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more of the future destiny of the fraternity than any one could have then dreamed of. The letter was read and created quite a commotion. Bros. Tom A. Reily and Will Parker, resident graduate members, and the bulwark of the charge at that time, were hastily summoned and consulted. A special meeting was held in the evening to act upon the matter. After some delay word came to the trembling aspirant that all was well. The initiation was soon over and another Theta Delt constructed. How many times the thought has presented itself, what if one vote should have been negative? How much would have hung thereon of vital moment to the fraternity in its future years? It was quite a crucial test of the wisdom of the charge, to have a stranger presented, whose only recommendation was the letter of a strange brother, for the purpose of an immediate initiation, with a view to the establishment of a new charge. After the initiation a social time was spent and pleasant friendships formed whose memory time cannot efface. The Omega charge has claimed some of the brightest of that company and the rest are scattered far and wide.

Early the next morning on the first train the newly-fledged Greek hastened home again to old Lafayette. Our personal diary records that the first thing done after reaching home was to send for a badge. The consuming thought was to pledge sufficient good men to apply for a charter. On the 8th of October Frank W. Stewart was pledged. On the 10th, after much persuasion, John W. Griggs decided to cast his lot with us. Then Charles H. Baldwin and Frank Rice were pledged. On the 24th day of October, a petition made in due form and signed by Holmes, Kline, Stewart, Baldwin and Rice, was sent to the Alpha. This, by the way, was the last petition ever received by the Alpha, and the old minute book records action on this petition as the last work performed by the Mother Charge before her disbanding. Why the petition was not signed by Griggs can not now be explained. The facts are taken from the old diary whose records were made at the time and are supposed to be accurate. On the 28th of November, another trip was made to Carlisle by the writer and his initiation completed. Before the close of the term, W. N. Stem and

J. M. Harris had been pledged. Bro. Kline left Lafayette at the end of the term, December 12, and from that day until April 1890, nothing was known of his whereabouts. There were grave doubts about the success of our petition. Several of the charges were not favorably disposed, and the general drift of opinion was against the establishment of a charge at Lafayette. At that time the college was not in a flourishing condition. It had for several years existed almost on the verge of dissolution, having been sadly crippled by the war, which took from her halls a large percentage of students. To us the future prospects of the college appeared bright. We were all ambition and inspired with determination to succeed in our efforts to secure a charter. Feeling that actual membership by the petitioners would secure better results, the writer, when returning to college January 4th, 1867, took with him Baldwin and Rice, and stopped off at Lewisburg. The Upsilon was appealed to for assistance. Upon the urgent request of the writer they consented to initiate such men as should be properly recommended, and during this visit Baldwin and Rice were initiated. Within a week after the term opened Stewart consented to go to Lewisburg and was initiated. This gave us four actually initiated men. A vigorous correspondence was then entered upon between ourselves, the Alpha and other charges. The Sigma and Upsilon championed our cause, being personally interested, and our prospects brightened. The months of January and February were known as an anxious period. About the 10th of February the final decision was given by the Alpha in our favor, and the following letter sent to the Upsilon. This letter is given in full, being the last official act of the Alpha, and therefore worthy of place here as a matter of permanent record:

SCHENECTADY, Feb'y 11, 1867.

GEO. H. IRWIN—DEAR BRO.—It has been deemed expedient by the Alpha to grant the establishment of a charge of Theta Delta Chi at Lafayette College, Easton, Pa. We are informed by the petitioners that an embassy selected for the purposes of initiation, etc., may be appointed most conveniently from the Upsilon; therefore in pursuance of Article 9, Sec. 5 and 6 of the Constitution, I, Frank H. Ransom, President of the Alpha, hereby appoint Geo. H. Irwin, Albert G. Hetherington and J.

Dale Wilson, of the Upsilon, to constitute an embassy, whose duty it shall be to proceed as soon as possible to Lafayette College, and there to elect and initiate with due form into the Theta Delta Chi fraternity those persons, recommended by the petitioners, members, and after such election and initiation shall have been performed, the embassy shall deliver to the newly-initiated members, together with those members proposing to remain at said institution the accompanying charter and one copy of the Constitution, whereupon the charge may be announced as being permanently established, until it shall be annulled by a vote of three-fourths of the active members of the Alpha. In case any member or members of this embassy herein appointed should be unable to perform the prescribed duty, the deficiency may be supplied by any selection the three may decide upon.

FRANK H. RANSOM, Prest.

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Dropping the thread for a moment it may be of interest to quote from official charge correspondence a few selections showing the feeling in reference to the establishment of the Phi.

Bro. Lewis Halsey, Xi, to Geo. H. Irwin, Jan. 18, '67.

"As regards the charge at Lafayette, we favored the project, as did the Alpha, or, at least, so they wrote us. I understand the charge was vetoed by one of the New England charges. If you want to get the charge at Lafayette, it would perhaps be a good plan to bring up the matter at next convention, and to have one or two of the Lafayette boys present. I am glad you initiated the Elmira boys (Baldwin and Rice).

A. C. Barney, Zeta, to G. H. Irwin.

I am happy to say that we have sent on our consent to the Alpha, with regard to the establishment of a charge at Lafayette. The Zeta is sorry that you obtained the impression that she refused her consent. We only withheld it until we could learn something in regard to the College. We were not informed with any clearness concerning the College and its prospects.

J. M. Williamson, Sigma, to Geo. H. Irwin, Feb'y 21, '90.

I am glad to hear that the boys at Lafayette have a chapter; they were so in earnest about it. From all accounts the Phi will be an honor to the fraternity."

Acting under the instructions of the Alpha, the embassy from Upsilon, consisting of J. Dale Wilson and Corwin W. Burgess, came to Easton Feb. 28th, and on the morning of March 1st, 1867, occurred the memorable meeting which ushered into existence the Phi charge. At nine o'clock we assembled in the parlor of Bro. Frank Stewart's home. The

embassy, assisted by Bros. Holmes, Stewart, Baldwin and Rice, proceeded to initiate John W. Griggs. Upon the completion of the initiation, the embassy delivered to the writer the charter of the Phi charge, and an organization was at once effected. This charter bore the signatures of Frank H. Ransom, Robt. Payne, R. F. Patterson, Edward Schenck and Martin Schenck; and was issued to Clay W. Holmes, F. J. Kline, F. S. Rice, C. H. Baldwin and F. W. Stewart.

The Phi charge being duly organized elected the following officers :

CLAY W. HOLMES.—President,

FRANK S. RICE.—Rec. Sec'y.

JOHN W. GRIGGS.—Cor. Sec'y.

FRANK W. STEWART.—Treas.

CHAS. H. BALDWIN.—Guard.

The Phi at once took rank as a popular fraternity in the town as well as in the College. Bro. Stewart's social position was of the best, his family and relatives being of the very first families in Easton. This at once gave us a recognized standing and to his membership is clearly due most of the social fame which clustered around the charge during the years of its early existence. In the college Bro. Griggs was a shining member of the Junior class, one of the kind who, without making a great amount of noise, commanded the respect and admiration of both faculty and students. Of the rest it may well be said that we were the humble satellites which reflected the glory of these shining moons, absorbing a portion which was incorrectly attributed to our inherent selves, and thus the charge was strong. The other fraternities were not enjoying a remarkable prosperity. Zeta Psi had a good membership of royal fellows, and in numbers was superior. The race was, however, short and fierce. A year sufficed to give us the lead. During the first few months of our existence meetings were held in the rooms of the different members. At the opening of the fall term a hall was procured and fitted up in appropriate style. This hall was retained during the writer's college course. Room No. 24, "East College," occupied by the writer and Bro. Stewart, was the "loafing

place" for the fraternity, and the boys could always be found here between times concocting schemes for amusement or business. If her walls could report all that transpired under their kindly shelter what a tale would be unfolded. This room is one of the historic spots of the Phi. Our rushing was eminently successful, and the class of '71 gave us some splendid fellows, who, as college men, were among the most popular and their names have since been known to fame. It is not the writer's purpose to attempt a history of the subsequent years of the Phi. He is only familiar with it as a matter of hearsay. That the Phi has maintained the high standard she aimed at in her early existence none can question. As her founder and the relater of her early history we confess our proud admiration of the work in which we were so important a factor. The roll of the charge contains the names of men famous in history, politics, the learned professions and business. We hope to give as opportunity affords sketches of the lives and work of some of these. At the present time it seems appropriate that a brief sketch of those who founded the Phi charge should be recorded that posterity may be permitted to read their records. Much pains has been taken to procure from the subjects, not only accurate data, but photographs, so that the pages of this number might be embellished with their pleasant faces. Failure has attended our efforts in some instances. Those whose faces do not appear in this issue will be produced in subsequent numbers, if received.

The small group photograph, a most valuable mememto, gives a correct impression of "the boys." It was taken in 1870. Bro. Baldwin had left College, and Bro. Long was an addition to our number.

Of Frank J. Kline little can be written. When he came to Lafayette all he told of himself was that his home was in Warsaw, Ind., and that he had spent his freshman year at Washington and Jefferson. Here he joined the Pi charge; why he came to Lafayette, none but himself knew, and when he left he was expected to return at the opening of the next term. This he failed to do. No word was received from him, and repeated letters failed to elicit a word in reply. He disappeared

utterly and was mourned as dead for years. After having endured the long uncertainty the writer determined to trace out his history. A letter to his native town resulted in ascertaining his whereabouts. He promptly responded and a short sketch was given on pages 65 and 186 of Vol. VI. A full history was promised for this article. Letters have been sent to him several times, but no response has been received, and nothing can be told. Should the knowledge ever come it will be given in the SHIELD.



J. M. HARRIS. J. V. LONG,
J. W. GRIGGS, F. W. STEWART, CLAY W. HOLMES,
W. N. STEM. F. S. RICE.

Next in the list comes the modest scribe. As a record of his struggles has never been committed to paper, he may be pardoned for giving place here to some facts as a matter of permanent record. They are not given from any desire to appear in print, but as a necessary part of this narration, with the belief that the brothers will so understand.

Clay W. Holmes was born in Le Raysville, Penna., Sept. 26, 1848. A sister and two brothers, all of whom died in their infancy, left him as an only child. His parents removed to Canton, Pa., while he was a young lad. His early education was at home, tutored by his father. In 1861 he attended a private school at Troy, Pa. In 1862 he entered the Susquehanna Collegiate Institute at Towanda, Pa., where he remained two years. In 1864 he entered the advanced class of Cortland Academy at Homer, N. Y. Here he was the classmate of J. H. Ecob, who afterward joined the Psi at Hamilton and is now an eminent divine of Albany. In the fall of 1865, at the age of 16, he entered Lafayette College as a freshman. Although his examinations permitted his entering the sophomore class, the full classical course was taken. During the second term senior, being then in his twentieth year, while in the recitation room on the morning of Feb'y 15, 1869, a telegram came announcing the death of his father at his home in Elmira, N. Y. Taking only a week's absence the term was completed. The loss of his father made it necessary to forego the expense of graduation exercises. Entering a drug store he pursued at the same time the study of medicine. In the fall of 1869 he entered the University of Pennsylvania and attended the course of medical lectures. Having borrowed all the funds with which to continue these studies, it seemed expedient to drop the profession and take up business, to secure immediate resources for pressing personal needs and the support of his mother, who had no one else to depend upon. Being proficient in chemistry and well versed in pharmacy, a situation was secured in a leading drug store in Elmira. Early in 1871 the position of manager of a store in Wilkesbarre, Pa., was tendered at a largely increased salary. It was at once accepted. In November of the same year he was married and took up his residence there. In June, 1872, the position was given up and he opened a drug store on his own account. The venture was immediately successful. January 1, 1878, he sold out and returned to Elmira, buying a half interest in a retail drug store. In 1881 the retail business was dropped and an exclusively wholesale and manufacturing business opened.



Clay W. Holmes



Ch. W. Holmes

This was successful. In 1885 the store was burned out. Heavy losses reduced him to first principles. With no capital except willing hands, a manufacturing business was started, soon devoted exclusively to the manufacture of one specialty, which was from the first a flattering success, and has a universal sale throughout the United States and Canada. In January 1889 he was appointed general manager of the Elmira *Advertiser* Association, since which time he has successfully conducted the business and also continues the manufacture of the specialty. In May, 1879, he assisted in organizing the New York State Pharmaceutical Association and was elected secretary. This position he has held continuously since that date. The experience derived from editing the voluminous proceedings of this association is the key note of his success as editor of the SHIELD. In 1884 he was elected a member of the Elmira City Council, and after three years service declined a re-election on account of private business. For ten years he was treasurer of the First Baptist Church of Elmira, retiring on account of pressure of other work. In 1889 the SHIELD was taken up. At the present time, in the full vigor of manhood, his labors are distributed among a number of important interests. The Fraternity has its share of his attention. He has one child, a daughter eighteen years of age, now a junior in "Elmira College." He was elected secretary of the first Grand Lodge in 1868 and president of the Grand Lodge in 1890.

Frank Wells Stewart was born in Easton in the year 1848. His early education was received there, except the portion of his preparatory education which was received at Galesburg, Ill. He entered the class of 1869 and was a room-mate of the writer. After leaving college he entered the wholesale dry-goods house of his father, and rapidly advancing, he has been allowed to assume the work, and as a result he now manages this large wholesale business, and is a partner in the concern. He was married some ten or twelve years ago to one of Easton's loveliest maidens, and in a charming home seems to be filling the measure of a happy and successful existence. A consistent member of society, a loyal citizen and a successful business man, honored and respected by all, Bro. Stewart has

been the mainstay and balance wheel of the Phi for many years. Somewhere in the eighties the condition of the charge became such that he deemed it expedient to withdraw the charge owing to the scarcity of good material. The charge for a short time ceased to exist. When the time came which justified the re-establishment of the charge, it was done, and to-day the Phi stands up firmly and in a flourishing condition. Brother Stewart is always ready to lend a helping hand. After the convention of 1872 he was elected president of the Grand Lodge to succeed S. D. Cornell, who resigned. He was re-elected by the conventions of '73 and '74. His record was one of marked ability and success. Bro. Stewart may safely be called one of the pillars of the Fraternity. We regret that we cannot give a recent portrait. The group gives a good idea of his appearance as an active member in the days when he was familiarly known as "Pill" Stewart and "Old Pill." His most prominent characteristic was his feet. They served him well, however. He was possessed of a broad-shouldered good nature, which took offense at none of the raillery which was heaped upon him. The same genial, whole-souled manhood has characterized him during all the years which have passed.

John W. Griggs was born in Newton, N. J., July 10, 1849. Of his early history we have no record. He entered Lafayette in 1865 as a sophomore and graduated in 1868. When he entered college his external appearance gave the boys an impression that he was "a farmer," but they soon found out that he had no "hayseed in his hair." He took rank at once as a brilliant student, not showy but always reliable; one of the kind of men whose very presence commanded admiration, and to whom the boys could safely go for good brotherly counsel. After leaving college he entered at once upon the study of law, and was admitted to the bar in 1871. He opened an office at Paterson, N. J., and still holds forth at the same place. During the years he has made a mark in the history of New Jersey which is indelible. He was a member of the New Jersey assembly in 1876 and 1877; senator from Passaic county two terms, 1883 to 1888. He was president of the senate in 1886, and the record he made as the leader of the Republican party

in that year is doubtless familiar to all. He was delegate at large from New Jersey to the Republican National convention at Chicago in 1888. At present he is out of politics, whether permanently or not does not appear. It may be said of him, however, that his record is brilliant, a forcible speaker, a close thinker, whenever he stands to speak, whether in the halls of state or around the banquet board of his dearly cherished fraternity, his very presence commands attention and the thoughts he utters carry conviction. For many years he has been attorney for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. His practice has been uniformly successful and lucrative. As a member of the Phi charge, his influence for good was felt at once. He was slow to decide whether he would join or not. Many hours were spent in setting forth the advantages of fraternity life. No harder work was ever done by the writer than that put forth in rushing Griggs. When he decided to take the step, he entered with his whole soul into the work and his efforts for the advancement of the Phi were such as to elevate the standard of the charge. His example to his brothers was always good. The Phi to-day takes great pride in pointing to his public and private career, and it confers an honor upon her to say that John W. Griggs is a member. So it does upon the fraternity at large.

Charles H. Baldwin was born in Elmira, April 8, 1848. His early education was obtained in Elmira. He entered Lafayette in 1866 as a freshman. His health failed him and he was obliged to leave before the close of his second year. Although not long with the charge he was a very active and zealous worker. For many years after leaving college he was in the employ of the Pittston and Elmira Coal Company. In 1880 he was elected secretary of the McIntyre Coal Company. In 1887 he resigned and went west, locating in Eldorado, Kan., where he entered the hardware trade. He sold out and returned to Elmira in 1890 to accept the position of manager of the Elmira Street Railway system. He still maintains his record as an all-around hustler, faithful to his business, and yet loyal to his fraternity. He has worn his badge every day since he joined the fraternity.

Frank S. Rice was born in Elmira in 1849. His early education was obtained in the high schools. He entered Lafayette in 1866 as a freshman, but left at the close of the year. He studied law and for many years followed his profession in Elmira. In 1888 he removed to Aspen, Col., where he has made a signal success. He is regarded as one of the shining lights of the Colorado bar. He has recently published "Rice's Annotated Code," reference to which was made in vol. 6, page 54. He is also president of a large mining company. During his college life his prominent characteristic was high flown language and a generous use of the King's English to such an extent that it was often said of him that he had swallowed a "Webster's dictionary." A characteristic letter is reproduced in correspondence. It will be recognized instantly by any of the old Phi boys. It is just like him. His heart is as large as his language. He and Baldwin were inseparable companions. Rice's "incipient greatness" is illustrated in the little group. A comparison with the mature portrait is interesting. A handsome diamond shield is proudly worn and has been constantly since he joined the Phi. It is to be regretted that the SHIELD cannot at this time produce the portraits of all the boys.

W. Nelson Stem was born at Fredericksburg, Va., May 12, 1849. His parents removed to Easton while he was an infant. He attended the public schools, graduating from the Easton High school in 1863. In the fall of the same year he entered Lafayette, remaining two years. In 1865 he entered a drug store in Easton. In 1867 he returned to college, remaining till the end of first term senior, when he left to enter a drug store in Belvidere, N. J. After a short time he went to Horseheads, N. Y., then back to Easton. In August, 1871, he went to Philadelphia and entered the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. He graduated in 1873 and entered the store of Robert C. Brodie, corner Twentieth and Callowhill streets, where he has remained ever since. Inside of five years he had neglected his business sufficiently to make love to the daughter of his employer, and they were married in October, 1876. In 1878 he became a partner in the store also, and the

firm was styled Robert C. Brodie & Co. For the past eight years he has taken an active interest in the Alumni Association of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, and in the college work. He was elected president of the Alumni Association, and also a member of the board of trustees of the College. He was elected the first president of the Apothecaries Union of Philadelphia, and at the expiration of his term of office was re-elected. He has one child, a boy of eleven years, who will probably be a Theta Delt some day. Bro. Stem was the first member initiated by the Phi charge after her establishment.

Of Johnathan Moore Harris' personal life little can at present be given. No facts are at hand. He resided in Phillipsburg, N. J., and entered college in 1866 as a freshman. He was probably about sixteen years of age. He had a character peculiar to himself. Jack was one of the easy, good-natured jovial fellows, who always had a dry joke to crack on the boys ; he was always promising to do things, which the other boys did for him. He sorely tried the boys and yet he was one of the most popular in the crowd. Everyone liked him. The "machine poetry" reproduced in this number is a perfect picture of him as he was known to us in college days. In reply to a request for history and a picture the following very characteristic letter was received :

POTTSVILLE, PA., March 4th, 1891.

MY DEAR HOLMES.—In regard to complying with your request for my photograph; I hardly know what to say. I have no photograph on hand ; but it is not impossible that I may screw up courage to have one taken in time for your proposed history.

The last alleged picture of me appeared in the New York *Herald* some time last fall ; and you would be surprised to find how interesting it was. It was unrecognizable by my friends and there were many amusing guesses as to whom it was meant for. Some people thought it was King Kalakoa ; some thought it was Bildad the Shuhite ; and I am positive the same cut has been used as a portrait of the late Gen. Sherman and of one or two murderers now awaiting execution. However, if I can comply with your request, I will do so. Will be glad to see you in Pottsville at any time.

With best wishes, I am fraternally yours,
J. M. HARRIS.

Bro. Harris is at present manager of a large silk mill at

Pottsville, Pa. Harris and Rice were our "battery" of fun-makers. What jokes they could not perpetrate were hardly worth thinking about.

This completes the sketch of those closely identified with the Phi, and we would close our remarks, presuming everybody is tired, excepting, perhaps, those who helped to make the history we are writing, and as they read it are living over the good old times, but we must say a word about those who are now the active men of the Phi. The frontispiece of this number is from a photograph taken May 1st expressly for the SHIELD, and contains every member now in the charge. Probably not a single one had been born when the charge was founded, hence we may call them the second generation of the Phi. They are a noble looking company. In the group may be found some of the highest honor men of Lafayette. After a careful look at the picture it needs no word of ours to assure the fraternity that the interests of the Phi are safe, and that her standard still floats high. The only regret we might utter is that in the group we can not see the son of any of the first generation. We have visited the charge and assure the old Phi boys that their hearts would be gladdened by going back to Lafayette to see them. Nothing gives the charge so much encouragement as to receive visits from those who were wont to tread the same haunts. Now our task is accomplished. As we have searched old records we have lived over in memory the halcyon days of long ago. Brain and pen have vied with each other, and as this incongruous mass has been transferred to paper, we have been lost in the maze. There has been no effort at order or style, simply a desire to put on record a history of the charge we love so well and fostered so tenderly in the years agone. We may be pardoned for anything which may seem out of place. The resolution passed by the New England Association emboldened us to publish our own portrait as a part of this narrative. It is a pleasure to know just how a person looks sometimes. In a moment of weakness "the editor's picture," as he actually appears when at work, was taken and is reproduced. We declined the pan hellenic invitation to show ourselves with the other editors in

public, having no desire to be "exhibited," but here we present ourself that the Theta Deltas may see how the man looks to whom they have intrusted so much. You see him as he appeared when, as a boy, he took upon himself the vows of eternal constancy, and now—not grey-headed, but bald-headed—he still toils for the advancement of his chosen fraternity.

When examining the old records of the charge one book was taken up and as the cover was lifted a surprise greeted us. On the fly leaf was inscribed in the editor's own handwriting the following: "Herein are recorded the brilliant productions of the illustrious sons of the Phi, to be preserved for coming generations, that they may enjoy what their predecessors have enjoyed." Turning over the leaf appears the copy of an oration delivered at the second annual reunion, March 1, 1869. As this is the only oration of the editor, known to be in existence, it is given a place in this number, not as a sample of scholarly ability, by any means, but a matter of permanent record. Compare this twenty-two-year-old oration with the writer's views of the present day and see how they agree. Turning again the response of Bro. Alex. Sherrerd appears copied by its author. The next article is a poem by Bro. J. M. Harris, also in the author's own handwriting, which is so characteristic that we gladly give it a place. A loose sheet of paper found in the book proves to be the minutes of this reunion. It comes back as the report is made. It was the last meeting of the editor's college life, and as everything pertaining to the Phi is entitled to appear in this number, this also is reproduced. If it shall serve to recall as many happy memories to the others who were present at that glorious reunion we shall feel fully repaid for our efforts. And now, brothers, our task is really ended. As the founder and father of the charge much proud satisfaction is felt over the results of early labors. If our present work shall be as highly thought of and our name as famous in years to come as has been that of the Phi charge in the past, then, indeed, can we happily wend our way over the River, when the call shall summon us, leaving behind an influence which may be a power for good through the ages to come.

SECOND ANNUAL REUNION OF THE PHI CHARGE.

MARCH 1, 1869.

The second annual reunion of the Phi charge was held in their hall on the evening of March 1, 1869. All the active members were present, also Bros. Stem and Theo. Juvenal. Letters were read from Sigma and Xi charges; also from Bros. Long, Condit, Hansell, Baldwin and Adamson. Bro. Holmes delivered an exceedingly well-written and well-delivered oration and took his seat with well-merited applause. Bro. Alex. Sherrerd responded in an effort which reflected credit on himself, and the good taste of the charge in electing him. Bro. Harris followed with his "poem." Bro. Stem then favored the charge with an account of his first experience with the fraternity. Bro. Theo. Juvenal followed with a very few very short remarks. Bro. Griggs also made some remarks. Bro. Holmes gave the meeting an account of the famous so-called "first degree." Bro. Stewart invited the charge to adjourn to the United States Hotel for the banquet, prefacing his invitation by remarks expressive of his satisfaction with the exercises and regret at not seeing more visitors. The meeting then adjourned. At the banquet Bro. Stewart presided. After due justice to the most magnificent banquet ever furnished in Easton the toasting began.

"The Phi. May She Ever Live."—F. W. Stewart.

"Alma Mater."—John W. Griggs.

"The Grand Lodge."—Clay W. Holmes.

Following these came "Our Guests," "Our Seniors," "Our Juniors," "Our Soph's," "Our Freshmen," "The Smallest Man in the Charge," "The Ladies."

At this point the scribe got sleepy and omitted taking down the rest of the toasts. The meeting closed at a late hour, after having spent a most pleasant reunion. J. M. HARRIS.



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WHAT CONSTITUTES A GENTLEMAN ?

An Oration Delivered at the Second Annual Reunion of the Phi Charge, March 1, 1869, by Clay W. Holmes.

“ *Vir bonus est quis?* ” was the inquiry of an eminent Roman satirist. Long before this day, however, there was the same doubt existing as to the peculiar qualities which constitute a gentleman. Not pausing to consider what the ancients deemed to be requisites of a gentleman, let us take a hasty glance at the popular gentleman of different nations and periods. We begin with England during the reign of the “ lion king.” The gentleman of that day was the one who kept a house full of beef and beer for every vagabond that was too lazy to work for it, a host of blue-coated serving men, who did nothing but eat and drink from morning until night, while the gentleman himself hunted till noon and then got gloriously drunk. Next we have the gentleman of the “ house of Stuart.” Why was he a gentleman? He swore the newest and most exquisite oaths. He drank, gambled, lived by cheating, and died, ten to one, in a riot or duel. His love was licentiousness, his honor a bubble. His valor was the only shade of virtue he possessed. Then came the courteous, false, pompous gentleman of Chesterfield, sinning by note as it were. He differed from the last named in that he excelled him in every manner of vice. Hypocrisy was his element. The gentleman of George IV. was your very polished gentleman, and why? He cleaned his white-top boots with champagne. He was dressed in the latest style, *a la Beau Brummel*. Little else can be said of him. Such also were the important characteristics of the gentleman of France at that period. We might trace the gentleman of England or France down to the present day with no better results.

The gentleman of our own country demands our attention. What is he? A more puzzling question could scarcely be asked. Every community is stocked with persons calling themselves gentlemen. The true state of the case is this. Any one who is dressed in the tailor’s best, *a la Broadway*

swell, and possesses plenty of filthy lucre, passes current in society as a gentleman. The drunkard, the gambler, the forger, the murderer, mingles in our social circles, cloaked in the garb of a gentleman. It is marvellous that all are gentlemen for this, that or the other reason, without a single quality in common, or on which any can pride himself. Since we are unable to decide what the gentleman of this or any other nation is, let us endeavor to solve the easier problem, "What a Gentleman Should Be."

In order that a man may be a gentleman, he must be educated. He must be proud—too proud to do a mean action, to utter a mean word behind the back that he dare not to the face. Too proud to shrink from doing right, too proud to court the great or despise the humble. He must possess bravery, self-possession, and charity in the widest sense of the term. He must be kind, not only to his family and friends, but to the tattered beggar, the brute, and even the insect that grovels in the dust beneath his feet. He must be courteous to all, respectful to old age, always truthful, honest and sober-minded. He must shun the wine cup. He must be loyal to himself, to his country, and most of all to his God. A gentleman must be a Christian.

When the sun rose on the 1st day of March, 1867, the Phi charge of Theta Delta Chi was a thing dreamed of. Ere the brilliant orb passed behind the western hills it was a living reality. That day will ever be memorable in our fraternal world for having given birth to a star which is destined to be a brilliant ornament in the mystic constellation of our brotherhood. Our progress has been continually onward and upward, and to-night we stand first on the list of secret organizations of our "Alma Mater." Our brothers from abroad look with pride upon our prosperity and bespeak for us a happy career. Some of those who nourished the Phi in her infancy have left the fold. Three only of that pilgrim band are with you. Soon their active connection with the charge will be broken off, and she must rely on her younger sons for support. We unite with you, brothers, for the last time as active members in commemorating our natal day. Perhaps it may never be our

happy privilege to be present at another reunion. If such should be the case, we ask you to remember us as you gather round the festive board, and think that we are, and will be as long as our lives last, enlisted heart and soul in the prosperity of our noble charge. Our example to you in days past has not been what we might have wished, we have wandered far from the path of rectitude. If we have left any good example, we ask you to follow it. Our bad ones throw aside, and prove to us in your future career, by your better conduct, that you have forgotten them. In resigning to you who remain the archives and reputation of the Phi charge, we feel that we entrust them to those who will preserve them even better than we have done. Be ever on the alert lest in an hour when you think not a traitor enter the fold. Guard that book so eminently sacred to our order. Let the principles inscribed on its pages be your guide on every occasion.

In conclusion, let us express the wish that the Phi charge may ever increase in glory, and be "in deed and in truth" an everlasting honor to the fountain head from which it sprang.

RESPONSE BY ALEX. SHERRERD,

We have met once more in these halls of secrecy to celebrate in song and story the day held sacred by every member of the Phi charge; that day ever memorable to us, for it marks our birth as a chapter. Two years ago to-day the numbers of Theta Delta Chi were swelled and her responsibilities increased, increased did I say, no rather decreased, for there is not one of us but that is willing to sustain cheerfully his share of any responsibility which might devolve upon her; if there is one who would not be willing he is not a true brother, but I know there is no such person among us this night.

Where shall we find language to express to the founders of the charge (some of whom are among us to-night) our gratitude to them for their perseverance and unceasing efforts for our welfare in infancy? We cannot give them more than our sincere thanks, and encouragment by our unceasing work for its

prosperity, and a promise always when any opportunity presents itself to advance the cause we all have at heart. This we are sure will give them more pleasure than anything else we could bestow as a reward for their beneficence.

As a proof of their zeal for the cause, we can quote no better than from the book, "By their fruit shall ye know them." And by taking a retrospective glance at those who have inhabited the classic halls on yonder hill for the past two years and who have made, and still do make, those halls resound their eloquence by day and merriment by night, you will find some of the foremost of them among us. Let us all be encouraged by their example and enlivened to a still greater love for the fraternity, if it be possible to have greater, for with love and zeal we are bound to advance in success and prosperity. May we all remember that success depends upon each individual member, and his conduct should be in accordance if he would be a faithful brother.

But this is not the time to give advice, for we are met together for pleasure and not dry instruction; neither am I the fit person to give it, being young in our common cause, and consequently in experience.

What is more interesting, and what fills the soul with more delight than these happy memories? Are we not happy, and do we not hail with joy unspeakable our anniversary? Yet how young we are. How much more pleasant then is it when the yearly reunions can be counted by tens. We can look with pleasure into the future and anticipate our tenth anniversary, for it is not far distant, when we shall assemble perchance in these same halls, but with increased numbers. We will then find occupying our places here others unknown at present, who we hope will always welcome us as we trust we have welcomed those who have gone forth from us. We have already sent ten into the business world, but we are always with them in spirit when not in person, and are always ready to extend to them the old grip of welcome. We are about to send two more, Bros. Holmes and Stewart, who have success marked out for them, to try their fortunes in this uncertain world. We send them with regret, knowing the value of their counsel, and hoping to profit by it in future.

With the best wishes of all for their welfare, we will give them an affectionate farewell.

THE GLORIOUS OLD PHI.

A Poem Delivered at the Second Annual Reunion of the Phi
Charge, March 1, 1869, by J. M. Harris.

To me the lot has fallen
By ballot of the Phi,
To sound in verse, the praises
Of Theta Delta Chi.

For me to try in verses
Her excellence to prove,
Would be a work of folly,
Although a work of love.

And yet, I will attempt it,
But since I needs must write,
My muse must take a lower
Than such a heavenly flight.

My theme shall be our chapter,
"The ever-glorious Phi,"
Even now although its lowered
My muse flies rather high.

Among the "charter members,"
First comes the noble Kline;
Now sing; my muse, his praises
In characters divine.

He joined our great Fraternity
In eighteen sixty-five.
At that most ancient period
The Phi was not alive.

Having entered "LaFayette"
In the class of "Sixty-Nine,"
He soon began to prove himself
A scholar truly fine.

Not that he wasted all his
Energies on French or Xenophon,
For he soon struck up a friendship
With Doctor Holmes' son.

Although he was erratic
And sometimes rather high,
His services were boundless
In the founding of the Phi.

His college course was brilliant,
His scholarship was fair,
And when he left the college
And went, the Lord knows where,

Our gratitude went with him,
For him we breathe a sigh,
A truly noble spirit
Of Theta Delta Chi.

And on the list next comes,
 A character known well
 To Theta Delts as "Brother Holmes,"
 By us, he's called "the Swell."

And now to quote a poet
 Who had in mind such men,
 When he inscribed his poem
 Would not disgrace our pen.

"Lives of great men all remind us
 We can make our lives sublime,
 And departing leave behind us
 Footprints on the sands of time."

To show the application
 Of this most noble verse
 Would need a better poet
 Than I, whose thoughts are sparse.

The only application
 Which we can now devise,
 Will be to Holmes, the noble,
 The brave, the great, the wise,

That strong and able veteran,
 Of Theta Delta Chi,
 The glory of the Sigma,
 The founder of the Phi.

The excellent and eloquent,
 The pride of Sixty-Nine,
 Oh that kind fate had gi'n me
 A better muse than mine;

Whose wings would bear ascending
 To the Olympian domes
 To learn from fair Minerva
 The excellence of Holmes.

For in the blissful regions
 At Jupiter's great throne,
 The gods preserve the record
 Of deeds which he has done.

We fain would tarry longer
 His actions to narrate,
 But see by yawning faces
 The time is getting late.

We'll leave him as we started
 By quoting something fine,
 To illustrate the destiny
 In which he'll one day shine.

"The applause of listening senates to command,
 All threats of pain and ruin to despise,
 To scatter blessings o'er a smiling land
 And read his history in a nation's eyes."

Of Stewart's merits now we sing,
 And now my muse must plume her wing
 And from celestial regions bring
 The record of his deeds.

Achilles' deeds in Homer's song
 To heavenly deities belong.
 But they must pale before the fame
 Which greets our worthy Stewart's name.

The praise of Kline we've sung before,
 Belongs to him and something more.
 This man of council deep, though bold,
 Of action free and uncontrolled.

His name belongs with those of men,
 Whose deeds deserve a Shakespeare's pen.
 Should he but strive, his name, I reckon,
 Would rank with that of Locke or Bacon.

My humble muse has not the art
 A proper need of praise t' impart,
 And thus we leave him in his glory
 Fit subject for a poet's story.

Now to my mind there comes in view
 A "Huckleberry" good and true,
 His name is Baldwin, from New York,
 A man who's born to make his mark.

And now my eye has chanced upon
 The truly glorious name of John.
 By John I mean no less than Brother Griggs,
 And now my muse your fixed attention begs.

For a short time to hear her tell
 Of him the Phi should love so well;
 For he once saved her from the spell
 Of the Phi Kapps; those hounds of hell,

Who tried old Theta Delta Chi
 To drag down from her station high,
 And just succeeded far enough to put
 Their worthless necks beneath the Phi's great foot.

Which almost crushed them, and we trust
 Will ever keep them in the dust.
 And, be it to his credit ever,
 John Griggs did from that scrape deliver

The charge he always served so well,
 But let Phi Kappa Sigma tell;
 How soon he baulked her plot of hell
 And how her devilish intrigues fell.

No more we say, but let us always see
 That to his worth all praise shall ever be.
 He now has left this classic spot
 And soon will conquer juries by his ardor hot.

And Rice and Long come next in view,
 They were a very jolly two.
 The one to "cutty sarks" was prone,
 The other chickens liked to "bone."

And now my muse of Brother Stem
 Shows mightily a wish to squeak,
 But, by the faces of the men
 I see you'd rather hear him speak.

And, that we pass him by you'll not regret
 When you have heard his eloquence and wit.
 When I have ceased, we'll not let him decline.
 And he'll regale us with a speech that's truly fine.

Next on the magic list does come,
 "A youth to fortune and to fame unknown."
 His name is Harris, we will say no more,
 For worthier men come now upon the floor.

Juvenal Jake and Juvenal The,
 Jollier fellows ne'er could be.
 Dickson, Hogg and Adamson,
 Gentleman true was every one.

Douglass Ben and Douglass Bill,
 Smith, H. E. and Smith, H. A.
 Each a page himself should fill,
 But no longer we delay.

Alec Sherrerd, "Georg" true
 We could write an hour on you,
 But let future classes tell
 How the Phi he served well.

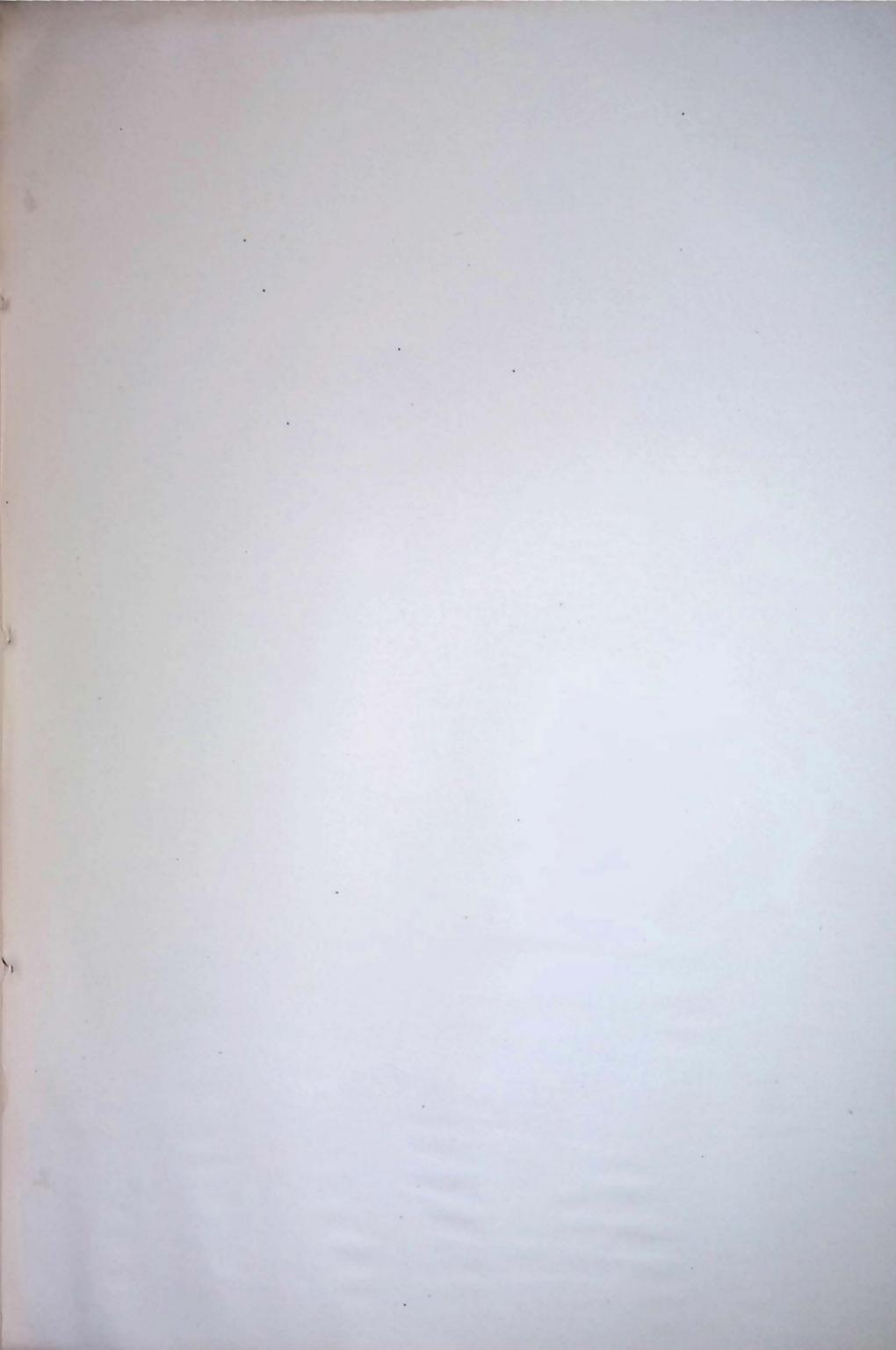
Now we close this stupid rhyme ;
 Many here will say "it's time,"
 But let us your pardon ask
 For enforcing such a task.

As to make listen long
 To this manufactured song,
 To the guests I now I am speaking,
 Pray forgive this humble squeaking.

Muse, I've not and never had,
 But to serve the charge, I'm glad
 Any task which I can do
 I'll perform and gladly too.

If 'twill serve the cause I love,
 And my zeal for it will prove.
 Now my friends, *hoc finis est*,
 If I write again "I'm blest."







CHARLES H. BALDWIN.

TRANQUILTY OF THE NEW ENGLAND
PROTESTANT CHURCH

On the evening of Friday, June 24th, at Young's Hotel in Boston, the Protestant Church from the eastern Seaboard to celebrate the anniversary of its union. The business meeting was called to order by Dr. Jno. Seth P. Smith, who, since the association was formed, has been continuously its faithful President. The address of the first annual meeting was read. It was voted to extend a telegram of congratulation to the Southern Association, and to Dr. Horatio Russell, Baltimore, but as our meeting was then being suspended on account of the arrival of the telegram, it was not voted. It was voted, as the sense of the meeting, that the editor of the *Friend* be invited to speak at the meeting of the present or the next Saturday evening. His presence might have the effect of seeing how he would fit in with the young boys given to the popular Denterge. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Rev. Dr. George W. Chapman, H. H. Green, Hon. Augustus A. French, W. C. French, Dr. J. W. Dixon; Directors, Dr. George Chapman, Dr. H. H. Green, Dr. Groce, Kappa, Dr. Chapman, Dr. French, Dr. H. H. Green, Dr. S. Stewart, Mr. F. D. French, Dr. J. W. Dixon, Dr. J. P. Jones, Theta Delta Chi, Dr. Chapman, Dr. French, Dr. Green, Walter W. Law, Jr., Dr. French.

No further business was done, the meeting adjourned to the State dinner, and the meeting adjourned such as to insure "Young's" a full house. The tables were laid, and after grace had been pronounced, the young boys, the hungry hordes eagerly attacked the great feast that was before them. The menu bespoke a dispensation, "I do my best, with a hand-painted title page, a success was the result, white and blue ribbons, complete a meal of which did much credit upon the good taste of the cooks. The meeting passed, as all things do, and after a short while, as any college boys can sing, Bro. Smith, at least in part of the meeting, introduced the intellec-

BANQUET OF THE NEW ENGLAND ASSOCIATION.

On the evening of April 3d there assembled at Young's Hotel, in Boston, representative delegations from the eastern charges to celebrate the eighth annual reunion. The business meeting was called to order at 7:30 by Bro. Seth P. Smith, who since the association was organized has been continuously its faithful President. The minutes of the last annual meeting were read. It was voted to send a telegram of congratulation to the Southern Association banqueting at Hotel Rennert, Baltimore, but all telegraphic communication being suspended on account of the great storm it could not be sent. It was voted as the sense of the N. E. Association that the editor of the SHIELD be earnestly requested to publish his portrait in the next SHIELD, so that the readers might have the privilege of seeing how he looked. The next banquet was given to the Epsilon Deuteron charge. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :

President, Seth P. Smith ; Vice Presidents, E. H. Capen, Hon. Augustus S. Miller, M. C. Fernald, Hon. Nathan F. Dixon ; Directors, F. L. Hayes, Omicron Deuteron ; J. B. Groce, Kappa ; F. Durgin, Eta ; T. S. Thomas, Lambda ; G. S. Stewart, Mu Deuteron ; H. S. Gardner, Zeta ; G. F. Dana, Theta Deuteron ; Ralph W. Sprague, Epsilon Deuteron. Walter W. Law, Jr., Sec'y and Treas.

No further business appearing the assembly adjourned to the State banquet hall to partake of a banquet such as few outside "Young's" can give. Seventy-one covers were laid, and after grace had been spoken by Bro. Spencer the hungry horde eagerly attacked the good things spread before them. The menu bespoke a dainty feast. Beautiful in itself, with a hand-painted title page, decorated with the black, white and blue ribbons, complete in its details, it reflected much credit upon the good taste of Bro. Smith. The dinner passed, as all things do, and after a song, such as only college boys can sing, Bro. Smith, as toastmaster of the evening, introduced the intellec-

tual course by a few facetious remarks, after which the poet of the evening, Bro. H. S. Hopkins, was introduced and read a very excellent production, which appears elsewhere in this number. This was followed by a song. The orator of the evening, Bro. Wm. E. Hogan, *O^A '72*, of Bath, Me., delivered an interesting address, founded on his college experience, which, to the undergraduates present, was a fund of good, sensible advice. He desired to renew his youth again and be "a child again just for to-night." He said that his experience enabled him to give the boys three axioms, which if followed, were sure to win for them a successful career. First—Never get scared. Second—Never get discouraged. Third—Always feel that you are as good as any other man. He said this was the first night in many years when he had laid aside business to meet with the boys, and it filled his heart with joy to see that the years had not lessened the brightness of the fraternal bond.

Letters were read from Prof. Brewer, M. C. Fernald, N. L. Bachman, Hon. Nathan F. Dixon, Wm. L. Stone, A. L. Bartlett, and others.

The regular toasts were then given as follows :

The Condition of the Fraternity—Clay W. Holmes.

The Press—John W. Luce.

The Kappa Charge—M. M. Johnson.

Theta Delt Girls—M. L. Kimball.

Lambda Charge—F. W. Adams.

Theta Deuteron Charge—G. Burton Hawley.

Omicron Deuteron Charge—F. W. Plummer.

The Omega Charge—In silence.

The parting song was sung in the usual style of the brotherhood, and as the banquet was about to dissolve, one of the brothers said they ought not to disperse without giving substantial evidence of their support of the catalogue. A very animated endorsement of the work in hand was expressed and in a few minutes, led by Bro. J. L. Brooks, the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars was pledged. Thanks were

voted to the ever faithful, Bro. Wm. S. Kimball, for the Theta Delt cigarettes, without which no banquet would be complete.

The following is a list of the attendance:

Clay W. Holmes, Φ '69, as the guest of the evening.

From Omicron Deuteron.—Wm. E. Hogan, '72; Seth P. Smith, '82; Geo. W. Woodward, '87; Herbert S. Hopkins, '91; J. F. Allison, '91; F. W. Plummer, '91; Harry C. Allen, '92; Geo. F. Dana, '93.

Eta.—E. W. Bartlett, '80; H. H. Chase, '82; Parker C. Newbegin, '84; Irving W. Horne, '86; Frank R. Arnold, '89; G. F. Freeman, '90; B. D. Ridlon, '91; Chas. S. Wright, '91; Chas. E. Riley, '91; Edward H. Newbegin, '91; C. H. Hastings, '91; Gould A. Porter, '91; Fred E. Parker, '91; Martin L. Kimball, '92; H. W. Curtis, '92; John F. Hodgson, '92; G. A. Porter, '93; Byron F. Barker, '93.

Lambda.—A. C. Janes, '89; H. J. Bickford, '89; Chas. J. Bullock, '89; A. W. Hobson, '89; G. H. Spencer, '90; J. L. Brooks, '90; John Wenzel, '91; Chas. T. Snow, '91; John W. Luce, '92; Fred W. Adams, '92; A. R. Paull, '92; Chas. B. Tewksbury, '92; W. F. Gilman, '92; John H. Fuller, '93; Joseph G. Wyman, '93; Fred B. Kellogg, '93; W. G. Spencer, '93; A. L. Pitcher, '93; Wm. R. Rogers, '94; Geo. B. Adams, '94.

Theta Deuteron.—H. H. Ensworth, '91; G. W. Pierce, '91; Frank H. Dorr, '91; Henry C. Dresser, '92; Francis C. Norton, '92; Homer H. Creeden, '92; G. Burton Hawley, '92.

Kappa.—T. E. Kimball, '82; Frank E. Bateman, '87; Arthur W. Grose, '91; Wm. L. Gray, '91; W. H. Goodrich, '91; Charles L. Reed, '92; A. E. Peterson, '92; Melvin M. Johnson, '92; Jas. S. Eastwood, '94.

Zeta.—Edward C. Stiness, '90; A. W. A. Travers, '91; A. D. Tucker, '92.

Mu Deuteron.—W. W. Farnham, '91; G. S. Stewart, '91; G. P. Hitchcock, '92; Luther G. Paul, '93; Martin T. Baldwin, '93.

THE WORLD'S DESIRE

A Poem Read at the Eighth Annual Banquet of the New England Association, Young's Hotel, Boston, April 3, 1891.

BY HERBERT S. HOPKINS.

I have a shield ; I love it well
'Though 'tis a tiny thing ;
Nor can it tales of battle tell
Or thoughts of conflict bring ;

It was not forged 'midst wars' alarms
When slaughter rolls apace ;
No hammer, swung by brawny arms,
Fashioned its glorious face.

It never clashed beneath the weight
Of winged shaft, or spear ;
It never flashed back looks of hate
Or shielded coward fear.

'Twas wrought 'mid scenes of peace, and love,
And friendship often told ;
And rays of sunlight from above
Burnished the gleaming gold.

Long years ago, so sages say,
Two spirits met one Summer's day,
While flitting o'er a flowering plain,
Seeking some friendly shade to gain
Or cooling spring, their thirst t' allay.
One was Friendship, the other Love,—
Strayed from the halls of mighty Jove
Striving to find the "WORLD'S DESIRE ;"
Which, surging up, a living fire,
Had leaped from the strings of Apollo's lyre ;
Then, dying down, was never seen again.
But with the echoing sound,
Bright glory shone around
And faded soft from sight.
Great was the Gods' delight,
And Zeus arose in might,
And, rising, shook the ground.

"The World's Desire ;" shall mortal men
This joy possess, while immortal we
Its glorious brightness may not see ?
Must I, the lord of earth and sky
Be cheated thus ? Shall men defy
Great Zeus and Mt. Olympus high ?"

Then called he to his side
 Two spirits, true and tried.
 "Down from our lofty height
 Now take your airy flight ;
 Stop not to rest.
 Cease not your quest ;
 Below unfurled
 The wide, world
 Conceals this fire.
 Find the "World's Desire."

Their pinions flashed forth the Celestial light
 As, leaping aloft, each took his flight
 And, soaring wide, was soon lost to sight.

Long and far the spirits flew,
 Now, soaring high in skies of blue,
 Now, lower down in fields of green ;
 But never the sacred fire was seen,
 For mortal men had not yet learned
 Of the sacred fire which forever burned,
 Surging upward, a living fire,
 The holy flames of the "World's Desire."
 Swiftly they sped o'er the heaving ocean,
 Storm tossed and grey, in perpetual motion.
 Then over the strange and unheard of lands ;
 Over lakes of crystal, whose golden sands
 Sparkled and glistened at noon-tide bright
 And gleamed pure and cold in the moon's pale light.
 Then over the lands of eternal snow
 Where none but immortals dare to go.
 Where the palm tree grows, and the wind's hot breath
 Withers and scorches ; where speedy death
 Lurks in the dark and dank morass ;
 Where serpents crawl through the tangled grass.

Now, having sought the whole world over,
 We find at last each weary rover
 Side by side on the flowery plain,
 Each telling at length his search in vain
 For the "World's Desire" with its living flame.
 Beneath a tree they find a seat
 Of mossy stone ; while at their feet
 A babbling brook, which gleams and glances
 As summer sunlight o'er it dances :
 And all around the cool green sward ;
 A charming spot for man or God.
 Here they rest, while the embowering trees
 Whisper and sigh in the cooling breeze
 And the brook's brink flowers with iris blue
 Kissed and caressed where the sun shines through
 Then Love stoops, and with playful hand
 Scoops from the brook's bed golden sand
 Which he pressed together, and rolled and rolled
 'Till he held up to view a sheet of gold.
 Then with mystic skill
 He shapes at will ;
 'Till from the shapeless mass

It quickly comes to pass
 A gleaming, glittering shield
 Flashes, and dazzles Friendship's eyes
 Who, in glad surprise,
 Drops two tears on the golden field
 Which glitter and gleam in the setting sun.

Then, smiling, and nodding his shapely head,
 " 'Till the fleeting sands of time be run,
 Let these be tokens of faith," he said.
 They grave two winged shafts below,
 Straight and true as the rustling sedge
 Or, the reed-mace, which in profusion grow
 In the thick green moss at the brooklet's edge.
 Pointing onward and upwards ever;
 Tokens of higher state above
 To be reached by man after long endeavor
 By the holy ties of friendship and love.
 " Pure token of mine," said Love, " shall be
 Pearly drops from the summer shower,
 Bringing back sweet thoughts to me
 Of the time we passed in this friendly bower
 When the whole wide world seemed fair and free
 And the ills of life but a passing hour."
 Then hand in hand the compact they sealed
 That the ties of friendship should never be broken
 And between them they bore the wonderful shield
 The emblem of love, and friendship's token.
 And the sun's last rays as he sank from sight
 In a fierce bright glow of golden flame
 Fell full on the shield; and the holy light
 Sprang up and faded, just the same
 As in Great Jove's halls when Apollo sang
 And the gods sat mute at his golden lyre.
 " eurakamen " from their glad lips rang;
 " We have found at length the ' World's Desire.' "

BANQUET OF THE NEW YORK GRADUATE ASSOCIATION.

On the evening of April 17th, at Delmonico's, the regular annual banquet of the Graduate Association was held. It has been the usual custom to have the reunions sometime during February. From some reason not explained to the writer it became necessary to postpone it till April. This fact will account largely for the small attendance. The meeting was called to order by the President, Hon. Willis S. Paine, at 7:30 o'clock. No special business appearing, the following list of officers was elected for the ensuing year :

President, Hon. Willis S. Paine, *X* '68 ; Vice Presidents, Hon. Samuel D. Morris, *A* '50 ; Jas. Cruikshank, L. L. D., *A* '51 ; Franklin Burdge, *Z* '56 ; Hon. Chas. R. Miller, *O^a* '72 ; Executive Committee, Benjamin Douglass, *Φ* '71, chairman ; Chas. V. Mapes, Mortimer C. Addoms, Robert Payne, John A. Chrystie, I. P. Pardee, Chas. D. Marvin, Homer D. Brookins, Frederic V. B. Goodwin, Robt. J. Mahon. After a short speech by Bro. Paine the meeting adjourned to the banquet hall. After the usual attention had been given to the substantial feast of good things, Bro. Paine, acting as toastmaster, opened the "real feast" by a few remarks. Among other things he said that the reunion was peculiar and notable from the fact that four brothers were again together for the first time since 1869—almost a lifetime—when at the Metropolitan Hotel was held one of the richest feasts ever witnessed by the fraternity ; Bros. Burdge, Stone, Paine and Spahn. It seems wonderful that after the lapse of twenty-two years we should again meet. At that banquet Bro. Spahn delivered his first oration; our lamented brother, John Brougham read that famous poem, "The Age of Gold." By request of the brothers present Bro. Spahn read the oration he had delivered on that occasion. After this a song.

Bro. Franklin Burdge then spoke of the catalogue of 1875 and of the coming edition, very generously extending to the committee the use of all the cuts used in the old catalogue, which are now his private property.

Bro. Clay W. Holmes then spoke on the SHIELD and the new catalogue, giving a history of the success of the SHIELD and the probabilities of the catalogue.

Bro. William L. Stone made one of his old-time eloquent speeches on "Theta Delta Chi." Somehow the years which have piled up the gray hairs on Bro. Stone's head do not rob him of his fraternity vitality. Whenever Theta Delta Chi is the theme he can always fill his hearers with soul-stirring recollections of the balmy days that have been ; the loved ones who have gone before, and the beautiful future which looms up before us.

Bro. Jas. Cruikshank spoke to "The Alpha," and while

referring to her brilliant record wished for her a new birth. Bro. Cruikshank is one of the loyal and enthusiastic brothers who is always present at every banquet or convention within his reach.

Bro. Frederic Goodwin read letters of regret from the following. Hon. Daniel N. Lockwood, Buffalo; Hon. Wm. Lamb, Norfolk, Va.; Hon. S. N. Aldrich, Boston; Russell Sage, Jr., Hon. Samuel D. Morris, Brooklyn; Hon. F. C. Cantine, Cocoa, Fla.; V. O. Taylor, Providence, R. I.; Albert Bushnell, Kansas City; Clarence S. Palmer, Kansas City; Hon. Daniel B. Pond, Woonsocket, R. I.; Geo. B. Markle, Portland, Oregon; Rev. Alex. Mann, Orange, N. J.; Rev. Albert C. Bunn, Brooklyn; Dr. Samuel T. King, Brooklyn; I. P. Pardee, Stanhope, N. J.; Hon. John W. Griggs, Paterson, N. J.; Dr. Francis E. Martindale, Port Richmond, N. Y.; Dr. E. W. Ruggles, J. B. Juvenal, H. A. Luckenback, F. G. Patchin, and E. M. Rewey. "The poetry of Theta Delta Chi" was assigned to Webster R. Walkley—the poet of the evening. To recite a poem is one thing, but to respond to a toast with an extemporaneous outburst of poetic prose is something which few men can do. Bro. Walkley certainly proved his acquaintance with the muse, and wandering hither and thither in the elysian fields of the past delighted his hearers. At the close he recited a little poem written in his early youth which has never appeared in public before. The SHIELD has been promised the privilege of publishing the gem. College men in the metropolis and a club house for Theta Delta Chi was the theme assigned to Bro. Chas. V. Mapes, who warmed up to the task and entertained his hearers with the prospects and hopes of the club house. Bro. Homer D. Brookins followed with a statement of the present condition of the undertaking.

Owing to the lateness of the hour the following toasts were omitted: Colleges and Their Relations to the Fraternity, President Geo. Williamson Smith, of Trinity; The Future of Our Fraternity, Jas. T. Howes, Utica; The Grand Lodge, Duncan C. Lee; The Omicron Deuteron, Albert W. S. Proctor. The Omega charge was drunk in silence. A resolution

of thanks was tendered to Bro. Wm. S. Kimball, of Rochester, for the usual remembrance of black, white and blue cigarettes.

A resolution was adopted for the appointment of a committee of nine, consisting of five from the Graduate Association and two each of the New York active charges, who shall proceed to incorporate, under the laws of the State of New York, the Theta Delta Chi Club of the City of New York, the said committee to constitute a Board of Trustees for the first year of its corporate existence. The committee to be appointed by the President, with himself as chairman.

The following were present at the banquet: President George Williamson Smith, James Cruikshank, William L. Stone, Franklin Burdge, Mortimer C. Addoms, Jas. T. Howes, Chas. D. Marvin, Frederic Goodwin, Clay W. Holmes, W. S. Paine, Homer D. Brookins, Chas. V. Mapes, Webster R. Walkley, Jacob Spahn, Duncan C. Lee, Edward C. Ehlers, J. A. Chrystie, Gustav R. Tuska, Geo. L. Fielder, A. W. S. Proctor, E. F. Hicks.

A UNIFORM BADGE.

The badge of our fraternity as adopted by the founders was universal until about the year 1865. During these years there was but one pattern and one style. It was regarded as a very handsome pin. It embodied the colors of the fraternity. The enamelled center was in blue surrounded by a black border and this by a white one. The whole was surrounded by a chased gold border. The only objection raised to the badge was its size, and the shape of the shield, which was not quite in keeping with the law of proportion. About 1865 or possibly a few years before, some one suggested a smaller and more symmetrical badge. This new pattern seemed to meet universal favor. Very few, if any, original badges were made after 1866. The writer bought one in 1866 but soon laid it away for the smaller one. This badge was very neat. When adorned with a pearl border it was handsome. The

badges continued, however, to be all of one pattern. This was doubtless due to the fact that all the pins were made at one factory.

Of late years there have sprung up a number of patterns produced by as many different makers, each trying to introduce some novelty whereby he should gain additional custom. This is not as it should be. Our badge should be as permanent and unchangable as the Constitution. Without any reference to makers or personalities whatever, the following thoughts are presented for your careful consideration.

The badge of the founders was the official badge of the fraternity. It had a certain size and shape. No badge of any other size or shape represented the fraternity. This was changed, whether by official decree or common consent the writer is not at present informed, but this he does know, the change was made, and a new pattern supplanted the old one. It then became the recognized and official badge of the fraternity. For many years it was preserved in its pristine beauty, but of late various designs have appeared, varying in size and shape, until one has to look twice and very carefully too before he can be sure that the pin he sees is what it seems to be. Such a state of things need not be if our badge were of constant and unchanging character. It should be as easily recognized at a reasonable distance as any letter of the alphabet which appears on this page. Not many months ago, when on a journey the writer saw at a little distance a gentleman with a badge which at first glance was taken to be that of Theta Delta Chi. Warming up with the prospect of meeting a brother, I approached him him at once with a smile, but took the precaution to look very carefully a second time before greeting him. This led to the discovery that the pin was Phi Kappa Psi. Having been so forward, an apology was tendered with the explanation that a mistake had been made in supposing his pin a different one. Our conversation developed the fact that he too had often been mistaken in *our* pin. The necessity of an absolute pattern was clearly proven in this instance, and the fact applies as well to Phi Kappa Psi as ourselves. That these mistakes are quite common is evident from

similar experiences which have been related to the editor by many different brothers. While this reason would be considered of sufficient weight to prove the desirability and necessity of maintaining an exact and unvarying pattern, there is a better one.

One Constitution governs this fraternity, it can only be changed by a majority of the votes in Convention, with subsequent ratification. So one badge is or should be the representative and constitutional emblem of the fraternity until changed by vote of the convention.

It ought to be so fixed that it never could be changed even by Convention. The majority of membership is represented by graduates, who are widely scattered and sometimes do not see a brother in years. When after the lapse of perhaps ten years they do see a badge, it should be one they can recognize on the instant. The admission of any variation whatever should be precluded by the fealty we owe our graduates who are not and cannot be with us when we desire to change something which to them is of more vital moment than even the Constitution which governs the more active membership. The only way by which this can be accomplished is to recognize the official character of the badge, and procure badges only from such makers as will adopt the standard from sample supplied by the Grand Lodge or a Convention. The fact of the adoption of the standard by any maker should carry with it a certificate of appointment as official jeweler to the fraternity. There need be no limit to the number of firms making badges provided they adhere strictly to the official pattern. Every firm, however, should for the information of the brotherhood, have an announcement in the SHIELD.

Expressions are invited from graduate readers of the SHIELD on this subject.

THE LADY QUESTION,

You ask me to write what I think of the question you have so admirably and gallantly presented in the last number of the SHIELD, and which you have concisely named, in your note to me, "The Lady Question."

Reflection has proved that I made a rash promise, when I accepted your invitation. The inspiration is wanting, and the improbability of personal participation in a reunion of brothers, made more sacred by the blessing of the presence of wife, daughters and lady-loves makes my opinion of the value of one outside the fold. But it seems to me the *accentuation* of friendship—of that "long" and "faithful" benediction which we invoke. My probable absence deadens the enthusiasm that might animate one who is within the circle of active participation. A looker-on can, however, be charged with no personal bias, and, therefore, his opinion may have the merit of sincerity.

Of late years there has been a vast improvement in all collegiate social association. Thirty years ago both class and fraternity organizations, when they met for social enjoyment, were almost invariably considered incomplete unless stimulated to a degree that usually degenerated to an orgy, which, though overlooked by the faculty and society, was disgraceful to the participants, and was unpardonable of the toleration that that condoned it. And this was not the only evil. Such reckless and demoralizing influences not only lowered the moral tone but affected the standard of scholarship. Go back to fifty years ago, as a starting point, and it will be noticed, I think, that scholarship and college morality have since advanced side by side, and that the former has depended as much on the constantly higher plane of the latter as on all other influences combined.

Although I was never favorable to co-education, it is patent that, as it is now carried on in some of the universities, the objections first raised against it can be greatly modified and, it is not improbable, that it has had a refining influence on college life as a whole, and has stimulated both sexes to excel.

Athletics have undoubtedly superseded many of the grosser phases of physical, so-called pleasures, and minds and bodies have been toned up together. Conventions and reunions have become something more than of old, and possibly the perfection of social enjoyment may be attained when the ladies are persuaded to add their kindly favor by joining in our fraternal convivialities. There can be no doubt that the amenities of the table would be elevated in character, the responses to toasts would reach the intellectual height of the power of the speaker, for there can be no greater incentive to human effort than the ambition to gain the approval of the fair sex. It is improbable that there has been an evolution which has developed from the invertebrate through the ages, the perfect activity we call man, but there can be no doubt of the growth of intelligence, and every aid that shall guard its development and the purity of the heart should be invoked. Let us therefore pray the ladies to add their gracious presence to dignify our reunions and perfect our happiness, and then friendship shall be made holier, and to the happiness of such occasions there shall be no alloy.

P. C. GILBERT.

An Undergraduate's Views.

Referring to the article in the last SHIELD concerning the presence of ladies at our banquets, the thing in itself is so unlikely to become a custom that it hardly needs argument as yet, but the idea brings up a revision of an old maxim which might be made to read: "A place for everybody and everybody in his or her place." Admitting the incalculable benefit of ladies society, who honestly thinks a banquet board the place for his wife or sister. With "banquet" we have been taught to associate the ideas of a jolly good time, informal, unrestrained, new friendships formed between grad and undergrad, old ones renewed, stories of college days past and present told by the elders with all the enthusiasm of a boy, in short it is for the very idea of allowing some of our confined joviality to escape that we occasionally meet "round the festive board." Is

it then the proper idea to bring ladies in on these occasions? Should we give up all thoughts of "reunions" and let them develope into formal dinners with a well-stocked table the only attraction? Ponder for a moment and count on your fingers the "after-dinner speeches" you have heard at our banquets, and think how many of them would have had the same unrestrained, natural eloquence had ladies been present. What will become of our bashful embryo "Chaunceys" if they are forced to control their rhetorical and oratorical flights by the critical glances of our fair guests? No, let us not permit such idle fancies as "ladies at the banquet board," but if we wish to be aided and governed by their refined and elevating influence, let it be at some other social gathering than a banquet. A Fraternity hop, while it might need time to make it entirely successful, is of itself not half a bad idea; but leave untouched and unchanged our jolly banquet board, and banish the thought that old graduates attend for any other reason in the world than a renewal of college days and a general good time. Speaking necessarily without experience, the writer cannot but believe the average wife willing to grant her husband one night in the year in which to think himself once more a boy, and as such to recall the happy days when he stood but on the verge of manhood. College days are too pleasant to have their reminiscences smothered in the formalities of a "state dinner," and I call upon some of the graduates to take up the cudgel in defense of this opinion. J. C. HALLOCK, Delta, '91.

AUTOGRAPH.

Your friend : These words we often see,
 Too seldom the reality.
 Too oft politeness' silken veil
 Conceals the heart in which prevail,
 Perchance, dislike and hatred.

But, just as jewels more are worth,
 When few are found, in all the earth,
 So friendship, though 'tis rarely found,
 Doth in rich blessings more abound,
 Is, by its dearth, made sacred.

THE THETA DELTA CHI CLUB.

In accordance with the resolution offered at the New York banquet by Clay W. Holmes, President Paine appointed a committee who proceeded at once to prepare the necessary document which was duly recorded in the county clerk's office in New York, May 7th, 1891. The document is given verbatim that it may be hereafter easy of reference, and also to show what is intended by the club :

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.

We, Charles V. Mapes, Homer D. Brookins, Charles D. Marvin, George L. Fielder, Robert J. Mahon, Gustave R. Tuska, Willis S. Paine, Clay W. Holmes, the undersigned subscribers, being desirous of, and intending to form a corporation under and pursuant to Chapter 267 of the Laws of 1875, entitled "An Act for the incorporation of societies and clubs for certain lawful purposes," passed May 12, 1875, and the statutes amendatory and explanatory thereof, and we, being all citizens of the United States, and a majority of us being citizens of the state of New York, do hereby state and certify :

First.—That the name of the corporation shall be "The Theta Delta Chi Club of the city of New York."

Second.—That the objects and purposes of such corporation shall be the development of social intercourse between its members, the advancement of literature and culture, and the maintenance of a club house for the pleasure and benefits of its members.

Third.—That the number of the trustees, directors and managers who shall manage the said corporation shall be seven.

Fourth.—That the names and residences of trustees, managers and directors who shall manage the corporation for the first year of its existence, namely, for one year from the day of its incorporation, shall be : Charles V. Mapes, residing at 60 West 40th street, New York city; Homer D. Brookins, residing at 303 West 133d street, New York city; Charles D. Marvin, residing at 170 South Oxford street, Brooklyn; George L. Fielder, residing at 39 West 26th street, New York city; Robert J. Mahon, residing at 490 St. Nicholas avenue, New York city; Gustave R. Tuska, residing at 223 East 18th street, New York city; Willis S. Paine, residing at 155 West 58th street, New York city.

Fifth.—That the principal office and the club house of said corporation shall be located in the city of New York.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto signed our names this 28th day of April, 1891.

In the presence of

The name on the fourth line of first page, of Benjamin Douglass, jr., stricken out before acknowledgement

Adam Finck.

Witness to C. W. Holmes,
P. P. Norman.

CHARLES V. MAPES,
HOMER D. BROOKINS,
CHAS. D. MARVIN,
GEO. L. FIELDER,
ROBERT J. MAHON,
GUSTAVE R. TUSKA,
WILLIS S. PAINE,
CLAY W. HOLMES.

STATE OF NEW YORK, } ss.
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

On the first day of May, 1891, before me an officer duly authorized to take the acknowledgment of deeds in the state of New York, personally appeared before me, Charles V. Mapes, Homer D. Brookins, Charles D. Marvin, George L. Fielder, Robert J. Mahon, Gustave R. Tuska and Willis S. Paine, to me known to be seven of the persons described in, and who signed and executed the foregoing certificate, and they each for themselves acknowledged to me that they signed and executed the said foregoing certificate for the purposes therein mentioned.

ADAM FINCK,

Commissioner of deeds, New York County.

STATE OF NEW YORK, } ss.
CITY OF ELMIRA, CHEMUNG COUNTY.

On the 6th day of May, 1891, before me, an officer duly authorized to take the acknowledgment of deeds in the state of New York, personally appeared before me, Clay W. Holmes, to me known to be one of the persons described in and who executed the foregoing certificate, and he acknowledged to me that he signed and executed the said foregoing certificate for the purposes therein mentioned. And I further certify that the name of Benjamin Douglass, jr., on the fourth line of first page was stricken out before said acknowledgement.

P. P. NORMAN,

Notary Public.

NEW YORK, May 7, 1891.

I, a Justice of the Supreme Court of the first judicial department, county of New York, do hereby consent to and approve of the filing and recording of written certificate of incorporation, and the incorporation of said club.

ABRAHAM R. LAWRENCE.

At the first meeting of the board of trustees designated in the act of incorporation, held May 19th, the following officers were elected for the first year :

President—Charles V. Mapes.

First Vice-President—Hon. Willis S. Paine.

Second Vice-President—Benjamin Douglass, jr.

Third Vice-President—Ralph Brandeth.

Treasurer—Charles D. Marvin.

Secretary—Homer D. Brookins.

The following standing committees were appointed :

House Committee.—Homer D. Brookins, George L. Fielder, M. L. Mora, Fred Patterson, Gustave R. Tuska.

Auditing Committee.—Russell Sage, jr., William S. Kimball, Charles R. Miller, Mortimer C. Addoms, John A. Chrystie.

Library Committee.—Col. William L. Stone, J. A. Cruikshank, LL. D., Franklin Burdge.

It was decided that payment of the entire subscription should be called for at once, and one thousand dollars additional raised as a working fund.

Does anyone question the existence of our club after reading the above account of its organization? The array of names therein presented is alone sufficient to assure any doubting ones of its absolute and unqualified success. These men mean business. They declare that the unparalleled advancement at present characterizing our fraternity merits and demands a home in the great city of New York. The large membership resident in the city feel the need of it, and the visiting brothers will rejoice in its consummation and support it without a moment's hesitation. This move should have been made years ago. The lack of just the man to take hold of it with a determination to succeed, hampered the consummation of the project: Just such a man appeared and his name is Homer D. Brookins, a loyal, wide-awake hustler, he has single-handed and alone grasped the problem, and, although struggling with many difficulties, brought it to a speedy solution. To him is due the thanks of the hundreds who will in the future enjoy the delightful comforts of this Theta Delt home for his faithful work. The club house will be opened with a grand celebration about October 1st. Hon. John W. Griggs of the Phi, will probably deliver the oration and many other noted Theta Dels will take part. The next convention will be held in our own home. Just think of that, brothers, and open up your hearts. The trustees must have \$1,000 to give them a working fund. The SHIELD knows that many of its readers can well afford to contribute largely to this fund, and believes that they will be only too glad to do something for the lasting honor of the fraternity. Now don't wait to be asked. Send Bro. Charles D. Marvin, 18 Wall street, New York, your check for as much as you can afford to give. Any amount large or small will be

gladly received. Do not let it be said that the graduates have failed to come quickly to the front. Remember that Theta Delta Chi has a splendid record. When the SHIELD called for funds to pay off the old debt they came at once. When a call was made for voluntary contributions for the catalogue, sufficient were received in less than a month to indicate success. Now the SHIELD asks you to respond to the request of the trustees. Such an array of names insures the judicious expenditure of all funds contributed. Let your remittance be immediate, so as not to delay the auspicious opening of our club house. Lack of space prevents more extended remarks. A full account will be given in a subsequent number.

THE CHICAGO BANQUET.

The second annual banquet of the Central Graduate Association was held at the Virginia hotel on the 24th of April. It was obvious that many members of the association were doing their best to live up to scriptural standards; because, when invited to the feast, one had to bury a wife, and one had to look at a piece of land (far away in the west,) and although no one said anything about a yoke of oxen, yet the proximity of the Stock Yards renders it possible that the same old reason kept away some delinquent members. In other words, they were not all there, for there had been quite a good deal of sickness in Chicago during the last few weeks, and business appointments unfortunately, took quite a number out of town just at this time, but what was lacking in quantity, was fully made up in quality and enthusiasm. The character of the resolutions passed regarding future dinners, and the methods to be employed to obtain full attendance would give valuable points to the sergeant-at-arms of the senate or the national house. Our president, Henry Newbegin, comes all the way from Defiance, Ohio, to Chicago, for all banquets and sets the example, which is contagious for the other and younger members. He is an example of the proper results of true fraternity spirit,

having at present, two sons in Bowdoin, both members of the fraternity, and one of them secretary of the New England Graduate Association.

Arrangements were made at this banquet for monthly meetings with some informal dinners, some times to be followed by a theatre party, and sometimes by an excursion across the lake over Saturday and Sunday, and plans are now being made for various diversions for the members of the association to enjoy as a body. There is keen anticipation, particularly of the theatre project, and it is understood that the managers of the various theatres in town are getting wire fastenings ready to put around the seats that will be taken by members of the association. They are seriously afraid that men who have added to their youthful practice of breaking up performances, years of business experience in Chicago in breaking up competitors, will prove too formidable assailants for the serenity of any dramatic company.

Our officers for the ensuing year were elected at this banquet, constitution and by-laws adopted, copies of which will soon be forwarded to the other graduate associations and chapters, and provision made for keeping full records for Theta Delt in this vicinity. We hope in the near future to take steps to secure club rooms where all visiting members of the fraternity will always find a warm welcome and latest information regarding fraternity matters.

The list of officers is as follows :

President—Henry P. Newbegin.

First Vice-President—W. C. Hawley.

Second Vice-President—Wm. R. Northway.

Secretary—Osgood T. Eastman.

Treasurer—Hosea Webster.

Executive Committee—Maxwell A. Kilvert, chairman; H. L. Sterrett, H. F. McGaughy, John M. Clark.

MAXWELL A. KILVERT.



TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PI DEUTERON CHARGE.

The tenth anniversary of the establishment of Pi Deuteron charge was celebrated on Friday evening, May 8th, at Mazzetti's, by the most successful banquet it ever held.

After a pleasant hour's conversation, the company repaired to the banquet hall. Covers were laid for thirty-six, but by the amount of enthusiasm displayed, one would imagine there were triple that number.

The interest shown by graduates from other charges was extremely gratifying. Among those present were: Bros. H. D. Brookins, *X*, '80; C. V. Mapes, *I*, '57; A. L. Coville and J. T. Howes, *B*; Edward Hicks and G. R. Tuska, *P*. Letters of regret were read from Bros. E. S. Carman, *Z* '58; Jas. Cruikshank, *A* '51; D. B. R. Chapman, Duluth, Minn.; F. S. Govin, Philadelphia, and others.

Shortly after 11 o'clock Bro. McIntyre called the banquet to order, and introduced the toast master of the evening, Bro. Frank L. Jones.

Bro. Jones, in a few well chosen remarks, referred to the many trials and successes of the charge and its present prosperous condition. His reference to the fact that this would be his last banquet as a single man, called forth hearty applause. He then introduced as the poet of the evening, Bro. A. E. Wuppermann. Pi Deuteron has unfortunately not been blessed by poetic minds, but Bro. Wuppermann gave us a poem which excited so much enthusiasm that it was many minutes after he had resumed his seat before the applause subsided.

Bro. F. I. Valdes then delivered the history of the first years of the charge, dwelling especially on the establishment. The battle that our founders fought in the "Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention," to obtain our charter will long be remembered by our graduates.

Bro. Gonzalo de Quesada, so well known for his eloquence, reviewed the later period of our history. He never fails to

command deep interest, but on this occasion he excelled all previous efforts.

The biography of Bro. W. A. J. Henna was delivered by Bro. Geo. N. Grass. He was among those who obtained our charter, and his constant effort from the time he became a Theta Delt until his early death, was the advancement of the charge and the fraternity. Bro. Grass had been his best friend and told us of the many quiet and unostentatious acts of kindness to his brothers. His death is the only break in our ranks, but his place can never be filled.

We sincerely hoped to have had President Holmes with us, but in his absence, Bro. F. V. Goodwin responded to "Our Fraternity."

If the members only retain the enthusiasm for the New York club house, which Bro. F. H. Patterson's speech on that subject provoked, the fraternity will soon have a home in this city.

E. C. Ehlers, of the Grand Lodge, responded for that body. Our sister charges represented, expressed their congratulations through Bro. A. L. Coville for Beta, H. D. Brookins for his old charge Chi, and Edward Hicks for Rho Deuteron. Many more toasts were responded to, and finally the great Omega was drank in silence. Then with hand clasped in hand we sang our parting song, our hearts and minds full of Theta Delta Chi. Three cheers were given for the fraternity, three more for the charge, and the tenth anniversary banquet closed. Its memory still lingers, and those who failed to be present, missed one of the best reunions ever held in New York city.

Wm. McINTYRE.

[The history of the charge, and the biography of Bro. Henna will be published in a future number. The poem of Bro. Wupperman appears in this number.—ED.]

THE PI DEUTERON'S MUSE.

A Poem Written and Delivered by A. E. Wupperman at the
Tenth Anniversary of the Charge, May 8, 1891.

Brothers in Theta Delta Chi, a year
Has come and gone since last we gathered here:
Another year of wholesome growth that brings
The firm assurance of still better things.
A year that brings to your unflagging zeal
The pride of triumph which to-night we feel.
There was a time when we had cause to fear
The changes that might come within a year.
Not so to-night; but with prophetic eye
We view the greatness of our destiny.
Let cynics smile, and scoff and scorn who may,
The past assures us that no distant day
Will see this charge, by others unsurpassed,
The pride of our Fraternity at last.

Ten years have flown, and brought their changes too,
And happy days, and troubles not a few;
Ask Brother Jones, Ques., Goodwin, McIntyre,
And Grass and Valdes—they've been through the fire.
We younger men—well we've been sitting still,
While these old brothers have been through the mill.
They labored well, and for their pains we see
To-night the fruits of all their energy.

Yet tho' our prospects seem to us so bright,
Do not imagine that our toils are light;
For if we hope that brilliant end to gain,
We needs must labor or our hopes are vain.
Then let true zeal inspire every heart,
And every brother do his lawful part;
And thus united we may hold on high
The jewelled shield of Theta Delta Chi.

Still shines that glorious shield—ah, who shall say
That brothers' hearts can e'er grow cold; tho' gray
The hair and dim the eye of Theta Delt.
Still is that love, once pledged, forever felt;
Nor can it e'er grow cold, tho' wrinkle-seared
The brow and snowy-white the long full beard,
Tho' tottering on the grave, e'en tho' he die,
He must belong to Theta Delta Chi.

My brothers, patience; for a moment, think:
Should this my mind to helpless madness sink.
A mass of chaos, void and without form,
Seething and boiling in a hellish storm;
A raving demon, violent and wild,
From all mankind and all the world exiled,
Placed in a cage to fret my life away,
With horrid grimaces and madmen's play:—
Ah friends, e'en were I thus, could I but view
The shield of Theta Delta Chi anew,
See brothers' faces 'round me, smiling still,

I think, my friends, 'twould calm my frenzied will ;
 Ah yes, 'twould bring my reason back again,
 Heal my diseased mind, make all things plain,
 Teach me that brother's love which once I felt
 When once I glорied as a Theta Delt.

My friends, if brother's love could heal a mind,
 Or help a man his memory to find,
 Till he shall long forgotten days recall,
 Like Adam's paradise before his fall,
 How can it help but ever to unite
 The hearts that gather 'round this board to-night ?

Then drink, my brothers to this brother's love,
 Which like Promethean fires from above,
 Each loyal brother's heart with gladness fills,
 And with new life his very soul instills ;
 Drink to the long continuance of the oath
 Which binds here in honesty and truth.
 Drink to the shield which heals the troubled mind,
 And makes us to our brother's faults more blind—
 Our brother's virtues to the skies extol
 And help him onward to that heavenly goal.
 Drink to the prospect of still greater joy
 Than those which now each brother's heart enjoys ;
 Drink to the future—may it bring to all
 Still more successes, and to none a fall ;
 Yet if we fall there is a hand will reach
 And shelter should the cruel world impeach.

And drink to those, long since departed hence,
 Who now a nobler, truer life commence ;
 Their work on earth is done, yet we believe
 That in Omega Charge they still do live,
 And carry with them to that land of truth
 The wondrous blessings of that sacred oath.
 And when our course is run, may we too find
 That happy Charge for Theta Deltas designed.

A. E. WUPPERMAN.



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.

Thomas E. Rogers, Sigma '66, was born at White Horse (now Kirkwood), Camden Co., N. J., July 24, 1848. His early education was obtained at Bolmars Academy, West Chester, Pa. From 1859-61 he attended the Academy at Lock Haven, Pa. In 1862 he entered the grammar school connected with Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa. He entered Dickinson, joining the class of 1866, but did not graduate. He left to enter the Provost Marshall's service, and was stationed at Williamsport, Pa. From 1866 to 1869 he was in the hardware business at Williamsport. In 1870 he engaged in the manufacture of lumber at Charleston, W. Va., and continued till 1873. He was a member of the House of Delegates of the Legislature of West Virginia from Kanawha Co. in 1872-3. In 1874 he was in Washington employed as a stenographer. In 1875 he entered the Civil Service of the United States, and was connected with the Treasury, Department of the National Bank Redemption Agency. In 1883 he was appointed Superintendent of this department to succeed the Hon. E. O. Graves, Xi, who at that time was appointed Assistant Treasurer of the United States. Bro. Rogers still holds the same position and fills it to perfection. He was married in 1869 to Miss Alice B. Hulio, of Williamsport, who died Jan. 29, 1887. On the 31st of May, 1888, he was married to Miss Lily Chapman Dent, of Washington. Bro. Rogers always has time to welcome any Theta Delt who crosses his path. If you wish to see one of the old enthusiastic brothers just drop in his office. His residence is No. 523 Spruce street.

Charles W. Curtis, Beta, '88, of the firm of Curtis & Burdett, Washington, D. C., of whom a personal was given in Vol. VI, page 190, graduated from the National University School in June, 1890, and has since taken a post graduate course. While in college Bro. Curtis was known for his proficiency in music. His violin made him many friends. He conducted a college orchestra for some time. He was also quite an adept in off hand sketch work, and furnished "The Cornellian" with a very fine plate some years ago. Now music and artistic dreams have merged into musty law, but still Bro. Curtis is the same genial Theta Delt as of old. The law, dressed with the old-time music and good cheer, will be none

the worse or less successful. Bro. Curtis belongs to one of the best known law firms in Washington and would be glad to look after the interests of Theta Deltas. Just remember him and when you want legal advice send to him. The firm notice, which appears among our regular ads., gives you the whole story.

C. A. Whittemore, Eta, '76, Grand Rapids, Mich., to whom we referred on page 56, Vol VI, is one of the few men who, in the midst of practical business, keeps up a heavy literary work. He is a machinist by trade. He is employed by Perkins & Co., the largest shingle mill manufacturers in the world. He has charge of making the carriages for hand machines. In addition, he is a practical draughtsman and assists the firm in designing new mills. This does not seem to be enough, however, to satisfy Bro. Whittemore. He is treasurer of the Kent Scientific Institute of Grand Rapids, and chairman of their most important committee, that of "Geology, Mineralogy and Archaeology." He prepares the annual reports for the Society besides writing many interesting scientific papers. In the meantime the fraternity is not forgotten. He is always heard from, and has a warm greeting for all who meet him.

James Kilbourne Jones, Theta, '58, is located at No. 334 East Town St., Columbus, Ohio, in the hardware business. Bro. Jones is one of the ordinary every-day-business men, always on hand and doing a successful business. He has no inclination for politics or public preferment. He has, however, a record which is historic. He was the first man to enlist, as a private soldier, in the State of Ohio for the war of the Rebellion. He was promoted to Captain for merit. After two years' hard and faithful service he was disabled by sunstroke and retired to private life.

H. Martin Kellogg, Omicron Deuteron, '73, is Pastor of the First Congregational church at Greenwich, Conn. He has just completed a most interesting little volume, entitled "Twelve Hours with Young People." It consists of twelve lectures, directed particularly toward the higher education of the young. They are bright, sparkling, and full of instruction.

Frederic W. McCall, Nu Deuteron, '89, graduated from the Dental department of the University of Penna., in May, and now is a full fledged D. D. S. He will begin to pull teeth at his home in Binghamton, N. Y., entering the office of an elder brother who has a fine practice.

J. Frank Lemon, Psi, '88. The personal which appeared on page 41 of the last number, contained all the facts then on hand in regard to Bro. Lemon. As it is the purpose to publish a full biographical account of every brother, so far as possible, we gladly give place to the following which has since been received :

J. Frank Lemon was the son of the Rev. Dr. J. S. Lemon, rector of St. Paul's parish, Gardner, Mass., and with his father deeply interested in our Cottage Hospital work at Baldwinsville. He was born at Troy, N.

Y., Sept. 21, 1866, and was therefore at decease aged 24 years, 2 months and 6 days. His youthful years, when not at various schools, were passed mainly at Westmoreland, N. Y. In preparation for college he attended St. John's School, Manlius, N. Y.; Professor Best's School for Boys, Clinton, N. Y., and the Preparatory Department of Ripon College, Wisconsin. His first three years in college were at Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y. His last year with graduation as Bachelor of Arts was at Colegate University, at Hamilton, N. Y. He then matriculated a student at Harvard College where he became too ill to continue. He was much given to journalism and proposed making that his vocation. He was for several years correspondent of the "Utica, (N. Y.) Press;" one of the editors of the "Hamilton Literary Monthly," an organ of Hamilton College; and local editor for some time of the "Gardner, (Mass.) Journal." His favorite studies were the classics and general literature. He was skilled in music and very devoted to song. Up to the time of his illness he was given to athletics and very vigorous in body. For over two years he had been in failing health. After seeking best medical help and failing, he, accompanied by his brother George, went to Southern California hoping for returning health by change of climate. Not gaining he returned east spending a few weeks at Muskegon, Mich., Canton, Pa., and Gardner. With the on-coming of fall he went with his mother South, stopping at Asheville, N. C. After two months he yielded the struggle and calmly passed into the future life. From twelve years of age he had been a communicant in the Episcopal Church. His remains were taken to Westmoreland, N. Y., for interment.

Mark Spaulding Bradley, Epsilon Deuteron, '89, was born in East Jeffrey, N. H., Jan. 16th, 1868. He entered Dartmouth college in the fall of 1885, but not finding the desired advantages of laying a thorough foundation for the study of medicine, he left at the close of his freshman year and entered the scientific school of Yale. In the fall of 1887, seeing what an excellent field there was for the establishment of a truly good fraternity, that was something more than a class club, he became one of the active propagators and founders of Epsilon Deuteron charge, which stands to-day as one of the model charges of the fraternity. He received the second English prize during his junior year. In 1888 he entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York city, where he is still a student, and maintains a high position in his class. In a recent competitive examination of the New York Board of Charities and Correction, at which there were more than a hundred applicants he was the successful candidate, and he has just received his appointment as surgeon to Charity hospital, the largest in America, and a very trustworthy and responsible position. He is an ardent Theta Delt and represented his charge as graduate delegate in the forty-second and forty-fourth conventions.

George L. Fielder, Beta, '89, was for a time in the Genesee Valley

National Bank. He went from there to Chicago, where he intended to remain permanently. In January last he received a tempting offer from the American Writing Machine Company to take charge of all their branch offices. He accepted, and is now pleasantly located in charge of the New York city office. In addition to this he has the general management of the branch offices. This company manufacture the Caligraph. Any of the brothers who happen to possess a Caligraph will feel a deep interest in it. Bro. Fielder resides at 39 West Twenty-sixth street, New York. It is needless to add that he is an enthusiastic Theta Delt. The New York brothers have had visible proof of this from the activity he has displayed in connection with the club house project.

Oscar A. Marden, Kappa, '80. The following very complimentary notice appeared in the Boston *Herald*, May 24th, and is reproduced entire :

Among the appointments made by Gov. Russell yesterday was that of Mr. Oscar A. Marden, of Stoughton, as judge of the new district court of Southern Norfolk.

Mr. Marden was born Aug. 20, 1853, at Palermo, Me. He was educated at the Boston university, where in 1876 he received the degree of LL.B. The same year he was admitted to the bar.

The young attorney opened an office in Boston, and a year later located at Stoughton, succeeding J. Merrill Brown as trial justice. Although only twenty-four years of age at the time, his decisions on the cases that came before him were such as to win the confidence of all law-abiding citizens.

The petition which went to Gov. Russell for his appointment was a very strong one, bearing the names of seven ex-representatives, two ex-senators, a member of Gov. Ames' council, a member of the Republican state central committee, and many prominent Prohibitionists and Democrats.

Mr. Marden has been secretary of the Norfolk Bar Association ever since its organization, and last year was elected president of the Alumni Association of the law school of the Boston university.

For the past ten years Justice Marden has occupied an office in Boston with the well-known Hyde Park attorney, James E. Cotter, in the Sears building.

A. G. Benedict, Psi, '72, Clinton, N. Y. is very wide awake. Houghton seminary is a prosperous and rising institution under the guidance of Bro. Benedict as principal. Theta Dels need look no further for one of the best institutions in this country in which to educate their daughters. The Houghton *Record*, a breezy eight-page quarterly, is edited and issued by Bro. Benedict. Twenty thousand copies distributed in March bespeaks enterprise and push. The seminary should be filled to overflowing with Theta Delt girls.

Rev. Rufus S. Green, Psi, '67, has just completed his first year as pastor of the Central Presbyterian church, Orange, N. J. Dr. Green has won the love of his people and is enjoying a successful pastorate.

Clayton K. Smith, Phi, '74, has gone to California, and is located in East Oakland, where he is doing a successful drug business.

John L. Bachman, Psi, '70, Sweetwater, Tenn., after graduating studied for the ministry. In 1874 he accepted the presidency of Sweetwater college and has been a successful occupant of the position ever since.

This is a military institute, under the control of the state, and averages 175 pupils. During the war Bro. Bachman was a member of Stonewall Jackson's old brigade. Love for Theta Delta Chi is a prominent characteristic of Bro. Bachman's composition. A letter from him in Vol. VI. page 95, clearly proves this.

Charles Poindexter, Epsilon, '61, Richmond, Va., served during the war in the Richmond Howitzers, Army of Northern Virginia. He was wounded and captured at the battle of Gettysburg. After the war he studied at the University of Virginia and later in Boston. He spent several years teaching and in literary work. For the last seven years he has been librarian of the Virginia state library.

J. A. Chrystie, Phi, '69, who for a number of years past had been lost to sight, dropped in to the New York banquet and gave the editor one of the most delightful surprises he has had in years. Twenty-three years had elapsed since we parted, and not a word had been heard in the meantime from either. Bro. Chrystie has for a number of years spent the greater part of his time in foreign lands. He is located at No. 6, Wall street.

Rev. Lewis Halsey, D.D., Xi, '68, is doing good work in the Baptist church, at Farmer Village, N. Y. His pastorate began with 133 members. An addition of fourteen new members at the last communion season swells the number to 299. Bro. Halsey's record as a fraternity worker is also good. He has given three convention poems, more than any other Theta Delt has ever done. The first one was at the memorable convention of 1872, held at the Astor House, with the genial Charley Stetson as host. Bro. Thomas B. McCandlish delivered the oration. Both these prominent members are now numbered with the Omega.

Otto Kneffner, Beta, '78, after leaving Cornell studied law in St. Louis, graduating from the St. Louis law school. After practicing one year in Illinois he went to St. Paul, where for the last ten years he has had a lucrative practice. He is pleasantly located at room 51, National German-American Bank building, and any Theta Delt who calls on him will be heartily welcomed.

E. Wood Ruggles, Psi, '85, was born in Oneida, N. Y.; received his primary education in Onondaga academy, graduated from Hamilton college in 1885, as third honor man in his class. He was one of the six Clark prize speakers. In the fall of 1885 entered College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York City. Graduated in 1888. He went to Europe same year and made an extended business tour of two years. He went all over the Continent. In September, 1890, he returned to New York and settled down permanently to the practice of his profession. His location is 1574 Madison avenue.

Major Frank G. Smith, U. S. A., Delta, '59, is stationed at Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Ga. He was elected a companion of the first class of

the military order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, by the Ohio commandery, on the 4th of March, '91.

GEO. R. KEENE, Lambda, '86, is teaching in the Pierce school, Dorchester district, Boston.

E. L. Peltier, Kappa, '78, who removed from Troy, N. Y., to West Superior, Wis., some months ago, has been obliged to give up business for a time on account of ill-health. At present he is recuperating at Phillipsburg, P. Q.

Wm. P. Kelly, Omicron Deuteron, '86, recently left the professorship of English in Rugby academy, St. Louis, to accept a position in the buying department of the firm of Ripley & Bronson, jobbers in steel and iron. His residence address is 2,918 Pine street, St. Louis, Mo.

C. J. Hayward, Omicron Deuteron, '73, is proprietor of a flourishing business college in St. Louis. He is contemplating a trip south to regain his health, after the exhausting labors of the winter. Address 618 Olive street, St. Louis, Mo.

J. J. Wertheimer, Omicron Deuteron, '95, is president of the firm of Shafer, Swartz & Co., manufacturers of boots and shoes, North 8th street, St. Louis, Mo. He is a director of the National Bank of the Republic, and is prominent in business and social circles.

G. S. Groesbeck, Delta, '87, who was reported as located at Lansingburg, walked in on the editor the other evening and gave him a pleasant surprise. Bro. Groesbeck has accepted a position with the Elmira Bridge company, and may be addressed in their care at Elmira, N. Y.

Maxwell A. Kilvert, Iota, '89, is located in "The Rookery," Chicago, Ill. He is secretary of the "Cairo Lumber Co.," also treasurer and acting manager of the "Drexel Automatic Car Coupler Co." Bro. Kilvert is one of the wide-awake Theta Deltas, ever ready to bear a hand in anything which will advance the best interests of the fraternity.

Frank H. McCall, Nu Deuteron, '89, is employed in the Union Pacific shops at Cheyenne, Wyo. He writes: "You speak in the SHIELD about wearing fraternity pins where they can be seen, and I agree with you fully. I have always worn and I will always wear my little shield, and you don't have to open my coat to see it, either."

W. A. Deering, Eta, '85, is proprietor and principal of a fine seminary for young ladies at Clifton Springs. A beautiful catalogue of his school has just been issued, and any Theta Delt who has daughters to educate should send to him for one. Bro. Deering's school is a good home school and he takes excellent care of his pupils.

E. D. Kimball, Omicron Deuteron, '81, of Wichita, Kansas, has resigned the treasurership of the Wichita Loan and Trust Company, and has engaged on his own account in the business of negotiating choice western loans and in giving special attention to care of defaulted loans made by reckless concerns in the past.

Albert Bushnell, Psi, '71, is in the wholesale lumber and piling business, corner 9th and Broadway, Kansas City, Mo., and resides at 1,716 Penn street. After graduating he went to Bloomington, Ill., where he studied law for two years, was admitted to the bar and practiced for five years, when he abandoned the law and came to Kansas City and engaged in commercial pursuits in connection with other parties. For the past five years he has been successfully prosecuting business for himself, making railroad and bridge lumber a specialty. Aside from his business occupation he has turned his attention to church music, being an organist, and has had charge of a choir for twenty-five years. At present he plays the organ (the largest in the city) at the First Presbyterian Church, and has charge of the music. In connection with Bro. Lewis Halsey, he got up the "Theta Delta Chi Anthem," which will be one of the ringing songs at fraternity gatherings for years to come. He enjoys a good game of whist. He is president of a local whist club and has taken the first prize for two successive years. He and his wife would be happy to make it interesting in that direction for any eastern Theta Delt couple who may get so far away from home.

Caleb S. Hanks, Chi, '73, of Olean, N. Y. The Elmira *Advertiser* sometime since contained the following about Bro. Hanks: "The year 1853 gave birth to this gentleman in the city of Rochester, N. Y. He took a course of study at the academy and entering Rochester University he graduated in the classical course in the class of '73. Mr. Hanks accepted a position as engineer on the Western Division of the New York State canals during 1873-4 and the following season went to Big Rapids, Mich., where he spent two years in the planing mill business. In 1878 he went into the drug business at Olean, where he is located at 107 Union street. Here he commands a lucrative trade." Bro. Hanks is still at the old stand firm as a rock, and can make as good a pill or plaster as any man in the state. He is a popular man in Olean. In addition to his regular business he does considerable engineering business. He has had charge of the construction of all the sewers built in the town. He is an enthusiastic fraternity man in addition to his numerous other accomplishments.

Charles S. Thompson, Zeta, '62, superintendent of the American District Telegraph Company in Brooklyn, died at his home, No. 746 Herkimer street, of apoplexy. His first attack of the disease followed closely on his witnessing the death of Lineman Feeks on Chambers street in 1889, his nervous system sustaining a shock at the time from which he never recovered. Mr. Thompson was born at Chester, Orange county, N. Y., fifty years ago. He was in the telegraph business nearly all his life, having engaged in the construction of lines for the old United States Company in Virginia in 1865. He entered the service of the American District Telegraph Company March 12, 1872, and was appointed superintendent May 5, 1878. Two sons and two daughters survive him.

Elwood S. Brown, Delta, '92, resides in Scottsville, N. Y. He left college in his sophomore year to enter business. His father is a wealthy capitalist, owning a very large stock farm in the Genesee Valley. Bro. Brown is a nephew of Bro. Dan Lockwood, but seems to be an off ox on the political question. He is the only Republican in the family, and a short time ago was elected a member of the board of supervisors of Monroe county, which is a Democratic county. This speaks well for Bro. Brown's personal popularity. He is the youngest man ever elected a supervisor in this county, but he will make a good one just the same.

Alvaro F. Gibbens, Pi, '60, has been occupied for several years as assistant editor of "The Prominent Men of Western Virginia." The book is just out of press. It contains 1,050 pages with 180 illustrations, and is a most valuable library book.

Frank Pardee, Phi, '79, is the superintendent of A. Pardee & Co.'s coal mines at Hazleton, Pa. Bro. Pardee has recently been appointed one of a committee to revise the mining laws of Pennsylvania.

Marco S. Parker, Pi Deuteron, '82, since leaving college has been in the employ of I. H. Reed & Co., 222 Produce Exchange, New York. Having joined the Seventh Regiment he is dubbed the "Tin Soldier."

H. O. Aiken, Omicron Deuteron, '87, is teaching in the High School at Northfield, Vt.

O. S. Davis, Omicron Deuteron '89, of White River Junction, Vt., delivered the Memorial day address at Lebanon, N. H.

M. L. Kimball, Eta, '87, is associated with his father in the practice of law in Norway, Me. He has been superintendent of schools for three years, elected as a Democrat by good majorities in a Republican community speaks loudly for Bro. Kimball's popularity. If he is as faithful to the schools as he is to the fraternity, he can not help being a successful superintendent.

Edward H. Jenks, Psi, '86, has resigned his pastorate at Lakewood, California, and accepted a call to Red Bluff, in the same state. His services are in great demand, for he was obliged to decline another call in accepting this. He has established an enviable reputation as pastor and preacher and takes with him to his new charge the good wishes of his former parishioners as well as of his brethren in Theta Delta Chi.

R. B. Seymour, Psi, '84, has taken charge of the Kansas City branch of the school agency of C. W. Bardren, of Syracuse, N. Y. Theta Deltas can address or find him in the Rialto building.

Ernest Herman Smith, Mu Deuteron, '85, was one of the charter members and a member of ΦBK . He taught for a year after leaving college of Physicians and Surgeons, New York city. From June, 1889, to Jan. 1890, he was stationed at the Emigrant hospital, Ward's Island. He is now practicing his profession at Redding, Conn.

Charles Holbrook Longfellow, Mu Deuteron, '85, is pastor of the Congregational church, Springfield, Me. After graduation from college he spent one year teaching the ancient languages and higher mathematics. He then entered Union Theological Seminary, where he remained two years, after which he was two years in the seminary at Hartford, Conn.

Francis L. Palmer, Mu Deuteron, '85, while in college was President and Secretary of the Hitchcock Society of Inquiry, and was included in the first drawing of *ΦBK*. He was for sometime after graduation at work on Webster's International Dictionary at New Haven, Conn. He spent one year in the Yale Divinity school, and is now in the Episcopal Theological school, Cambridge, Mass. He was a charter member and assisted in establishing Epsilon Deuteron.

Edward Arthur Tuck, Mu Deuteron, '85, was one of the charter members and also a member of *ΦBK*. He began the study of law, but after one year, entered Chicago Theological seminary, remaining there one year. He then spent two years at the Rochester seminary, and is now pastor of the Baptist church at Newburgh, N. Y. His address is 117 Lander street.

James Scott Young, Mu Deuteron, '86, entered Columbia college, in 1881. He was out of college one year; spent the year 1883-4 at New York university, and then entered the junior class at Amherst. He studied divinity at Union Theological seminary, and in June, 1890, was installed as pastor of the Presbyterian church at Garfield, Bergen county, N. J. He was a charter member.

Frank H. Harriman, Mu Deuteron, '87, first entered Williams' college, but went to Amherst in time to be one of Mu Deuteron's charter members. He was obliged to leave before graduation on account of a spinal injury received in the gymnasium. He was for a time with the Western Electric Co., Chicago, Ill., but is now engaged in business at Maynard, Mass., where he was elected in March, '89, to serve on the school committee for a term of three years.

Nelson C. Haskell, Mu Deuteron, '87, was fitted for college at Phillips academy, Andover, Mass. He entered sophomore at Amherst. He was in the first drawing of *ΦBK*. He received the degree of M. D., from the Medical School of Maine, in June, 1890, and for six months was house officer in the City hospital, Boston, Mass. He is now located at West Falmouth, Me., engaged in the practice of his profession. He was a charter member of Mu Deuteron.

Charles A. Brick, Mu Deuteron, '88, entered Boston university in '84 and was initiated by Lambda chapter. At the end of his freshman year he went to Amherst. After graduation he taught for a time in the high school, Augusta, Me. From April, '89, to August, '90, he rusticated on a ranch near Los Angeles, Cal., for his health. He is at present teaching at Augusta, Me.

GEO. A. MIRICK, Mu Deuteron, '87, taught for three years after graduation in the Academy, Worcester, Mass. He is now first assistant in the New Hampshire State Normal School at Plymouth, N. H.

FRANK L. GARFIELD, Mu Deuteron, '88, was fitted for college at Worcester (Mass.) academy. He was a charter member of Mu Deuteron. He was on the college athletic team, and won several prizes. He taught for a year in Pittsburgh, Pa., and is now in Yale divinity school.

FRANKLIN E. TUTTLE, Mu Deuteron, '89, is professor of chemistry and mineralogy at Pennsylvania State college, Center county, Pa.

JOHN J. WALKER, Mu Deuteron, '89, is teacher of Latin and English in Dr. Holbrook's military academy, Sing Sing, N. Y. While in college he won the Bertram (Senior Latin) prize scholarship of \$100. He was alumnus secretary for 1888-9.

FRANK E. SPAULDING, Mu Deuteron, '89, was born in Dublin, N. H. He finished his preparation for college at Lawrence academy, Groton, Mass., where he was class president and valedictorian. In college he won the French and Italian prize of \$60 in 1888, and the Law Latin prize in 1889. He was a member of the Hitchcock Society of Inquiry and of *Φ B K.* While in college he compiled a glossary of legal terms contained in the first two books of Justinian's Institutes, which was published by the Latin department of the college. He is associate principal of Louisville, (Ky.) Military academy, and has for two seasons taught in the Amherst summer school of languages.

GEORGE M. BROCKWAY, Mu Deuteron, '89, a charter member, first entered the class of '88, but at the end of his freshman year was obliged to leave college on account of his health. He returned and graduated with '89. He studied medicine at the University of Buffalo, N. Y., and graduated May 25, 1890, one of two honor men in a class of sixty-six. He is resident physician of the Buffalo general hospital, having stood first in a competitive examination for the position.

A. M. EDWARDS, Eta, '80, formerly superintendent of schools in Lewiston, and now at Falmouth, Mass., has accepted a position as superintendent of schools at Pittsfield, Mass., at a salary of \$2,000 a year, and will remove his family there from Falmouth, where they now are. Pittsfield is one of the most delightful cities in Massachusetts; has eighty-six teachers and 3,400 pupils. The offer is a decided tribute to Mr. Edwards' undoubted genius as an educator. Falmouth offered Mr. Edwards many inducements in the way of salary, etc., to remain, but he preferred the larger town and the more extended opportunities. We are pleased at Mr. Edwards' evident success in Massachusetts' circles, and the many friends of himself and Mrs. Edwards, who has been for nearly all her life a resident in this city, will wish them prosperity and as many friends there as they have here—which is saying much.—*Lewiston Journal*, May 15.

Ernest D. Daniels, Mu Deuteron, '90, is principal of the Medway (Mass.) high school. He taught Latin last season in the Amherst summer school of languages. While in college he distinguished himself in athletics, winning several prizes. He played in the class eleven and 'varsity eleven. In the classics also he captured a senior Latin prize. He was a member of the Senior Scientific Society and of *Φ B K*.

Frederick A. Ballou, Mu Deuteron, '90, is teacher of the English branches in Louisville Military academy. He distinguished himself in college by winning the Walker mathematical prize in 1888 and both the Billings' Latin prize and the law Latin prize in 1890. He was included in the first drawing of *Φ B K*.

Edgar J. Banks, Mu Deuteron, '90, left college at the end of his freshman year and entered Oberlin Theological seminary, where he remained four terms, and then connected himself with the Vermont Home Missionary Society. He is now working for a degree in Harvard, doing special work in the Semitic languages.

Chas. Macdonald, Delta, '57, will deliver the address to the graduating class, June 17th, at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Thos. Earle, Delta, '87, is with the bridge construction department of the Penn's Steel Co., Steelton, Pa.

C. Victor Rice, Delta, '93, is of the firm of C. M. Rice & Co., Sharon, Pa. They are jobbers in wall paper, stationery, &c.

Carlos Yznaga, Delta, '92, is manager of his mother's plantation near Cienfuegos, Cuba.

Wm. P. Anderson, Delta, '61, is vice-President of the Addyston Pipe Works, of Addyston, Ohio, a few miles from Cincinnati.

Arthur J. Clough, Lambda—who for three years held the principalship of Nantucket High School, and then for three and a half years held a similar position in Stockbridge, was elected to the principalship of the Green Bay High School, Green Bay, Wis., the first of January, '89, where he remained during the remainder of '89 and the next year, when he returned to Stockbridge. During the past year he has been preparing boys for college. While in Nantucket he passed his examinations at Boston and took the degree of M. A. He has had great success in all his teaching, and is very highly regarded in the different places where he has been.

POOR—BROWN.

Walter W. Poor, Bowdoin, '91, was married December 22, 1890, to Miss Ellen M. Brown, of Orrington, Me. The ceremony was performed at Conway, N. H.

PARKER—COBB.

Fred E. Parker, Bowdoin, '91, was married January 3, 1891, to Miss Lillian M. Cobb, of Stroudwater, Me.

LOUBRIEL—RANDALL.

The marriage of Bro. Manuel M. Loubriel, Columbia, '85, to Miss Martha Randall, of New York, was celebrated at St. Vincent de Ferrier's church, New York city, April 16th. Theta Delta Chi was represented by Bros. Feliciano I. Valdes, C. C. N. Y., '86, George N. Grass, C. C. N. Y., '85, and Louis A. Grass, Jr., C. C. N. Y., '89. Bro. Loubriel is a prominent pharmacist of the Metropolis and carries with him into married life the best wishes of his many friends.

JONES—STIVERS.

A pretty wedding took place at 4 p. m., May 13th, in the Collegiate Dutch Reformed Church, Fifth Avenue and Twenty-ninth Street. The bride was Miss Carrie M. Stivers and the bridegroom Frank Lawrence Jones, Pi Deuteron, '88. The bride wore a skirt of white corded silk, brocaded Louis Seize coat trimmed with point lace, a pendant of diamonds glittering amid its folds. Her veil was of tulle, caught with orange blossoms, and she carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley.

Adrian Jackson was best man, and the Messrs, Elbert Whitson, William Stevens, Pi Deuteron, '89, Gonzalo de Quesada, Pi Deuteron, '88, and Clarence Howe, of Brooklyn were the ushers. Miss Mary F. Stivers a sister of the bride, the lady of honor, was attired in a corn-colored silk trimmed with chiffon. Her wide-brimmed hat had ribbon bows to match and she carried a bunch of white lilacs. Miss Maie Handy and Miss Jessie Mason, the bridesmaids, were alike in white dotted Swiss gowns trimmed with Valenciennes, with bows and corn-colored ribbon and tips of the same shade on their hats. They also carried bouquets of white lilacs.

The Rev. Clement Whipple, of Luzerne, N. Y., and an uncle of the bridegroom, united the couple. There was no reception.

After the marriage a wedding dinner for the bridal party was given at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. W. Stivers, No. 142 East Thirty-first street.—*N. Y. World*.

Among the large audience at the church were numerous Theta Dels. Nearly all the active members of the Pi Deuteron and Rho Deuteron charges were present to give Bro. Jones a good send off. The bridal couple are now enjoying a happy honeymoon. In their travels a pleasant call was made upon the Psi boys. They will return home about June 1st, and on the 4th a reception will be given at the residence of the bride's parents. During the summer the residence of the happy pair will be at Westfield, N. J.

The SHIELD wishes her former faithful editor much joy in his marital relations.

BEERS—ANDERSON.

Henry J. Beers, Jr.; Xi, — of Oil City, Pa., was married April 2d, 1891, to Miss Mary Hart Anderson, of Dover, Del. After the customary wedding tour they will take up their residence in Wilmington, Del., where Bro. Beers has a fine position.

In Memory of JAMES HEPBURN POLLOCK,

CLASS OF '91, COLUMBIA COLLEGE.

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in his infinite wisdom to call to himself our beloved brother, JAMES HEPBURN POLLOCK, and

WHEREAS, In his death we have lost a faithful and earnest friend and brother; be it Resolved, That, while humbly submitting to the decree of Almighty God, we as a brotherhood deeply mourn our loss, and extend to his bereaved family our most heartfelt sympathy.

Resolved, That in the death of our brother, Rho Deuteron Charge has lost one of its most valued members, and the Fraternity one whose kindly qualities won for him the respect and love of all.

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

FRANK N. DODD,
ROBERT VAN IDERSTINE,
Committee.

See J. S. Murtha's letter in correspondence.

In Memory of JOHN SAYLES WATERMAN,

CORNELL UNIVERSITY, '77.

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in his infinite wisdom to remove from our number, our brother, JOHN SAYLES WATERMAN; 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, Beta 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 copies of these resolutions be sent to the relatives of our deceased brother, to the Grand Lodge, and to the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD for publication.

For the Charge,

EARLE C. HAGGETT, '91.
CHARLES H. WERNER, '92.
FRANK L. CONNARD, '93.

ITHACA, N. Y., March 16, 1891.

In Memory of LUMOUS WILLIAM BRIGHAM,

CLASS OF '93, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father, in His infinite wisdom, has seen fit to remove from our number, our esteemed brother, LUMOUS WILLIAM BRIGHAM, and

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

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

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

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

For the Charge,

H. E. COLBY, '91.
V. A. DOTY, '92.
F. W. MILLER, '93.

HANOVER, N. Y., March 16, 1891.

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. The opinions advanced are not necessarily approved by the editor. Everyone is permitted to speak his mind.

NEW YORK, April 10, 1891.

DEAR BRO. HOLMES:—There is no doubt in my mind that you are, by this time, in receipt of the information concerning the death of Bro. James H. Pollock, of Columbia, '91.

If it is not amiss I would like to add a few items to the already enlarged catalogue of Bro. Pollock's virtues. He became a brother in $\Theta\Delta X$ soon after entering College; I think Bro. Ed. J. McCrossin, of P^A , '90, proposed him.

I had known Bro. Pollock before that time, and, although a strong bond of friendship bound us together before his initiation into the fraternity, it was doubly strengthened when he became a full fledged $\Theta\Delta$.

Bro. Pollock came from a most distinguished family.

His grandfather was a former Governor of Pennsylvania, and was the individual who succeeded in having engrafted upon the coin of the U. S. the words, "In God we Trust."

Bro. Pollock was a most amiable gentleman, a thorough scholar, and an orator of acknowledged ability.

He was a member of some of the most exclusive social organizations in Brooklyn. His family connections are all located in the city of Philadelphia, Penn., but Bro. Pollock resided for four years last past in the City of Churches, being employed in the law offices of Arnoux, Ritch & Woodford, in this city.

He was a great favorite of Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, and in Bro. Pollock's death the fraternity loses one of its most ardent workers, and truest members.

Yours fraternally,

JAMES A. MURTHA, JR.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 12, 1891.

DEAR BRO.:—I had not seen "THE SHIELD" for several years until the sample copy you sent reached me. To say that I was pleased with it, but feebly expresses my feelings. I did not think it possible for any fraternity to issue as complete a periodical as "THE SHIELD" proves to be.

The typography and general "get up" is in perfect keeping with the contents, and there is not a magazine—fraternal or otherwise—that can surpass it. It shows conclusively that the editor is working for the good of the fraternity instead of trying to fatten his own pocket-book. Congratulations, Holmes, and if there is anything that I can do in this neighborhood command me.

Enclosed find check for subscription to Vol. VII, and you will find my name on your books from now until the skies fall.

With the best of wishes for your success in all lines.

I am yours in O Δ X,

H. S. NEIMAN,

79 Clinton Avenue, Albany, N. Y.

BATAVIA, N. Y., April 7, 1891.

DEAR BROTHER:—I am kept very busy and have little time to look after fraternity matters, still I look for the SHIELD always. It is a source of rest and pleasure to me. I always take it home and read it through with real satisfaction. I note how true it is as you remark that a man's various occupations crowd out, and seemingly supplant old time fraternity feelings, but they are there just the same. They are like the coals in a blacksmith's forge, they need only a little fanning to bring them to white heat. It adds pleasure to my life to hear something about the boys of college times. How I wish I could see some of them again. We were a most loyal set of Thetas while at college, that spirit has not left us yet. I suppose time changes all things. I note that the badges are more chubby in shape than they used to be, I suppose on account of the growing corpulence of the fraternity. I like the old form better. The frontispiece to the old catalogue was always a source of delight to me to look upon. I often wondered who was really the designer of it, and should like to hear its history. There is something about it that tends to encourage one to do his best in this world. I will just draw attention to one thing in it, symbolical of how the life of a Theta Delt should be. The whole course of life is indicated by the pointing of the arms of the Theta Delta Chi mother from the breast to that beautiful vision in the sky, indicating that our life should be so spent from childhood to death that it shall be an honor to ourselves and those around us. I must add that I am not enjoying good health. Work and inherited infirmities are beginning to tell on me.

Yours fraternally,

HOBART B. CONE.

ASPEN, Colo., March 16, 1891.

MY DEAR BOY:—Your editorial management of the SHIELD and your persistent endeavor to give due prominence to Theta Delta Chi interests, has accomplished incomparably more for the best interests of the fraternity, than all other influences combined. I have the most indelible evi-

dences from all radii of the efficient character of your work, and consider that you are abundantly entitled to commendation and congratulation. Naturally, my interest is very much awakened over the proposed La-Fayette College number, and my vanity is correspondingly inflated at the prospect of seeing this Napoleonic head in a magazine, I am consumed with a corroding desire to see the boys—the Olympian Immortals "*The Dethroned Gods*," as the irreverent and rake-helly Jack Harris used to call them. I have had a myriad of friends since then, but none like the old ones, and if you can resurrect their faces as the witch of Endor called back Samuel's shade, you will have revived a lost art, and conferred a great happiness.

I send you the desired photo. In that massive configuration of brow, you will trace the developed lines of what you once knew as incipient greatness. In the grey hair, you will be reminded of "late nights," deep potations, struggling remorse and solemn asseveration, a mental condition usually associated with July 5th, and one to which you are, happily, a stranger, since you have abandoned your only redeeming vice. But I wear the shield and thus emphasize my own pet hobby of the graduate's responsibility *to swing the pin*. It is the insignia of an aristocracy that mere upstart wealth can never buy, that intellectual Eunuchs can never wear, and social half-breeds can never get. I am a monomaniac on the subject of enforcing a higher grade of reverence for the shield and its associations.

It is among the pleasures of my college days to recall the genial phiz of ex-Judge Morris, "our Sam," of the Astor House Convention (Delta 1870), in Charlie Stetson's time, when John Brougham was still on earth. I say, to recall the stately Judge with no jewelry whatever, save a plain bordered shield, his patent of nobility that no persuasion could induce him to discard. Possibly my views are those of an extremist, but the stand taken here in the West by other fraternity men, notably Psi U, Alpha Delta Phi and the Sigs, who are all loyal to their badge and colors, make me morbidly aggressive, and I intrude the diamond bordered Theta Delt shield on all pertinent occasions, with the inferential assertion accompanying it, "If you want the reflex glory of the earth get better acquainted with our boys." Nothing this side the everlasting throne shall prevent my being on the Easton Campus this coming June. I hope we can devise some means for securing a chapter house. The equilibrium between income and expenditure is still one of those unknown quantities to me, and while I disclaim any intention of probing the secrets of the Godhead, I do mean, when on the Elysian fields, in the bright hereafter, to enlist Harris's sympathies and make a thorough canvas among *you knowing ones* with a view to publishing the secret. Pill Stewart never had any faculties that way either. He was always implicated in a new scheme for staving off a creditor, and at one period of his career, was the most gaudy, ostentatious and prismatic liar on the Bush-

kill Bluff. However, the same refining influences that have softened the Magenta hues of that impressive nose, and lent a velvet texture to that Eburnean cheek, have preserved him from the haunting spectre of famine, and dowered him with a dolce far niente life—the sins of the father didn't visit the children in *his* generation, and hence some men will doubtless be saved through manifest merit.

The Alpha restored is the young man's vision and the old man's dream of "the bright days for our fraternity." As astronomers have mourned the lost Pleiad, so we have missed the Alpha, and I will willingly travel two thousand miles to contribute the force of my personal equation, if in any way it can contribute to the reinstatement of that grand old Gharge.

Faithfully and cordially yours in Θ Δ X,

FRANK S. RICE.

NEW YORK, March 21st, 1891.

MY DEAR BRO. HOLMES:—Please pardon my silence for such a long time, but work, sickness and the hope of seeing you personally, have prevented me from writing to the esteemed and energetic brother.

I enclose my subscription for the SHIELD. I think every member of the Fraternity should subscribe. The SHIELD is worth more than its price to any brother who takes any interest in the prosperity of Theta Delta Chi, and every brother's duty is to look out for the greatness of our dear fraternity.

You can always count upon my humble but sincere aid in anything tending to make Θ Δ X, the first among the Greek letter societies.

Yours very fraternally in Θ Δ X,

GONZALO DE QUESADA.

DEAR BRO:—You write that you have been down to Florida—that winter mecca of the pecunious. Military duty once called me there. Our beneficent government, at the close of the late war, sent me, with other loyal sons, to alleviate the ills of the natives, both white and black. I wonder if my old friend flourishes now as then? He must be there unless swept back by advancing cohorts of the peaceful northern. This friend is indigenous. He is numerous and more typical of that latitude than even the interesting negro. He is tall and thin. His skin is parchment-like and yellow. His hair is long. He is lazy—very lazy, good-natured—but I will not multiply his virtues, but proceed at once to tell my story, an incident of an eventful experience. Its only present importance being that it serves as a useful lesson of culture and refinement, and introduces a robust idiom of our language and a characteristic type of that class. But first let me ask, did you squander the wealth brought to your coffers by the generous subscription list for the SHIELD, at the palatial Ponce de Leon? Did you inhale the fragrance of orange blossoms and the magnolia, and listen to the song of the mocking bird? Did you

shoot an alligator in the eye, and wrestle with the silvery, flashing tarpon in the Gulf? Did you see a native, a *genuine* "cracker?" Pardon the digression. We were about to dine. Our Ganymede had placed the polished tins upon the ground, and the savory odors of good things aggravated our hunger. Suddenly there appeared before us a "cracker," —the most typical of a class. "Hello! 'Day to you'ns." "Have some dinner with us?" "Don't care if I do. Done have sunthin' sence I left Tuckachechuckhee, before sun up." "Will you have some of the broiled chicken?" "Don't care if I do; feel pow'ful peekish." Our guest proceeded to demolish chicken, *et cetera*, like a famished wolf. Finally his hunger was appeased. Not a word had been spoken while engaged in filling up. He then laid down his *fingers*, heaved a long sign of satisfaction and with a melancholy look of regret, mingled with commiseration for our ignorance of culinary matters, made this one ejaculation and lapsed into torpidity. "My old 'oman, her nabs a chick and jerks out hims in-tric-a-ces, and *frys* her and she am proper good." The inference being that the "old 'oman" did not *fry* herself, but the "chick." This little story, of polite gratitude and reckless use of pronouns, lacks woefully all of the characteristics of Ward McAllisterism, but probably the Simiadken ancestors of even that distinguished unit of the "Four Hundred," did not wear swallow-tailed coats or consult the euphemisms of a "*menu*."

Yours fraternally,

WARREN, PENN., March 30th, 1891.

P. C. GILBERT.

BARRE, VT., March 25th, 1891.

DEAR BRO.—I gladly enclose you my check for the SHIELD, which has given me a great deal of pleasure and satisfaction. Could not afford to be without it. Success to it and to you. I think you ought not to depend on renewing subscription every year, for many will forget to do it, while if you send the book along and send the bill there are few who will refuse to pay.

Sincerely in the bonds,

A. W. PEIRCE.

PHOENIXVILLE, PA., April 11th, 1891.

DEAR BRO.—With pleasure I renew my subscription to the SHIELD. You are doing a good work and doing it well in every respect. Your reward should move right along with your good works in substantial financial encouragement from your readers.

A simple flower graciously presented to the living in words of encouragement and cheer is of more value than a church full of bouquets and columns of panegyric after death has closed our eyes. The present is the time to show our appreciation of a worthy brother and his labors. I make my check to cover subscription to the catalogue and song book.

Yours respectfully and fraternally,

V. N. SHAFFER.

PHELPS, N. Y., March 28th, 1891.

MY DEAR BRO. HOLMES:—Enclosed you will find subscription for current volume of the SHIELD. It is by far the brightest, newsiest and most ably-edited of any fraternity publication I have ever seen. Certainly you must feel proud of your successful effort in raising the standard so high, and I trust the fraternity will show its appreciation in such a substantial manner, as will insure its perpetuity as well as a reward for your invaluable services. It is my desire to be considered a permanent subscriber and should I fail to remit dues at the proper time, please draw upon me for the necessary amount, and I will gladly honor the draft. Should the enclosed pledge be found proportionately insufficient to defray the necessary expense incurred in publishing our much-needed catalogue I shall be pleased to add to, or double it, should the full amount pledged be found inadequate. Wishing you every success in these matters, which are of such vital importance to our fraternity, I am

Yours in the inseparable bonds of $\Theta\Delta X$,

WM. A. HOWE.

NEW YORK, Feb'y 16th, 1891.

DEAR BRO:—Now, at that which may seem to you, the last moment, I hasten to discharge my indebtedness for the SHIELD, though I assure you I do not feel that I or any of the brotherhood can thus, with the simple payment of two dollars, fully testify to the worth of your efforts in putting this society magazine before all others. That your past faith, that Theta Delta Chi would respond to help you put forth a worthy volume was not a dead one, is exemplified in your lively works. I beg to thank you heartily for the pocket directory that reached me. It is particularly satisfying to a resident of this great city, as it will also be of inestimable value to our visiting brethren. I return, with added thanks, the fraternal greeting of the "New York" loyal brother, besides giving you, the publisher, all praise for the neat and serviceable condition in which you send it forth.

Yours in the fraternal bonds,

F. J. RUNDEL.



Editorial.

THE catalogue of our fraternity is now a fixed fact. It has been talked of and written about for ten years. Much work has been done by different committees, valuable at the time, but lost in the mass of difficulties that surrounded the undertaking. Bro. Davis had almost succeeded, when ill-health brought on by too close application seemed likely to once more bury the work. The Grand Lodge, after a careful review of the condition of the fraternity, found that its general organism was in a prosperous condition. They discovered, however, that there was pressing need for the catalogue which had been the subject of consideration by so many conventions. Believing that the next convention would sanction the seeming neglect of some other duties, and authorize the efforts they might put forth if the task could be brought to a successful completion before it should meet, they took upon themselves the voluntary burden of the clerical work early in March, and at once proceeded to put the records in shape for the printer.

At this date the announcement can be officially made that the catalogue will be issued before the next convention. The most important consideration has been the financial success of the undertaking. The responses have been sufficiently liberal to justify the assumption of the risk by the Grand Lodge. Every member of the fraternity whose address is known has received an invitation to subscribe to the fund. Answers have been prompt and subscriptions liberal. There is still lacking several hundred dollars to complete the fund. There are a number of SHIELD subscribers who have not yet been heard from. Whoever reads this article is reminded of the fact that if he has not subscribed, just now is the time to do so. Every member will desire to possess the catalogue. It is important that the subscription list be completed at once, for the edition to be printed will be limited to such a number as can surely be dis-

posed of. As the book is one which will be preserved, a better binding will be used than upon either of the former editions. Two styles will be furnished. One a full cloth binding, neat and serviceable, intended for constant reference by undergraduates or others. The price of this style will be \$2, considerably less than the cost of production, but within the reach of almost any brother. A sufficient number will be bound in full Russia to supply a copy to everybody who subscribes five dollars or more before the work goes to press. Those who desire the catalogue in this style of binding, which will be known as the library edition, should be prompt with their subscriptions. Those who have already subscribed the sum of five dollars or more will receive this style without making any request. It will be of interest to note that a number of brothers have subscribed sums between ten and fifty dollars. The names of all who make subscriptions of over five dollars will be published as contributors.

As to the style of the catalogue, no effort will be made to give a biographical encyclopedia, as it would involve too much expense and an amount of labor which would cover several years' time. Such a book would require at least five years to complete, and is left for some zealous enthusiast who has all his time and plenty of funds at his disposal. The general style of the last catalogue will be followed, with as much special information as possible. The difficulty of obtaining correct information is a great impediment to making a correct catalogue. Many are ready to give information about the brothers which is literally hearsay. An attempt will be made to verify all statements, but the time is limited. Any SHIELD reader who can give information about any of the older members who have become as it were lost to the fraternity, will by doing so, confer a great favor and assist materially in the work. Be sure, however, of the accuracy of the statements, and send to the SHIELD at once. The editor will devote the entire summer months to the work, and will endeavor to have the catalogue ready for delivery November 1st. Whatever of deterioration there may seem to be in this or the next number of the SHIELD, will be due to the fact that the time which justly be-

longs to the SHIELD has been appropriated to the catalogue work, besides many midnight hours which ought to be spent in sleep. Bear with the editor and the Grand Lodge. We trust that the catalogue will be sufficient reward for our shortcomings in other directions.

AT THE last convention, when the name of the editor of the SHIELD was presented for president of the Grand Lodge, the fear was expressed by some of the delegates that in the event of his election to that high and honorable office, the SHIELD would cease to be paramount, and as a consequence the influence of the fraternity organ be weakened. Therefore their pride in the SHIELD caused them to adopt a hostility they did not feel. So far as the printed pages of the SHIELD are concerned, they shall speak for themselves. Throwing aside all personality, the editor desires to speak candidly of the results of such election and its influence upon the SHIELD as he feels it. In doing so it is admitted that to properly edit such a journal consumes all the spare time which a business man might naturally be supposed to have at his command. It does that and more. Now, how is it possible to add to this the duties incumbent upon the president of the Grand Lodge when time seems to be filled to overflowing.

A single instance will give a good idea of the methods by which the two tasks are interwoven and accomplished. It became necessary during the month of April to visit one of the charges 600 miles distant from Elmira. How to take the time for this trip during an unusually busy season was quite a puzzle. After carefully studying the railroad guide, the trip was planned so as to leave Elmira at 6 p. m., ride all night and until noon the following day, spend the afternoon and evening with the charge, and then leaving at midnight, ride the remainder of the night and all the next day, arriving in Elmira in the evening. The trip was made as planned. In two working days, 1,200 miles were traversed and twelve hours spent in visiting the charge. But this is not all. While on the cars a portion of the editorial matter besides several of the leading

articles which appear in this number of the SHIELD were thought out, and their outlines transferred to paper. Scarce a trip is taken which does not produce one or more of the so-called heavy articles which appear in the SHIELD. Without this faculty, which is one of cultivated habit, the SHIELD would be rather light so far as editorial expression goes.

But to return to our text, the care of the archives and records of the fraternity devolves upon the president of the Grand Lodge. To the present incumbent these documents are of inestimable value as containing much matter which should become permanent record by publication in the SHIELD. Those pertaining to the old charges, personal history, and many other items will provide material for reflections and general articles for many volumes to come. A careful study of the records will act as an educator, and provide a fund of general information which is invaluable to the editor. While there is much yet to be examined, sufficient has already been unearthed to give the SHIELD greater strength, and it has received that which will make it better so long as it is published by the present management. If his official career shall be as satisfactory to the fraternity as are the educating results of these records to the editor, he will not regret when he resigns the office to some more worthy person that he attempted what seemed almost an impossibility.

We hardly deem it necessary to speak editorially about the new club house. A few of the more conservative brothers seem to think the time hardly ripe for the move. The same brothers told the editor two years ago that "they were afraid the SHIELD could not be successful and would not be supported." Well, perhaps it would not if the editor had comfortably seated himself and expected the SHIELD to run itself. Things do not move without a "moving" spirit behind them, and as perpetual motion has not yet been reconciled to the divine law, the same "moving" spirit must keep on hustling. These same careful brethren now extend their hands and congratulate the "moving" editor on the wonderful success achieved by the SHIELD. It was not so wonderful after all.

Simply a determined effort on our part to *make the SHIELD what it ought to be to succeed*, accompanied by patient and repeated efforts to convince these same careful brothers that it would succeed. Success always succeeds. These same remarks apply to the New York Club House. It is bound to succeed. Theta Delta Chi is not the fraternity to let it, or anything else, fail, when she is reasonably satisfied that the right person has hold of the helm. If every brother knew personally the list of brothers who have the matter in charge, as well as does the editor, they would feel just as confident of its success. Now all that is necessary to make anything good succeed is to *make up your mind that it will succeed*, and then fire away for dear life. Put your very being into the task and if *you are a success* the object you labor for will certainly be successful. It was never known to fail. This is divine precept and human law. Bro. Brookins is a success. He has hold of the helm and the ship will ride easy on the stormy billows. Would that we had some more just such men. We have, and their names are coupled with his on the roll of the club house. Now just dive into your pockets and do your share. You want an interest in that club house. The SHIELD was only too glad to give its mite, and it will do so every year so long as the club house is in the hands of the present board. Pay your contribution now and come to New York in October, when we will show you the biggest time in the annals of the fraternity.

THE editor regrets that he cannot be present at all the banquets. It seems to be impossible to secure any account of those from which he is absent. The Southern Graduate Association held a banquet on the evening of April 3d in Baltimore, and at least three letters have been written to the secretary, without eliciting one word in reply. The Chicago banquet held in April was not heard from. A letter recently sent to Bro. Maxwell A. Kilvert, who is always ready to do his part, produced at once an account which is given as received. The editor had made every arrangement to be present at this banquet, but a sudden and very severe cold taken the day before he expected to start for Chicago laid him up for repairs, and it was

regretfully given up. The brothers are urged to remember that the SHIELD is not omnipresent. It desires to give *all* the news, but will signally fail unless some one remembers us, when we are not on hand. If no one has interest enough in the fraternity periodical to do something to help out the editor he will some day lose heart and give up the job. The interest which the fraternity displays in its journal is the only reward received, and in proportion thereto will be the inducement to keep it up. It is no picnic. A good SHIELD means a sacrifice of all the leisure time at the disposal of the editor. There is no fraternity journal published which receives so few contributed articles as the SHIELD. There are more pages of matter written by the editor in this number than are contained in an entire year's issue of any quarterly which comes to our table. The day is coming when this must cease. It is at a tremendous cost of vital energy that the editor accomplishes his work. How long are you going to sit idly by and let some one else do that which you should at least recognize by an effort to contribute something to lighten his task.

WE notice in a majority of fraternity journals announcements, stating that they mail their journal regularly to every alumnus whose address they can procure, unless forbidden, with the evident expectation of getting pay for it. This is not the policy of the SHIELD. We only send it to regular subscribers, who pay for it. Our reason is two-fold. If it is not worth sending for it is not worth having. If we send it without orders it savors strongly of cramming it down "*nolens volens*." Further than this we expect pay in advance, like all regular magazines. We have to pay spot cash for printing, and are strongly impressed with the belief that the man who has paid for his journal will read it and appreciate it, while the man who does not think enough of the journal to pay promptly the small amount of the subscription will not read it. If he does not read it he will not feel *particularly* interested in paying for it at a later day. We confess that we are not possessed of a sufficient amount of charity to be willing to contribute our time to the editorial and clerical work, and at the same time pay in

cold cash out of our own pocket for the numbers which would be supplied to those who are likely to consign them to the waste basket. It would be no crime if the subscription receipts were sufficient to leave a few dollars balance in our hands at the end of the year as a remuneration for the long and weary hours devoted to the work. We are pleased to announce that in delving for information to be used in the catalogue many addresses have been secured, from whom prompt responses have been received, and a rapid increase of our subscription list is the gratifying result. The brothers will bear with us when we urge prompt payments. It is business, and the SHIELD shall be conducted on business principles or not at all.

WE are glad to present in this number two distinctive expressions in regard to the "Lady Question." One is from an old graduate of thirty years' standing and the other from an undergraduate who speaks from the heart, yet without experience. The arguments made use of suggest the thought that one point was not as clearly made as it might have been. Bro. Gilbert hits the nail on the head squarely. He has absorbed the generic idea of the editor. It is not that all banquets should be attended by the ladies, but that two obstacles might be overcome. Some people seem to be imbued with the idea that a banquet would not be a "jolly good time" unless the board was made festive by wine. Bro. Gilbert has touched this point with such graceful fingers that the editor is content for the time to forego any remarks except to echo a hearty endorsement of his views. Many of the brothers seem to lack any particular interest in reunions, and it is hard to get them imbued with sufficient enthusiasm to attend. May this not be owing to a preference for the nearer and dearer society of the home circle which is at present barred out. We do not concede the impossibility of fine after-dinner oratory in the presence of ladies. We do believe that an extension of the personal friendship which exists among the brothers to their wives and families would be conducive to much greater pleasure on the part of graduate members. This can only be accomplished by the familiar intercourse of banquets, or other social gatherings.

The entire question pertains to graduate membership. We would not advise any change in our undergraduate or convention banquets, but let us have some kind of social gatherings where we can bring together our wives, and in that way feel that the bond of fraternal fellowship does not exclude those who are nearest and dearest to us. Their ennobling influence might reflect upon the undergraduate gatherings and lead them to realize that manhood and its highest joys are not to be found in the wine cup.

ONE of the pleasantest tasks devolving upon the President of the Grand Lodge is the visitation of the charges. To the present incumbent this serves a double purpose. It gives him personal knowledge of the various institutions and their surroundings, and familiar acquaintance with the active members of each charge and their peculiarities, which enables him to form his official decisions according to the needs of the fraternity without detracting from the local interest of any charge. As editor of the SHIELD, it supplies ample material for general reflections and comments which illustrate clearly to the graduate brothers the general condition of things as compared with the past. He can write advisedly upon all questions. It prevents the possibility of generalities which might be misleading. Graduate brothers can rely upon the statements made, and in this way each reader of the SHIELD has been benefited by the honor conferred upon its editor and the added duties, which could not otherwise have been assumed.

WOULD that many might feel as a good brother who writes as follows :

"Through oversight my name has not been on the list of subscribers to the SHIELD since I graduated in June. I want it put on at once, and hope I shall never be allowed to let my subscription expire. I want also to add my mite to the catalogue fund. I only wish I could do more. If my ability to do this were only in better proportion to my love for Theta Delta Chi I could do more toward paying the great debt I owe the Fraternity."

THE brothers should not forget the Theta Delta Chi Anthem, published by Bro. Albert Bushnell. This anthem was gotten up at no small expense both of time and money, because of his love for the good old fraternity. This labor of love should be recognized and appreciated. The music is good and the words, from Bro. Halsey's poetic pen, are excellent. Our most enthusiastic brothers are often discouraged in their efforts to advance the best interests of the fraternity by an apparent lack of interest and support. Now, do not pass this coldly by, but remember how much Bro. Bushnell has done for the fraternity, to say nothing of the earnest work of Bro. Halsey, and send fifty cents to the SHIELD. It will convince Bro. Bushnell that the fraternity is not as cold as it sometimes seems to be, and the handsome sheet of music sent you in return will amply repay you for your trouble.

THE amount of active interest displayed in the Catalogue proves conclusively how much it was needed. Confidence in its speedy issue seems to be unquestioned. At the same time the benefit accruing to the SHIELD is surprising. No direct effort on our part could have secured half so many new subscribers. The list is rolling up grandly, and before the volume is completed we hope to exceed our most sanguine anticipations. Let the good work go on. Any man who would not pay \$2 per year for a magazine such as this surely cannot appreciate a good thing when he sees it. Send in your subscription and try it for a year, if you are not already on the list.

THERE seems to be a misunderstanding among the charges in regard to the charge editors' copy. Under the new arrangement of the present volume no one has a free copy. The editors are often changed several times in a year and much confusion is created. If the charges have not sufficient fraternity interest to supply the letters the SHIELD will be published without them. It requires more effort on the part of the editor to get a full list of letters than to do all the rest of the work.

The SHIELD is issued on time. If charge editors are behind they will get left. The issue will not be delayed to accommodate anyone.

AN interesting letter from Bro. H. B. Cone, published in "Correspondence," has much in it worthy of thought. The remarks on the badge are peculiarly pertinent to the general article on the subject, and strongly confirm the editor's position. The allusion to the frontispiece of the old catalogue presents a beautiful sentiment, which should cause every brother to love the dear old picture more than ever. Bro. Cone has the true fraternity spirit. It encourages the editor in his work to hear from those who were active workers in the fraternity in the years when he, too, was a college boy.

WE are obliged to omit the biography of Bro. Bachman from this number. Our limit of space has been greatly exceeded, and much other matter is crowded out which ought to appear. The general topics are so abundant that little attention has been given to editorial comments. This is due partly to lack of time. Exchanges will be examined and their contents taken up in September. It is perhaps wise to reserve some good things for that number, as the summer will be so closely occupied with catalogue work that the SHIELD will be neglected. We must have our catalogue even at the expense of the SHIELD.

IT is with no slight degree of satisfaction that we note the receipt of a letter just as we go to press from a *neutral* college man graduated from a prominent Southern institution, which contains the following:

"I see that the Kappa Alpha *Journal* gives the SHIELD about two pages of very sharp comment. Some Alpha Tau Omegas were here a day or two ago. They sustain the SHIELD and say that the K. A. *Journal* has made a big mistake."

THE charges should not forget the SHIELD when college annuals are being distributed. Quite a number are already out

which have not been received. We are not begging by any means. It is a courtesy due to the journal. Don't forget us, please.

THE editor was led into an awkward blunder by inference in writing the editorial alluding to Mrs. Bradley in the last SHIELD. Having no personal knowledge of the family, the error was quite natural. We should have said Miss Bradley, the loving sister. Just as the SHIELD was being mailed the sad information came to hand that Mrs. Bradley died March 12 mourning her son and leaving Miss Bradley doubly bereaved. We mourn with her. Springer Bradley will never be forgotten by those who were his associates in college, and while this memory lasts the sister whose heart bleeds in her sad home will have our tender sympathy.

SUBSCRIBERS who change their address should not be so short-sighted as to expect the SHIELD unless they notify the editor. It is a source of no small expense to supply back numbers to those who have the (?) presence of mind to write a complaining letter six months afterward blaming the editor for his remissness when he has been sending it regularly to the old address. Of course the Postoffice Department gets none of the blame.

The following changes should be made in the New York City Directory: Business address—C. V. Mapes, from 158 Front to N. J. Central building, Liberty street, corner West; H. S. Chatfield, from 140 Nassau street to 120 Broadway.

Residence address—Geo. N. Grass, to New York from 156 East Sixty-fourth street; Louis A. Grass, same address.

Add to directory the name of Geo. L. Fielder, Beta '89, manager N. Y. office American Writing Mach. Co., 237 Broadway; residence, 39 West Twenty-sixth street. Change residence address of Homer D. Brookins to 303 West One-hundred-and-thirty-third street; of Robert J. Mahon to 490 St. Nicholas avenue; of Willis S. Paine to 155 West Fifty-eighth street.

Our advertisers should not be forgotten by readers of the SHIELD. Their number is not so great as to overwhelm you. Look them over and if you find anything of interest then bear it in mind. Several new advertisers appear in this year's list. The brothers should endeavor to favor those who patronize the SHIELD. It would be consistent for you to turn your entire influence to those who assist the editor in giving you such a good magazine. When you want badges buy them only of the men whose advertisement you see in the SHIELD. Badges are being purchased now from firms who will not advertise in the SHIELD or contribute one cent toward the fraternity. Do you think it just right to support them when they absolutely refuse to support your dearest interests or do anything toward it. The editor is just radical enough to decline to give any fraternity business whatever to those who refuse to patronize the SHIELD, and, more than this, he has a clear conscience when he urges you to act upon the same plane. These things apply to stationery and engraving and many other things advertised.

A CAREFUL perusal of the charge letters contained in the present number is quite as good a commentary upon the condition of our fraternity as the most critical might desire. Without any desire to boast of what our men are doing, just read Amherst's record for this year of scholarship, indicating hard work and high moral standing, a factor absolutely essential to secure the highest honors. Then turn to Kappa's cheerful statements of their success in athletics. Read the list of positions occupied by Delta's men. Notice that in every letter a cause for congratulation exists. Can anyone say, after such an array, that Theta Delta Chi is not coming to the uttermost edge of the front. It does not take numbers to make success by any means. We have MEN. Few they may be, but every one counts as a full man, not a boy. These representatives go forth into the world with the ability to claim the respect and admiration of their fellow-workers. With such men to bear our standard it is no struggle for us to say that we are glad we cast our lot with Theta Delta Chi. We bespeak for the coming college year prosperity to each and every charge.

Editorial Notes and Comments.

It is not a common thing for an undergraduate to write a text-book, but Mr. John Wenzel, of the College of Liberal Arts, Boston University, has prepared such a work, which is being published by D. C. Heath & Co., and for which a number of orders have already been received from prominent schools. The title of this book is "Comparative View of the Executive and Legislative Departments of the Governments of the United States, France, England and Germany." No such work has ever been published. The idea was suggested to Mr. Wenzel during a course in constitutional history under Dean Huntington, when he began a tabular view of these governments for his own convenience, and which, at the suggestion of the dean, he elaborated for publication. The manuscript was sent to Mr. Woodrow Wilson, author of "The State," from which Mr. Wenzel drew largely for his facts, who carefully reviewed the same and spoke in very enthusiastic terms of Mr. Wenzel's work. Advanced proof-sheets have already been examined by prominent educators, including President Warren, G. H. Fall, Esq., Principal Roe, of the Worcester High School, who have spoken in the highest terms of the book. Mr. Wenzel is a member of the class of '91. He graduated from the Ashland High School in '86, and after working a year entered Boston University. In 1889 he was appointed assistant librarian. In connection with his college work he has taken full charge of the library, cataloguing over 4,000 volumes, according to the Dewey system. Mr. Wenzel is a bright looking young man twenty-one years old. He has paid his own expenses for a four-year's college course within \$150. He will enter the law school after his graduation in June.

The above article clipped entire from the *Boston Daily Traveler* of April 11, is given with pleasure, as it refers to one of Lambda's brightest members. Time was when none but the gray-haired scion of learning could "write a book," or at least this was the accepted version. Did a young man attempt any such feat he was like the "witch of Endor," submitted to condemnation without judge or jury. In the present age the youthful brain has rightfully a free swing, and if anything commendable emanates therefrom due acknowledgement is made. That one of Mr. Wenzel's age should have the mental capacity to attack so heavy a subject, seems almost impossible, but that he so successfully grappled with it is truly wonderful.

Many a hard student of mature years would be proud of the encomiums contained in the extract. Bro. Wenzel is apparently destined to become a shining literary light.

Under the caption of "A Dangerous Tendency," a correspondent writes to the Delta Kappa Epsilon *Quarterly* in the following strain :

"And now I beg to exercise the liberty of a subscriber and make a suggestion. Is not fraternity journalism going a little too fast in the matter of chapter reminiscences? Is there not a tendency, all along the line, to revolutionize the fraternity idea of old times? To convert (or pervert) the secret fraternities into practically open societies? As things are going the winsome words "initiation," "mystic shrine," etc., of former days are fast becoming obsolete."

Editor Downey comments editorially as follows :

Our correspondent in the above letter has made a very complete diagnosis of a dangerous tendency. A tendency that it behoves every chapter, alumni club, and every member of $\Delta K E$ to carefully guard against. The word of warning has been spoken none too soon and the *Quarterly* hastens to emphasize it.

Undoubtedly, a chief reason why Psi Upsilon and Alpha Delta Phi do not publish magazines, or at best only publish them privately, is because they fear that the element of secrecy will be banished. Many of our contemporaries have been very lax in their ideas of discrimination concerning the things that should be said and those that should be left unsaid. It is not implied in this statement that the *Quarterly* has been blameless in this respect, though we think she cannot be accused of any grave departures from the fundamental principle of every genuine Fraternity. We believe that future editors will find it necessary to be even more careful and discriminating than their predecessors have been. We have seen accounts of chapter exercises, convention doings, banquet speeches, etc., that should never been made public property.

Let it be understood, however, that we do not intend to discontinue chapter histories. We think it perfectly feasible to publish a series of chapter sketches which will be full of interest, which will serve to incite the future generations, which will preserve the main facts of our chapters in a permanent and accessible form, and which at the same time will not at all trench upon that secret realm, which must ever be a fundamental feature.

The magazines, however, are not alone to blame in this matter. Our alumni and alumni organizations, together with mongrel Pan-Hellenic gatherings, have given altogether too strong an impetus to this tendency. As Fraternity men get away from chapter traditions and meet men of other Greek-letter organizations they seem to forget that the obligations taken in the little chapter room were obligations for life; they forget that strenuous endeavor for supremacy, that honorable rivalry for leadership still continue at the various colleges, and that if the veil of secrecy be rent in twain the inspiration that urges on the Greek and so makes him superior to the barbarian, will be lost.

Fraternity conventions, and banquets as well, must guard against this subtle tendency of the time. The orator and poet will find many fields in which to exercise his genius without trailing in the common dust the many watchwords, symbols and rites that belong to his Fraternity, and to his alone.

There is usually some fire in the immediate vicinity of a liberal amount of smoke. The foregoing reproduction is given for the purpose of showing what is being thought of in other societies. It serves as a cautionary text for ourselves. If it be true that the state secrets of this or any other fraternity are being unfolded, or that the articles published are in any measure sufficiently lax to endanger the "holy mystery" which surrounds the fraternity shrine then fraternity journalism is, indeed, a bane and should be abolished. But a careful analysis of the subject does not seem to convince us that the fault lies in the direction hinted at. The editor of the SHIELD is not willing to think, much less to admit, that he has been the unwitting cause of damage to his fraternity from any article which has appeared in its pages since he assumed the management. It is a fact, however, that within the last year, reports of conventions have appeared in some journals, which were much more explicit than was wise. No harm, *real* or *imaginary*, would follow if the Greek Press did revolutionize some of the fraternity ideas of the old times. These very "old time ideas" were probably the inciting cause of the bitter opposition to fraternities encountered from the faculties of most of the colleges. As the character of fraternities has been modernized by cultivating less of "bum" and more of manhood, in proportionate ratio has the fraternity idea won favor with college faculties. What better medium for the dissemination of character lessons than the fraternity journal? Is it necessary that a fraternity man be imbued with "superstitious heathenism," or that the winsome words, "initiation," "mystic shrine," etc., be surrounded with the smoky halo of mythology, in order that he may be fully possessed of the true fraternity spirit? Not one whit more than it is necessary to be at open warfare with each other in order to keep up interest. We remember much during our college experience which was senseless and absolutely criminal. Does any one say that be-

cause members of our fraternity chapter are smart enough (or mean enough we should say) to break into the halls of some other fraternity and steal their secret documents, they are fulfilling the highest aim of fraternity life? It is not our purpose at this time to follow out this line of thought. We have much more to say on it than can be crowded into this article, and will reserve it for another time. There is certainly some justification for the fear that if the Greek Press should enlarge its liberality of ideas, the "mysterious something" which gives much charm to the active chapter life of college students would be in danger. Fraternity men after they leave college halls and are thrown together in the whirlpool of active life, lose the animosities of college days. They all rise to the same level. It is Fraternity against Barbarian. All Fraternity men have something in common as against those who were neutral. The danger alluded to then rests largely with the graduate element of fraternity existence. As the Greek press is largely created in the interest of this element, for the purpose of keeping their minds in sympathetic touch with the "active members," it should have a care that it does not encourage the freedom which exists among old fraternity men, when speaking of their own society. It were better that our conservatism should carry us to the extreme, than that our journals should do violence to the "mighty secrets" which weigh the active man down, and constitute the charm of his college existence. Pan Hellenism was really "the dangerous tendency." While the idea, in the abstract, was very beautiful, it contained in the folds of its outer garment a stiletto which would have penetrated the heart of the "truly mystical," and accomplished the revolution which the correspondent feared. Editor Downey offered his pages to any who desired to be heard. We extend the same privilege to any Theta Delt who wishes to express his views. No attempt has been made to present a scientific array of argument; simply a few random thoughts which may suggest caution to charge editors, as well as graduate brothers. The editor's conscience does not smite him for anything he has expressed in the pages of the SHIELD in the past.

To reprimand a chapter through a publication which reaches the eye of many who have no fraternal interest in the chapter, the reproof, or the reprobation is quite out of the question. The only thing which remains is to speak disapprovingly of a particular action in a general way. Nor yet is this entirely satisfactory to any one. If the editor of a fraternity magazine has not the conscientiousness to speak words of counsel to the order for which he labors, who has? Of necessity no one gives more real consideration to fraternity policies than he, no one weighs so carefully the effect of every act of the chapters upon the general order than he. Such being the case the present editor has not scrupled to speak for or against any contemplated departure or even any accomplished departure. There are many ways to discountenance things, but the least effective is the sugar-coated way. Plain words are understood. Equivocal sentences not only fail to influence a reader, but they invariably leave a doubt in the mind of the reader as to the real thought of the writer.

The above is a portion of the opening editorial in the April number of the *Kappa Alpha Journal*. No one will for a moment question the force of these statements. The editor who so far forgets himself as to reprimand, or even criticize any chapter of his fraternity, or the fraternity in general, on any subject pertaining to the interior workings of the order, is no longer fit to wield the pen. Such a course would result in the greatest damage to the order. There is a time and place for all things. The object of a fraternity magazine is to disseminate useful information and all its articles should be of such a nature as will invite the members to a higher plane of life. No one knows what influence the fraternity magazine has upon the college boy, who peruses eagerly its pages, because it is one of the cherished objects of his fraternity. It is our hope that no article shall ever appear within the covers of the *SCHILD* which will lower any one's estimate of "manhood." This life is not made up of its every day acts. As we live in the hearts of our loved ones long after we have passed over the river, our lives, as we live them, should be such that we may leave a worthy example. In so doing we lay up for ourselves treasures in a better land.

Exchange Gleanings.

[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.]

There seems to be a difference of opinion in regard to the ends served by the Exchange Department. A number of journals have of late dropped it out entirely. Whether this be from lack of time to review the numerous periodicals which are received, or a wish not to speak of the doings or sayings of other societies the editor notes not. Suffice it to say the SHIELD will continue this department whether others do or not, and on the following grounds: The SHIELD is published for the education and information of the fraternity. To speak only of Theta Delta Chi, after the manner of a "mutual admiration society," would not serve the highest ends? We regard it of no small importance to note the good things done and said by other fraternities. It keeps us in touch with the highest plane of fraternity life and says to contemporary societies, that we do not exist for the purpose of exterminating them. We claim the privilege of praising whatever of good may be found in them, and, as well, that of condemning anything of evil; not to harm them, but to contribute our protest against the possible attempt of our own society to follow suit. Editor VanCleve, of Phi Kappa Psi, is quite right (?) when he says, in speaking of Mr. Kreble, of the *Kappa Alpha Journal*,

"We are inclined to believe that our Southern friend only offers another illustration of the wisdom of entrusting the management of a fraternity paper to the hands of an Alumnus of mature years and large experience, and keeping him in the harness, for it is your 'prentice hand whose chief joy is running a muck among the exchanges.' "

A few years in active life grinds off the sharp edges and folds the mantle of charity over the silly animosities which

possessed us when in college. May we not hope to correct this evil, and incite in its stead a healthy business competition, a friendly rivalry, by our carefully guarded but kindly spoken comments on the virtues and vices of ourselves and others? The general make-up of "editorial comments" is so similar to the exchange department that we are somewhat inclined to combine the two departments, and may do so later on.

Kappa Alpha Theta wants a paid editor for the Journal. She sets forth her situation, which doubtless fits others, in the following editorial remarks :

"It is absurd to trust the editing of our quarterly to a staff of school girls with their heads full of lessons and not ten minutes' leisure during the day. We should put our *Journal* in the hands of an active, earnest, competent Theta out of the grind of regular college work, but in touch with college life. She might be loyal enough to freely suffer and die for us, but she should receive compensation in the form of a regular salary. The time of such a sister as we would choose for our editor is too valuable to be given away save in charity. *Kappa Alpha Theta* is not a charitable institution. She is able to pay for more time and better talent than she can hope to command under the present dispensation, and in justice to herself she ought to do so."

In most of the journals there seems to be a lack of contributions. Everybody has such implicit confidence in the editor that they let him go it alone mostly. This is quite the case with the *SHEILD*. The most energetic appeals fail to produce more than one or two articles. If the editor's pen should be crippled there would be scarce enough to feed a corporal's guard. The ladies are far better contributors. The Sorority journals teem with good, sensible articles, short and to the point, letters on various topics, conversational in style, and deeply interesting. Sometimes the leading article of the *Symposium* will have numerous responses. In the *Arrow* for March, "Fraternity as an Educator," has eight responses, containing many useful thoughts. Among them we note :

"A literary programme requiring much time or work in preparation, should seldom, if ever, be indulged in by a college fraternity."

"The aim of a college fraternity should not be so much for intellectual training as for moral and social benefit. Its members, if they are earnest,

energetic students, as all fraternity members should be, have enough hard study to do in connection with their school work."

"Fraternity presupposes equality. In a constant attrition with baser stones the diamond may lose somewhat in weight, but it loses nothing in brilliancy; on the other hand, it leaves a lasting impress on the outlines of the lower orders with which it comes in contact."

Much more of beautiful truth might be quoted. The number is rich in its variety of contents, all of which fills a fraternity need. We acknowledge the compliment contained in the exchange department. It expresses exactly our position in such graceful language that we reproduce it:

"His work as a fraternity editor indicates fondness for his own, but not an unfair, ungenerous estimate of rivals."

The *Delta*, in an article on Chapter Responsibility, makes use of the following proposition :

"A Chapter receiving a student into its membership and letting that student go forth from college without any improvement, directly attributable to his connection with the Chapter, has not fulfilled its responsibility as a Chapter."

Every active member of the fraternity is earnestly urged to make a note of this very important truth. Let it be burned so deeply in your heart that you will not cease your efforts to benefit your brothers.

A very interesting history of Johns Hopkins University is contained in the April number of the *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*, also an extended criticism of Baird's American Fraternities, covering six pages. Much is said therein, and perhaps it is all true. Suppose it is! Why waste any time showing up what everyone would naturally expect? We don't know Mr. Baird, but it would hardly be reasonable to suppose that he would not bring his own fraternity to the front rank. Possibly he may have unintentionally slighted other fraternities in his absorbing attention to his own. Suppose he did! What harm has it done? We are quite content to let Beta Theta Pi get all the glory it can out of it. It does not injure Theta Delta Chi. It would not have seriously (?) damaged her prospects if she had been left out altogether. We desire to testify to the fact that Mr. Baird gave Theta Delta Chi every

opportunity to be correctly and fairly reported, and presume all other societies had the same option. We are glad there is a man who can get out such a book, even if it does contain a more elaborate account of his own than other fraternities. The article reminds us of the bald-headed man who went to the opera house. Everybody saw him and a derisive cheer greeted him as he marched down the aisle to the front row—not because he was a man, but because he was bald-headed. It was entirely uncalled for, since he had as much right to take the front row as any number of others who received no such flattering notice, simply because they had no distinguishing feature. Now everyone seems to be pitching into Baird's book, not because Mr. Baird has written it, giving some more prominence than others, but because Mr. Baird is a Beta Theta Pi.

An exhaustive report of the Harlan dinner fills sixty pages of the last number of *Beta Theta Pi*. Evidently the stenographer's art was invoked or no such complete article could have been prepared. It certainly caps the climax and excels all similar reports. If the dinner was as meritorious Beta Theta Pi is to be congratulated. One hundred and forty covers were laid, with many distinguished guests.

We are sorry to see the *Key* resume its old shape. Inside the matter is interesting. There is considerable Pan-Hellenistic talk. An extract from one of Editor Daniel's heavy editorials on Pan-Hellenism is improperly credited to the editor of the *SHIELD*.

An editorial in the *Kappa Alpha Journal* is expressive and suggests the usual facts :

The proposition that the catalogue is good in itself, good in its attending train, has long since assumed the aspect of the geometrical proposition after it has been proven. It is not only a fact, but it is so clear and plain that the only puzzle is that it was not self-evident.

Convention after convention have grappled with the enigma of molding the ideal into the fashion of the real. Provision has followed provision, and each provision has subsequently been provided for.

The catalogue is no longer in such a shape. It is rapidly approaching the order. It is approaching even more rapidly than it is approached.

In the hands of the committee who now have charge of it, under the control of Bro. J. S. Chick, it has become nearly ready for the press. As soon as the delinquent chapters give their response the work will be completely ready.

Is the Kappa Alpha fraternity equal to the emergency? If not, why not? The catalogue must be printed now or never.

If the fraternity is not the victor in this contest there must be one of two conclusions. There is somewhere a hidden financial defect or the boasted standing must be abandoned.

Having experienced the same throes, we can sympathize with the editor. Theta Delta Chi has proven her ability and a catalogue will soon come forth. May the same good fortune attend Kappa Alpha.

The *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta for April has that in it which no other fraternity may claim at least for two years to come. It publishes a portrait of President Harrison, '52. We question whether the President will be pleased. The portrait is not up to the general standard, and we feel almost sure that Editor Brown himself was not exactly suited. So good a subject is entitled to a better show.

The contents of the journal are valuable. The editor recites his experiences on a visit to one of the chapters and makes the following remarks:

Until the solution of the purchase of a home is reached we urge that our chapters let no opportunities go by to establish themselves in rented property. Such homes will bring pleasures and comforts. Renting them will cost no more than renting rooms equally pleasant elsewhere, and all furniture and improvements of that nature will not be less permanent or lasting because used in a rented house. Once established thus, we know that the realization of chapter house life will kindle greater enthusiasm on the subject of a home to be bona fide chapter property, and will hasten rather than retard such purchase.

Very true. Our observations lead us to endorse these remarks, and we recommend them to the careful consideration of the charges.

An editorial contains the following on badges, which is also in keeping with our views:

Not many years ago the fashion among fraternities was for large-sized badges with plain jewel settings, and among the graduates of ten years back you will find any number of these—a few entrusted to wives or sweet friends, a few pinned on vests away back under the protecting breast of a coat, the majority laid away in the old trinket box in the dresser. Of late years the demand has been for a smaller badge, and as the size has decreased so the jewel settings have been made richer. The average cost of badges purchased by this now is considerably above what it used to be, and while on the whole our members now are better able to buy these than they were when the old styles were worn, yet the matter of expense in some quarters may be a serious drawback to a member making a purchase when he sees the rich jewels of those about him. But a badge is the jewel of a lifetime, a thing to be worn long, perhaps in later years by "ye laidye faire," and if one can consistently make the expense we do not see why he should not pride himself in its beauty. But there is a demand for something that will look well besides these expensive badges and at the same time be within easy reach of those whose purses are limited.

Small badges are more likely to be worn by graduates, whether plain or jewelled. We have many times been filled with admiration for men on whose breasts we have seen the plain old-time badge, a historical relic, worn not on account of its beauty, for it had none, but because it was the sacred emblem which exhibited remembrance of and love for his college fraternity.

The Kappa Alpha *Journal* for April bears the same handsome external appearance, and as one begins to turn the leaves many fine things are seen. A hasty glance would lead us to say that it was a splendid *Journal*, and so it is. We do not believe in finding fault with anyone. There are many things which we would not think it judicious to publish if the same referred to Theta Delta Chi, but as we are not answerable that might be passed by. The editor seems in his exchange department to be spoiling for a fight with somebody. We are not just in the humor for a disagreement with anyone and harbor no ill-feeling toward him, but as he has called us hard names we feel called upon to defend our position. In doing so we propose for once to make a criticism, and shall not spare a single opportunity to show the gentleman that he has for-

gotten editorial courtesy and inflicted an injustice on the Greek press. After making short and fairly pleasant remarks about some of the other journals, he rolls up his sleeves and "lights out" for the SHIELD in a manner so ferocious that it seems necessary to give the entire grist in order to criticise fairly. So, while we do not like to intrude that which may not be of any particular interest, we feel obliged to, that our self-defense may be complete :

Theta Delta Chi keeps right along issuing more than a hundred pages of reading matter every quarter, and the SHIELD has a solidity of appearance that seems able to withstand any assault.

There was a small lake. The waters were beautifully clear and placid and calm. Some disturbing element appeared and the waters roughened, became murky. And there was an harmonious family. The members were courteous each to the other. One became dissatisfied and began to fret and fume and worry and rage, and finally became vituperative and abused his fellows.

That is just what Theta Delta Chi has done. It seems strange that a magazine ordinarily so excellent should descend to the level which the last SHIELD's editorials occupy. There is nothing particularly to condemn in most of them, yet there is nothing to praise; but one is certainly and far beneath the dignity of the SHIELD in particular and the Greek press in general. It is the comment upon Pan-Hellenism incidentally and W. T. Daniel directly. This department is already occupying too much space in this number of the *Journal*, but Theta Delta Chi's editorial is given verbatim that the justness of this criticism may be seen.

Here follows our editorial as it appears on page 57 of the March number, after which the editor resumes as follows :

What Editor Downey thought of the interview cannot be stated here. Probably it may crop out in the *Quarterly*. But when it does crop out we may rest assured that it will not be an insinuating, backbiting personal assault upon a man who has done more to unite the Greek world in a common enterprise, if no more, than any other dozen men in Greece, or else the *Journal* is no judge of character.

The other departments of the SHIELD are up to their standard, and that is high. It is to be hoped that the editorials will hereafter occupy their proper place.

Indeed, Mr. Editor, now you think you have buried us in the dust. You have taken us in as a bitter morsel—a rival, as it were, and a dangerous one, too—and have rolled us around under your tongue and between your teeth, and then made an

attempt to swallow us. You will find, however, that we have stuck in your œsophagus, and it will worry you a little to get us out. You have accused us of making a personal attack, of backbiting, of casting insinuating slurs upon Walter T. Daniel. This applies to the personality of the editor. Not content with this, you cast a slur upon the fraternity we represent by making personal criticism on and giving negative praise to our general editorial work.

We are publishing the SHIELD for Theta Delta Chi, and do not care what anyone outside thinks; so we let personalities drop. We wish, however, to show you up in your true light, and therefore ask our readers to refer to our editorial on page 57, read it over carefully and then read what the *Journal* says about Mr. Daniel. It is evident the editor forgot that he had vented a little spleen on Bro. Daniel's devoted head. Particular attention is called to the fact that this appears as an *editorial*:

The Greek press in general seems to have a grudge against Mr. Daniel, the ex-editor of the *Palm*. At least all breathe easy after his removal from the tripod of that magazine. Had Mr. Daniel succeeded in his plans as he conceived them he would have merited the title, Napoleon of Greek Letter Societies. Each plan was but a part of larger plans, and all seemed to tend in some manner to making him prominent. But unfortunately for Mr. Daniel his plans did not succeed. He lost the title he might have won. His tactics were too open, too easily known to bring success. Not only did Mr. Daniel fail in his enterprises, and their name was legion, but he also succeeded in giving a check to the mildest form of Pan-Hellenic organization. His extreme views frightened the friends of a mild Pan-Hellenism.

Mr. Daniel was moderately successful as the editor of a fraternity periodical, but as the agitator of his reform he succeeded in effacing all his creditable work in an undertaking which went up in smoke and might well be called a series of fanaticisms. We suppose that somewhere Mr. Daniel is pursuing his *ignis fatuus*, but it will require some time for the *Palm* to recover from its neglect.

The *Journal* desires to co-operate with the fraternity editors in trying to bring about a convention of fraternity editors. It would not only benefit the fraternities, but it would give new life and vigor to the various magazines. A conference of minds is always improving. Then it would lead to kindlier feeling and gentler criticism.

As we see it there seems to be quite as much personality in

this *Kappa Alpha* editorial as there was in that of the SHIELD. We are willing to have Mr. Daniel as the judge. He is a gentleman and has always been so regarded by us. We beg leave to remind the man who has called us names that the subject of our theme was the business part of Mr. Daniel's scheme. No personal feeling whatever existed and no criticism was made on the *Palm*. This editorial is reeking with personality. It is filled with the same death-dealing negative praise which seems to characterize all the articles in this number of the *Journal*. We honestly believe the editor was troubled with some physical malady which soured him against himself, his own and every other fraternity, and he allowed his pen to follow in the wake of his feelings. None escaped the scathing. It is so different from the usual style of his writing. The pleasant comment of Editor Van Cleve, noted in our opening remarks, has been rudely shaken in this number. We certainly hope that the malady will be cured before another issue appears. It is our first dose of hard names and does not increase our good opinion of our Southern associate. We call upon Editor Downey to express his endorsement or condemnation of our position on the Pan Hellenistic magazine. It is due us. He is the only man who was present at the interview. Let him speak. Did we do Editor Daniel any injustice, personally or otherwise?

No. 1 of vol. I of the *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma seems to be a new birth of the old *Quarterly*. We are afraid of the name. It sounds lofty, but will it hold out. The journal itself has sixty-three pages of news of interest to Kappa Sigma, but the general make-up will probably be improved upon. It certainly makes a better showing than the first number of the SHIELD issued by the present editor, so we refrain from criticism, remembering just how hard it was for us to make a creditable journal.

College Notes.

Alpha Delta Phi held her annual convention in Baltimore in May.

The Porcellian Club of Harvard will hold its centennial this year.

The Lehigh LaCrosse team has only suffered one defeat this season.

The attendance at Cornell this term is 1,390, an increase over last year of nearly 100.

The University of Michigan will spend \$4,500 to fit up a new athletic field this season.

Duncan C. Lee, of the Psi, has been appointed one of the Clarke prize orators at Hamilton.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon has recently established a chapter at Dickinson College with twelve members.

President Gates, of Amherst, will be inaugurated June 24th. The Rev. Dr. Storrs will deliver the address.

The baseball pot is boiling. The college nines are at work. Union has had two victories and two defeats.

The spring games of the N. E. Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association were held at Springfield May 27th.

The Psi Upsilon Chapter house, at Union, is under way. A tennis court has been laid out in front of the house.

President Potter, of Hobart College, is at present in the Holy Land, and not expected to return till autumn.

John D. Cary, Psi, '84, lectured in the Scollard Opera House April 18th. Subject, "What Fools we Mortals be."

Dartmouth, Amherst and Williams have founded a tennis league. This will give tennis a stronger hold at Williams.

It is rumored that Prof. Hoyt, of Hamilton, will be tendered the chair of Sacred Rhetoric in Auburn Theological Seminary.

The Pratt athletic field, at Amherst, was dedicated May 22d.

The rumor that a fund of \$20,000 was being raised by Williams College for a common fraternity chapter house is without foundation.

The Cornell baseball team has been doing great work this spring. Syracuse, Rochester and Elmira suffered defeat at their hands.

The fraternity chapter houses at Williams all received improvements this spring in the way of outside paint or inside decorations.

Phi Gamma Delta is struggling over a catalogue in a manner similar to that which affected Theta Delta Chi for a number of years.

Dr. E. D. Warfield has been elected President of Lafayette College. He will probably be inaugurated on Founders' Day, October 21st.

The Sheffield Scientific School, of Yale, has organized a military company. They have been granted the use of the armory for drill.

President G. W. Smith, $\Theta \Delta X$, of Trinity, preached the annual sermon before the Bishop Seabury Association, of Brown University, May 10th.

The Yale cricket team played its first regular game of the season, with a Bridgeport team, May 2d. A match game will be played with Harvard June 6th.

The Colgate Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon has purchased a chapter house. It is said they will also retain possession of the "lodge" which they have occupied for many years.

Dr. Henry C. McCook, $\Theta \Delta X$, of Philadelphia, delivered two lectures of the Brooks Course, at Colgate University, April 29th and 30th. His subjects were "Harvesting Ants" and "Spiders."

An Anti-Students' Club has been formed by the young ladies of Bethlehem, Pa. Its aim is "to ignore the frivolous, flirting college student of Lehigh, who does not mean business."—*Mail and Ex.*

President Carter, of Williams College, has been spending several months in the south on account of poor health. He is now at his post again.

The University of Vermont has never been in so flourishing a condition. The present Senior class is the largest ever graduated from the institution.

Lehigh University was refused admission to the Foot Ball Association. The loss is not much and the gain is great. A game involving so much danger to life and limb should be prohibited by college faculties.

Aunt Hold-Fast.—Ah, William, my dear, you develop your muscular system, but how do you develop your soul? Billy. You have me there, auntie. We dont tackle the solar system until junior year.—*Mail and Express*.

Psi Upsilon held her fifty-eighth annual convention at Amherst, Mass., May 7th. Andrew D. White, ex-President of Cornell, delivered an oration on "Evolution and Revolution, or Progress by Growth and Progress by Catastrophe."

At Boston University, the faculty have voted to allow work on the college paper, the *University Beacon*, to count as hours in the course, allowing four hours per week to the managing editor, and two hours per week to each of the assistants.—*Mail and Express*.

Dr. Seaver, of Yale, has compiled statistics of tobacco users in the present senior class. Seventy per cent. do not use tobacco in any form. Of all who received appointments, 84 3-10 per cent. did not use it. In the Junior class, of those who received appointments, 95 per cent. did not use it.

Hamilton College is deeply interested in the selection of a president to succeed the late Dr. Darling. The ten years of his career were the most prosperous in Hamilton's history. His aim was to keep pace with the spirit of the age. Among the prominent men who have already been named for the position are Dr. Ralston Smith, of Buffalo, D. H. Conovan, of the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, Dr. Herrick Johnson, of Chicago, and F. M. Burdick, of Columbia Law School, with odds somewhat in favor of the latter.

Lafayette College has 319 students this year.

Psi Upsilon is putting a \$5,000 addition to her club house at Ann Arbor.

The Rochester chapter of Alpha Delta Phi has purchased a lot as a site for a chapter house.

Kappa Alpha has a catalogue under way. An assessment has been levied upon each member.

John Wenzel, Lambda, has been elected secretary of the Beacon Hill Art Club of Boston University.

The Lambda charge had twenty-one representatives at the New England banquet, and the Eta eighteen.

Hamilton College will soon have a Latin scientific course. The Western alumni are raising \$100,000 to assist in establishing the course.

The senior class at Yale will wear cap and gown at the commencement exercises. This is an innovation which will probably be sustained.

Dr. Albert H. Chester, for eighteen years professor of general and applied chemistry in Hamilton, has accepted a similar chair in Rutgers College.

Within a year Hamilton College has lost her president, Dr. Darling and two professors, the celebrated astronomer, Dr. Peters and Ambrose P. Kelsey, the physicist.

Phi Kappa Sigma has just appeared on the carpet with vol. 1, No. 1, of a quarterly magazine. Not having seen it, we are unable to express ourselves on the venture.

In his address at the Northern New York Conference, last week, Chancellor Sims said that Syracuse University was running behind at the rate of \$8,000 a year.—*Utica Herald*.

Delta Sigma Delta has recently established its Epsilon chapter in the University of Pennsylvania. It is a dental fraternity having chapters at Harvard, University of Michigan, and Chicago Dental College.

Johns Hopkins University expects to do some great work in biology this summer. A large expedition will charter a schooner and work along the coast, starting from Jamaica.

Last year three colleges completed Y. M. C. A. buildings. Cornell at a cost of \$60,000, Hamilton at a cost of \$30,000, and Johns Hopkins of \$20,000. These colleges are enthusiastic over the success of their efforts.

The Diman memorial fund of \$10,000, started at Professor Diman's death, by his French lady pupils, has been completed by Professor Jameson. The income will be used to buy books for the library of Brown University.

E. W. Huffcutt, (Beta, '84) of the law faculty of the Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind., has recently written a very valuable paper on "International Liabilities for Mob Injuries," which will be published in the July number of the *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*. In view of the international complications which have arisen out of the New Orleans lynching affair, a careful study of precedents and authorities by a lawyer of Professor Huffcutt's standing, will attract much attention. The question is one which, in the peculiar conditions under which our federal government is compelled to negotiate treaties guaranteeing personal security to aliens, is liable to arise again and again.

Among the things of the present day which afford no end of amusement, while serving a most satisfactory purpose, nothing can take precedence of the Kodak camera. The editor has noted the immense satisfaction accruing from the visible preservation of the memories of a pleasure trip through the little prints obtained from a Kodak which one of our party possessed. It is a little thing requiring no knowledge to operate, but does its work well. A Kodak was sprung on us several times when making our official visit to Epsilon Deuteron, and it so forcibly impressed us that we procured one and propose to operate it, not so much for amusement, as to fix permanently the delights of our "fraternity trips." Every charge could soon make a collection in this way which would be invaluable. The difficulty of making the paper prints is easily solved. Follow

your editor's practice. Mail them to J. E. Hale, photographer, Seneca Falls, N. Y., one of the finest artists in the country by the way, and he will give you the best results possible at a very low rate. The expense of these little Kodak's reproductions is very slight as compared to their historic worth. The subject is not mentioned as a matter of advertisement, but for the purpose of impressing upon our readers the value of photographs. They abide with us a fixed factor when the subjects have scattered far and wide. If the golden present is not captured by pressing the button at the moment history is deprived of it. Money is not squandered which is paid for photographs or Kodaks.



A PEDESTRIAN TOUR WITH THE KODAK.

Send to The Eastman Company, Rochester, N. Y., for a copy of "Do I want a Camera," (Illustrated) free by mail.

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.

BETA.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

We take great pleasure in saying, as the year draws to a close, that it has been one of great prosperity for Beta. Never has the charge been stronger than now, and with her present support she will, we are sure, retain her high standing. The spring term has been a very busy and also a very pleasant one for us all, but still we are not sorry to see it drawing to a close.

We have no new brothers to introduce as we acquired about our usual quota of freshmen during the fall and winter terms. We lose this year, by graduation, Bro. J. T. Manierre, '91. Brother M. completed all his required work at the end of last term, and since then has been at home in Chicago, where he expects to pursue the study of medicine. He will be with us during commencement week. Bro. Morrison, '90, who has been taking post graduate work in the University this year, expects to commence teaching, so we fear we shall lose him also.

At the spring athletic meeting, held recently, Bro. McConnel, '94, carried off the first prize for the two-mile bicycle race, also breaking the Cornell record. As a consequence he was one of the Mott Haven athletic team and has just returned from New York where he broke his own record, and covered himself with glory.

We have had but few visitors this term, we are sorry to say, for we are always glad to see brothers from other charges. Brothers G. Voight and F. J. Drake, of Phi, made us a short visit while the Lafayette baseball team was here. Also Rev. Lewis Halsey, a prominent graduate of the Xi charge, made us a call a few weeks ago. Last week Bro. Stuart, formerly a '91 Beta man, made us a very pleasant visit which we all wished could have been longer.

During the spring vacation Bro. Connard, '93, attended the banquet of the Southern Graduate Association, at Baltimore, which he reported very enjoyable. A number of us wished to attend the W. N. Y. Graduate Association banquet at Rochester, May 30th, but it is so close upon the end of the term that it is hard for any of us to get away. Are all looking forward to a very enjoyable time during commencement week, and hope

to see a goodly number of brothers at the banquet to be held here then. The week will be a very gay one this year. Besides the banquet, there will be the Senior ball, the Sophomore cotillion, the Glee Club concert, a production by the Dramatic Club, and possibly a boat race, so we can promise a good time to any of the brothers if they will visit us then.

GEO. C. PERKINS.

GAMMA DEUTERON.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

The commencement season is fast approaching—altogether too fast for those of us who say one last farewell to the many pleasures of college life.

Gamma Deuteron is soon to send out into the world seven of her brethren. Those graduating are Brothers Geo. Rebec, W. H. Butler, and L. B. Trumbull, who take the degree of Ph. B.; Bro. C. E. DePuy, B. S. (M. E.); Bro. E. D. Warner, B. L.; Bros. Wm. Miller and A. S. Butier, take their degrees from the Law Department.

Some of the brothers are already located for next year. Bro. W. H. Butler takes a position in the law office of Charles R. Whitman, at Ann Arbor; Bro. DePuy has secured a position in the Chicago Manual Training School; Bro. Warner will engage with his father in the hardware business at Jackson.

Since the last issue of the SHIELD we have had two initiates, whom we take pleasure in introducing to all.

They are Bros. F. C. Linsenmann, of Waterloo, Mich., and A. S. Butier, of Allegan. Bro. Linsenmann, it might be mentioned, will take his master's degree next year at this place. He has already taken his bachelor's degree at Capitol University, Columbus, O.

With the return of Bro. LeClear, who was called home on account of illness, we shall have ten men to start in with at the beginning of another year.

Ann Arbor was thick with Theta Delt's one day last week. Bros. J. R. Robinson, *Phi*, '72, of Elmira, N. Y., Wm. H. Dexter, *X*, '78, Thompsonville, Ct., and H. C. McCook, *II*, '59, Philadelphia, all Presbyterian clergymen, were in town to assist in the dedication of Tappan Hall. Bro. C. N. Kendall was also here in attendance at the School-master's Club. It might not be out of place to mention the fact that Bro. Kendall has just accepted an invitation to deliver the address before the graduating class of one of the largest High Schools of the State, another honor to a Theta Delt.

University news has been rather a scarce article of late. Of course, all have heard of the ball game with Cornell and the score of 8 to 6 in favor of Michigan. We do not brag, but simply take modest pride in seeing the U. of M. get to the front. The minstrel show last week was a

decided success. It netted a good round sum which sends our team east to play Harvard, Yale, Hamilton and other colleges. News comes to us now that our boys have done Hamilton up, but that they in turn suffered defeat at the University of Vermont, and at Yale.

A number of new buildings will grace our grounds before the end of another year. The new hospital is already nearing completion. A large addition to the Law Department will be begun soon, while the gymnasium is a sure go, more than \$40,000 being already secured.

The University will, in all probability, lose a number of her most esteemed professors at the close of this college year. Prof. Tufts goes to Chicago University, Prof. Campbell to Lick Observatory, while rumor has it that at least six more of our professors will accept tempting offers from other institutions.

We were disappointed that the Grand Lodge were unable to make us a visit this year. A pleasant vacation to all.

LYMAN B. TRUMBULL.

DELTA.

RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

It is somewhat difficult to pen many lines in the commencement issue of the SHIELD, before said commencement has been held; however, we will let it go at that, and at the same time let it be known that we expect to lose Bros. Arosemena and Hallock by graduation this year. As every one knows, it will be a great loss to Delta, but the younger members will try and keep up the old reputation.

Honors at the R. P. I. are a somewhat scarce article, but such as they are, Delta has her share, as Bro. Cox, '92, is one of the editors of the "Transit," our annual publication, Bro. Birch, '92, is editor-in-chief of "The Polytechnic," the Institute paper, of which Bro. Cram, '93, is business manager. Bro. Posada, '91, is president of the Glee Club, Bros. Arosemena, '91, and Brohm, '93, are shining lights of the Banjo and Guitar Club, while Bro. J. D. Ringwood, '93, is pitcher of the Institute baseball team. Bro. Hallock was also manager of the foot ball team while it existed.

Besides these honors, we have a greater one in being allowed to present our latest initiate into Θ Δ X, Bro. Thos. Ringwood, Jr., '93, of Ilion, N. Y., a brother of our previous Ringwood, we don't mean *too* previous, just *previous*.

The R. P. I. now has an elegant opportunity to forge ahead and regain its hold upon the lead in engineering institutions, as an obnoxious director has resigned, in consequence of which each R. P. I. man sends up an earnest prayer of thanksgiving.

There is no need of detailing his doings, as every man who attended the Institute under him, would rather not have them brought to his mind. Under the new director, whoever he may be, we hope to and do

not doubt but that we will see a vast improvement in the management of the Institute. The fight for the directorship is now on, the principal and only visible candidates being Prof. Ricketts, $\Theta \Xi$, professor of Mechanics, and Prof. Mason, $\Delta \Phi$, professor of Analytical Chemistry. Either of these men would make the ideal director, and the selection of either is the undergraduate's nightly dream.

It has not yet been decided whether '92 will give a hop to '91 or not. The Junior class has always done so, and has generally left a number of bills as regularly as the hop was given, because the classes here are small and the tax large, in consequence of which there are some men either unable or unwilling to pay the required amount. The entire cost then fell upon the committee, and some few members of the class who had the honor, of paying from \$30.00 to \$50.00 each for outside persons' enjoyment, as the Seniors and their friends were a small number compared with the entire assemblage.

It may be given yet, but the writer doubts it.

It was also proposed to give a banquet to the Seniors instead, but this seems to have fallen through, as well.

Bro. Hawley, '89, accompanied by his wife, have been visiting Bro. J. M. Sherrerd, Φ , '78, for a few days. Bro. Hawley is still in Chicago. The changes in location of our other brothers may be found in the personals.

CHAS. E. BIRCH.

EPSILON DEUTERON.

YALE UNIVERSITY.

It is with a feeling of pleasure that I am able to announce to the fraternity the election of Bro. Fred. Stow to the arduous (?) duties of charge editor for Epsilon Deuteron for the ensuing year, and it is with great regret that I take up my pen to write my farewell letter to our old and true friend, the SHIELD.

It really seems now that the end is near, as the exams begin in less than a couple of weeks. Six of us leave "36" and Yale next month, but others are ready to step into our places.

Since last writing our spirits have dampered on account of illness. Bro. Van Huyck was obliged to resign the captaincy of the freshman crew and give up training on its account and Bro. Robbins is now at home trying to recuperate.

Last month we greatly enjoyed the visit of the executive department of the fraternity and endeavored to show them the City of Elms.

Bro. A. L. Coville, ex-secretary of the G. L., most agreeably surprised us a week ago.

Next Saturday night Epsilon Deuteron holds her fourth annual banquet, and several of our graduates are expected to be present. Our genial Bro. Frederic Carter, after much persuasion, consented to act as toast-master for the occasion.

Of course Yale's excellent doings upon the diamond have been read by all; and the good work still goes on. We look for brothers on the visiting nines, but thus far our search has not been rewarded.

In closing let me say that Epsilon Deuteron, though she has suffered many trials and tribulations, has just passed through the most successful year of her history, and great thanks and honor are due her leaders. The helm has been placed in most able hands for the coming term, and under their guidance the result of the labors will surely equal—rather let us say exceed—that of last year.

E. Y. WARE.

ZETA.

BROWN UNIVERSITY.

The faculty and students are rejoiced over the fact that during the past few months some \$20,000 have been raised by subscription for two especial objects. Some months ago Prof. Williams conceived the idea of establishing fellowships to the amount of \$10,000. This was the first movement of the kind ever undertaken by the college. The professor suggested the idea to Hon. Chauncey Depew just before a banquet in Providence at which Mr. Depew was to deliver one of his eloquent and taking speeches. The idea was so interwoven into the speech that the G. A. R., of which Prof. Williams is Past Grand Commander, undertook to raise the \$10,000, which they did in a short time.

This is not the only way in which the university has been benefited by the indefatigable labors of Prof. Williams. Brown has, through his efforts, the nucleus of one of the finest German seminaria in the country.

Shortly after Prof. Diman's death a movement was started to raise a memorial fund of \$10,000 for the purchase of historical works. One or two thousand dollars were raised, and there the matter rested until Prof. Jameson, with his untiring energy, succeeded in raising the remainder. Much praise is due Prof. Jameson. Although his time was already wholly occupied in preparing articles for the leading historical magazines and in preparing a series of lectures which he is now delivering before Johns Hopkins university, he felt it due Prof. Diman's memory that the fund be completed, and so gave his personal attention to that object.

It is probable that Prof. Jameson gets more work out of the average college man than any other professor, and yet is one of the most popular professors Brown has.

Profs. Williams and Poland spend next year abroad. Prof. Davis has leave of absence for one year.

Monday, May 25, was observed as memorial day for the late Prof. Bancroft. Prof. Lorenzo Sears, who was associated with Prof. Bancroft in the department of English literature, delivered a powerful oration, which set forth with justness and tenderness the truly noble and scholarly attributes of him whom we all had learned to love while listening to his words of admonition, counsel and instruction.

Since my last letter to the SHIELD Zeta has initiated two new men, Bro. Chas. Stickney, '92, who will be corresponding secretary for next year, and Bro. Frank J. Sexton, '93, who has surprised and beaten so many baseball nines with his swift balls and sharp curves that he has won for himself and Brown a national intercollegiate reputation.

Bro. Lisle, '91, at graduation closes his labors as business manager of the Brown Magazine.

Bro. H. J. Spooner, Jr., our editor of the "Liber Brunensis," graduates this year, and the present editor of the SHIELD has been elected editor of the same publication for '92.

For class day we have been especially fortunate in having secured the Sears reading room for our spread. If the gods of the weather are propitious Zeta will hold forth the colors of $\Theta \Delta X$ in such manner that the graduate members will not hesitate to make themselves known as Theta Deltas. In other words class day must and will be a success for Zeta.

Never before since the re-establishment of Zeta have prospects been so bright as now. During the past few months our rooms have been refitted and refurnished, and no place seems so much like home as our dear old charge rooms.

Bro. Sherman, one of the charter members of Amherst charge, visited Zeta and spoke many encouraging words about Mu Deuteron. He emphasized loyalty to fraternity. Bro. Bateman, a former corresponding secretary of Kappa, was present the same evening, and urged the boys of Zeta to become better acquainted with the boys of Kappa.

Bros. Sherman and Bateman are teachers in the Providence high school.

Bro. E. C. Stiness, '90, has been elected notary public.

Bro. E. C. Frost, '90, who is on for a short visit from New York, to be present at commencement, at the request of Pres. Andrews gave an interesting lecture before the senior class on the Passion Play.

Bro. Rhodes, '90, spent the evening with us a few weeks ago.

Bro. Traver, ex-'92, stopped in Providence a few days and gave us a call at the rooms. He is taking a course at Dartmouth Medical School and graduates next year.

Bro. Gould, '92, has left college for a short time to take charge of his extensive business interests in Worcester, Mass.

Bro. Seldon, '93, is on the regular staff of writers for the Providence Journal.

Bro. Meiklejohn, '93, has received an appointment to speak for the Carpenter prize in the sophomore prize declamation contest.

Bro. A. S. Miller, '71, retires from the R. I. Assembly, having finished a term of faithful service as Speaker of the House of Representatives. By hard study and close application he has gained the reputation of being an eloquent orator and a weighty lawyer. Associated with him is Bro. A. L. Brown, '76, who has also gained an enviable name among the legal lights as a sound lawyer.

After ten years' service in the United States House of Representatives, Bro. H. J. Spooner, '60, has retired to private life. His faithfulness to his state, his courtesy to his constituents and his untiring labor for the public welfare will be a lasting monument to his personal sacrifices and labors.

Bro. W. R. Stiness, '77, has just returned from an extended tour through California and neighboring states.

Bro. Daniel B. Pond, Mayor and Senator of Woonsocket, gave a reception recently to the Glee and Instrumental Clubs of Brown. Bro. Pond was prominently mentioned as candidate for Governor this spring, but owing to certain party complications his friends withdrew his name at the last moment. There is no doubt but that if Mayor Pond had been the Democratic candidate for Governor Rhode Island would have been under Democratic administration this year.

Bro. N. F. Dixon, United States Senator, has gained celebrity through his shrewdness in getting the seat to be vacated by the distinguished Senator from Vermont. As this seat is in the front row, it is considered the most desirable in the Senate.

Not only have Zeta's boys distinguished themselves in Rhode Island, but in looking over the pocket directory of the Theta Deltas residing in New York city, the following names are familiar to the writer: Bro. Samuel J. Bradbury, '76, entered New York a stranger to the city, and has, by a thorough knowledge of his profession, become well known as a physician.

Bro. E. S. Carman, '58, is well known as editor of the *Rural New Yorker* and an author of no mean repute.

Bro. Wm. L. Stone, '58, has acquired a national reputation as a brilliant author and accurate historian. The charge editor has taken great delight in reading and rereading the touching tributes Col. Stone paid to the members of the great Omega charge in that masterly and powerful oration which he delivered at the convention banquet.

It may be interesting to some to know that a movement has been begun among the students to build a Y. M. C. A. building at a cost of \$25,000, though it is hoped that \$50,000 can be raised.

The university has gained by gift and otherwise \$131,844.32 during the past year according to the circular to the alumni, which has just been edited by Prof. Appleton.

H. L. GARDNER.

ETA.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

A few weeks longer and the most pleasant term of our college year will close. The Seniors are having their vacation and are preparing for commencement. They will be missed very much next year by the college, especially in athletics, and a great deal must be expected from the class of '95 to make up for their loss.

Bowdoin has had bad luck for a few years past with her ball team. We have had the material for a good nine, but there has been a lack of enthusiasm. This year, however, there has been a change. Everybody is enthusiastic and talks base ball. Consequently we have put a nine into the field which is doing splendid work. It has defeated some of the best nines in the state, and has won two of the three league games played with Colby. We feel quite encouraged and hope to win the pennant this year. Bro. Spring, '93, is doing great work in the box and has proved himself a puzzler to the Colbys. Bro. Chapman, '94, is serving as substitute and has played excellent ball in the games in which he has taken part.

On the 8th of May Bro. Geo. A. Merrill, '94, of Pownal, Me., was initiated into the mysteries of O Δ X. He is a genuine good fellow and will make a loyal Theta Delt. Bro. Mitchell, '90, was present at the initiation.

Our boat crew have been in training all the spring and are doing, in our opinion, good work. They have rowed two races so far this term; one with the "Crescents," of Boston, which they won, and the other with Harvard, in which they were defeated. Bro. Parker, '91, captains the crew. We also have in the shell, Bros. Hastings, '91; Poor, '92 and "Pete" Haskell, ex-Yale, '92, who is attending the medical school. Bro. Nichols, '92, is substitute. Bro. Horne, '91, would have rowed had he not left college some weeks ago to take charge of the High School at Kennebunk, Me.

Bro. Riley, '91, recently took an examination for the position of assistant examiner in the patent department at Washington.

The "Orient" board was changed a few weeks ago. Among the newly-elected editors, we have three men, Bros. Hull, '92; Hodgdon, '92, and Pickard, '94. The men were elected according to their ability in writing.

Within the past few years tennis has become a very popular sport here, and this year it is more so than ever. All the societies are having tournaments. We have not finished ours yet, but Bro. Pickard will probably capture first place. He is among the leading players of the state. Bro. Stevens, '94, is one of our rising (?) players.

By the time this letter is published, our field and ivy days will be over. These are the days of the college year with us, and we expect a large number of graduates and visitors with us.

A change has been made in our college curriculum for the coming year. The Seniors will, hereafter, have but one required study a term and will be allowed three electives.

Bro. Russell, '89, has been compelled to resign his principalship of the High School at Pembroke, Me., on account of ill health. Bro. Poor, '91, who has been teaching the Grammar School, in the same town, has taken his place. The vacancy left by Bro. Poor has been filled by Bro. Howard, '93.

The *Bugle*, our college annual, has been published, and we would be glad to exchange for other college annals.

Bro. Burnham, '94, has left college.

We have been favored this term with a call from Bro. Stearns, '90.

C. C. BUCKNAM.

THETA.

KENYON COLLEGE.

At the beginning of this term Kenyon opened her doors to about the same number of students she has had during the past year. While the long-looked for improvement in her condition has not yet come, we think that the good day is dawning and all hope that the change of administration which is coming next year may bring with it a marked change for the better.

We were very much delighted with a pleasant visit from the president of the Grand Lodge, April 29, and we hope that he carried away with him as pleasant memories as those he left with us.

We are sorry to record the very serious illness of Bro. Levi Buttles, who is a resident member, and also one of the oldest members of the Theta Charge.

In the Kenyon letter to the last number of the *Rainbow*, the correspondent tries to be severe in criticising an editorial in the December number of the SHIELD. We would here remark for the information of the aforesaid correspondent that the name of Theta Delta Chi's publication is the SHIELD, and not the *Scroll*, as he seems to think.

If the editor was "ignorant of the condition of affairs at Kenyon," he certainly made a very shrewd guess when he spoke of the "unconditional pledging" which some fraternities indulge in here. To one who has been here for some time and has watched the progress of the different fraternities with considerable interest their motto seems to be "quantity and not quality."

This is what they must have meant when they made the rash statement that their pledged members were "acknowledged to be the pick," or else—we hesitate to say it—they must have intended to give to the outside world an incorrect impression as to their pledged members. At a place such as Kenyon the pledging of preparatory students seem to be a necessary evil and the cause of this discussion is to be found only in the statement that "her preps were acknowledged to be the pick," when her own members are the only persons who will attempt such an absurd claim.

L. E. DURR.

KAPPA.

TUFTS COLLEGE.

At present writing the college world is looking forward to the next few weeks. Commencement with its hopes and sheepskins will soon be here. The goal which only they who have been faithful may hope to attain is in sight, and every under-classman feels proud of his Alma Mater as he beholds the representatives whom she sends forth into the world to make her name glorious by their efforts in days to come. Kappa holds her own, and upon the platform during the next month she will once more demonstrate her right to the proud position she has held so long. The red-letter days crowd closely upon one another now and good feeling and harmony reign supreme throughout the ranks.

The field day of which some mention was made in the last issue of the SHIELD was a great success, and Kappa was well represented in the lists. Bro. Perkins now holds three of our college records. The day was perfect but the rain of the day before rendered the track very soft, and consequently the time in some of the events does not fairly represent the good work that was done. I will not go into any detail for the *modus operandi* of a modern college field day is well known.

The *Brown and Blue*, under the editorship of Bro. Kimball, has just made its appearance, and "Have you seen the annual?" is the leading question upon the hill. By this time all the charges will have received a copy. The biographical sketch of Mr. Barnum is well worthy the attention of anyone. Visitors on the Hill always inquire the first thing for Jumbo, and our museum is a favorite rendezvous for students and friends upon these lovely spring afternoons.

The evening before Memorial day the Junior promenade was held in our "gym" and resulted in an enjoyable occasion. One of our brothers was chairman of the committee of arrangements and also acted as floor director.

Upon the social side Kappa always stands as the champion of the pretty sisters and cousins, who are happy in wearing the truest emblem of fraternity which has existed, the shield of Θ Δ X.

Upon June 9th the annual prize readings will take place, and in every class are to be found men worthy to represent Kappa, and here's to their success in placing the banner of Θ Δ X at the head of the list.

Bro. Silver, of the class of '80, paid us a visit last week, and Bros. Pearse, '80, and Perkins, '83 are now residing upon the Hill and taking special courses in advanced chemistry.

Bro. Johnson, who has so acceptably filled the position of charge editor during the year just closing, has been elected editor-in-chief of the *Tuftsonian*. We are also represented upon the board by Bros. Gray, '92 and Groce, '93.

We have among the students several disciples of Paul Morphy, and a chess tournament was arranged to be held during April. The game has

not been in much favor of late years at Tufts, but through the efforts of a few enthusiastic "chess fiends" as they were styled, interest has been revived and the tournament was very successful. The first prize, a handsome silver medal, was captured by one of the boys.

You see we are in it all around. Bro. Kimball can be congratulated upon being manager of the best ball team Tufts has put into the field for several years. The games have been highly satisfactory and have reflected no little credit upon the management.

Class day this year falls upon the 12th, and we expect to make of it a grand reunion.

Many of our graduates have already signified their intention of being present, and we intend to have a rousing good time.

Our spread will take the place of the annual reunion banquet and will be graced by the presence of a host of Kappa's friends besides alumni and under-graduates in full force.

Bro. Perkins is chairman of the Class Day committee.

Our work for the year is fast drawing to a close and the inevitable exams loom up ominously upon the horizon. Beyond that barrier lie the fertile fields which only the righteous may enter. He who hesitates is lost, so here goes.

FRANK A. NORTH.

LAMBDA.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

Now come the beautiful days when brain work of any kind becomes well-nigh unendurable. Fortunately a charge letter is a light species of literature or else the new editor would long to leave it and to betake himself to out-door sports in green fields and on shining waters. But however arduous the duty there is always satisfaction to be had in feeling that you are working for the good of the charge and the interests of Θ Δ X, even when one knows his work is far from being worthy such a cause.

The new writer feels it a pleasure, rather than a task. Surely no more delightful work of its kind could be found than to write about what the boys are doing and what is going on in our grand fraternity.

Now is the busy time at B. U. Commencement inside of a fortnight, and lots of digging and examination to be gone through, and receptions to be attended and meetings and business, etc.—all that comes in a grand rush at the wind up to be seen to. We must note carefully, too, the new men that come for entrance examination and for the purpose of looking about the college. But the worst will soon be over, and in the quiet of the summer vacation we shall wonder how it was we ever felt anxious or pressed.

Lambda is flourishing. We've just initiated a new man, Bro. Kimball, and he is the true article.

We came out ahead in the election of editor-in-chief of the *Beacon*. Brother Gilman was elected in opposition to Mr. Roberts, a $\Delta\Gamma\Delta$. I don't need to tell you that Brother Gilman has made a first-rate editor. We all knew he would or else we wouldn't have elected him. But alas! Our joy is short-lived and must give place to woe, for Bro. Gilman finds that he must leave college for a time to take charge of his father's business. What makes our cup still more bitter is that a $B\Theta\pi$ man was elected in his place. Bro. Fred. Adams, '92, however, was elected literary editor for the Seniors and Brother Wyman, '93, literary editor for the Juniors, and Bro. Thomas, '93, was chosen business manager. So we have got a good deal, although not everything.

The proctors have just been assigned, and two of the three are Theta Deltas, Bro. Tewksbury for the Seniors and Bro. Hopkins for the Juniors.

Speaking of '93 men, Lambda holds her own there with anything. In the last class election Bro. Hamlin was elected secretary and Bros. Heckhert and Kellogg respectively orator and chairman of committee of arrangements for the banquet given by '93 to the senior and faculty of C. G. A. Thanks to the skill and care of Bro. Kellogg, everything went off finely and Bro. Heckhert did give us a fine oration.

The '91 students had such a nice time that they could not stop when the banquet came to a close, between 12 and 2, but had to spend the rest of the night star-gazing, although the night was cloudy and there wasn't a star to be seen.

Athletics also are starting up; not making as rapid strides as could be wished, but still starting. Our baseball team succeeded in defeating Wesleyan. We have held our first indoor athletic meet since the last SHIELD was published.

Bro. Balcom, '92 and Rogers, '94, were on the tug-of-war. They won by rights, too, for although the lawyers pulled them one-half an inch, the Law School's team was twelve or eighteen pounds over-weight. Bro. W. Spencer, '93, entered the twenty-yard handicap and Bro. Hamlin, the rope climbing.

We also have just held a tennis tournament, in which some of the brothers entered, but there was not very much interest taken in it, as it came at such an inconvenient time. None of the brothers had played more than once that year, so they could hardly be said to be in good practice.

Bro. Rogers, '94, is director of the Association.

Bro. Wenzel has just written a book of which I need say nothing, as you will get notice of it elsewhere.

There has been a new club started in B. U. It is called the Beacon Hill Art Club of Boston University. Most of the men in this club are Theta Deltas. Boston is certainly favored in treasures of art and the club ought to be a great success. Bro. Heckbert, '93, is vice-president; Bro. Wyman, '93, auditor; Bro. F. Adams, '92, is a member of the Art Coun-

cil, (a part of the club) and Brother Wenzel is secretary and treasurer.

The Odeons will continue through the summer with their past success, undoubtedly.

Bro. Pillsbury is at Sunapee.

Brother Farmer, '94, left us last term for a nice appointment at Colebruck. We miss him greatly, but hope he can sometimes visit us, even if he cannot come back to college.

Bro. Locke is at Landaff.

Bro. Luce is still on the *Record*. He has a higher position and better salary.

Bro. W. Spencer will carol sweetly for the choir in Bro. Blackett's church at Natick.

John L. (Hopkins) returns to Jamaica.

Bro. Sweetser plays the organ at Cliftondale.

Bro. Rogers has lost an average of nine pounds and fourteen ounces of flesh a week from cares and responsibility incumbent upon him as President of '94. He will try to recuperate during the summer.

Whitaker's father is at Lynn, so that he can come in and out.

Bro. Kimball will try to keep on sufficiently good terms with Kimball & Co., to avoid being discharged for obstreperosity.

The brawny Smith has just been putting some of his latent power into moving to New Market.

Bro. B. G. Adams, treasurer of '94, insists that he does not intend to take a pleasure excursion to our northern neighbor.

Heckbert will be in business in Woburn.

Tewksbury and Balcom, Noble and Thomas, Hamlin, and others, will be engaged in a work of love, *i. e.*, to exhibit to the eyes of an ignorant world the unrivaled advantages of the Chautauqua Writing and Drawing Desk.

C. R. HAMLIN.

MU DEUTERON.

AMHERST COLLEGE.

Once more Amherst has come to the front. This time it is general athletics. The home-comers from the Springfield meet brought the much coveted pennant that seven other colleges struggled for in vain, and Amherst enthusiasm burned itself out in a bonfire on the campus. Half of all the prizes fell to the purple and white and Mu Deuteron was not without her share in these. Brother Alexander took first in the shot-put, adding one more to his numerous medals. Brother Allen did fine work with the hammer and took second only to Dartmouth's splendid throw. His brilliant work on the football field has made him invaluable to the college, and his sturdy character, sound judgment and loyalty to the charge will make his place hard to fill in Mu Deuteron. May we have more of the same sort. The ball team is playing a great game this

season and has not yet suffered a defeat in the championship series. The craze for the sport has spread to the fraternities, and each has put a team in the field. The games, if not scientific, are certainly spirited. The scores sometimes run up into the thirties. Delta Kappa Epsilon holds the palm up to date. Tennis also comes in for a large share of attention. The chapter court is almost always occupied, and both praise and censure are freely bestowed upon the players by the brothers that frequent the piazza.

Out-door sports are not, however, all absorbing in Mu Deuteron. She has something to tell of intellectual achievement. Brother Fisher, '93, has been appointed one of the editors on *The Student*. Bro. Bartlett's name was among the speakers of the freshman fifteen. The last issue of the *Lit* printed one of Bro. Baker's contributions which was very favorably commented upon. But by far our greatest success has been in scholarship. Mu Deuteron has always stood in the van here, but this time she has made a forward stride. The first election of Phi Beta Kappa men from '92 returned four out of nine to Θ Δ X, Bros. Fisher, Pierce, Brainerd and Perry. The three last named were entitled to monitorships, a record that has no parallel here in fraternity annals. Almost the same story is true of '91. Three of the eight speakers on the commencement stage are Theta Deltas, Bros. Avery, Cooley and Woodworth. Bro. Avery is president of his class, an office much prized in the senior year. Bro. Woodworth acts as historian. The latter has earned for himself a reputation for fine scholarship that few have enjoyed. The present senior delegation includes nine men and commencement will make a wide gap in our ranks. Their loss will be felt in many other ways, but especially on every social occasion. The list of alumni is fast lengthening and Mu Deuteron begins to seem somewhat venerable with her many sons. The bond between undergraduate and alumnus has been greatly strengthened the last year through the efforts of Bro. Cooley as alumni secretary. The fruits of his work appear in two large frames of alumni portraits. Bro. Cornwell, '88, has just been graduated at Union Theological Seminary with high honors. Bro. Marsh, '89, was also on the commencement stage at Yale Divinity School. During the summer months Bro. Fairley, '86, will act as pastor of the Presbyterian church at Roseland, N. J. Bro. Walker, '89, will enter Union Theological Seminary in the Autumn.

The next few weeks are busy ones for the charge. On June 5th the annual spring banquet occurs, and a little later the rushing season begins. Indications point to a large entering class. Amherst's new president and her success in athletics push her to the front among rival colleges. The bright outlook is full of promise to our fraternity. The more students, the more choice, and we have every reason to hope for a fine delegation from '95.

W. B. PERRY.

NU DEUTERON.

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter Nu Deuteron has taken unto herself a new home. We were comfortably situated in our old house, but words can hardly express the difference the change has made in our midst. To quote the current slang, "we are nearly out of sight."

Rushing is almost out of the question now, as our examinations are coming on thick and fast; but I take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large, Bros. Gessner, Knorr and Whittaker, all of whom have shown the true and worthy instincts of loyal Theta Deltas. Bro. Knorr is an accomplished little man full of life and a hard worker. Bro. Gessner is an energetic worker, a good student and first rate fellow. Bro. Whittaker amuses us with his unique songs and latest music. He is a warm friend and brother of Nu Deuteron's graduate "Pretty" Hearne, so his success as a Theta Delt is warranted.

Four of our number go out this year, leaving a large gap in the ranks, to be filled.

Bro. Beaumont is back with us, having had his eyes entirely cured, which took him out of college about a year ago.

Bro. Fred McCall visited us for a few days after his graduation as D. D. S. at U. of P. He is just like his twin brother, "Mac the Colonel," who is out at Cheyenne. Bro. Fred has taken up a lucrative position at his native home, Binghamton.

Bro. Frank Williams, '87, made us a short visit last month.

Bros. Jones, Nightengale, Chamberlain, Wagner, Dumont and Voight came up to see the Lehigh-Lafayette base ball game last week, and stayed over with us a short time.

Bro. F. F. Amdsden, '89, situated at North Cornwall furnaces, Lebannon, Pa., made us a flying visit.

As we are now in the midst of our spring examinations, Nu Deuteron's letter must necessarily be a short one. With love to all the brothers and with the hope that they will enjoy the summer to its full extent, we bid you an affectionate farewell.

C. W. GEARHART.

XI.

HOBART COLLEGE.

This is a particularly interesting part of the year here at Hobart. The final preparations are being made for the intercollegiate field day, May 30th, in which five of the neighboring colleges participate. Under the management of Bro. Potter we hope the day will be a success in every way, and it it certainly will if hard work can bring about the result.

There are one hundred and eight entries for the different events, which is an increase of about twenty over last year. This is very satis-

factory to us and if the day is good and the games are well attended there seems to be no reason why the field day should not be a success, both financially and otherwise.

We are more than fortunate, too, this year in securing a good pitcher for our ball team. His work thus far has been phenomenal and we hope by his aid to win the pennant in the intercollegiate league. Bro. Hoff who caught for us in the first few games had the misfortune to injure his thumb seriously in the game with Hamilton, so that we are afraid he will not be able to catch for the remainder of the season. Although seriously weakened by this, yet we hope to take the pennant.

The past year has been one of the most prosperous in the history of the charge. At the beginning of the year we had but four men and in our rushing had much to contend against as two of the fraternities here have chapter houses. During the year we have initiated four men, so that with Bro. Hoff who has been with us for a part of the year we have a membership of nine. We lose by graduation two men, Bros. Robinson and Hills, now the oldest man in the charge. Bro. Hills has done much for the charge and college. Bro. Robinson graduates with high honors. He expects to spend next year at Harvard University. Both will be sadly missed.

On Wednesday evening, June 24th, the charge holds its reunion and banquet, and we trust that our alumni will not forget us on this occasion. We would be much pleased to see any Theta Delt who can come, if he will only advise us of his coming so that we may prepare for him. All who come may be sure of a hearty welcome and a good time.

Since the last issue of the SHIELD we have had visits from Bro. Brown, Δ, '90, of Scottsville, N. Y.; Bro. C. T. Pearce, Ξ, '90; also from the president of the Grand Lodge. Bro. McKinney, '84, of Clifton Springs calls on us quite frequently and we are always glad to see him.

We are represented among the orators of commencement week as follows: Bro. Hills, Class day, Paddle Orator, also contestant in the White Rhetorical; Bro. Robinson, Class Day Prophet; Bro. Brush, Reception of the Paddle for the Junior Class. Bros. Brodhead, Parce and Potter, contestants for the Sophomore Prize Exhibition.

Owing to the extreme pressure of his duties as secretary of the Inter-collegiate Athletic Association, Bro. Potter was unable to contribute to this number of the SHIELD and I have done the best I could to fill the gap. Xi wishes the members of the charges a pleasant vacation and a prosperous opening of the new year.

G. R. BRUSH.

OMICRON DEUTERON.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

It is with mingled pleasure and sadness that we look back upon this college year, so fast drawing to a close; with pleasure in that the work

done in the society room and by the members in their classes has been of such excellence; with sadness, for we were called to mourn the loss of our Bro. Brigham, who had endeared himself to all the members both of the society and the college.

Since the establishment of the literary monthly we have had three or four of the six editors. It is announced that Bro. G. C. Smith, '93, has been selected as one of the three from his class, thus giving us three editors for next year.

Omicron Deuteron is proud of the position which she has taken in athletics during the year. Brothers Lakeman, Potter and Weston were on the football team. Bro. Lakeman did such faithful work as the captain of the team that he has been re-elected for next year. Bros. Shurtleff, Thompson and Baehr are on the baseball team, and to-day Bros. Potter and Lewis leave for Springfield to compete at the meet of the New England Intercollegiate Athletic Association, held there Wednesday, the 27th. Before this number of the SHIELD is out either Dartmouth or Amherst will be in the "cold, cold soup." Dartmouth has no chance of winning the baseball pennant. Williams and Amherst will have to fight it out.

In the announcements for commencement Bro. Colby receives a philosophical oration. What the coming commencement will bring forth in honors for Theta Delt is unknown, yet it can safely be said that the reputation of the charge will not be weakened by any that it may be our fortune to win.

It almost escaped me to present to the brothers Bro. A. C. Lewis, '94, of Wickford, R. I., who joined our number March 24.

We were so fortunate as to have with us at our meeting of the 20th Bros. Kimball and Hollister, of Kappa, who came up with the Tuft's football team. In closing let me say that Omicron Deuteron would be glad to welcome every member of the fraternity who may visit Hanover.

V. A. DOTY.

PHI.

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

This number of the SHIELD finds us closing another year of our work, to which we have contributed our full share of its success.

Since the last SHIELD appeared we have increased our number to fifteen by revealing to Bro. Wm. G. Chambers, '94, Greensburg, Pa., the mysteries of Θ Δ X.

The seniors have passed their final examinations and are now awaiting the commencement festivities, when they will receive their degree.

We lose but three men this year, so we still have a good number to begin a new year's work and our prospects are bright, everything pointing to a successful and prosperous year.

Bro. Hertzog, '90, Union Seminary, stopped off on his way home. He will shortly go to Wisconsin to spend the summer vacation.

Bro. Weisley, of senior class this year, took philosophical prize, and on commencement has the philosophical oration.

We are doing good work in baseball this year. Bro. Drake, '94, fills center field very creditably.

The seniors will hold their class banquet at Albany, N. Y., Thursday, May 28.

The "Melange," '92's class book, is out and is received with favor, meeting a good and ready sale. Bro. Dumont is our representative on the board.

The other classes are "polling" for "exams," which will close the year's labors, then comes a summer's recreation to prepare us for another year's work.

Bros. Gerhardt and Whittaker, Mu Deuteron, recently paid us a short visit.

W. L. SANDERSON.



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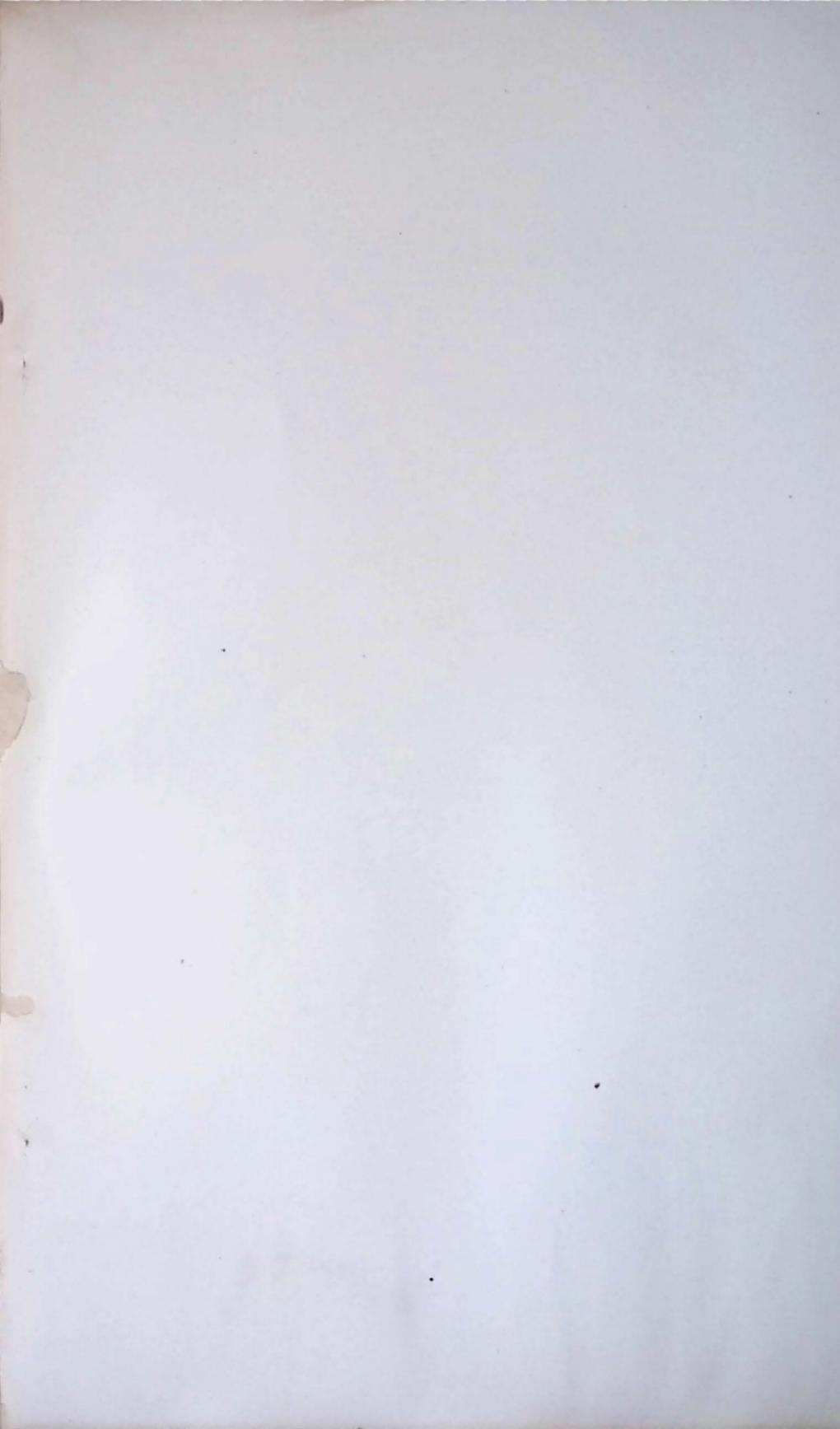
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