, the editor was a boy again with "Dear old Jack."

This sketch would not be complete without mention of the beautiful singing of the active members, who made the welkin ring with the familiar old songs. During the response to the "Old Phi" the speaker presented the charge with a neatly framed sketch of the fraternity pin drawn by himself in water colors in 1867, and one of the oldest relics of the charge.

It was with feelings of regret that after a very happy reunion the old boys said good-bye to each other and hurried away, once again to take up the thread of the "after life," which had been so completely forgotten in the few short hours we were together.

MU DEUTERON.

Mu Deuteron celebrated her Quinquennial by a reception and appropriate literary exercises on Class Day, June 24, 1890. Bro. Palmer, '85, presided and read some reminiscences of the founding of the Amherst charge. Bro. Camp, '89, gave an account of the first year's work and successes. Bro. Avery, '91, delivered a short oration on the value of college fraternity life. In his remarks he alluded touchingly to Bro. Henderson, who was called last winter to the Omega charge, and in memory of whom Mrs. Walker, of Amherst, a kind friend of Mu Deuteron, had sent a beautiful basket of forget-me-nots. Fraternity songs were interspersed and dancing preceded and followed. Many friends of the graduating brothers were present and many Amherst ladies who are loyal to Mu Deuteron. One pleasant feature was the announcement that Mu Deuteron had taken seven and one-half prizes during the year, including two Greek, two Latin and two German prizes.

CHAPTER HOUSE FUNDS.

As a natural sequence, to the furore for Chapter Houses, which at present is the ultimatum of all chapters of every fraternity, whether weak or strong, comes the question of ways and means. That Chapter Houses are beneficial and desirable is at once conceded without a question. The SHIELD is heartily in favor of them and will rejoice to see the day when every college in the land can say that each fraternity dwelling within its borders has a Chapter House.

The Greek press is just now teeming with suggestions as to how active chapters may best go to work to secure and pay for their houses. It seems a little strange to the writer that colleges have never grasped the idea that every Chapter House building was an additional monument to the life and vitality of the institution. Hardly any recognition has been vouchsafed, and in some instances, efforts to build have been frowned upon or hindered by college faculties.

It would naturally seem to an alumnus of twenty-five years ago, as he looks back upon things as they were then, and compares them with the present condition of college societies that the faculty of any college would not only hail with delight the advent of a new Chapter House building, but also come forward with offers of assistance. In the days of the writer's active college life—a fraternity Chapter House was a luxurious rarity only enjoyed by a very few of the fortunate societies.

Theta Delta Chi had one "hall" of which we were very proud. To-day Chapter Houses are a necessity. The character of the Chapter Houses which are now being constructed is such that they are an ornament to any institution. They are pointed out as the most distinguishing features of the college. To build such houses requires more capital than can be provided by the active members of any fraternity. The first great obstacle is a nice plot of ground which will make a suitable location. In the mind of the writer the colleges would be entirely justified in donating land enough for every society to locate its building upon. The funds could not be

devoted to any use which would strengthen the institution more. It would also give the faculty a moral interest in, and control over the buildings which would seem very desirable and entirely proper. All Chapter Houses should be located upon college grounds or very near them. In any event there should be such a degree of sympathy between the chapters and the faculties as would suggest the application to them for counsel and approval, in the light of courtesy. We have wandered from our text to present some facts not yet suggested by other writers. The question of funds is the all absorbing topic. Several journals have suggested Fraternity building and loan associations. The ideas presented, although crude, possess one merit throughout: the keeping of our business within ourselves and the presentation of some scheme which will obviate the necessity of leaning entirely upon a few wealthy graduate brothers. Another point is commendable. It is a bad plan to incur a debt, the possible payment of which can not be discovered in the near future. If boys in college are led into such a rash move, it sows the seed of error which some day may lead some of the same young men into hopeless debt and ruin. We might better not have the Chapter Houses if we can not pay for them. It is among the possibilities that the weakest chapter can erect and pay for a good house. Such a plan as will accomplish this possesses also the added merit of instilling economy and the habit of saving small sums.

They may properly be called the successors of Savings Banks, as in reality they are Savings Banks with variations. The writer has had many years experience in this line. One of the oldest associations of this character in existence is located in this city and the editor has been on its financial board for over ten years. He is also vice-president of another association of the same character. The experience of these associations is that more than six per cent. can be earned on the money invested and the payments on stock are small. The payment of five dollars per month carries capital stock equivalent to \$1,000, at maturity. This capital stock can be borrowed upon. If its full face is loaned the payment including

interest becomes \$10.00 per month. The proper way to go about building a house is to accumulate a fund before the building is projected. This matter will be presented to the next convention and fully explained. An intelligent delineation of the plan would occupy more space than we have at our command. The attention of charges is called to it for consideration. The delegates can communicate the plan to the charges after the convention.



Our Graduates.

NOTE.—This department we intend to make a special feature of THE SHIELD, and to insure its completeness we desire *every graduate* to aid us by contributing such items of information—no matter how trifling they may seem—about members of the fraternity, the current happenings with themselves or their families, or matters affecting their interests, as promptly as they occur or come to their ears. We would like to keep *au courant* with and pleasantly mention every graduate member and will be glad to do so if our wishes are fulfilled.—EDITOR.

John Adams Johnson, Hobart, '62, was the first president of the Grand Lodge. He was a classmate of Bro. P. C. Gilbert, who succeeded him as second president. Both were initiated into the fraternity at the same time, both entered the army at the same time, serving as line officers of the same company in the 50th regiment, N. Y. Vols. Later on Johnson was transferred to the signal corps. Soon after leaving the army Bro. Johnson was elected a member of the New York Stock Exchange, and remained such till his death. Brother Gilbert writes of him: "Jack was not demonstrative but he was a faithful, generous friend to those he liked. There was no hypocrisy in his make up. Physically he was without fear. This reminds me of an incident in the first week of his college life. Hazing, in those days, was rampant. Jack, as a Freshman, in *appearance*, was typical of a class—tall, slim and awkward, and he was thought to be just the subject for Sophmoric discipline. Coming from chapel, one day, a muscular Soph.—probably the best Sullivan of his class—offered him some common indignity, which 'discipline' was not taken kindly although smilingly. A ring was formed in a second, and in almost a second of time the Soph. picked himself up from a position horizontal to the horizon, and his astonished, sympathetic friends brought water as a styptic for him a hemorrhage of the nose. Jack's smile, I'll guarantee, is remembered to this day, by all who saw that fracas. It was his only hazing until *he* became a Soph. and then he was the most *conscientious* of his class." Brother Johnson, as the first president of the Grand Lodge, was a good creative and executive officer. Being called upon during the introductory trial of an entirely new form of government which was entirely original—no other fraternity having a similar—it became necessary for him to interpret all its provisions and decide momentous questions, without the aid of any precedent. The editor can speak intelligently as he had the honor of being the Secretary of the same grand lodge, and Bro. Johnson's co-worker. Well does he remember how Bro. Johnson would leave his business to work in behalf of the fra-

ternity. Ever prompt in correspondence, ready at all times to heed a call to duty, he made a record second to none among his many able successors.

Merritt Caldwell Fernald, Bowdoin '61, was born May 26, 1838, at South Levant, Penobscot county, Maine, where he resided during his course at Bowdoin college, upon which he entered in August, 1857. Left fatherless in early childhood, he obtained his education mainly through his own exertions, teaching four terms of school before his admission to college, and seven terms during the four years' course, most of this work being in the high school grade. He was graduated in 1861, receiving first honors, and election to the Phi Beta Kappa society at that time, three years later the Master's Degree in course, and in 1881 from his alma mater the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. After graduation he continued his work of teaching in and near his native town until the spring of 1863, when he became principal of Gould's academy in Bethel, Maine, where he remained a year and a half, resigning his position for the purpose of pursuing post-graduate studies at Harvard college, where he also acted for two winters as assistant to Prof. J. P. Cooke. In the spring of 1865 he assumed the charge of the academy in Houlton, Maine, retaining it till the autumn of 1866, when he was chosen principal of a similar school in Foxcroft, Maine. Accepting this position he retained it until the opening of the Maine State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts in 1868. He was then elected professor of mathematics and Physics in that institution, where he also served for the next three years as acting president. After carrying on the work of this professorship for ten years, in 1879 he was chosen to the presidency of the college which position he has held since that date. In politics he is a Republican, in religion a Congregationalist. He married, August 24, 1865, Mary Lovejoy Heywood, of Bethel, Maine, and has five children.

T. Guilford Smith, R. P. I., '61, was elected a member of the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York by the last Legislature. He was appointed a member of the standing committee on finance at the first meeting of the board after his election. Bro. Smith is in every way deserving of the honor. An extensive personal was published in the April number of the current volume, page 50.

Martin Van Buren Ward, Hamilton, '65, was one of the "old fellows" who returned to enjoy the twenty-fifth reunion of his class at the recent commencement. Bro. Ward is Psi's oldest member, and he seemed as pleased to see the "home" in Clinton as he was to meet his old classmates; for he had not been in the old college town for twenty-two years and had not known of the prosperity of the fraternity. His whereabouts had been unknown during all this time and his visit was like the finding of a long lost son. Since his graduation he has been engaged in producing crude petroleum in the oil regions of Pennsylvania and has met

with good success. His home, nicely situated in the midst of the sentinel-like derricks at Duke Centre, Pa., is a bright spot for any stray Theta Delt. The latch-string is ever out and one needs but to pull it to receive a hearty welcome from "Mart" and his hospitable family. A biographical record of the class of '65 says he was noted for his many narrow escapes from death. "It is related of him that when a boy of 14 his foot became entangled in an anchor chain, as it was being thrown overboard from a lake transport, and he went to the bottom of Lake Erie; but he succeeded in disentangling himself, came to the surface and escaped by swimming. At another time during one of the summer vacations, when assisting in celebrating one of the Union victories, he was severely injured by the premature discharge of a cannon and carried the marks of the powder upon his face and hands for months afterward. During his junior year he narrowly escaped being poisoned by eating arsenic, having mistaken it for salt. But his presence of mind did not desert him, for rushing to the laboratory, he took a large dose of Fe_2O_3 , which, acting as an antidote, saved his life."

F. F. Burgin, Tufts, '80, was born in Portland, Me., May 28, 1858. He entered Tufts College in 1876. He joined Kappa soon after entering college and while in college was one of the active workers. In 1879 he left college and entered the office of the Hon. Bion Bradbury, of Portland, as a student of law. A year was spent here. Removing to Chicago, another year was studiously occupied in the office of McCleagg, Culver & Butler. He was admitted to the bar at Harlan, Iowa, where he practiced—or rather waited three months for clients to practice on. During this period he captured two victims, from one of whom he succeeded in squeezing \$1.50 and from the other 75 cents. Fearing that this unheard of prosperity would ruin the town, he shook the dust from his feet and sped away to Chicago and became a reporter on the *Chicago Daily News*. Meeting with success in this line, he was promoted to assistant city editor. He went from Chicago to Milwaukee and became city editor of the *Sentinel*, then owned by the Hon. Horace Rublee, ex-Minister to Sweden. This position he filled with credit. In 1884 he removed to New York city and took a position on the *World*, then just beginning to feel the influence of Joseph Pulitzer's energy. After three years' faithful service on this paper, he accepted the city editorship of the *Star* under William Dorsheimer. Soon after the *Press* was started he was tendered the position of city editor and accepted, owing to the fact that his political views did not harmonize with those of the *Star*. After two years' service as city editor he was complimented by a tender of the managing editor's chair, and to-day is ably filling it as successor to Robert P. Porter, Commissioner of the Census Bureau, who was editor-in-chief, and until his time was entirely taken up in Washington, gave his personal attention to all the details of the office. It is decidedly flattering to Bro. Burgin's

abilities that he was chosen to fill the place of so able a predecessor. In 1887 Bro. Burgin was married to Mrs. Marie Griswold Hanchett, of Milwaukee, Wis. We are glad Bro. Burgin is a Theta Delta. He adds one to the galaxy of stars.

Rev. Lewis Halsey, Hobart '68, is honored with the degree of Doctor of Divinity, which was conferred upon him by his Alma Mater at the last commencement. It was a graceful recognition of his scholarly attainments and a well merited honor. Many pleasant comments have appeared in the press. The following from the *Geneva Courier* of July 2, '90, we are glad to reproduce:

"Among the degrees most creditable conferred for many years by Hobart college is that of Doctor of Divinity, given to Rev. Lewis Halsey, at the recent commencement. He was graduated at Hobart in 1868, and at Rochester Theological Seminary in 1872. He was ordained at Ogden, his first pastorate, in 1872, and became pastor of the Baptist church at Farmer Village, Seneca county—a large and flourishing church—in 1874. Born in Trumansburg, a few miles south of Farmer Village, he is a son of Trumansburg church. But he is a grandson of Covert, the town in which Farmer Village is situated, and was "adopted into the family" at Farmer Village. He remains the honored pastor of the Farmer Village church, and is in the seventeenth year of his pastorate.

Dr. Halsey is widely appreciated for his admirable qualities as a preacher and pastor, and his scholarly tastes and acquirements have given him a deserved pre-eminence. He is a successful writer as well as minister of the gospel. His "History of the Seneca Baptist Association," of about three hundred pages, gives good evidence of his literary ability. It is not merely a recital of facts of ecclesiastical interest, but embraces some highly interesting chapters of early history of the Seneca Nation of Indians and of the pioneer settlement of this region. It is a book of permanent value.

Dr. Halsey's literary work, done on any and all occasions, when he could be of service to his neighbors and friends, or to the literary or other organizations which have constantly called on him, evinces a rare combination of talent. He has often written and spoken in the commencement and other exercises of Hobart college and its alumni; his tribute a year ago to the late Professor John Towler was one of the most tender and graceful of its kind that our people have ever been privileged to hear. Genevans are thus in a special sense interested in this honorary degree conferred by Hobart; it would be well if in all cases it were given as worthily.

Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Bowdoin, '58, of Lewiston, Me., entered public life very early. While yet a Senior in college he was assistant clerk in the Secretary of State's office. After graduation he studied law for a time. During the legislative session of 1860-61 he was assistant clerk of the House of Representatives. Early in 1861 he joined the Fifteenth Maine Volunteers as a private. In December of that year he received a Captain's commission. In September, 1862, he was promoted to Major, for gallant service rendered. This was quickly followed by Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel, and in 1865 Brevet Colonel. Returning to Maine at the close of the war, he was at once made Clerk of the House

of Representatives for the sessions of 1866-67. In 1868 he was elected Secretary of State, which office he held till 1872. From 1873 to 1877 he was United States Pension Agent at Augusta, Me. In 1878 he removed to Lewiston, where he still resides, and is engaged in the practice of law. In 1865 Bro. Drew was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of Bowdoin College and in the following year was made Secretary of the Board. He still holds the position. He was Commander of the Maine G. A. R. in 1889. He has been Judge of Probate in Androscoggin county since January, 1889. He is a member of the Maine Historical Society.

Hon. Melvin P. Frank, Tufts, '65, Portland, Me., is the Democratic candidate from the first Maine district for Speaker Reed's seat in the House. Barring politics, the SHIELD hopes he will get there. Bro. Frank is a leader in Maine Democracy and an honored citizen of Portland.

Herbert H. Chase, Bowdoin, '82, Brockton, Mass., studied law after leaving college, and was admitted to the bar in 1885. In 1888 he formed a copartnership with Judge Sumner, which continued till the Judge's death, in January, 1890. Since that time he has formed a copartnership with Mr. F. M. Bixby. The firm "Chase & Bixby" is located at 106 Main street, and is doing a fine law business.

Frank M. Byron, Bowdoin, '79, has been a railroad man ever since he left college. He is the Chicago City Passenger and Ticket Agent of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad Co. His office is at 66 Clark street.

Milton W. George, Hamilton, '75, is permanently located in Petoskey, Mich., engaged in the practice of law. Bro. George writes that Petoskey is the paradise of America. He invites all Theta Deltas to come that way and spend a summer. Of course that means spend it with him. It's a free invitation. The SHIELD says let us go. Whoever does visit Bro. George will be sure of a hearty welcome.

Osgood T. Eastman, Amherst, '86, resigned his position in Kansas City May 1st, to become a member of the "Searle & Hereth Co.," Pharmaceutical Chemists, of Chicago, Ill. His address is corner Jackson and Canal streets. An extended personal of Bro. Eastman was published in the April number, page 52.

L. P. Snow, Dartmouth, '76, is a full-fledged LL. B. He graduated with honors from the Columbia Law School, Washington, June 10, 1890. He received the first prize of \$50 for the best essay

Rev. A. B. Shields, Boston University, '86, after a course at the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass., was ordained to the diaconate and entered upon his duties as rector of the Mission Church of the Ascension, Waltham, Mass., June, '89. Success has attended his

labors, the congregation having greatly increased since his advent. The Bishop has honored his church by appointing the annual ordination of priests to take place there on May 22d, when Bro. Shields will, with eight others, be admitted to that sacred order.

Rev. Francis H. Robinson, Hamilton, '74, is the oldest resident of Templeton, Cal., and pastor of the Presbyterian Church. He preached the first sermon in the new town before a saloon was opened. He speaks of the climate as the best on earth. After a residence in six different states of the United States and in three different countries, he is quite competent to pass an opinion. Bro. Robinson has a wife and three children. He extends a hearty invitation to all Theta Deltas to visit him. A peculiar circumstance in connection with Bro. Robinson is that he was a resident of Elmira for a time, and only after his departure did the editor learn that he was a Theta Delt. This ignorance deprived us of making his acquaintance, and illustrates what the SHIELD might have done in the way of bringing us together. A letter just received from Bro. Robinson announces his removal to Livermore, Cal.

P. C. Kauffman, Lafayette, —, who formerly resided in Hazleton, has for several years been in Washington. He is Vice-President of the Commercial Bank, of Vancouver, of which bank Bro. George B. Markle, of Portland, Oregon, is President. If some Theta Delt would only apply for the Cashiership, this bank, at least, would be "dyed in the wool and a yard wide." As it is, however, we will go our pile on this for a good Theta Delt Bank. If any Theta Delt gets "stranded" in Washington and don't call on Bro. Kauffman, it will not be the SHIELD's fault. A hearty welcome is assured, as Bro. Kauffman has a heart as large as ox, and it is thoroughly steeped in Theta Delta Chi.

Ven. Calbraith B. Perry, Brown, '67, resigned from the Grand Lodge, owing to a severe sickness which threatened both mind and body. For some time he was almost lost sight of. After rest and restoration to health he accepted for a time the rectorship of Trinity Church, Danville, Ill. He received the appointments of Bishop of Tennessee, Archdeacon of the Diocese, and Warden of Hoffman Theological Hall, which is connected with Fiske University, Nashville, Tenn. Bro. Perry's life is a very busy one, yet his devotion to the fraternity is everlasting.

James H. Perry, R. P. I., '61, entered the Engineer Corps of the United States Navy in 1862 and has stuck to his post faithfully ever since. He can be addressed care of Navy Department, Washington, D. C.

V. Mott Pierce, Harvard, '80, has settled down to business with a vengeance. He is Secretary and Treasurer of "The American Engine Co.," Director of "Buffalo Loan, Trust and Safe Deposit Co.," and Secretary of "The World's Dispensary Medical Association of Buffalo." His personal appearance, however, does not indicate that he is borne

down with the arduous duties attendant upon these several responsible positions. He is a married man and boasts of the "class baby," of which he seems to be prouder than of all his other earthly possessions. Buffalo contains a number of Theta Deltis, among whom Bro. Pierce is a prominent factor.

Walter T. Chandler, Washington and Lee, '71, has resided in Chicago since graduation. His life has been spent in mercantile pursuits. He is a member of the firm of Franklin MacVeagh & Co., wholesale grocers. This firm is a very large one and does an extensive business. Bro. Chandler is unmarried, but otherwise happy and prospering. Put his name on your list and when you visit the great World's Fair don't fail to call on him.

Arhtur G. Hatch, Cornell, '82, left college at the end of Sophomore year and entered Harvard. Received degree of A. B. from Harvard in '84 and LL. B. in 1887. He is practicing law. His office address is No. 5 Pemberton Square, Boston.

J. M. Frost, Hobart, '84, after graduating, took up his residence in Hudson, N. Y., where he finally became Superintendent of Schools. He resigned in September, 1889, and removed to Faribault, Minn., to become instructor in elocution and composition in the Shattuck school. This is one of the largest and best equipped military institutions in the country. Bro. George C. Tanner is chaplain of the school. Faribault also boasts of another institution, "The Seabury Divinity School," which has two Theta Deltis in its faculty, Rev. J. McBride Sterrett and Rev. Charles A. Poole. Bro. Frost writes that he hopes soon to see a graduate association in the Northwest. St. Paul would be a good spot to plant one in. He is loud in his praise of the SHIELD and says he has one son who is pledged to Theta Delta Chi.

A. G. Benedict, Hamilton, '72, the Principal of Houghton Female Seminary, sailed for Glasgow, July 10th, on the Anchor line steamer *Circassia*. Mrs. Benedict accompanied him. The trip was to be of six weeks duration. From a letter received since the above was written we learn of their safe return.

George H. Wood, Union, '57, was born in Brewster, N. Y., Dec. 12, 1833. Graduated at Union in 1857, was married in 1859 to Miss Mary J. VanDuzer, of Mountainville, Orange Co., N. Y. He settled down immediately after his marriage upon the old homestead farm in Brewster and was a faithful and honorable tiller of the soil till the day of his death, which occurred June 1, 1890, from a sudden attack of apoplexy. A very kindly memory of Theta Delta Chi was cherished by Bro. Wood, and by the request of his family the SHIELD furnished an appropriate design to be carved upon his monument. Thus are Alpha's members lessening. Soon all will be gone.

Charles Poindexter, W. & M., '59, is Assistant State Librarian of Virginia, residing at Richmond.

John T. Perrin, W. & M., '55, has been a representative in the Virginia Legislature of Gloucester Co. He resides at Gloucester C. H.

Richard A. Walke, W. & M., '56, is engaged in the insurance business at Norfolk, Va., as a partner with his brother, W. Talbot Walke.

Van Taliaferro, W. & M., '54, is residing at Roanoke, Virginia, where he occupies an official position in connection with the Norfolk & Western Railroad Co.

J. Newton Murphy, W. & M., '54, was a clerk in the U. S. Pension Bureau at Washington under the Cleveland administration. He is now living at Westmoreland Co., Virginia.

W. Talbot Walke, W. & M., '55, of Norfolk, Va., is engaged in the fire, life, and marine insurance business. His business is large and has brought him wealth, we are glad to report.

Cyrus W. Grandy, W. & M., '55, of Elizabeth, N. C., is a prominent lawyer and man of influence in his locality. He was an unsuccessful candidate for Congress from his district last year.

James May, Jr., W. & M., '54, served in the Confederate army in the early part of the late war, but soon becoming badly disabled was forced to retire. His death occurred about three years ago.

James G. Gillam, '54, W. & M., was a physician in Northumberland Co., Va., and represented that county in the Legislature during the years 1873-4-5. His death occurred soon after the termination of his legislative career.

Edgar B. Montague, W. & M., '56, of Middlesex Co., Va., has been very prominent in the politics of his State. A vague rumor of his death is extant. The SHIELD would be glad to receive definite information regarding him.

William H. Graves, W. & M., '55, was in the Confederate army, and at the close of the war located at Montgomery, Alabama, where he now resides practicing law. He is still warmly remembered by his old college associates.

F. C. S. Hunter, W. & M., '55, is a prominent resident of King George's C. H., Va. He has been Commonwealth Attorney, Judge and member of the State Legislature, positions which indicate that he is held in high esteem by the community at large.

Hon. Wm. D. Bloxham, W. and M., '54, of Tallahassee, Fla., has just been nominated for State Comptroller by the Democrats of the orange grove state. Bro. Bloxham is one of the pioneers of that state. He was

elected to the state legislature in 1861, a presidential elector on the Seymour and Blair ticket in 1868, and in 1870 was elected Lieutenant-Governor. His election was a surprise to friends and foes alike. In 1872 he was an unsuccessful candidate for Governor. In 1876 he was elected Secretary of State. In 1880 he was elected Governor by 5000 majority. His term of office covered the period from 1881 to January 1885. Since that time he has been in political retirement until the present nomination. Governor Bloxham is a man of decided abilities and high character. He commands the genuine respect of all alike, and the Fraternity may well feel proud of so honorable and loyal a member.

John C. Nicolls, W. & M., '53, of Blackshear, Georgia, was born at Clinton, Jones Co., Ga., April 25, 1834; was educated at William and Mary College, Virginia; is by profession a lawyer and is also a planter; was a soldier in the confederate army during the entire war: a member of the National Democratic Convention that nominated John C. Breckenridge for President; a member of the State Constitutional Convention of 1865; the Elector of the First District of Georgia on the Seymour and Blair ticket in 1868; a member of the Georgia Senate from 1870 to 1875, serving therein as Chairman of the Committee to Investigate the Administration of Governor Bullock; President of the Senate, and came within two votes of being elected Governor; a member of the Forty-sixth and Forty-ninth Congresses, (1879-81 and 1883-85) from the First District of Georgia. Such evidences of the esteem with which he is regarded by the people and of his service to the state, will be accepted with gratification by his early friends and the fraternity.

Mott D. Ball, '53, W. & M., who died about three years ago, was U. S. Collector of Customs for the district of Alaska during the administration of President Hayes, and one of the Commissioners for that territory under President Cleveland. His wife still lives in Fairfax Co., Va., and his daughter is the wife of Lieutenant Ball, U. S. N.

Henry Gwynn, W. & M., '55, formerly of Baltimore, Md., became a civil engineer. After leaving college he held official professional positions in North Carolina for several years, and later occupied a government position in one of the departments at Washington. His subsequent history and present whereabouts are unknown.

Joseph G. Griswold, W. & M., '55, late of Petersburg, Va., abandoned the practice of law after the war and became the principal of a large female school in that city. His death took place some years ago, the precise date of which the SHIELD is unable to give.

Hon. Thomas Smith, W. & M., '55, is a son of the late William Smith, twice Governor of Virginia, and has attained almost equal prominence to his father. In addition to his former positions of Brigadier-General C. S. A., County Judge, and visitor of the University of Virginia,

he has lately been a member of the Virginia Legislature, and under President Cleveland was U. S. Land Commissioner for the territory of New Mexico. His residence is at Warrenton, Va.

J. Howard Lott, Lafayette, '73, studied medicine after leaving college, and graduated from the Jefferson Medical College in 1878. He immediately entered the regular army and was acting assistant surgeon till 1886, when he resigned and removed to Buffalo, Wyoming, where he has a fine medical practice.

Rev. David Gregg, D. D., Jefferson, '65, pastor of Park Street Church, Boston, gave the address before the Y. M. C. A., of Washington and Jefferson College at its last commencement. The doctor was a graduate from Jefferson just before its union with Washington, and the fact that twenty-five years have passed since the consolidation was effected, gave particular interest to the commencement season, one day of which was given up to the commemoration.

Irving A. Burnap Amherst, '88, has been appointed librarian at Hartford Theological Seminary to succeed E. C. Richardson, who has been chosen to the position at Princeton made vacant by the death of Dr. Frederic Vinton.

Edwin Fairley, Amherst, '86, now of Union Theological Seminary, is ministering acceptably to the church at Pitcher, N. Y. This is Brother Fairley's second season in this place, and the esteem in which he is held is shown by the fact that he was chosen to deliver the Memorial Day oration.

Rev. James Scott Young, Amherst, '86, was recently installed as pastor of the Presbyterian church at Garfield, N. J. This is a young and vigorous church in a growing town, and Theta Delts, as well as other friends of Brother Young will rejoice in the favorable circumstances under which he begins his work.

William A. Deering, Bowdoin, '75, after graduation assumed the principalship of Gilmanton Academy, N. H., which he held for two years, leaving in 1877 to accept a similar position at Essex Classical Institute, Essex, Vt. After several years of successful teaching there, he was called to the University of Vermont as instructor in history. He was also, for a time, secretary of the faculty and curator of buildings. He was connected with the university for a number of years. He is now proprietor and principal of the Young Ladies' Seminary, Clifton Springs, Ontario County, N. Y. He has always been deeply interested in religious work, and was one of the prime movers in establishing a summer school at Clifton Springs, which holds its first session during the present summer. This school is designed to give religious instruction, and is similar to the one conducted at Northfield, Mass., by Mr. Moody. That Bro. Deering

is to give instruction is a sufficient guarantee of its success. Bro. Enoch M. Deering, Eta, '64, who died in June, 1862, was a brother.

Allen E. Rogers, Bowdoin, '76, has been professor of modern languages at the Maine State College since 1879. He is one of the most popular professors in the college.

Melvin H. Orr, Bowdoin, '84, is practicing law at Benicia, Cal.

James L. Higgins, Bowdoin, '78, left college during his junior year and engaged in the study of law in Minneapolis. He was admitted to the bar in November, 1877, and settled in Fairmount, Minn. In 1879 he was elected county attorney of Martin county, and held the office six years. During the same year he was also elected recorder and assessor of Fairmount, and four years later city attorney. Since 1886 he has practiced in Minneapolis, being a member of the firm of Higgins & Higgins. He spent several weeks in his native state (Maine) during the present summer.

Rev. C. W. Longren, Bowdoin, '84, has been until recently, pastor of the Congregational church in Freeport, Me. Early in the present summer he accepted a call to the church at Barre, Vt.

Wilson Nevins, Bowdoin, '75, is teacher of English in the high school at Salem, Mass.

E. S. Hobbs, Bowdoin, '74, has been in the cotton business since graduation. He was at one time junior member of a cotton firm in Selma, Ala. He is now superintendent of Aurora Cotton Mills, Aurora, Illinois.

G. B. Chandler, Bowdoin, '90, assumes the charge of the high school at Franklin, Mass., with the opening of the school year. There were between forty and fifty applicants for this position, and it is quite a compliment to Bro. Chandler to be selected from so many.

M. P. Frank, Tufts, is president of the trustees of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary, Portland, Me.

Hon. Frederic C. Stevens, Bowdoin, '81, received the degree of LL. B. from Iowa State University in 1884, and immediately settled in St. Paul, where he has practiced continuously to the present time. He was one of the representatives from the city of St. Paul to the Minnesota Legislature for the session of 1889-90, and is now chairman of St. Paul City Central Republican Committee. His address is 606, *Pioneer Press* Building, St. Paul, Minn.

Daniel H. Felch, Bowdoin, '78, was associated with William A. Deering, Bowdoin, '75, as assistant principal of Essex Classical Institute, Essex Vt., during '78 and '79. In October '79 he entered Harvard Law School, where he studied one year. In 1881 he was admitted to Massachusetts bar at Worcester, and in 1889 he was admitted at Spokane

Falls, Wash., to practice law in the State of Washington. He is located at Cheney, Wash., in the law and real estate business. He recently declined the nomination for superintendent of schools of Spokane county, on the Republican ticket.

Z. W. Kemp, Bowdoin, '84, has been at the head of the Latin Department of Tabor Academy, Marion, Mass., since the summer of '89, and acts as sub-master. He is a matriculant in the post-graduate department of the Illinois Wesleyan University, taking a three years' course in Latin, for the degree of Ph. D. Bro. Kemp takes an active interest in the welfare of the Eta charge and is a true Theta Delt.

A. D. Gray, Bowdoin, '81, is Master in the William Penn Charter School, 8 South Twelfth street, Philadelphia.

A. M. Edwards, Bowdoin, '80, was elected one of the vice-presidents for the State of Maine, of the American Institute of Instruction, at the last session, July '90. He resides at Lewiston, Me.

Brevet Major-General H. E. Thomas, U. S. A., Bowdoin, '58, was chief marshal of the parade at the time of the reunion of the Army of the Potomac, held in Portland, Me., July 4, 1890. The *Boston Globe* of July 5th, contained a portrait of General Thomas.

Rev. E. M. Cousins, Bowdoin, '77, was superintendent of the department of Biblical Instruction at the annual assembly of the Northern New England Chautauqua Union, held at Fryeburg, Me., August 1, and gave a lecture in his department each day. Bro. Cousins was elected a member of the board of overseers of Bowdoin College at the last commencement. He is pastor of the church at Cumberland Mills, Me.

Frank Winter, Bowdoin, '80, and **W. C. Winter**, Bowdoin, '83, are members of the law firm of Winter, Esch & Winter, having offices at the McMillan Building, corner Main and Fourth streets, La Crosse, Wis., and at 729 Rose street, No. La Crosse.

Eugene T. McCarthy, Bowdoin, '82, studied law in the office of Hon. William D. Northend at Salem, Mass., and was admitted to the bar October 14, 1884. He practiced law at Salem until May 1888, and since that time at Lynn, Mass. His address is 58 Central avenue.

W. W. Curtis, Bowdoin, '82, has been a teacher ever since he graduated. He has been principal of high schools at Gorham, Me., November '82 to July '85; Holbrook, Mass., September '85 to July '88, and at Pawtucket, R. I., from September '88 to the present time. He is a member of the American College and Educational Society. He received his degree of A. M. in course. His address is 37 Spring street, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

Roswell Linscott, Bowdoin, '83, has been a bookkeeper in Boston since graduation. He was with the Charter Oak Life Insurance Company, '83-'85; George S. Safford, '85-'88, and Keeler & Co., since '88. Address, 91 Washington street, Boston. He is a brother of Frank K. Linscott, Bowdoin, '88.

Ernest S. Bartlett, Bowdoin, '88, has been appointed a clerk in the census bureau.

Howard L. Lunt, Bowdoin, '85, is principal of the Harvard Military Academy, corner Sixth and Hill streets. Los Angeles, Cal.

Rev. R. S. Green, D. D., Hamilton, '67, has been spending the summer in Europe. He returns in September. Dr. Green's address is 458 Main street, Orange, N. J.

Abel Beach, Alpha, '49, wrote "an old settlers poem" which was read at the old settlers celebration in Iowa city in August. The press speaks of it in the highest terms. Brother Beach's poems are becoming quite famous. The American Publishing Association has requested the privilege of publishing his poems in full.

Dr. Charles F. Stokes, Columbia, '84, is Assistant Surgeon of the U. S. Steamship Iroquois.

Lieutenant Harry G. Trout, Dickinson, '85, Ninth U. S. Cavalry, is doing duty in the recruiting service at Fort Washakie, Wyoming.

T. L. Palmer, Amherst, '85, is studying for orders in the Episcopal church. Address Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass.

A. J. Hopkins, Amherst, '85, enters Johns Hopkins this fall for advanced work in chemistry.

S. A. Sherman, Amherst, '85, who has been principal of the Amherst High School ever since his graduation, accepts a fine position in the Penn Charter School, Philadelphia, as teacher of Latin and German. Brother Sherman has been abroad this summer for study in Germany.

H. K. Whitaker, Amherst, '90, takes the principalship of the Amherst High School, succeeding Brother Sherman.

F. H. Wilder, Kappa, '86, is engaged in real estate business at Cavalier, North Dakota.

C. H. Puffer, Kappa, '83, has accepted a unanimous call to become the pastor of the First Universalist church at Stonington, Mass.

F. W. Hamilton, Kappa, '80, has accepted a call to the First Universalist church of Pawtucket, R. I.

GOVIN—HATCH.

On May 2d Brother Felix St. A. Govin, Rho Deuteron, '83, was married to Miss Sadie F. Hatch, of Rochester, N. Y. Brother Govin was one of the founders of R^α, and has been a true and steadfast friend of both the New York city charges ever since joining the fraternity. He leaves his father's office in New York to engage in business in Chicago, and we hope he will find life as pleasant there as he has so often made it for the Theta Delts in New York.

CARDENAS—HOMER.

Brother Ambrose de Cardenas, Pi Deuteron, '87, was married on May 16, 1890, to Miss May Homer, of New York city.



Correspondence.

As many letters are received which are best communicated to the readers of the SHIELD in their natural condition, this department has been organized. Letters are invited on any subject of interest to the Fraternity. Suggestions or opinions on current fraternity topics and reminiscences, or personal history of any Theta Delta, will be welcomed. The opinions advanced are not necessarily approved by the editor. Everyone is permitted to speak his mind.

WARREN, Penn., June 5, 1890.

Dear Brother: I feel very grateful to you for the kind words received yesterday at the same moment that I mailed my subscription for the SHIELD. The coincidence is remarkable, almost canny as a Scotchman might think. Brother Stone gave me a lively stirring up and sent me two copies of the SHIELD, to be returned to him immediately, which I did, at the same time writing to you to add my name to your list. In a P. S. to my letter to Brother Stone I gave the facts regarding the first and only issue of the SHIELD of long ago. I sent it to him for approval, and if he thought best, to forward to you. He is given credit with having something to do with that little insignificant sheet; which is a great injustice to him. The truth is that, at that time, we were not acquainted, and the only person responsible was myself. As I wrote him the *idea* was something to be proud of, but the result was simply a curiosity in the way of lilliputian journalism, and of insignificant interest. That a copy should have survived until now, to become of value as an antique, is a greater honor than deserved. Surely our "foolishness doth confront us," but "let her slide." Would like to see a copy, as I have only a vague idea of the contents.

I may write you again should anything occur to me likely to be of interest to your readers. My personal history, especially of late years, is without interest. Have done nothing except to fight the demon of ill-health—the result of Texas malaria. Am at last, however, in fair physical condition, and hope soon to enter into some active business.

Did not intend to write only a word about the SHIELD, but it occurs to me that a new catalogue is being compiled and that there is a request for information, especially regarding army service. The old catalogue credits me all right as far as it goes, but for the last two years of the war I was acting division surgeon, General Hardin's division, Twenty-second Army corps.

A word about the SHIELD. I find that "Col. Wm. E. Stone and others" are credited with being responsible for the first number of the

SHIELD. I have blushed for the presumption that evolved that homely, insignificant little sheet. How well I recollect that idle season at Geneva, N. Y., when the ambition seized me to publish "a journal in the interests of $\Theta \Delta X$." It was issued from the press of the *Gazette* of that town. I have since wondered that I was not mobbed for sending it forth. My personal safety was undoubtedly due to sympathy for what was deemed my insanity. As I now see the beautiful, ably-edited and interesting magazine of the same name, am not surprised that the publisher feels that he may show a fac simiie copy of that first ambitious attempt in the way of college fraternity journalism without fear of unfavorable comparison. The idea was great, and it is splendidly vindicated, so to speak, in the present publication. *Hic labor hoc opus est.*

Very sincerely, P. C. GILBERT.

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 6, 1890.

Dear Brother Holmes: I have only this moment received your letter of the 26th of August, which was delayed by being sent to Washington. I fear it is too late for you to print even the briefest note in your next number, but I take pleasure in saying I was a classmate of William Leete Stone and one of his staunch friends in college. He showed at that early age a marked taste for literature, and a fine promise of the brilliant success he has since achieved as a writer. He was a hearty, whole-souled, generous fellow, capable of devoted friendships, and the best company in the world. But why should I say was? That is what he is, and what his friends hope he may continue to be for many a day to come.

Yours sincerely, JOHN HAY.

WOONSOCKET, R. I., Aug. 25, 1860.

Dear Brother: I am reminded of my duty to the SHIELD. I do not propose to let another mail leave this city without containing a letter to you enclosing my mite to assist in the good work. I understand that you are soon to publish something relating to Bro. Stone. Whatever it may be I shall wish to see it, for Stone is a very old and dear friend, one of the first acquaintances I made in college, now more than thirty years ago, and we have always remained fast friends, drawn nearer to each other through the bonds of our fraternity. What is perhaps a little singular Theta Delta Chi is the only secret society I ever joined, so I look to it with a good deal of interest, and hold the members of it as especial friends. Wishing you much success in your undertaking, I am,

Yours sincerely, DANIEL B. POND.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., June 14th, 1890.

My Dear Frank: Was it Rip VanWinkle who exclaimed, in bitterness of soul on his return from a little excursion in the mountains, "How soon we are forgotten?"

If I began to feel a little VanWinklish myself, up here among the mountains, it would not be strange, but I have had an awakening and a realizing sense that "Time does not destroy, nor separation break" old college friendships and fraternal ties.

I have been honored with an invitation to attend "the twenty-third annual banquet of the Phi Charge of Theta Delta Chi." Great Scott! old fellow, we must be growing old.

The invitation seems like a leaf from the past, and I feel that should it be accepted by all the old boys of the '60's and '70's there would hardly be room for all of us in Easton at the same time. It would be dangerous for the public peace, and we would incarnadine the whole town. How we would wag our bald and bleached heads, how we would work our old jaws, how we would resurrect the moss grown lies and chestnuts of the olden time, and how our senile laughter would raise the ghosts and waken the pathetic echoes of "the halls of Phi." I fancy the youngsters of the present generation standing by, wide-mouthed and wondering at our vitality, and courteously but pityingly applauding our venerable quirks and jokes, and secretly wondering how soon we would emulate the "one hoss shay," and fall to pieces before their eyes.

I read over the invitation again, and I think how greatly "the pleasure of my company" to those present would be exceeded by the pleasure their company would be to me, and I sigh as I think how many good things there are in life that a fellow can't have, for I would enjoy, above all things, a day with the boys and a night with the bottles, but the "d w t b" is prevented by business engagements, and if I should eat a supper "at eleven o'clock" (I presume it means eleven p. m.) it would lay me up for a week and might give Brother Holmes a chance to try his hand on a first-class obituary notice in the fraternity journal. The spirit is more than willing, but the flesh is weak, and while I might manage to leave business for the occasion, my health requires very regular habits at present.

Give my kindest and most loving greeting to the boys. Tell them to "whoop her all around the town," "wind up their little balls of yarn," narrate how "old Mrs. Potiphar put Joseph into prison," and, in fact, celebrate all the ritual and ceremonies of the festive and time honored occasion, and in the midst of their glee tell them how an old and bald headed brother is at home mourning the fate that keeps him from their midst. As the boy said, "thats me."

Fraternally and sincerely yours, J. M. HARRIS.

COBOURG, Ont., June 17, 1890.

My Dear Brother: I am just in receipt of the SHIELD of June, it having been forwarded to me here at my country place. As I shall no doubt be here until October, and I note your next number will be issued September 1st, will you kindly remember to send that number here in-

stead of Buffalo. I am glad to see you are keeping up the standard both in quantity and quality. I favor your proposition to make the subscription \$2.00 instead of \$1.25 next year. I was charmed to read your notice of and the letter from old Tom Rundle. He was my classmate, chum and constant friend, and I never knew him not to be able on the shortest notice to "explain his position." His old captain in the 156th N. Y. (Orville D. Jewett) told me he was the bravest man he ever knew. I hope you can read this, it is hard work for me to.

Yours truly, S. DOUGLAS COBNELL.

PARIS, France, Aug. 20th, 1890.

Dear Brother Holmes: It occurs to me to say that I have not advised you of my visit to Europe. I left New York on short notice with a friend, and am enjoying the trip immensely. From Queenstown we traveled to all the principal points in Ireland, visiting Blarney castle where we kissed the blarney stone, (a very dizzy kiss), and then on to Dublin, etc., passing through Wales to London. We have visited all the German provinces, and from Berlin came direct to Paris. Of this latter city I need say nothing. Tho' it is the dull season here, one naturally wonders what it must be in its active state. We leave for London to-night, then go to Glasgow, sailing for New York on the 28th. It has not been my good fortune to meet any Theta Deltas while abroad, although I suppose there are plenty. Hoping business is good with you and to have the pleasure of seeing you at my home this fall, I am as ever,

Fraternally yours, F. G. PATCHIN.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., June 23d, 1890.

My Dear Brother: Permit me to tender my congratulations to you. Permit me particularly to tender the same now and since the last issue of our beloved fraternity's organ, the SHIELD. You took into your arms a puny infant, sick unto death, and warmed its shivering, shrinking body against your loyal breast, and fed it with your toil till now, the erstwhile wan and pitiable thing strides forth an athlete, splendid in form, big of muscle, robust of health, and beautiful even as Antinous; fit to challenge and victoriously cope with all comers, over which fact you may well be elated, since we all have the best of reasons to be proud, and proud of it we are. The SHIELD and you may henceforth be assured of the heartiest welcome among the charges. At last we have a voice—an instrument for the worthy propagandism of the faith of Theta Delta Chi. How much skill, patience and midnight oil of yours it took to build up the success of the quarterly, none but a newspaper delver may well guess; but the achievement, in both a literary and artistic sense, deserves unstinted encomiums from every quarter. As for myself the black, white and blue thrill me only the more to know that at the little town of Elmira our fraternity flag waves lustily in the breezes, while to the north, the east,

the south and the west go forth under your dictation fraternity news and the intelligence of what our beloved society is and means. You have unveiled the stupendous future which reposes before it now as the certain promise of the proudest kind of a past. You have proven the rare fabrics its membership is woven of, and that the "Thets" are culled from the flower and own the best flavor of our college youth.

Fraternally and gratefully yours, JACOB SPAHN.

NEW YORK, June 25, 1890.

Dear Brother Holmes: The SHIELD for June, 1890, came to hand on Monday last. I have read it with very much pleasure and do not hesitate to repeat my congratulations on your success. The volume bears out, in my estimation, every one of your promises in regard to it, and cannot fail to meet with universal approval. If it is not a success it will not, I am sure, be the fault of the editor. In your next number give us some more biographical sketches of "the founders." There is nothing that can be of more interest to the fraternity at large. Give us all the personals you can get your hands on. Wishing you and the Fraternity "long life to the SHIELD," I am yours in Theta Delta Chi,

F. GOODWIN.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27, 1860.

Dear Brother Holmes: I have meant to have written you many times, but never got at it, will try to do better in the future. I have given up railroading and am going back east. If you have not already sent me No. 3 of the SHIELD send it to me at Hudson, N. Y., instead of Fourth and Townsend streets here. I am coming out here again about the middle of October and expect to go into the orange business. I leave here tomorrow, and I am very much rushed for time so I will close.

Yours in the bonds, LOUIS C. DUBOIS.

ALUMNI OF THE ZETA CHARGE.

The undersigned appointed a committee from this charge to complete the roll of the Zeta for the general catalogue, has been engaged on this for a year and a half. The task was begun under great difficulties. Very few addresses were known to be correct. Since then the addresses of nearly all known to be living have been verified. A circular was issued and members were written to at least three times. Up to this time not quite half have answered. The Zeta Charge has taken great pride in its Charge roll, which embraces many distinguished names. It has been our desire to complete our Charge history for ourselves before the general catalogue is published. It is an impossible task without the assistance of our alumni. Therefore I appeal to all members of Zeta who have received our circular to answer it. If there are any who have not received it and will send us their address it will be gladly sent.

For the Charge, EDWARD C. STINESS,

Box 622.

Pawtucket, R. I.

Editorial.

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As to the colors, the SHIELD says: "In 1870 a fraternity flag was floated over the Astor House. The flag had a blue ground containing the letters $\Theta \Delta \chi$ in black, bordered with white. These were and are still the fraternity colors, and this is the first instance on record of a display of colors by any fraternity." The Delta Upsilon convention of 1866 was held with the Rochester chapter. The minutes contain these words: "A committee on fraternity colors reported chrome and blue. Adopted. In addition to this, an advertisement in "*Our Record*," in 1868, reads: "Fraternity Catalogues, 35 cents; Fraternity Colors, 35 cents; Fraternity Music 40 cents; and back numbers of *Our Record*, 25 cents." Thus it will be seen that Delta Upsilon adopted and displayed colors four years before Theta Delta Chi, and published a magazine a year and a half in advance of the SHIELD.—*Extract Delta Upsilon Quarterly.*

This is about as good as a fish story, and equally thin. It rather looks as though the editor felt that in the chagrin over our apparent defeat on the priority of publication question we would not discover the weak subterfuge. We will believe his statement. He defines his position and puts himself on record. He cannot go back of this date. Please note that the conven-

tion adopted colors, but no claim is made that they ever displayed the colors. Now, Mr. Delta Upsilon, for your information, the SHIELD notes that the writer joined the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity in September, 1866. At that date the colors of the fraternity were recorded as a part of our constitution. How many years before they were adopted can not be stated at this writing, as no records are at hand to search. It is strongly impressed upon the writer's mind that they were selected and adopted in 1847. The point, however, is that Theta Delta Chi put her colors to public use, by having a flag made which was first floated from the Astor House in 1870, and has since been floated over every convention which has been held. This is what is claimed, and Delta Upsilon has not destroyed our claim. As a matter of fact, we do not materially care who is entitled to first place. The present is vital. That fraternity, which can to-day show the best record—in the *quality* of her members (not quantity) and the lofty aims which she inspires in their breasts—is entitled to all honor.

“We wish to commend the practice among the chapters of preserving pictures of the founders. How delightful it will be in the coming years to look upon the fathers of $\Phi K \Psi$, both of the chapter and of the fraternity as well. We think it an excellent plan to secure the picture of every $\Phi \Psi$ as he goes from college, and insert it in a chapter album. This plan we know is attempted in nearly if not quite all the chapters, but we fear from what we have learned in our travels, that the custom is not infrequently more honored in the breach than in the observance.

We have a large portrait gallery of $\Phi \Psi$ in our mind which we would display to the readers of the SHIELD did our means permit. However, we purpose attempting such a plan for Vol. XI., provided we receive additional subscriptions enough to justify the large outlay required.

Continue the custom of collecting $\Phi \Psi$ pictures, for it is both pleasing and instructive for the rising generations of $\Phi \Psi$ to look upon the faces of those who are making our beloved fraternity honorable not to say famous.”

We heartily agree with the sentiment expressed in the above quotation from an editorial in a recent number of the Phi Kappa Psi SHIELD. No one can estimate the ratio in which a perfect collection of the photographs of a Charge increases in value. After a period of twenty years they become the antiquities. They are the proudest monument any fraternity

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"The department of "Our Graduates" has a growing value, but we fancy all would be better satisfied if the men were classified by colleges. Thirteen pages are given up to editorials, and much of this space is wasted on mere business announcements, notes about various features of the issue, etc. If these matters are to be made very prominent in any magazine, why not make a department for them? The exchange columns also are marred by "reading notices" of articles advertised, and it strikes one rather queerly to read, after a learned critique of an exchange, sentences like these:" * * * * * "High class newspapers some time ago discarded such obtrusive "ads." and why should the SHIELD adopt the obnoxious habit? The exchange department is well handled in this issue, although the comments are very general. A large batch of fraternity news, much of which is stale, and some bright chapter letters, close the highly creditable number."—*Extracts from exchange criticism in Delta Upsilon Quarterly.*

This extract is given to show how the SHIELD appears to others. We note that high class newspapers admit anything to their columns which pays a good price, and lately the best newspapers have broken their best columns for glaring display ads. Why then should not the SHIELD do enough of such work to pay its printing bill so far as possible. If the day ever arrives when the receipts from subscriptions pay all the bills, no ads. will be taken at any price. In the meantime we hesitate to believe that these same, over-nice critics, would refuse any position in their journal to an advertiser backed with cash.

If the standing of a journal may be gauged by the critic's pen, the SHIELD certainly must be coming to the front. We are receiving considerable attention, and much is republished for the benefit of our readers. Editors will kindly remember that this is the first year of our editorial experience, but our hide is tough and we can stand it. After a while we shall kick back as it were, if we find your weak spot.

We are glad to learn that Phi Kappa Psi has re-elected for a term of two years, Mr. C. L. Van Cleve, the able editor of the SHIELD. This is a time in fraternity journalism when experienced men are required more

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So say we. The SHIELD of Phi Kappa Psi, would sadly miss its present editorial management. It is evident that the fraternity appreciate a good thing, and wisely hang to it.

When the Phi Kappa Psi SHIELD said last fall that our *Quarterly* "was easily the peer of any fraternity journal ever published," we had little idea how popular the expression would become. Not long after that, a speaker at a Theta Delta Chi meeting said, the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD was "the peer of any fraternity magazine published in the land." This enthused the editor and he followed it up with the announcement: "No pains have been spared to make the SHIELD the peer of any journal in the land!" The editor of the D. K. E. *Quarterly* then felt that he was missing a good thing, and with characteristic "Deke," modesty, made the types in his April issue say that the D. K. E. *Quarterly* "is confessedly the peer of any such publication in existence." Next!—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

Won't somebody say something pretty for the *Quarterly*. The editorial intoxication produced by Phi Psi's bubbling compliment has worn off and he is hungry for more.

"They say that the Boston rumsellers were greatly disappointed with the Grand Army week's business. They laid in immense stocks of liquors, but the old soldiers were not the intemperate crowd they expected. On the other hand temperance drinks flowed like an aqueduct."—*Springfield Union*.

No higher compliment was ever tendered the G. A. R. Experience in their cases was a valuable tutor. Would that the banquets and reunions of the college world might profit by the experience of their elders and the defenders of the country.

THE editor of *Delta* gives his fraternity a good scoring on the subject of paying *Delta* dues, which might be equally well addressed to some other fraternities. Several chapters fail to pay up. He adds:

The financial question is again one of the most important and vexing that will come before the next Grand Chapter. Many brethren seem unable to learn that a Greek-letter fraternity cannot be run without money, and that printers must be paid. The general dues of Sigma Nu are, it is learned after due inquiry, lighter than those of most, if not all, sister orders. The *Della* has this year printed more matter than ever before

in its history, and its expenses have been correspondingly increased. The additional labor of collecting and editing the matter, the remissness of grand scribes, could have been cheerfully borne, had the cash been forthcoming to pay the printers. The editor does not believe that any member of the fraternity desires him to pay for the *Delta* out of his own pocket, but the slowness of remittances has sometimes compelled him to do so and trust to luck for reimbursement. As a measure of self-protection he has been compelled to shut down and say to his brethren, "No money, no *Delta*." This is an unpleasant thing to say, but it is the cold, hard truth. It lies in the members of the fraternity to correct this injustice, and they only can do it.

This should be the rule of all fraternity publications, cash in advance. The SHIELD adopted it some time ago. While it may wound the feelings of some, no one can fail to see the justice of the position. With few exceptions fraternity journals are published for love. The editors receive no pay for their services, and some of them foot printers' bills also, or else receive the assistance of some warm-hearted graduate who has money and a more affectionate regard for his fraternity than the active members. Readers of the SHIELD are, however, notified "in cold blood," that if the members of Theta Delta Chi do not want the SHIELD badly enough to come right up to the front with cash at the beginning of the year for whatever amount the subscription price may be fixed at, its publication will be suspended at once. The editor loves his fraternity and is willing to do hard work without any hope of fee or reward, but the printers must be paid. Happy are we to say that a most cordial response has been made to every appeal and the subscription list is growing every day. Subscribers are getting more for their money than is provided by any other journal, and the editor is cheered by kind words and hard dollars. Keep on, brothers, we must have more yet. The SHIELD of Theta Delta Chi must not follow—she will lead—with the help of the brothers.

"It was resolved that we advocate the change of the name of our journal from the *Kappa Sigma Quarterly* to the *Kappa Sigma Star and Crescent*."—*Extract from minutes of State Convention, April 17, '90.*

The above extract is reproduced for the purpose of re-

monstrating against the thoughtlessness which some fraternities exhibit in appropriating that which belongs to others by both right and courtesy. No personality or reflection on Kappa is intended. It so happens that the Alpha Delta Phi has in the past published "*Star and Crescent*," and although for a time suspended, the title is theirs by right and should not be pirated by another society. It is true both have a star and crescent for a badge, and perhaps it might seem proper for Kappa Sigma to name the journal from her emblems. History tells us that Alpha Delta Phi was founded in 1832, and Kappa Sigma in 1867. As a matter of fact, then, the selection of the star and crescent as emblems by Kappa Sigma was an infringement, and now to take the name of Alpha Delta Phi's journal is a second infringement which amounts to piracy. Perhaps the founders knew nothing of Alpha Delta Phi, in which case the selection of the same emblems, as an accidental circumstance, could be easily excused, but ignorance can hardly offer an excuse now. The same remarks will apply to Phi Kappa Psi, which has copied the shield of Theta Delta Chi. We protest against the utter disregard of fraternity courtesy which seems to prevail. A fraternity is nothing if not original. The effect of copying in part or entirely the names or emblems of any other society, exercises a degenerating influence on the Greek world as a whole, and casts a lasting stigma upon the particular society which imitates. It may become necessary to seek the protection of the government copyright in order to prevent a continuation. This is a step which never ought to be forced upon any fraternity. Pan-Hellenistic sweetness should prevent it. With Baird's history carefully studied no society need "blunder" or imitate.

THE attention of exchanges is called to the fact that each issue of the *Quarterly* is copyrighted. Exchanges are cordially welcome to the use of all original matter, provided due credit is given the *Quarterly*.—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

There are two Greek journals which copyright their issues—Delta Upsilon and Delta Kappa Epsilon. The SHIELD fails to see what the necessity is for such a step any more than for

a daily newspaper to copyright its daily edition. The fraternity editor who would "crib" without crediting is not worthy the position he holds. The same code of ethics should exist with the Greek press that is common to every day journalism. The largest literary magazines only copyright such articles as are valuable to them and for which they pay large sums of money. The SHIELD is disposed to look upon this copyright process of the two quarterlies as a reflection upon other journals, and as such we rise up in righteous indignation. We assure you that we are entirely willing to give due credit to any journal from which we extract anything, whether original or not, and expect the same courtesy from others. It might have been well for some journals to have copyrighted their title, to save confusion, but for no other reason.

EXPULSION RULE.

WE are advised of the expulsion of William J. Wilkinson from the Pennsylvania Γ chapter for the non-payment of dues. All brothers are cautioned against recognizing him as a $\Phi \Psi$, or as ever having been one.
 $\Phi K \Psi$ SHIELD.

The foregoing announcement embodies about the only effective rule for the vigorous growth of fraternities. Chapters should adopt a by-law of this character.

The delegates to Congress should discuss this subject. It means chapter houses, current expenses, expenses of delegates to Congress and *Palm* dues.

All social organizations are supported by dues of members, and when any of those members do not pay their dues they are notified, and upon refusal or neglect to pay, they are either expelled or, *ipse facto*, cease to be members. Expulsion is *our* only remedy.—*The Palm*.

Why not? A man who will not pay his dues, unless from very good reasons apparent to all, should be expelled. Expulsions of any character should be published not only in the journal of the fraternity to which the man belonged, but in every other journal. No fraternity should harbor, for a moment, any man deservingly expelled from any other fraternity. This is one of the Pan-Hellenistic suggestions which we heartily endorse.

The Fourth of July in Woonsocket, R. I., was quite a day for Theta Delta Chi. Daniel B. Pond, of the Z 1858, as mayor of that city, was resolved to have a great celebration. Accordingly, at his invitation, Governor Davis and his staff, declining many other invitations, as a high mark of esteem to Mayor Pond, were present on the occasion of the celebration. Among the Governor's staff was that genuine old fashioned Theta Delt, Vernon O. Taylor, of Tuft's, '67. The orator of the day was another old time Theta Delt, Colonel Wm. L. Stone, of the Zeta. Thus by accident, as it were, three members of the fraternity, viz.: Pond, Stone and Taylor met together. It goes without saying that when at the close of the exercises Colonel Taylor who, after the lapse of thirty years, had grown out of the remembrance of his whilom Brothers Pond and Stone, came up and gave the "grip" to his two brothers, the feelings thus evoked were of the most affectionate description. The papers have already given an account of the peculiarly felicitous introductory speeches of Mayor Pond, the valuable historical address of Brother Stone, and the admirable soldierly appearance of Taylor and the rest of the staff. We only refer to these things to show that Theta Delta Chi continues to be found in the front rank.

VICE-PRESIDENT WEBB, of the New York Central Railroad, who has been such a prominent figure in the New York Central strike for the last month, is a brother of the late J. Watson Webb, Jr., and cousin of the late Captain Walter Webb, both of whom were Theta Delts and members of the Delta Charge in 1855. We have felt much interest in Vice-President Webb on this account. We admire his firm stand in the interest of the great corporation whose interests are entirely in his hands at present.

On July 1st a new sign was put up on the old drug house of Wm. B. Blanding, of Providence, Mr. Blanding having admitted to partnership his son, Mr. Wm. O. Blanding, and the firm name is now Blanding & Blanding,

Mr. Blanding, senior, has been in the drug business in Providence for over forty years, and has earned for himself an enviable reputation for courteous treatment and honorable dealings with his customers, and few jobbers are better known throughout the wholesale drug trade of New England. He is president of the State Board of Pharmacy, to which position he was elected sometime since, and has always taken a very prominent part in pharmaceutical matters in Rhode Island.

The junior partner commenced in the business with his father in 1871; has gradually worked himself through all the important departments, and has a large acquaintance with the trade as a result of his management of the wholesale department.

The above in reference to Brother W. O. Blanding is taken from a prominent drug journal. We congratulate our brother on his prosperity. We have been a wholesale druggist and know just how it is. It is pleasant to note the prosperity of our alumni, not only *per se*, but because it bespeaks added honor to our cherished fraternity.

WHAT IS PAN HELLENISM.

Christ taught unselfishness, charity, patience, forbearance, virtue, truth, love; Fraternity men believe in these teachings and strive for them as far as human nature admits, but they draw the line when it comes to being smitten on both cheeks, or even on one cheek; and they readily fight rather than submit to persecution in any form. Practical Fraternity does not require them to sell all they have and give to the poor, and as to forgiving one's brother seventy times seven, it depends largely upon circumstances and the character of the sin. These ideals are powerful aids in helping men to control their passions; but as practical men of the day they demand and secure their rights; contend for every-day justice between man and man; vigilantly and jealously guard their political liberties and prerogatives, in other words, they believe in that practical Pan-Hellenism which is merely a studious comprehension of the civilization of the age and a knowledge of their relative position and part in its advancement, controlling and influencing it as far as possible in the right direction for ultimate benefit.

Applied first to college life and college ethics, Pan-Hellenism involves the proper selection of our associates in and out of Greek Fraternities; the establishment and maintenance by and among college men of a collegiate code of honor; regulation of rivalries among Greeks as far as practicable; promotion of a healthy competition in collegiate contests, State and Inter-State; prompt recognition of achievements; expulsion from Fraternities and colleges for improper and demoralizing conduct.

Secondly, it involves organization for the ascertainment of fields for enlistment of the activities of young Alumni according to qualification.

Greek Fraternities possess organizations which can be utilized for some or all of these purposes, as at Sewanee, Tenn., a local Pan-Hellenic Convention satisfactorily controls all the Fraternity organizations at the University of the South.

A general federation would materially aid in moulding college sentiment, and give that importance to the achievements of college men which they deserve, but so frequently fail to secure for lack of adequate organization and reliable methods of communication. There is plenty of work for all, and more than we can do.

Some of the general objects of such a federation should be—the means of helping members to a better knowledge of the scientific, artistic, social, moral and political questions of the day.

A general convention should be held at some convenient date, composed of delegates from chapters, Alumni associations, Pan-Hellenic associations, and the general officers of Greek Fraternities, including the editors, of course.

After the adoption of a general platform the following articles might be considered:

I.—No expelled Greek shall be admitted to membership in any other Greek Fraternity.

II.—No person under fifteen years of age not attending a reputable college shall be admissible to membership of any Fraternity.

III.—National annual or biennial conventions of similar character to consider ways and means for the cultivation and improvement of Greeks in the arts, sciences, fraternal and college life to be held.

In the proposed National Convention the "caste" of the assemblage might be as follows: Phi Delta Theta and Delta Kappa Epsilon to sit on opposite sides of the Metropolitan Opera House; the *Palm* banner and Alpha Tau Omega, plumb in the center; on the right flank Beta Theta Pi, Phi Gamma Delta, Theta Delta Chi. Kappa Sigma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, *et al.*; and on the left flank, Delta Epsilon, Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Alpha, Chi Phi, Phi Kappa Psi, *et al.* The ladies' Kappa Kappa Gamma, Phi Beta Kappa, Kappa Alpha Theta would doubtless grace the balconies and boxes (armed, of course, with their right of suffrage), and inspire with their charming presence the banquet of love which would surely follow.—*Editorial in Palm.*

We are led to give the above editorial *in extenso* because it embodies in a clearly defined outline exactly the principles which the SHIELD believes in. If any Pan-Hellenic organization can be devised which will advance the moral condition of fraternity men, a great good will be accomplished. We can

conceive of such a possible result without any fraternity at once losing its identity. It is nothing like the Pan-Hellenism advanced even by the *Palm* a year ago. The excellent comments on the SHIELD'S article have seemed to open the eyes of the *Palm*. At least a more modest and sensible platform has been adopted and now daylight glimmers through the dark cloud. Let us have first a convention of editors, then a more general convention of editors and officers. Some degree of understanding may be arrived at which will mollify the bitter animosities now existing between some fraternities. A correction of this evil will of itself correct many other abuses now extant. Then Pan-Hellenism is accomplished.



Exchange Table.

Any Fraternity magazines desiring to exchange with the SHIELD will receive as many copies as they send. All copies to be addressed to CLAY W. HOLMES, Editor, Elmira, N. Y.

The inventions and improvements in photographic reproduction and printing, which the past decade has produced, have opened up a new era in journalism. The great literary magazines within the past few years have blossomed out as artistic productions. The great press has caught the infection, and now the quarterly, which does not include portraits or sketches, is behind the times. The Delta Upsilon quarterly has rather eclipsed all other fraternity periodicals in the profusion and elegance of its productions, but others are beginning to include at last portraits of distinguished alumni. These add much to the value of the journals and give evidence of progression. There is no reason why fraternity journalism should be slow in feeling the pulse of advancement. As the journals are indicative standards of their respective fraternities every effort should be made to disseminate progression.

The *Palm* for July opens with a number of short chapter letters followed by proceedings of State conventions. An excellent editorial on Pan-Hellenism, which is reported in another department. There is an entire absence of genuine fraternity news, personals and other matters which make a fraternity journal of interest to graduate members. The active chapters take interest in the letters, but the old graduates find little therein to attract except the general weal of the fraternity. The Pan-Hellenic supplement is the best document of its kind we have seen. It is full of interest. The Fraternity of Man, The Fraternity of Nations, Federation on the basis of State

Rights, and Greek consolidation, are all articles of merit and worthy the perusal of any fraternity man. The views of the different editors are given. Very interesting articles on "The College Man in Politics," and "The Puritan and Cavalier in our national life," follow. Then comes Greek news and college items. A very excellent and sensible article on the cost of college education closes the number—thirty-two pages, which afforded us much gratification. If all the supplements are to be of equal interest, we should be disposed to recommend every undergraduate brother to subscribe. The articles all tend to the modified view of Pan-Hellenism expressed by the last SHIELD. We are liable to "doubting Thomas," but will consent to try just a little to see how it takes. If we like it we will take more. We heartily concur in the suggestion of a convention of editors. This accomplishes the desired results, then we may advocate a convention of the chief officers of the different fraternities. We are not quite ready for this as yet however.

Much satisfaction can be obtained from a perusal of the Delta Kappa Epsilon *Quarterly*. The April number is replete with good matter. It gives as a frontispiece the portrait of one of its prominent founders with a short sketch of his life. A poem, and history of the Phi Epsilon chapter make up part first. Considerable space is given to alumni associations. The Editorial department rehashes the Phi Epsilon controversy. The Exchange department is extended and contains many mild criticisms, but nothing of rancor appears. A number of chapter letters, twelve pages of graduate personals and four pages of clippings make up the number. The July number contains 79 pages of reading matter. A view of the chapter house at Rochester, for a frontispiece, with eleven pages devoted to the history of the chapter, and seven pages to a description of the house. This is embellished with views of the interior. A history of the Gamma charge takes up five pages; alumni associations, ten pages; editorials, seven pages; exchanges, nine pages; chapter letters, eighteen pages; graduate

personals, seven pages; clippings, three pages; the articles are as usual readable and interesting. Under exchanges a lengthy commentary on the Beta Theta Pi mystical union is given, which seems to prove that the union is *mysterious* if not *mystical* and incomplete. The thought is suggested as to whether it is desirable or advantageous for a big fish to swallow a little one entirely or in part. Do such members bring the satisfaction which would accrue from individual union? There may, perhaps, be no objection to the acceptance of a local band which has not existed through succeeding classes, but when a few active members of a fraternal organization, which has chapters in different institutions and has sent forth graduates, decide to secede from their society because it is small and unite themselves to some of the larger and firmly established fraternities, it can not be said that the latter has absorbed the former. The alumni have had no voice in the matter. They are not included in the surrender, and are simply frozen out of the dead society. We decline to acknowledge the right of any active chapter to give up its organization as a body, for the purpose of uniting with any other fraternity as a body, without unanimous consent in convention of all active and graduate members. We are opposed to the principle of older societies accepting second-hand members. The tenets of Theta Delta Chi prohibit the initiation of members of other colleges fraternities. We claim first choice or none. If the policy of other fraternities is numbers alone, then there can be no particular objection to such a course if "Barkis is willin."

The Delta Upsilon *Quarterly* is nothing if not progressive. It well deserves to be ranked among the very best fraternity magazines. It seems to have adopted pictorial work as a permanent feature. While it is expensive the cost is nothing compared to the character it gives the journal. The *FIELD* has devoted considerable money this year to the introduction of portraits of distinguished alumni and confesses that the lack of available funds is the only reason that other matters of

interest have not been pictorially represented. We yield the palm to the Delta Upsilon, however, without any hesitation. In this particular at least it leads all other fraternity publications.

The May number, although as usual very late, contains ninety-one pages of reading matter. Eleven cuts of various kinds embellish the number. Part first, twenty-four pages, is devoted to a biography of Chancellor Snow, Delta U camp at Lake George, Fraternity houses at Hamilton, the New York club and the first Fraternity Magazine. As this article is in reply to the SHIELD, it is noticed *in extenso* in another place. Exchanges occupy twelve pages. Greek letter gossip, five pages. We will not be unkind enough to return the compliment of "its being stale." Five pages of interesting editorial matter. "Now and then," six pages. Delta U news, twelve pages. Chapter correspondence, fourteen pages. Alumni personals, thirteen pages. The entire number is of much interest to D. U. The editor makes numerous criticisms on the SHIELD and the same are answered under the proper head.

The Sigma Chi *Quarterly* for May opens up with a sketch of the life of Chauncey B. Ripley, with his portrait as a frontispiece. Several pages are devoted to alumni reunions—an extended symposium on "The College Man in Journalism." Some pointed editorials and the usual chapter letters, go to make up a very interesting number. The July number has 70 pages of reading matter, a half tone portrait frontispiece, and a short sketch of one of their prominent members opens the number. Several articles on general subjects follow. "The Record Book of a Fraternity Chapter," is one of the practical and solid articles which is well worthy of note as characteristic of this journal. It sets forth the importance of such records, and delineates a perfect system whereby they may be kept without burdening any of the members. The Greek press receives lengthy notice. The chief editorial is in reference to a Pan Hellenic club. An interesting account of an alumni banquet is given. The usual chapter letters follow. We notice

that ten pages of personals are given, a much larger number than is customary. Nothing is so attractive to a graduate as the personal news of classmates and friends.

Beta Theta Pi for June contains 48 pages of reading matter, 10 pages of college news, 4 of graduate personals, 5 of miscellany, 3 of editorial, 12 of chapter letters. It is a newsy number and of interest to the Betas. The subject of a Beta Theta Pi building association is discussed. A beautiful half tone portrait of the club house at Wooglin-on-Chautauqua ornaments the number.

The July number of *Anchora* contains 30 pages devoted to a continuation from April number of chapter opinion, as to "How shall we make our college course count most," 9 to chapter letters, 1 to alumnæ, 6 to editorial, with a history of the chapters of Delta Gamma, 2 pages to a contributed article on equal suffrage, and 3 pages to exchanges. The subject matter is good and well arranged. The April number is similarly made up but contains 38 pages. The matter in both is only of interest to Delta Gamma.

The Kappa Sigma *Quarterly* for May, taken as a whole, is a plain, neat pamphlet, which looks well. The portrait of President Tyler is not good enough to do either the subject or journal credit. William and Mary College and the history of the Nu Chapter are well written. The proceedings of the Louisiana State Convention take up the remainder of the number, except the usual chapter letters. Two and a half pages are given to personals, and 3 pages to editorial notes—63 pages in all, 35 being devoted to chapter letters.

The June number of *Delta* of Sigma Nu contains 30 pages of reading matter, leading off with a symposium on Chapter Houses, of 7 pages, a communication in reference to the Defunct Kappa Sigma Kappa, of 3 pages, editorial 4 pages, chapter letters, 12½ pages. One and a half pages only are

given to Greek comments. No graduate personals or general news about alumnæ. The irregularity of publication is explained by the editor.

The June *Arrow* has 60 pages of reading matter. The annual convention takes up the first 6; a poem, "The Arrow I See," 5 pages; a historical sketch of Pi Beta Phi, 5 pages; editorial, 6 pages; chapter letters, 19 pages; an open letter criticizing Prof. Allen's article on "Woman's Institutions," in May Forum, 5 pages; exchanges, 6½ pages; personals, 2½ pages. The number is interesting. Exchanges are well edited, but personal news of graduates is very meager, and an entire absence of general Greek notes is noticeable.

The *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta for June, contains 98 pages, of which 77 pages are pure reading and 21 pages consist of a list of the year's initiates and names wanted for catalogue. Eighty pages is the determined standard of size. Of the 77 pages, the reports of conventions consume 17 pages; list of members, Chicago Alumni Association, 3 pages; editorials, 27 pages; chapter correspondence, 16 pages; personals, 10 pages. A half tone portrait frontispiece appears. It would have been more fitting with a sketch of the subject's life. The editor has put a great deal of time on this number, but mostly in connection with the threadbare chapter expulsion, which is a finale, or should be. The personals are all short. The *Scroll* is of little interest to outsiders.

The Alpha Phi *Quarterly* for May contains 25 pages reading matter. The literary department has 10 pages, which includes a very pretty poem. Founders day at Cornell and other contributed articles. Editorial remarks consume 1½ pages, chiefly devoted to a very pointed and terse article on fraternity journalism. The chapter letters consume 5 pages and are very newsy. Short personals take up 2½ pages, initiates and marriages, a very important and interesting subject for girls, 1½ pages. Very brief exchange notices and a very

touching 3 page obituary notice of the deceased members complete the number. In general appearance the journal is neat and attractive. Good taste and ability on the part of the editor are marked features. The quarterlies published by the ladies, taken as a class, compare creditably with those published by the oldest and best fraternities.

The *Microcosm* for 1890, issued by the junior class of Dickinson College, is the first annual issued from that institution since 1883. Considering this fact the editors are entitled to much credit. Bro. J. R. Heberling was one of the editors. The class histories and illustrations are good. The general execution of the book is well up to a good average.



College and Fraternity.

The library of Dartmouth College contains about 75,000 volumes.

The Delta Upsilon camping club held its annual meeting in August at Bolton landing, Lake George, N. Y.

The Rev. Joseph Cummings, D. D., LL. D., the venerable and honored president of Northwestern University died May 7th.

Catalogues of Chi Phi and Phi Kappa Psi are on the tapis and have been for a long time. It is no easy matter to issue a fraternity catalogue.

The suspended chapters of Kappa Alpha, Chi Phi, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon, at the University of Georgia, have been reinstated.—*The Scroll*.

Knox College is building a \$40,000 alumni hall. The literary societies each donated \$7,000 toward it, and will have their halls in it.—*The Scroll*.

The Rev. Dr. Knox, president of Lafayette College, tendered his resignation to the trustees June 25th. The same was accepted to take effect July 1.

Yale's freshman class bids fair to be the largest which ever entered. Two hundred and twenty-five students were examined at the June examinations.

The twelfth convention of the Pi Beta Phi Sorosis was held in Galesburg, Ill., April 1st to 4th. Their meetings were held in the rooms of Phi Gamma Delta.

Theta Xi, Chi Phi and Chi Psi chapters at Stevens' Institute, occupy chapter houses, and Beta Theta Pi and Delta Tau Delta will soon do likewise.—*The Scroll*.

The Zeta Psi chapter at Williams' College has purchased a chapter house, and it is rumored that Delta Kappa Epsilon is to rent and occupy Mr. Sabin's large house.

The Chi Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Epsilon, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Delta Tau Delta, and Phi Delta Theta fraternities held chapter banquets during commencement week at Lafayette.

THE SHIELD is the largest, most democratic magazine that comes to our table. It savors of a business life that has gone beyond college days, and yet clings fondly to the penates of Theta Delta Chi.—*The Arrow*.

The Whig and Clio societies at Princeton have begun the erection of new buildings, each to cost between \$35,000 to \$40,000. They will be similar in style. Each society has about 300 active members.—*The Scroll*.

Congressman William C. P. Breckinridge, of Kentucky, delivered the annual commencement oration at Lafayette College yesterday. Fifty years ago his father delivered the oration at Lafayette on a similar occasion.—*Mail and Express*, June 24.

The literary societies, Adelpic and Philomathean, which for a few years back were inactive, have been revived, and are flourishing. These societies date back nearly to the foundation of the college, and in former years they exerted a powerful influence on the literary life in Union.—*Union letter D. U. Quarterly*.

Pi Beta Phi is the oldest of the sisterhoods. It was founded at Monmouth, Ill., in April, 1867. It was first known as the I. C. Sorosis. It now has twenty chapters, nine of which are located in Iowa, two in Illinois, two in Michigan, two in Colorado, and one each in Kansas, Nebraska, Indiana, Ohio and Washington, D. C.

The Trinity chapter of Alpha Delta Phi is to build a chapter house. It is to be a three story, Queen Ann, brick structure with wide piazzas; to contain billiard, dining, bath, sitting and smoking rooms, guest chamber, caterer's quarters,

library and chapter hall. The Alpha Delts have the largest chapter at Trinity.—Delta Upsilon Quarterly.

A famous college president, a clergyman, was addressing the students in the chapel at the beginning of the college year. "It is," he said in conclusion, "a matter of congratulation to all the friends of the college that this year opens with the largest freshman class in its history." And then, without any pause, he turned to the scripture lesson for the day, the third psalm, and began reading in a voice of thunder, "Lord, how they are increased that trouble me!"

The Chittenden memorial library building at Yale, was dedicated June 24th. President Dwight delivered the address. The building cost \$125,000.00 and was the gift of the late Simeon B. Chittenden. All honor to such a man. About twenty years ago he donated the sum of \$50,000.00 to Yale designed exclusively for sustaining a constant preaching of the gospel to the college. Religion and education—the two bulwarks of the nation to which living he paid liberally to sustain. Verily his good works will yet live long years to perpetuate his honored memory.

Our hopes have been realized and a chapter house is in plain view! The struggle is over and the chapter will soon erect a house of which any chapter might be proud. The plans have been drawn up and accepted, and within a week the work of construction will be well along. Our location, across from the campus, is the finest in the city for a chapter house. The cost will probably reach \$15,000 or \$16,000; but our alumni and active members have contributed so generously that it will not be burdensome. Among our contributors James B. Morman, '90, deserves especial mention, as being one of the three men in the fraternity who has given one thousand dollars for a chapter house—Rochester letter D. U. *Quarterly*.

Dr. Merrill E. Gates has accepted the presidency of Amherst. This excellent institution is to be congratulated on her wise choice of a successor to President Seelye. Dr. Gates is one of the most noted of the younger class of college presidents in this country. His career has been one of marked

success and steady advancement, brought about by the rare combination of high scholastic attainments, thorough ability and unceasing industry. While in Rochester University, he was *facile princeps* in the class room, societies and among his fellows. He exhibited his wonderful powers early. Graduating in 1870, he became principal of the military school in Albany. Numerous professorships were tendered only to be declined. The chancellorship of the University of Nashville received the same treatment. In 1882 he accepted the presidency of Rutgers College. His work was felt here at once. The attendance increased so notably that six professorships were added to the faculty. New buildings, libraries and endowments also, which he leaves at Rutgers as monuments of his untiring energy and conspicuous ability. We feel sure that Amherst will feel his power at once and be greatly benefited in consequence. Dr. Gates was born in Warsaw, N. Y., in 1848. He has many friends, old college mates and admirers of whom THE SHIELD is one, who present their congratulations and wish him a hearty God-speed to his new field.

Pallas Athenæ is the patron goddess of Pi Beta Phi Sorosis.

The annual convention of Psi Upsilon was held May 1st and 2d, at Providence, R. I.

The part of the proceedings of the late Sigma Alpha Epsilon convention which defined the fraternity's constitution as excluding Jews from membership, has been declared null and void.—*The Scroll*.

The grand arch council of Phi Kappa Psi was held in Chicago April 2d. A salary was assured the editor. The method of granting charters was altered, and more power delegated to the executive council.

The corner stone of a new Y. M. C. A. building was laid during commencement week at Dartmouth.

The "Independents" at Michigan University are to start a weekly paper. Heretofore their support has been divided between the two fraternity papers. The two fraternity papers should now unite and make things lively.

Phi Kappa Psi's convention was held in Chicago April 1st.

The law school at Cornell has over 100 students, although but three years old.

President Adams, of Cornell, says the average standing of women is higher than of men.

The fifty-first convention of Beta Theta Pi was held at Wooglin club house Aug. 25th.

The S. I. U. is a new local society which has made its appearance at Maine State College.

The catalogue and general history of the Sigma Chi fraternity was completed and issued in August.

The Addisonian society is a new secret society which has recently been created at Minnesota University.

The eighteenth biennial convention of Sigma Chi will be held in Washington this fall. Date not yet fixed.

A bronze statue of ex-President Woolsey, of Yale, is to be erected on the campus. It will cost about \$14,000.

Michigan University students have already pledged over \$1,000 toward building a Christian Association hall.

The Y. M. C. A., of Dartmouth, will support a foreign missionary. The necessary funds have already been raised.

The Omega Alumni chapter of Sigma Chi held their annual banquet June 17th, at the Grand Pacific hotel in Chicago. Thirty-eight members were present.

Wabash College is building a library building to hold 150,000 volumes. The corner stone was laid June 17th, and the building will be completed next spring.

Mr. George W. Childs, of Philadelphia, is one of America's greatest newspaper men. The *Public Ledger* is a monument to his business ability, known and recognized the world over. He is also a writer of no mean proportions. His little volume of "Recollections", recently published by "The Lippincott Company," is rich with reminiscences of famous persons.

Indiana University is just now excited over "a bogus" slur sheet issued by some students in May. It is said they were all members of the same fraternity. The faculty have taken the matter up and will expel them, at least so the rumor goes.

We are becoming anxious about the Grand Catalogue. We understood that we were to have it soon after Christmas, and have paid our assessments on it, but we see no catalogue. Is it never coming out? It may not be our place to make suggestions, but we would much prefer that the catalogue should come out imperfect, and be changed by revisions and additions every few years, than to be obliged to wait until the exact street number of every alumnus is accurately secured.—Extract Kansas letter Phi Psi *Shield*.

This catalogue has been five years in preparation. It takes some time to prepare a perfect catalogue of 5,000 names. The experience of most fraternities is that it is difficult to get the assessments paid after the catalogue is printed.

From an item we learn that the Phi Gamma Delta *Quarterly* has three salaried editors; that Phi Kappa Psi and Beta Theta Pi have been paying salaries to the editors of their magazines for three years; that Phi Delta Theta is paying handsomely the editor of the *Scroll*; that Alpha Tau Omega has been paying the editor of her magazine for two years, and Delta Upsilon for four years. To these facts we may add that Sigma Chi has been paying the editor-in chief of the *Quarterly* for six years.—Sigma Chi *Quarterly*.

A chapter of the so-called fraternity, Phi Theta Psi, has made its appearance in our college. It was not cordially received for several good reasons. In the first place Randolph-Macon has none but first-class fraternities within her walls, and to have the mere shadow or semblance of a fraternity thrust in upon us is very galling to all the Greeks. And again there are already a sufficient number of fraternities here to consume all the real fraternity material, and no fraternity, however good it may be, will receive a hearty welcome at R. M. C.—Extract from Randolph-Macon letter K. Σ . *Quarterly*.

The American newspaper directory for 1890 gives the circulation of the Greek letter magazines as follows: "Alpha Phi *Quarterly*, 250; *The Beta Theta Pi*, 1,000; Chi Phi *Quarterly*, 750; Chi Psi *Purple and Gold*, 750; Delta Gamma *Anchora*, 250; Delta Upsilon *Quarterly*, 2,000; Kappa Alpha *Journal*, 500; Kappa Sigma *Quarterly*, 500; Phi Gamma Delta *Quarterly*, 500; Pi Beta Phi *Arrow*, 250; Phi Kappa Psi *Shield*, 1,000; Sigma Alpha Epsilon *Record*, 500; Sigma Nu Delta, 500; THETA DELTA CHI SHIELD, 750. All the others are not given.—Delta Upsilon *Quarterly*.

The SHIELD should be rated 1,000.



Charge Letters.

[Charge editors are again requested to write on only one side of the paper and to assume a style somewhat more expansive than a telegraphic communication. The next letter is due December 1st, 1890. Send it promptly without further notice.]

EPSILON DEUTERON.

YALE UNIVERSITY.

Another year has passed, one more set of familiar faces has left us in our active work and another will soon take its place. We were, perhaps more fortunate than some of our Charges in losing but three of our brethren by graduation. They were Bros. Gunn, McKnight and Spence, all of whom are making active preparations for the battle of life.

Commencement week was gay as ever at Yale, the graduating classes being quite large and the Campus being alive with members of the fair sex. That is the time of year long-looked for, when the great game of ball is played, and when each man has a chance to take his charming Dolly to the senior promenade. The week was begun by the preaching of the Baccalaureate sermon by President Dwight, which was up to that gentleman's usual standard. Monday morning the presentation exercises were held in the chapel, at which time the class oration and poem were delivered. That afternoon the class histories were read in the usual manner on the Campus, and after the planting of the class ivy, the new Chittenden Library was formally opened. That night the senior promenade was held in Alumni hall, and also the exercises of the Sheffield Scientific School. At the last mentioned we were very ably represented upon the platform by Bro. Gunn, whose subject was "Rapid Transit in New York." Tuesday was occupied by the alumni meeting and the game of ball, by winning which we tied Harvard for the championship of the two colleges. Wednesday the degrees were awarded and the following Friday all New Haven assembled at New London to see Yale maintain her enviable reputation in the rowing world. It was thus that the events of the week passed off and right proud of her sons was our Alma Mater.

By graduating so few men we start the coming year with brighter prospects than ever before, and will put our best foot forward in the race.

In closing Epsilon Deuteron wishes the Charges all success for the future, and extends to each and every one a hearty grip.

ETA.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

The commencement exercises opened Sunday with the baccalaureate sermon by President Hyde. The alumni were present in large numbers, showing that the love for their college home was still warm. On Monday evening came the junior prize declamation in Memorial hall. Eta was represented among the speakers by Bros. E. H. Newbegin and C. S. Wright. The class day exercises on Tuesday were especially interesting. Two of the parts were delivered by Theta Deltas, Bro. Mitchell having the poem and Bro. Chandler the parting address. Bro. Hastings was first on the committee of arrangements. At the close of the exercises under the Thorndike oak, the rain made its appearance, and the ceremony of smoking the pipe of peace was carried out under unfavorable circumstances. After singing the class ode, the members of '90 formed a procession, and headed by the Salem Cadet band marched to the different halls, and gave their farewell cheers to the buildings that for so long a time had been their homes. The dance in the evening was held in Memorial hall, owing to the rain which had evidently come to stay. At intermission the party adjourned to the gymnasium, where refreshments were served by Robinson, of Portland.

On Wednesday came the graduation exercises of the Medical school, the address being delivered by Rev. Edward N. Packard, of Syracuse, N. Y. Sixteen students received the degree of doctor of medicine. At the annual meeting of Phi Beta Kappa, Bros. Alexander, Freeman and H. H. Hastings were among the newly elected members.

The commencement concert occurred at the town hall on Wednesday evening, and was a success in every respect. At the close of the concert the different fraternity reunions took place in the society halls. At the appointed time about forty Theta Deltas assembled in Eta's hall, over half of that number being alumni. As might be supposed a general good time was the result, the banqueting and toasting being prolonged into the early hours of morning.

Thursday was commencement day. At 10:45 the procession, headed by the Cadet band, followed by the graduating class, overseers, and visiting alumni, marched to the Congregational church. Four of the parts were delivered by Theta Deltas, Bros. Mitchell, Freeman, Hastings and Chandler. The Goodwin commencement prize for the best written and spoken part was awarded by the committee to Bro. W. B. Mitchell, the subject of his discourse being "Permanent Elements in Christianity." At the close of the exercises in the church, the alumni and invited guests to the number of three hundred adjourned to the gymnasium, where the commencement dinner was served. The after-dinner speeches were full of interest, and contained many amusing anecdotes of college life. Among

the speakers were Hon. James Ware Bradbury, '25; Hon. W. W. Virgin, '44; Mr. E. T. Parsons, '33, and Rev. Elijah Kellogg.

President Hyde's reception in the evening closed the commencement festivities, and with it ended another year of Bowdoin's prosperity. Several donations for the library and scholarships have been received from the alumni, funds for the new observatory have been raised, several additions have been made to the college curriculum, and the corps of instructors increased. The only occasion for regret at this time is the departure from us of Prof. Smith, who for seventeen years has been a faithful and efficient worker in all departments of the college work. Bowdoin's loss is Yale's gain.

At the examinations Bro. Chandler received one of the first prizes for English composition and second prize for extemporaneous composition. Bro. Chandler has been engaged as principal of the Franklin (Mass.) High School for the coming year.

The degree of A. M. was conferred on the following Theta Deltas: C. M. Austin, '87; M. L. Kimball, '87, and I. W. Horne, '86.

THETA DEUTERON.

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE TECHNOLOGY.

Theta Deuteron can send no glad tidings of honor achieved and glory won by her members at commencement—no list of prizes. In fact, "the infant" was of so tender age at that time that senior dignity was beyond its years, and so when '90 passed out into the cruel world, no loyal brother was found in her ranks. With the exception of class day honors and the privilege of reading an abstract from his thesis at the graduating exercises, almost the only prize offered to the scholar at Tech, is his degree at the completion of his course. No medals or prizes for scholarship are awarded by the faculty. But we read with admiration and pride of the fame and honors won by our older brothers and of the glory they add to our fraternity.

This issue of the SHIELD reminds us that vacation is almost at an end. On Monday, September 29th, the Institute wheels will begin to turn again and the grinding commence once more. A freshman class, even larger, as usual, than that of last year, is promised, and we expect to add several to our number from its ranks. We hope to occupy more spacious and suitable quarters this year than has been our fortune during our short life. Their location will be made known as soon as determined and the utmost will be done to entertain any brothers who may favor us with a call.

The outlook for a strong football team this fall is very promising, and Tech. will enter the race with confidence of winning back her place at the head of the Eastern Inter-Collegiate League.

KAPPA.

TUFTS COLLEGE.

On the afternoon of June 10th occurred the first of the commencement exercises, the prize speaking, and two of the four prizes offered were taken by Brothers Perkins, '91, and Gray, '92. The evening of this day we held our annual reunion banquet at the Thorndyke, Boston. Bro. F. E. Kimball presiding. After we had thoroughly enjoyed a poem, "Upon Alcyone," by Bro. C. H. Patterson, Bro. J. F. Albion, as toastmaster, called upon Bro. F. E. Bateman, '87, to respond for "College Hill and Alma Mater;" Bro. Hammond, '68, for "Our Fraternity;" Bro. H. E. Taylor, '85, "The Old Woman;" Bro. Fred W. Perkins, '91, "The Tuftonian;" Bro. W. H. Chapman, "Our '90 Graduates;" Bro. Byron Groce, '69, "Our Charge House;" Bro. Thomas Whittemore, '93, "Our Babies;" Bro. Melvin M. Johnson, '92, "Our Girls." In silence then we drank to the Omega Charge, and this pleasant banquet was ended. Every day of this week we were preparing ourselves for vacation by indulging in the finals.

President Capen, one of Kappa's charter members, preached the Baccalaureate sermon to a crowded chapel Sunday on the theme "The Responsibilities of the Age," and the next day '90 had her class dinner to talk over and assume them. Bro. Chapman was the orator of the occasion. Tuesday, Alumni day, Bro. W. B. French, '70, was elected president, and Bro. Charles H. Puffer second vice-president for the ensuing year of our Alumni association.

Commencement, our thirty-fourth, was one of our best. In the exercises of the day, which were of the usual order, Kappa was represented by two of the four parts delivered by graduates from the College of Letters: Bro. Chapman's "Progress of Peace," and Bro. Herrick's "Plea for Toleration." Four brothers, of whom Kappa is proud, were added to the number who so nobly represent her and $\Theta \Delta X$ in business and professional life. Bro. W. H. Chapman, Everett, Mass., will study law; Bro. C. R. Herrick, Beverly, Mass., remains undecided; Bro. W. L. Ricketts, Monson, Mass., will teach, while Bro. Stephen Rounds enters business. Two days more were spent packing up, getting acquainted with men taking the entrance examinations, and saying good-bye before we scattered all over the country for vacation.

And now I must ask pardon for speaking in a charge letter, of a part of the vacation in which not only Kappa boys were interested, but also boys from Lambda, Mu Deuteron and Omicron Deuteron. At the New England Chautauqua Sunday School Assembly, held at Lake View, South Framingham, Mass., there has been organized a college club with a membership for this year of 147. Its president is a $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, two vice-presidents represent $\Psi \Gamma$, the secretary and a member of the executive committee are $\Theta \Delta$'s. In all twenty-eight colleges and twenty-two fra-

ternities are represented, $\Theta \Delta X$ heading the list of the latter with seventeen, ΔKE following with seven. Two silver medals offered for tennis and athletics by the management were both captured by a $\Theta \Delta X$. Jolly days were those of the assembly, and their numbers made it especially so to the wearers of the shield, who were very active and prominent in the work.

A member of $\Delta \mathcal{T}$ refused to place his fraternity initials beside his name on the register of the club, and for a reason said that "he was too proud of his fraternity." His signature followed some sixty who were proud to show their colors. Never has any such spirit been noticed in a $\Theta \Delta$, for we are neither ashamed of $\Theta \Delta X$ nor willing to lose any opportunity to let her be known and her power felt. Honor her with your name brothers everywhere, and if any of you visit the assembly in future years, let your first duty be to sign the "college register," and by means of that you will find all the other brothers in attendance. Many new instances come from all over the continent this summer of pleasant hours following a free and open use of the grand old letters, $\Theta \Delta X$.

We suppose that these mutual news boxes will be read at the time when new men are being tried in the search for true $\Theta \Delta$ material. We expect good success and hope that every charge, when next we meet in council and banquet hall, may unite in relating the same good fortune which we have met with in years gone by.

LAMBDA.

"Oh do come down and take a hand at tennis, Mr. Adams!" "O, no, come in bathing; the surf is magnificent!" "Why, I thought you were going in our boating party!" These are the cries greeting me as I sit in the cool office of the Grove Hill Hotel, Kennebunk Beach, Me. But to-day they have no charm, for I am in love, and what cares a man for tennis or bathing or boating parties when he can be with his loved one alone. Ah

"She is my own;

And I as rich in having such a jewel
As twenty seas, if all their sands were pearl,
The water nectar, and the rocks pure gold."

Who is my love? None other than Theta Delta Chi! I am engaged in writing a letter to the beautiful SHIELD. That is communion truly sweet. Shakespeare could not have given me more appropriate lines to express my affection had he flourished himself in the line of Greek letter societies and been a Theta Delt. Here I have found the friends and their adoption tried, and as the great Poet advised, have grappled them to my heart with hooks of steel.

Commencement? That is the first topic. A commencement at Boston university is not such a scene of grand balls, big feeds and field day

festivities as is found at most colleges. But we are certainly ahead of you all in one point, and that is the time of our commencement. May sees all studying over, and June first ushers in commencement, so the doors to the classic halls are shut and we off at the seaside the second week in June. While most college students are sweltering in the hot June weather, wishing for June to be over and July with its freedom to come, B. U.'s men are free from care and placidly singing—

Slower, sweet June,
 Each step more slow,
 Linger and loiter as you go;
 Linger a little while to dream.
 Or see yourself in yonder stream.
 Fly not across the summer so!
 Sweet June, be slow.

Thirty-two students took their A. B. at the college of Liberal Arts. Of these Lambda loses seven active members, who will wear the shield through life, and we trust live to flaunt the glorious, black, white and blue with many a victory to gladden all hearts in Theta Delta Chi. We have not lost these brothers; we can never lose true loyal Theta Delts. We know they will ever be eager for Lambda's success and welfare, and that the love with which they are inspired can never grow cold, but as gold more splendid from fire appears, so their friendship will strengthen with the lapse of years. The brothers are Emery, Fisher, Kenny, Lock, Tuthill, Whitaker and Spencer. Bro. Emery was the student of the class of '90, and was elected alternate commencement speaker. In mathematics he was especially strong and founded what is now a flourishing mathematical club. He had the honor of being elected senior librarian his last year. Bro. Fisher, our ardent Episcopalian, who is said to be preparing to follow in the footsteps of his illustrious pastor, Phillips Brooks, was an earnest student. He was also a member of the Monday club, the highest literary honor that can be conferred upon a student at B. U. Bro. Kenney, was our musician. Owing to his persistent endeavor and under his leadership a successful Glee club has been favorably introduced to the public. Mr. Kenney is also a promising poet and a member of the Monday club. Bros. Locke and Whittaker were for three-years our college booksellers. Bro. Locke was possessed of a cool head and bright eye, and Bro. Whittaker knew how to "buy deer and sell sheep," so they made a big success in the book line. Billy has accepted a position in a Vermont academy, and Sedgar will take the regular course in the school of Technology. Sedgar is at Fryeburg, Me., the gateway of the White Mountains, where he is for his fourth consecutive year successfully managing the arrangements of the Northern New England Chautauqua Assembly. Sedgar was the youngest member of his class, and Billy was the handsomest. Bros. Tuthill and George Spencer will both enter the School of Theology. Bro. Tuthill

was a member of Bro. Greg's church, and made himself felt there as well as in college. Bro. Spencer was the brilliant member of '90. While in college for two years he preached at a union church in Chelsea, and his last year supplied the pulpit of the First M. E. church, Lawrence, Mass. He had a "call" to the Great Falls church on his graduation, but has decided to taste the knowledge of the Theological department before accepting settled work. The activity of all these brothers in $\Theta \Delta X$ is too well known to need repetition.

Commencement week opened with its usual receptions. Faculty reception to the seniors, May 23; senior reception, June 2, and trustees reception to seniors, June 5. All were delightful affairs. The seniors at their reception had Jacob Sleeper and other halls in the college elaborately decorated. The members of the graduating class received their friends to the number of 800, and the entire night was spent in temperate revelry.

Tuesday afternoon, June 3d, President Warren delivered the Baccalaureate address in Jacob Sleeper Hall to a crowded audience. It was equal to his usual masterpieces on such occasions. The address took the form of a novel. It was the "Story of Gottoleib," a German youth, in search of personal perfection. His sister, a woman of high literary attainment and moral enthusiasm, accompanies him on a journey, visiting the homes of Goethe and studying his life, teachings and influence. She teaches him as the principle of a perfect life, growth and development in an intelligent, ardent and endless pursuit of perfection, which he glowingly accepts. Next is pictured his struggle in giving up this and accepting the teaching of the good Catholic monk, Father Sebastian, of the Hospital of St. Rupert, which is living not to be ministered unto but to minister. Then he becomes bewildered by a third principle, "Live to become perfect, but serve your fellow men so far as this serving can help to make you great and perfect," and the antagonistic teaching, "Grow, seek all possible personal improvement, in order that in the end you may the better serve your needy fellows." Troubled, and earnestly seeking to find which of these four was right, he finally, in a most artistic manner, was brought to a missionary station, where from a child he hears repeated the first and great commandment. Then, like a revelation, this great truth dawns upon him, "Love is the secret of perfect living." "In love, love of the All-perfect, love of the one Lover, every noble principle of human living is taken up, every ideal transfigured, supplemented, glorified. Henceforth thou knowest the perfect way." The beauty of the discourse lay in the fact that each principle above mentioned was fraught with logical argument pro and con, and the whole story interestingly and artistically written.

On Tuesday evening the alumni banquets were held. The C. I. A. alumni at the Thorndike, the Medical at Parker's, the Law at Young's, and the Theological at Theological Hall. At the College alumni dinner

representatives from every class were present. Four trustees were reported as added during the year, Bro. W. P. Odell, '80, being one of the number. Announcement was made that a \$90,000 estate on Summer street, through the will of Jacob Sleeper, had come into possession of the University. At the election of officers, Bro. I. P. Fox, '83, was elected President. Among the responders to toasts were Bro. C. L. Goodell, '77, Bro. W. P. Odell, '80, and Bro. C. W. Blackett, '86.

Tremont Temple was crowded on Wednesday afternoon, when the Commencement exercises took place. Festoons and garlands of green were gracefully hung around the hall. The Germania orchestra furnished appropriate selections. There were 168 candidates present, 58 of whom had previously received degrees and were taking advanced college work. Degrees were conferred as follows: From the C. L. A. 32 received A. B., 4 received Ph. B.; from the College of Agriculture 19 received B. S.; from the School of Theology 17 received S. T. B.; 7 received diplomas; from the Law School 52 received LL. B.; from the Medical School 27 received M. D., 2 B. S.; from the School of All Sciences 4 received A. M. and 4 received Ph. D. The thesis subjects of Lambda's graduates were as follows:

Bro. Emery—Faith and Knowledge.

Bro. Fisher—State Socialism.

Bro. Kenney—Music as a Fine Art and its Relation to Culture.

Bro. Locke—Cicero as Seen in His Letters.

Bro. Tuthill—Looking Forward (and "Looking Backward.")

Bro. Whitaker—The Importance of Modern Languages in College.

The Trustees' Reception was held in the evening. This was the last of the parting joys. Some 600 guests were present. They were received on behalf of the Trustees by ex-Gov. and Mrs. Claffin, R. W. Clark, President Warren, Miss Marion Talbot, Senator Jeffs, Rev. J. H. Twombly and daughter, His Excellency Gov. Q. A. Brackett, Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Steele, Rev. and Mrs. W. N. Brodbeck, and Bro. and Mrs. W. P. Odell. There were many distinguished guests present and the occasion was one long to be remembered by '90.

The Alumni Association of the class of '90 was formed Thursday morning, with Bro. Stephen Emery, President.

Lambda held her usual meeting in honor of the graduate Thetas Thursday morning. The occasion was too sacred for print. Its memory will never leave the hearts of those present.

At a meeting of the Trustees, E. N. Kirby, A. M., of Harvard, was elected David Snow Professor of Elocution and Oratory, and Prof. H. C. Sheldon was elected to the chair of Sacred and Church History.

Soon after Commencement the boys scattered and have been enjoying a glorious summer. Bros. Bickford, Willet, Cobb and Wyman remained in Boston, being respectively in the employ of the Moverick National Bank, the National Bank of North America, the New England

Trust company and the National Bank of Redemption. Bro. Jack Spencer spent July with Bro. Hobson at Island Pond, Vt. Bro. Hobson will not return to the Law School, as he has accepted a ripe opportunity in the lumber business. Bro. Will Spencer has been singing at the Clarendon Street Church, Boston, filling the vacancy occasioned by Bro. Snow's resignation.

Bro. Hopkins, '93, has spent his summer in Port Antonio, Jamaica, working for the Boston Fruit Company.

Bro. Kellogg, '93, is preaching at Stewartstown, N. H., where he has electrified the people and built them a church

Bro. Fuller, '93, is summering at Squirrel Island, where he occupies a beautiful villa.

Bro. Harry Sylvester, '92, has felt it his duty to "do" the resorts. He has divided his time between Keene, N. H., and Newport, R. I., camping at Bellingham, Bristol, N. H., Island Pond, Vt., Old Orchard and Kennebunkport.

Bro. Adams, '92, has been trying his luck as manager of the Grove Hill Hotel, Kennebunk Beach, and Bro. Pitcher, '93, served acceptably as master of ceremonies at the same place.

Bro. Paull, '92, the Apostle, has been learning the ways of the world traveling for A. S. Barnes & Co.

Bro. Gillman, '92, has returned from his Southern trip invigorated, refreshed and with still increased dignity.

Bro. Hawkins has been laying low at his home in Stoneham.

Bro. Heckhert, '93, is making a small fortune in Woburn.

Bro. Snow, '91, is farming.

Bro. Hobson, '89, will not return to the Law School, as he finds his health improving among the mountains and has accepted a valuable offer in the lumber business. His counsel will be missed.

Bros. Butler, Wenzel and Candlin, '91, Balcom, Downs and Tewksbury, '92, Noble and Hamlin, '93, are helping papa in the shop, et cetera, etc., x y z.

Under Bro. Bickford's management our club house at 39 Holyoke street, has been repainted, repapered and newly carpeted throughout. Some new furniture has also been added, so that the house will present a very pretty appearance at the meeting of the boys in the middle of September.

A larger number of the sub-Freshies appeared at the June examinations than ever before. A big class is looked for, and we have our eyes on some good material. Will report later.

The summer breezes are blowing a trifle fresher and I see my friends have finished tennis. Sylvester is coming back with the girls from boating, while I hear Pitcher's voice giving the B. U. yell and I know the bathers are returning hungry for dinner. We have met lots of good Thetas here. Dartmouth has supplied the Ocean Bluff House with their

head and second head waiter, Bowdoin furnished an editor for the *Wave*, and a number of guests at this popular resort have given us that mystic grip that thrills from head to sole.

MU DEUTERON.

AMHERST COLLEGE.

About the latest news from Mu Deuteron is connected with Commencement. The throng of visitors began to gather in Amherst before Saturday night, and on that evening, after the easy though unnecessary victory over Williams, that closed our base ball season, the campus was alive with the sights and sounds of celebration, for Amherst had won her second pennant this spring.

Sunday morning President Seelye preached the Baccalaureate sermon before his last class. His theme was the true principles of exchange. "Strive to give more than you receive," was his solution of this much agitated and much agitating problem.

On Monday occurred the Hardy Senior debate and the Kellogg Prize Speaking of the Freshmen and Sophomores, in which we were represented by Bro. Smith, '92.

On Tuesday, Class Day, perhaps the most crowded with events of any, Mu Deuteron shone in the person of Bro. Reynolds, the Grove orator, the funny speaker. In early evening the society receptions took place, and although the addition to our house was not finished, we were able to use the new parlors for entertaining our friends. Immediately after the receptions comes the Hyde Prize Speaking of six selected orators from the Senior class. At the close of this exercise a public announcement is made of the prizes awarded for the year, most of them not being known till this time. Here, as for two years before, the names of Theta Deltas were rife on the air. Of the Senior class, Bro. Ballou received the Law Latin Prize of \$25, and Bro. Daniels one-half of the \$50 Billings Prize in Literary Latin. From the Junior class, Bro. K. S. Woodworth received the Hutchens Greek Prize of \$60. Of the Sophomores, Bro. W. J. Fisher was awarded the first German of \$40, while the second German of \$20 and the first Latin of \$40 went to Bro. Brainerd. Finally, Bro. A. V. Woodworth, of the Freshman class, took the first prize of \$40 in the Greek of that year. You see us standing well in general scholarship, but doubtless notice the lack of speaking honors. In fact, we must acknowledge that we are not yet firmly on our feet in the speaking department, but we are working and learning how to work, and believe that next year will show an improvement.

After the Hyde speaking our friends gathered once more in our new parlors and enjoyed a few exercises in honor of the fact that Mu Deuteron was five years old. Our ever-interested alumnus, Bro. Palmer, of '85, led off, and was followed by Bro. Camp, '89, who gave a sketch of our

history. Bro. Avery, '91, spoke on the benefits of a fraternity, the speeches being interspersed with fraternity songs. Our friends professed themselves well pleased, and we certainly were. Among those present were Bros. Palmer and Sherman, '85, and Bros. Camp, Chamberlain, Crowell, Spaulding, Walker and White, of '89. Next day we were glad to see also the faces of Bros. Bartlett, '88, and Humphrey, '89. Two Theta Delts, Bros. Ballou and Whitaker, made creditable appearances on the Commencement stage.

At the Alumni dinner, immediately afterwards, the Trustees made the unwelcome announcement of the resignation of President Seelye—unwelcome, but not unexpected. Great interest has been taken by Amherst alumni in the choice of his successor, and while this charge letter is being written news comes of the selection by the Trustees of President Gates, of Rutgers. Whether he will accept or not will not perhaps be known before the SHIELD is printed. The outcome will be eagerly watched by Mu Deuteron men, scattered as they are far and wide for the summer. Two of our alumni, Bro. Spaulding of '89 and Bro. Daniels of '90, have been teaching Latin in the summer school at Amherst. Bro. Spaulding returns in the fall to the Louisville, Ky., Military Academy, and takes Bro. Ballou, '90, with him. Bro. Daniels is to be Principal of the High School at Medway, Mass. In fact, nearly all of our '90 graduates intend to teach next year, although Bros. Crockett and Landfear have not yet fixed on the place, as far as known to your correspondent. Bro. Whitaker, who taught a Greek class in the Amherst High School this last year, made such a record that on the resignation of Bro. Sherman, '85, from the Principalship of this school, Bro. Whitaker was at once given the position. We are especially glad that a Theta Delt is to fill Bro. Sherman's place, for we shall miss his constant interest and advice; but he goes to a higher position as teacher in a Philadelphia school. He is abroad this summer studying German in preparation for his work. Of our '90 alumni only Bros. Bartlett and Reynolds do not intend teaching next year. Bro. Reynolds will take much needed rest at home, and Bro. Bartlett goes to Union Theological Seminary.

OMICRON DEUTERON.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

With the commencement of 1890, Omicron Deuteron sent out into the world five Theta Delts. Though the delegation was smaller than usual, it won no less honors for our beloved fraternity. Three of the five were commencement speakers, another received special honors, while the fifth would have represented our charge on class day, had not the class voted to do away with that exercise of commencement week.

The first exercise of the week was the prize speaking, in Bissell hall, Monday evening, June 23. On Tuesday, the day heretofore given to

class day, there were no exercises of the College proper. The annual meeting of Phi Beta Kappa was held Wednesday morning, at which meeting Bros. Abbott, Benton and Mills became members of that society. The corner-stone of the Y. M. C. A. building, which is to cost about \$15,000, was laid at 4 p. m., after which the various societies held reunions in their respective halls. Having had so large an attendance at our re-union last year, we were somewhat disappointed at meeting only three of our alumni, Bro. Morton, '80, of San Francisco, Cal.; Bro. Kelley, '86, of South Hadley, Mass., and Bro. Aiken, '87, of Princeton Theological Seminary. We sincerely hope that more of our graduate members may be able to return to Hanover in 1891.

The commencement exercises occurred at 10:30 a. m., Thursday. Bros. Abbott and Mills received English orations, and Bro. Benton a dissertation. At the alumni dinner, immediately after the commencement exercises, Bro. Abbott responded to the toast of "'90."

The announcement of the prizes and honors shows brothers of Omicron Deuteron to have received the following :

Special honors in chemistry, Bro. Dearborn, '90.

Honorable mention in philosophy, Bro. Abbott, '90.

“ “ “ political science, Bro. Abbott, '90.

“ “ “ physics, chemistry and astronomy, Bro. Colby, '91.

“ “ “ German, Bro. Allison, '91.

“ “ “ Latin, Bro. Potter, '92.

“ “ “ mathematics, Bro. Doty, '92.

“ “ “ Greek, Bro. Potter, '92.

Second prize in English composition, \$24, Bro. Mills, '90.

First prize in Latin, \$30, Bro. Potter, '92.

College opens September 4th, and that day will find us (26 in all) back at Hanover well rested and ready for work; the freshmen will have no peace for a few days, at least. We, probably lose only one man next year, Bro. Towne, '93, who leaves college. Bro. Colby, '91, has been elected one of the editors of the Dartmouth for next year. Bro. Hopkins, '91; Belknap and Shirley, '92, are our representatives on the Literary Monthly.

As far as known, the occupations of the members of the '90 delegation, during next year, will be as follows : Bro. Abbott will teach in Manchester, N. H., and Bro. Benton will follow the same pursuit in Milwaukee, Wis.; Bro. Bacon is, as yet, undecided. Bro. Dearborn, after an extended tour through Eastern provinces, will enter the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York city. Bro. Mills will be instructor in English in Colgate Academy, Hamilton, N. Y.

Omicron Deuteron sends best wishes to Sister Charges, and trusts that they may be as successful in the "chinning" season so near at hand, as in previous ones.

PI DEUTERON.

COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Examinations ended in C. C., N. Y., June 10th, and with them ended one of the most prosperous years Pi Deuteron has had since its establishment.

We vacated our rooms at 574 Fifth avenue, May 1st. Next fall we expect to occupy larger and better rooms, in conjunction with the $\Theta \Delta X$ Club and Rho Deuteron. The $\Theta \Delta X$ Club has at last become a substantial reality. One of the features of the club has been the monthly suppers, these were always well attended and quite as pleasant in their way as the graduate dinner.

We were fortunate this year in having a prize speaker, Bro. Shultz, who is without exception the best declaimer in '92. Prize speaking took place at Chickering Hall, June 16th. The prize was won by Mr. A. W. Handy, (colored) '90. Bro. Shultz was a good second, which is quite an honor for C. C. N. Y. is famous here for its declaimers, and this year the speaking was of a higher order than usual.

Class day exercises this year were in the evening. Bro. Patterson was Prophet. Bro. Nelson also took part. The *Herald* of the next day said :

"Mr. Fred H. Patterson then delivered the class prophecy. This consisted in basing predictions as to the locations and achievements of his classmates upon the peculiarities they had developed in college. No member of the class was overlooked. The hits were generally quite obvious. They were all clean and good natured, and the academic portion of the audience, at least, relished them hugely.

Nearly as good in its way was the reading of the section book by Mr. D. Nelson. This feature was not down on the programme. It purported to be an abstract from the record of demerits passed upon various members of the class by their professors. In many cases the personality of the professors and tutors formed an essential element of the jokes."

At commencement we lost three men, Bros. Patterson, Nelson and Boyrer. Bros. Patterson and Nelson have been indefatigable in their efforts to advance the interests of $\Theta \Delta X$ at C. C. N. Y., and their efforts have been successful. Bro. Boyrer, whom I take this opportunity to introduce to the fraternity at large, was initiated just before examinations, but has already shown himself to be possessed of those good qualities that make a true and loyal Theta Delt.

On June 17, Pi Deuteron held her fifth annual banquet at Mazzetti's. After the initiation of Bros. H. C. Nelson, '91, and G. W. Kosmack, '93, we sat down to a "feast in season and the flowing bowl." Bro. Wettlaufer was toast-master. "Billy" was in one of his most sparkling moods and wit, humor and sarcasm flowed from him with the soft gurgle of Mumm's Extra. Bro. Goodwin, our oldest graduate answered to "The

Fraternity," Bro. Patterson to "Our Charge." He spoke of the progress made by the Charge during the last few years, of the high position we now hold in C. C. N. Y., of the earlier vicissitudes of the Charge, and of the hard and faithful work that had raised us to highest position in C. C. N. Y. He exhorted the younger brothers to work unceasingly to maintain the position that so rightfully belongs to us, but could only be retained by constant devotion to the interests of the fraternity. Bro. McIntyre, who graduated this year from the P. and S. had the "Medical Profession." After several others had been called upon to speak, Bro. Ehlers, of Rho Deuteron, paid a fitting tribute to those brethren it has pleased a merciful Providence to affiliate with that Charge we must all sooner or later join, the Omega. $\Theta \Delta X$ more than holds her own here. We have four men on the Glee club, Bro. Alsdorf, first tenor and warbler; Patterson, first tenor; Nelson and Shultz, second tenors. In athletics, Bro. D. Nelson has been captain of the Lacrosse team and Bro. H. C. Nelson succeeds in that position. Lee and Lawson are members of the freshmen Lacrosse team. In class officers, Patterson, president of '90, first term, prophet on class day and assistant marshal, member of *Eiponia*. Bro. Nelson, chairman of the *Microcosm* board; Bro. Trafford, president of Phrenocosmia and editor of *Mercury*, and Bros. Goebel and Whithorne, president and secretary of '92.

We send our best wishes to "Baby" Theta Deuteron and hope that she will soon have a younger sister,

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PSI.

HAMILTON COLLEGE.

Another commencement season has come and gone, and the most apparent trace of its visit is the promotion of freshman, sophomore and junior, the materialization of the coming freshman, and the addition of the senior to the struggling ranks of alumni. Hamilton's seventy-eighth commencement, the twenty-third in which Ψ has been interested, was ushered in and accompanied throughout by the very auspicious weather peculiar to this season of the year, indicative, we trust, of the pleasant years of usefulness in store for the members of '90.

On Sunday morning, June 22d, President Darling delivered the baccalaureate sermon in the Stone church. It was a characteristic production and contained much advice that cannot fail to accompany the graduates long years on their journey of life as encouragement in prosperity and consolation in adversity. In the evening occurred the address before the college Young Men's Christian Association, given by Horace B. Silliman, the generous benefactor, to whom Hamilton is indebted for that elegant structure, "Silliman Hall," the home of the college association, but little over a year since added to her campus adornments. It is

doubtful whether to Mr. Silliman or to Bro. R. B. Perine, '90, president of the association, congratulations are due the more, whether to Mr. Silliman for his scholarly address, or to Bro. Perine for the efficient services rendered the association as its presiding officer. Under Bro. Perine's administration, the Y. M. C. A. enjoyed a membership and a season of prosperity entirely eclipsing that of former years, and he has been able to hand down the presidency to his successor with the consciousness of having done the association much good.

Monday of commencement week is comparatively a quiet day. It seems as though all the elements which go to make up a pleasant time were taking on renewed strength for a successful completion of time-worn exercises. And so it happens that the next most notable event was the McKinney prize contest in declamation, Monday evening. At eight o'clock, the old Stone church which has time and again echoed collegiate oratory, was completely filled with commencement visitors and friends of the contestants. To gaze upon such a sympathetic audience is certainly inspiring and well calculated to draw forth the speaker's ablest efforts. The speaking was reported as fully equal to the best of former years and bore the unmistakable impress of training in the "home of modern oratory." Bro. Hooker was one of the five sophomore competitors and sustained the record which Psi has made as being a deposit for college prizes, by taking the first award.

By Tuesday the men of the incoming class began to appear, and the examination for entrance which is always on the programme for the forenoon, was by no means the least important feature for them. In the afternoon the graduating class held their usual campus-day exercises on College Hill, at which Bro. Lee delivered the response for the class of '91 in an interesting and vivacious manner, peculiar only to himself.

Wednesday was by far the most busy day of the week. From the game of base ball between the nine of alumni and the undergraduate nine in the morning, until the address before the society in the evening, everything was bustle and activity. This was the day of class and fraternity reunions. And it is through these latter that sons of Psi delight to feel a renewal of the fires of devotion in the hearty hand clasps of brotherhood and in the enjoyable recollection of other days. Psi was particularly interested in the class-day exercises in the Stone church in the afternoon, since Bro. Perine was the orator of the occasion, and ably did he maintain the reputation of former Theta Deltas in whose occupancy of this position the Charge proudly rejoices.

Thursday's sun rose cheerily over the Deerfield hills, and ere he was many hours high the hum of busy activity which came from the valley below told the late rising student that the last day of '90's college experience had already dawned and was well on its way toward the meridian. At precisely 9:30 a. m., the final graduation exercises began, the flood gates of oratory were opened and a torrent of eloquence, such as

Clinton sees but once a year, was poured out upon the helpless, yet sympathetic listeners. Then followed the granting of degrees and award of prizes, and thirty-six men were added to Hamilton's long list of alumni.

Although Psi loses but one this year by graduation, she is deeply sensible of the loss and follows the departing brother with a tender benediction. We all wish that Bro. Perine may ever be attended by the same eminent success which has characterized his college course; that he may meet those who will remind him of the brothers he now leaves, by the interest they may take in his welfare, and that he may form friendships like those ripened by the years now closed which can end but with life.

All the brothers are rejoicing in the success of Bro. Northrop, '91, who has been awarded a Hawley medal for classical excellence in his class. Bro. Lee, '91, comes in for his share of congratulations by the capture of the \$200 Greek scholarship, second junior prize essay and also a classical medal.

Psi takes great pleasure in introducing to the brothers Bro. Hannibal Smith, '66, who is as enthusiastic a Theta Delt as though he had always been a member of our beloved fraternity and not initiated into its mysteries only last commencement. Bro. Smith was a member of the old Phoenix society which was merged into our Charge. We gladly record the following brethren among our commencement guests: M. V. B. Ward, '65; John H. Cunningham, '66; Rev. W. B. Lucas, '66; Prof. A. G. Benedict, '72; R. C. Briggs, '73; Prof. C. A. Borst, '81; S. W. Petrie, '76; J. H. Pardee, '89; C. W. E. Chapin, '89; Prof. Jas. D. Rogers, '89; J. H. Ayers, '89, and Bro. Kellogg, '73, of Omicron Deuteron.

From country, town and city the members of Psi will soon be filing back to assume their places of duty in college and fraternity work. Two members from the incoming class have already pledged themselves to join us, and with the probability of a total membership considerably exceeding that of last year, our Charge looks forward to a promising future. As the students return they will find everything much the same as at the close of college last June. However, one familiar face will be missed among the faculty. The well-known figure of Dr. Peters will no longer be seen in the routine duties of his astronomical work. He has passed to his reward. In the death of the veteran astronomer, not only does Hamilton College lose a valued instructor, but science is deprived of a devoted revelator. As to who will succeed him, there are at present no indications; but when that person shall take his seat, whoever he may be, the greatest thing one can then say of him will be, that he was chosen to fill the vacancy in the chair of astronomy at Hamilton College, caused by the death of Prof. C. H. T. Peters.





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ALEXANDER L. HOLLEY.

On the second day of October occurred an international ceremony in New York city which will be handed down to posterity as one of the important events in the history of America. It is not often that England records an unsolicited testimonial to the genius of an American citizen; hence the importance which attaches to the occasion referred to. The unveiling of the statue of Alexander L. Holley by the Iron and Steel Institute of Great Britain is of special interest, as Theta Delta Chi is a participant in this great honor. The SHIELD feels entirely justified in devoting liberal space to an account of this ceremony, and as full a history of the life of Brother Holley as can be obtained. We thus perpetuate his memory and join the vast throng in paying our affectionate tribute to one of America's most distinguished scientists.

The afternoon session of the convention was given up entirely to the ceremony. At 2 o'clock, in Chickering Hall, after Conterno's band had played "God Save the Queen," in honor of the English visitors, James Dredge, editor of the London *Engineering*, delivered a most elaborate memorial address and eulogy. We quote from the *Tribune* of Oct. 3d:

"Mr. Dredge prefaced his address with the reading of letters in praise of Alexander L. Holley from James Forrest, the Secretary of the British Institute of Civil Engineers, and Sir Henry Bessemer, the inventor. He continued in part:

When I received an invitation from your joint committee to deliver the inaugural address that was to precede the ceremony of unveiling the Holley Memorial Statue, I was bewildered at the great and wholly unexpected honor thus suddenly pressed upon me. Of Holley's history I can give you little that is new; possibly this is neither the time nor place to

enlarge upon, or even to repeat, what you have been already told so well. His was the story of all great men—a noble mission faithfully fulfilled; a life cheerfully yielded when his work was done. To him were entrusted, not five, but fifty talents, and of all he could render an account manifold when he entered into his rest.

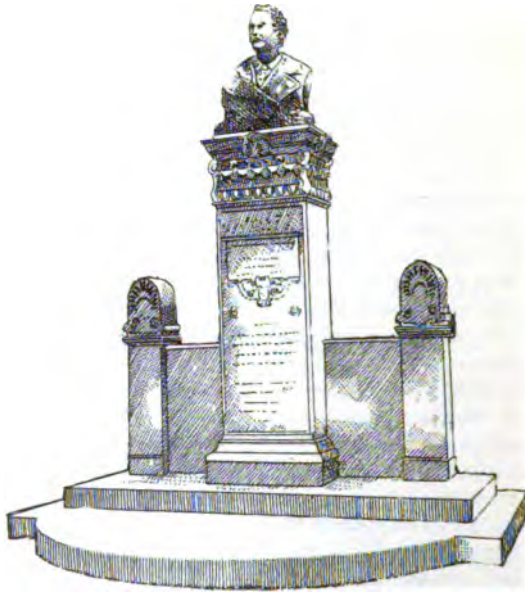
In 1857, I was the first person to shake hands with Holley on his arrival in England. Twenty-five years later I was the last Englishman to shake him by the hand in London, when we said our final farewell. You cannot imagine the effect which the sudden apparition of the two young Americans, Holley and Colburn, in the gloomy London office, had upon me. They appeared to me like beings from a superior world, so unlike were they to any persons I had ever met before. Even with my untutored and crude power of perception, I could feel that they were surrounded with an atmosphere of energy and intelligence; that they were overflowing with vitality. The one seemed to me a spirit of darkness, the other a spirit of light; and both so immeasurably my superiors that I could do little more than gaze on them in wonder.

When their brief visit came to an end, and they returned to New York, most of the light went out of my life, though their influence remained behind, especially that of Holley, whose bright individuality rested with me as an ideal, which I might, perchance, with time and constant effort, feebly imitate. The following year Zerah Colburn returned to London alone. He became the editor of *The Engineer*, and I, having sought him out, had the privilege of being closely and intimately associated with him until the curtain fell upon his tragic end. As no doubt you know, after he returned to England in 1858, he made his permanent home there, with the exception of a few months in 1860, which he passed in Philadelphia. You are also aware that it was he who founded the *London Engineering* in 1866. Into the management of this journal he threw, for the first three years, the whole force of his great erratic powers. After their first visit to London, and their joint publication of the volume on European railways, Holley and Colburn, without becoming actually estranged, had but little in common. The dark and fiery genius of the one was in fact so opposed to the trained talents and noble soul of the other, that it was impossible for any real and lasting sympathy to exist between them."

After giving an extended resume of his life and work, substantially as given in the subsequent portions of this sketch, Mr. Dredge concluded as follows :

"It was early in the summer of 1880 when Holley received the first warning that his career was drawing to a close. Twenty-five years of life at high pressure had told on his constitution, though his energy and magnificent mental powers remained unaffected.

It was my privilege to pass many hours by Holley's bedside during this long period of trial, and if my presence and his knowledge of the



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Mr. James C. Bayles, Chairman of the Committee of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the American Society of Civil Engineers, took a position on the base of the pedestal. By his side stood Alexander Holley Olmstead, the infant grandson of the great engineer, and President Gallup, of the Park Board.

Mr. Bayles spoke as follows, (we quote from the *Times*:)

MR. COMMISSIONER: On behalf of the General Committee representing three great engineering societies of the United States, I have the honor to surrender to your official custody, as executive head of the Department of Public Parks, this memorial bust of Alexander Lyman Holley. It is proper that the beautiful parks of the chief city of the United States should be adorned with monuments commemorating the beneficent victories of peace and preserving in enduring bronze the features of those whose work has contributed to the material progress of the nation. If the soldier and statesman are worthy to be thus held in lasting remembrance, not less so in a republic are those who have made its industrial history and led the progress of the arts and sciences. Our heroes are not alone those who have repelled invasion, suppressed rebellion, or broadened our boundaries by conquests of the sword or pen, but in a better sense those who have made the great forces of nature subservient to our purposes, and placed at the command of industry and enterprise the means which have rendered possible a national development that commands the admiration of the world.

Perhaps its presence will not be without significance in a city where the petty struggles of parties and factions for brief and inglorious supremacy waste so many lives and occupy so large a share of our thoughts. No less significant is the fact that it is unveiled in the presence of so many distinguished representatives of the profession of engineering, not only in our own country, but of Great Britain and the Continent of Europe. Never before has such a company assembled for such a purpose. It cannot but be of advantage to the rising generation to be reminded that those are ever held most worthy of honor who have done most to benefit mankind, and that when names written on the shifting sands of popular favor are obliterated and forgotten, those chiseled upon the corner-stones of our national prosperity will live in grateful remembrance.

In reply President Gallup said :

It is indeed fitting that in this country, where genius and invention are triumphant, our citizens should turn aside now and then from their labors to pay just tributes to those who have made her great. Among them truly was he who has been so honored to-day as one of the greatest of engineers. Your Chairman has spoken of the beneficent victories of peace. In the same spirit I accept this bronze on behalf of the city of New York. Once before we struck hands with a people to whom we owe the beacon that lighted the way of our guests to this port. And so I extend to them a like welcome, that this memorial may serve as another emblem of the good will of nations.

As soon as President Gallup ceased speaking, the little grandson of the noble ancestor pulled the cord which held the American flag, that had covered the statue, and as it fell there

was revealed to the gaze of the multitude a monument which will stand for generations to come. Thus ended this most fitting ceremony.

Alexander Lyman Holley was born in Lakeville, Conn., July 20, 1832. He was the son of Alexander H. Holley, afterward Governor of the State. He graduated from Brown University in 1853. Quoting from the *Times*:

"For a time he worked in a machine shop, and then, being a very worshipper of steam locomotives, secured employment in the locomotive works in Jersey City. In 1856 he turned his attention to engineering literature, and was associated with the famous Zerah Colburn in the editing of the *Railroad Advocate* and *American Engineer*.

In 1857 Holley and Colburn went to Europe as the representatives of several American railroads to study foreign railway practice. They received great attention from foreign engineers, and on their return wrote articles for periodicals and a book, in which it was shown conclusively that the annual expenses of operating American railroads was one-third more per mile than in England. Their revelations and suggestions created a tremendous sensation. The newspapers all took up the matter. Holley became regularly connected with the staff of the *Times*, and between 1858 and 1863 wrote upward of 300 articles on engineering for its columns.

In 1859 the *Times* sent Holley to England to write articles on engineering topics, and especially on the building of the Great Eastern. The *Times* sent him to England again in 1860 to come back on the Great Eastern, which had just been launched. He arrived in this city on the great vessel June 28, 1860, and wrote a page story of the trip over his *nom de guerre* of 'Tubal Cain,' in which he forecast, as the result of his observation on the Great Eastern's trip, the very fatal difficulties that afterward were demonstrated, and which resulted in her sale for 'junk.'

At the beginning of the civil war, when Holley had a professional standing second to none, he offered his services to the United States, but for some reason never explained, he was not recognized. In 1862 Edwin A. Stevens sent him abroad to study ordnance and armor, and on his return he published a treatise on the subject, which was the best thing of its kind at the time, and is a recognized authority to-day. In 1863 he went to Europe for Corning, Winslow & Co., of Troy, to get information concerning the Bessemer process of manufacturing steel. He succeeded in purchasing the American rights of the Bessemer patents. The history of his career after 1865 is practically the wonderful history of the Bessemer process in the United States."

Quoting from the *Tribune*:

"The professional honors that were so fully his due, fell thickly enough on him during the later years. He was elected President of the

Institute of Mining Engineers in 1875; he was Vice-President of the Society of Civil Engineers in 1876; he founded the Society of Mechanical Engineers. in 1877 he became a member of the Institution of Civil Engineers, a body which we in England are proud to regard as the parent of all the Anglo-Saxon engineering societies.

Holley was proposed as a member of the Institution of Civil Engineers by the late Sir William Siemens, and was seconded by a long list of well-known and famous men in the profession.

Holley was also a member of the Iron and Steel Institute of Loudon. In 1875 he was appointed a member of the United States Board for testing structural materials; in 1879 he became a lecturer on the metallurgy of iron and steel at Columbia College, and in 1878 he was given the degree of Doctor of Laws."

Holley was both an orator and poet in his speech, possessing a wonderful power of language, with a surprising readiness of application, and combined therewith humor and eloquence. Holley's speeches are the brightest and most powerful of this age. Whether in the halls of science or at the festive board, he always carried off the palm. The American Institute of Mining Engineers issued, soon after his death, a very beautiful memorial volume, in which are recorded some of his most able efforts.

Soon after entering Brown University, Brown joined the Delta Psi society, a local organization founded in 1850 at the University of Vermont. It was organized as an open society, and about the time of Holley's joining, the society became a member of the anti-secret confederation. This action so displeased the members at Brown that the chapter voted to dissolve their connection with Delta Psi and join some other society. After canvassing the field, an application was made to the Theta Delta Chi fraternity for a charter, and after considerable delay the Zeta charge was chartered. In addition to the original members of the defunct chapter of Delta Psi, Franklin Burdge and Thomas Simons were included in the charter member list. Holley had already graduated before the charge was organized, but he at once joined, and as a resident of Providence he was actively engaged with the charge as a resident member. Holley delivered a masterly oration at the convention which was held in Providence in 1855. The convention had this address printed. After leaving Providence

he drifted somewhat away from his old chums and became entirely absorbed in the profession which he so highly honored. Bro. Franklin Burdge was one of Holley's most intimate friends, and to him we are indebted for the facts narrated. Bro. Burdge writes :

"I presume it is the first monument to be erected in a public place to a member of our society, but I am sure many of the dead are deserving such an honor, if monuments were not so sparingly erected in American cities. I was intimately acquainted with Holley in college, and often visit his tomb in Greenwood. It has a beautiful bronze locomotive on it."

That the deeds of men live after them is strongly verified in Holley. His fame has become glory, and not only this nation, but the world, bows in graceful recognition of the scientific truths he unfolded. What a rich heritage for his family—and his chosen fraternity! A striking example for the emulation of the young members whose eyes are now gazing with admiration upon the glorious monument he has left to celebrate his memory.

In closing our weak tribute the SHIELD desires to express thanks for many courtesies received from Mr. R. W. Raymond, Secretary of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, through whose kindness we are enabled to present a fine portrait of Bro. Holley. We are also permitted to quote as a fitting termination a few lines from the Memorial of Holley, published by the Institute, and entitled

THE NEW NATURE.

In the old days
Men walked with nature in the quiet wood,
And found her features beautiful or good,
As were their ways.

Still do they look,
Painter and poet, seer and holy man,
For Nature's self, to find her when they can,—
In field or brook.

But these new days,
Oftimes entice from breezy dale and down,
Her wandering feet into the dingy town,
Where chimneys blaze.

Are forge and flue,
 Steeple and street, becoming in her sight,
 More dear than all the joy of day or night,
 That once she knew ?

That—none may know ;
 Her gifts are hers, to spend them as she will—
 Changed, or the same, Nature is Nature still,
 And chooseth so.

Of all who seem
 To seek her face, one asks, whom do her eyes
 Rest kindest on ? Nature herself replies,
 (So we may deem),

To him that asks ;
 " The wine is given to him that hath the cup ;
 Use is but beauty, girded strongly up
 For kindred tasks."

DOES FOOT-BALL PAY?

The time is not far distant when a discussion will be forced upon the college public which is of no small importance. Just how long fathers and mothers will consent to remain quiet and see their sons ruined for life and usefulness we can not predict, but it is becoming a potent fact that the foot-ball craze will bring sadness to many families unless some step be taken soon to avert the overwhelming excitement now prevalent in that direction. The SHIELD is not an opponent of reasonable athletic exercise, but when such institutions as Yale, Princeton and Harvard have more interest in foot-ball than the curriculum, it is high time something should be done. A terrible hue and cry has been maintained by some straight-laced college faculties against fraternities—and oaths are required that no matriculant shall join any society, but forsooth, the same wise cranks will allow the brightest and best students to become absorbed in an athletic game which is an open invitation to

bodily wreck. The chapter of accidents for the current year is simply appalling. The intense excitement engendered by championship contests drives from every player's mind all thought of safety to self and the result is more or less personal injury at every game. The following extract from the *Evening Post* of Nov. 14, is the text upon which these remarks are founded. In speaking of the great Princeton-U. P. and Yale-Harvard games, the *Post* says :

"Yale will probably have little more ambition than just to defeat the Pennsylvanians by a respectable score, for the Harvard game will be played a week hence, and no broken bones are wanted."

Every metropolitan paper teems with the topic—but no time is wasted on the damage to the players, this is taken as a matter of course. Now, the SHIELD has no criticism to offer on foot-ball *per se*, but does protest against any game which converts an able bodied young man into a corpse or a crippled invalid with life prospect destroyed. What must be the feeling of a student who has left home with a brilliant future looming up before him,—the pride of his parents and friends, who is carried home a few short weeks later with a broken leg—or otherwise crippled. After the excitement is over, he can then see what might have been. The parents mourning over the untoward accident endeavor to nurse him back to health, but the faithful physician tells them that the boy's prospects of vigor are blighted. He has a stiff leg or the broken ribs have superinduced disease of the lungs. This is the rich reward of ambition and sadly the loving father and mother become resigned to the inevitable. Who is to bear the blame for such suffering? No small share of it rests upon the college faculty. Bigoted and biased—they frown upon or rule out the fraternity which does not ruin but elevates, and allow the "worst devil of them all" to come in and reign supreme.



Yours faithfully,

John H.

JOHN HAZEL

1787-1870

JOHN HAZEL,
of the County of Warren, State of New York,
do hereby certify that the within and
above entitled John Hazel,
is the same person who was
born in the County of Warren, State of New York,
on the 27th day of August, 1787.

This is the same person who was
admitted to the bar of the County
of Warren, New York, on the 12th day of

August, 1814. He of the year
1818 settled in the village of Ferrisburgh,
New York, where he was elected
Deputy Sheriff, and migrated in 1820
to the town of Ferrisburgh, in the
County of Warren, New York, where he
continued to reside until he was
elected to the office of Sheriff of the
County of Warren, New York, in 1832,
and served in that office until the year
1838, when he was elected to the
office of Justice of the Peace for the
County of Warren, New York, and
continued to serve in that office until
the year 1848, when he was elected to
the office of Justice of the Peace for
the County of Warren, New York, and
continued to serve in that office until
the year 1868, when he was elected to
the office of Justice of the Peace for
the County of Warren, New York, and
continued to serve in that office until
the year 1870, when he died.



Yours very truly,

J. H. W.

JOHN HAY.

BY WILLIAM L. STONE.

“When time with moss
Shall overgrow his monumental stone,
And crumble the pale marble into dust,
His memory shall live; his name shall shine
On history's page.”

“Is this not a strange fellow, my lord? that so confidently seems to undertake this business, which he knows is not to be done; damns himself to do; and dares better be damned than to do it?”—*Shakespeare.*

About the middle of the last century, John Hay, the son of a Scottish soldier who had taken service in the army of the Elector Palatine, emigrated with his four sons from the Rhenish Palatinate to America. Adam, one of these sons, had received a military training in Europe, and served with distinction in the War of Independence. He was a friend and associate of Washington; and one of the earliest recollections of his son, the late John Hay, of Springfield, Ill., was of meeting the Commander-in-Chief on a country road; of hearing him greet Adam Hay as an old comrade, and of receiving from the Father of his Country a friendly pat on the head. This John Hay was a man of large build; and although of a quiet and peaceable disposition, manifested, on occasions, great strength of will and force of character. For instance: Becoming convinced, at the age of fifty-five, that a slave state was no place in which to establish a large family, he moved from Kentucky to Sangamon county, Ill., all his sons and daughters accompanying him except his eldest son, Charles. The latter studied medicine, and on receiving his degree removed to Salem, Ind. In 1831 he married a daughter of Rev. David A. Leonard, of Rhode Island, a man well known among his contemporaries for learning and eloquence, a graduate of Brown University in 1793, and the poet of his class. Ten years after his marriage,

Dr. Hay removed to Warsaw, Ill., and here he passed the rest of his long, useful and honored life.

John Hay, the fourth son of Dr. Charles Hay, and the subject of the present sketch, was born in Salem, Ind., Oct. 8th, 1838. His boyhood was passed in the West during that inchoate period "when the thin picket-line of pioneer villages was followed by the organization of great towns, and when all the initial steps of local self-government were of foremost interest." "Like most educated Western boys," to quote again from the *Century*, "he knew the political life of which Lincoln was the outgrowth and the expression; and he was equally familiar with the new type of manhood springing up about them." When the time came for the selection of a college, it is not strange that Hay—influenced, undoubtedly, by the fact that Providence, R. I., had been the early home of his mother and Brown University the *Alma Mater* of his maternal grandfather—made choice of that college. He, therefore, entered "Brown," and at once took high rank as a writer. This was evident, not only from his essays in the departments of rhetoric and the various sciences—in short, in all those studies in which good writing subjoined to a thorough knowledge of the subject is required—but from the fact that whenever anything above the ordinary was needed in the way of composition, his services were at once drawn upon. This, too, was the more noticeable when it is recalled that the class of which he was a member was made up of an unusual number of brilliant men, excelling especially in composition, and many of whom have since become eminent in different walks of life, particularly that of journalism. For example: His class poem delivered in 1858, before an audience composed chiefly of highly cultivated and beautiful women—Hay was always a great favorite with the ladies—is a model of its kind. I trust the SHIELD will at some future time republish it; for which purpose my copy—the only one now in existence, as I have reason to believe—is at its service. The closing lines of this poem (to my mind the quintessence of healthy sentiment), is such an exquisite gem that the readers of the SHIELD will thank me for reproducing them in this connection:

"Our words may not float down the surging ages,
 As Hindoo lamps adown the sacred stream;
 We may not stand sublime on history's pages,
 The bright ideals of the future's dream;
 Yet we may all strive for the goal assigned us,
 Glad if we win, and happy if we fail;
 Work calmly on, nor care to leave behind us,
 The lurid glaring of the meteor's trail.
 As we go forth, the smiling world before us
 Shouts to our youth the old inspiring tune;
 The same blue sky is bending o'er us,
 The green earth sparkles in the joy of June.
 Where'er afar the beck of fate shall call us,
 'Mid winter's boreal chill or summer's blaze,
 Fond memory's chain of flowers shall still enthrall us,
 Wreathed by the spirits of these vanished days.
 Our hearts shall bear them safe through life's commotion,
 Their fading gleam shall light us to our graves;
 As in the shell the memories of ocean
 Murmur forever of the sounding waves." *

After graduating, Hay returned to his home in the West and studied law at Springfield, Ill., in the office of Abraham Lincoln, being admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of that State in 1861. Such were his faithfulness and ability, that, upon Mr. Lincoln's election to the Presidency, he appointed, as his assistant private secretary, the young student whose admirable qualities he had witnessed during many months. Hay accompanied Mr. Lincoln on his memorable journey from Springfield to Washington; was by his side, as secretary and confidential friend, nearly every day from 1860 to 1865; was next to him at both his inaugurations; and, finally, at the closing scene, stood by his bed-side and saw him die.

Did space permit, the President's perspicacity could easily be shown by his calling Hay to his side, and also his knowledge of men by surrounding himself, both in his Cabinet and family, with the best of talent, which, indeed, was an element of his greatness—the faculty, I mean, of employing material

* When it is remembered that the writer of these lines was at this time scarcely twenty years of age, the maturity of thought, as well as the felicity of expression—illustrated especially in the exquisite and original imagery of the last two lines—is simply remarkable!

exactly suited for his purposes—thus proving his supreme qualifications for the great office to which he had been called. The writer can only say, however, that during the entire time in which Hay held this position, he remained not only a wise counsellor, but a trusted and dearly loved friend of the President; living at the White House, and sustaining with him daily relations of the closest and most confidential character. Hence, it is not singular that during the entire civil war, President Lincoln should have entrusted to Hay missions of the most delicate moment. As the President's aide-de-camp, he served for several months under Generals Hunter and Gilmore with the additional rank of Major and Assistant Adjutant General. He was also brevetted Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel. Again, when the Union cause looked particularly dark, and staunch and generally hopeful men, like Horace Greeley, hesitated and thought that propositions should be made to the Rebels with a view of stopping the awful shedding of blood in, what seemed to their gloomy imaginings, a hopeless cause, certain Southern refugees in Canada sent word to Greeley that in the interests of peace they were willing to go to Washington, if protection were accorded them. Mr. Greeley lost no time in forwarding their application to the President. Mr. Lincoln—almost Godlike in his magnanimity—though agonizingly tried on the one hand with the doubts of those who, at such a critical time, should have rallied to his support, and anxious, on the other, to neglect nothing which might lead to a peace conditioned on the return of the Rebels to their allegiance, requested Mr. Greeley to go to Canada and have an interview with them.* On the latter's arrival in that Province and finding them not accredited from Richmond, he telegraphed the President, who at once sent Major Hay to Niagara with a letter to the Confederate agents. It boots not to say what was the outcome of these negotiations: the fact is only here mentioned to show the supreme confidence Mr. Lincoln had in the tact and judgment of his youthful secretary.

Hay was first Secretary of Legation at Paris in 1865-7.

* Col. Hay has most graphically and feelingly depicted Mr. Lincoln's state of mind and his noble patience and forbearance at this time, in his "Life of Lincoln."

and *charge d' affaires* at Vienna in 1867-8, when he resigned and came home. He was, however, soon afterwards appointed Secretary of Legation at Madrid under Gen. Daniel E. Sickles; and it was while holding this position that he, like his predecessors at that same court—Prescott and Irving—used the opportunity to write his “Castilian Days,” which, like “Ferdinand and Isabella” and “The Alhambra,” will always hold a permanent place in our literature. Leaving that post in 1870, he returned to New York and became an editorial writer on the New York *Tribune*, where he remained some five years. He was afterwards editor-in-chief of that paper for seven months, during the absence of Whitelaw Reid in Europe. He removed to Cleveland, Ohio, in 1875, and took an active part in the Presidential campaigns of 1876, 1880 and 1884. In 1879 he accepted the office of First Assistant Secretary of State under President Hayes, and discharged its duties until the close of that administration; meanwhile representing the United States at the International Sanitary Congress of Washington, of which body he was elected President. Then, fulfilling a long cherished intention, he declined the urgent solicitations of Garfield and Blaine to remain in public life, and returned to devote himself to the Life of his revered friend, the martyred Lincoln. In all these years of official activity, as the *Century* very justly says, “Hay has always rendered distinguished service, and has steadily gained in public estimation as a sound, evenly balanced and judiciously minded man.”

The most recent public appearance of Col. Hay was on the 19th of last September, on the unveiling of the bronze statue of Horace Greeley in front of the *Tribune* Building; on which occasion, as presiding officer, he preceded his graceful introduction of the orator of the day, Chauncey M. Depew, with the following appreciative remarks :

“Greeley’s utterances during the war came like a clear clarion, calling Northern men to action; and his place on the pages of his country’s history is secure. As long as this statue shall endure, as long as this city shall hold its place as one of the centres of the world, Greeley will be known as one of the strongest characters in his generation. And while this generation lasts there will be many, very many, among whom I can

count myself, who will remember Horace Greeley as one of the gentlest and most sympathetic of friends."

And that the Fraternity may know the high estimation in which he is held, I will add that in the course of Mr. Depew's speech, he referred to Hay, among other living men, as one of the "most brilliant names in journalism."

And yet, although surrounded by the many cares unavoidable to professional and public life, Col. Hay has never neglected his literary pursuits. He has published "Pike County Ballads," one of the best known of which is "Jim Bludso," (Boston, 1871), "Castilian Days," (Boston, 1871), and in connection with John G. Nicolay, a "History of the Administration of Abraham Lincoln," which has lately appeared in the *Century Magazine*. He is also believed to be the author of the anonymous novel of "The Bread Winners," (New York, 1883).

Col. Hay was married on the 4th of February, 1874, to Miss Clara Louise Stone, of Cleveland, Ohio, and at present has four children, two boys and two girls. He has recently built a handsome house in Washington, D. C., in which he lives, surrounded by everything which makes domestic life happy.

Such, in faint though not imperfect outline, is the sketch of a life which it would be my delight to give at greater length, did not the space allotted to me forbid. It remains—and which to Theta Deltas is of far more importance—to present briefly the salient points of Brother Hay's personal and literary characteristics.

Brother Hay, during his college career, was, like his favorite poet, Shelly, of a singularly modest and retiring disposition; but withal of so winning a manner that no one could be in his presence, even for a few moments, without falling under the spell which his conversation and companionship invariably cast upon all who came within its influence. He was, indeed, to his little circle of intimates, a young Dr. Johnson without his boorishness, or a Dr. Goldsmith without his frivolity.

Upon his first entering the University, the intellectual bullies of his class, mistaking these traits for weakness, were disposed to look down upon the newly entered collegian from Illinois. It was but a little while, however, when his sterling worth gave them pause; nor had he been long matriculated before Brothers Burdge and Simons, looking deeper into character, saw in him the future development of a strong nature. Accordingly, they made it their study to place before Hay the great advantages over all other societies which were to be found under the protecting ægis of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity! Their arguments proved so convincing, that Hay, having given his consent, an evening was set for his initiation. Nor was it a slight compliment, on Hay's part, to throw in his lot with us; for by this time the other Greek-letter societies had seen their mistake and had made most extraordinary efforts to capture him. But it was of no avail. Hay had pledged himself to us! A victory, however, so glorious, must, forsooth, be celebrated with more than usual ceremony. Accordingly, Tufts being the nearest college—Harvard had just broken up all secret societies—was written to for a delegation to aid in this august initiation. Our appeal was immediately and most enthusiastically responded to; and Brothers Winsor B. French and Vernon O. Taylor came over, as did also Alexander L. Holley (who had already become famous), from New York, to grace the occasion by his presence. Burdge was the Grand Inquisitor; and Pond, Bate, Ledwith—since Governor of Florida—Carman, the late McWalter B. Noyes and Reading Wood, Carr, Merriam, Lyman, Spooner, Manchester and myself were among the *Familiars*. The Initiation went off well, and was supplemented by a right royal *Theta Delt* supper at the "What-Cheer"; in the course of which Pond and French made their happiest after-dinner speeches ("Our own Chauncey" never equalled them!); and Hay, now "Brother Hay," responded in such a manner as to make the temperature regarding our neophyte—already high—rise many degrees higher! The next morning imagine the *horror* (yes, that word exactly expresses it), of the members of the rival fraternities when they saw Hay

come into chapel, escorted by Burdge and myself, wearing the SHIELD with the emblematical letters $\Theta \Delta X$ emblazoned upon its azure field! Notwithstanding the awful presence of President Wayland and the august Professors, an universal and audible howl went up from the opposition, which evoked a corresponding cheer from our side. The triumph was complete; and Dr. Wayland, pushing his spectacles up from his nose onto his brow, was constrained to stand some moments until the commotion had subsided, before offering up his interrupted orisons. Whether he afterward enquired of the Faculty who that youngster was who had raised such a remarkable "row," I know not. The probability, however, is that his question was answered to his fullest satisfaction! Unfortunately, Dr. Wayland soon after resigning, Bro. Hay was deprived of his masterly teachings; but had he been under him, the instructor would have found that the pupil was none the less faithful in the performance of his scholastic duties for his initiation into a college secret society!

The result fully justified the judgment of Brothers Burdge and Simons. During his entire college life, the stand in scholarship taken by Brother Hay among his classmates was, as before hinted, of a high order. Nor did his industry (although his ability rendered that habit of less value to him than to others), prevent his giving friendly aid to members of his class not so gifted. Brother Hay was for some ten months my chum and bed-fellow; and often, after returning from a party late at night, when it was "odds with morning which was which," I have found him sitting up writing out a Latin or a French exercise for some class-mate whose intellectual furnishment was not of the highest order.

While in college, Bro. Hay was an enthusiastic Theta Delt. He soon became universally beloved by the members of his Chapter, who elected him presiding officer in the beginning of his Senior year. He also composed several songs for the Fraternity, one of which closes with those lines sung with so much effect at every Reunion, but especially at the memorable one of 1870:

JOHN HAY.

“ And if, perchance, one sadder line
 May mingle with the strain,
 For those, the lost, whose loving voice
 We ne'er shall hear again;
 Let this rejoice the heavy heart,
 And light the dimming eye;
 The Gates of Eden are not closed
 To Theta Delta Chi!”

Neither was this enthusiasm laid aside with the Commencement gown. Although college halls have long ceased to echo his foot-steps, his memories of Theta Delta Chi are still green. Thus, on two occasions, while private secretary to the President, he was the means of rescuing members of the Fraternity from ignominious deaths. The first of these instances was told by Brother Gilbert in his admirable “Reminiscences” in the last number of the SHIELD. The second was his well known agency in the case of another Confederate brother, who, by a misunderstanding, was supposed to have broken his parole. He was taken, among others of Morgan’s guerillas, and would have been executed, had not the findings of the court-martial, forwarded to President Lincoln for his approval, passed through Hay’s hands. Seeing who it was that was in such a predicament, he at once went to the President and obtained the brother’s pardon. Hay’s attachment to the Fraternity is further illustrated by the fact of his securing, while Assistant Secretary of State, the appointment of Rev. McWalter B. Noyes to a consulship at Venice. Moreover, in Hay’s case, *coelum non animum, mutant, qui trans mare currunt*. While he was Secretary of Legation at Madrid, amid the cares of office and beset by the many diversions incident to the gaieties of that brilliant capital, he found time to write me the following cordial letter in response to my invitation to send over a poem to be read at the great Convention Dinner of 1870, at the Astor House, New York city :*

* I cannot let this opportunity pass without taking advantage of it to say, that for all the arrangements—made months beforehand—of this dinner; and for all the *eclat* which it obtained—so much so, that it is, and ever will be, considered *the* great Convention dinner—the Fraternities are indebted *solely* and *unreservedly* to the herculean efforts of Brother P. C. Gilbert, the second presiding officer of the Grand Lodge. This tribute is but a poor one to that remarkable Theta Delta, whose marvellous executive ability on this occasion shone so conspicuously.

"LEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
MADRID, Jan. 31, 1870. }

My Dear Old Boy:

* * * I am sorry about the poem. I am sure you would laugh if you knew how often I have tried, without making a rhyme. I have treated the Muse so shabbily that she stopped visiting me years ago, and I never expect to meet her again.†

I wish your reunion abundant and merited success. Tell the boys I shall be with them in spirit.

Yours fraternally and affectionately,

JOHN HAY."

Brother Hay has, likewise, shown his loyalty to Θ A X on other occasions. While editor-in-chief of the New York *Tribune*, Theta Delts, rudely jostled in life's struggle, found in him a steadfast friend. He not only, when it was possible, gave them employment, but if this were not practicable on account of unfitness, he by his purse, aided them until they found some situation better suited to their abilities.

Brother Hay, though generally reticent to the outside world, is always glad to receive a call from a Theta Delt. Indeed, it was only since I began the writing of this article (which I do *con amore*), that an instance in point and of a comparatively late date, came under my observation. A gentleman called upon him and sent up his card. He has very little spare time; and he had accordingly said to the servant, "I cannot see him," when chancing to glance at the card and observing the mystical letters appended to the end of the visitor's name, he recalled the servant and said, "Show the gentleman in." The visitor afterward told me that in all his life he had never had such a delightful call. I am aware that it has been said that Hay was not easy of access to the members of the Fraternity; but, believe me, when they say this, they either tell an untruth or have *rudely* presumed upon his privacy. Brother Hay is *not a well man*; and often he is forced to deny himself to his most intimate friends; but I reiterate, that any Theta Delt, who calls under proper circumstances, is, if Hay is well, always cordially received.

† Hay, however, afterward wooed the Spirit of Poesy with more success, as witness his "Pike County Ballads," published in 1871!

It remains only to speak of Col. Hay's literary labors. Addison and Irving are justly considered the sweetest and best writers of English prose. But, speaking for myself, I should add to those two the name of Hay. In his writings he is not only the equal of the former for purity of style (and even that fastidious critic, Bishop Hurd, Addison's commentator, were he living, would fain admit this), but in Doric simplicity, and beauty and felicity of expression, I consider him the superior of the latter. Take, for instance, his "Castilian Days," devoted to studies of Spanish life and character. Nowhere shall one find this work excelled in all that goes to the making of English "pure and undefiled." His papers in that volume, especially those entitled, "An Hour with the Painters," "Proverbial Philosophy," "The Cradle and Grave of Cervantes," "Spanish Living and Dying," "An Evening with Ghosts," and "A Field Night in the Cortes," are models; and might with advantage be introduced, as a text-book, in our colleges, as an example of perspicuous, nervous and manly English. In the chapters, "Spanish Living and Dying" and "An Hour with the Painters," his trenchant criticism, like a keen Toledo blade, taken, perchance, from one of those old Moorish castles that he visited, cuts "clean through," even as Saladin's Damascus scimitar divided the silk handkerchief thrown into the air by Richard of England; and all the follies and licentiousness of the nobility and the clergy, as well as the simplicity and charming characteristics of the peasantry and the middle classes, stand out clearly under the focussed light of his mental camera. The truth of the above remarks will, however, be better appreciated by one or two extracts from the work itself.

When, for example, the author would show the systematic moral poisoning of the minds of the Spanish women by the priests, in the essay on "Spanish Living and Dying," he says :

"The piety of the Spanish women does not prevent them from seeing some things clearly enough with their bright eyes. One of the most bigoted women in Spain recently said : 'I hesitate to let my child go to confession. The priests ask young girls such infamous questions, that my cheeks burn when I think of them after all these years.' I stood one Christmas eve in the cold midnight wind, waiting for the church doors to open for the night mass, the famous *misa del gallo*. On the steps be-

side me sat a decent old woman with her two daughters. At last, she rose and said: 'Girls, it is no use waiting any longer. The priests won't leave their housekeepers this cold night to save anybody's soul.' In these two cases, taken from the two extremes of the Catholic society, there was no disrespect for the church or for religion. Both these women believed with a blind faith. But they could not help seeing how unclean were the hands that dispensed the bread of life."

Again, in "The Cradle and Grave of Cervantes," what a clear glimpse is given of Spanish politics, when, after a chance encounter with a Spanish Republican in the streets of Alcala, he soliloquizes as follows:

"Go your ways, radical brother. You are not so courteous nor so learned as the rector. But this peninsula has need of men like you. The ages of belief have done their work for good and ill. Let us have some years of the spirit that denies, and asks for proofs. The power of the monk is broken, but the work is not yet done. The convents have been turned into barracks, which is no improvement. The ringing of spurs in the streets of Alcala is no better than the rustling of the sandalled friars. If this Republican party of yours cannot do something to save Spain from the triple curse of crown, crozier and sabre, then Spain is in doleful case. They are at least divided, and the first two have been sorely weakened in detail. The last should be the easiest work."

And once more: In "An Evening with Ghosts," by a few masterly strokes, he lays bare the grossness of Spanish superstition at the Court of Madrid at the present day. Here is the passage:

"Never, in all the darkest periods of Spanish history, was the reign of superstition so absolute and tyrannical as in the Alcazar of Madrid during the later years of Isabel of Bourbon. Her most trusted spiritual guides and counsellors were the Padre Claret and Sor Patrocinio de las Llagas—the 'Bleeding Nun.' This worthy lady used to bring the most astonishing stories of her nights' adventures to the breakfast table. It was a common occurrence for his Satanic Highness to come swooping down to her cell and to give her an airing, on his bat-like wings, above the house-tops of the capital. She had miraculous fountains continually open in her legs (if the word be lawful),* which bled without pain or

* When Hay wrote the above he probably had in his mind the following anecdote: When the young Queen of Phillip IV. of Spain was on her way to Madrid to meet a husband, whom she had married without ever having seen him, she passed through a little town in Spain famous for its manufactures of gloves and stockings. The magistrates of the place thought they could not better express their joy on the arrival of their new Queen than by presenting her with a sample of those manufactures for which their town was so celebrated. The Major Domo, who escorted the Princess, received the *gloves* very graciously; but when the *stockings* were presented, he flung them away with great indignation, and severely reprimanded the magistrates for having been guilty of the egregious indecorum and indecency of offering such a present. "Know," said he, "that a Queen of Spain has no legs!"

disease. Her principal duty in the Palace was to sanctify by a day's wearing the intimate linen destined to the use of her pious mistress and friend. Thus consecrated, the garments became a mystic panoply, which would keep away all infirmity and sin, if anything could !"

One of the best descriptions in the book is "A Field Night in the Cortes," which is fully equal to, if, indeed, it does not surpass, "A Field Night in the House of Commons," written, some years since, for the *Atlantic Monthly*, by Professor Francis Wayland, a son of the late President of "Brown."

Upon first entering this august body, the President of the Council is seen seated at the head of the Ministerial Board—a slight, dark man, with a grave, thin whiskered face, and wearing serious black clothes. He holds in his dark gloved hands a little black-and-silver cane, and looks, for all the world, as the author says, "like a pious and sympathizing undertaker." This little, insignificant "undertaker," however, is no less a personage than Don Juan Prim—otherwise known as Count of Reus and the Marquis of Castillejos—the Minister of War and the Captain-General of the Armies of Spain !

To have the proceedings of this particular night fully understood, it becomes necessary for the relator to tell all that is required to be known of contemporary public events; while, as to the chief actors in the debates, the writer must give such a detail of their daily habits and pursuits, and such a view of moral, intellectual and military peculiarities as to bring them before the reader as they thought, reasoned and acted. Of what stuff were the members made? What were their individual idiosyncrasies, and the modes of their manifestation? In answering these questions, the difficulty lies in preserving throughout such a subordination of incident to character as to prevent the reader from losing sight of the men in the events with which they were connected. For this to be properly done, a union of the distinctive characteristics of annals, biography and history was required; and the failure to do this has been the rock upon which so many writers have been wrecked. Col. Hay has happily escaped this calamity; and in the picture which he has drawn of the brilliant array of debaters, all public

and private incidents are successfully blended in one harmonious whole.

Indeed, as all these *genre* pen-pictures pass before us, we fancy ourselves, for the nonce, in very truth Spaniards. Not as strangers, but to the manor born, we wander dreamily through Moorish Halls and Moslem Temples; we meet in every street the red bonnet and sandalled feet of the Catalan, and admire the flexible figures and graceful bearing of the high born dames of Castile; we partake of the peasants' *podrida* at the noon-tide meal beneath the shade of the olives; we become Spanish gallants, serenading with our guitar, under the pale moonlight, dark-eyed *Senoritas*; we instinctively recoil from the atrocious cruelty of the bedizened matadors, and wish that, as in old Roman days, we could, for the bulls' and the horses' sakes, turn our thumbs down; we fight duels wondering why we fight them; we count our beads and invoke our patron saints believing it to be our duty—in short, we live Spaniards: we die Spaniards!

This power of reproducing past scenes vividly before a reader's eye, is considered one of the tests of good writing; and as he is accounted a fine painter upon whose canvas the spectator fancies he sees depicted a veritable natural landscape, so, in word-painting, the effect produced should be of a similar nature.

We part with this work with but one regret, namely: that the author should have made scarcely any mention of the Inquisition and of its baleful effects upon Spanish character. There is no historical scholar who is not aware that the Holy Office kept the Spanish mind in the cold, black darkness of Mediævalism long after the glorious light of the *Renaissance* had illumined the other nations of Europe—that, in fact, to that dread Tribunal is to be attributed the rapid decay, or rather, the complete arrest, of Spanish civilization. Hence, for him, the subject is one of absorbing interest. The reason for this omission, we suppose, is that the theme was thought too hackneyed. Still, it were to be wished that a chapter, at least, had been devoted to it; for no topic handled by Hay

could, by any possibility, be "hackneyed"; and had he adopted the same method of treatment regarding the Inquisition that he has followed when referring to other features of Spanish life, the reader would have been presented with a picture to hang in his mental gallery, equal in its sharp lines and richness of coloring to those the author has drawn of a Bull-Fight, The Bourbon Duel, and the Spanish School of Painting. Finally: In these sketches, which show wonderful keenness of observation, there is nothing savoring of "padding." Many of the incidents not only are entirely new, but serve to illustrate, pointedly, some trait in the character of the people of whom they are narrated.

Of Col. Hay's "History of the Administration of Abraham Lincoln," written, in connection with his friend, Nicolay, and which came out in the *Century Magazine*, it is yet too early to speak. It will eventually be published in book-form, with many additions and corrections—inseparable from a work first issued as a serial; and until it appears, it would be unfair to criticise it. But this much may be said: that it is destined to take its place as *the* life of one who was next to Washington—if, indeed, not his equal. It will, I think, rank among the first of American biographies, taking the same place in the public estimation as that of Chief Justice Marshall's life of the first President. A portion of it is written in Hay's inimitable style—perspicuous, graphic and truthful—and it must ever remain a monument, not only of historical value, but of a loving tribute to a truly great man.

Regarding Hay as a poet: his "Pike County Ballads," depicting a peculiar phase of Western civilization, and published some years since, gave promise of its author eventually attaining a high rank in that department of letters; and to his friends, it has always been a source of much disappointment that he did not woo the Muse more zealously. Hay's faculty of rapid composition was simply marvellous, and would scarcely be believed, even by myself, had I not repeatedly witnessed it. I recall an instance in point. One evening, shortly before the close of the term which was to conclude Hay's college life, I

had gone to bed, but was not asleep, when Hay entered our room. To my remark, "Hay, we have not now long to be together, and I wish you would write something for me to keep," he drew toward him a sheet of paper, lying on the table, and without any hesitation, rapidly wrote off four stanzas which I consider—even now that I have come to mature age and judgment—one of the most charming odes I have ever read. It was entitled "My Dream;" and in the rhythm of its numbers and the beauty of its diction it more than equalled the verse of some of our more pretentious poets. For many years I prized it as a most precious memento, and I should have sent it to the SHIELD long since, had not its author—thinking it crude—earnestly requested me to give it back. In this estimate I differed entirely from him; but, of course, I respected his feelings in the matter, and complied with his wishes.

In conclusion: As a dear friend; as his chum in college, with all the intimacy which that word implies; and having had exceptional opportunities of knowing his life since he left college, I may say of him as Horace wrote of his friend, Fuscus:

"Integer vitæ scelerisque purus
Non eget Mauris jaculis, neque arcu."

Or, as Lord Lytton has gracefully rendered it:

"He whose life hath no flaw, pure from guile, need not borrow
Or the bow or the darts of the Moor, O my Fuscus;
He relies for defence on no quiver that teems with poison steeped arrows."







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George Arnold Mason was born at Parsippany, Morris county New Jersey, February 7th, 1835, and was prepared for college at Williston Seminary at Easthampton, Massachusetts. He had a strong predilection for railroad business, and to prepare himself for this occupation, he took a two years course of engineering and railway construction at the Rennsselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy, N. Y. Here he was one of the founders and a charter member of the Delta Charge, in which he ever felt the deepest interest: He was afterwards a member of the class of 1855 at Union Collège, where he joined the Alpha Charge. Impatient to take up his chosen work, he left college in the fall of 1854 and went to Chicago, where his father, Roswell B. Mason, was then engaged in the construction of the Illinois Central Railroad as its chief engineer. George was at first employed as a clerk in the Land Department of this railroad and quickly won the esteem and affection of all with whom he came in contact. His unusual ability was universally recognized, and his bright face and happy disposition endeared him to every one. He rose rapidly in the railroad service, and in a few months time was appointed a special agent to visit all of the stations upon the Illinois Central Railroad, to examine the accounts of the station masters and to instruct them in their duties. To his father he was already beginning to be helpful, and he expressed the most tender anxiety to fit himself as soon as possible to be of assistance, and relieve him of some of the many responsibilities which pressed upon him. In this spirit George devoted himself to his new position, and visited other portions of the Illinois Central line in the performance of his duties. He left Chicago on the morning of March 12th, 1855, on a tour of inspection of the stations on the Northern Division of the railroad. He took the train on the old Galena Union railway for Freeport, Illinois, intending there to begin the work of his trip. He was standing on the lower step of the platform of one of the cars as the train neared Rockford, Illinois, when his attention was at-

tracted by a hot journal under the car and while leaning over and back to look at it, his head came in contact with the casing of the truss of the bridge which spans the street near Rockford station. The blow was instantly fatal, and he fell to the bridge at a point about thirty feet from that at which he received the injury. Those who reached the spot almost immediately after the accident, saw no signs of life in his motionless body. It was removed to the house of a kind citizen in Rockford who summoned the best surgical aid and used every exertion to restore consciousness until satisfied that it was all in vain. It remained only to telegraph the sad news to his home, and for his loved ones to receive the inanimate form of him who was so full of life and hope, a few hours before. Such was the untimely death of one who gave the fairest promise of usefulness and distinction in after years, had these been granted to him. The letters and memorials of many he knew at school, in college and in business, still fondly preserved by those to whom he was nearest, abundantly show that in him perished a rare and noble youth who was an honor to the fraternity, so dear to him. Had his life been spared there can be no question as to the success he would have achieved. Let his name be entered on the roll of those who, although called home before life's task was hardly begun, have left a memory, loved and honored, which will live as a picture of the glory which would have come to crown his life in later years. The portrait which we produce is taken from an ambrotype, the only picture in the possession of his family and taken while in college.



UNION COLLEGE.

THE CRADLE OF THE GREEKS.

'In necessariis unitas, in sabiis libertas, in omnibus caritas.'

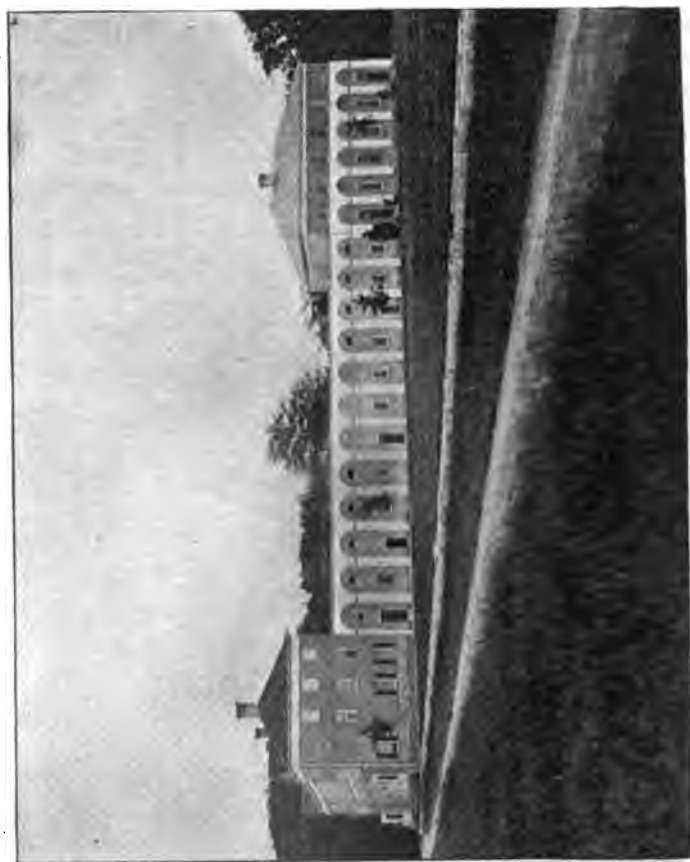
In attempting to give a sketch of this institution, which was the birthplace of Theta Delta Chi, our aim shall be to state briefly its general points, in so far as the same can be done with justice, and give more attention to Fraternity history.

Union College is a truly American institution. The college received its name from the the fact that its incorporators



• SOUTH COLLEGE.

were members of different religious denominations who declared for a "union," and adopted the very appropriate motto noted in the caption; 1795 was the date of its birth. It was the first college founded in the United States not strictly denominational, the second chartered in the State of New York, and the first chartered by the Board of Regents. The college buildings are situated on a beautiful plot of high ground on the outskirts of Schenectady, overlooking the beautiful Mohawk Valley. The grounds comprise about 150 acres. In



NORTH COLLEGE.

front of the buildings is a 30-acre lot, which the college is reserving for future use. At the rear is the college grove, through which are beautiful drives, Captain Jack's Garden, with its lovely flowers and shady walks, and the shady old elm under which was President Nott's favorite seat. The old North and South College buildings remain substantially as they have existed for years. The old building on the canal, abandoned seventy-five years ago, still stands. For years it



THE IDOL.

was used for school purposes, but has lately been condemned, and is now unoccupied—one of the relics that are fast passing away. In the seventies several buildings were erected. A gymnasium in the rear of South College was completed in 1874—then the largest and best equipped gymnasium in the country. The Alumni or Memorial Hall was finished in 1876. It stands between the North and South Colonades, in front, a colossal structure, which apparently is more of an ornament than anything else. The President's residence was built

in 1877. It stands between the "old blue gate" and South College. The last building erected is the Powers Memorial Hall, located between the North and South College buildings, back about half way to the grove. In this building is the Washburn library. A graduate of Union, who is a missionary in China, sent to the college some years ago a huge stone idol, which has been placed at the edge of the grove behind the Powers building. The hideous monstrosity is mounted on a



A WALK IN THE COLLEGE GARDEN.

stone pedestal. Each incoming class gives it a fresh coat of paint. The last coat is a bright green, and protruding in spots is the gaudy red donated by the last class.

After the retirement of Dr. Nott from the Presidency, Union seemed to retrograde, and for many years the college lost ground. About four years ago Harrison E. Webster, LL. D., who had graduated at Union in '68, then a professor in Rochester University, was chosen as the eighth President. Immediately upon his advent Union took a fresh start, and the rapid strides she has since made prove conclusively the wisdom of the choice. In 1873 Union College became Union University—the charter incorporating other departments in

Albany—the Albany Law School, the Albany Medical College, the Dudley Observatory and the Albany College of Pharmacy.

The present condition of the college is most flattering. Within a few weeks a chair of Political Economy and Social Science has been endowed by Mr. Armstrong, of '71, in the sum of \$75,000. The library has 80,000 volumes. The faculty numbers nineteen, with more to be added during the year.

There have been instituted three new courses of study, each extending through four years, and each leading to the degree of Ph. B. This doubles the number of undergraduate



POWERS MEMORIAL BUILDING.

courses. The new courses comprise one of the ancient languages, two modern languages besides English, and varying amounts of mathematics and the physical sciences for the first three years. The fourth year is the same as that of the old scientific course. The object of instituting so many new courses has been to offer that variety of training called for at the present day, and also to obviate the evils necessarily connected with a large number of elective studies. Now elective courses will largely take the place of elective studies. The courses have been very carefully graded. Each one will afford a liberal discipline, and the student will not be tempted to elect any study because it is easy.

Other changes are in contemplation, which will be consummated at an early day. Old Union is destined to boom, and will regain her position as one of the leading Universities of this country.

Union College has long been known as the "Cradle of the Greeks." It has been the birthplace of six of the seven oldest fraternities. Leaving out Phi Beta Kappa, which is more a literary honor society than a fraternity, and Chi Delta Theta,



THE PRESIDENT'S RESIDENCE.

a Senior Yale society established in 1821, the first true college fraternity was founded at Union College. The following record gives the date of birth of the six societies: Kappa Alpha, 1825; Sigma Phi, 1827; Delta Phi, 1829; Psi Upsilon, 1833; Chi Psi, 1843; Theta Delta Chi, 1847.*

Theta Delta Chi was founded in the most prosperous era of the college, and her Alpha charge flourished till with the downfall of the college, she gradually waned and expired in 1867. During these years students entered from Yale, Harvard, Amherst and other colleges, for the purpose of obtaining





ENTRANCE TO COLLEGE GROUNDS

diploma signed by Dr. Nott, the Nestor of College Presidents. Most of the fraternities flourished till the civil war broke out. This occasioned the loss of all the Southern aristocrats who were so numerous at Union, as well as a large number of Northern students who enlisted. This was a severe blow to the fraternities, and many of the chapters died out or were obliged to lapse because there was not sufficient good material to keep them up. With the advent of President W. A. Rorer, and the growth of the college, the condition of the fraternities was materially improved, and to-day all the active chapters, save a few, are prosperous, and sufficient good material can be found to justify the fraternities in endeavoring to re-establish their defunct chapters. The following is a list of the fraternity chapters existing in Union College at this writing:

Tau Delta Chi	7	members
Psi	8	"
Theta	9	"
Gamma Upsilon	14	"
Phi Delta Phi	15	"
Tau Upsilon (non-secret)	15	"
Phi Pi	16	"
Delta Theta	6	"

Chi Psi is building the first chapter house at Union, and the college authorities have leased to them a beautiful plot in the center of the campus for forty-nine years, and they will soon have a very handsome house erected. Sigma Phi has lately had a bequest of \$50,000, which when converted into cash will be expended on a chapter house. Chi Psi and Theta are the only fraternities whose mother chapters are still active.

Chi Psi is endeavoring now to re-establish Theta. Tau Delta Chi has not taken any active measures as yet. It seems too bad that any fraternity should allow its mother chapter to continue dormant. The fraternities now existing at Union should exhibit a Patriotism, and should extend fraternal aid in the re-establishment of the defunct chapters, for the credit of the college, and for the revival of "Old Union" as the mother of "Greek societies."



VIEW FROM COLLEGE CAMPUS

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Kappa Alpha.....	7	members.
Sigma Phi.....	8	“
Delta Phi.....	9	“
Psi Upsilon.....	14	“
Alpha Delta Phi.....	10	“
Delta Upsilon (non-secret).....	15	“
Beta Theta Pi.....	16	“
Phi Delta Theta.....	6	“

Psi Upsilon is building the first chapter house at Union. The college authorities have leased to them a beautiful plot in the grove for ninety-nine years, and they will soon have a very handsome house erected. Sigma Phi has lately had a bequest of land valued at \$30,000, which when converted into cash will be expended on a chapter house. Chi Psi and Theta Delta Chi are the only fraternities whose mother chapters are now defunct. Chi Psi is endeavoring now to re-establish her chapter. Theta Delta Chi has not taken any active measures to do so as yet. It seems too bad that any fraternity should allow her mother chapter to continue dormant. The fraternities now existing at Union should exhibit a Pan-Hellenic spirit and extend fraternal aid in the re-establishment of the two defunct chapters, for the credit of the college. We all proudly hail "Old Union" as the mother of "Greek societies."

It will be a proud day for Union when she can say that all the fraternities which have been founded there are once again alive and prospering within her borders. The SHIELD hopes that the day may soon come when both Chi Psi and Theta Delta Chi may be able to re-establish their chapters there. In behalf of our own Alpha, the SHIELD appeals to the fraternities there to encourage the plan. Let harmony and good will be your watchword. We would extend the same courtesy we ask for.

THE ANNUAL CONVENTION.

The Forty-fourth Annual Convention of Theta Delta Chi assembled in the Austin room, Masonic Temple, New York city, Nov. 19th, at 10 A. M., and was called to order by Bro. Carter, Secretary of the Grand Lodge. Bro. A. L. Bartlett, President of the Grand Lodge, was obliged to return to California before the Convention met and delegated Bro. Carter to act in his stead. Bro. Carter became acting President by virtue of this authority, and presided at all the sessions.

The committee on credentials reported the following delegates, who were duly received :

Beta—M. N. McLaren, Emory Wilson, Wm. R. Webster, Jr.
Gamma Deuteron, W. H. Butler, M. A. Kilvert, J. Herbert Winans.

Delta—J. C. Hallock, L. M. Cox, E. S. Brown.

Epsilon Deuteron—Ed. Y. Ware, Harvey Sheppard, Mark S. Bradley.

Zeta—F. D. Lisle, S. A. Hopkins, C. B. Perry.

Eta—J. R. Horne, Jr., Frank Durgin, Julius A. Schreiber.

Theta Deuteron—G. Benton Hawley, J. Francis White.

Kappa—F. W. Perkins, A. W. Grose, E. J. Crandall.

Lambda—C. B. Tewksbury, John H. Fuller, M. C. Weber.

Mu Deuteron—Robert S. Woodworth, — — Walker.

Nu Deuteron—John S. Heilig, H. A. Gillis.

Xi—E. J. Hills, E. W. Jewell.

Omicron Deuteron—Edward R. Tewksbury, F. L. Hayes.

Pi Deuteron—F. R. Trafford, W. J. Collins, Gonzala de Quesada.

Rho Deuteron—Jas. A. Murtha, Jr., Edward C. Ehlers, Edward J. McCrossin.

Sigma—J. R. Heberling, F. L. Jones, Clay W. Holmes.
 Phi—A. J. Weisley, W. L. Sanderson, F. W. Stewart.
 Psi—Duncan C. Lee, N. P. Willis, C. W. E. Chapin.

Bro. E. C. Ehlers was made Secretary of the Convention. Flattering reports were received from all the charges, showing the fraternity to be in the most prosperous condition. The rulings of the Grand Lodge for the past year were approved without reserve. The report of the SHIELD was received and referred to a committee consisting of Bros. Quesada, Heilig and Sanderson. This committee made an exhaustive report, the substance of which was as follows: We find the financial report correct and satisfactory in every particular. We have compared the SHIELD with copies of all other fraternity publications, which were submitted with the report, and find that no other journal is as voluminous or attractive in appearance, and we unhesitatingly pronounce the SHIELD to be the best fraternity journal now published. We feel that the editor is justly entitled to the highest praise for his untiring efforts, which have placed our fraternity journal in the front rank. We find nothing to criticise in the articles or sentiments expressed in the current volume. We would respectfully present for the consideration of this Convention the following resolutions and recommend their adoption:

Resolved, That so long as the SHIELD is published, each active member of every charge shall be required to pay into the treasury of his charge, between January first and April first, the sum of one dollar as his subscription to the SHIELD for the current year. The treasurer shall remit from the regular charge funds to the treasurer of the Grand Lodge, not later than April first of each year, a sum equal to one dollar for each member of the charge, in the same manner as the regular *per capita* tax, and failure so to pay shall be regarded in the same light as failure to pay the *per capita* tax. The treasurer of the Grand Lodge shall not apply the sums so received for general purposes, but shall remit all such amounts to the management of the SHIELD as soon as received.

Resolved, That the subscription price of the SHIELD be fixed at the following sums: To all graduate brothers, two dollars, (\$2) per year, in advance; to all theological and post-graduate students, one dollar (\$1), which shall be paid direct to the SHIELD.

Resolved, That the management of the SHIELD be required to send to each charge a bound copy of each current volume, for which the charge shall remit two dollars to the treasurer of the Grand Lodge, from its general fund, this amount to be turned over by the Grand Lodge to the management of the SHIELD.

Resolved, That the treasurer of the Grand Lodge shall pay from its

general fund to the management of the SHIELD, each year, during the month of December, the sum of thirty dollars (\$30), for which sum the said manager shall supply thirty bound volumes of the SHIELD for the following purposes: One for each member of the Grand Lodge, one for the library of each college where a charge of the fraternity exists, the remainder to be sent to the standard American libraries, such as the Astor library of New York, the Mercantile library of Philadelphia, and any other public library which may be deemed advisable by the Grand Lodge and the SHIELD.

These resolutions were adopted unanimously. The entire report was adopted and a vote of thanks tendered to the editor for his work.

The following resolution was introduced:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that the Theta Delta Chi fraternity is not sufficiently in sympathy with the Pan-Hellenic movement, as set forth in the communication from Mr. W. T. Daniel of the *Palm*, to allow the SHIELD to deviate from its independent course of the past.

This resolution was passed unanimously, after considerable debate, whereby it was developed that the views on this question as expressed by the editor met the hearty approval of the Convention.

It was moved and carried that when Bro. Benton shall have made report to the Grand Lodge, his resignation as the song-book committee be considered accepted, and the following committee be empowered to take up and complete the work: Chas. W. E. Chapin to edit, and Clay W. Holmes to publish the book. Much other business was transacted which cannot be published in the SHIELD. At the last session on Friday, the 21st, the following were elected to constitute the Grand Lodge for the coming year: Clay W. Holmes, President; Duncan C. Lee, Ψ , Secretary, and Edward C. Ehlers, R^2 , Treasurer.

During the Convention letters of regret were read from Hon. Daniel Lockwood, A. H. Green, Abel Beach, Rev. Lewis Halsey, H. G. Merriam, and others. A very characteristic letter from Bro. Bachman appears under Correspondence. Bro. Beach, in closing his letter, expressed the following sentiment:

Shield of our Faith—though broad and weighty, seeming light,
Brought in the front of service constantly more bright;
Behold with light resplendent filling realms on high,
We raise the Insignia of Theta Delta Chi.

Extending it to the Convention with his most hearty and de-

voted good wishes. Bro. O. S. Davis, of the Catalogue Committee, was not present at the Convention. No report appearing, a telegram was sent to him requesting report at earliest possible moment. It was received during the last session. The order was not reached till so near the time of adjournment that opportunity for discussion was not afforded. The report did not show any material progress, and the publication of the Catalogue seems to be just as far distant as it was a year ago. The same committee was continued. During the various sessions, among the many prominent graduate Brothers who visited the Convention and addressed it by invitation of the chair, Franklin Burdge and President Geo. W. Smith of Trinity College were the ones who received the overwhelming greetings. None the less hearty was the greeting extended to others, only not so prolonged. Jacob Spahn's jovial smile illumined the hall for a few minutes during the last session. Vernon O. Taylor, the old war horse of the Kappa, was present a short time on the first day. Many others were there whose names the editor failed to get. The proceedings were harmonious throughout. Not a single wrangle or harsh word was heard. The painstaking effort of Bro. Frederic Carter, as presiding officer, to have everything well understood, merits the warmest encomiums. The last act of the Convention before adjournment was to pass a resolution thanking Bro. Carter for his uniform courtesy and the labor so successfully accomplished; also thanking the other officers for their efforts. All of which made the Forty-fourth Convention one of the pleasantest on record.

THE CONVENTION BANQUET.

A fitting termination to the harmonious Convention was the banquet which took place at the *Brunswick*, on Friday evening, Nov. 21. The early evening was spent in social chat. At nine o'clock the procession formed and marched into the spacious banquet hall, headed by the officers of the evening and the distinguished guests. After grace had been said by Venerable Archdeacon C. B. Perry, the brothers took

their seats and uncovered their plates. The menu was well served and the viands received due justice. After the last of the numerous courses had been served, President Holmes called the jolly band to order, and opened the literary program by introducing the orator of the evening, Bro. Col. Wm. L. Stone, of Zeta, '57, who delivered a valuable and much appreciated oration on "The Memories of Theta Delta Chi." He was listened to with rapt attention, and at its conclusion hearty and prolonged cheers signified the delight with which it had been received. Thus did Bro. Stone add another to the brilliant necklace of good deeds done for the fraternity. Called upon at the last moment to fill a vacancy, with no time to prepare an extended oration, the editor of the SHIELD appealed to him to give a resume of a former oration with the changes which had taken place since its preparation in 1884. This Bro. Stone consented to do, and the brothers will find upon reading it that it is one of the most interesting and valuable documents in the fraternity records. Bro. Stone has never failed to do his full duty when called upon by the fraternity.

Next followed a very original poem delivered by its author Bro. C. H. Patterson; Kappa, '87, with an oratorical eloquence which gave much expression to the poem, but is lost to the reader of the lines as they appear in the SHIELD.

Following this Bro. A. L. Coville, Beta, '86, read a biographical memorial of our lamented brother Dr. Edward L. Plunkett, Phi, '75. At its conclusion the toastmaster of the evening, Bro. Calbraith B. Perry, Zeta, '66, ex-president of the G. L., was introduced and in a felicitous manner peculiar to himself, opened the post-prandial eloquence. Although the worthy brother had been called upon scarcely an hour before the opening of the banquet, to fill the usually dreaded position, the happy manner in which he introduced the sentiments proved him a masterly success. The SHIELD regrets inability to give the brilliant remarks, but could it do so they would lack the peculiarly graceful expression which added so much to their effect on the occasion.

The following is the list :

- The Theta Delta Chi—Franklin Burdge.
 The Alpha—Jas. Cruikshank.
 The Grand Lodge—Clay W. Holmes.
 The Land of the Sitting Sun and the Course of the Fraternity Toward it—Geo. B. Markle.
 The outgoing Grand Lodge—Jas. C. Hallock.
 Retrospective—Frederic Carter.
 The New York Club House—Gonzala de Quesada.
 Fraternal Friendship as the Corner Stone of our Fraternity—F. Goodwin.
 The Ladies and the Nursery of Theta Delta Chi—Carl A. Harstrom.
 The Charges of our Fraternity—Duncan C. Lee.
 The Prosperity of the Fraternity—Edward C. Ehlers.
 The Family Name—E. W. Bartlett.
 The Graduates—H. A. Gillis.
 The Gamma Deuteron—J. H. Winans.
 The Infant Charge—H. H. Ensworth.
 Athletics—Jas. A. Murtha, Jr.
 The Omega—Standing and in silence.

During the evening songs were interspersed, and several telegrams and letters were read. Telegrams of regret from Henry I. Beers and H. G. Merriman. Telegram of best wishes from The Delta. Letters of regret from I. P. Pardee, Stanhope, and Hon. Daniel N. Lockwood, Buffalo.

Bro. W. S. Kimball's remembrance, as usual, graced each plate. What would be a Theta Delt Banquet without the familiar Cigarettes. They are ever present to remind us that although Bro. Kimball cannot always be with us, he never *forgets* to pay his respects, and show his ardent love for the fraternity. The SHIELD can assure the faithful brother that at every banquet the editor has attended, they have been received with due appreciation and much enthusiasm. A jealous rival, however, now appears in the field and claims that honors be divided,—as there is room for all, however, the new comer was hailed with delight. The box of raisins referred to in Bro. Bachman's letter under head of correspondence, was on the board, and as the boys attacked the beautiful clusters, the following characteristic letter found in the box was read by President Holmes.

CHATEAU DE CLAPBOARD,
NEAR FRESNO, CALIFORNIA,
October 27th, 1890. }

To the brethren in $\Theta \Delta X$ at Banquet assembled :

These with the best wishes of my heart. They come from my own vineyard, and, like Billy Kimball's cigarettes, are "straight goods," and with them this benediction: "God be with you for I CAN'T!!" falls upon your unregenerate heads.

Say to the boys that there are more where these came from, so call personally and get them. One $\Theta \Delta X$ went through Fresno and did not call on me. I refer to Prof. A. S. Coats, of Rochester University, and I desire by way of warning to mildly suggest that if any $\Theta \Delta X$ repeats it, I'll not leave enough of him to grease a gimlet. "*Verba sat.*"

With unwavering affection for $\Theta \Delta X$, believe me with you in heart as you toast the black, white and blue Shield.

NATHAN LAFAYETTE BACHMAN, Ψ 1872

With a rousing cheer, thanks were tendered to Bros. Bachman and Kimball. Thus we add to our "menu" Theta Delt raisins.

The following is a list of those present :

Col. Wm. L. Stone, Z, '58, Orator. C. H. Patterson, K, '87, Poet. A. L. Coville, B, '86, Biographer. Clay W. Holmes, Φ , '69, Duncan C. Lee, Ψ , '91, and Edward C. Ehlers, P^a, '92, of The Grand Lodge. Rev. Calbraith B. Perry, Z '67, Toast Master. *Alpha*—Jas. Cruikshank, '51. *Beta*—W. R. Webster, Jr., '90; M. N. McLaren, Jr., '91; E. M. Wilson, '93. *Delta*—J. C. Hallock, '91; L. M. Cox, '92; E. S. Brown, '92. *Epsilon Deuteron*—Frederic Carter, '90; C. H. Gunn, '90; E. Y. Ware, '91. *Zeta*—Franklin Burdge, '56; S. A. Hopkins, '93. *Eta*—E. W. Bartlett, '80. *Theta Deuteron*—H. H. Ensworth, '91; J. F. White, '91; C. C. Whitney, '91; G. B. Hawley, '91; Geo. F. Dana, '93; F. J. Warren, '93. *Lambda*—W. H. Hutchinson, '82. *Nu Deuteron*—H. A. Gillis, '83. *Xi*—Carl A. Harstrom, '86; C. W. Starbuck, '90; W. E. Hills, '91. *Omicron Deuteron*—E. W. Tewksbury, '91; F. L. Hays, '92. *Pi Deuteron*—F. Goodwin, '82; Gonzala de Quesada, '88; Gustav R. Tuska, '88; W. A. McIntyre, '89; F. H. Patterson, '90; F. R. Trafford, '91; W. T. Lawson, '93; W. H. Wittlaufer, —. *Rho Deuteron*—E. J. McCrossin, '89; J. H. Winans, '89; Jas. A. Murtha, Jr., '91; Richard D. Pope, '92; Edward F. Hicks, '93. *Sigma*—J. R. Heberling, '91. *Phi*—Geo. B. Markle, '78; W. L. Sanderson, '91; H. J. Weisley, '91. *Chi*—H. D. Brookins, '80. *Psi*—Thos. H. Lee, '83; N. P. Willis, '92; Edward L. Rice, '94.

THE MEMORIES OF THETA DELTA CHI.

An Oration Delivered by William L. Stone at the Convention Banquet, Hotel Brunswick, New York, Nov. 21, 1890.

BROTHERS IN THETA DELTA CHI: I cannot appear here this evening without thanking Brothers Holmes and Carter for the honor done me by the invitation to be your orator upon this august occasion—an honor which is the more appreciated when I consider the large number of distinguished persons in our Fraternity from which you could, with much better judgment, have chosen. I am, indeed, speaking strictly within the limits of truth when I say that the Fraternity covers with her protecting ægis persons recognized as eminent in every walk of life. Justly proud of her record, she points, for proof of this statement, to the diplomatist, the journalist, the soldier, the statesman, the teacher, the divine, the missionary, the literateur, the dramatist, the physician, the manufacturer, the jurist—in short, no profession or department can be mentioned that is not graced and dignified by one of our Fraternity. Time would fail me to mention the names even of those who, in these regards, are, with us, household words: HAY, the former Private Secretary of President Lincoln, Secretary of Legation at Madrid, and the accomplished Assistant Secretary of State of the United States; LAMB, the valiant defender of Fort Fisher, when taken by Terry, and since Mayor of Norfolk; BEVERLY TUCKER, the great Confederate raider—the only one whom glorious little “Phil” Sheridan really feared; FRENCH, the first man, at the battle of Fredericksburg, to mount the heights and retake the Washington Field Battery, captured at the first battle of Bull-Run; GEORGE P. UPTON, editor of the *Chicago Tribune*; MILLER, editor of the *New York Times*; BURGIN, editor of the *New York Press*; CARMAN, editor of the *Rural New Yorker*; CUNNINGHAM, editor of the *Utica Herald*; NICHOLS, editor of the *Boston Weekly Globe*; CRUIKSHANK, formerly editor of the *New York Teacher*, and now Principal of the Brooklyn High School; TEFFT, editor of the *Whitehall Journal*, and recently a member of the New York Legislature;

ALLEN C. BEACH, late Lieutenant-Governor and Secretary of State of New York; FRANKLIN M. DREW, late Secretary of State of Maine; POND, the former Speaker of the Rhode Island Assembly, now serving his third term as Mayor of his own city, and, in all probability, the next Governor of that State; GRIGGS, former Speaker of the New Jersey Legislature; BLOXHAM, the Philanthropist, who, after the emancipation of his numerous slaves, provided for them with great liberality, and who has been Lieutenant-Governor and Governor of Florida, and probably will be United States Senator from that State; LEDWITH, in 1866, Governor of Florida; BROCKMEYER, the Philosopher and Hermit, who was called from a cave in the wilds of Missouri to the chair of Lieutenant-Governor of that State; DIXON, at present United States Senator from Rhode Island; SPOONER, now a member of the House of Representatives from the same State; LINNICKSON, a member of the Forty-fifth Congress; COLEMAN, late Attorney-General of North Carolina; NICHOLLS, Speaker of the Georgia Senate and member of the Forty-sixth and Forty-ninth Congresses; PERINE, editor of the *Hartford Times*; MILLER, Speaker of the Lower House in Rhode Island; NOWLIN formerly editor of the *Richmond Whig*; HANNA, of the *Theta*, who, in 1880, was delegated by the citizens of Cleveland to receive General Grant and Senator Conkling, and who then promised, if Garfield was elected, to make every Theta Delt a postmaster; LOCKWOOD, of the *Alpha*, who nominated Cleveland, successively, for Sheriff, Mayor, Governor and President, late United States District Attorney, and now Congressman elect, and who "sees him" and "goes one better" than Brother Hanna, as he has given me his solemn pledge that if he is elected Speaker, he will make every Theta Delt a member of the President's Cabinet; POTTS, of the *Delta*, a delegate to the great Democratic Congress at Louisville in 1876; THOMAS, once Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives, and at present Professor of Scandinavian Literature at Bowdoin; FAY, Professor of Modern Languages at Tufts' College; STERRETT, Professor of Ethics in the Seabury Divinity School at Faribault, Minn.; TANNER, late Professor of Greek in the University of

Michigan; BURTON L. KINGSBURY, Regent of the State Agricultural College in Kansas; EATON, Principal of the Harvard High School; CAPEN and SMITH, Presidents, respectively, of Tufts' and Trinity Colleges; STEWART, who after setting all law at defiance by his mad pranks amid the classic shades of Old Union, finally turns up as the grave Dean of the St. Louis Law School; HEALEY, President of Straight University at New Orleans; A. GARDNER BENEDICT, Principal of Houghton Seminary at Clinton, where President Cleveland's sister, Rose Cleveland, was educated; HUNTINGTON, formerly Professor of Mathematics at the University of Vermont: REV. BROTHER ADAMS, of the *Omicron*, who, but for dates, we should say must have been the original of Parson Adams in Fielding's *Joseph Andrews*; KELSO, of the *Pi*, the celebrated Missionary in India; BUNN, of the *Xi*, who, after winning for himself an enduring name as a zealous missionary in China, and afterwards as President of the Board of Foreign Missions, is now Rector of the Church of the Atonement in New York city; WINGFIELD, GILBERT and RANDOLF, Bishops of the Episcopal Church; PERRY, former President of the Grand Lodge, and at present Warden of the Theological Seminary at Nashville, Tenn.; WILLIAM SMITH, Paymaster-General of the Armies of the United States, and affectionately known in the army, on the principle of *lucus a non lucendo*, as "Drunken Billy," because he is a total abstainer; VROOM, Inspector-General of the United States, with the rank of Colonel; VERNON O. TAYLOR, Chief of Staff to the Governor of Rhode Island; GRAVES, Superintendent of Engraving and Printing under President Cleveland; MARTINDALE, one of our earliest members, and the eminent Physician of Richmond County, N. Y.; GREEN, one of the founders of our Fraternity, the eminent lawyer of Syracuse; BEACH, another of our founders, a highly respected citizen of Iowa City; KIMBALL, the well known manufacturer of Rochester, and who remembers us so kindly at every re-union; PAINE, the able Superintendent of the Banks of New York State under Gov. Cleveland; McDONALD, of the *Delta*, who, after successfully crossing, while at college, the *Pons Asinorum*,

has become the most noted bridge builder in the United States and in Europe; VIELE, Vice-President of the Mineral Range Railroad at Duluth, Minn.; RUSSELL SAGE, JR., Superintendent of the Minnesota Railroad; HON. SAMUEL D. MORRIS, the eminent jurist, who, to his honor be it spoken, though surrounded by the filth and corruption of corporation rings, for many years wore the ermine unsullied, without even a stain upon its dazzling whiteness; CLAY W. HOLMES, of the *Phi*, whose wise and judicious counsels in the past justly entitle him to the high honor which he has to-day received, and under whose broad and catholic editorial management of the SHIELD the Fraternity has attained an efficiency never before experienced; and last, though not *least*, the scholarly BURDGE, to whose untiring energy and great and exhaustive powers of research we owe it that the tangled threads of the history of the $\Theta \Delta X$ Fraternity have been gathered up and woven into a complete and elegant fabric; and who, on this account, as well as for his sterling personal virtues, should ever be held by our Society in grateful and affectionate remembrance. Nor must I fail to allude to others, who are not less distinguished for their social qualities, which, in the hearts of the brothers, make them reign supreme. Am I not anticipated in the minds of you all when I mention the genial MARKLE, the studious HALSEY, the generous BARTLETT and BACHMANN, the elegant MANN, the gallant RILEY, the humorous PARDEE, the jolly FRANK STEWART, the comical HETHERINGTON, the earnest KNIESLEY, the enthusiastic CARTER, the witty EDSALL, the polished D. C. LEE, the accomplished HALLOCK, the sterling MAPES, the merry MARVIN, the poetical WALKLEY, the Olympian SPAHN, the irrepressible GOODWIN, the sedate MERRIAM and LYMAN, the indefatigable F. L. JONES, the chivalric KILBORN JONES, the whole-souled JUVENAL and LOTT—not to speak of the hosts of those famed for their kindly and manly virtues?

And here, brothers, fain would I pause and speak of none but the living. But we are here to-night not only to enjoy the present, but to recall the clustering memories of the past; and I should, therefore, be derelict to your feelings, as well as my

own, did I not allude to those who formerly were wont to make one with us around this festive board. Brothers, this spot is *consecrated* ground! We may here, within these very walls, figuratively at least, tread upon the ashes of *kings*. Kings, indeed, who reveled not in voluptuousness, nor wasted their time amid the delights of the harem, nor degraded their manhood by plying the distaff, like Sardanapalus. Nor were they yet of those who sought immortality by rearing cities and palaces and solemn temples, like those of Thebes and Babylon and Tyre. They affected not the graves of giants, nor yet sought to mark the age of their glory by the stupendous pyramid or the costly mausoleum. But nevertheless, our departed brethren were kings in all that constituted true nobility of heart and purpose—kings in the largeness of their souls, in their freedom from everything petty or mean,—in all things, in short, that are the attributes of kingship, save the royal title itself. It is to the example of this kingly race that we, to-night, are, in a great measure, indebted for the priceless boon of this re-union. Help me, then, to lift with reverent hands, the veil that has hidden from the gaze of many here present, the memory of our illustrious dead.

Tread lightly as we approach the bedside of him who, some years since, left this city to go to his home in the northern portion of this State, never to return. Buoyed up with the delusive hopes of himself and his friends, GEORGE DIMOND KELLOGG *clarum et venerabile nomen*, resigning a lucrative position under General Hillyer, thought that a little respite from the harrassing anxieties of a city life, among the roses and honeysuckles of his wife's home, would soon restore him to his accustomed health. At first it seemed as if he would rally, and although he had been confined to his bed, his symptoms, until the day previous to his decease, were not considered alarming. Accordingly, on the evening of that day, his family, as they bade him good night, thought that his recovery was near; but, alas! the Death Angel was nearer! The following morning he was thought to be in a natural sleep. The dear one indeed slept, but it was a sleep soon to be eternal. The family physician, arriving soon after, pronounced the symptoms to be so unfav-

orable that the household were immediately summoned ; and the beloved one, ministered to by loving hands, lingered on until noon, when the twin Angels of Death and of Sleep, locked together in a brotherly embrace, guided his spirit to his heavenly home.

Turn we now to a far different scene. The battle of Big Bethel is over. The roar and din of arms have ceased ; and in a plain farm house near the battle field lies one who, no less for his brilliant qualities as a poet and writer than for his enthusiastic devotion to the Fraternity, should be ever held in the highest regard. FITZ JAMES O'BRIEN is dying ! Unlike the case of his friend KELLOGG, loving hands minister not to him ; an affectionate wife wipes not off the death sweat ; the surgeon, however much disposed to kindly feeling, and although giving him excellent care, has no time, in the multitude of those having an equal claim upon his services, to favor one to the exclusion of others :—and therefore the dying man, conscious of his condition, requests, as a last favor, to be allowed to die in peace. Yet in his death was shown a striking resemblance to that strange and weird nature for which he was so distinguished in life ; and, doubtless, as he gazed through the lattice at the pale moonlight, while his heart's blood was ebbing away, he thought how like was his own end to that of ALASTOR, as described by his favorite author, SHELLEY:

" His last sight
Was the great moon, which o'er the western line
Of the wide world her mighty horn suspended,
With whose dun beams inwoven darkness seemed
To mingle. Now upon the jagged hills
It rests, and still, as the divided frame
Of the vast meteor sunk, the Poet's blood,
That ever beat in mystic sympathy
With nature's ebb and flow, grew feebler still ;
And when two lessening points of light alone
Gleamed through the darkness, the alternate gasp
Of his faint respiration scarce did stir
The stagnate night:—till the minutest ray
Was quenched, the pulse yet lingered in his heart.
It paused—it fluttered. But when heaven remained
Utterly black, the murky shades involved
An image, silent, cold, and motionless,
As their voiceless earth and vacant air."

"Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori."

Nor should I be doing justice to my own individual feelings on such an occasion as the present, did I not allude to the death of another beloved brother—who, as one of the oldest and most active of our Fraternity, claims our fondest regard. I speak of Colonel TENCH F. TILGHMAN, Chief-of-Staff during the late war to Jefferson Davis. The circumstances of his death, moreover, were of such a peculiar nature as connected with myself, that I feel justified in mentioning them this evening. The last convention TILGHMAN attended was the one held in the Astor House in this city in the spring of 1867. He had come on to attend it from the southern portion of Maryland, at no little inconvenience to himself, and his suggestions and enthusiasm on that occasion did much toward kindling anew the embers of zeal for the Fraternity which had been lately growing cold. Methinks I see him now standing by the supper table as he did on that last evening of the convention, when at the request of Brothers POTTS and VIELE, he rose, and repeated those exquisite verses beginning—

"I am dying, Egypt, dying;
Ebbs the *crimson* life-tide fast"—

words, alas! as will presently be seen, singularly typical of the circumstances of his own death! A few days after, being greatly interested in the publication of the catalogue (for which, by the way, he contributed, out of funds by no means ample, very largely), he called at my office for the purpose of giving me the names of several of the Fraternity who had died in the war. I was engaged at the time in writing the biography of a Union soldier, and in sport I read it to him. Upon his taking exception to one or two passages, I threw down the manuscript, exclaiming: "Never mind, my dear boy; when you die, I will write your obituary, too." In less than *four days* from that remark, Tilghman was a corpse! That very afternoon he left the city and returned south, apparently in the flush of health. The same night, however, of his arrival home, he was awakened suddenly by a violent hemorrhage of the lungs; and, with the single remark to his wife—"Darling, I am dying," he fell back on his pillow and expired.

"I am dying, Egypt, dying,
Ebbs the *crimson* life-tide fast."

Brother TILGHMAN lies buried in a quiet, sequestered spot. It is a sweet, wild haunt. The sunshine falls there with a softened radiance, and a brook near by murmurs plaintively as if mourning for the dead.

Brother TILGHMAN's character for honor and integrity was of the highest order—a statement which is conclusively proved by the fact that at the final dissolution of the Southern Confederacy and the flight of Jefferson Davis, TILGHMAN was the officer selected by the Confederate government to take charge of the treasure and archives. That the trust was well founded was fully proved by subsequent events. On the morning of Mr. Davis's capture, TILGHMAN waited upon him at his bedside, and said: "Mr. Davis, by this map, you may see that the enemy are here, such and such is the situation of the roads. If you come with me, you will be able to leave the country in safety. If you do not, you will be captured in five hours." To Mr. Davis replying, curtly, that he "knew his own business best," TILGHMAN continued, "Very well, sir; I have been entrusted with the treasure and archives, and propose to secure them, even at the peril of the loss of your favor and of my life. I shall start at once, by the route I have marked out."

The result is well known. In *less* than five hours, Mr. Davis was a prisoner; but the *archives* were safe. When a few weeks after, in the recesses of the forest, TILGHMAN learned that all was lost, he alone, and with his own hands, buried the treasure and archives; and unless, during the four days that elapsed between parting with me and his untoward death, he revealed the spot, the secret as to the whereabouts of the Confederate archives is forever buried; and as long as they shall be kept from the ken of man, so long shall the story be a monument to our Brother's unswerving fidelity. This is the true history of the archives of the Southern Confederacy, although rumors are from time to time set afloat of their being in the vaults of this bank and now of that.

But our Brother is gone; and, like the short-lived splendors of the morning star, his path lost in the brightness of the light which shuts him from our vision!

Alas! even since I was your convention orator, a short ten

years ago, how many of those whom I then addressed have taken their seats in the silent halls of the great OMEGA CHARGE! Indeed, as I stand here to-night, the forms of many, who were as brilliant and joyous as any that now sit around this table rise before me.

I see DICKINSON, to whom, in a large measure, is due the establishment of the Beta charge at Cornell, and who now sleeps peacefully beneath the wild magnolia's shade; BROUGHAM, that subtle delineator of human passion, whom, as your convention Poet in 1873, when he delivered his celebrated poem, "The Age of Gold," I had the pleasure of escorting from the Green Room of Daly's Theater to our convention dinner; MARK SMITH, who for so long held the boards of Drury Lane in London, with his inimitable personation of Autolycus; General HILLYER, the stanch friend of President Grant in his days of adversity as well as prosperity; MCCANDLISH—dear old boy!—Professor of Latin at William and Mary, and who, in 1872, as our convention orator, likewise mingled in a scene of festivity the counterpart of ours to-night; PARKER who died while Consul to Greece, his last request being that the members of the Sigma should attend his funeral at the arrival of his body at Carlisle; GOFORTH, also our convention orator in 1871, for a time Ass't Att'y Gen'l of the United States, and who, when alive, was the acknowledged leader of the Philadelphia Criminal Bar; SCHUYLER of the Xi, who fell a victim to yellow fever at Memphis in 1878, a martyr to his conscientious convictions of duty; WILE, one of the founders of the Alpha, who far from home and anticipating an early death, requested that if a history of our Fraternity were ever written, a copy should be sent to his father on the banks of the Hudson; MARIANO SAN JOSE AGUERO, an insurgent general executed by the Spaniards in Cuba, and my warm friend—one whom I knew to be as brave as a lion and yet as tender-hearted and affectionate as a girl; EDGAR R. MORRIS of the Z, who, in 1880, was basely murdered while in the discharge of his duty as Judge of the Commissions' Court in Bayleo Co., Texas; MERRIAM; Minister to Siam, who, as Brother Yates of the Alpha lately informed me, died a patient man and a sincere

christian; SAWYER of the *Kappa*, the most trusted foreign correspondent of the *N. Y. Herald*; WILKINS, dramatist and dramatic critic and editorial writer of that same paper, a gentleman of bright wit, and amiable character; SIMONS, for many years the distinguished Ass't Att'y Gen'l of the United States; HOLLY, whose works on ordnance and engineering are recognized as authorities throughout the civilized world, and whose bust was, a few weeks since, unveiled with august ceremonies in one of the public parks of this city; STETSON, that Princely Boniface, over whose hospitable roof *floated our banner—the first college Fraternity flag ever flung to the breeze, and who, at the great banquet held at the Astor in 1870, gave individually, one hundred dollars to Brother TILGHMAN'S widow, and made a present of all their hotel bills to the delegates of that memorable convention; PLUNKETT, "strong, loyal and sincere," who recently died on the very threshold of great usefulness, and who, just before his death, as we are told by Brothers Bradley and Coville, reached out his hand trembling and cold and said: "I want some one to give me the grip of THETA DELTA CHI," and then lay back in his bed and began singing one of the Fraternity songs "with such a sweetness, such a pathos that it brought fresh tears to the already moist eyes in the room." Alas! how many times have I seen him seated at table on an occasion like this, listening intently to my voice while looking up into my face with his sightless eyes! May we not hope, Brothers, that he is ever listening to seraphic music and beholds, with clear and undimmed vision, the GREAT A. N. of the *Omega* Charge! HENNA, who was wont to sit next to Plunkett, "Jack" Johnson—that Prince of good fellows and the President of the first Grand Lodge—whose lamp went out in black darkness; Clark and Winslow, both Cleveland boys, who were wont, on occasions like the present, to enliven our converse with many a merry jest and brilliant

*From the *N. Y. Evening Telegram*, Feb. 19, 1870.—"The mysterious blue ensign of the Theta Delta Chi, which floated from the Astor House flagstaff yesterday, caused a group of old tars a great deal of annoyance. They could not tell what it meant. There's an eight (8), and a triangle, and a X', said one. 'I don't know what them things stand for.' The tars walked away shaking their heads ponderingly and dubiously." s.

repartee. But among all of these shadows hovering around us to-night and clearly visible to the memory's eye, not one, at the present moment, presents itself in so distinct an outline as that of Brother GEORGE STONE BENEDICT, also a Cleveland boy, and long a loved and revered member of the old THETA charge. Permit me, then, to recall for the benefit of some of the younger members of the *Theta*, a few of the traits of *their* brother and mine.

Brother Benedict graduated from Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, in 1860; and after due preparation was admitted to the Bar at Cleveland the following year. In August, 1862, he entered the U. S. Navy as assistant paymaster in the volunteer service, and was promoted to the position of assistant paymaster in the regular service. He served through the war with credit; and in 1865, the war being over, he left the navy, and at the end of the following year was admitted into the firm of Fairbanks, Benedict & Co., at that time publishers of the Cleveland *Herald*, and assumed charge of a branch of the business department of that paper. On the evening of the 6th of February, 1871, as he was returning home from New York, he was killed by an accident on the Hudson River Railroad. But a few hours previous to his death he had been in the company of Brothers H. M. Hanna, and the late Henry C. Winslow, the former of whom took charge of the loved body and brought it to its home.

BROTHER BENEDICT, as before stated, was a graduated member of the old *Theta* charge, and was one of the brightest lights, as well as one of the largest hearted and most enthusiastic members of the Fraternity. He contributed greatly toward the expenses of the first *Theta Delta Chi* catalogue, and was always ready with kindly counsel and material aid to assist the Fraternity in her various enterprises. As a companion and friend, he was remarkably 'accommodating and agreeable; ever ready to oblige, even to the surrendering of his own personal opinion and wishes, and quick to acknowledge efforts to please or serve him. As a business man, though sensitive to unkindly criticism, suggestions offered in good will he always accepted with even a singular readiness; and though

his business reputation entitled him to play the censor, he was ever ready to praise others, even at his own expense. Though somewhat reserved in his intercourse with strangers, he soon contracted and inspired friendship; and among his friends he was invariably cheerful, pleasant, and ready to promote whatever tended to the general enjoyment. Perhaps, no man of his age ever had a larger or more attached circle of friends or made himself more welcome in general society.

The Fraternity, at its annual convention in Philadelphia, a few weeks after his death, took appropriate action upon the sad event, and, in bearing witness to the many beautiful traits which distinguished its deceased Brother, placed upon his memory a chaplet of immortelles. Age shall not diminish the freshness of that wreath; time shall not wither its leaves, for as long as there exist members of the *Theta Delta Chi* Fraternity, the virtues of George Stone Benedict will be entwined about their hearts, even as the ivy winds around the column that affection has reared to his ashes.

Could the lovely and attractive graces of person and mind combined in him, could the deep grief of a father's heart, could the anguish of a fond wife, the flowing tears of affectionate sisters, have stayed the shaft of death, then had not George died.

And once more, I see the Apollo-like form of my beloved class-mate, Brother McWalter B. Noyes, who died while consul at Venice—a position obtained for him by Brother Hay, while the latter was Assistant Secy. of State of the United States. While at "Brown," Brother Noyes and Hay were especially intimate—often sharing the same bed—and earned among their fellow collegians the name of the *par nobile fratrum*. Brother Noyes was the most fascinating conversationalist that I have ever met. Many have been the times when I have lain awake until it was "odds with morning which was which," listening to the tones of his voice which fell on my ears like the chimes of silvery bells or the music of rippling waters. At such times, the scintillations of his wit, as he discussed his favorite authors, would illumine his conversation with an indescribable brilliancy. It was this quality of voice, to which I have

alluded, that contributed to his amazing popularity. While acting as assistant rector to Father Morrow of this city, his chanted "responses" in the choral service were melody itself; and those were few who, having listened to him once, did not come again.

"His walk through life was marked by every grace;
His soul sincere, his friendship void of guile;
Long shall Remembrance all his virtues trace,
And Fancy picture his benignant smile!"

But, perhaps for the high standing which our Fraternity attained at the first, we are indebted, more than to all other men to the early and bosom friend of Kellogg and Mason—to the talent and eloquence of one whose memory, though he is many years dead, is as fresh and green as the turf upon his tomb. Need I name the man whose genius extorted from Dr. NORR the confession that of all his "boys" he alone was able to cope with him in argument—and upon whose eloquent lips courts and juries and senates hung! Need I?—but I will not pursue the picture. The Shade of Fonda has already risen before you!

BROTHERS!

"There are more guests at table than
The hosts invited!
The illumined hall is thronged
With quiet, inoffensive ghosts,
As silent as the pictures on the wall!"

And yet all these great results—the formation of a powerful organization, which has given rise to friendships that have the power to hold one as by a wizard's spell—were in their origin most humble. This fraternity was not ushered into the world with a flourish of trumpets. The Priests of Isis—those terrible executioners of the Orphic and Egyptian mysteries—presided not at its birth; nor was it invested with some strange story of some mysterious tragedy, which is continually re-enacted to keep the interest in it alive; nor yet, was it, like Gnomes and Fates of Grecian mythology, born amidst the convulsion of the elements, in cloud and storm! *Far* different. In a plainly-furnished back-room of Union College, one May evening some two score of years ago, a party of six met, and having quietly discussed FRIENDSHIP as a *power*, formed this

Fraternity, the ties of which now extend throughout all countries and climes, and the auspicious condition of which, we, this evening, celebrate.

Such was the harmless origin of our Society—a Society that certain faculties of colleges have not hesitated to liken to the CARBONARI, which, at the zenith of its power, had spread itself from climate to climate, and from sea to sea. If its unhappy victim fled to the rising of the sun, where the luminary of day seems to us first to ascend from the waves of the ocean, the power of the tyrant was still behind him. If he withdrew to the west, to Hesperian darkness, and the shores of barbarian Thule, still he was not safe from his gore-drenched foe! Not so with us! *Our* mission means *good will*; nor do we pursue *our* victim save to rescue him from the toils of some other College Fraternity, and thus confer on him one of the greatest of benefits!

But let it not, on this account, be supposed that its friendships are of a transitory character. On the contrary; those formed under its ægis are as firm and enduring as the everlasting hills. Does some caviler say that they are bounded by the ocean? I would point them to those three cabalistic characters of our Fraternity, found by Brother BURDGE, traced in smoke in the bowels of the Great Pyramid! Does he say that its motto means nothing! For answer, I would point him to that southern Brother rescued from an ignominious death by HAV, when he had the ear of the first officer in the land! Does he say that it is not enduring? For answer, I would again point him to those two Brothers, one a Union and the other a Confederate soldier, found after the battle of Roanoke Island, on the bloody field, both cold in death, with their hands fast-locked in the sacred "grip" of the Θ. Δ. X!

A word more regarding the future of *Theta Delta Chi*: for the effect of that meeting in Union College—in all that tends to successful achievement—was not like the fitful glare of the meteor's trail! From the date of that meeting, higher and higher like the sun, and with a steady radiance, has risen the present grandeur of our Fraternity! It had a bright and a beautiful rising, and a morning of corresponding brilliancy

and warmth. It will fulfill its destiny, and doubtless continue its beneficent course, conferring light and blessing. No one may now sneeringly ask, "Where is your literature?" Nor can a rival Fraternity Tallyrand mockingly enquire "Where is your history?" We have a literature and a history more brilliant than any that sheds lustre upon College Fraternity aureals!

"Soldiers," said Napoleon on the eve of one of his great battles, and in one of those bulletins with which he was wont to electrify all Europe, "Soldiers! From yonder pyramids forty centuries are gazing down upon you!" But on that May evening, from far nobler and grander heights the Integrity of Friendship was looking down upon that little group meditating and shaping the friendships that were to spring from its deliberations, so that they should endure not through this world only, but throughout the ages!

A POEM.

By C. H. PATTERSON. *Keble 87.*

Read at the Forty-fourth annual Convention of the Fraternity, 1901.

One hundred years ago—a hundred years
 And Liberty, bright goddess in her train,
 Fired with one flaming glance
 The wide domain of France,
 Whose ardent sons arose with rapturous shouts,
 Left their proud mistresses to dream about it,
 And for her sweet pleasure
 They played a gentle game with kings and queens.
 French love is fitful. Soon the enamored swains
 Tired of the maiden fair and soon to fail,
 She tired of them; they found
 Her love too pure, the bound
 Of decency she loved and hallowed fanes
 Her suitors chose the freedom that enchains
 And thro' all time she feels the wound,
 And scorns the land of France as it were hell.

Spreading her wings—the fairest girls have wings—
 The flame-eyed maiden westward winged her way,
 Kindled our staid old sires
 With pardonable fires,
 Ignored their English brothers' flouts and flings,
 Plucked the bright stars out of the crown of kings,
 And flung them from the tallest spires,
 Sewed to her striped petticoat, they say.

The Goddess loved our nation; was its source,
 Yet being woman, color caught her eye;
 Plain white became a bore,
 You know the sex adore
 Variety of color and, of course,
 Grieving to see plain white withhold by force,
 Black from the band whose hearts she wore
 The maiden fled. For years we pondered why.

Then wandered far the maid o'er sea and shore;
 At last the Isles of Greece with open arms,
 Courted the maiden's smile;
 She gave it and each isle
 Sprang to its post of honor, but she wore
 Her heart not on her sleeve—Alas! no more
 They knew—worthy they proved the while,
 But, after winning, could not wear her charms.

Again the maid spread wing across the sea,
 Where Bolivar proposed to win her love.
 His heart was brave and gay,
 His love was fond as May,
 But in the very hour of victory
 He fell and left his countrymen half free—
 Free from the Spanish king were they,
 But on their crest still wore signora's glove.

Alas, why should a maiden ever woo
 Any but Yankees? If she should be but fair.
 I'm positive a girl
 Needs but to flaunt a curl
 At one of us poor fellows, give one view
 Of her bright eyes and cherry lips, and true
 As oyster is mother of pearl
We'll do our best all others to forswear.

But this fair maiden then sought Italy—
 Land where the Romans Rome and Romeos *rave*.—
 Quick for her wondrous grace

These lover Romans race
 To cast all other shackles far and free
 Forgetting all except to love and be
 Loved by this wondrous form and face—
 The worshipped merely *form*, to that a slave.

Then to the Russian serf she threw a kiss
 And to our Southern negro gave—*too much*.
 Then in the Land of Tea
 She held a jubilee,
 And since has wasted smiles on more than this,
 Flitting now here, now there, the dainty miss;
 But oh, she grieves and weeps to see
 The nations no more thrill beneath her touch.

Alas, are there no poor without our gates?
 Are there no slaves of wealth within our halls?
 Know we no further way
 To prove us manly?—Nay,
Dead to our Brotherhood? It violates
 The saintliest thought our goddess inculcates!
 Can we do nought but kneel and pray?
 Up, break the shackles!—*Labor* groans in thrall.

Men should be bound together by golden chains;
 As when the hardy Alpine mountaineers
 Range o'er the glacier's brow
 Bound by the rope, and vow
 That all shall *share* the perils and the pains—
 What one may lose the strength of all regains—
 Not you on rock and I in slough—
 For in the sight of God all men are peers.

Why, gentlemen, why is it, can you tell,
 So fair a maid is suing for a lover?
 She tells you how to sue
 And oh, she's fair to woo,
 (Be generous and she falls beneath your spell)
 And oh, the wooing will repay you well,
 She will be winsome, fond and true
 And, therefore, why unwooed, I'd fain discover?

I hear the answer from a hundred throats;
 Fraternity and Liberty are one!
 We are her stalwart knights
 And every heart unites
 In one grand pæan to her gentle arts,
 In one glad strain for all her grace imparts—

We dwell, my brothers, on the heights,
Where we can hear with ease the great "well done!"

Upon the forehead of the Age to Come
Great thoughts are clustering, as yet, unkempt:
The things men deify
Shall perish. Men will vie
In love of Liberty. It is the sum
Of human good: all other gods succumb.
Immortal Theta Delta Chi
Your future is more fair than e'er was dreamt.

For *all* who shared the worship of the maid
In darker days when Cruelty is king
Shall be her chosen bards!
He, who her fair name guards
From any syllable that would invade
Her hallowed realm, bears the excelsior blade!
The gates of Heaven—they fell unbarred;
We caught the harmony of gods and made the welkin ring.

THE NEW YORK CLUB HOUSE.

It seems to be an established fact that we are soon to have one of the finest fraternity club houses in the city. Some of the brothers residing in New York have taken up the matter earnestly and are pushing it vigorously. In order to have it a permanent success, however, more support is needed. A committee is calling upon the resident graduates in New York City. When they come to see you do not turn them away empty-handed. We need such a home in the great metropolis, and every brother residing in New York should have a hand in it. The SHIELD would like to give a detailed account of what has been done but space forbids. We must have a *Club House* or better called a *Theta Delt Home* in New York. We hope to record the completion of the preliminary work in the next number of the SHIELD.

Our Graduates.

NOTE.—This department we intend to make a special feature of THE SHIELD, and to insure its completeness we desire *every graduate* to aid us by contributing such items of information—no matter how trifling they may seem—about members of the fraternity, the current happenings with themselves or their families, or matters affecting their interests, as promptly as they occur or come to their ears. We would like to keep *au courant* with and pleasantly mention every graduate member and will be glad to do so if our wishes are fulfilled.—EDITOR.

Judge Charles F. Templeton, Dartmouth, '78, was born in Worcester, Vt., June 21, 1856. His early education was received at the Barre Academy, Barre, Vt., where he graduated in 1874 with first honors in scholarship in class of seventeen. In the fall of same year he entered Dartmouth. While in college he was quite prominent in athletics, taking numerous prizes. He was chosen to deliver the farewell address on class day at the old Pine. After graduating in 1878, he took up the study of law and was admitted to the bar at Montpelier, Vt., Dec. 6, 1880. Early in 1881, he took up his residence in Fargo, Dak., and practiced law there till Nov. 1888, when he removed to Grand Forks. March 12, 1887, he was appointed Attorney-General of Dakota by Governor Church. This office he resigned Nov. 10, 1888, to become one of the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the territory, on an appointment received from President Cleveland. This office he retained till the admission of North and South Dakota to statehood. At the first election for state officers he was elected Judge of the First Judicial District in North Dakota, which office he now holds. His election clearly proved his popularity. He was the only democratic candidate elected. The republican candidates were elected by an average majority of 2,700. Templeton's majority was 2,500, a difference of over 5,000 votes. His term of office will expire Jan. 1, 1893. Bro. Templeton was married Feb. 26, '81, at Williamstown, Vt., to Miss Edna C. Carleton. Three daughters have blessed their union, the eldest of whom died Oct 13, 1889, aged seven years.

Bro. Templeton is a loyal Theta Delt. His course has been onward and upward, and the SHIELD wishes him lifelong prosperity.

E. Valencourt Deuell, M. D., Union, 61, graduated an M. D. at the old University at Louisville, Ky., 1862, entered the Medical Department U. S. A., and was assigned to duty under General Steel, U. S. A. Department Southwest, 1864. Promoted to Surgeon in charge U. S. Department general hospital, 1,200 beds, 1865, which responsible position he held until close of the war. Then appointed Surgeon-in-Chief of District in Bureau Refugees and Freedmen, holding the same until the civil order was restored from the chaos of war in 1867. Attracted by the

southern climate he returned to private practice at Little Rock, Ark., near the scene of his active labors, and through his energies and prudent investments, soon became a property holder and permanent citizen. He was the first to move in behalf of organized medicine in the State, and successfully aided in forming the State Association, and the College of Physicians and Surgeons. Also a member of the American Medical Association and a frequent delegate to its congress. Among his important contributions to medical literature is a report of the cholera epidemic of 1866, in which is detailed his heroic treatment by strychnine in tenth grain doses. Among the evidences and incidents illustrative of that moral courage and firmness of purpose which has made his life successful, the records in the Surgeon General's office, Washington, show that during the epidemic of cholera in his department, 1866, when medical officers, as well as soldiers, deserted to escape exposure to cholera, Brother Deuell stood, like the true soldier, firmly at his post, doing double duty in the absence of his assistants, unmindful of his own danger, administering relief to the suffering and comfort to the dying, until the end of that terrible siege, securing to himself special letter of thanks from Surgeon General Barnes, and complimentary orders from the heads of the War Department. In 1871 he married the daughter of Chester Cunningham and grand niece of Robert Crittenden, at Frankfort, Ky. Has one son now preparing for college, who will join the ranks of the grand old fraternity, Theta Delta Chi. In 1888, to improve his broken health, and pass his declining years near the scenes and associations of his Alma Mater, he removed to the north, where, now, beneath the shade of Saratoga's grand elms, and beside her sparkling health fountains, with Brothers W. B. French, Wm. L. Stone and Geo. H. Maccomber to extend occasionally the fraternity grip, he passes his time in the quiet practice of his loved profession.

Hon. Daniel N. Lockwood, Union, '63, Buffalo, N. Y., was the successful democratic candidate, at the recent election, for Congressman of the Thirty-second New York district. The compliment is well deserved and the SHIELD congratulates Bro. Lockwood. Already the prominent party organs have brought his name to the front as a desirable man for speaker of the House. No fitter choice could be made. He would grace the position and fill it with a dignity and ability possessed by few men. We hope he may be a successful aspirant for the position. The following is too good to be lost :

This story is told of Daniel Lockwood, Congressman elect from Buffalo: When a school boy he was chosen valedictorian of his class. He prepared for the event by ordering a new pair of shoes. Late in the afternoon of the great day the shoes came. But, good heavens! they wouldn't go on. Dan hadn't another pair fit to use. He summoned the shoemaker to a conference, and, while the perspiration rolled off his face, he explained the situation, "That's nothing," said Crispin; "get a

couple of eggs and break one in each shoe." Dan did so, and the result was charming. He went into those shoes like a duck's foot in the mud. His valedictory was the greatest effort of Lockwood's career up to that date. The words were honeyed and the gestures were graceful as a snake swallowing a frog. All his friends and relatives were spellbound. But right in the midst of it the author stopped, Agony was incarnate in his features. His hair rose on end. He became pale and red by turns. What was the matter? Had he forgotten his speech? No. No, he had just thought of those two egg omelets, and would have given up all he had or ever hoped to have, for a chance to laugh.—*N. Y. Tribune, Nov. 22.*

Nathan Lafayette Bachman, Hamilton, '72, was born at Clover Bottom, East Tenn., April 3, 1848. He received his early training at the Rural High School in Clinton. In 1868 he entered Hamilton College. The class numbered 52 men. He lost about half of the Junior year through sickness. In Senior year he took first prize in declamation. In Freshman, Sophomore and Junior years he took second honors on size of essays. He took Master's degree from Hamilton in 1874, and Bachelor of Laws, Columbia College, 1876. In 1872 and 73 he taught school in Tarrytown. In 1873 he was principal of Schoharie Academy; in 1875 principal of Cobleskill Academy, 1875-6 student of law in Columbia. He practiced law in Schoharie from July 1876 to July '84, when his lungs failed him from a cold contracted at a winter carnival in Montreal. He went to California. In 1885 he was on a cattle ranch on summit of Sierra Nevadas, until September, when he went to Fresno, where he planted himself for his life work. He was managing editor of the *Daily Exposition* up to May, 1888. Since that time he has been engaged in "raisin farming" on a plantation about three miles east of Fresno. He has also done some literary work, samples of which have been seen in the SHIELD, and of which we would be glad to get more. Bro. Bachman was a gallant Confederate soldier. As he puts it he "fought, bled and died" for the Southern Confederacy in a very "private" way, in the reserve corps, and was brevet-major for two days, seven and one-half hours, commanding a mule train hauling salt for Basil Duke's (Morgan's) brigade of Kentucky Rebs. Bro. Bachman was married in 1874 to Miss Elizabeth Miller, of Latrobe, Cal. The only child is a boy, Fayette Harrison Bachman, three years old. Bro. Bachman was President of the Grand Lodge in 1883, and originated the custom of visiting charges. He visited every charge but Theta at Kenyon. Bro. Bachman is one of the most enthusiastic Theta Delts in the country, and has the ardent love which will continue to burn so long as life lasts, and when his sun sets the Fraternity will mourn one of her brightest and most loyal sons. May his lamp burn yet many years.

Oscar Riding, Dickinson, '86, has also removed from Camden, and accepted a position on a Virginia railroad. He is stationed near Roanoke.

Charles R. Miller, Dartmouth, '72. The following extract from the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*, Nov. 1st, will be read with interest by the many friends of Bro. Miller: "A New York editor that you seldom hear of is Charles R. Miller, of the *New York Times*. He is a broad-shouldered, rather under-sized man, with a full face and closely cropped black beard. His eyes are as sharp as ferrets, and no more positive or aggressive writer is known on the New York press to-day. Outside of his office he takes little or no interest in matters journalistic. I do not remember of ever hearing of him at a Press Club dinner or at any gathering of newspaper men. Occasionally you see him at the theater or the opera, but his special recreation is walking. He is a great pedestrian, and attributes the glow of health upon his cheeks to that exercise. In many ways he is situated better than any editor in New York. He is absolute on the *Times*. George Jones, the proprietor, is a very old man, and permits Mr. Miller to do just as he pleases. He has great confidence in him. On all questions of policy, or the expenditure of large sums of money for news, Mr. Miller's word is final. He comes and goes as he pleases. He is responsible to no one, and in addition to all this he draws a comfortable salary of \$15,000 a year—a sum not exceeded by that of any working journalist in New York."

John Mitchell Curtis, Sigma '65, was born in Philadelphia, June 21, 1846. Received his early education at West River Classical Institute, West River, Md. Entered Dickinson College in 1861, graduated with honor in 1865, taking his Master's degree in 1868. He took up the study of medicine and graduated from Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia, in 1869. He served for a time in the army in 1864, as private in Co. F, 7th Delaware Infantry. Was a member of Delaware National Guard from 1877 to 1886, being successively First Lieutenant, Captain and Major. He was physician to the New Castle County Alms House in 1870. Vaccine physician for city of Wilmington for two years. Was married in 1873 to Miss Anna E. Cary. After four years of happy married life his wife died. Dr. Curtis is now practicing his profession in the city of Wilmington, Del., No. 111 West Ninth street. Bro. Curtis was President of the Grand Lodge for two terms, 1885 and 1886. In 1877 he was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of Dickinson College, which honorable position he still occupies.

Hon. Nathan F. Dixon, Brown, '69, since his advent in the United States Senate has given evidence of talents not before generally suspected. The *New York Sun* of September 9 says: "Senator Dixon, of Rhode Island, has occupied himself in an interesting manner during the long discussions of the Tariff bill. With the bound compilation of the Finance Committee before him, and pencil or pen in hand, he has been constantly and mysteriously at work for many days. Yesterday he neglected to put the book in his drawer when the Senate adjourned. This morning, before the Senate met, several Senators got possession of it and hastily

withdrew to the cloak room. Each page was carefully scanned, and now Senator Dixon is acknowledged to be the artist of the Senate. On each page were pictures of dogs, cats, bushel baskets, horses' hoofs, &c. Near the end of the book were pictures of faces, some, evidently of spectators in the gallery. Finally, the inquisitive Senators discovered a picture which caused them to close the book with a shudder. It was a likeness of Senator Hoar, minus his hair, a picture, it is assumed, the Senator from Massachusetts would not consider at all flattering. Fearful of making further discoveries, which might be embarrassing to themselves, as well as to the artist, the Senators returned the book to Mr. Dixon's desk, and those who saw it are all pledged to secrecy." An artist, a humorist, and a Senator in one is a combination rarely met with—certainly another cannot be found in America.

Walter Payson Perkins, Bowdoin, '80, was born Aug. 6, 1858, in Kennebunk, Me. Read law in the office of Burbank & Derby, at Saco, Me., and attended law lectures at Washington University until June 1883. Returned to Maine was admitted to the York County bar in 1884, and soon after settled in the practice of his profession at Cornish, Me. At the last election he became county attorney for York Co.

James F. Albion, Tufts, '87, was installed as pastor of St. Paul's Universalist church at Palmer, Mass., June 25th. A very elaborate account of the ceremony was given in the *Springfield Republican*. St. Paul's church is a very prosperous one, and a brilliant career of usefulness is before Bro. Albion.

Major Peter D. Vroom, R. P. I., '62, formerly Inspector General of the Division of the Platte, was on October 14th appointed Inspector General of the Department of the Missouri with headquarters at St. Louis, Mo. He should be addressed hereafter at St. Louis.

A. L. Coville, Cornell, '86, graduated in Natural History course. Entered class of '89 at the College of Physicians and Surgeons. January 1, '90, began service as interne at St. Mary's General Hospital, Brooklyn. Now holds position of House Physician.

John M. Hill, Dickinson, '89, has left Camden where he had a position with the Camden and Atlantic Railroad, and gone to New York city in the employ of the Penna. Railroad.

Frank H. McCall, Cornell, '90, is in the employ of the Union Pacific Railroad, and is located at Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Frederick W. McCall, Lehigh, '89, is a member of the senior class in the Dental Department University of Pennsylvania.

Stephen Emery, Boston Union, '90, is instructor in mathematics, Latin and Greek in the Medford High school.

Dr. Frank S. Barton, Columbia, '88, is practicing at Clyde, N. Y.

Dr. John Remer, Columbia, '90, is practicing at his home in Newark, N. Y.

Dr. Wm. Howe, Columbia, '88, is practicing at his home, Phelps, N. Y.

Dr. George Lindemeyr, '88, is practicing at his home at 319 E. 17th Street, New York City.

Dr. Frank H. Zitz, Columbia, '88, has just completed two years service at the German Hospital and will study abroad.

Dr. Emilio Echeverria, Columbia, '89, is practicing in New York City, having finished service of a year at the French Hospital.

Warren H. Moulton, Amherst, '88, has entered the Yale Divinity School. Brothers E. L. Marsh and F. L. Garfield are at the same institution.

Carl A. Harstrom, Hobart, '86, is getting somewhat tired of raising nothing but boys for the fraternity and has established a new nursery for girls. The first pupil named Frances is four months old. Mrs. Harstrom presides in the new department.

Dr. Fred E. Soudern, Columbia, '89, was graduated in the New York Grammar School and afterward spent several years abroad. Entered College of Physicians and Surgeons in class of '89. Was graduated and received appointment of two years to the German Hospital, where he is now located as House Physician.

Francis L. Palmer, Amherst, '85, has entered the Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge, Mass. Brother Palmer writes that this school is a favorite resort for Theta Deltas. At present there are five there, all of whom unite in recommending the school to the fraternity. The Rev. A. B. Shields is taking a special course at the institution.

M. R. Sherrerd, of the Phi, lately residing at Troy, N. Y., was appointed assistant city engineer of the city of Peoria, Ill., Oct. 1st. He entered upon his duties at once. Those who know Bro. Sherrerd will rejoice in his good fortune and advancement. He is in every way capable of filling the position with credit, and we bespeak for him further honors in the near future. Bro. Sherrerd may be addressed at "The Aldine," Peoria, Ill.

Col. Wm. L. Stone, Brown, '57, delivered a very excellent address on "The Colonial Newspaper Press of New York and Boston" before the Historical Society at Utica, October 27. The Utica *Herald* pays Bro. Stone the following merited compliment: "The paper of Mr. Stone exhibited his usual thoroughness and research, and contained many passages of valuable history and fair estimate of men and events. As the son of an eminent New York editor, Mr. Stone inherits interest in his theme, and as himself a historian he possesses the capacity to treat it well. The society is fortunate in having secured such an address from such an eminent source."

Gonzalo de Quesada, C. C. N. Y., '88, is thus spoken of in the *New York Press* of Sept. 25—"Over fifty Columbia College students assembled at the pier of La Bretagne yesterday to meet an old Columbia student, Gonzalo de Quesada, who has been appointed Consul at Philadelphia by the Argentine Republic. They greeted him with rousing cheers, and a committee from the Theta Delta Chi fraternity bade him welcome." Brother Quesada was present at the convention and took an active part. He exhibited throughout his sterling love for the fraternity. The honors which his mother country have given him are well merited and we greet him as one of the representative men of the fraternity.

Rev. Charles Henry Hibbard, Hobart, '76, was born in Elmira, N. Y., January 28, 1853. He received his preparatory education at Suspension Bridge, N. Y. Took several prizes and honors. During his college life he was president of his class during Freshman year, a member of the college base ball club, took freshman prize in English literature, elected a member of Phi Beta Kappa in 1876, at graduation. He at once took up theology and was ordained a deacon in the Protestant Episcopal church in 1879, a priest in 1880, and is now rector of the church of St. John the Baptist, in Germantown, Pa. Bro. Hibbard was married Jan. 27, 1882, at Philadelphia, to Miss Rebecca L. Hopkins. Two children, both girls, have come to bless this union. The SHIELD greets Bro. Hibbard and hopes he will not forget our sanctum when he visits his birth-place.

J. T. Hamilton, Dickinson, '90, is professor of German in Pennington Seminary.

C. W. Webbert, Dickinson, '90, has entered upon the study of Law at Dickinson Law school.

S. S. Wallace, Dickinson, '90, has chosen Law as his profession and entered Dickinson Law school.

D. B. Brandt, Dickinson, '87, is engaged in the wholesale flour business with his father at Harrisburg, Pa.

Dr. W. A. Howe, Hobart, '85, is enjoying a lucrative practice at Phelps, N. Y., where he always makes the boys of Xi at home and happy.

C. J. Bullock, Lambda, '89, is teaching in the Pawtucket, R. I., high school. He has been engaged to give a course of lessons in Political Economy at Berkley Temple, Boston, on Saturday evenings.

C. W. Blockett, Lambda, '88, has had a deserved raise from his church at Lynn to the First M. E. church, Natick, Mass. Bro. Blockett is deserving of the trust thus imposed upon him, and is filling this important position with general satisfaction.

Rev. David Gregg, D. D., has preached his last sermon as pastor of Park street Church, Boston. On this occasion the largest audience that

ever attended a service in the church was present, all available standing room even being taken. It was but a climax to the large audiences that have filled the church every Sunday for the past two months. Lambda charge turned out in a body in honor of Bro. Gregg, at one of those services, and the brothers were received by him after worship in the hearty clasp of Theta Delta Chi. Bro. Gregg goes to the Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian church, Brooklyn, N. Y., where the membership is over 2,000 and the salary \$10,000. Indeed, it is, with one exception, the largest church in the denomination. Lambda charge will lose an enthusiastic, earnest and loving brother and adviser by Dr. Gregg's removal, but the hand he has lent to Lambda's prosperity during his pastorate in Boston will be among the enduring things of life.

V. G. Curtis, Tufts, '66, resigned his position as Superintendent of Schools in Winona, Minn., August 15th, to accept a similar position in a much larger field. The city of New Haven, Conn., is the fortunate possessor of his services. His address is 21 Center street. The following clipping from the *Winona Herald* of Aug. 15th will be read with interest by all Theta Deltas:

"Superintendent V. G. Curtis received notice this morning of his unanimous election to the position of Superintendent of Public Schools of New Haven, Conn. This announcement will be a great surprise and disappointment to Winonians, for while Supt. Curtis has for a few weeks been partially satisfied that the change would be made, nothing definite was known until the meeting of the school board at New Haven last evening, when it was decided. The selection of Supt. Curtis to this position comes wholly unsolicited by him, and the fact of his having been selected from among thirty-five candidates, among whom were prominent educators, and his having been chosen unanimously, is certainly complimentary, and it is well known by Winonians that he is highly deserving of such a compliment. The loss of Supt. Curtis as a superintendent and educator will be felt not only in the city of Winona, but throughout the State and West, where he has attracted attention and is becoming prominent among the leaders in education. He first gained prominence in his work with the Stillwater schools, and has raised the Winona public schools to their present high standard and enviable reputation. Before coming west he was for ten years Superintendent of the public schools at Corry, Pa., and previously, five years Principal and Superintendent of the schools at Ilion, N. Y. His three years in Stillwater and four years in Winona give him an experience of twenty-two years with the superintendency of schools. Mr. Curtis' action in acceptance of such an advantageous offer and betterment over his present position, is most certainly justifiable, although it is realized that Winona is deeply the loser. Congratulations will be heartily extended, while at the same time the greatest regret is felt over the departure of himself and family from this city, where they have gathered innumerable friends. The breaking of social bonds will be most painful."

Prescott Adamson, Lafayette, '75. Just as we are going to press, we hear that Bro. Adamson is to wed Miss Agnes M. Ayres. The ceremony will take place at Christ Episcopal church, Germantown, Dec. 2d.

Frederick G. Andrews, Dickinson, '88, is pursuing a post graduate course in Philosophy at the University of Penna.

W. W. Salmon, Dickinson, '86, has accepted a lucrative position on the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, and is located at Chicago.

Willis Walton French, Bowdoin, Me. was born at Portsmouth N. H., April 27, 1857, and died in New York City March 11, 1908. He fitted for college in the public schools, received the degree of Bachelor of Science from Bowdoin in 1878, and of Master of Science from that institution three years later. He studied medicine at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, N. Y. City, being graduated therefrom in 1883. While a student he was appointed out-patient assistant in the Chambers Street Hospital and served the full term in that capacity. He underwent a competitive examination for a position on the Resident Staff at Bellevue Hospital, one of the highest honors to which a young physician can aspire, was successful, serving the full term on the Fourth Surgical Division, and on the completion of his service as House Surgeon, was presented by the Commissioners with a case of surgical instruments, bearing an engraved plate commemorating his faithful and successful work. Upon emerging from the Hospital he went west, served an appointment as District Surgeon on the Union Pacific R. R., and practiced one year at Greeley, Colorado, but finding metropolitan life more to his taste, he returned to New York City where he enjoyed a successful practice until his death. After a rigorous competitive civil service examination he was appointed an Assistant Sanitary Inspector on the New York Board of Health. At the time of his decease he was a Visiting Surgeon to the Out-patient Department of the Bellevue Hospital, assistant to the Chemical Professor of the Diseases of Children at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, and was a member of various medical societies.

Hon. J. Lawrence Rathbone, R. P. I., '64, whose term of office as Consul-General at Paris has expired, has been replaced by Adam King, of Maryland. He has filled that office with exceptional ability and success, and in his retirement the country loses one of its most efficient and valuable representatives abroad. The results of the late consular convention at Paris, and his connection with it, are thus spoken of by the *New York Herald*:

"I learn from an unexceptionable source that previous to adjourning the convention drew up and unanimously approved a resolution congratulating Consul-General Rathbone, of Paris, on the high efficiency displayed by him in the exercise of his official duties, and thanking him for the pains taken to make comfortable the stay in Paris of the members of the convention. Speeches to the same effect were made by several members, and among the number the President, who referred to General Rathbone's high standing at the Consular Department and characterized his retirement as a public loss. The convention was the direct outcome of General Rathbone's efforts and suggestions to the State Department. Its results are considered eminently satisfactory, every member, I am authorized to state, feeling that it will be of certain benefit, not only to the consular agents of the United States, but to the importers, assisting the honest as against the dishonest importer. The cardinal object of the convention—that of obtaining uniformity of practice in treatment of invoices and general conduct of consular business—will certainly be realized."

It is understood he will soon return to his residence in San Francisco, Cal.

James Seymour Spencer, Hamilton, '79, was a son of Ambrose T. Spencer, M. D., of Utica, a grandson of Rev. Theodore Spencer, formerly pastor of the Bleeker Street Presbyterian Church in Utica, and great-grandson of Chief Justice Ambrose Spencer, of the New York State Supreme Court. His mother was a daughter of the late Levi Cozzens, of Utica. He was born in Utica, July 2, 1852. Previous to the death of his invalid father, whom he devotedly cared for, he served as a merchant's clerk on Genesee street, and is remembered by all who knew him for his intelligence, courtesy and manly worth. After his father's death he entered Hamilton College at the age of twenty-two. Graduating in 1879, he began his chosen work as a journalist on the *New York Tribune*. In the fall of 1880 he became the managing editor of the *Richmond County Gazette*, on Staten Island. In 1882 this paper became the *Staten Island Sentinel and Gazette*, with Bro. Spencer as its editor. In 1874 he started the *Mount Vernon Record*, but left it in 1885, and joined the local staff of *The Dial*, an afternoon daily in New York City. During the last four years of his life, Bro. Spencer belonged to the local staff of the *New York Mail and Express*, in whose columns he was described as "one of the most capable and faithful reporters, who made record for industry, integrity and fidelity that could not be excelled." His first wife was Miss Alice Miller Whitaker, a daughter of Rev. William Whitaker, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., to whom he was married October 10, 1881, and who died at her father's house in Poughkeepsie, June 15, 1882. His second wife was Miss Bertha Clark, of New Brighton, S. I., to whom he was married June 25, 1885, who survives him. Bro. Spencer died very suddenly of heart disease, while taking a ride with his wife, in Bloomfield, N. J., Oct. 2, 1888. He was buried in Newark, N. J.

William Edward Sargent, Bowdoin, '78, was born at Sanford, Me., May 23, 1856, became principal of the Topsham, Me., high school during his senior year, and continued there two years, when he was called to take charge of the Freeport high school where he remained until Aug., 1883, resigning to accept the position of principal of Hebron Academy. He was married Aug. 20, 1883, to Miss Ella C. M. Hale, of Mystic Bridge, Conn. He is vice-president of the American Institute of Instruction for 1890-91.

Emery Wilson Bartlett, Bowdoin, '80, was born in Bethel, Me., Jan. 12, 1856. Went to Iowa in Sept. 1880, and until 1887 was employed by Cleveland and Chicago publishing houses as editor of subscription books. He has been correspondent for the Cincinnati *Commercial*, Detroit *Free Press*, and other journals, and is now night editor of the Philadelphia *Press*.

Melvin H. Orr, Bowdoin, '84 is a member of the law firm of Nicol & Orr, Stockton, Cal. In 1888 he was deputy district attorney for San Joaquin Co.

Geo. W. Carr, Brown '57 was in his youth a resident of Brown and R. I. After graduating from Brown in 1857, he went to Washington, D. C., where he studied medicine. In 1860 he was a member of the Governor's staff, in which capacity he went to Newport, R. I., on the occasion of the inauguration of Commodore Perry's successor. In 1861 he was assistant surgeon of the First R. I. Regiment. Promoted to surgeon in 1862. Returned from the service in 1864 and opened an office in Providence, R. I., where he has continued to practice his profession ever since. He has won for himself a reputation second to none, and to-day is the leading physician in Providence. He has a large family and a charming wife. Little Ruby is a town doctor, but she has not yet Theta Delta Chi with a very numerous number of suggestions, and entering into consideration, she stands at the head of the candidates for membership.

Graham MacFarlane, R. P. L. '61 was born at Towanda, Pa. Received his early education at the common schools to prepare for college at Towanda. The *SHIELD* remembers Bro. MacFarlane as the author of a fine sketch, he will recall the editor was an attachment student in the same institution. The editor will remember the now deceased '69 first seen at the close of the term in 1871. The first view of him which received was this personal: Bro. MacFarlane graduated from college in 1872. Since that time he has been engaged in the following positions: Superintendent of the Long Branch Coal Mine, General Manager of the Winifred Coal Co.; Receiver of the New York and Pennsylvania At present he is a Consulting Mining Engineer, and is at 221 East Ormsby Avenue, Louisville, Ky. Bro. MacFarlane was married June 20, 1877, to Miss Helen A. Bradley, of Towanda, Pa., and has one daughter in the family. Bro. MacFarlane was the first member of Theta Delta Chi.

We are indebted to Right Rev. Geo. J. D. ... of Northern California, for the privilege of presenting to you the graduate personals which appeared in the ...

Jos. G. Griswold '71 and ... has been principal of St. Paul's ... since 1874.

Jas. May, Jr. '71 and ... published in July number of ...

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Fredrick Vernon '71 is Assistant ... of the Department of Agriculture ... on Saturday, Oct. 5, in ... Harvard Boynton. ... where they fell in love. The wedding party ... of Cornellites. Dr. A. L. ...

MANGOLD—ORTH.

Dr. Wm. G. Mangold, Columbia, '88, was married October 8th, 1890, to Miss Matilda Orth, at No. 154 East 71st street, New York city.

MESERVE-BECKWITH.

Charles Dana Meserve, Lambda, '87, and Miss Mary Francis Beckwith of Waltham were married by Dean Huntington, in the presence of a delegation of Lambda men and their many friends. Bro. Meserve lives at Hyannis, and is principal of the high school at Barnstable.

FOX-JOY.

Irving Pierson Fox, Lambda, '83, managing editor of the *Boston Courier*, was married on Sept. 11 to Miss Helen Shapleigh Joy. The ceremony was witnessed by many Theta Delts and by college friends, of whom both the bride and groom had many. Bro. Fox resides at Bloomfield, St., Lexington.

MANSFIELD—FREEMAN.

At 6:45 P. M. Wednesday, September the tenth, the Methodist Episcopal church at South Lawrence, Massachusetts, was filled with those who had been invited thither to witness the marriage ceremony of Miss Bertha Mansfield, Alpha Phi, the daughter of its pastor, the Rev. John H. Mansfield, and Mr. Luther Freeman, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at Wollaston, Mass. As the waiting guests heard the first strains of the bridal march from Lohengrin the procession advanced slowly to the altar. The four ushers came first, Messrs. Wilde, Bigelow, Hobson and Spencer all of whom were fraternity brothers of the groom who is a member of Theta Delta Chi, followed by Mr. Wheat, best man, also of Theta Delta Chi, and Miss Gertrude Freeman sister of the groom. Preceding the bridal couple were the brother of the groom, Mr. Clayton Freeman and the maid of honor, Martha Hoag of Alpha Phi. When they had reached the altar, three officiating clergymen, using the full Episcopal service, united the couple in marriage. The procession left the church to the sounds, so jubilantly sweet, of Mendelssohn's wedding march which was played by Susie L. Sanborn of Alpha Phi.

A reception followed at the home of the bride where congratulations were sincerely bestowed upon the happy pair.

As soon as an opportunity offered itself, those of Alpha Phi who were present took possession of the bride, and afterwards bore her off to her room from whence, with astonishing speediness considering the number of busy fingers engaged in the task of working the transformation, she emerged arrayed in traveling costume, having left behind the beautiful white robe and the long veil and orange blossoms. She carried however a bunch of bride's roses which unfortunately for those who stood in hopeful expectancy, fell apart as she threw them into their midst.

No one knew until next morning at eight o'clock where Mr. and Mrs. Freeman had gone on their journey. At that time a sealed envelope was

opened and it was found that they had planned a trip to Nova Scotia and through Canada. The last intelligence received, located them at "The Summerside," Prince Edwards Island. They will be at home in Wollaston after October the eighteenth.—Reprint from November number of *Alpha Phi Quarterly*. This proves the advantages of co-education. Bride and groom were graduates of Boston University, class of '89.

In Memoriam.

SPRINGER HARBAUGH BRADLEY,

CLASS OF '92, R. P. I.

DIED SEPTEMBER 25TH, 1890.

WHEREAS, The death of our brother in the bonds of love has filled our hearts with the deepest, the most genuine sorrow that man can feel at the loss of fellow man; therefore, be it

Resolved, That by his death this Charge has lost one of its most valued members, and the Fraternity at large one of the most loyal men who ever honored her by their membership.

Resolved, That we, his brethren, to whom he was indeed very dear, extend our heartfelt sympathy to the afflicted parents of our deceased brother.

Resolved, That a printed copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the parents of our late brother, to each Charge, to the Grand Lodge, and to the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD for publication.

For the Charge,

J. C. HALLOCK, '91.
CHAS. E. BIRCH, '92.
TIM B. CRAM, '93.

Correspondence.

As many letters are received which are best communicated to the readers of the SHIELD in their natural condition, this department has been organized. Letters are invited on any subject of interest to the Fraternity. Suggestions or opinions on current fraternity topics and reminiscences, or personal history of any Theta Delta, will be welcomed. The opinions advanced are not necessarily approved by the editor. Everyone is permitted to speak his mind.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, Nov. 12, 1890.

Dear Brother: I was pleased to receive, a few days since, the numbers of the SHIELD to complete the volume mentioned, and through which I hope once more to become familiar with the present status and future progress of Theta Delta Chi—a fraternity, the associations and recollections of which in the bright old college days, and subsequent years, have afforded me much happiness. As a late resident of the South during the past twenty-five years, and removed from fellowship with my “alma mater”—absorbed in the common struggle for professional supremacy, mind and talents have naturally drifted into other channels, and the early pleasures and attachments for the grand old brotherhood, seemed almost lost to me. But it all comes back with my return to the familiar scenes, and I peruse the SHIELD to find myself living over again the enthusiasm, the love, the warmth and thrill of the fraternal grip, and even a ray of the *old sunshine* steals in, before which rapidly flee the shadows of declining years. I am indebted to Brother Stone for his kindness in my behalf. I will endeavor to furnish the “graduate personal” suggested in time for the next number. Enclosed please find check for subscription to volume VI.

Fraternally yours,
E. VALENCOURT DEUEL.

WARREN, PA., Oct. 1, '90.

Dear Bro.: The old fellows are forced to the front, whether they will or not, to place the youngsters right. All this discussion about the origin and antiquity of fraternity colors is easily settled so far as we are concerned. Our colors were adopted with the Constitution in 1846, and were as well known, to college men, as “*ours*” as the SHIELD was as *our* badge. Nothing can be more easy of proof. The Constitution, as it has stood from the first, provides that the enamel of the badges shall be either black, white or blue. The first were made by Burgess & Son of Albany, N. Y., and some were of one color and some were of another. One of our most popular songs makes recognition of this as a matter of *fact*. It is named the “Black, White and Blue” and was written by Bro. Tom. H.

Rundell, of the Xi, in 1858, and the first person to sing it was Bro. S. Douglas Cornell. Any of the old settlers in Geneva can vouch for the truth of this statement, *with emphasis*, when they recall their slumbers disturbed by the singing of the "Black, White and Blue," as the Xi marched homewards from the Lodge, in the *wee sma hours* of the night, shouting the refrain as loud as lusty lungs could shout, and winding up with an extra effort beneath the windows of the Alpha Delta Phi and the Sigma Phi. There was little courtesy, in those days, between fraternities. The rivalry was intense, and there was a reciprocity of feeling as bitter as that which existed between the Cavaliers and Roundheads. So very intense, indeed, was this feeling, "and pity 'tis 'tis true," that fists were sometimes used for argument. Lodge rooms were known to have been broken into and rifled of documents, and, in this way, the Constitutions of at least two fraternities became common, illegitimate property of the Greek letter world. Such a condition was not local but was usual in all colleges. "They were rare auld times." (?) I look back and recall those days not with unalloyed satisfaction, for the excitements, the too reckless existence and the allurements, of the lower temptations of college life, were the obstacles, in some instances, to the attainment of higher objects. The intolerance of the Secret Societies compelled some of those outside the mystic circles to organize as an anti-secret, known as the Delta Upsilon Society, which, generally, holding the balance of power in college politics, was *for sale* to that Secret Society which would pay the highest, in the way of office or place, for its vote. There was a still smaller minority—the most exasperating element of all—known as Neutrals, who held aloof from all, and who, sometimes, at close elections, disconcerted the best laid plans and, by "deals" not unfrequently, as compromise candidates between the societies, won the highest elective offices. These Neutrals were mostly manly fellows and were respected

P. C. GILBERT.

NEW YORK, Sept. 19, 1890.

Dear Bro. Holmes:—The September SHIELD is excellent. No adverse criticism of any importance can possibly be made. Above all, I like your answer to $\Phi K \Psi$. There is no doubt of their plagiarism of our beautiful badge, and taking the name "Shield" from that is of course secondary. Why not suggest to them that we have a "Ruby" that they had also better incorporate with the rest.

As to D. U., it is about time they gave up claiming everything. What a wonderful change has come over them in late years. In 1869 we stuck to our colors (and they were black, white and blue, then as now),—well they shouted anything *except* "Fraternity." No secrecy for them. No goat, no grip, no pass-word, Nothing like the others who were bravely expounding the principles of selected brotherhood. Why, then, a magazine? Can it be that D. U. has seen the error of her ways and now wants

us to believe that she was the "original" fraternity? We are glad to have her acknowledge that fraternities are good; but she mustn't date her conversion back quite so far as that.

The rest of the book was most interesting, and I can only repeat that I wish you all the success you deserve.

Yours in the Bond,
FRANK L. JONES.

CHATEAU DE CLAPBOARD, NEAR FRESNO,
California, Nov. 3d, 1890.

Dear Fred: Your voluminous letter has reached me. I read it all in a single afternoon without any great strain on my massive and somewhat erratic mind. If I had you and Bartlett in hand again I would utilize you as targets for a shooting match for a fit punishment for your silence. You are a fine lot of hollyhocks—now don't you think so? Send this letter to Bartlett after you have burned it into your brazen heart. I sent *ihree days* ago a twenty-five pound box of raisons to "Duke" Lee of Ψ . (by express—charges paid—can you believe?) to be taken to the convention banquet. I don't mean to let Billy Kimball and his cigarettes ever dominate the honors of another $\Theta \Delta X$. Convention. If twenty-five pounds are not enough notify me and I'll send a ton next year. If you will get Kimball's exact address, I'll send him a sample of $\Theta \Delta X$ goods for his Christmas plums. My son, Henry, says "I'm a Theta Delt and a little man." He and Mrs. B. are in Sacramento now, and the chateau is very desolate. Let me hear from you. God bless you and tell me all the news. I enclose herewith some things that may be of interest to you. In looking over my papers I find some things that may be of interest to the catalogue man—give me his address again. Kick Bartlett for not writing me and believe me in $\Theta \Delta X$. Yours till death.

OLD FATE.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Nov. 7, 1890.

Dear Brother Stone: I am certainly not going to plead ignorance or forgetfulness of the fact that you are one of the $\Theta \Delta X$. Such facts do not slip out of memory, nor do I forget the first time I ever saw you, as you were sliding down College street, past the station house, with the American flag waving over your head in the winter breeze. I have always looked forward to again meeting you and renewing my acquaintance, but my wanderings about the earth for nearly twenty-five years have taken and kept me far from New York. I spent a good many years across the puddle, and then returning went west, settling in St. Paul, Minn., where I stayed twenty year. Now when my hairs are turning gray, I am back again in the east, and among the friends of my younger years. I met a good many Theta Delt in the northwest, notably Gilbert, now Episcopal bishop of Minnesota, one of our most enthusiastic members. It would do you good to see him.

I dropped into Young's in Boston last autumn, and accidentally found the Convention in session. I had not attended one for twenty-five years. The first man I met was Gen. Henry Thomas, U. S. A., retired, whom I had known while on the frontier. We old men hobnobbed together and gave the young boys an evidence of how to behave. I was really delighted with the way the boys acted. The last Convention (at the Astor House) I had attended had Bill Merriam as the king bee, and you can imagine what a time there was. In St. Paul I practiced law, but I have given it up. I shall be in New York this winter, and shall certainly call on you.

Yours fraternally,

J. N. GRANGER.

PORT RICHMOND, Sept. 20, 1890.

Clay W. Holmes.—Accept my assurance that this Number is particularly interesting, not by reason of my own recognition therein, but for the admirable history of my old friend and Bro. W. L. Stone, of whom our fraternity has great reason to be proud. I remember him well in the days gone by as a charming after-dinner orator, a most admirable judge of good wine, and a warm-hearted, convivial gentleman of the literary school of the past, of which Burdge was a representative. May their days be prolonged to their own enjoyment and that of their friends.

Very truly yours in $\Theta \Delta X$,

F. E. MARTINDALE.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Oct. 29, 1890.

Dear Brothers.—Though nearly the width of a continent separates me from old Psi, yet I have by no means lost sight of her. I get little or no news from the boys, and feel that I must have the SHIELD to keep me posted. I am not positive about the subscription price, but I enclose a dollar, which, if some of you will be kind enough to forward to the editor for a subscription, with assurance that I will remit more if this not sufficient; I shall be under obligations to the sender.

Theta Deltas are rather scarce in this State yet, Bro. Kendall and E. N. Fitch being the only ones whom I have met here thus far. The former visited me in July, the latter is President of the Traders' Bank in Tacoma. This is a roomy State—good soil for Theta Deltas—though *they* thrive anywhere. With kindest regards to you all, I am yours in the bonds,

C. M. PARKHURST.

COBURG, Ont., Sept. 25, 1790.

My Dear Brother: Please send next copy of the SHIELD to me at Buffalo, N. Y. I see by the September number that a discussion in regard to the priority of fraternity colors has arisen. I can inform you "Black, White and Blue" were our colors *before* 1858, for in that year Tom Rundle wrote a song of that name, which was published by the Xi in a small collection of songs, and my commencement oration manuscript is trimmed with those colors, and so trimmed is in my possession now. I delivered the oration June, 1860. Fraternally yours,

S. DOUGLAS CORNELL.

Editorial.

THE SHIELD makes a modest bow and acknowledges the handsome recognition tendered by the forty-fourth convention. Her work for the past year has been overwhelmingly approved. The committee approved the policy of the editor for the future, and recommended everything asked for. More than this a most flattering resolution of thanks was offered, which the Convention passed unanimously. The editor feels that the earnest effort he has put forth is fully appreciated. The expression from the older graduates is hearty, and now that the charges by their delegates have expressed so feelingly their entire satisfaction, the editor closes volume VI feeling that it is a success. The present number will only serve to add to the previous record. For the next volume we promise to redouble our efforts. It must be remembered that this volume was taken up without previous editorial experience. If an absolute novice can produce something satisfactory the prospects certainly are reasonably good for the future. The editorial pen wields itself with much more freedom now than it did at the beginning. The recognition and criticism of the Greek press was quite as much thought of, and beside the brotherly affection of the fraternity would naturally lead them to overlook the failures and in sympathy give praise, but outside critics have no soul—rather a desire to put their rivals on the shelf if possible. The SHIELD has been given a full and free recognition by the entire Greek press. The criticisms have not occupied half so much space as the unstinted compliments which have been tendered by brother and sister editors. It is with much satisfaction that the SHIELD says its farewell for the sixth volume, as the leading fraternity magazine of this country.

ANOTHER Convention is over. The forty-fourth annual will, in the years to come, be remembered as one of the pleasant experiences of all the undergraduate delegates present. It

was harmonious throughout. The business was transacted satisfactorily without any wrangling or a particle of ill-feeling in any quarter. The presiding officer, Bro. Frederic Carter, distinguished himself for his courteous and impartial rulings, and was complimented with a hearty and unanimous vote of thanks. Bro. Ehlers, who, without a moment's notice, was called to perform the Secretary's duties, was the busiest man in the Convention. He was, however, equal to the occasion and was amply rewarded by being elected a member of the Grand Lodge. The banquet was one of the pleasantest in the history of the fraternity. Those who were present enjoyed it, and those who were obliged to return home missed the crowning success of the Convention. Of the work done and the good accomplished, this is hardly the time or place to speak. As the year rolls around if any mistakes have been made they will be discovered. If good has been accomplished it will be readily recognized and appreciated. The SHIELD predicts that the forty-fifth annual Convention will not have to undo any of the work, but rather will render a report of successful advancement.

Assuredly it is of the greatest importance to a fraternity that its graduates keep well in touch with it during the opening years of active life. Many a man of the truest fraternal instincts is lost to his fraternity and to his chapter, because he hears little about the general fraternity during the three or four years immediately after graduation.—*Beta Theta Pi.*

We ask every undergraduate to read this extract very carefully. It comes home with very powerful force to the editor. The lack of *fraternity communication* for the five years subsequent to his graduation caused him to be literally dead to Theta Delta Chi for nineteen years. By accident he was thrown in the way of offering assistance, and the old love—dormant for so many years, welled up and he is resurrected. It is true that in that day Fraternity journalism was in its infancy. Had the SHIELD been a regular visitor during the first years after leaving college, active interest would have been maintained. When the SHIELD was revived in 1884, several copies were sent to me, but the journal did not awaken the fires anew.

There was not enough news in it about the older men who had been my college companions, and after a hasty glance they were thrown aside. It was this experience which led to the incorporation of graduate personals among the leading features of the SHIELD when we assumed its management. What has been the success of the venture? Figures tell the story. A lack of familiarity with recent years of fraternity history prevented an aggressive campaign during the first year's experience. Volume V was conducted upon the strength of previous circulation. The subscription record tells a tale. Eighty-nine graduates were paying subscribers, and one hundred and fifty undergraduates, making a total of 239 actual bona fide subscribers. Hundreds of sample copies were sent out of the last number in the volume which was edited solely by the writer. Its size was materially increased and its personal record somewhat more extended than previous numbers. The close of the volume did not, however, reveal an encouraging outlook. A heavy debt had been incurred which, added to the indebtedness which had hung over the management for several years, seemed likely to swamp the SHIELD if its own dependence had been the sole source of relief. The present management did not, however, assume the responsibility with any idea of failure. It became plain that energetic work was necessary to make a self supporting journal. The graduate members were appealed to for relief from the old debt so that the SHIELD might be tried on its merits without the extra burden of past debts to stare it in the face. They responded nobly and promptly. The debt was paid, and volume VI was ushered into existence as a test of the possibilities in the case. An aggressive campaign was inaugurated. The standard of the SHIELD was placed high, so that no one might say it was not worthy of the support it asked. Eight full biographies of distinguished members of the fraternity have been given, beside much other matter of interest. The volume is before you to speak for itself. The editor feels that he has done all he aimed to, and more, but let the record speak for itself. The journal is the largest quarterly published in the amount of its reading matter. The expense of issue has been more than three times

that of any previous volume, yet the receipts have been sufficient to meet the entire cost of publication, including the issue and distribution of more than a thousand sample copies to non-subscribers, and we close the volume with a clean balance sheet. Three hundred and twenty-five graduate, and 350 undergraduate subscriptions have been received. These, together with exchanges, make a bona fide circulation of 750, all of which is continuous for volume VII. New subscribers are being added all the while, and the prospects for the coming year are that our bona fide list will exceed one thousand. When compared with the circulation of other magazines whose fraternities number so many more than ours this becomes a very remarkable showing. The actual fact is that in proportion to our graduate membership, the SHIELD of Theta Delta Chi has the largest circulation of any magazine published. To our subscribers we promise that volume VII shall in no way be less interesting than this one has been. The present number is an index of what we hope to make it. In closing our labors on this year's work we wish to impress upon the recent graduates the importance of keeping pace with the doings of the fraternity. Do not fail to subscribe for the SHIELD and read it. Two important points will be gained. You will not drift away from your fraternity, and the SHIELD will be able to maintain its proud position. Pride in the fraternity and its organ should be sufficient inducement to every graduate to subscribe. Another very important point is to remit promptly before it is forgotten.

It is almost as difficult for the editor to make reference to the honor paid to him by the last Convention as it would be for a man to write his own obituary notice. It is with feelings of the deepest gratitude that the SHIELD makes the public announcement of the election of its editor to the highest office in the gift of the fraternity. He regards it as the greatest honor he has ever received, and translating it as a reward for work done on the SHIELD, he accepts it, and will strive not only to do better work on the SHIELD, but to perform the duties of the office in such a manner as will not reflect discredit upon the

fraternity. During his term of office readers of the SHIELD will bear in mind that any statement made as editor of the SHIELD has no more official character than before his election. Any official communication printed in the SHIELD will be issued over individual signature.

BEFORE the next SHIELD is issued will occur the annual graduate reunion and banquet in New York city. The date will be some time in February. This is the great occasion when the "old fellows" do congregate and the Theta Delt who misses it certainly loses one of the most enjoyable times on record. If the graduates could only awaken to the fact the number would be greatly increased of those who annually gather around this festive board. The SHIELD urges every brother who receives an invitation to be present. Invitations are always sent to every graduate member whose address is known. Lay aside your "pressing business" for a day and be a boy again. You can do better work—you will live just as long—and the world will seem a great deal better if you renew your youth in the social joy of such an occasion. "Once tried it will never be denied."

A SONG book is one of the things the fraternity is sadly in need of. The SHIELD has been appointed "compiler of a new song book." It is desired to issue one at a very early day. Hundreds of good Theta Delt songs are in existence. If they were collected and published, one of the best song books in the country would be the result. It is proposed to issue such a book as will be used not only by the charges, but also by all conventions, reunions and banquets. A good rousing song will electrify any gathering. An earnest appeal is made to the charges to send to the SHIELD at once copies of any songs in their possession. Will the graduate brothers who have any old or new ones to offer do the same. They will be edited and compiled at once and published in a neat and substantial book. In order to enable the committee to get up such a book as will be a credit to the fraternity, graduate brothers must come to

the front and give of their abundance to help out. We desire to print a sufficient number so that they can be supplied to all gatherings without charge. Send your subscription to the SHIELD and give as much as you can afford to.

THE present number of the SHIELD is one of great value as a matter of record, and should be carefully preserved. No better will ever be attempted. It is somewhat larger than intended, but the desire to present the admirable oration of Bro. Stone, and the poem delivered at the Convention, so that the records might be complete in one number, has led to this enlargement. The average intended for Vol. VII is about 125 pages of reading matter. If emergencies arise it will be exceeded as in the present instance.

THE THETA DELTA CHI ANTHEM is the title of a new piece of music, published by J. R. Bell, Kansas City, Mo., The words are by Bro. Lewis Halsey, D. D.,—Hobart 68—and the music by Bro. A. Bushnell—Hamilton 71. The piece is dedicated to "Our Brothers in the $\theta \Delta \chi$ Fraternity." The frontispiece is appropriate and beautiful, a large and perfect badge as a centrepiece with characteristic designs in each corner. The song is one which every Theta Delt should have. The interest displayed in producing such a piece of music has involved much labor and expense. Send fifty cents to the SHIELD or to Bro. Bushnell, Kansas City, Mo., and get a copy. Show your appreciation of Bro. Bushnell's efforts, and renew your zeal by singing the soul stirring words which have fallen from Bro. Halsey's pen.

VOLUME VII will open with an interesting number which will contain a biography of the Hon. Willis S. Paine together with a steel-plate frontispiece, a history of Lafayette College and the Phi charge, and other matter not yet fully decided upon. Volume VI has been much larger than was promised - volume VII will be quite as extensive or more so. Graduate brothers will note that the subscription price is \$2.00, to be

paid in advance. The SHIELD is not sent to subscribers who do not pay, therefore you must not expect to receive the April number unless your subscription has been remitted before that time. Every graduate subscriber must renew his subscription and many new ones be added to enable the SHIELD to maintain its present size and character. The advance in price was absolutely necessary to meet the expense in printing. A less number of advertisements will be inserted in the future if the income from subscriptions will justify. Every dollar contributed by the brothers will be put into the SHIELD. Remit promptly.

It is with much regret that we inform the brothers of the failure of Bro. O. S. Davis, to complete or even carry on the catalogue work. It has been through no fault of his however. Sickness will excuse any man, and of this Bro. Davis has had an abundance. We surmise that it is largely due to overwork. Naturally he is a very energetic and hard working man. He had plenty of work on hand, but in his zeal for the fraternity he accepted a trust which nature rebelled against, and as a result Bro. Davis announced to the editor in a personal letter some months ago that the work was too much for him and he must give it up. We are very sorry, as no man was better fitted for the task or would have completed it more satisfactorily than he. What the future of the catalogue is can not at this writing be told. We trust some means may be devised whereby it may be brought to speedy completion.

Two very impressive letters are given in "correspondence" which are worthy of notice as giving evidence of the value of THE SHIELD in arousing and maintaining the good old fraternity feeling in the hearts of those who have been for a long time separated from personal contact with the brothers. Graduate brothers do not grow cold deliberately. It is not to be wondered at that the busy cares of active life drown sentiment, but THE SHIELD with its volume of news rescues them. Here is an old member of the Alpha, who, after many years, acci-

dentally meets Bro. Stone and at once the memories of olden times overwhelm him. Another brother from the far west writes to his charge that he must have **THE SHIELD** as he is starving for news of his dear old society. What better evidence is needed to prove the strength of our brotherhood or the glorious mission of **THE SHIELD**?

OUR Theta is not dead. Like the drowning man who grasped a straw, their grip was too tight to be loosened. While apparently in her death throes, came the stimulant which has revived her. Old Kenyon is on the rise. With greater opportunity the Theta has sprung into active life again, and hastens to communicate with the brothers through the **SHIELD**. Let every brother turn at once to the charge letters and read with joy the most welcome news. It does not sound much like despair. Their faith is well founded. Let every charge send them a word of encouragement and good cheer. Now is the time for the graduates of Theta to come to the front. The charge needs your help. Give them good solid financial support, and at once.

BAIRD'S "American College Fraternities," should be in possession of every charge of this fraternity. It is an excellent book of reference, and one absolutely essential to a correct knowledge of American fraternities. Send \$2.00 to the **SHIELD** at once and the book will be sent to your charge. Graduates desiring the work should remit \$2.00 to the **SHIELD** immediately. The book will be out of press before this number reaches you, and as the edition is limited your order should be sent in now. It is a capital book for your library. You should have it to keep posted on fraternity history. The **SHIELD** makes this appeal without any fee or reward, and receives no commission. The value of the work merits the assistance which is freely tendered. The author deserves the recognition and support of the press for his valuable labor.

UNDERGRADUATE members will please read carefully the resolution adopted by the Convention in relation to payment

for the SHIELD. One dollar will be collected from each member by the charge officers as a part of the regular dues and remitted to the Treasurer of the Grand Lodge, between Jan'y 1st and April 1st. No one after he leaves college is rated as an undergraduate. All brothers out of college will remit direct to the SHIELD and send \$2.00. An exception is made in favor of Theological students and post graduate students, who may remit one dollar, stating the fact.

BOUND copies of Vol. VI will be ready about Dec 15. A copy will be sent to each charge for which \$2.00 is to be remitted to the treasurer of the Grand Lodge in December. A copy will also be sent to the College libraries of all institutions where we have charges. These copies are paid for by the Grand Lodge, without assessment upon the charges. A very few bound copies of Vol. V are left, and only three of Vol. IV. There will be ten copies of Vol. VI only left for sale, as the April number is now out of print. All these volumes are offered at \$2.00 each, and any brother who desires to obtain complete files will do well to secure them at once.

GRADUATE subscribers will find enclosed a slip inviting a remittance for Vol. VII. Please give it attention before it is forgotten. If you do not want the SHIELD next year write now and stop it. In the absence of any such orders we shall continue it. This number will also be sent to many who have never subscribed and perhaps may never have seen it before. To such we say, your subscription is urgently needed to enable the SHIELD to maintain its high standard. Try it for a year. It does not cost a large sum, and every dollar counts in its support.

THE pocket directory of New York and vicinity, which was promised some months ago, has been published. As many corrections were necessary a new edition is being gotten out and will be ready for distribution about Dec. 10th. A copy will soon be mailed to all SHIELD subscribers. It is a valuable book which will enable Theta Deltas when visiting

New York, to find any number of the brothers. It is the first pocket directory ever issued by any fraternity so far as the editor knows.

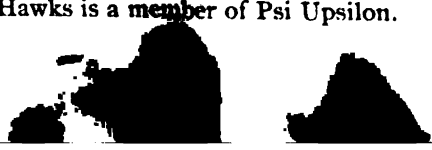
THE great excess of pertinent general matter in the present number, has compelled us to curtail graduate personals. A large number are omitted which will appear in the April number.

GREENWOOD cemetery contains a number of the earlier members of the fraternity, among whom Alexander L. Holley, Fitz James O'Brien and John Brougham were recognized as famous in their spheres. Bro. Burdge suggests the propriety of decorating their graves on Decoration day. New York City contains many Theta Delts, and there is no doubt that the inauguration of such a custom would bring many together and the very act of doing honor to the dead would renew the vestal fires in the hearts of the living. They are worthy the remembrance.

WILLIAM L. STONE, possesses one of the most valuable relics of his college days, the editor has ever seen. It consists of a collection of the photographs and autographs of his class, that of 1857, together with a brief notice of each member, with additions from time to time. The autographs also of the faculty are recorded. Every year adds to the historic value of this collection.

THE April number of the SHIELD is exhausted and the editor would be very glad to obtain *several* copies of this number from the brothers who have an extra copy, or do not care to preserve their files. Twenty-five cents will be allowed on subscription to Vol. VII for every copy received.

THE SHIELD is indebted to Mr. Fritz E. Hawks, Elmira, N. Y., Union '90; editor of the *Concordensis*, for the use of the plates herein contained, which illustrate the Union College article, also, for much information pertaining to the fraternities. Mr. Hawks is a member of Psi Upsilon.



Editorial Notes and Comments.

THE November number of the *Kappa Sigma Quarterly* quotes entire the editorial comment contained in the September number of the *SHIELD* and remarks editorially as follows :

Yes, it is a fact that the "founders" knew nothing of Alpha Delta Phi when the Star of the Christian and the Crescent of the Moslem were selected as emblems by the kopaths of Kirjaith Sephir in the universities of Bologna and Florence, because this took place before the grandfather of the founder of Alpha Delta Phi was born. Kappa Sigma was not "founded" at all, but was to some extent remodeled after the American fraternities, and in this way imitated Alpha Delta Phi, D. K. E., and others, just as did the founder of Theta Delta Chi. Does the *SHIELD* claim the conception of that order to have been original, or an imitation? But the promoters of Kappa Sigma, or a part of them, were members of Kirjaith Sephir and knew its history, its emblems, ritual, and its traditions. They had the right to use them, and they did so. We doubt if they knew of Alpha Delta Phi, but if they had, would they have been expected to cast aside the Star and Crescent, under whose light Kirjaith Sephir had triumphed for centuries, simply because Alpha Delta Phi had used them some thirty years? Then, if we are entitled, either through priority or ignorance to the use of the Star and Crescent as emblems, shall we not print them on our banners and in our magazine? If we are allowed to use the present plate of our cover, why can we not put it up in type if we choose? Must we find an *original* name because a fraternity once published a magazine called the *Star and Crescent*? The Kappa Sigma fraternity once waived this right because of Alpha Delta Phi's paper, but that journal has been dead for years, and if we choose to call our paper the *Star and Crescent* now, we will be but asserting our original right, and are neither selfish nor pig-headed enough to deny Alpha Delta Phi the use of the name when she may desire it.

Any fraternity which claims to have "grewed" like Topsy is flying its kite very high. We presume the three imported gentlemen to whose association in foreign climes Kappa Sigma doubtless owes her origin, had no thought of trespassing upon the rights of any one when they adopted the emblems which had for thirty years been the legitimate property of Alpha Delta Phi. This does not, however, alter the fact of trespass. Common law does not concede to any one the right to copy that which has existed in *this country* for years, even though it may have existed for centuries in foreign lands. It was not necessary for "Kirjaith Sephir" to know that Alpha Delta Phi existed—but when she desired to import her emblems to America common courtesy would forbid the trespass. Now,

however, that point is not pertinent to this case and is peacefully dropped. Permit an outsider to suggest that you respect the right and memory of the "Star and Crescent" of Alpha Delta Phi which may not be dead, but simply sleeping—and if you must change the name of your *Quarterly*—let it be the *Crescent* of Kappa Sigma or the *Crescent Star*—and no one will object. Why change it at all? Its present name is significant and good enough for a king. The SHIELD claims for Theta Delta Chi that in adopting her emblems she trespassed upon no order or fraternity then existing in America. History seems to substantiate this claim.

There are certain minor features auxiliary to these, that might be added, but beyond these we are not prepared, at present, to go. The machinery for accomplishing this, it is not our purpose to discuss here. The scheme outlined in the last "Pan-Hellenic Magazine" is too broad even for agitation, at present, like trying to make a gale on a mill-pond, with a pair of hand bellows, made to agitate a tubful. The fraternity system is based on a definite idea—the promotion of a spirit of true *brotherhood* among a chosen set of congenial fellows. It is for the benefit of its members, and not outsiders. When it, per se, reaches out and tries directly to meddle with the cultivation of the arts and sciences, college contests, literary or otherwise, and matters of this sort, it transcends its bounds. Let no one misunderstand us. We speak on one side of the question, near at hand, but not forgetful of the others. The *fraternity* has to do with these but incidentally.

If it were possible to gather all the fraternities of a college into a union on any other basis than on a strictly fraternity one, the line between Greek and barbarian, (always an unpleasant element in college life) would be drawn the stricter. Peace and good will might reign among the fraternities, but contention and strife would, with little doubt, be rampant in the college. But the fact remains that the types of men selected by different fraternities, and the differing ideals of these same bodies, are obstacles that will longest hinder progress to even a slight bond of union. "Community" "trusts" or even technical "co-operation" are alike to be entered into with great caution. Unity in difference is as yet a philosophic ideal, that our poor human nature is far away from.—*Editorial in the Rainbow.*

This most kindly criticism of the Pan-Hellenic movement merits careful consideration—and clearly shows what would be the first negative result. The closer the fraternities become—the more bitter will be the neutral opposition. College politics can be more successfully conducted, at least, so far as good results to the college are concerned, by the "free for all" contest by a number of antagonizing elements. Let the fraternities combine against the neutrals and the struggle would always

be bitter. It is best to let well enough alone. The agitation of the question may, however, result in more liberal feelings and broader views, which will not be harmful.

THE attention of the management has been called to a practice in vogue among undergraduates and sometimes among alumni, which affords good ground for criticism—that of lending badges. The badge of our fraternity is the outward symbol by which we announce the fact of our fraternity connection to brothers whose personal acquaintance we do not enjoy, and to the outside world. As a note of introduction, and the first step towards identification, it is of value to him who wears it as a matter of right, but to all others it is only more or less a gewgaw, a bit of jewelry worn for mere personal adornment. In lending his badge to any person not a member of the fraternity, even though it be to a particular fascinating young lady, the owner robs it of its particular value, for the time being, and lowers it to the level of a bauble that any one, with the money to pay for it, may buy and wear. There is also to be considered the possibility of the badge being lost, or falling into the hands of persons not over scrupulous, who will use it for improper purposes. The editor of the *Quarterly* has knowledge of a badge of Phi Gamma Delta which is worn by an unauthorized person, and once knew of a fraternity badge that had been loaned by its owner to a young lady, who, admiring it as an odd piece of jewelry, desired to wear it at a party. During the evening by some mishap, she lost it. It fell into the hands of a dishonest servant, and was by him given to a disreputable woman who took pleasure in flaunting it and the name of its proper owner, among her associates. It was recovered after some time, only upon payment of a reward and after threat of arrest. Such accidents as losing a badge may properly befall any one, but it behooves the fraternity member to diminish the chance of accident as much as possible. It certainly seems that a request for the loan of a badge coming from any person not a member of one's fraternity, is a request to be politely yet firmly denied.—*Editorial in Chi Phi Quarterly.*

The question of loaning a fraternity badge merits more discussion than it has received. A fraternity badge is an emblem. Its sole purpose is one of identification. Every member of a fraternity should wear one and so display it that it may readily catch the eye. It will then accomplish the purpose for which it was designed. There has been a fashion in vogue for many years with undergraduates of loaning badges to their "best girl." While it is admitted that when a person purchases a badge he has a right to do with it as he pleases, there is still the moral obligation clinging to it of fraternity relationship and ownership. This really limits the privilege and right which the owner has of entrusting it to others. It is not morally right therefore for one to allow his badge to be worn by any but a member of the same fraternity. This

possible privilege might be extended to a wife, sister or daughter, who, having a direct family relationship would be personally interested, but the practice is pernicious of allowing one's badge to pass out of his possession at all.

It is noteworthy that among college men who are especially prominent in the professions, in business, and in political life a very large portion are graduates of the smaller colleges. The work of the small college is apt to be underrated in some quarters. Given a good faculty, good working libraries, a fair equipment of scientific apparatus, and two hundred students, and the college boy need not repine that the lines have not fallen to him within the precincts of some great school that counts near a thousand undergraduates on its campus.

"It is a good sign," says an editorial writer in a recent issue of the *New York World*, "that at the commencement season the press is every year giving larger attention to small colleges.

"These institutions are doing an educational work of the utmost value which without them could not be done at all. They are preventing that undesirable state of things which would make the higher education an exclusive privilege of the rich.

"Thousands of students who could not afford the cost of education at Columbia, Harvard, Yale or Princeton are educated at the little colleges scattered through the country, where living is so cheap and the living habits of students so unostentatious that any young man of energy and capacity can earn his own way in an emergency and can in any case get his education without overtaxing the resources of the family.

"And many of the small colleges are doing very thorough work. Their endowments and their pretensions are small but their professors are strong, earnest men who devote themselves conscientiously to the thorough training of the young minds under their care, and they turn out every year classes of young men who are as well equipped for the world's work as any.

"It is a false and mischievous view which laments the multiplication of these institutions and contends that the money given for their endowment should be given instead to the great institutions. The great colleges are necessarily expensive colleges. The small ones are for the people, and their service to the country and to civilization is beyond estimate. Valuable as the great universities unquestionably are, this country could better dispense with them than with the multitude of smaller institutions which bring thorough intellectual training within reach of all who desire it."—*Bela Theta Pi*.

We are glad to reproduce the above, which should find a place in every Greek magazine. Its teaching is two fold. Small colleges are an absolute essential to the education of students of limited means. We believe, however, that irrespective of means *any* student can really get a better education at a smaller college because it is possible for the instructors to give each individual student more personal attention. We believe this point is a strong self evident argument. Our aim, how-

ever, is rather to agree that the fraternity is best nurtured in small colleges with few members. Trace the history of Theta Delta Chi and it will be found that most of her noblest lights have been students of small colleges, who were not remarkably "well to do" in their college days, but have since their graduation made both a reputation and a competence or a fortune. Let us not frown upon the day of small things.

The Phi Kappa Psi's have adopted a "Button," and the editor of the *Shield* gives the subject first place in his editorial column, claiming that Phi Psi are the originator of the custom. The SHIELD is credibly informed that Alpha Delta Phi had a button two or three years ago which, although not regularly adopted, was worn quite extensively by Alpha Delta's. Doubtless the one who suggested the adoption of this button was a Grand Army man. There is nothing original in the idea, and it does not seem to be remarkably appropriate. College Fraternities have badges. They are distinctive indications of membership. The G. A. R. and other civic societies have "buttons," why should fraternities not cling to their time honored badges, and not try to mix up with the outside world and create confusion. If Phi Kappa Psi would only get up something original, we would hail it with delight.

An oration on "Fraternal Humanity," delivered at the last Beta Theta Pi Convention is so rich in its expression that the SHIELD would be glad to publish it entire. We have extracted a few beautiful thoughts which express the substance of the orator's conclusions:

The history of human intercourse is the history of civilization. Man began to be man only when he began to hold communication and establish relations with other men; and the development of those relations, the binding together of men, comprises the whole burden of that stately epic we call human progress.

But it is not alone the creative and artistic temperament that finds in this sense of human brotherhood its richest endowment and its highest motive to action. The same gift has enriched, enlightened and ennobled the lives of all sorts and conditions of men, recluse and rustic, white-souled saint and man of affairs, binding them each to his place and his work with the one tie that has everywhere and always made life worth living.

The associations of men, whether political, religious or purely social, in parties and communities, in churches and confessions of faith, in clubs and fraternities, have above and beyond their separate and avowed objects, a common, it may be an unconscious end, the education of their members in this larger fraternal spirit. For in spite of prejudice, local and party feeling broadens into patriotism, and patriotism into international good-will; in spite of bigotry, devotion to church and creed ripens insensibly into devotion to righteousness; and in spite of the enthusiasm of youth, fraternal friendships that boast and believe themselves exclusive, do but prepare the way for a richer and fuller capacity of friendship in all the future.—*Beta Theta Pi.*

Realizing the disadvantage of society strife, the students of Williams are endeavoring to raise by subscription \$200,000 for a General Chapter House.—*The Key.*

This is pan Hellenistic at least. It is a step in the right direction. Fraternities are not so antagonistic to each other as they think they are or ought to be. Antagonism is the one thing which in the past has done fraternities more harm than all the other things put together. It was this element which caused some of the best institutions in the country to declare war upon secret organizations. In the same ratio that this objectionable feature lessens, will the opposition of college authorities weaken. Fraternity journalism will be the power which shall relieve all fraternities of this stigma. This it is which leads the SHIELD to take broad views and press them upon its readers. What difference does it make after we leave college and enter business whether our associates belong to one fraternity or another. There is a bond of sympathy between all society men. No antagonism exists. The fact that a man is a fraternity man, is his certificate of college breeding. We do not argue against a healthy rivalry, but let it be carried on in a manly way. Drop the boyish trick of stealing constitutions, and employing underhanded methods to get an advantage of a rival fraternity. Treat your rivals, as you would desire to be treated. It will add to your honor and happiness, and raise you in the estimation of your supposed enemies.

It is stated that although the college men in the United States are only a fraction of one per cent of the votes, yet they hold more than fifty per cent of the highest offices.—*The Key.*

This is one of the strongest possible arguments in favor

of a college education. A man is not *really* fitted for business life till he has attained a college education. Many young men have started in life as clerks and can never advance from lack of executive ability. The order of the present day, however, is to see young men—who have received a college education—outstripping their elders who have not this important auxiliary, and taking positions of trust and becoming the directors of the great affairs of business and state.

WE clip from the Kenyon letter in the October *Rainbow* the following interesting bit of news:

“Our pledged chapter, at the academy, is acknowledged to consist of the “pick.”

The next thing to the initiation of “preps” is the unconditional pledging of students before they enter college. We are opposed to it from principle. There can be no objection to placing before them all the good points of a fraternity, but the college man has some rights which should be respected. He should be allowed to “size up” the different fraternities before he pledges himself to any—give both sides equal chance. Let the innocent freshman see the different society men. Let him hear their good points and see their bad ones if they have any, and then take his choice. Many mistakes are made by undue haste in pledging men after entering college. None should be pledged before coming upon the ground, and if all fraternities would enter into solemn compact not to pledge or initiate any freshman until he had been in college a full term, much regret would be saved on both sides.

WE clip from the exchange department of the Delta Kappa Epsilon *Quarterly*:

The following extract also shows that the editorial head of our contemporary is perfectly level:

An examination of the subscription list has convinced the editor that the chief lack of *The Key* is in articles of real interest to the alumnae.

Open letters upon questions of Fraternity policy do not specially appeal to the graduate. After Commencement papers are directed to the undergraduate rather than those whose paths in life are already marked out. Chapter letters bristle with strange names and unfamiliar allusions. Even the alumnae personals are more tantalizing than satisfactory.

What *The Key* needs most of all, just at present, is (1) *Chapter Reminiscences*, and (2), *Brief Biographies of Prominent Alumnae*.—*The Key*.

We would have to go a long way to find a more complete endorsement of the policy adopted by the SHIELD. Here we have the appeal of Kappa Gamma's editor—fully endorsed by one of the oldest and ablest Greek editors. A careful review of the past career of the SHIELD convinced the present management that a screw was loose somewhere. He did not believe that the Alumni of Theta Delta Chi were so dead as to purposely deluge the organ of the fraternity with ice water. Experience had taught the painful lesson that it was human nature to ignore that which was not of personal interest. Hence the problem which beset us at the outset was—not how to make a better journal than others, but how to make the SHIELD of sufficient interest to the Alumni to secure their hearty support. There was but one course open,—that of devoting the largest half of the journal to Alumni matters. We have rigidly adhered to our text. It was also discovered that the introduction of any article which did not have a general bearing on the special interests of the fraternity, was objectionable. Many articles of local interest have been regretfully declined. The results of our position are now fully apparent. The SHIELD ventures the assertion that in proportion to the membership, she has a larger bona fide paying circulation among the Alumni, than any other fraternity journal. This statement is only made to prove the correctness of our theory. The support has been hearty and prompt. The treasury has been fed so well that improvements have been made which were not originally contemplated, and we close this volume with our most satisfactory number, an index of what we hope to do in the future.



Our Exchanges.

[All Fraternity magazines are requested to exchange with the SHIELD. Two copies should be sent to Mr. Clay W. Holmes, Editor SHIELD, Elmira, N. Y. In return two copies of the SHIELD will be sent wherever directed.—ED.]

TO REVIEW the Greek magazines without seeming to be harsh and unfair, is indeed a task as a general rule. The editor has heretofore been possessed of much dread, and often omitted mention of some through inability to say anything which might cheer the editor, who eagerly looks for the expressed opinion of his fellow workers. As the recent numbers on the table are examined, nothing but praise can be bestowed upon any. If fraternity journalism should in the coming year show as great improvement as has characterized the past year, the Greek press will become a power for good in the college world.

It is with pleasure that the fourth number of the current volume of the *Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly* is examined. For the first time in its history a volume is completed. This proves progress and better support. The number clearly indicates the happy state of mind possessed by the editor in his work. We are glad to see it and sincerely wish for the *Quarterly* even a brighter future than is predicted by the editor. Of the contributed articles in the number, the history of the fraternity in the present congress is of great interest. The article is embellished with portraits of seventeen members tastefully arranged in three groups. "American Student Life in Athens" is decidedly interesting to the general reader. A history of the new catalogue occupies several pages which is of interest to members only. The editorials are brief, but decidedly instructive to active members. A very interesting review of college annuals and a courteous exchange commenting are notable features. The SHIELD receives an extended notice and

returns many thanks for the graceful compliments bestowed. The chapter letters have been prepared with care. Numerous statistical tables add much to their interest. Under the head of graduate personals a biographical sketch of Prof. W. J. Beecher is given with a half-tone portrait. A number of pages devoted to news items of general interest close the number. It is a dignified, instructive and ably edited journal which does credit to the fraternity and its editor.

Beta Theta Pi opens its eighteenth volume with a neat and interesting number devoted largely to matters pertaining to the annual convention. A well written article on "Convention week outside the Convention," brings out the fact that a summer Convention combining "a vacation rest" and business seems to work well, in more ways than one. The gathering of graduate members with their families at a summer resort promotes a more intimate "after life" acquaintance and extends it to the families. This is a step in advance which will do much to strengthen any fraternity if followed up. The Convention oration on "Fraternal Humanity" is a scholarly effort and is of interest to the general reader, also the "Ode to the Greeks." The editorials seem to have been inspired by the Convention. An exhaustive article on a "Mystical" union keeps the ball rolling, and seems to tell the whole story. We have no desire take up anything which is not of direct interest to Theta Delta Chi—so pass on. The Exchange department receives more extended notice than usual and is marked for its candor and gentlemanly demeanor. The SHIELD bows in modest embarrassment at the very flattering compliment paid to her management. Several pages of College notes and personals close one of the most interesting numbers it has been our pleasure to review. It may be appropriately dubbed "the Convention number" and a good one too.

THE *Scroll of Phi Delta Theta* for October has a general appearance of neatness and success which is decidedly satisfactory. This number completes the first volume which has

been conducted by a single editor who has also assumed the duties of business manager. The plan seems to have been as well as in the case of the SHIELD. The editor's position is fully appreciated by the writer. *Phi Delta Theta* will not make a mistake in continuing the same arrangement. The editor feels his responsibility and avers his determination to improve the *Scroll* in the coming volume. No one doubts he will do so. It behooves other journals to look well to their own laurels. The SHIELD congratulates *Phi Delta Theta* and wishes for her editor the success and happiness which good work ought to bring. The present number leads off with a novel and decidedly pleasing review of the college annual, illustrated by plates—loaned by the different publishers. A great deal of labor was expended upon it and the happy editor's gift to the article makes it very interesting to the general reader. The editorial department is well handled and so many valuable suggestions are made. The editor gives some attention to Pan-Hellenism, but handles the subject in a guarded manner. The Conference of Fraternity editors meets his approval. He says: "Nothing else that has been proposed seems to have a high possibility for good as such a Convention." The editor's personal acquaintance would materially modify the acrimony of pertinent discussions in the various quarters. Such a conference should be held independent of any consideration of Pan-Hellenism. Let us have the Conference. The chapter correspondence is quite extended and well written. Several pages devoted to general fraternity news and clippings finished the number. In a notice of the SHIELD the editor says:

"In the number in which the editor says the *Scroll* contained little general news we noticed fourteen items verbatim from our columns, so we were not without some interest to the SHIELD."

Evidently our meaning was misinterpreted. No reflection, but rather a comparison in which *Phi Delta Theta* news so far overbalanced all others as to leave little general news by relative comparison. Under another head the editor credits the SHIELD and *Delta Upsilon* with the inception of illustrative fraternity journalism. Without any attempt at priority both journals have adopted the system. The SHIELD, however, was

announce the inauguration of a regular line of illustration which it has fulfilled as intended.

The *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi opens its eleventh volume with an improvement which is very noticeable and for which the reader will thank the editor. With trimmed edges any journal makes a far better appearance, to say nothing of sparing the readers the annoying nuisance of having to cut the pages so that it can be examined. The fact that some of the popular magazines are perpetrated uncut upon a growling public affords a good reason why any high class journal should follow the same heathenish practice. Presumably the reason why the regular periodicals are not trimmed is owing to lack of time in which to trim so extended an issue. The issue of any college quarterly is not large enough to be materially delayed by the trimming process. We hope the *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi will not revert to its old custom. The number is pleasantly affected by the change. It seems to look cleaner and more interesting. A review of the college annuals makes a very interesting introduction. The *Areopagus* contains brief accounts of various Associations.

The editorial department contains announcement of a change in business methods. The treasurer of the fraternity is to receive the subscriptions for the *Shield* from the charges by regular taxation. That is the way it should be done. The same thing will be adopted by this journal with its next volume. System is everything. College boys are noted for neglect, not wilful or malicious, but simon-pure thoughtlessness. It is a bad way to begin life. There is no better time to practice punctuality in everything than when in college, and the student who does it will never regret it. Chapter letters are of the usual length. College notes contain some valuable suggestions, excerpts from which appear under another head. The number closes with a memorial of a deceased brother under the head of miscellany. Rather a queer head this for such matter. Such articles are worthy a more prominent place. As a whole the *Shield* makes a good commencement which betokens a

more successful volume than any previous one. The October number received as we are going to press is in good keeping with the September number.

THE Sigma Chi *Quarterly* opens her tenth volume with an interesting number. Much rejoicing over the new and elegant catalogue is indulged in. A most interesting article entitled "The Student of 1865 versus the Student of 1890," takes the editor back to the days of his college life. The closing paragraph is so full of rich truth and ripe experience that it will be read with interest.

Looking back on my college days from the point of view of twenty-five years later, I note one material thing. The chief end of modern scholastic training should be admittedly the discipline of the mind for the more important affairs of life. Not primarily the acquirement of knowledge. Knowledge must come afterward. From any other standpoint the college is a failure. This is not applicable to those who are being fitted for instructors. The student should be made to realize this distinction. What men learn at college is, except in a very much limited sense, of no use whatever in after life. The mental training of the collegiate is of the greatest possible value to him. Ten years out of college, he will probably not be able to solve a simple problem in mathematics, get out a single sentence of Latin or Greek, much less cut a figure in ancient history. That is both my observation and experience. What I learned at college I have completely unlearned—forgotten—long since. It is of no more use to me than if I had never seen the inside of the college walls. The value of the training received, however, at that period of my life, cannot be estimated in words or figures. A decade or two of active business life will drive all of the college business out of your head, my dear boy, but the discipline leaves a lasting effect upon the mind, and will enable you to grapple successfully with the larger problems of life that will meet you on the very threshold of college.

General subjects, Chapter letters and personals, comprise the entire number. The absence of Exchange gossip is a prominent feature. Are exchanges to be dropped by common consent? We hope not.

THE September number of the *Key*, closing volume 7, is as usual bright and newsy. The half tone of an honorary member is, we believe, the first illustration the *Key* has contained. The Convention poem and "Impressions of the Convention," by a visitor, provide very interesting reading for alumni and undergraduates alike. The articles in the *Key*

seem to be adorned with a peculiar grace which make them interesting to outsiders as well, The editor makes the following appeal.

Once more the *Key* makes an earnest appeal to its contributors for Reminiscences, Alumnae Biographies, Chapter House Schemes, in fact for all that is practical, personal, and particular, as opposed to the merely general and theoretical. Specific treatment of specific subjects is what the *Key*, and indeed women's magazines in general, lack most. And it is precisely because of their failure to perceive the value of the specific, their tendency to deal in easy generalities, that the best of the women's magazines fall so far short of the standard set by the best of the men's. It is not that the men have read more books, or seen more of life, or attained more elegant diction; but that they write understandingly of things about which people want to know. That, in a word, is the secret of successful journalism.

Sister editor, what your articles lack in "understanding" they make up in "grace."

The exchange pen seems to be wielded with a trembling hand. The leading sentence strikes us peculiarly. "Few amateur magazines follow so closely in the wake of professional journalism as does the *Quarterly* of Phi Gamma Delta." We can not say how the editor of the *Quarterly* will be affected by being called an *amateur*, but the editor of the SHIELD regards it as painfully real. If the Greek magazines are amateur what are the others? The modest opinion is advanced that the editors of the aforesaid Greek journals could ably edit any one of the current magazines. We hope you do not call the *Key* an "amateur magazine."

THE October *Arrow* is rather inclined to the literary. Its symposium contains a lengthy article on "Realism and Idealism in Art and Letters"—rather a heavy title—of a dry subject for a fraternity magazine. The article has merit, but seems out of place. The Chapter letters are numerous and crisp. Editorials and general news occupy very little space. Personals are brief but interesting. The editor wants more of exchanges and says, "How, we wish to ask, can the membership know anything of other similar organizations except locally, without this feature of journalism." The SHIELD is of the opinion that this is the way to spread the news and is expanding rather than otherwise.

THE Alpha Phi *Quarterly* has changed her quarters from Evanston, Ill., to Syracuse, N. Y. The first number of the fourth volume is a decided improvement over previous issues. The general run of sorority journals are large and ungainly, and would be much improved by a reduction to standard size. Alpha Phi's new management seem to appreciate the fact. The journal is now reduced to magazine size, and with neatly trimmed edges is a satisfaction to every beholder. The quality of paper is decidedly above the average, in fact the same as that upon which the SHIELD is printed. No other journals use as good quality. This adds greatly to the external effect. Two neat views of Minnesota University and Pillsbury Hall indicate progress. This is the first plate work for this journal. Illustrations or portraits are now becoming a necessity and any periodical is behind the times which does not include one or more in each issue. The subject matter is good and well arranged. As is to be expected in all sorority publications marriages form a very important part in this number. As one of them is of decided interest to Theta Delta Chi it is quoted entire under the head of graduate personals, and the question is now raised as to whether Theta Delta Chi and Alpha Phi are not one—their interests seem to be identical, at least in this instance. This very interesting number closes with a directory of the Fraternity, which makes it very valuable to members. We congratulate the editor in chief upon her first handsome effort and predict a successful year for the *Quarterly*.

KAPPA ALPHA THETA appears again after an extended absence from our table. The number is small and nearly half of it is devoted to exchanges and comments. The journal is well made up and the lack of matter is partly made up by the interest of that which it contains.

THE *Polytechnic*, published by the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, is issued monthly. Bro. Charles E. Birch is the business manager. The attractive appearance of the journal indicates that the management is good and will prove a financial success.

THE *Rainbow* for October is a very interesting periodical and of value especially for the history of defunct chapters. A new cover, neat and plain, graces this number. It is, however, somewhat marred by the printers errors which are numerous. The editorial on pan-hellenism is full of sound common sense. The following extract seems to cover the most essential points to be gained by such a move.

"For instance if all, or a large majority of the fraternities could agree (*and punish breaches of the agreement*) to initiate no man expelled from any other fraternity, a great step would be gained. If they could go even farther, and prohibit the initiation of honorary members, and members of classes below freshmen, much that is most desirable would be attained. To the accomplishment of these ends we will lend our hearty efforts."

THE *Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon is a new visitor and is welcomed, with a desire that it may be a regular comer. The October number contains a number of well-written contributions of general interest. Lack of time prevents any extended notice. Among the editorial notes appears a hearty greeting to the exchanges and the fraternities they represent, "bespeaking God speed in the fulfillment of their noble aims." Brother Editor we thank you for this fraternal greeting and wish Sigma Alpha Epsilon a like prosperity and the able editor of the *Record* the success his excellent journal deserves.

THE *University Magazine* is a most welcome acquisition to the editor's table. Devoted to general college news, extremely liberal in the number of its illustrations, the quality of which is entirely above reproach, it becomes a most valuable magazine for college students. Of no less interest is it to the graduates. Space forbids extended notice in this issue, but later on it will be taken up in extenso. The magazine is published monthly, and the subscription price is \$2.00 per annum. THE SHIELD advises every undergraduate to subscribe.

THE November number of *Kappa Sigma Quarterly*, opening the sixth volume, has the appearance of having been made up in a hurry, even as the editor states. There is evidently a change in the editorial management although no

announcement is made. Beta's requiem by a graduate contributor has much expression although brief. The greater portion of the number is devoted to chapter letters. The conclave is postponed and will convene sometime in December.

THE *Chi Phi Quarterly* for June gives a history of the Atlanta reunion, a section on Chi Phi in the civil war, a review on Henry W. Grady, all well written. A very striking editorial on the loaning of badges is reproduced entire under another head. It merits the careful attention of fraternity men and is equally applicable to all. The chapter letters are newsy. The entire number is well up to the average.

THE October *Quarterly* of Phi Gamma Delta contains a frontispiece half-tone of Hon. G. W. Delamater and a sketch of his career. The usual number of interesting articles appears. The absence of "table talk" is conspicuous. Exchanges enjoy the able comments usually found in this journal. Very few of the quarterlies contain a general index of each volume. Such an index is of value as a means of reference, and although a matter of expense it can hardly be dispensed with.

THE *Concordiensis*, published at *Union College*, has been changed to a *bi-monthly*. It is devoted to university news entirely. As a college publication it takes high rank. It is well edited and always contains much matter of special interest to the alumni of Union college.

AFTER a year's absence the *University Beacon* again appears upon our table. The October number contains Prof. Lindsay's opening address. The college notes, personals and local news are of much interest to the alumni of Boston University.

THE *Literary Digest* makes regular weekly visits to our sanctum. It is filled with valuable matter. Devoted to politics, education, science and general topics, it gives a digest of all able reviews. It is of great value to the student as a genuine instructor, and, as a journal of reference on current topics, well up to the times, it has no equal.

THE *College Mercury*, published by the college of the City of New York, has for its editor, Bro. Forrest R. Trafford. It is published bi-weekly. Fraternity notes and college items are well cared for. As a whole it is a very attractive magazine, and Bro. Trafford is to be complimented upon its appearance.

College and Fraternity.

The University of Virginia now has 460 students.

The University of Michigan is building an \$80,000 hospital.

Yale's Base Ball Association cleared over \$3,000 last spring.

Brown University's new gymnasium will cost over \$80,000.

J. C. Newton has given Amherst nearly \$40,000 with which to endow a chair of Sculptural Art.

The class of '91 at Hobart has presented a challenge cup to be competed for annually in athletic sports.

The *Tiger* has appeared again at Princeton. It is made up of poetry, something resembling wit and cartoons.

Beta Theta Pi will enter Lehigh University, a charter having been granted to petitioners from that institution.

The Union College Alumni Association of New York will have a re-union and banquet in New York city Dec. 11th.

Tufts College has reinstated class day, after an interregnum of four years, in which no graduating class held distinctive class exercises.—*Mail and Express*.

Two recent additions have been made to the faculty of Trinity College. Prof. Martin, in modern and oriental language, and Prof. Gardiner in zoology and biology.—*Mail and Express*.

The old "Middle College" at Hamilton College is to be remodelled into a fine gymnasium. The expense, about \$10,000, is to be borne by Alexander C. Soper, a graduate of the class of '67.

Phi Gamma Delta is building a chapter house at Pennsylvania College, which is to be completed very soon. Sigma Chi has also received a grant of sufficient land on the campus to build a house.

Alpha Delta Phi at Wesleyan will have a lecture course this winter, Dr. McGlynn, G. W. Cable and George Kennan.

The College of William and Mary begins its third year under the reorganization with a full attendance. The bi-centennial of the College will be celebrated in 1893.

The last report of the Educational Bureau at Washington, gives 361 colleges for men in the United States, with 43,474 students, and 15 colleges for women, with 20,772 students.—*The Key*.

Delta Upsilon held her annual Convention at Chicago October 22-24. Hon. Daniel J. Lamont, a graduate of Union, was elected honorary President. The delegates spent one evening with the Chapter at Evanston.

Seventy-four of the Yale freshmen come from New York state, fifty-six from Connecticut, twenty-two from Pennsylvania, nineteen from Illinois, eighteen from Massachusetts. No other state has over ten representatives.

The Union football team has been making for itself a record similar to that of the base ball nine last season. October 23 the eleven defeated Hamilton by a score of 26 to 10; October 27, they defeated Syracuse, 26 to 0.—*Tribune*.

The third annual meeting of the Delta Upsilon club, of New York, was held Tuesday evening, Oct. 14th, at the club house, No. 8 East Forty-seventh street. A musical and dramatic entertainment and a collation followed the election of officers.

President Carter, of Williams College, is a practical prohibitionist. Recently the town of Williamstown authorized the granting of two liquor licenses. But no saloons were opened, and it was found that the president of Williams had quietly bought the two licenses.

Chi Phi's new catalogue is published, and ready for distribution at a cost of \$3 a copy, in cloth binding. It has been compiled by Mr. E. A. Weaver, who has labored on it for five years. It contains 480 pages, and its historical and biographical data are complete.—*The Rainbow*.

The faculty of the Illinois Wesleyan University has decreed that the ladies shall not enter the halls of the gentlemen's fraternities, nor the gentlemen those of the ladies. Receptions including both sexes are positively prohibited if held in chapter quarters.—*The Key*.

The University of Virginia met the University of Pennsylvania on the grounds at Capitol park, Washington, D. C., October 31. and was beaten 62 to 0. The Pennsylvania people played a great game, in which Church's rushes and Thayer's punting were the features of the game.

"Papa," asked Johnny Withers of his father, who was a graduate of Boomtown University in '58, "what is the meaning of 'semper fidelis?'" "Always fiddling, my son. It was a term applied to the Emperor Nero, who swam the Hellespont while Rome was burning," replied the old man.—*New York Sun*.

A Northern Oratorical League has been organized by the Michigan University of Ann Arbor, the Northwestern University, Oberlin College and the Wisconsin State University of Madison. An annual contest will be held in May of each year, at which two prizes will be awarded, one of \$100, the other of \$50.

The statistics recently taken of church attendance of the students at Brown University, remaining in college over Sunday are as follows: The Baptist churches have the largest number, 95; the Congregationalist, 37; the Episcopal, 24; the Unitarian, 13; the Universalist; 7. Others have a few each.—*Mail and Express*.

The Alpha Delta Phi's dedicated their new chapter house at Amherst Oct. 25th. The new chapter house is three stories, stone, trimmed with yellow brick and terra cotta, and is handsomely carved within. The lower floor contains the parlors, reading room and library, each with carved oak mantels and deep fire places. The other two stories contain study rooms, with sleeping rooms adjoining, all the study rooms being in the corner with one exception. The grading is now being completed.—*Mail and Express*.

Two Japanese students, with jaw-breaking names, students of Michigan University, eloped with two American girls, creating a great sensation. The Japs were both of noble families and graduates of the Law Department.

Prof. Henry Wade Rogers, Dean of the law school in the University of Michigan, has resigned to become President of the Northwestern University at Evanston, Ill. Prof. J. C. Knowlton succeeds to Prof. Rogers' position as Dean.

The graduate residents of Beta Theta Pi held a social reunion and dinner in Washington Nov. 7th, at "The Shoreham." Several of the undergraduate members from the University of Virginia and Johns Hopkins University were present.

The class of '59 presented Harvard Memorial Hall with one of its most beautiful windows, representing Cornelia, mother of the Gracchi, and her "Two Jewels." The coloring of the windows is exquisite and universally admired. The window was put in position Nov. 7th.

Kappa Kappa Gamma has extended an invitation to the prominent ladies fraternities to meet in Pan-Hellenic convention in Boston, in April, 1891. Mary M. Kingsbury, Chestnut Hill, Mass., is chairman of the Central Committee of Pan-Hellenic Convention. If our friend Daniel does not have a care the ladies will steal a march on him.

The Franklin & Marshall football team, the latest bright star of the football firmament, which surprised everybody by scoring sixteen points against Princeton and defeating Lafayette, came down last Saturday with a goodly number of adherents to play the University of Penna. They went home beaten 28—0.—*Phil. Cor. Mail and Express.*

"What do you mean by 'self-evident?'" asked President Webster, of Union College, of his mental philosophy class.

"I don't know, sir," replied the student.

"Well, I will try and illustrate," said the president. "Speaking about mythology—suppose I should ask you if there ever was such a person as the "fool-killer?" "

"I should say I don't know—I never met him."

"That is 'self-evident,'" said the doctor.—*Eli Perkins.*

Sigma Phi has established a chapter at Cornell University early in the year.

Sigma Phi has also established a chapter at Cornell University. The price is \$5.

The student population in the year 1900-1901 was 1,000. Brooklyn, N. Y.

Delta Phi has the annual convention in New York City last week in December.

The present attendance at Cornell University is 1,000. Slight increase over last year.

An agreement has been made between the two fraternities that Cornell will give a scholarship.

The first members of the organization at Cornell are 100. The ages 17-21 are mainly in the organization except for athletes.

The Delta Kappa Epsilon organization was founded in New York City Nov. 23, 1827. It was the first fraternity in New York in two years.

Football is the all absorbing topic at the University of Virginia. The team defeated the Duke football team Nov. 24, giving them a regular defeat.

Williams College football team by defeating Dartmouth wins the championship of the New England league composed of Williams, Dartmouth, Amherst and Bowdoin.

In the recent tour of the Cornell football team they were defeated by Williams, Amherst, Harvard and Wesleyan and victorious in the games played with Union and Yonkers.

Sigma Phi has recently established a chapter at Cornell. Twenty thousand dollars has been subscribed for a chapter house which will be erected on the University grounds west of the quadrangle.

The *Evening Post*, Nov. 28, says: The Harvard Faculty is much pleased over the victory of the Harvard football team in Saturday's game. Who would even have thought that a faculty capable of this would have been antagonistic to fraternities? But such is life.

The old South middle dormitory of Yale College was burned on the night of Nov. 29. This building was the oldest on the campus, having been erected in 1750, and was soon to be replaced with a new one. It seems quite a remarkable fact that there are not more fires in college buildings.

The Lombard and Knox chapters of Phi Delta Theta gave a banquet October 10, at Galesburg, Ill., in honor of President Harrison who is a member. The President made a very happy speech. This is, so far as the SHIELD knows, the first time a president of the United States was ever entertained by a Greek fraternity.

The forty-first annual meeting of the Vermont Teachers' Association was held at Bellows Falls Oct. 23-25. The fraternity was represented by S. H. Campbell '78, J. C. Simpson '87, H. O. Aiken '87, and O. S. Davis '89, all of Omicron Deuteron, and each holding position as principal of a school. Brother Campbell was treasurer of the Association.

November 1 Princeton played the University of Virginia at Oreole park and vanquished them 115 to 0. The Virginians "were not in it" at all. However, Daggett, Whittaker and McDonald did good work for them. Greenway had his nose broken and Smith his kneecap smashed in the second half. King's long runs and Poe's head work were the features.—*Mail and Express*.

Keuka College is the name of a new Baptist institution located in a delightful spot on Lake Keuka, a few miles distant from Penn Yan, N. Y. It was dedicated August 13, '90. The college opened in September with a freshman class of about 80 and a full corps of instructors. An endowment will soon be secured. The college is under the direction of the Central Baptist Association. No fraternities have yet entered its portals.

We do not suppose that Harvard has to admit among its freshmen, merely for the sake of keeping up its numbers, the *cretins* and *premature rones*, who are sometimes, in seasons of collegiate competition, admitted within the gates of more insignificant colleges. It is, however, difficult to understand the temper of mind that too often appears among the undergraduates of some of our colleges. Learning and humanity, as it

used to be called, are of no use unless they make manners and soften brutal natures. In fact, the class that thirsts for learning is, we fear, lamentably unrepresented in the throngs that each year attend the initial examinations of our colleges and universities, and we are led to think that a great many lads who go to college might much better spend their time in the drudgery of some occupation that would at least secure from intellectual vacuity, moral contamination and general degradation. These are strong terms, yet the recent outrages at Cambridge, where the statue of the founder was covered with a coat of red paint, and the Memorial Hall, that sacred monument of patriotic sentiment and devotion, was disfigured by ribald inscriptions, call for the protest which we are compelled to make against the laxity and remissness which is permitted to compromise any violation of honor and decorum, so long as the number of those who come to the lecture room, or omit to come, is not diminished. College students are fast being taught one thing at colleges, and that one thing is that they and their presence is something which the college authorities will do almost anything to possess. The statistical basis on which the success of a place of education is estimated is likely to be fatal to the true purpose of an institution of learning.

We know of one such college that actually sent round an agent to tout for students. This is certainly beginning at the wrong end. In former times a college was frequented because of the commanding reputation of its teachers. We believe that this is the case in some European seats of study even to-day; we believe it is so in more than one place in America; but no where can this be the motive for matriculation, so long as the first aim of the authorities is not so much the dissemination of learning and good manners as the desire to eclipse others in the number of undergraduates, to enjoy the importance which accrues from the attendance of a vast number of boys who ought either to be apprenticed to some useful trade or to be taught at home how to spend in a rational way the wealth that comes to them far more easily than they will ever be able to earn it.—*The Churchman*.

Speaker Reed has some aspiring young imitators at Boston University, and the utility of his quorum ruling seems to strike them favorably. Yesterday there was a meeting of the Beacon Association, an organization formed in the interests of the college publication, which was presided over by W. T. Haile, '91. There are always two strong parties in Boston University politics, namely, the respective adherents of the two Greek letter fraternities, Theta Delta Chi and Beta Theta Pi, and so it was at this meeting. The chairman was not a member of either society. There were just enough Theta Delta Chi men (7) to break a quorum. Business not being conducted to suit the "Theta Delts," the seven men retired in a body, and the remaining undergraduates found that they were without a quorum. Suddenly one of the Beta Theta Pi faction, Harry Back, '92, rose with a flourish and said:

"Mr. President, I would suggest that you do as Speaker Reed did, count those who went out as present, and then there will be a quorum."

As he sat down a murmur of applause went around the small group. It struck President Haile as a timely suggestion, and he nodded that it was good, and the meeting went on.—*N. Y. Sun, Sept. 28.*

Charge Letters.

[Charge editors are again requested to write only on one side of the paper and to assume a style somewhat more expansive than a telegraphic communication. The next letter is due on March 1st, 1891, and should be as long as possible. Write legibly,

BETA.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Beta's dream is a dream no longer. The plans, the hopes, perhaps the prayers of many years, have at last materialized. We are in a house of our own. Like most of the good things in this life, we did not satisfy this long felt want by sitting down and waiting for something to turn up, but only by the very hardest kind of work. Affairs began to assume a definite shape at our commencement banquet last June. At that banquet which will long be remembered by those who were present, after several informal talks on the possibilities of a new house, the following brothers were chosen as trustees and urged to push along the work as rapidly as possible: Bros. Simons and Hoyt, of Buffalo, Smith, Marx, Rappleye and Morrison, of Ithaca, and Thomson, of Syracuse. To the untiring efforts of these men and to the prompt financial aid of our graduate members, we owe more than we can ever repay. Before the summer was half gone they had secured the Goodnough House, splendidly situated half way up Buffalo Hill, and now Beta is at least permanently located. Of course we miss the old "Block." Too many happy days have been spent there for some of us to soon forget, but one has only to notice the new life which seems to be infused into everything, to feel sure that this autumn marks an epoch in the history of Theta Delta Chi at Cornell.

We were a trifle late in beginning to "rush" the new men this year, but, judging by those whom we have already initiated, '94 will prove a valuable acquisition to our membership. Our new members are L. S. Louer, New Castle, Pa., P. A. Newton and Edward D. McConnell, of Chicago, Ill. In the near future we expect to take in several more excellent men. On the 14th inst., we held our initiation banquet at the Ithaca Hotel. After the satisfaction of the inner man, toasts, interspersed with songs and stories of Beta's younger days, completed a most enjoyable evening.

Since our last letter two of our graduate members have been married. Prof. A. W. Smith, of Cornell, was married to Miss Mary Roberts, and F. V. Coville, '86, to Miss L. H. Boynton, '89. While on his wedding-tour "Fritz" stopped over with us for a few days, when we gave them an informal reception, at which the members of Mrs. Coville's sorority, the Kappa Alpha Theta, were present.

Beta, as well as the University at large, has suffered greatly through the loss of Prof. Chas. D. Marx. He goes to accept the chair of Civil Engineering at the University of Wisconsin.

Since the beginning of the term we have been visited by C. W. Curtis, '88, W. H. Stockbridge, A. L. Coville, '86, D. A. Parce and J. E. Brodhead, of Xi, and upon the occasion of the visit of the Columbia Foot Ball team to Ithaca, we had the pleasure of meeting Bros. Dilworth, Palmer and Saltonstal. We were very glad to see all of these brothers, as we always are to see any Theta Delt who come this way. Beta extends fraternal greetings to the other charges.

EMORY M. WILSON.

DELTA.

RENSELÆR POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Although Delta's letter did not show up in the last number of the SHIELD, it is no reason why it should not in this issue, so here goes.

All of last year's crowd, except Bro. Rice, '93, returned this fall and it was an irreparable loss to us when he departed from "Collardom," as a finer fellow and a better Theta Delt never wore a No. nine shoe. He is now located at his home in Sharon, Pa., where he is engaged as a chemist.

On the 6th of September we received a telegram apprising us of the death of Bro. S. H. Bradley, '92, formerly of Allegheny City, but who had of late lived at Bellevue Station, just outside of that city. To say that we felt his death greatly would but feebly express our feelings. It all seemed like a nightmare and we were constantly hoping some one would awaken us and tell us we had been dreaming, but no such fortune was ours. After awhile we began to realize that "Shorty," our "Shorty" (as we called him) was dead and that no more could our hands grasp his in the grip of $\Theta \Delta X$. In the fall of '88 he entered the institute, and by all was conceded one of the brightest members of his class; everything went along well until the second term, when he fell in the gymnasium and hurt his back. Shortly after this he had to be taken home and after a sickness of two months returned to the Institute. Before he left in June he was in full standing in his class and confidently expected to go along with the rest of us in September, but such a thing never happened. During the summer he was taken ill and continued suffering from one disease and another until his death. His parents and sisters feel his loss deeply and to them is extended every token of regard Delta can give. His sister, Miss Bradley, has been more than kind to us of Delta, having sent us various remembrances from herself and the family. She says she is a good Theta Delt, and we have no doubt that such is the case.

Later in September the class of '94 appeared upon the R. P. I. horizon, and has become meek, as is usual with freshmen. The usual cane-rush took place, resulting in a victory for '93, which was won by a scratch. Next in order was the flag-rush, and sure enough upon the

night of Oct. 3d, there appeared the usual notice upon the bulletin board at the Institute that the freshmen's flag was up. Sophs were seen scurrying here and there, and finally the flag was located away over in West Troy, on a pier in the middle of the aqueduct, a place quite inaccessible to the Sophs. After unlimited swearing and rock throwing, the Sophs gave it up in disgust, and at the end of twenty-four hours the freshmen returned in triumph to the city. The sleigh ride rush will occur as soon as there is snow enough, which will be before very long according to present indications.

Out of the class of '94, we have taken no men, but may do so later in the year. From '93, however, we have secured one of the very finest men in the class, and to the fraternity at large we introduce Bro. W. P. Brohm of Louisville, Ky.

In September we met with another loss, viz ; The departure of Bro. M. R. Sherrerd, '86, to Peoria, Ill., where he has accepted the position of Assistant City Engineer. We hated very much to lose Bro. Sherrerd, but as he secured a better position than he had here we should not complain.

The question of a charge house is again brought before us by the Chapter of Theta Xi here securing a house. This makes three chapter houses here now, occupied by the following : Chi Phi, Delta Phi and Theta Xi. Unless our graduates come to the front and aid us in this matter we can hardly hope for success.

Upon November 5th occurred the marriage of Bro. Blandy, '87, to Miss Charlotte Bullions, of Lansingburg, N. Y., and both of them are to be congratulated upon their choice. Nine $\Theta \Delta X$ men were there besides the groom, namely, Bros. W. P. and W. T. Kellogg, Calvin B. Perry, ex-president of G. L., Thos. Earle, '87, J. H. Cuntz, '86, Groesbeck, '89, Posada '91, Cox, '92, and Birch, '92. The day of the wedding in walked Bro. Perry, greatly to our surprise and more greatly to our delight, as Delta is with Bro. Perry "forever and a day." The "parson," as he is *reverently* termed by us, stayed a couple of days with us, and our only wish is that we could substitute weeks for days when we record his visit. He, together with Bros. Earle and Peltier, were present at the initiation of Bro. Brohm, and it gave us great pleasure to have the opportunity of letting them see a Delta initiation.

Bro. Consalus who has been in Washington, D. C., "laboring for his country" since last year, has returned to Troy, and we are glad of it, although the country may (and may not) miss him greatly.

We often see Bro. Perine, Ψ '90, who is located at Lansingburgh, a few miles from Troy. He has a fine position as Professor in the Lansingburgh Academy.

Our list of visitors is very full this quarter (the list we mean, not the visitors), we only wish we could have as many every time.

On Sept. 18, Bro. McKinney, X '69, called, but we were unfortunate enough not to have been in when he arrived; we hope however to "show him the earth" upon his next visit.

The latter part of September Bro. DuBois paid us a visit, and Bros. Dix, B. '83, and Douglas of P^a were around.

Then on October 8th came our ever welcome old friend and brother, Frederic Carter, of Yale; as usual he did not stay half long enough, but we live in the hope that he will do better next time.

About the middle of the month we had the pleasure of entertaining Bro. Holmes, and hope he will soon favor us again.

On Oct. 26th who should appear upon the scene but Bro. Rosentreter, '86, and it is quite unnecessary to remark that we were pleased to see him. After him came Bro. Peltier who is now located at West Superior, Wisconsin, and is making a fortune rapidly.

During this month Bro. Benedict of Ψ dropped in, as did Bro. Butler of Ann Arbor, and Bro. Lee of Ψ '91.

Our delegates to the Convention were Hallock, '91. Cox, '92, and Brown, '92.

After Convention Bro. Brown paid us a visit of a week and it seemed like old times to have him around again.

As news and ink are both low we are forced to close up shop for another quarter.

EPSILON DEUTERON.

YALE UNIVERSITY.

It is with a deep feeling of pleasure that I take up my pen to write the first letter of this college year to our dear friend the SHIELD.

Having lost but three men by graduation last June, twelve of us assembled at "36" when the term began, all ready for another year of study and eager to carry on the good work. Our efforts were quite successful as will appear.

Last Tuesday night was a glorious one, for at that time eight, five Freshman—the largest number we have ever taken from one class,—were put through the ropes in great shape. One of them was captain of his class crew this fall and is now playing in his class eleven. The names of the new men are: James B. Beckett, Western Springs, Ill., Herman D. Clark, New Haven, Conn., James D. Dewell, Jr., New Haven, Conn., Alexander K. Sedgwick and George B. Sedgwick, Ishpeming, Wis., De Forest L. Selover, Cleveland, O., Henry A. Stults, Savannah, Ga., Albert L. VanHuyck, Lee, Mass.

It is possible that one or two more may be added to the list.

Yale is just now elated over her victory on Thanksgiving; but yet mourns her defeat of Nov. 22. To the eleven, however, is due the greatest praise. Affairs have now settled down into a rut from which they will not be lifted, except by our social week in January, until the base ball season begins.

In closing *E*^A congratulates the fraternity upon its recent choice of officers and extends to all a hearty invitation to visit New Haven.

ZETA.

BROWN UNIVERSITY.

Since we last appeared upon the pages of the SHIELD, great changes have taken place in the family of our old Zeta. Last spring was the first time for many years when a Theta Delt was to be found among the members of the graduating class at Brown. However, last June brought forth its fruit and we were obliged to lose from our halls six as loyal Theta Delt as can be found. Four of these six brothers constituted the rock upon which Zeta has been building since her re-establishment at Brown a trifle over three years ago.

Class day was a great time for Zeta though the king of the weather was a little off his proper docket.

We occupied one of the larger recitation rooms in University Hall where for the suitable entertainment of our graduates and friends we had provided the necessary articles for such an occasion. Several of our graduates favored us with their presence and taken altogether we had a most enjoyable time.

When college opened on the 17th of September, remembering that we returned without our six brothers, we immediately went the rounds of the college on a still hunt to see what stock there was in '94 to promote the interests of $\Theta \Delta X$. What was the result? A most agreeable one! for we pledged and have since initiated one Junior and five Freshmen, so that the total number of active men in Zeta to-day is the same that it was when college was drawing to a close last June.

Our new brothers whom we take pleasure in introducing to the SHIELD are: H. L. Gardner, '92, and James Bennett, G. R. C. Hall, W. H. Kimball, H. A. Monroe, and J. S. Moore all of '94.

These brothers are genuine sons of Theta Delta Chi and our graduates of '90 may well be satisfied with those who take their places in the affairs of Zeta. Brown sports are beginning to assume their winter calmness and though, whenever a pleasant day favors us the tennis nets appear, as a rule athletics have reached the zero point and we must soon patronize the "gym." for any muscular exercise. It is strange what a new administration will sometimes bring forth in the interests of a college. When Dr. Andrews was called to the head of our faculty it seemed as though a new life had suddenly been given to our university and her advance was soon noted. One of the changes for the better may be mentioned, the popularity of certain studies whose attraction had, for some time, been at a minimum.

Improvements have continually been progressing until now we have no less than five buildings in process of construction or undergoing extensive alterations. Among these is a long needed building, the Physical

laboratory which, when completed, will be second to none of its kind in its appointments. Another of our additions to be, is the gymnasium about which we have been dreaming for several years, but we now congratulate ourselves that soon instead of looking at blue prints of the proposed structure we can behold the genuine article itself. Still another addition will be the Ladd observatory which is to be fitted with a very fine and costly telescope in order to supply the demands of the star gazers.

We expect to hold our annual banquet soon after the Thanksgiving recess and if our graduates do their duty by favoring us with their presence there is no reason why it should not be a grand occasion. As our recent graduates are so well known by many in other charges, it may be of interest to know what they are busying themselves about. Bro. Goldthwait is one of the editors of an Iowa daily paper; Bros. Stiness and Tower are studying law in Providence; Brother Webb is in the pension office at Washington; Brother Rhodes is in the wholesale boot and shoe business in Providence and Brother Frost is amusing himself as time and events advise. Since the college year began we have been favored with a short visit from Bro. C. B. Perry, Zeta '67, whom we seldom have the pleasure of seeing owing to his duties in the far south which command most of his time. We also had a call from some of the "Teck" boys and were greatly encouraged by the reports which they gave from their charge.

While closing permit me in behalf of Zeta to extend a hearty grip to our sister charges and we hope, if any brother is in Providence at any time, that he will consider it his first duty to inform us of his arrival that he may not be alone in our midst.

ETA.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

The fall term opened at Bowdoin Sept. 16th, with one of the largest freshman classes the college has seen for some time. The fishing season was particularly lively, and at the end of six weeks Eta had succeeded in capturing eight men, and now takes pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large her '94 delegation. Perez B. Burnham, of Portland; Arthur Chapman, Woodfords; Fred W. Hill, Sebago; Frank H. Knight, Deering; Charles M. Leighton, Portland; J. Albert Nichols, Casco; and Pliny F. Stevens, of Mechanic Falls. We were also successful in securing Frank R. Arnold, of Braintree, Mass., who entered the Sophomore class this fall.

Owing to unavoidable circumstances Bro. Hill has been obliged to leave college for a while, but we hope circumstances will be such that he can return before long and continue his studies with us. Scholarship and athletics are well represented in the new delegation.

Our initiation took place Oct. 10th, and was a very enjoyable occasion. We were glad to see several of our alumni present and participate

with us in the pleasures of the evening. Among those present were Bros. Kimball, '87, H. C. Hill, Shorey and Card, '88, Reed, '83, and Mitchell, '90.

One important item of interest was accidentally omitted from our last letter. Bro. Nichols, '92, won the Smyth mathematical prize of \$300 last term. This prize is awarded to the Sophomore, whose rank is highest in that study for the first two years. Last year Eta men won prizes for excellence in scholarship, oratory, English composition, etc., to the amount of \$420.

Bro. Carter, of the Grand Lodge, made us an official visit the last of October. We had been looking for such a visit for some time, and at last our expectations were rewarded. Bro. Carter told us some interesting facts in relation to the society, and appeared to be remarkably well posted on fraternity matters in general. Our last visit from the G. L. was in Jan., '89, nearly two years ago. Some of our brothers think that Eta should be favored with a visit from more than one member of the G. L., in a period of two years, especially as our charge is one of the largest in the fraternity, having at present thirty-three members.

Bros. Poor and Dudley, '91, finished their second term of school at Pembroke the middle of November. Bro. Fred C. Russell, '89, is now principal of the school, and accounts show that that position has been held consecutively by eight Theta Delts.

Bros. Horne, Hastings and Parker have done some excellent work in the foot ball team this fall, while Bros. Wilson, Nichols and Poor have rendered valuable service as substitutes. Bro. Wright has recently become interested in the sport, and deserves much praise for the pluck and celerity which characterizes his playing.

Bros. Horne, '91, and Durgin, '92, represented us at the convention last month.

Bros. Hall, Ingalls and Cole, '88, Knight, '84, and Sterns, '90, have called on us this term.

At a recent junior class meeting Bro. Poore was elected vice-president and Bro. Hersey odist.

Bro. Nichols, '93, will teach this winter at East Raymond, Me.

Bro. Stevens, '94, is a member of the chapel choir and college glee club.

Bros. Howard and Bucknam represent Eta at the Sophomore prize declamation which takes place at the end of the winter term.

Bowdoin campus is receiving a new addition in the form of an observatory, now nearly completed. The building is eight feet long, with a dome twenty-five feet in diameter. Both of the $\Theta \Delta X$ tennis courts were sacrificed to give room for the new structure.

A fund of \$500 has been given to the college by Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey, of Bangor, in memory of their son, Henry P. Godfrey, for providing medical attendance for students who may be sick while in college.

pressed on the minds of each an every one some grander ideas of Theta Delta Chi. To the new Grand Lodge we extend the heartiest Theta Delt welcome and support. To the outgoing Grand Lodge Theta Deuteron is bound to express her debt of existence.

Our Quarters at the Ikley are always open, and hearty welcome is waiting every Theta Delt. J. F. WHITE.

KAPPA.

TUFTS COLLEGE.

I have just been querying who reads these charge letters, and what their true purpose should be. Are they really read enough to keep the charges in touch with one another, or do we let the pages slide along until we find those which treat of our immediate encompassing, and fail to find the good in others? This latter query each must answer for himself, but do you not think that your reading of these letters varies directly with your interest in the fraternity? If that is narrow, will your reading not be confined? And will not the opposite be true also.

It seems to the writer as he thinks of his charge letter that it should partake as much as possible of the nature of a local news column, not of an essay or sketch. You will look on other pages for the latter, but your attention is drawn here by a desire to learn the circumstances, good or bad fortune, of your brothers active in sister charges.

We are just about to issue our second annual circular to our graduates, folling the custom instituted by Omicron Deuteron, (*nichtwahr?*) Such facts as we have informed them of, it is my duty to send to our other brothers here.

Our initiation, the conduct of which was exceptionally excellent, took place Oct. 17th, and we "swung" the following brothers:

'93—O. L. Eaton, Weymouth, Mass.

S. Shaw, Woburn, Mass.

'94—W. H. Goodrich, Fitchburg, Mass.

H. H. Hoyt, Peabody, Kans.

F. S. Walker, Westbrook, Mass.

J. S. Eastwood, Turner, Me.

The last named is a son of one of our '60 brothers. Several graduates, brothers from Lambda and one from Theta Deuteron visited us that evening. We now number twenty-four.

Concerning the rank of our men in college we can say little, since our present system of grouping prevents individual ranking.

Brother Stephenson, '91 has been informed, however, that he holds the highest rank of any man in college. Bro. Peterson has taken the Sophomore prize for the best latin prose translation, and Bro. Thayer the prize for the best examination in the mathematics of the Freshman year.

'91 has chosen her Class Day Committee, on which Bro. Perkins is

chairman and Bro. Grose also serves. Bro. Perkins has also been elected Tree Orator. Bro. Grose, who last year managed the *Tufsonian* more successfully than it has been managed in any former year, has been obliged to resign on account of his health and the pressure of other duties. On its editorial board we are represented by four editors, one more than our nearest competitors. On the editorial board of '92's, Brown and Blue, we have our due representation, and Bro. Kimball, as editor-in-chief, is devoting his time to its preparation.

Our only athletic event of the season at Tufts has been the tennis tournament. As the result of this, Bro. North '92, wears a first prize medal for singles, and together with Bro. Needham '91, he captured also the first prize in doubles.

In a musical way we also manage to "hold our own." Bro. Hawkins leads and Bro. Crandall manages the Glee Club, while Brothers Kimball, Needham, Goodrich and Johnson sing. Brothers Randall and Hawkins play in the Banjo Club. The clubs are having a most successful season, and we hope to meet other brothers in the course of our travels.

We are prosperous in the charge and everything seems vigorous there; we are, too, in a happy state throughout our student life, where factional and partisan spirit has, to a large extent, given place to harmony. Heartily welcoming our new Grand Lodge, we await our "Red Letter" number of the SHIELD.

M. M. JOHNSON.

MU DEUTERON.

AMHERST COLLEGE.

We want to tell you first about our house. Since the last issue of the SHIELD we have completed our three-story addition, which gives us ample quarters for general use and two extra suites of students rooms, making nine in all. We cannot claim, of course, to have anything quite so fine as some of the older charges, or as some of the longer established fraternities in Amherst. *A Δ Φ*, for instance, has just completed a large house of granite and yellow brick, which must have cost high in the tens of thousands; but *A Δ Φ* has fifty classes of Alumni to fall back upon. We cannot hope for so much material exaltation in the sixth year of our existence, but really our new parlors are about the pleasantest in town. They are as bright and tasteful as any.

Our graduates who remember our old tennis court in the vacant lot near the block, will be interested to know that we have one now right beside our piazza. Several of Mu Deuteron's alumni have been here this fall, and we have been delighted to show them around. Brother Reed, K '89, who is teaching in Belchertown, has made us a couple of calls; and Brothers Lakeman, Potter and Weston of *O*¹ came down with the Dartmouth foot-ball team. Speaking of foot-ball gives a chance to indulge in a little glorification for Amherst. We feel and know that she is on the uphill road in this manly sport. All Amherst men believe that

we should have had first place instead of second, if our Williams game had been played anywhere but in the Williamstown peatbog. Mu Deuteron's men on the team were Bro. Stewart, '91, who played a fine game at right guard, Bro. Knight, '91, a regular substitute for guard (playing in nearly all the games,) and Bro. Allen, '91, right tackle, one of the heroes of the season, if not, as most of the college seemed to think, the best player of the whole team. While these men will leave before another foot-ball season, we have promising cases in each of the other classes, men who have done good work as substitutes and on the second eleven.

We are expecting great things from President Gates, the new head of the college. He is a comparatively young man, full of push, thoroughly in sympathy with the boys in athletics, and at the same time we believe he will "boom" the intellectual side of college life, which need to be "boomed," or it will fall from its proper place and give way to the new athletic spirit. He has entered very quietly among us, and has occupied himself so far principally with getting acquainted; soon we expect his energy will be felt.

After the Amherst custom, we have taken in a good-sized delegation of Freshmen, nine in all, and a Sophomore besides. The Freshman class is about twenty smaller than usual, and we got more men than any other fraternity except $\Psi \Gamma$. This of course is no matter for congratulation unless we have found good men too; but we know they will develop into strong men, and very proper Theta Deltas. They need to develop, of course, like all Freshmen, but they will, we know it. Allow us to introduce them to the Fraternity at large: Brother Trask '93, Scranton, Pa.; and from '94, Brothers W. T. Bartlett, North Brookfield; W. T. Craig and F. D. Hayward, Andover; H. B. Haskell, West Falmouth, Me.; A. W. Howes, Florence; C. S. Hurlbut, Springfield; F. M. Munson, Greenfield; R. B. Putnam, Concord; A. Rice, Danvers.

They are all good men, and mean business by coming to college. They will keep up our standard of scholarship, we hope, as a majority of them have already been put in the "Rank Division."

Mu Deuteron recently received a copy of the new Webster's dictionary, a present from Brothers F. L. Palmer '85, and A. G. Baker '88, both of whom had a hand in its compilation, as may be seen in the preface.

Bro. Longfellow '83, graduated from Hartford Theological Seminary in '90, and is now pastor of the Congregational church in Springfield, Maine.

Two of our '85 brothers have been initiated into matrimonial blessedness during this year, Bro. Smith on April 9, at Redding, Conn., to Miss Mary C. Wakeman. Brother Smith is practicing medicine in that town. Brother Morris on Oct. 14 to Miss Mary Gray, of Bloomfield, Conn. He is a physician at Jamestown, N. Y.

Bro. White '83, who is teaching in the Worcester High School, received the present of a second child, a girl, on July 14.

Bro. Hird '86, is living at College Park, Maryland, where he is Professor of Chemistry and State Agricultural Chemist. He has met with a severe loss in the death of his only child last October.

Bro. Haskell '87, is another of our promising physicians. In fact he is doing remarkable work. He has not had the full time of medical education, but he received his M. D. last June from the Medical School of Maine, and is now house officer in the Boston City Hospital, a very responsible position.

Bro. Mirick '87, is first assistant in New Hampshire State Normal School, Plymouth, N. H.

Three '88 men are in Yale Theolog. Bro. Marsh in the Senior class, Bro. Garfield in the middle and Bro. Moulton in the Junior.

Bro. Chamberlain '89, is teaching mathematics and the sciences at Mr. Leal's school for boys, Plainfield, New Jersey, where Bro. Moulton was before him.

Our representatives in Union Theolog. this year are Fairley '85, Cornwell '88 and White '89. Bro. White is also pastor of L. O. W. chapel at Yonkers.

Bro. Banks '90, is studying for a degree at Harvard, doing special work in the Semitic languages.

Bro. Crockett '90, is principal of the High School at Wells, Me.

Bro. Landfear '90, is teaching Greek and latin in the Erasmus Hall Academy, Flatbush, N. Y.

Bro. Dana '91, is studying in the Denver Medical College Colorado.

Now is the time when Amherst, and I suppose all colleges, settle down to their winter's work. Within the next few months we shall expect little going on, but a great deal being done.

ROBERT S. WOODWORTH,

LAMBDA.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

Thanksgiving day is here, and truly Lambda Charge of Theta Delta Chi has much to be thankful for. Our university is growing in every way, and Lambda is one of the most active elements in this steady evolution. The College of Liberal Arts building, and that the Law School have both been greatly enlarged and the two are now connected, so that the students now have more commodious quarters. This year's entering class was the largest in the history of the college. From the class Lambda secured eleven royal good fellows, and every one true as steel. We present them to the readers of the SHIELD with much satisfaction. One of the new men, W. F. Rogers, many of the brothers had the opportunity of meeting at the New York convention. Bro. Rogers comes from Quenville, Me. He took one of the first honors of the class of '90, at the Coburn Classical Institute. Then there is G. O. Smith, of Franklyn Falls, N. H., one of the banner students of the Tilton Union and C.

N. Tilton, of Raymond, N. H., who carried off \$250 in prizes at Phillips Academy, Exeter, last year, and so on each man had distinguished himself before he entered Boston University for scholarship, manliness and best of all a warm heart. The others are G. B. Adams, of Chattanooga, Tenn.; O. P. Brady, of Buffalo, N. Y.; G. W. Farmer, of Lynn; C. McDuffie, of Auburn, N. H.; G. A. Sweetser, of Malden; L. H. Woodvine, of Boston, and T. S. Thomas, from '93, and J. P. Pillsbury, from '92. These are Lambda's jewels.

The initiation was held on the evening of Nov. 3, and it was made doubly rich by the presence of many alumni and by delegates from *K*, *O* and *E*. Every one drank deep from the enthusiasm of the hour, and felt that $\Theta \Delta X$ meant something more than a communion for college life only. The claims and loves of our Fraternity hold for life.

O say, shall I love the Theta Delta less,
 To whom I was wed in my bright college times?
 No, come what will, thy steadfast truth I'll bless,
 In youth, in age, thine own—forever thine.

The Monday club, our college literary society, elected as officers for the ensuing year: President, Bro. Snow; Vice-President, Bro. Webber; Secretary, Bro. Adams; Treasurer, Bro. J. W. Spencer; Executive Committee, Bros. Bickford, Adams and Geo. H. Spencer. The club has entertained among its guests this term President Warren and the entire faculty of the College of Liberal Arts, Rev. William R. Alger and Mr. R. G. Moulton, of Cambridge University, England. Mr. Moulton is lecturing on literary subjects before many of the prominent American colleges. It is quite an honor to the Monday club that his first public utterance in this country was at a reception given here by that body.

Boston is becoming quite a musical centre. Last year, for the first time, a successful Varsity Glee club was organized through the efforts of Bros. Kenney and Spencer. This year the club has been incorporated. Of our men who were in the club last year Bro. Kenney, the leader, has graduated. Bro. Snow and Bro. Spencer resigned on account of the increased duties of their senior year, and Bro. Hawkins accepted this year a very flattering offer—the leadership of the Tufts College Glee club. But what Lambda loses Kappa gains. So it comes about that none of our boys are singing in the Boston University Glee club this year except Bro. Thomas, who was initiated this term. Nevertheless it must not be thought that Lambda's men are not musical. A concert company has been organized and christened "The Glee Club Ideals." There are ten men in this club, seven of whom are Theta Delts. They are Bro. Heckbert, manager; Bro. W. S. Spencer, first tenor and soloist; Bro. Sylvester, first bass and harmonic bells; Bro. Pitcher, second bass and clarinet; Bro. Thomas, second tenor and occarrina; Bro. Sweetser, second bass and otto harp, and Bro. Adams, reader. The Ideals have a big run of engagements. The Glee club is also having a good season. Besides

these two companies, the college also supports a mixed quartette, the University Quartette. Bro. W. S. Spencer is the leader. The other members are Mr. C. E. Hall, Miss May Nute, Miss Hitchcock, and Miss Hersey, accompanist. So I think I am justified in saying that Boston University is getting to be quite a musical centre, especially as all three of these organizations are winning golden opinions on every hand.

Among the social events were the Junior reception to the entering class and the first Freshman social. Also should be noted a reception given last week by our Sophomore delegation to some of their lady classmates, and some of the young gentlemen members from the other fraternities. The reception was held at our charge house and was a very pleasant occasion. This is the true kind of Pan-Hellenism.

Bro. Wengel, '91, is serving his second year as Assistant Librarian. He has catalogued the entire college library since holding this position.

Bro. Willett, '91, has been obliged to leave college and consequently he has resigned his position as business manager of the University *Beacon*.

Bro. Balcom has been elected to represent the charge on Ninety-two's annual as associate editor.

And now a few words regarding some of our alumni. Several of our brothers have lately assumed new bonds.

In closing I must refer to my opening words that this has proved a grand Thanksgiving time to our entire fraternity. The delegates are enthusiastic over the late convention, and we all send our congratulations to Bro. Holmes, our new President, and also to the delegates for their wise and just choice. All the good things we might say we will reserve until Bro. Holmes makes his official visit. Besides being at the convention Lambda was well represented at the initiations of *K* and *O*, so you see we are in the full bloom of Theta Delta Chi spirit. If in Boston do not fail to come down to the charge house on Holyoke street. The latch string is always out and good cheer is to be found within.

"Then come the wild weather, come sleet and come snow,

We will stand by each other, however it blow.

Oppression and sickness and sorrow and pain,

Shall be to our true loves as links to the chain."

F. W. ADAMS.

NU DEUTERON.

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Our college year which is making rapid strides to the Thanksgiving holidays, has been an exceedingly pleasant one, both socially and in athletics. We have been congratulating ourselves on the success of our foot ball team. On the field of glory it has done wonders. Our old time rival, Lafayette, was compelled to bite the dust two successive times. Some of the minor colleges were also compelled to acknowledge our

supremacy. The game that has attracted most attention among Lehigh students was that with the University of Pennsylvania. It was with great earnestness that we looked forward to this event. The result would be the dawn of hope or the twilight of disappointment. The time came and Lehigh was chagrined to be beaten by one of her greatest rivals.

Nu Deuteron has had more or less of a set back this year in regard to new men. We have initiated two new brothers and take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity in general Bros. Schuman and Marsh, both of whom are showing evidences of loyalty to our beloved fraternity. Our prospects for several other good men are very flattering.

We have had visits from many of our graduated brothers recently. Bro. Holmes made us a very pleasant visit (although of short duration) about two weeks ago. He gave us some good advice, made an effective address in one of our meetings, and stirred up fraternity feeling in general. His visit was greatly appreciated.

Bro. Johnson, '89, who has been ill at his home with typhoid fever, we are glad to say is able to attend to his daily routine.

After the Lehigh—University of Penna. game some weeks ago, we were unexpectedly made the recipient of a visit from Bros. Baird and McCall, of the Medical and Dental department respectively, of the University, and Bros. D. G. and J. G. Hearne who are taking a post graduate course in electricity at the Johns Hopkins University. Bro. J. G. (Pretty) anticipates taking courses in veterinary surgery and theatres.

Bros. Deans and Harris, '89, visited us recently.

Bros. Dilworth, Palmer and Saltonstal, of Rho Deuteron, passed through on their way to Cornell to play foot ball with that college team.

Bro. Grant, of Phi, made us a short visit early in the term.

Brother Heberling came up from the University with the team. He is an old member of Nu Deuteron.

Among the present brothers everything is quiet. Nothing extraordinary has transpired this term.

Bros. Ely, Heileg, Merrick and Morris will graduate next June, thus leaving a large hole in Nu Deuteron.

Bro. Beaumont was compelled to leave college on account of failing sight, due, without doubt, to hard work.

Bro. Holcombe takes great pleasure in an occasional fraternal guy for the benefit of his brother freshmen, Marsh and Schuman.

Bro. Marsh will take a leading part in the banjo and guitar club, as he is very proficient with the banjo.

Bro. Schuman walks over the ivory like an old veteran. He has carried off a couple of prizes, and can be likened to Josef Hoffmann, a Hans Von Bulow or a Liszt.

Bro. Ely is just as jovial as ever. He is gradually becoming contaminated with the predominant element in this part of the country.

Bros. Morris and Heileg are now making original research in mechanics.

Bro. Merrick has made some astounding discoveries in electrical science, while Bro. Holcombe still pursues the even tenor of his way.

Bro. Harris has been doing the great society for the whole crowd lately. He associates with exactly *the* people.

Bro. Gearhart has been lately living the life of a recluse on account of a sad accident that befel him some time ago.

The brothers in $\Theta \Delta X$ must still keep in mind that Nu [^] gladly welcomes any and all. We will be glad to meet and grip every Theta Delt and urge them to visit.

XI.

HOBART COLLEGE.

Through an oversight caused by the rush and excitement of commencement week arrangements were not made for a letter to the SHIELD, but now and hereafter those who are interested in the affairs of old Xi, may expect to see us "bob up serenely" in every issue.

By graduation we lost two men last year, Bros. C. C. Hoff and W. E. Carr. Bro. Hoff will be much missed in athletics, both by the charge and by the college, as he is the best athlete we have had in Hobart for some years. Bro. Carr is studying law in an office at Niagara Falls.

Last April we initiated G. R. Brush, '92, formerly of Columbia college. On September 18th directly after the opening of the term, we "swung" D. A. Parce, '93, formerly of St. Stephens college; and September 30th we initiated L. B. McCabe, who comes to us from Bro. Carl Harstrom's school and by the way, Bro. Harstrom is noted for sending out men who make first-class Theta Deltas. After the initiation of Bro. McCabe we had our regular semi-annual banquet. Bros. Clay W. Holmes, Ψ , '69, Prof. W. A. Deering, *H*, '75, Dr. W. A. Howe, '85, F. A. Herendeen, '86, W. E. Carr, '90, and others were present. The charge now numbers six men. Our new initiates are good Theta Deltas and another of '94's best men will soon join us. We now have the four class presidents of the college and we wish to say to our esteemed alumni that if you will manifest the same zeal accordingly that the active members show for the welfare of this charge, and we sincerely believe you will, we assure you, right here, that you need have no fears for the future of $\Theta \Delta X$ in old Hobart.

We are now enjoying a visit from Bros. Saltonstall of the Harvard Law school and Palmer of the Columbia Law school, both formerly of this charge.

L. F. POTTER.

OMICRON DEUTERON.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

Another college year has come and one term of this year has nearly passed. It can be said in truth, that this one has been a very successful one for Omicron Deuteron. As we returned to Hanover each one seemed to realize that he had some work to do for the fraternity. As a result we obtained a delegation of eleven from the Freshman class. They are all fine fellows and I cannot say will make, but have already made, excellent Theta Deltas. Our initiation was held on Friday evening, Oct. 10th, followed by a banquet at the "Wheelock," Bro. Hopkins acting as toastmaster. There were present of our alumni, Bros. Smith, '82, Woodward, '84, Aiken, '87 and Davis, '89; of members of other charges, Bro. Fuller, of Lambda and Bros. Hawley and White from Theta Deuteron. Bros. Aiken and Davis have also made us several other visits during the fall. We also met the brothers who were in the Bowdoin foot-ball team or accompanied it on its trip to Hanover.

In athletics we have maintained our usual high position. The captain of the foot-ball team was Bro. Lakeman, '92, while Bros. Potter and Weston, '92 were also on the team. Dartmouth was very unfortunate this year in losing its center rush, a guard and one of the best half-backs in college, two receiving injuries, the other being taken ill. Thus weakened Dartmouth made a very good showing in the championship race, Williams winning first place.

At the fall meet of the Athletic Association, '91 won the championship by one point over '92. Bro. Allison was a member of '91's team and Bros. Potter and Weston of '92's. At this meet Bro. Potter made three college records.

Monday evening, Nov. 24, '91 elected class day speakers. At that election Bro. Hopkins was chosen poet; Bro. Tewksbury received the address to the undergraduates; Bro. Plummer the address at the Old Pine; Bro. Watson the address at the Tower and Bro. Prichard the Prophecies. I only mention this to show the popularity of Theta Deltas in Dartmouth.

Sullivan, '89, Dearborn, '93, Sullivan, '91, Tewksbury, '91, and Hayes, '92, were present at the Convention from Omicron Deuteron.

The initiation of our new delegation swelled our numbers to thirty-seven. This year we lose two men, Bros. Fletcher and Brigham, '93. Bro. Fletcher does not return to college; Bro. Brigham returned for a few weeks but was obliged to leave on account of ill-health brought on by overwork in keeping up with his work in college and attending to his pastorate in Thetford and North Thetford. He is now at his home in St. Albans, Vt., but by the advice of his physician will pass the winter in the west.

Bro. Prichard, who has been acting as principle of Corinth, Vt., academy during the fall term, has returned to college.

Omicron Deuteron sends congratulations to the whole fraternity on its successful convention and the excellent officers elected in Grand Lodge.

Bro. Shirley has been elected Junior historian of '92.

Bro. Allen, '94, has been elected to a position on the Glee Club.

Bro. Washburn is manager of the Freshman Base ball team.

The new delegation is made up as follows : F. C. Allen, J. H. Bartlett, R. W. Bartlett, J. P. Gifford, F. A. Griffin, F. A. Murphy, J. Morse, D. E. Putnam, E. K. Piper, H. Schwarn, W. C. Washburn.

V. A. DOTY.

PI DEUTERON.

COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

With the disadvantage of losing five of her best men, nevertheless, Π^{Δ} started in with fair prospects, having ten active members at the opening of college, Sept. 12, since then two have been initiated, Bros. H. Uterhart, '94, and J. Erwin, '94, whom we take pleasure in introducing to all the charges of $\Theta \Delta X$. Also five men have been pledged.

We have taken rooms in conjunction with P^{Δ} , at 343 Fifth Avenue. They are neatly and comfortably furnished, and in a central location. If any brother should stray into the neighborhood, he is always welcome to enter and "make merry."

The Executive Committee of the Graduate Association has been hard at work house hunting for the past few months. Several houses have been recommended, and we hope that one will soon be decided on, which will serve as a gathering place for all Theta Deltas in New York and vicinity.

For the past few weeks talk of convention prevailed, the pleasure of forming new acquaintances, the banquet, and the good time in general. Bros. Quesada, Collins and Trafford were the delegates from our charge, and because of the fact that the convention was held in this city, it gave all our members an opportunity to attend the afternoon session. We congratulate the fraternity on the election of the Grand Lodge for the ensuing year, and are assured that their duties will be faithfully performed.

It would not do to leave out mention of the banquet at the Brunswick, yet an account of the good time had there would take up several pages of the SHIELD and I know the boys will never forget it, even if not stereotyped for them.

I feel that I ought to make some apology for this short letter, but news at C. C. N. Y. is rather scarce, and being but lately elected to fill this office, I did not know of the great (?) amount of labor involved in writing a charge letter, and kept putting it off from day to day. I will, however, try to atone for this in my next letter, and sincerely hope that my brother editors are not in the same box. GEORGE W. KOSMAK.

ACTIVE MEMBERS.

- '91—F. R. Trafford, H. C. Nelson.
 '92—G. M. Schultz, F. N. Whitehorne.
 '93—W. H. Butler, W. H. Corbitt, G. W. Kosmak, G. B. Richardson,
 M. A. Smith.
 '94—C. S. Collins, J. Erwin, H. Uterhart.

PERSONALS.

'88, Gonzalo de Quesada has been appointed Consul for the Argentine Republic at Philadelphia. He has been spending the summer in Europe, and but lately returned to attend to the duties of his new office. He was met at the pier by a delegation of Theta Delts and given a hearty welcome. "Ques." while at college was one of the most popular students and was at one time editor of the college journal, in '89 he acted as temporary instructor in Spanish.—*College Mercury*.

'89, Bro. Alsdorf is studying law.

'89, Bro. Fuentes is at College of Physicians and Surgeons.

'90, Bro. Ehlers, now affiliated with *P^α*, acted as Secretary to the last Convention.

'90, Bro. Patterson entered the School of Political Science at Columbia.

'90, Bro. Dean Nelson is studying architecture.

'92, Bro. Trafford is editor of the *Mercury*, president of his class and a member of Eiponia.

'91, Bro. H. Nelson is prominent in athletics.

'92, Bro. Goebel entered Law school this fall.

'92, Bro. Schultz is president of '92.

'92, Bro. Whitehorn, secretary of '92.

'93, Bro. Butler has received the highest mark this year for declamation.

'93, Bro. Lee is in the banking business.

'93, Bro. Lawson goes to P. and S. and Bro. Wilmurt has entered business.

Bros. Holder, ex-'92 and Luqueer, '87 are at Columbia Arts.

Anthon, ex-'90 is at School of Mines, Columbia, taking a special course in Electrical Engineering.

RHO DEUTERON.

COLUMBIA COLLEGE.

Rho Deuteron has not the number of new men to introduce, that she would like to have, on account of the confusion attending her change of rooms. We are now occupying the third floor of No. 343, Fifth avenue, which we share with Pi Deuteron, and $\Theta \Delta X$ club. It is unnecessary to state, that we shall always be glad to welcome any brother there who may come the city. We hope by next January to occupy a club house of our

own, in company with the $\Theta \Delta X$ club. The plan includes rooms for members who may reside out of the city, a large meeting room, billiard room, cafe, etc. In our next letter we may be able to describe our new quarters more fully.

We are now working some very good men in the Freshman classes, and hope to make up our roll to its usual number in a short time.

By the graduation of the class of '90, we lost some very good men. The jolly figure of Bro. T. J. Jones is no longer seen among us. While in college he distinguished himself, especially in Chemistry and Metallurgy, and on graduating received many tempting offers. He accepted that of the New York and Virginia Mineral company and is now their head chemist.

Bro. Reamer, M. D., of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, graduated high in his class, and is now engaged in his profession in New York City, with a large and constantly increasing practice.

Bro. Walker, one of our most faithful workers, is secretary of the Natural History society. He is also upholding the honor of his class in athletics, on the tug of war and foot-ball teams.

Bro. Dilworth is keeping up his reputation as a "rusher" on the 'Varsity foot-ball team, a position which he held last year.

Bro. Mora is now president of the Engineering society.

Bro. Murtha still presides, with great dignity, over the deliberations of the Peithologian society.

We are sorry to announce the loss of Bro. Jones, '93, brother of T. J. Jones of '90. He is now in the classic halls of the University of Virginia. We hope Bro. Jones will still keep bright the spirit of $\Theta \Delta X$, and before long announce the re-establishment of the old Nu Charge, which in the years before the war, flourished there.

While we are sorry that we shall no longer see the pleasant countenance of Bro. Ehlers in our midst, as often as formerly, we congratulate him on the trust and confidence reposed in him by the Convention. With Bro. Holmes at the helm and Bro. Ehlers in charge of the funds, we may rest assured that the Fraternity has before it a long career of success and prosperity.

SIGMA.

DICKINSON COLLEGE.

As Sigma was not represented by a charge letter in the last issue of the SHIELD, a brief account of those parts of the exercises of last commencement, in which Theta Delts took part, would probably not be out of place here.

Last commencement was one of the most interesting in the history of the college. The alumni were present in large numbers, and the week was much more lively than usual. The classes of '70 and '87 held class reunions. Wednesday was class day. Of all the honors that are be-

stowed in college, none are here more highly esteemed than the principal parts on class day. Whether Sigma received her share, I will leave my reader to judge, after recounting the parts she took. Bro. Wallace, as president of the class, conducted the exercises. Bro. Hamilton delivered the address of welcome. Bro. Webbert had the presentation speech, and ably acquitted himself in the character of funny man, his speech was one of the features of the day.

On Thursday, commencement day, Bro. Hamilton was valedictorian. The subject of his oration was "Man the Interrogator," Bro. Hamilton was also elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

As if it was not enough to lose three of our members by graduation, two more, Bros. Richardson, '91, and Hepburn, '92, did not return. The one has gone to Drew Seminary to pursue his studies, the other has entered business under the employment of the Pennsylvania Steel Company at Sparrow Point, Maryland. This left us with but five men at the opening of college. Since then, however, we have been greatly strengthened. On the opening of the law school, of which this is the first year, Bros. Wallace, '90, Webbert, '90, and Rettew, '92, were among those enrolled as students, and right glad were we to have them back with us again. I also take this opportunity of introducing to the fraternity at large, Bro. W. F. Sprenkle, '93, as one in whom are combined the qualities that go to make up a good Theta Delt, and who is also one of the finest banjo players in college.

Since the opening of this session another fraternity, Sigma Alpha Epsilon has appeared among us with twelve charter members, this together with the local fraternity that was started last year with the hope of obtaining a chapter of Psi Upsilon, and which has not yet appeared, makes a total of eight fraternities that have chapters here. The non-frat element has heretofore been quite large, but is now nearly eliminated, and any one who wishes to join a fraternity may have the opportunity. Before this year the non-frats. comprised nearly one half of the whole number of students, and the fraternities as a whole were very conservative, but the new element that has entered seems likely to change this spirit somewhat. In fact, its effect can already be observed on the part of several. It rumored that the charter of one of the fraternities has been withdrawn, but from want of positive knowledge to that effect we will not mention its name.

Bro. Heberling, '91, as undergraduate, delegate and Bro. Clay W. Holmes, as graduate delegate, represented us at the convention. Though Bro. Holmes was never an active member here, yet we look upon him as partly a Sigma man, for he was initiated here preparatory to the establishment of Phi. Bro. Heberling brings back an enthusiastic report of the convention, and Sigma could not have been better pleased in the personnel of the Grand Lodge just elected.

F. H. FLETCHER.

We are now "polling" for exams., and working hard to spend our vacation free from conditions. Many of our boys will go home for a Thanksgiving dinner, but we are granted no vacation (except the one day) in which to do so.

As the next issue of the *Shield* will be our Christmas and New Year edition, we all join heartily in extending to all our brothers a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Auspicious New Year, and may we return refreshed to again take up and pursue our college duties, being invigorated and refreshed by the short and needed vacation.

PERSONALS.

Bro. Hertzog, '90, is in Union Seminary, New York City.

Bro Reed, '90, is studying law in Easton.

Bros. Keigwin, '91 and Meyers '92, are at Princeton.

Bro. Gearheart, '93, Nu Deuteron, paid us a visit during the Lehigh and Lafayette Foot Ball game.

W. L. SANDERSON.

PSI.

HAMILTON COLLEGE.

For the first time in the history of the charge the members of Psi returned to college and fraternity work after the vacation of summer to find the charge home complete in all its appointments. This fall we began our second term's experience of club boarding and delightful it has been too. Before our domestic apartments were sufficiently completed for occupancy we considered our lot a fortunate one in having a place of shelter that could be called our own. But what is home without a mother? All were conscious of the importance of a matron in filling out our meed of happiness, and this want filled, the capstone has been placed upon our fraternity experience. Thus living entirely under our own roof, it has given us much pleasure to welcome as visitors this term. S. W. Petrie, '86; E. W. Ruggles, '85; I. L. Wilcox, '86, and wife; J. D. Rogers, '89, and W. H. Butler, Gamma Deuteron.

An enumeration at the opening of college revealed our situation thus: two seniors, six juniors, and two sophomores. Psi lost two members last year, Bro. Perine, by graduation, and Bro. Gilfillan, who entered Williams College. With characteristic confidence we entered upon the rushing season, and successfully did we emerge from it. The following are our new men from the class of '94: William H. Freeman, Gloversville, N. Y.; William W. Smith, Johnstown, N. Y.; John A. Hill, Jr., Forestport, N. Y., and Edwin L. Rice, Shrewsbury, Mass. It is especially pleasant for us to introduce to the brothers this new delegation, since from the unusual interest which they have taken in all fraternity affairs from the start, we feel confident that they are possessed of the materials out of which are developed earnest, loyal and active Theta Deltas.

JOHN B. HOOKER, JR.

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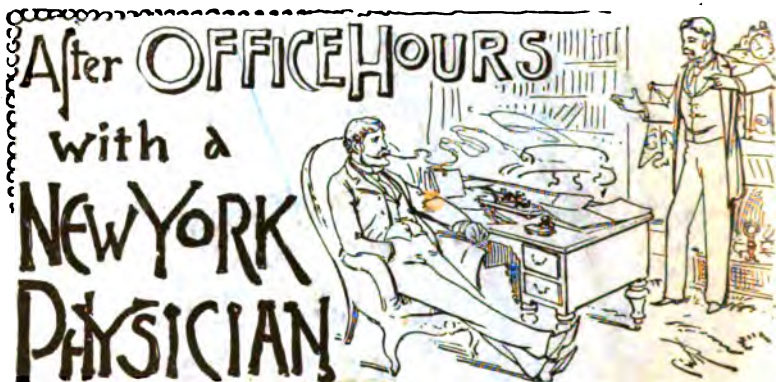
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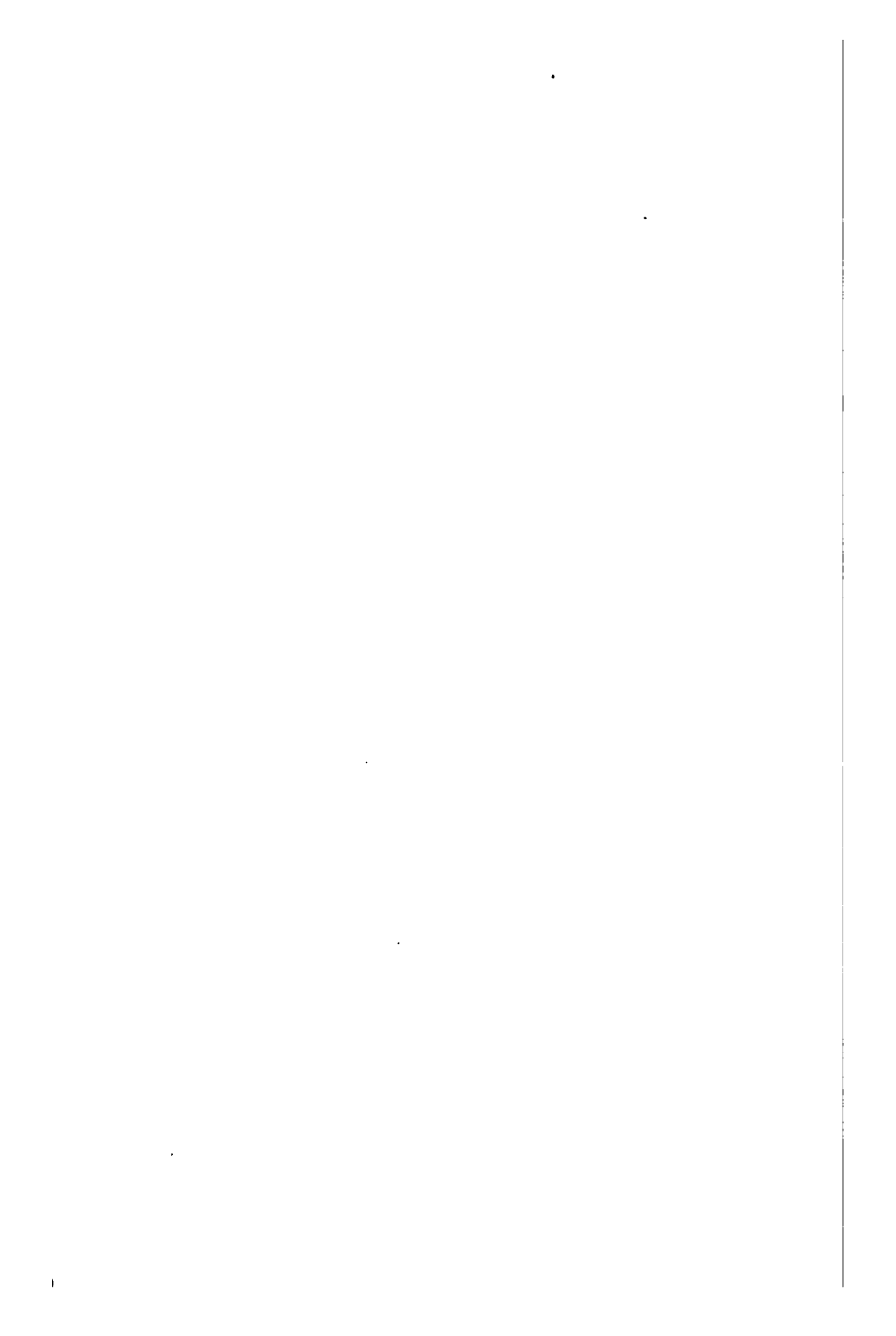
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