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ORIGIN OF THE XI.

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For many years prior to the academic years of 1856-'57, the students of Hobart College had been divided into three great classes. First in influence and importance was the Sigma Phi secret society, an association composed for the most part of wealthy parentage, possessed of fine address, devoted to wine and women, and but little given to the drudgery of academic routine. Jolly good fellows, they were, sociable and generous to a fault, possessed often of marked talents, yet too often, also vain and supercilious. With their aristocratic birth and associations, sociability and wealth were evidently the *summum bonum* of life, and equally the title to membership in their select brotherhood.

Next in influence was the Alpha Delta Phi society, comprising almost invariably the most studious men in the College—those whose faces were never missed upon the recitation bench, and rarely at the chapel services. Priding themselves especially upon leading the various classes in all branches of study, they spared no sacrifices to accomplish this aim. They were usually careless in dress, eschewed society, and devoted themselves for the most part to the study of mouldy and owlish antiquities. With them, collegiate distinction was the title into their mystic fraternity. As the Sigma Phi's were the gay Cavaliers, so were the Alpha Delta Phi's the sturdy Roundheads of their day and generation.

The third class mentioned above, consisted of those students who were not members of either of the secret societies—"neutrals," so-called. Here might be found men of every character—the grave, the gay, the studious, the reckless—all mingled in one body. But the gay were not gay enough, or mayhap were too reckless for the Sigma Phi; the studious were not sufficiently learned to excite the fears of the Alpha Delta Phi for their own intellectual supremacy.

Thus affairs jogged on, year after year. Among the "neutrals" were many men of worth and ability, but as a class their character was essentially negative. Moral and correct in their general behavior, they lacked the sociability which brightens the shadows of life, and the industry which wins its honors. I have called them "neutrals," but, in fact, in all the contests of college life, they were ranged pretty equally upon the side of one or the other of the secret societies. It is unnecessary to say that all collegiate disputes hinged upon the jealousies of these secret organizations. The Hermean Society (Literary) was originally the chosen field for these contests, and the heat and earnestness of the rival combatants, passing beyond mere recrimination, resulted not unfrequently in blows, and even in threats of burning the library of the society. The period for the election of officers of the Hermean, in particular, was one of marked confusion and excitement. Men were often kept from the polls by strategem, or even by force, and the writer was on one occasion plied with drugged liquor in the boarding house of a classmate and false friend, in order to prevent his return to the college in time to vote at one of these elections. Though the plot proved a failure, its conception will show the desperate earnestness of the rival societies. In all of these contests the secret societies, of course, carried off the lion's share of the spoils. A few minor offices were graciously bestowed upon the more influential of the neutrals as a reward for services rendered, but, as a class, they were ignored on all ordinary occasions, and were "snubbed" unhesitatingly by both societies. Mutually distrustful, and without organization, they became mere make-weights to turn the scale of a doubtful contest. The falsity and humiliation of this po-

sition were keenly felt by many of the students, and several attempts at organization were from time to time essayed. To unite in action and influence the whole body of students disconnected with the secret societies was first undertaken. The intrigues of the societies, and the mutual distrust of the "neutrals" themselves, brought the attempt to naught. Then a secret organization to be composed of the most prominent neutrals alone was tried. The first of these ephemeral organizations selected for itself the model title of the Phi, and contained several of the subsequent members of the Theta Delta Chi. Its badge was a small silver star with the letter Phi in the centre. The history of this association is unknown to the writer, who never belonged to it. However external ridicule and internal weakness brought the Phi to an untimely end.

Upon its ashes rose the Phi Chi Society, an association comprising most of the members of the now defunct Phi, and several others who subsequently joined the Theta Delta Chi. Of this society William K. Logie was head and front. Its badge was a skeleton Phi Chi of large size, and a manifest improvement upon the original Phi. It is believed that John V. Barclay, Ralph L. Goodrich, George W. Pringle and Chester Roy were also members of the new Phi Chi society. Though more pretentious than its predecessor, this society also dragged out a miserable existence for a short period, and finally perished of sheer inanition.

Thus far, therefore, all attempts to organize the neutrals had resulted in complete failure. It was plain that any society originating in a small college like Hobart must of necessity perish after an ephemeral existence of a term or two. Accordingly, it was finally determined to apply for a charter from some well known and widely established society, which might give dignity and character to the organization. Immediately after this decision, some difficulty having arisen between the faculty of the college and the Junior class of 1856, (in consequence of a "bolt," I believe), the majority of this class was suspended until an apology should be made by the offenders. Most of the refractory Juniors finally succumbed to the inflexible decision of the College Fathers, but William K. Logie

preferred to go to Union College, where he entered as Senior in 1857. Soon after he joined the Theta Delta Chi, and returning to Geneva to visit his parents, who resided there, suggested to his old associates the plan of applying for a charter of the Theta Delta Chi. A petition was accordingly drawn up and carried by John Y. Barclay to Union College. Bro. Barclay was at once initiated into our Fraternity, (June 18, '57), and returned to Hobart College bearing his associates the tidings of the success of their petition. On the afternoon of June 29th, 1857, Bros. Barclay and Moss took a carriage, and driving over to Waterloo, there met Bros. Norton and Logie of the Alpha. The four at once returned to the Mansion House which they reached in the evening. Here were collected one by one George W. Smith, Ralph L. Goodrich, Chester Roy, Philip O. Yawger, David Brooks, T. James Rundle and the writer of this sketch. Of course, all the movements were conducted with the utmost secrecy. Bro. Yawger was lame and unable to move without crutches. It was therefore a matter of considerable delicacy to get him down to the rendezvous without arousing the suspicions of his neighbors. The weather was warm, the evenings fair, and the steps of both Trinity and Geneva Hall thronged with students. Bro. Yawger occupied the north front room on the first floor of Trinity Hall, and on the evening in question his apartment was filled with students also. Bros. Barclay and Norton drove up boldly in front of Trinity Hall, the former jumped out of the carriage and proceeding to Yawger's room, said in an ordinary tone, "Phil, there is a friend of yours at the door in a carriage, who wishes to see you." Yawger at once put on his hat and hobbled to the door of the carriage, where he was warmly greeted by this old friend, who had certainly never before laid eyes upon him.

"Hilloa! Phil, my dear fellow, how are you?" said Bro. Norton, in a loud tone; "jump in here with me and take a little ride, I want to talk to you." Yawger entered the carriage, which at once drove off in the face of many anxious but entirely unsuspecting spectators. The move was so bold as to lull all suspicion, and Bro. Yawger reached the rendez-

vous in safety. The initiatory ceremonies took place in the front room on the second floor of the Mansion House, and immediately after their completion the party adjourned to Suydam's restaurant where hearty supper was discussed and many a bumper drank to the success of the new-born Xi. About 2 a. m., Bros. Norton, Logie, Barclay and Moss again drove to Waterloo, where the two former took the cars for Schenectady, and the latter returned to Geneva in time for their morning recitations.

Thus far our movements, though closely watched by the other societies, had failed to arouse suspicion. A lodge-room was soon fitted up in a building opposite to Linden Hall, and the Xi Charge organized by an election of officers. Meetings were held under cover of the night, and some few members initiated prior to the "swinging out" on commencement day, 1857.

The further history of the Xi is unnecessary to repeat, as doubtless the most important facts are preserved in the records of the chapter. It suffices merely to add that, firmly rooted in that friendship which the Constitution of our Fraternity so impressively inculcates, the Xi grew apace until the withering blasts of civil war swept over this once happy land. Then, indeed, fearfully shaken, and stripped of many a fair branch, it stood for a time, withered and apparently lifeless. But when once more the sun of peace beamed forth from behind the dark cloud of war, the undying principles of our society, fostered by its genial rays, burst forth into new life, and the Xi, with renewed vigor, spreads forth again its fruitful branches from sea to sea.

"Then once again before we part
We'll fill our bumpers high,
And drink a health, a brimming health
To Theta Delta Chi!"

THE LIGHT OF LIFE.

The night has one thousand eyes, and the day but one;
Yet the light of the bright world dies with the setting sun.
The mind has one thousand eyes, and the heart but one;
Yet the life of the whole life dies when love is done.

—Bourdillon.

THE LOGIE MEMORIAL.

Reprint from the **Historic SHIELD** of 1869.

The absence of anything to designate the last resting-place of Colonel William K. Logie, of the Alpha, had long been a source of regret both to his numerous friends and those closely related to him by fraternalties. The matter, however, for a memorial to his memory, had long and seriously been considered by the members of the Xi. Without going into any detailed account, it is sufficient to state that the inception and founding of the Xi is principally due to him.

Soon after the breaking out of the late rebellion, inspired by patriotic motives, he entered the service of his country as captain of a company in the 141st Regiment N. Y. V. He set out determined to win, to conquer, and in action was always foremost in the ranks. The "shield" of protection that was always his close companion, whether in the quiet retreats of home or on the battle field, seemed to spur him on with double inspiration.

An extract from a letter by his near friend and companion in all the trials of a vigorous campaign, will serve as a brief account of his last moments.

"On the 16th of the month, (July, 1864), the colonel sent me to Chattanooga for his desk and some papers which he left there in the spring. I returned on the 20th and found my train six miles from where the regiment was lying. I sent an orderly to the regiment to inform the colonel of my return, and in about two hours he came back and said that our brigade was engaged in a dreadful battle, and that he could not get to the regiment. As soon as the colonel fell he told the orderly to go to me; but unfortunately the orderly lost his way, thus causing a delay of nearly two hours. As soon I received the sad intelligence: 'If you would see the colonel alive, hasten to the hospital!' I hurried to the front, but my haste was in vain—for when I reached the spot our beloved colonel was no more. He had breathed his last a few moments previous to my arrival. I found his remains where he had expired, on a

cot in the Division hospital, where had received all the care and attention possible. One of our surgeons was with him the entire time, besides all the officers and men of his regiment who could get to the place where he was. When the men were told that their colonel was dead, there was scarcely a dry eye among them. Strong, rough men who had followed him over many a hard fought battle field, were not ashamed to shed tears of sorrow—the last tribute of respect to the memory of their fellow-leader.

"Before the colonel died, he took off his *jewelry* and handed it to one of the men, saying, 'Give this to Belding; (the writer of this extract), he will know what to do with it.' The last time I saw him alive he told me what to do with his things in case he should be killed." * * * *

Such was the end of the brave, heroic Colonel Logie. One fact was omitted by the writer of the letter—that he was Acting Brigadier General at the time of his death.

His remains were duly conveyed to Geneva, N. Y., and interred. A few brothers were present, upon whom the last sad duties of the burial devolved.

The wealth of his family which consisted chiefly in southern possessions, was lost, or rendered unproductive. It was on this account that his grave remained uncared for by his nearest relatives. No particular move was made in the matter of erecting a memorial till the autumn of '68, when Bros. Geo. W. Smith and R. R. Cornell introduced the subject to practical discussion. It was determined that a vigorous step should be taken. The whole control and management of the undertaking was placed in the hands of one of the active members of the Xi. After many unsuccessful attempts to get into communication with some of the family, a sister of the colonel was finally found, who expressed her especial gratitude to those engaged in the charitable cause. Vigorous measures were then at once undertaken. The manner in which the call was responded to by the brothers who were his classmates while he remained at Hobart—and by those who knew him to be a most determined Theta, was particularly gratifying. The committee on the memorial informs me that Bro. Viele of New

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York rendered him very valuable assistance in accomplishing the undertaking, and wishes to express his gratitude through THE SHIELD for his valuable services.

The necessary funds were duly raised, and a fine Italian slab erected over his grave. The inscription is concise and appropriate, and reads thus. (On the Shield)

WILLIAM K. LOGIE,
Col. 141st Reg't, N. Y. V.,
and
Acting Brig. Gen'l,
killed at
Atlanta, Ga., July 20, 1864.
Aged 26 years.

In circular under the shield :

"A brave soldier and true brother."

On the bottom of the slab :

Erected
by the Xi Charge of the
Theta Delta Chi Fraternity.

HISTORY OF THE UPSILON.

Prior to the establishment of the "Upsilon" at the "University of Lewisburg," there were chapters of two other college fraternities there—the Gamma, of Phi Kappa Psi, and the Kappa of Sigma Chi. The "spoils of office" seems to have become the main object of these organizations. Each was at "daggers-point" with the other, and the beginning of every session witnessed a fierce struggle for control of the two literary societies. To this end each secret society strained every nerve to increase its numerical strength. Of course the natural sequence was, that while many good men became members of these organizations, many were also initiated merely for the sake of multiplying votes. In fact, nearly every student became a member of one or the other of these fraternities, save only those select few, whose self-respect prohibited them from uniting with organizations, the strength of which consisted in the members, rather than the quality of their manhood. These latter, headed by G. H. Irwin, succeeded in 1865, through the influence of a few prominent members of our Fra-

ternity, in obtaining consent from the different charges, for the establishment of a charge at Lewisburg University. Accordingly, the "Alpha" granted a charter, and assigned to the "Sigma" the office of organizing the new charge. She did this through an embassy consisting of Brethren Will M. Ogilby, Wm. B. Parker and Tom A. Reily.

G. H. Irwin, A. G. Hetherington, Isaac F. Overholt, of Pennsylvania; C. F. Emmerick, of Washington, D. C., and J. P. Williams, of Tennessee, were on July 10th, 1865, duly initiated as charter members. During the remaining weeks of the term, everything passed off pleasantly with the infant charge, but upon "calling the roll" at the beginning of the next session, only two members, Bros. Irwin and Hetherington were present to respond—the return of the remaining ones having been prevented by sickness and other unavoidable causes. "Things looked gloomy" for the Upsilon. But "Lengthy" and "Curly," nothing daunted, "struck hands and swore on the shield of Theta Delta Chi to remain at Lewisburg until the Upsilon should stand as the best Fraternity charge at college." Laboring zealously for the welfare of the charge and Fraternity, during this and the succeeding term, they initiated four new members, and in the meantime were cheered by the reappearance of Bro. Emmerick who had just recovered from a severe illness.

Rejecting the bad and indifferent, and selecting only the best, the star of the Upsilon rose rapidly, and soon was in the ascendant.

While sociability and friendship were made the chief qualifications for membership, yet our members have neither been sluggards in study, nor dull in the recitation room. By the courteous but withal dignified behavior of our members, the other societies soon learned to respect the Upsilon and to count her influence.

Last session the presiding officers of both the literary societies were Theta Dels, and a large proportion of the other officers, were of the same stripe. In '67 we sent out our first graduate, Bro. Irwin. In '69 three of the graduating class

were Thetas—Brethren J. W. Crawford, G. W. Bliss, a son of Prof. Bliss, and the writer.

Our charge at present consists of one senior, two juniors, four sophs, one resident graduate member, and three other resident members. The "Phi" was organized under the auspices of the Upsilon.

Our charge heartily favors the project of establishing a Fraternity paper, and besides her sympathy, will give it all the material "aid and comfort" in her power.

May a kind Providence watch over our beloved Fraternity, and prosper ALL our charges now and forever.

F. E. BOWER, '69.

[This history was found in the Grand Lodge records and is printed exactly as written. No date is given, but it was probably written about 1869.—ED.]

In connection with the above account from Bro. Bower, we find in the old letter book of the Upsilon a copy of the original petition under date of June 5, 1865, signed by Geo. H. Irwin, C. Frank Emmerick, A. G. Hetherington, J. Frank Overholt and J. Phillip Williams. This petition was granted about July 5th, by the Alpha, and on the 10th instant the embassy arrived in Lewisburg and initiated the petitioners at the Revere house. The editor's first acquaintance with the Upsilon was in the winter of 1886, when several candidates were initiated there, who afterward made up the Phi Charge. Among the old relics of college days we have found a photograph bearing on its back the following inscription: "Upsilon Charge, brotherly regards of Wm. Ginter to Clay W. Holmes, Jan. 11, 1868. The group is herewith presented. We can only recall the faces of a very few. Poor Strat Leeds, whom we remember with much love, as one of our warmest chums, was long since called to an early grave. George Matlack, now a successful merchant, was then a fair, smooth-faced boy, known as the handsomest man in the charge. "Lengthy" Irwin, known as the father of them all, and "Curly" Hetherington looming up in the back-ground with his flowing necktie and manly bearing, a man among men, still handsome, but the beautiful jet black curls turned to the "gray of age,"

brow careworn, the only thing left of him which is a reminder of the past being his full rich voice which is ever ready to sound loud and long the "praises of Theta Delta Chi." These are the few who were so indelibly fixed that time cannot efface the pleasant memories. They were a bright set of men and Upsilon Charge, although regarded by some as not up to the mark, never deserved so low an estimate. There was never a better set of men than those who were the knights of



the day in 1886-7. The reason of the charge's demise was largely the loss of the strong men who gave her so much character. Probably the attendance at the university degenerated, as it seemed to in many institutions about that time, and perhaps it was well that rather than degenerate she gave up the struggle. Although her life was short, many were her good deeds and rich her harvest, although very few names adorned her crown.

WHERE WILL IT END?

BY ALVARO F. GIBBENS, A. M.

The tide flows in and the waves go out
 With murmur and ceaseless song,
 And the hours move swift, and the years pass by
 With their record of right and wrong.

Who knows
 What the night will bring to the deep blue sea
 Or what the coming ship for me
 May bear across from lands afar.

When my feet no longer press the strand,
 Nor eyes look over the sea,
 Oh, who will note the prints I have made,
 Or care where I shall be?

Who then
 Will miss my voice or ask to know
 Whither I went when tide was low,
 To distant land or farthest star.

We can not tell where the sea and sky
 Out in the billows meet and kiss,
 Then how can we look beyond to-day,
 Or know whether fate has grief or bliss?

We dream
 But we cannot tell where it will end,
 Though we watch the sky to the round sea bend,
 And we build our castles in subtle air.

What do the depths in their silent caves
 Hide from view of mortal men?
 Is it sorrow or joy, or sunshine and storm,
 Or something that only the gods can ken?

No matter
 For men are like wild waves of the sea,
 They form and break and cease to be,
 And vanish from sight when strong and fair.

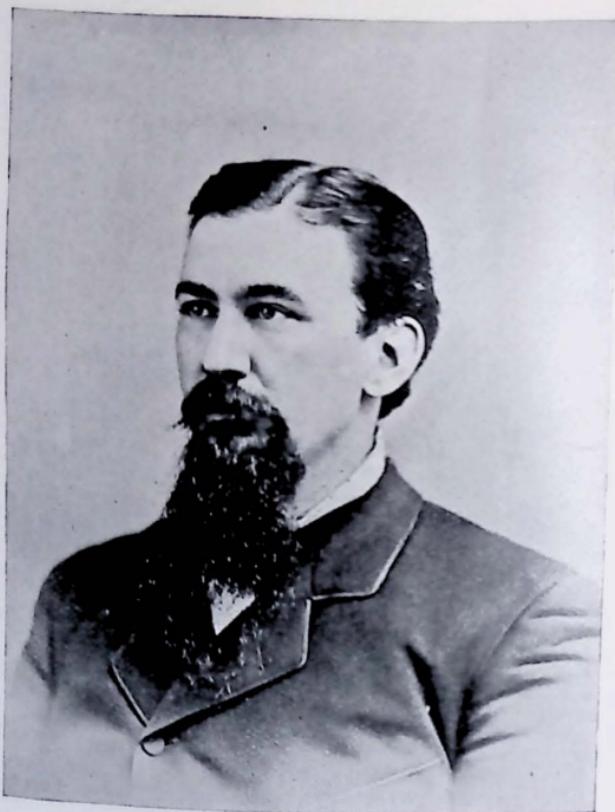
SOMEBODY'S SUNSHINE.

BY ALVARO F. GIBBENS, A. M.

Bright dawn comes over the mountains,
 Like moonlight o'er the sea.
 And tints the dewy meadows,
 And dances in each tree.
 I almost hear its whispers,
 Its sweet and soft refrain,
 As if it wood some darling
 With almost seraph strain.
 To be some true-heart's sunshine
 Is mission good and true;
 You are somebody's sunshine;
 I wish that I were, too.

The world is full of shadows,
 They do not come alone;
 There's sun-rays where they follow,
 And make their presence known.
 To chase the clouds of sorrow,
 From even one human heart,
 Is worth the time of mortal,
 And all his choicest art.
 To be some true heart's sunshine
 Is mission grand and true;
 If I'm somebody's sunshine,
 Then whose sunlight are you.





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NATHAN LAFAYETTE BACHMAN.

In attempting to give a history of those who have occupied the highest position of honor in the Fraternity, no reference will be given to priority. The subject of this sketch has made himself familiar to every member of the Fraternity by his facetious articles, and his own style will be interwoven as much as possible with our plain talk that the picture may be the more perfect. The Bachman family is of German extraction. Their removal to this country was prior to the revolution. The Lafayette part of our subject's name was handed down through two generations. Soon after the revolution his immediate ancestors emigrated to East Tennessee and settled on "Butler's plantation," located upon Horse Creek, Sullivan county. "Nate" was born on Monday, April 3, 1848, at 9 o'clock in the morning. This relieves him from the poetic infliction concerning "a child's voice crying in the night." Being born on "wash-day," there is no wonder that he is always in the "suds." He was the eldest of five children, and his youth was quietly spent upon the plantation. The breaking out of the war of the rebellion changed the agricultural tenor of his ways, and force of circumstances rendered it necessary for him to change his base of operations. It cannot be recorded that he was a valiant soldier. He fought, bled and died several times, according to his own story. An acute inflammation of his eyes rendered him blind for a year. About 1867 he went to Clinton, N. Y., and entered the high school. After a year he matriculated at Hamilton College in the class of 1872. In 1870 he returned to Tennessee for a visit, and while there was prostrated with typhoid pneumonia. For three months he was very sick. As soon as he recovered he returned to college and graduated with his class. He was the recipient of numerous honors. After graduation he taught school for several years. While teaching in Schoharie, N. Y., he began to read law in the office of Hon. Stephen L. Mayham and later completed the course of study in Columbia College Law School, graduating in 1876 with the degree of LL. B. He was admitted to the bar and located at Schoharie, N.

Y., where he continued in practice till 1884. In 1883 he visited Fresno, Cal., on business, attending also the triennial grand conclave of Knights Templar in San Francisco, as a member of the New York Battalion. In February, 1884, he attended the winter council at Montreal. Severe, but unavoidable exposure on the return trip resulted in a severe attack of pneumonia accompanied with hemorrhage of the lungs. It was not until July that he was able to travel, when he started south in search of health. He went from point to point by easy stages, till Florida was reached. Finding no relief he went on to California. In September, 1884, he married Miss Elizabeth L. Miller, whom he met in San Francisco while attending the conclave in '83. They spent the summer of 1885 in a cattle camp, at Twin Lakes, on the summit of the Sierra Nevadas, on what is known as the Kit Carson trail. His health having improved somewhat, in the fall of 1885 he located at Fresno. Not having sufficient lung power to "believe to a jury," he became a quiet scribbler for a daily newspaper. After two years of the experience of "the tailor of Campillo" who worked for nothing and furnished his own thread, he naturally wearied of this tempting (?) avocation, and bought some vineyard land about three miles from Fresno, built the "Chateau de Clapboard," with which the SHIELD is already quite familiar, planted out a raisin vineyard and calmly seated himself to await results, quite as profitable an occupation as the previous one. Bro. Bachman writes that now he "is running things on strictly agricultural principles, i. e., into the ground." We hardly believe this if we may judge by the beautiful samples of raisins which have from time to time made their appearance upon our banquet tables and in the sanctum of the SHIELD, all bearing that cabalistic mark, "C D C. During the years which have passed since the occupation of the "Chateau," peace and prosperity seem to have been the lot of our worthy brother and his happy family. In glancing over his life for isolated points we are led to quote his own words in regard to army experience, feeling entirely unable to cope with his ready pen. He says:

Of course I "fought, bled and died" some for the late Confederacy;

but my present impression is that my valuable services to that cause were devoted more to sprinting than shooting, and that my promptness in drawing rations totally evaporated when it came to drawing ram-rods on the field of carnage. The fact is, Holmes, I am afraid to mention much of my services on the "gory field" less it should lead to a controversy in the *Century Magazine* which might prove disadvantageous to some of the pensioners who were crippled in frantic efforts to hide themselves when the shooting became promiscuous and careless-like. But the good fortune of escaping with integrity of person did not protect the purse. That was left much in the condition of Deacon Stiggin's (*Pickwick*) bottle of pine-apple rum—"nothing left but the cork and the smell." East Tennessee was the base of cavalry raids and our private fortune, with the exception of lands, was swept away.

In politics I am a Democrat, and have taken some interest in various matters pertaining thereto. However, I have not sought that laborious, invidious and close-watched slavery called political office. I should prefer to be a shooting match target for a company of New York militia than run for office. By this you see that ever since the late war I am possessed of a chronic desire to reach some point of vantage where there is absolutely no danger.

Bro. Bachman received unsought the election to the presidency of the Grand Lodge at the convention of 1882, and served the Fraternity faithfully in this capacity. He instituted the system of charge visitation by the officers of the Grand Lodge, visiting during his term every living charge except Theta. The Deltas was re-established and the Rho Deuteron established by him. He was forced to decline a unanimous re-election owing to the condition of his business affairs. His interest in Fraternity matters has continued unabated. He says of Theta Delta Chi :

" Its objects are good, its principles pure, its practices manly; and we of right expect devotees at the shrine of a like character and corresponding disposition, '*sic itur ad astra.*' "

Occasionally one of the boys takes the trouble to veer from his regular journey to visit Bro. Bachman. The trouble has always been well rewarded. "Nate" always makes it hot for the boys and takes great delight in entertaining them. It were almost worth a trip to the coast just to hear his jolly laugh and hear his funny yarns about the "mule" and the "fool-killer." The frontispiece gives a fair impression of the present status of our subject for whom we have a high regard, and re-

gretting that the lack of personal acquaintance prevents us from putting into our sketch the "true Bachman pulse," we close by wishing for him and his family many years of uninterrupted happiness and numerous visits from Theta Delts to help him eat up his delicious raisins.

THE IOTA DEUTERON CHARGE.

It will doubtless be news to most of our readers to learn that a charge of the Fraternity has been established at Williams College. For once a move has been made which was not heralded by other fraternities in advance. The surprise attending this information will be exceeded only by gratification at the progress of our students. Probably no institution in this country could offer such inducements. Williams College—one of the most aristocratic institutions in the land, having 154 fraternity men and 158 neutrals, the latter a majority and by far the best men in the college, exhibited a field peculiarly ripe for the introduction of a high class fraternity. That it was a good field is proven by the select list of societies represented, as follows :

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| Kappa Alpha. | Established | 1833, | 19 men |
| Sigma Phi. | " | 1834, | 14 " |
| Delta Upsilon. | " | 1834, | 21 " |
| Chi Psi. | " | 1842, | 14 " |
| Zeta Psi. | " | 1881, | 19 " |
| Alpha Delta Phi. | " | 1852, | 18 " |
| Delta Psi. | " | 1853, | 13 " |
| Delta Kappa Epsilon. | " | 1855, | 17 " |
| Phi Delta Theta. | " | 1885, | 19 " |

The introduction of only one society in thirty-six years in an institution having so large a neutral membership would seem strange in this day of overcrowding. College fraternities, like all other good things have sprung up like mushrooms until many of those who might have maintained as high a standing at least as the average, have fallen far below it by en-

tering every cross-road institution, dubbed a college or "university," but whose name was its largest possession. The college world has no use for a number of the so-called fraternities, but here at Williams the best in the land had a place and the neutrals were not anxious to grasp at any of the lesser lights which have repeatedly sought entrance there. Rather than this they formed local cliques. One of these bands of students concluded that it would be desirable to associate themselves together by a stronger bond. Good level-headed men they were too. They were not anxious enough to fall into the arms of the first society they could reach, and there were a dozen who would have jumped at the chance, but rather quietly on their own hook an investigation was made into the merits and standing of a number of societies. They collected the periodicals and compared notes on the standing and character of graduate and under-graduate membership. The first intimation any one had of any thought about this society, was the reception of a letter by the president of the Grand Lodge, dated May 19, which stated their willingness to petition Theta Delta Chi, if the same would receive consideration. An investigating committee was immediately sent them from the Delta Charge, whose report was entirely satisfactory. A petition was received in due form. The character and standing of the petitioners may be readily inferred from an examination of the following statement of honors or positions. The valedictorian of the senior class, president of the college Y. M. C. A., president of the sophomore class, two editors of the Williams Weekly, an editor of the Literary Monthly; two of the Lawn Tennis Champions, one Phi Beta Kappa, and several members of the athletic teams, all among the most prominent Christian, athletic and literary lights of Williams, a set of men whose morality was unquestioned, and strange to say not even a man among them who smoked. Who could hesitate a moment about entertaining a petition from such a coterie of students? Certainly not Theta Delta Chi. Her petition was granted and on the night of the 12th of June, the Iota Deuteron Charge was formally established by an embassy from the Delta composed of J. C. Hallock, T. B. Cram and J. D. Ringwood.

The president and secretary of the Grand Lodge and C. E. Birch, of Delta, were also present. Owing to the necessity of naming an early date for the establishment of the charge, it was impossible to invite the charges to be present, or inform them of the ceremony. The organization of this splendid body of young men into a charge of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity was one of the proudest pleasures it has been our good fortune to participate in. Twenty-two Theta Dels created, and another star planted in our constellation whose glimmering was immediately changed to a glittering, and will, we predict, be one of the "dazzlers" for many years to come. Inaugurated under the most flattering auspices, strong at her birth, she will be able to cope with her compeers at once, and take rank among them, not as a follower. The newly-fledged charge at once organized, and in less than a week had completed all arrangements for a charge house, which will be formally occupied at the opening of the current year, and by the time the SHIELD reaches its readers will be in full operation. As the new catalogue, now nearly ready, will contain the list of charter members the same is omitted here. Any of the brothers who wish to congratulate the "infant," may address E. W. Bishop, Williamstown, Mass. The following letter, sent to the president of the G. L., by the Rev. Wm. Slade, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Williamstown, was read at the conclusion of the ceremony of initiation.

To the new Charge of Theta Delta Chi at Williams:

A resident brother sends greetings and good wishes. I regret that I cannot be present and give you the grip of Theta Delta Chi and say what the society has done for me while in college. The society will be in Williams what you make it and no more. Its foundations are Christian and wise. They are for you to build upon. You can make it a literary and social home, just what a young man needs in college. It was this for me, and if ever I can do anything to make this charge the same worthy thing for you, I will do it. Yours in Theta Delta Chi,

WILLIAM SLADE.

"All that has been said in praise of Iota Deuteron will be verified by a glance at the frontispiece of this number.

PAN HELLENIC BANQUET.

On the evening of Aug. 6th, 1891, a band of jolly Greeks assembled at the pier of hallowed Chautauqua to take the steamer down the lake, and from the number of them it could easily be seen that something of importance was to take place.

It was the occasion of the First Annual Banquet of the Chautauqua Pan-Hellenic Association which was held at Greenhurst-on-the-Lake.

At eight o'clock about fifty college students of all sizes and ages had assembled and the steamer made its way to the place of destination. Though the crowd, we found afterward, was jolly enough, the trip down the lake was quiet and the representatives of the different fraternities had the opportunity of reviewing old friendships and forming new ones. Theta Delta Chi was represented by Bros., W. J. Moulton, *M^A*, '88, W. B. Mersereau, *B*, '73, W. M. Miller, *T^A*, '91 and G. R. Brush, *E*, '92.

Having arrived at Greenhurst we immediately repaired to the Banquet Hall which was in the dining room of the very popular hotel right on the shores of the lake. There we found a sufficiently bountiful repast awaiting us and we began to do our part in disposing of what was set before us.

On looking around us we saw fifty men assembled and thirteen fraternities represented. Mr. Geo. E. Vincent, *ΔKE* Yale, was the toast master. Toasts were responded to as follows:

1. Pan Hellenism
W. H. Crawshaw, *BΘΠ*, Colgate, '87.
2. The Fraternity and the Faculty
Weston Flint, *ΔT*, Union, '60.
3. The Education of Fraternity Life.
W. P. Murray, *ΦΔΘ*, Allegheny, '86.
4. The Committee
W. C. Deming, *ΔTΔ*, Allegheny, '90.
5. The College Man at Chautauqua
C. A. Hazlett, *ΦΓΔ*, Washington and Jefferson, '90.
6. The Pan Athenaic Stadium
A. A. Stagg, *ΨT*, Yale, '88.

7. The Present Occasion
M. L. Barr, *S A E*, Ohio Wesleyan, '90.
8. The Daughters of Helen
Charles E. Sprague, *A A P*, Union, '60.
9. Greeks in Dixie
C. K. Crawford, *K A*, Center College, '84.
10. Chautauqua Weather
H. M. Barrett, *P K Y*, Allegheny, '90.
11. The Delphic Oracle
W. J. Moulton, *O A X*, Amherst, '88.

The Assembly proved to be a very jolly one and the speeches sparkled with wit and humor of a high order.

The first speaker took advantage of a misprint on the card which read: "Pan Hellenison" and convulsed his hearers by remarking that it was given to him to respond to the toast of all Hell and his son, "Later in the evening," said he, "We will have the pleasure of hearing of All Hell and his daughters but All Hell and his Son is too large a subject.

The fair daughters looked on us from the porch and seemed greatly attracted by the college songs sung between the courses. Brother Moulton responded neatly and interestingly to the classic toast of The Delphic Oracle after which the banquet broke up, and the party rushed for the steamer. The time on the return was spent in singing songs, until at half past two we arrived again near the shores of chautauqua.

In order to insure the perfect quiet we were advised to take off our shoes and step lightly. I did not look around to see whether the advice was heeded but as for myself it certainly was not, Altogether the banquet was a decided success and tended to broaden one's views in regard to fraternity distinctions, and made us realize that though there is individuality in each, they are all working for a common, end, the advancement of mankind.

G. R. BRUSH.

XI CHARGE REUNION AND BANQUET.

The Annual Reunion and Banquet of the Xi was held in Geneva on the evening of June 24, 1891. The meeting was called at 9:30 P. M., at which the following visiting brothers were present:

Hobart B. Cone, '69; Rev. Lewis Halsey, D. D., '68; R. C. Scott, '70; Rev. F. T. Eastment, '83; J. M. Frost, '84; Rev. Alexander Mann, '80; Henry L. Slosson, '62; C. Henry Chace, '86; J. O. Chace, '88; W. A. Howe, M. D., '85; G. W. Keeler, '84; W. E. Carr, '90; C. C. Hoff, '90; Dr. J. W. Jacks of Ψ .

After the business session was over, Price M. Davis, of the Class of '95 was duly initiated into the mystic bonds of Theta Delta Chi. Brother Davis who had served the college faithfully for three months, having won many laurels as pitcher of the ball team, again proved that he was the proper stuff by identifying himself with us. Bro. Davis having successfully ridden the goat, we then proceeded to the banquet hall which was decorated in a way befitting the occasion. Our Toast Master, Bro. Carl A. Harstrom, '86, modestly informed us that the Committee being unable to find anyone else who would accept, had chosen him to fill the place of Master of Ceremonies. Our choice after all proved a good one, as all will testify who were present that evening.

By some misunderstanding the orator, W. G. Raines '70 failed to put in an appearance and his absence caused much disappointment.

The next three hours were hours long to be remembered by all and especially by the under-graduates, who for the first time had the pleasure of hearing the praises of the Theta Delta Chi sung by brothers, who twenty years before had sung the same songs in the midst of their college life and in close fellowship with each other. Toasts were responded to by men in all the leading professions. Rev. Lewis Halsey, D. D., was the poet and charmed his audience with an original and interesting poem. It is well to say here that Brother Halsey had been elected an alumnus trustee on the morning before

the banquet and in consequence a warm reception was tendered him in the evening. Rev. Cameron Mann spoke enthusiastically in regard to the need of a chapter house and his remarks were highly appreciated.

Brother Cone of the law told us of how near he came to arrest while at College on account of his extreme solicitude in behalf of his companions. Mr. Parker, editor of the Geneva Gazette spoke on the "Reminiscences of the old boys," in which he gave us an interesting account of some of the old boys, who long since have died but have left their good deeds behind them. Thus interspersed with song the toasts continued, till wit and jollity succumbed to the necessities of the hour and we parted declaring the Reunion of '91 to have been the best of our college days thus far, but promising to excel it next year.

L. F. POTTER.

THE LADY QUESTION AGAIN.

I want to back up Bro. Hallock's view of the "Lady Question" with the cordial endorsement of a graduate.

It has been out of my power to attend any of the banquets for a number of years, but I hope when I can attend to find the ancient and honorable method preserved.

Do you know why you cannot make a mill-pond of the Mississippi river? Because dam it you can't. For the same reason you cannot expect a strictly Theta Delt speech or a strictly Theta Delt song from a strictly Theta Delt fellow to a table full of strictly "ladies and gentlemen." One could not even begin his speech right. The old formula would be gone. Bro. Griggs, although out of politics, would be tempted back into his old ways, and before we knew it we would find ourselves called "fellow-citizens." We would not dare to tell any Fraternity stories for fear of telling secrets in the presence of wives and daughters and possible sweet-hearts, which would haunt our very existences to our graves. I don't know that any Theta Delt's wife ever sued him for divorce, but suppose she should and win her suit and then marry a Chi Psi or

Sigma Phi after having heard all the after-dinner oratory of a Theta Delt banquet. It is not to be thought of! Just think of the thousands of dollars it would cost the husbands and fathers in dresses and theater tickets demanded on pain of telling what occurred at such a banquet.

Besides this, how could the ladies retire without taking their escorts with them, and how could we spare the escorts? And how would it be possible when the coffee and cigars came on to shove back our chairs and blow tobacco smoke over the tables and tell stories and sing songs and shout with boisterous laughter as each old man relaxed to the occasion with something new in anecdote? Suppose "Joe" Whitney or Jim Knap, or Peter Vroom should sing one of the songs which used to bring tears to our eyes, what do you think "the ladies, God bless 'em," would think of our taste for music?

No, no. The ladies would not like it playing chaperones to a party of stags, and the chances are even that the stags would behave very much as though they had a sort of suspicion that there was something wanting at the feast.

Let the remains of our now dead $X\Theta\Delta$ get itself together and invite us to a dinner at our own expense, and it will be the happiest moment of our lives, but let us not break down the bars of secrecy as was once attempted by the introduction of a *Herald* reporter to the Delmonico dinner of eighteen hundred and sixty something (I think), nor seek to forestal the joys of the Omega by any endeavor to make the annual banquet any better than it should be. You and Port Gilbert are too old. I like Hallock better. Heaven will be good enough for us when we get there, but meantime believe me in Theta Delta Chi.

B. C. Potts.

THE NEXT CONVENTION.

The forty-fifth annual convention of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity has been called to assemble at the Hotel Marlborough, in New York city, corner of Thirty-sixth street and Broadway, on Wednesday, Nov. 18th, at 10:30 a. m., to con-

tinue in session three days. Arrangements have already been perfected which it is hoped will tend to make this one of the largest and most successful conventions ever held. It is impossible to give at this early day all the minor details which are depending somewhat upon the Club house. It is now expected that everything will be in order so that a grand programme can be arranged. An effort will be made to extend to every Theta Delt, whose address is known, a formal invitation, so that none may stay away because they feel that they are not wanted. Every reader of these lines is asked to accept this as a hearty invitation and request from the Grand Lodge to be there, whether any other notice be received or not, as some may accidentally be overlooked. Come and have a good time. Renew your memories of your beloved society. Be present and see how things are done. Do not feel that because you are now out of college, you have no part in the workings of the Fraternity. The heaviest burden of the brotherhood lies on the graduate's shoulders. He is the landmark which signifies the character and standing of the society, and as such should endeavor to make himself felt by his presence at the conventions. After a careful consideration of all that goes to make up a successful convention, the Grand Lodge decided that such arrangements as would draw the members together would prove most satisfactory. It is expected that everybody will stop at the Hotel Marlborough. This will be the headquarters of the Grand Lodge and all delegates, and the sessions of the convention will be held there. A private dining room will be set apart for our use, and a special rate has been made, so that all can attend and have the very best that New York city affords without being overtaxed. Detailed arrangements will be announced later. Do not forget the date, Nov. 18th, and try to be there. If you cannot attend the entire convention, drop in and let the boys see how you look. You know soldiers always like to look upon the scarred veterans who have won fame. Remember that this convention will be a rouser, and that you are wanted to make it complete.

THE CLUB HOUSE.

Continuing the subject of the club, reference to the June number will give the facts of its organization. The ideas then promulgated are being carried out as rapidly as possible. The summer months are not conducive to energetic work in any line, and as a natural sequence things are about as they were then. Some responses have come in, but not as many as should have been received. Now the time has arrived for action. Do not stand back with your arms akimbo, waiting to see whether it is a go or not before you do your share. It is emphatically a decided success, but the trustees are so determined to establish it upon a solid foundation that they will not proceed till bona-fide assurance is beyond doubt that the membership is sufficient to keep it up to the standard which it assumes at the start. Regular members are needed, and it is to be hoped that all who have not yet applied will do so at once. Make a good liberal contribution to the preliminary fund and then join the club. Don't wait for an invitation from the committee, but show your abiding interest in the Fraternity by writing to the committee at once. The arrangements for opening are necessarily delayed by the grievous affliction which has befallen Bro. Mapes, and just what date will witness the opening cannot now be stated. The SHIELD suggests to the committee of arrangements that the date of opening be fixed on Friday, Nov. 20, the last night of the convention, or Wednesday night previous, which will be the first night. The Grand Lodge did not like to assume the risk of possibilities, and so have called the convention to meet the Hotel Marlborough, but should the club house be in order, it will probably change its sessions. The opening of the house during convention time would tend to give an impetus to both. In the meantime, however, do not lose sight of this important fact. The Theta Delta Chi Club to be a success must be national, rather than local. While the management of necessity must be local the membership must be spread all over the land. It costs a large sum of money to support a club house which would be a credit to the Fraternity, and if every member sub-

scribes his mite, it makes the burden very light for all. It is an absolute necessity for us to brace up and do our duty. A Fraternity club is a necessity, if we would keep pace with the general advancement of the times. What would the fraternities of the present day be without the "Greek Press?" Every year adds to the number of college Fraternity men. They are going forth to rule the world and the Greek Press is as much a necessity to them as is the daily newspaper to the American citizen. It was not "a long felt want" a quarter of a century ago, but things are different. Other college fraternities have felt the need of a central headquarters in the great metropolis. College men in general have seen the advantages to be derived from university clubs and they are deservedly popular. Read the brief account which appears on another page, of the club now in existence, and then ponder over the fact that it is high time Theta Delta Chi put herself on record. Let our club house take the same relative position that the SHIELD has, and we need have no fears about its permanency. The pleasure to be derived by visiting brothers is a factor which should loom up strongly. Just think of going to New York and dropping into a regular home, where you will find everything suggestive of by-gone days, and where you will always be sure to meet brothers who will be glad to see you. It will be a place where you can freshen your memory, and find out all about the present doing of the Fraternity, and where you can rouse yourself from the lethargy of the "don't care feelings," which seem to cool our enthusiasm. We might go on and cite a hundred reasons why you should assist this move by your influence and money, but trust you are already convinced. Wake up to the fact that without *you*, this club cannot be a success. Enthuse yourself and contribute something, small or great, whatever you can to help on the good work and do it now. Lay down the SHIELD and write a letter of encouragement and loyalty to Bro. Brookins, and enclose some money to back up your assertions. You will never be sorry. If you can't get there to enjoy it, hundreds of others can, and you will have the satisfaction of knowing that you did something toward making a home for young men, and a monument to the character and glory of our beloved Fraternity.

Our Graduates.

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

Daniel Pardee, Alpha, '52, died at his home in Fulton, New York, Aug. 25th from paralysis. The following facts are taken from the Fulton *Patriot*. Dr. Daniel Pardee was born at Volney, N. Y., Nov. 20, 1833. His preparatory education was received at Fulton. He entered Hamilton College at the age of fourteen, where he remained two years, thence going to Union College. He graduated with the class of '52. He was initiated into the Alpha Charge, Sept. 25, 1851. After graduation he entered his father's office in Fulton and began the study of his chosen profession. He attended medical lectures in New York City and Albany, graduating from the Albany Medical College. He began at once to practice medicine in Fulton which has since been his field of labor. He was successful from the start, and always had an extensive practice. In 1868 he was stricken with paralysis in his lower limbs. He took a long sea voyage determined to recover if possible. He came back improved, but still badly crippled. Since that time although a cripple always in pain, obliged to move about on crutches, he has conducted as large a practice as any other able bodied man. Full of fortitude and good cheer, ingnor- ing his great suffering to attend to the needs of his patients, he has been a real martyr. Finally he was stricken down suddenly—with that which had been expected for years, and veritably died in the harness, leaving a proud record to be handed down to his posterity, of a noble, self-sacrificing hero whose duty was greater than the intensest bodily suffering. Dr. Pardee served his country during the late war as surgeon of the 1st N. Y. Light Artillery. He held many positions of trust and honor during his life time in all of which he performed his duties faithfully and creditably. He had been a member of the Presbyterian church for twenty years. He leaves a devoted wife and daughter to whom the sympathies of our brotherhood are extended.

Charles V. Mapes, Iota, '57. Every member of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity who has ever had the pleasure of knowing Bro. Mapes will join THE SHIELD in the deepest expression of sympathy for Bro. Mapes and his stricken family in the sad death of the third son, Herbert Mapes, who

was drowned at Fire Island, while surf bathing, Aug. 23d. Herbert Mapes was a member of the Psi Upsilon fraternity; from the class of '92 at Columbia College. His fame as an inter-collegiate champion in athletics is world wide, and his success as a student was phenomenal. Possessed of every advantage which a fond father could provide he did honor to his parentage. In his loss, a noble man, to be, has been sacrificed. His memory is all that is left to console his stricken parents, but it must be a source of much comfort to know that he was as noble as he was good, and has left a love in the hearts of his companions which shall endure so long as their lives last.

Hon. William D. Bloxham, Epsilon, '54. The following biographical account of Bro. Bloxham appeared in a book on "Jacksonville, the Metropolis of Florida, by James Esgate," and is reproduced entire.

Ex-Governor William D. Bloxham was born in Leon county, Florida, July 9, 1835. His father was one of the pioneer settlers of that county, having moved from Virginia in 1825. He was placed at school in his native county, but, at the age of thirteen, was sent to a preparatory school in Virginia, and afterwards to William and Mary College, where he graduated in June, 1854. He graduated in the law course at that venerable institution, but, his health failing him he never practiced. His profession was given up for the more active life of a planter. His fondness for politics led him early into political life, and, notwithstanding his youth, he took an active part in his county in the election of Buchanan. In 1861 he was elected to the Legislature of his native state without opposition. He opposed the reconstruction measures of Congress after the war, and was a presidential elector in 1868. In 1870 he was unanimously nominated by the Democratic convention to fill a vacancy then existing in the position of lieutenant-governor of the state. His election to that position, after a spirited canvass, was the first Democratic triumph in Florida after the war. In 1872 he was nominated for governor without opposition—General Robert Bullock, of Marion county, being the candidate for lieutenant-governor, and Hon. C. W. Jones (present United States senator) and Hon. S. L. Niblack being the congressional nominees. Owing to a severe storm that swept the peninsular part of the state on the day of election, a small vote was polled, and the ticket was defeated. In 1876 Mr. Bloxham served as a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee, and took an active part in that campaign, which resulted in the election of Hon. George F. Drew as governor. Mr. Bloxham was appointed secretary of state under the new administration, which position he held until the summer of 1880, when he was again nominated for governor. Resigning the position of secretary of state, he made a most active canvass of the state, and was elected by over 5,000 majority. He was inaugurated in the presence of both houses of the Legislature on January 4th, 1881, and served as governor until January 6th, 1885, when his successor, Gov. E. A. Perry, was inducted into office.

His administration was a great success, and under it Florida developed more rapidly and satisfactorily than in any period of her history. The convention that nominated his successor pronounced it the "most brilliant in the history of the commonwealth."

In May, 1885, President Cleveland appointed Governor Bloxham minister to Bolivia, but he declined the position, and in November, the same year, accepted the appointment of United States surveyor-general for the district of Florida, which he now holds.

Hon. Henry Richard Gibson, Xi, '62, was fitted for college by Dr. George Williamson Smith, (now president of Trinity College) who was teaching in the academy at Bladensburg, Md. Entered Hobart College in 1858 and took the full course, graduating in 1862. He took the second honor in scholarship; second White essay prize in junior year, salutatorian of his class at commencement. From March, 1863, to August, 1865, he served in the commissary department U. S. A. He was licensed to practice law in December, 1865. In August, 1866 he was elected chancellor of the second chancery district of Tennessee, for eight years. He received 18,828 votes to 5,225 for his opponent. This office he still holds. He was one of the commissioners to audit war claims in 1869, state senator in 1871-2, member of the House of Representatives in 1875. In 1881 he investigated the "Star route" frauds, as P. O. inspector. In 1883 was appointed U. S. pension agent for the Southern pension division; in 1889 was elected professor of medical jurisprudence in the Tennessee Medical College. In 1879 he founded the *Knoxville Weekly Republican*; in 1883 edited the *Knoxville Daily Chronicle*, then the only Republican daily south of the Ohio river. He is now engaged in writing a legal work, entitled "A Suit in Chancery." With all his multifarious duties a kindly remembrance of the old Fraternity is cherished, and very often the SHIELD hears from him.

Rev. George Franklin Hopkins, Sigma, '83, was born in Kent county, Del., March 25, 1855. He prepared for college at the Wilmington Conference academy, Dover, Del. While in college he was known as "grandpap," on account of his quiet disposition and sober steady habits. He possessed a fund of quaint dry humor which made him immensely popular, and his solidity of character won for him many admiring friends. Bro. Hopkins is one of the men to whom Sigma owes her resuscitation in 1881. His associates in this good work were W. A. Carroll, '83; Geo. M. Bilger, '83; A. J. Harbaugh, '84, and J. L. Wood, '84. After graduation Bro. Hopkins entered the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church, joining the Wilmington Conference. The October number of the SHIELD, vol. 1, (1884) says he was then preaching in Washington, Md. For several years he served faithfully and efficiently within the confines of the Wilmington Conference, showing especial fitness for mission work. He established churches in several districts before unprovided for. Some years ago he was transferred to the India conference,

and entered the foreign mission field. He was at first stationed at Cawnpore, but later transferred to Lucknow, India, where he is at present located in charge of an English-speaking church, and doing much good work for the Master.

Hon. Henry J. Spooner, Zeta, '60, one of Rhode Island's most prominent attorneys, has been before the public almost continuously since his graduation from college. He entered the army in 1862, and was adjutant of the 4th R. I. volunteers till close of war in 1865. From 1866 to 1869 he was justice in the court of magistrates. During 1866 and 1867 he was also president of the Franklin Lyceum. From 1875 to 1877 he was attached to the governor's staff, acting as aid-de-camp with the rank of colonel. In 1877 he was department commander of the G. A. R. From 1875 to 1881 he was a representative from the city of Providence in the R. I. House of Representatives. In 1879 and 1880 he was speaker of the House. In 1881 he was elected representative from the first congressional district of Rhode Island to the United States Congress, and has held the same high office continuously since that date. He is a member of the military order of the Loyal Legion, U. S. Bro. Spooner resides at No. 12, Humboldt avenue, Providence, R. I.

Percival C. Kauffman, Phi, '79, graduated from the law department of the University of Pennsylvania, and was admitted to the bar in 1879. As junior member of the firm of Troutman & Kauffman, he practiced law in Hazleton, Pa., for a number of years. This firm was corporation counsel for many of the large coal firms in the Lehigh Valley coal districts. In February, 1888, Bro. Kauffman severed his connection with the firm and removed to Portland, Oregon, where he was for a long time associated with the Northwest Loan and Trust Company. In the fall of 1888 he went to Vancouver, Washington, and with Bro. Geo. Markle and others organized the Commercial Bank of Vancouver. He was elected vice-president and manager. Ever since his settlement there he has been actively interested in the development of the locality. He is, indeed, one of the most prominent citizens of Vancouver. He is president of the chamber of commerce; vice-president of the Vancouver Building and Loan Association; vice-president and treasurer of the Prune Hill Fruit Company. He served one term in the city council. He was appointed a member on the World's Fair commission to represent Washington. At a meeting of the state commission held in Olympia he was elected secretary and member of the executive committee. Bro. Kauffman was married in 1889 to Miss Katherine Barton, of Hazleton, Pa. A yearling Theta Delt, Percival Barton, is following in his father's footsteps as fast as possible, considering his age. Twenty years from now he will be old enough to vote if he lives, which we hope he may. Bro. Kauffman would be glad to welcome any of the brothers who may happen to strike his territory. He will gladly answer any queries in regard to investments in Washington. His advice can be relied on as he is thoroughly familiar with the finances of that section.

J. P. McKinney, Chi, '69, is one of the long ago active workers in the Fraternity, who has been little heard of for many years. A catalogue letter resurrected him and the following facts have been ascertained. After graduation he went south and lived in Western Mississippi many years. For the past ten years he has been traveling all over the country, making Rochester, N. Y., his headquarters. His family have recently settled there, and may hereafter be found at 272 Lake avenue. The editor and Bro. McKinney corresponded as charge representatives during 1867-8, and although we have never met, his letter is as full of warmth and love as one could desire. His heart still yearns after the old Fraternity, and when he meets the boys in his travels he is glad to see them.

Xenophon C. Scott, Pi, '65, is a practicing physician and surgeon, residing at 127 Euclid avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. The various and prominent positions he has occupied and still holds in his profession would indicate that he has been successful and takes high rank, not only in his own city, but in the entire country. He was a surgeon in the Prussian army during the Franco-Prussian war. He has been house surgeon of the Brooklyn City Hospital; house surgeon of the New York Ophthalmic and Auric Institute of New York; professor of ophthalmology and otology in the Cleveland Medical College; also occupied same chair in medical department, University of Wooster; visiting surgeon to the Cleveland City Hospital; ophthalmic surgeon to Cleveland Charity Hospital. He is also a member of the American Medical Association, and one of its judicial council; vice-president of the Ohio State Medical Society and president of the Northeastern Medical Society of Ohio. It needs no more to convince any one that he does honor to his profession and Theta Delta Chi.

Rev. J. Wilford Jacks, Psi, '69, was born in Batavia, where he received his early education. During his college course he was the recipient of several honors and had the philosophical oration at commencement. After graduation he was a teacher in Lowellville academy; professor of natural sciences in Whitestown seminary; student in Auburn Theological seminary, 1869-1872. August 27, 1872, he was ordained and settled as pastor of the Romulus Presbyterian church, where he still remains. From 1876 to 1882 he was stated clerk of the synod of Geneva, when it became the synod of New York, and he was chosen permanent clerk. In 1885 he was elected stated clerk of the Presbytery of Geneva and still holds the position. The fact that Bro. Jacks holds on to every position he gets is clear proof of his ability and faithfulness. He is a regular contributor to the *New York Evangelist*.

Chas. Austin Borst, Psi, '81, was born in Middleburgh, N. Y., October 17, 1854. His preparatory education was received at the Clinton Liberal Institute, from which he graduated with high honor. He received a scholarship to Cornell on competitive examination, but entered Hamil-

ton in fall of 1877. He graduated with honor in 1881, was elected a member of Phi Beta Kappa. From 1881 to 1887 he was assistant in the Litchfield Observatory. He was assistant professor of astronomy in '87 and '88. He held the position of assistant treasurer of Hamilton College for nine years. He was appointed instructor in astronomy at Johns Hopkins University in 1889, which position he still holds. He has written a number of articles for the scientific magazines, and compiled a catalogue of 35,000 stars from astronomical literature. He is ranked among the rising astronomers of the present day.

Chas. J. Humphrey, Mu Deuteron, '89, went to Wellington, Kansas, July 15, 1890, as local agent for a mortgage company. In November of the same year in accordance with the prevailing custom among western mortgage concerns he was set out on the sidewalk to meditate upon the uncertainties of this life, and a receiver placed in his stead. His sidewalk observations on the relation between the rascality of the enemy and his future happiness, led him to believe that if he paddled his own canoe and let the enemy whistle he would be quite as successful, so he hung out his own shingle as "Investor's Agent," and we should judge that his venture was successful by the liberal subscription he makes to the catalogue fund. Success to you Bro. Humphrey. If any Theta Deltas have any money to invest in western mortgages the SHIELD hopes they will entrust the business to you.

James N. Granger, Zeta, '67, for many years was isolated from the Fraternity. In 1871 he left his home in Providence and resided in St. Paul until 1889. He happened to be in Boston during the convention of that year and dropped in to see how things looked. The first person he saw was one of his old Theta Delt friends, and his boyhood fervor was immediately revived. His experience is graphically described in a letter which he wrote to Bro. W. L. Stone and was published in the SHIELD, vol. VI, page 452. Bro. Granger's life has been filled with experiences. During the war he commanded a company in the Second Rhode Island infantry, and was attached to the Army of the Potomac. While a resident of St. Paul from 1874 to 1876, he was on the governor's staff, acting as aid-de-camp with the rank of colonel. At present Bro. Granger is president of the "Granger Land Company" of Rhode Island. This company has offices in Providence and Buffalo. He spends most of his time in Buffalo, although his permanent residence is 95 Waterman street, Providence, R. I. Buffalo address, No. 11 Chapin block.

Louis C. DuBois, Epsilon Deuteron, '89, was born in Hudson, N. Y., August 22, 1868. He attended school at the academy there until 1884, when he went to Williston Seminary, Easthampton, Mass, where he remained two years. In the fall of 1886 he entered the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University. He was initiated into the mysteries of Theta Delta Chi, Nov. 17, 1887, the date of the foundation of the Epsilon Deuteron Charge. He was the prime mover in its establishment. After

graduation he went to California to assume a position in the engineering department of the Southern Pacific Railroad. Becoming weary of the work he came east again, but soon afterwards returned to Riverside and settled upon the "Casa Blanca" ranch, containing about sixty acres of orange and lemon trees and raisin grapes. As a tiller of the soil he seems to be happy.

Geo. W. Carr, Zeta, '57. Among the prominent professional men of the city of Providence, Dr. Carr takes a very high rank. He is examining surgeon for the U. S. pension bureau; medical director for Rhode Island militia; consulting physician of the Butler Hospital for Insane; consulting surgeon Rhode Island Hospital; consulting surgeon St. Elizabeth's Home; chairman examining board Rhode Island State Medical Society; all these in addition to a large and lucrative practice, make his life a busy one. During the war Bro. Carr was in active service as surgeon of Second Rhode Island Volunteers, then brigade surgeon Sixth Army Corps, and surgeon of Rhode Island Hospital. A personal which appeared in vol. VI, page 447, gives other facts in connection with his early history. Bro. Carr's address is 27 Waterman street.

Amos M. Bowen, Zeta, '63, is entitled to the honor of being the first man in the Brown University who enlisted in the first call for troops, April 15, 1861, in Co. A, First Rhode Island Infantry. He was taken prisoner at the first battle of Bull Run and confined in Libby prison. From there he was taken to Salisbury, N. C., in March '62. He was released by exchange May 21, 1862, and appointed on the staff of Gen. J. P. Rodman, in August '62, prior to the battle of Antietam. Subsequently he was first lieutenant Co. C, Second Rhode Island Volunteers. In August, '53, he was detailed as aid on the staff of Gen. H. L. Eustis, and later as acting assistant adjutant-general on same staff. He was mustered out with his regiment June 17, 1864. He has been in the insurance business since 1868. He is now president and treasurer of the Franklin Mutual Fire Insurance Company, office 1280 Main street. Bro. Brown was a member of the general assembly from 1879 to 1885, and for fourteen years on the Providence School Committee.

James H. Shankland, Zeta, '69, took full classical course at Brown University graduating in 1869. After leaving college he studied law and was admitted to the bar in Nashville, Tenn., where he practiced till 1874. Dec. 24th, 1874, he removed to San Francisco, and after practicing there successfully till 1878, he was appointed attorney for the San Francisco Board of Trade. He held this position till March, 1888, when he resigned and removed to Los Angeles, Cal., where he has enjoyed a successful practice since that time. His office is in the Baker block. Bro. Shankland was editor of the "Statutes of Tennessee." He served the Fraternity as treasurer of the first Grand Lodge in 1868. We wonder if he retains any recollection of the editor of the SHIELD as secretary of the same body at that time?

Hon. Augustus S. Miller, Zeta, '71, was born in Plainfield, Conn., Aug. 13, 1847. He took a full classical course at Brown University, graduating with honor in 1871. He afterward received A. M. in course. From 1873 to 1876 he was assistant clerk of the R. I., Supreme Court. In 1881 he was president of the Franklin Lyceum. From 1881 to 1883 he was chairman of the democratic City Committee of Providence. He served as the first president of the Young Men's Democratic Club of Providence during 1882-3. He was a member of the R. I., House of Representatives in 1884-5; also 1889-90, being speaker of the house in 1889. He was a member of the Providence Common Council from 1885 to 1887 and president of the body in 1887. At present Bro. Miller is practicing law, with an office in the Vaughn Building. He resides at 138 Greenwich St., Providence.

George L. Taft, Lambda, '84, has for the last six years been engaged in teaching deaf mutes in the State institution at Rochester, N. Y. At the close of the year Bro. Taft resigned his position and entered the Harvard Dental College, for a three years' course in Dentistry. At its completion he will probably locate with his brother now practicing in Cambridge. **THE SHIELD** enjoyed a most delightful visit with Bro. Taft in August. During his career at the Institute it was impossible for him to be released from duty long enough to attend any of the fraternity gatherings but we found him just as loyal and enthusiastic as any one could be, and delighted to think that he would ever again be thrown in with the boys. Bro. Taft's address is 17 Lowell St., Cambridge, Mass.

Rev. William Slade, Omicron Deuteron, '84 graduated from the Andover Theological Seminary in 1887 after which he spent another year there on the advanced course. He was ordained and installed as pastor of the Second Congregational Church of West Newbury, Mass., Sept. 18, 1888. In May last he accepted a call to the First Congregational Church of Williamstown, Mass., and is now located there. The Iota Charge attended his church in a body the first Sunday after their establishment. The Editor enjoyed a delightful call from him while in Williamstown, after the establishment of the new charge.

Prof. Albert W. Smith, Beta, '78, was foreman of the Straight Line Engine Co.'s works in Syracuse from 1881-3; Superintendent Kingsford Foundry and Machine Works, Oswego, 1883-6; in 1886 he became a resident graduate of Cornell, also a Fellow in 1887. He was Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering at Cornell from 1887 to 1891. He has this year received the appointment of Professor of Mechanic Designing at the University of Wisconsin.

Prof. Charles D. Marx, Beta, '70, has recently been appointed Professor in charge of the Civil Engineering department of the Leland Stanford Junior University at Palo Alto, Cal. He received his degree of C. E., at Cornell in 1878, also at Karlsruhe Polytechnic (Germany) in 1881. He was instructor in the latter institution during 1880-1. He then

returned to America and during 1881-2 was engaged on the Boston, Hoosac Tunnel & Western R. R. In 1883-4 he was U. S. Engineer in charge Osceola Division Mississippi River Improvement Co. From 1884 to 1890 he was Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering at Cornell. In 1890 he received appointment as Professor of Civil Engineering in University of Wisconsin, which was resigned to accept the appointment noted above. As it is understood that Senator Stanford is especially desirous of fully developing the technical departments at his great University the selection of Prof. Marx for so responsible a position is the highest possible compliment to his ability as a Civil Engineer. Bro. Marx is but thirty-six years of age. His address will be Menlo Park, Cal.

Dr. Emilio Echeverria, Rho Deuteron, '89, after visiting his mother country in the spring, sailed for Germany in June. He has just returned and is engaged in the practice of his profession, associated with Dr. John Conway, Rho Deuteron, '83, at 38 Gramercy Park, New York City.

Duncan C. Lee, Psi, '91, graduated with high honors in June. He was Salutatorian at Commencement. He also took the honors in Greek; English Literature and Rhetoric; College standing; also honorable mention on Clark prize for Oratory. Bro. Lee has accepted a position in Ithaca, N. Y., as Vice-principal of the Cascadilla school, and will begin his labors there October 1st.

Edward Lester Marsh, Mu Deuteron, '88, entered Yale Divinity School immediately after graduation, and after three very satisfactory years graduated May 20th. During his first vacation he preached in Silver Creek, Neb. His second year's vacation was spent at the New Lebanon Mission in New Haven. At graduation he was honored by being chosen as one of the Commencement Speakers. He has been spending the summer at his home in Leicester, Mass., and will enter Andover Seminary this fall for a year of post graduate study.

Adelbert Henry Gale, Omicron Deuteron, '75, was obliged to leave college at end of Sophomore year on account of failing health. He spent some time in Missouri and Colorado, recovered his health and connected himself with his father and brother in the mattress business at Waterville, P. Q. He has traveled all over Canada in the interest of the business, and represented the firm in Great Britain. He is widely known, and justly reputed to be the best and most successful salesman in Canada.

Francis Gilbert Gale, Omicron Deuteron, '76, was afflicted with granulated eyelids very soon after graduation and for a long time was unable to do any work. He associated himself with his father and brother A. H., under the firm name of Geo. Gale & Sons. Their business is that of manufacturing The Dominion Wire Mattress, and is located at Waterville, P. Q., Canada. They have for a long time had an extensive trade in Canada and Great Britain. They are now taking out patents in the

United States and will soon open up an extensive business in the States, when the boys can all get a first-class Theta Delt mattress to rest their weary limbs on.

Thos. D. Maurer, Sigma, '66, has been for some time located at Long Branch, N. J. He is auditor of the New York and Long Branch R. R., operated by the Penna. R. R. System.

William W. Jacobs, Chi, '77, resides at Ottawa, Kansas. He is President of the Western Security Co.

Gonzalo de Quesada, Pi Deuteron, '88 has figured very prominently as a representative of his native country in the United States. He was Secretary to the Argentine Delegation to the Pan-American Congress. Last year he was appointed Consul of the Argentine Republic at the port of Philadelphia, which position he still holds. In 1889 he acted, temporarily, as instructor of the Spanish Language in the College of the City of New York. Bro. Quesada is a lawyer by profession. He is the author of "Ratos Perdidos" a collection of speeches in Spanish. He was editor of the College Journal while in College. He contributes largely to several Spanish-American newspapers.

M. H. Briggs, Chi, '71, is actively engaged in the practice of Law in the city of Rochester as a member of one of the strongest firms in the state. Instead of being four aces they are four B's Bacon, Briggs, Beckley and Bissell, offices 811 Wilder Building. One can hardly go amiss of Theta Delt Lawyers in Rochester. There are several more there, mostly scions of the Chi Charge.

Rev. Jas. H. Ecob, D. D., Psi, '69, of Albany, N. Y., delivered an address on "The Character of God" before the State Sunday School Association at Saratoga Springs, June 9th.

John Fuller Libby, Eta, '85, is a practicing lawyer in Rockland, Maine, admitted to the bar in 1890. From 1885 to 87 he was principal of the Waldoboro High School; In 1889 and 90 he studied Law. He is a member of the School Board, also of the City Council.

Rev. Eben Thompson, Zeta, '68, graduated from divinity school at Philadelphia in June, 1871. He was ordained in 1872 by Bishop Clark. In 1873 he was assistant rector of St. Paul's Church, Milwaukee, Wis., in 1875 rector of Church of Intercession, Stevens Point, Wis. He spent a year in travel and study abroad, in 1879-80. From 1880 to 1887 he was rector of a church in Lansing, Mich., and since that time at Biloxi, Miss. Bro. Thompson presided at the Convention in 1868 at which the first Grand Lodge was installed.

Clarence T. Gardner, Zeta, '64, was one of the first to enlist from Brown University. From May to Aug. 1861, he served as private in Co. E. 1st R. I., Vols. In Oct. '61 he was Sergeant Co. H. 3d R. I., Heavy Artillery, promoted rapidly to Second Lieut. detached for service with Battery B. 1st U. S. Light Artillery in 1863. In October of same year he

resigned. He was U. S. Contract Surgeon, Army of the Potomac in 1865. Since the war he has practiced medicine in Providence. Office No. 154 No. Main St., Residence 122 Benefit Street.

F. E. Spaulding, Mu Deuteron, '89, has given up his position in the Louisville Military Academy and will spend a year or more in Germany.

James Wallace Putnam, Omicron Deuteron, '74, is practicing medicine in Lyons, N. Y. He is Health Officer of the town. Has been County Physician eight years, U. S. Examiner of pensions for twelve years, President of Wayne Co., Medical Society. Beside all these honors he has not neglected the duties of good citizenship, having for four terms filled the office of President of the village, elected by the republicans.

Rev. Lewis Halsey, D. D., Xi, '68, of Farmer Village, N. Y., was elected Alumni Trustee of Hobart College at the last meeting, which occurred during commencement week.

Dr. A. L. Coville, Beta, '86, has resigned his position as House Surgeon at Bellevue Hospital and located permanently at 154 Berkeley Place, Brooklyn, where any brother who is in need of physical relief or desires to visit an ardent Theta Delt will be gladly welcomed. Brother Coville passed a very pleasant summer vacation at his old home, Oxford, and has settled down to his life work with a determination to succeed.

Nathaniel R. Webster, Eta, '81, resides at Gloucester, Mass. He is in the ice business. Notwithstanding this fact his heart is as warm as ever. In a letter just received he asks how to make a Theta Delt flag. He says he is going to have a camp there this summer and wants to fly the good old Theta Delta Chi Colors. This letter suggests the thought that it would be a good idea to illustrate the flag and give its dimensions so that the boys may know just how to go about making our colors. Cuts are already in course of preparation and a page of the new catalogue will be devoted to the flag of Theta Delta Chi.

Hon. John Wilkes Hammond, Kappa, '61, resides at No. 709 Main St., Cambridge, Mass. After graduating Bro. Hammond entered the legal profession. In 1872 he was elected to the lower branch of the State Legislature, serving two years. From 1873 to 1884 he was City Solicitor of Cambridge. In 1886 he became a Judge of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts, and to-day occupies an honored position on the bench. He is one of Kappa's most loyal sons and one of the honorable bulwarks of the fraternity.

Fred C. Spaulding, Kappa, '86, and **E. R. Metcalf**, Kappa, '87 are partners, composing the firm of Spaulding & Metcalf, Steam Specialties, 65 South Canal St., Chicago, Ill. They manufacture Asbestos felting, Cement Boiler Coverings, &c.

Wm. Ray DeLano, Xi, '77, is assistant to the Attorney General of the State of New York. Present Address, Attorney General's Office, Albany, N. Y.

Geo. W. Putnam, Omicron Deuteron, '79, is manager of the Travelers and Drug Departments for C. I. Hood & Co., the great patent medicine men of Lowell, Mass. His address is 97 Liberty Street.

Theophilus Edwards, Alpha, '59, one of the ancient and honorable members of the fraternity is a lawyer and planter residing in Snow Hill, S. C. He is County Attorney, Solicitor for Criminal Court, and State Director Insane Asylum. During the late war he was a Captain in the C. S. A.

Frank D. Wescott, Psi, '81, of 221 Genesee St., Utica, N. Y., was elected Grand Regent of the Royal Arcanum for the State of New York, the highest state office. The Royal Arcanum is a good insurance organization and very reasonable in its rates. Bro. Wescott will fill the office with credit to himself and the fraternity.

W. J. Wakefield, Omicron Deuteron, '85, resides in Spokane Falls, Washington. He is a Master in Chancery in the U. S. Circuit Court for district of Washington.

John T. Knox, Psi, '67, has for many years been a resident of Penn Yan, N. Y. After graduation he accepted a professorship in Cooperstown Seminary. In 1886 he went to Penn Yan and took a position in the Academy. In 1868 he became principal. In 1871 he gave up teaching and entered the practice of law, and has since that time followed his profession continuously. He was District Attorney from 1878 to 1884. He was one of the first members of the Psi Charge.

Frank John Urquhart, Omicron Deuteron, '87, is evidently a journalist by birth. He was born in Toronto, Canada, was fitted for College in Leominster, Mass., High School, while here he was editor of the first school paper. While in College as a freshman he was appointed on the Dartmouth board by competition and held the position during entire course, in senior year being editor; also correspondent of New York World. Was elected Vice-President of New England Inter-Collegiate Press Association upon its organization in Boston 1886. He was reporter on the Newark *Journal* for a year after graduation, and City Editor. Then he took charge of Essex County for the New York World. In Jan. 1890 he accepted a position on the Newark Sunday Call which he now holds. He writes occasionally for the New York papers. Bro. Urquhart swings a great quill, and is quite a poet.

Rev. John C. Ferguson, Lambda, '86, was born in Lonsdale, Canada; fitted for college at the preparatory School of Albert College, Belleville, Canada, graduated from Boston University in 1886, was honor man in Latin and Greek for three years of his college life, studied Theology, was associate Pastor of the Peoples' Church in Boston for one year. In May 1887, was appointed to the Central Mission of China. In Nov. 1888 was appointed President of Nankin University at Nankin, China, and still occupies the same position.

Rev. John G. Blue, Psi, '77, was born at North Gage, N. Y., Sept., 14, 1854. Was prepared for College at Rural High School in Clinton. Graduated from Hamilton in 1878, was principal of the Union School at Trenton, N. Y., for a year, studying law in the meantime. Practiced law in Utica 1878 to 1880. Entered Auburn Theological Seminary graduating in 1882. Ordained and installed Pastor of church at McGrawville, N. Y. In 1886 went to Rochester, N. Y., as acting Pastor South Congregational Church. In 1887 removed to Marinette, Wisconsin, and still remains there as pastor of the Presbyterian Church. He is also Editor of the Pioneer Presbyterian. Bro. Blue was Secretary of the Grand Lodge in 1877.

John Chester Mason, Psi, '86, after graduation, entered at once upon the study of law, attending the Albany Law School in 1887. Was admitted to the bar Sept. 13, 1889. Became Junior member of the firm of Carroll, Fraser & Mason, Johnstown, N. Y., Jan. 1, 1890, and is still in same firm. Bro. Mason is an active politician.

Solon I. Bailey, Lambda, '81, has since 1889 been in charge of the Harvard University astronomical expedition to South America. A catalogue letter sent to him at Harvard was forwarded. A reply has been received dated May 23d, received in Elmira, July 7th. At that time the expedition was on the coast of Chili and near Valparaiso. Bro. Bailey writes from the steamer Mendosa, and in the midst of his heavenly studies, sends a liberal subscription to the catalogue, proving that he does not forget the days of yore and his beloved society.

H. T. Kincaid, Omicron Deuteron, '83, for some time a resident of Dayton, Ohio, has just been elected principal of the high school in the city of Des Moines, Iowa, and will have taken up his residence there by the time the SHIELD is issued.

A. S. Coats, Psi, '74, who for ten years has successfully filled the chair of sacred oratory in the Rochester Theological seminary, has resigned to accept a very flattering call to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Pawtucket, R. I. This church has over 500 members and pays an annual salary of \$3,000.

F. G. Perine, Psi, '87, after graduation was first employed as private secretary by the Hon. Henry Barnard, publisher and editor of *Journal of Education*, and formerly first U. S. Commissioner of Education. In August, 1888, he went on the city staff of *Hartford Daily Times*. At first was regular court reporter and did routine work about the city. Later the paper introduced the chalk process of newspaper engraving and finally zinc etching. Perine showed some knack for this work and now has charge of the illustrating department and is a sort of special assignment man for illustrated articles. He makes good use of a photographic camera, and is a practical amateur photographer of some experience. He can get out a story, take his own photographs,

engrave his own pictures and write the article. He is an enthusiastic bicyclist, a well-known member of the Hartford Wheel Club and the Hartford Camera Club.

R. B. Seymour, Psi, '84, has resigned his position as cashier of the Kansas City Piano Company, to become vice-president of the Kansas City Business University, an institution which teaches shorthand, telegraphy, typewriting, and the use of the Edison Phonograph. In addition to this, Bro. Seymour is manager of the western branch of Barden's school agency.

John Sherwood Hyatt, Beta, '88, has been since leaving college employed by the Walter A. Wood Mowing and Reaping Machine Company of Hoosick Falls, N. Y. He holds a good position in the commercial department of the main office. He was married three years ago, and just now is rejoicing over the acquisition of a piece of first-class Theta Delt timber which has only one month's growth, but contains great possibilities. Whether he will contribute his own pet name, "Sherry," to the lively youth we cannot say.

Forrest R. Trafford, Pi Deuteron, '91, although just out of college, has made a great beginning in journalism. He is connected with the "Western Electrician," 534 Temple court, New York. During his senior year he was editor of the *College Mercury*, a most creditable college paper. Bro. Trafford is destined to make his mark in journalistic work. His address is 400 West 124th street.

Clark Fisher, Delta, 58, of Trenton, N. J., was for a number of years after his graduation a chief engineer in the U. S. navy. He has for the past decade been deeply engrossed in the manufacturing business in Trenton. He is proprietor of the "Eagle Anvil Works" and the "Fisher Rail Joint Works." With it all he is as ever a most loyal Theta Delt.

A. G. Miller, Sigma, '71, prepared for college in the grammar school at Carlisle, Pa. He spent one year at Dickinson college and then entered Princeton, graduating in 1871. He studied law and was admitted to the bar. He at once took up the practice of his profession in his native town, Carlisle, and has been one of the steady substantial citizens of the town, quietly following his profession. From 1887 to 1890 he was district attorney of the county. He lectures occasionally in the Dickinson College Law School.

Egbert Olcott, Zeta, '59, had a brilliant war record. He was colonel of the 121st Regiment, New York Volunteers. He was brevetted brigadier-general for conspicuous gallantry on the field of battle. He was severely wounded and taken prisoner at the battle of the Wilderness. After many years of suffering he died from the effects of his wounds, February 23, 1882, at Cherry Valley, N. Y. Bro. Olcott was married Jan. 29, 1867, to Miss Sue Whiting, of Yorktown, Va. Mrs. Olcott died in Richmond, Va., in April, 1884. Three children survive.

Alexander Elliott, Jr. Phi, '78, resides at Paterson, N. J. He is ex-judge of the Paterson district court. He is attorney for the New Jersey and Pennsylvania Concentrating Works of Paterson, of which Thos. A. Edison is president. He is also superintendent of public works for Passaic county.

Rev. Cameron Mann, D.D., Xi, '70, of Kansas City, delivered the baccalaureate sermon at the commencement of the Kansas State University at Lawrence, Kan., June 7th. The *Topeka Capital* speaks of it as follows: "Dr. Mann, who is widely known, both as a scholar and an orator, most certainly delivered one of the finest sermons ever heard in Lawrence, and one that repaid the efforts of those who were present to hear him."

Philander C. Chamberlain, Xi, '75, resides in Topeka, Kan., 317 Clay street. He is engaged in journalistic work, and is a member of the *Topeka Daily Capital* Company. He is also president of the Theta Smelting Company of Galena, Ill. Bro. Chamberlain married Miss Jennie M. Safford, daughter of Jacob Safford, ex-chief justice of the supreme court of Kansas, and founder of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad.

Francis D. Edgerton, Omicron, '61, is a practicing physician and surgeon. He resides at Middletown, Conn. Thus far he is the only member of the Omicron Charge who has responded to catalogue letter.

Rev. A. B. Shields, Lambda, '86, resigned his rectorship of the Church of Ascension, in Waltham, Mass., July 19th, on account of impaired health. During August and September he will rest and recuperate at Annisquam. Oct. 1st he will enter upon his duties as rector of the church at Pontiac, R. I. During the two years of Bro. Shields' stay in Waltham, he labored zealously and successfully. The church prospered and increased largely in attendance. He won the hearts of his parishioners and his departure grieved them greatly.

William C. Strawbridge, Delta, '70, after a thorough education in mining and mechanical engineering, studied law and was admitted to the Philadelphia bar in 1873. He is engaged in active practice in Philadelphia at 903 Walnut street. In 1887 he was appointed special counsel for the United States in the famous suit against the Bell Telephone Company to set aside the patents granted to Alexander Graham Bell. He practices only in United States courts, and in cases involving inventions and letters patent pertaining thereto. His mechanical education gives him especial fitness for the work.

A. H. Campbell, Omicron Deuteron, '77, is a native of New Hampshire. He received his early education in Nashua High School. He graduated from the Bridgewater Normal School in 1870; Mt. Vernon academy in '72; Dartmouth College, 1877. For three years he was principal of Kingston, N. H., academy; for five years associate principal of Cushing Academy at Ashburnham, Mass.; six years ago he became prin-

cipal of the State Normal School at Johnson, Vt. His career at this institution has been entirely successful. Many improvements have been inaugurated under his capable management and the school is prospering finely.

Ernest W. Huffcut, Beta, '84, was an instructor in Cornell from 1885 to 1888. From 1888 to 1890 he was judge advocate general of the state of Minnesota. In 1890 he was elected professor of law in Indiana University located at Bloomington, Indiana. Bro. Huffcut's career has been one of rapid advancement, and he is to be congratulated upon his success. In addition to his regular work he makes frequent contributions to the *American Law Review* and other journals.

H. M. Payne, Phi, '81, was a member of the class of '81 at Princeton. He was initiated by the Phi Charge in Sept. 1880. He studied law in Washington. In 1883 his health failed and he went to Montana where for several years he roughed it. In 1887 he returned to Washington and entered the employ of the American Graphophone Company. He still occupies the same position. The office of the company is in the Fleming building, 1419 G street, N. W., where Bro. Payne can be found.

F. A. Herendeen, Xi, '86, is secretary of the Herendeen Manufacturing Company of Geneva, N. Y. This company make the finest steam and hot water boilers in the country. One of their steam boilers has just been placed in the house of the editor, and hereafter the energy of the SHIELD will be tempered by Theta Delt caloric. Bro. Herendeen has just completed a cosy house, and is now in good trim to entertain his friends.

John Burleigh Donovan, Epsilon, '53, graduated from William and Mary with degree of Bachelor of Law. He served as a private in the Confederate army, and to use his own words, "did as hard marching, hard starving and hard fighting as the next man in Dixie, wounded once, and one of the few men who ever escaped from a Federal prison." He was a member of Gen. Robert E. Lee's army, when he surrendered at Appomattox C. H., April 9, 1865, and claims to be the sole surviving private of the Army of Northern Virginia. Since the war he has practiced his profession. He now resides at Matthews C. H., Va.

Edward W. Byrn, Sigma, '70, was born at Cambridge, Md. He graduated from Dickinson College in 1870, taught school for a year and then became a government clerk in census bureau. He read law in 1872. In 1874 he associated himself with Munn & Co., as prosecuting attorney in their patent soliciting business before the United States patent office. He has since held the same position. In addition to his professional work he has given some attention to real estate. He was one of the incorporators of the "Colonial Beach Improvement Company" of Virginia, and is one of the directors. His residence address is 1433, Rhode Island avenue, Washington, D. C.

S. Edgar Whitaker, Lambda, '90, formerly of Portland, Me., has taken up his residence in Lynn, Mass. Bro. Whitaker is taking a post-graduate special course in electrical engineering in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Bro. Whitaker's father is pastor of the First Methodist Church of Lynn, the largest church of that denomination in the city.

William Churchill Felton, Kappa, '89, after graduation became an electrical engineer and resided at Monson, Mass. He died June 20, 1891, of heart trouble.

Frank M. Bottum, Chi, 71, after graduation studied law and practiced his profession at Rochester ever since. From 1878 to 1881 he was supervisor of the Third Ward. In 1882 collector of canal tolls at the port of Rochester. He was chairman of the Republican County Committee two years and for several since has been its secretary. He is president of the Abstract Guarantee Company of Rochester. His office is located in No. 24, Trust building, and he resides at 158 Fitzhugh street.

Wm. L. Stone, Zeta, '58. The *Daily Saratogian* of August 12th, gives an account of the twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Saratoga Monument Association. Bro. Stone was unanimously re-elected secretary. To his untiring efforts is due much of the success of this society. At the close of the meeting Bro. Stone, in behalf of President Starin, presented, in a felicitous speech, a bronze bust of Horatio Seymour to the association.

William H. Corbin, Beta, '73, resides at 570 N. Broad street, Elizabeth, N. J. He practices law and has an office on Washington street, Jersey City. For five years he was a member of the Elizabeth Board of Education; for two years a member of the city council; for three years in the New Jersey State Assembly. He was state commissioner for erecting battle monuments at Gettysburg. In a recent letter Bro. Corbin pays the SHIELD a high compliment on the character of the journal.

Gen. Henry G. Thomas, Eta, '58, who has served his county many years, and is now on the retired list, has just returned from an extended trip to Europe for his health. He is now in Portland, Me.

Lloyd P. Appleman, Phi, '73, is located in Denver, Col. He resides at 1120 Fifteenth street, office 939 Broadway. He is treasurer of the Colorado Insurance Agency Company, and also devotes considerable time to the expert adjustment of fire losses.

Edward Dodge Warren, Gamma Deuteron, '91, has launched his bark on business waters. He joins his father in the hardware business, under the firm name of the Warner Hardware Company, succeeding to the business of Warner & Dodge, who have conducted a successful business since 1871. There is no doubt of Bro. Warner's success, and the SHIELD wishes him all the prosperity which a faithful attention to business can merit. Bro. Warner's address is Jackson, Mich.

Albert J. Weisley, Phi, '91, Catasauqua, Pa., will study for the ministry.

Hamilton Rice, Kappa, '88, has received the appointment of assistant instructor in descriptive geometry in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He will take up his duties at the opening of the fall term.

Frederick C. Edwards, Sigma, '88, has severed his connection with G. G. Green, the August flower man of Woodbury, N. J., and entered the Andover Theological Seminary at Andover, Mass.

Robert A. Heberling, Sigma, '88, graduated in June last from the law school of the University of Pennsylvania. He will probably open an office in Philadelphia.

C. M. Everest, Chi, '75, resides at 350 West avenue, Rochester, N. Y. He is vice-president and treasurer of the Vacuum Oil Company, office in Wilder building.

H. K. Vedder, Beta, '87. Just as we go to press we see in the daily press an article which states that Prof. Vedder, of Cornell, has resigned to accept a professorship in Michigan State University at Ann Arbor. We have had no opportunity to verify the statement.

A. L. Janes, Lambda, '89, has been elected professor of Latin and French in Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vt.

Charles J. Bullock, Lambda, '89, has resigned his position in the Pawtucket, R. I., High School, and has accepted the principaship of the Middlebury, Vt., High School at a much larger salary.

Henry O. Aiken, Omicron Deuteron, '87, will teach next year in the Hill School, Pottstown, Pa. Latin and mathematics will be Bro. Aiken's specialties.

F. Spencer Baldwin, Lambda, '88, has recently been appointed to the Fellowship established by Jacob Sleeper, one of the founders of the university. The Fellowship yields an annual income of \$500 for two years. In accordance with its provisions, Bro. Baldwin will spend the first year in study at the Boston University and will have classes in rhetoric and English. The second year will be spent abroad, probably in Germany. Bro. Baldwin prepared for college at Berwick Academy, and entered the university at the age of fourteen. As his birthday comes on July, he was graduated at the age of seventeen, commencement speaker for the class. The first year of college was spent in journalism with admirable success. During the summer of 1889 he received an offer to teach which presented such attractions that he accepted. The next two years were devoted to teaching in St. Luke's School, Philadelphia. In every department of the profession Bro. Baldwin exhibited the same ability and aptitude which characterized his work in college. His future success is undoubted.

John W. Spencer, Lambda, '91, has been made principal of the High and Grammar Schools, at Northfield, Vt.

Rev. L. H. Dorchester, Lambda, '86, has just raised a debt of \$8,000 on his church at Springfield, Mass.

John Wenzel, Lambda, '91, will enter the law department of Boston University in the fall.

Rev. C. W. Blackett, Lambda, '88, was reappointed in April to the Fiske Memorial M. E. Church at Natick, Mass. The church is a large one and has many needs, but Bro. Blackett is equal to the task. There is a mutual bond of sympathy and affection between pastor and people, which indicates that Bro. Blackett is an acceptable pastor and bespeaks a continued growth.

Osgood T. Eastman, Mu Deuteron, '86, must be meeting prosperity in his new home, Chicago. At all events he is about to take unto himself a partner. Cards have just been issued for his marriage on September 30th to Miss Nellie Burns of Omaha, Neb. The next SHIELD will contain an account of the happy event.

REMER—KENYON.

Dr. John Remer, Rho Deuteron, '90, and Miss Antoinette Kenyon, both of Newark, N. Y., were married at the Church of the Redeemer, on Wednesday evening, June 17, 1891, at 8 o'clock, by the Rev. Richmond Fisk, D. D., of Watertown, N. Y., an uncle of the bride, and Rev. J. H. Moore, the family pastor. Bro. A. L. Coville, M. D., acted as best man. The ushers, all Theta Delts, were Dr. W. A. Howe, of Phelps; Dr. Wm. H. McIntyre, of New York; Leon Stern, of Rochester, and C. H. Stuart, of Newark. The impressive ceremony of the Episcopal service was followed. The church was crowded with guests. After the completion of the service the guests were requested to remain seated for a sufficient length of time to allow the bride to repair to the residence of Dr. Remer's aunt, Mrs. C. S. Remer, who, being an invalid, could not be present. The doctor has made her residence his home, and it was a thoughtful recognition of affection to pay her a visit while the guests waited in the church as a mark of added respect. After this touching interview, the happy couple were driven to the residence of the bride's parents, where a reception was held. At midnight the bridal couple took the West Shore train for Albany and spent a delightful honeymoon in the Adirondacks. It is not necessary for the SHIELD to assert that Bro. Remer is an enthusiastic Theta Delt. No one can read of his marriage without discovering that he is loyal to the core, and enthusiastic to the full extent of the law. Had our colors been suitable they would have been used. This is the only objection possible to be raised. They cannot appropriately be employed in a wedding service. He had everything else, however. The bride is a lovely and accomplished lady, the daughter of M. M. Kenyon, a leading citizen of Newark, and her most popular druggist. (The editor of the SHIELD has had personal knowledge of him as such for many years.) She is small of stature, but the most valuable

jewels always come in small parcels. She is bright and active, and to know her once is to remember her forever. She quickly and gracefully acknowledged her loyalty to and love for Theta Delta Chi. From the bride's table while the refreshment were being served, rang out the good old Theta Delt songs, in which the bride heartily joined. There is no doubting the fact that Bro. Remer was happy as the boys sang,

"Of all the fair maidens that brighten our vision,
Whose locks flow in ringlets of glittering gold."

and when they came to,

"And the fairest of these is a Theta Delt's wife."

the bride looked the happiest of all, and made a most beautiful picture reflecting in her beaming countenance the love of Theta Delta Chi. Bro. Remer is to be congratulated upon his prospects of a happy future, and the SHIELD extends to Mr. and Mrs. Remer, the warmest congratulations, wishing for them years of peace and plenty. We hope to be able to greet you personally some day in your lovely home where we are sure any Theta Delt will always be warmly greeted and well entertained.

BATES—OTTMAN.

Frederick S. Bates, Mu Deuteron, '88, of Titusville, Pa., was married to Miss Mary E. Ottman, August 12th, 1891. The ceremony was performed in St. James' Memorial Church. Rev. Carroll L. Bates, Psi, '83, a brother of the groom, officiated. The beautiful service of the Episcopal Church was impressively rendered. The interior of the church fairly blossomed with floral decorations tastefully arranged by the loving friends of the pair, and was crowded with guests, mostly friends or relatives of the families. Miss Hattie Bates, a sister of the groom, was maid of honor, and Mr. Frank H. Payne acted as groomsman. Among the ushers was Bro. W. L. Neill, of Nu Deuteron, '88. The bride is the daughter of the late Judge R. Ottman, of Titusville. She is a most estimable and accomplished lady, loved and esteemed by all who know her. Bro. Bates is the son of the Hon. Frederic Bates, a popular business man of Titusville. Respected in the community and loved by all who know them, this happy couple seem to have before them a career of happiness and usefulness. After a short bridal tour they will take up their residence at Oil City, where Bro. Bates has a situation as draughtsman with the National Transit Company.

GIBBENS—BAYLEY.

Hon. Alvaro F. Gibbens, Pi, '60, of Charleston, W. Va., and Mary E. Bayley, of Chicago, were married at St. James Episcopal Chnrch, in the city of Chicago, Thursday, June 11, 1891, at 5 p. m. After the ceremony and a collation at the residence of Mrs. Chas. J. Meadowcraft, (Mrs. Bayley's daughter) the happy couple at once departed for Charleston. Mrs. Gibbens was the widow of the late Col. Wm. E. Bayley, and one of Chicago's most charming and popular society ladies. She is a Kentuckian

by birth, refined, well educated, lovely in face and manners. Bro. Gibbens is well known to the older graduates as a most enthusiastic and loyal Theta Delt, an editor, poet and author. He is a prominent factor in the politics of his native state, being a member of the Republican State Committee. The SHIELD extends heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gibbens and wishes for them many years of happiness.

LANDES—DUNLAP.

On April 10, 1891, Bro. Leonidas L. Landes, of Rho Deuteron, '90, was married to Miss Mabel Edith Dunlap, of Virginia. The Rev. Dr. Stranger, of the Church of the Holy Trinity, performed the ceremony. Bros. F. Goodwin and F. Valdes, jr., were present. Miss Dunlap is the daughter of Captain Charles Dunlap, ex-president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and at present general superintendent of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad.

RUTHVEN—HOTCHKISS.

On July 1, James W. Ruthven, Epsilon Deuteron, '90, was married to Miss Minerva Hotchkiss, of Redlands, Cal. Bro. Ruthven was one of the charter members of his charge, and has the best wishes of Epsilon Deuteron not only, but of many of the brotherhood, who have known him so well. F. E. Hotchkiss, the father of the bride, is secretary of the Bear Valley Irrigation Company, and Bro. Ruthven is associated with the same company in the development of its vast enterprises. The Fraternity was represented at the wedding by Louis DuBois, Epsilon Deuteron, '89, at present a resident of Riverside, Cal.

KENDALL—FIELD.

Bro. Calvin N. Kendall, Psi, '82, of Saginaw, Mich., was married June 30th, to Miss Alia Field, of Jackson, Mich. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. D. M. Fisk, at the residence of the bride's parents.

BURDGE—JACKSON.

Franklin Burdge, Zeta, '56, was married on Thursday, September 15th, to Miss Ella Jackson, daughter of Samuel K. Jackson of Brielle, N. J. The announcement is received just as the form is in press, and no further particulars are at hand. The SHIELD extends hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Burdge and wishes for them that their cup may be filled to overflowing with joy, and so be for many years to come.

In Memoriam.

LEVI BUTTLES,

KENYON COLLEGE, '47.

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in his infinite wisdom to remove from our number, our brother, Levi Buttles, and

WHEREAS, In his death we have lost a faithful and earnest friend and brother, it is eminently fitting that we should pay our last 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 family and friends our warmest sympathies.

Resolved, That in the death of our brother, Theta Charge has lost one of its most valued members, and the Fraternity one whose loyalty and uprightness of 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, to the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD and to the *Kenyon Collegian* for publication.

LOUIS E. DURR,
H. C. WING,
LESLIE H. INGHAM,
FOR THE CHARGE.

GAMBIER, O., June 12, 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.

SNOW HILL, N. C., May 6, 1891.

DEAR BROTHER:—I am glad to make a contribution for a catalogue of the members of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity. Time, absence, and distance from those I in past days knew as brothers in old Union College have not blotted out the old ties that bound us together in those happy days of our lives. But for the misfortunes of war we might have met and continued our acquaintance, but the conflict left me embarrassed and the loss of my health has caused me to battle these long years to try and save a competency, and prevented me from being able to participate in the reunions which have taken place in New York. I hope, however, to be able to meet some of the brethren yet this side of the grave. I am down here alone, never meet a brother in this state, the only two I knew are long since dead, and as my school days were spent in N. Y., all my school boy ties were formed with boys living North, and I often long to see and be with them again. I will send you a subscription to the SHIELD and hope that I may in that way learn something of my old friends.

Fraternally,

THEO. EDWARDS.

IOWA CITY, June 16, 1891.

DEAR BROTHER:—The last number of your golden "SHIELD" is received, and I am much gratified to see it maintain its high standard with even increasing interest. The accounts of the late Society Convention and good time festivals made me regret the more that I could not have participated in any of them and been an eye witness of the charming progress our beloved "Theta Delta Chi" is making in its several branches; and in this connection I will add the often expressed hope and prayer that the "Alpha" may very soon receive its reinstatement. May the grand column march on until "from Alpha to Omega" we have all that the profoundest Greek philosopher could desire, or the most ambitious modern champion be ready to buckle on his armor and grasp his shield to fight for.

I was much pleased too with the personal reminiscences and illustrations, especially those of "our good Editor." I was not aware you were

quite so bald, and fear that with the excessive demands upon your time you have fallen into the dangerous habit of "scratching your head for ideas," your illustration of the Editor "Waiting for an Idea" is evidently for a younger man. Better not have too many ideas.

My health has not of late varied a great deal, but I trust is, if anything, somewhat better, at least I find I can give somewhat more attention to my Agency work that I have undertaken. I live in my old time home, (which I retain,) and have a very good family,—a New York family—in with me, to care for my personal weal.

As ever, faithfully yours, in Theta Delta Chi,

ABEL BEACH.

OMAHA, Neb., July 1, 1891.

MY DEAR BROTHER:—This A. M. I received the Convention number of the SHIELD, which was indeed a revelation to me. I did not know that such an elegant publication was issued in the interest of $\Theta\Delta X$, and gladly do I comply with the simple request for two dollars in payment of subscription for current volume. The one number you sent satisfies me that it is necessary to the existence of every member of our fraternity to insure a lasting happiness. How many previous issues can you supply and at what price?

Almost the first paragraph that attracted my attention was a biographical notice of an old member of Delta of whom I had often wondered what had become of him, McFarlaine of R. R. I., '72, as we were in the institute at the same time and were made Theta Deltas the same year. Then I noticed that Bachman had gone west. I turned a few leaves and I find that our illustrious Brother, W. L. Stone has given his beautiful oration of "Memories of Theta Delta Chi," to a new generation of Theta Deltas. At the first Convention I ever attended that of 1870 I heard Bro. Stone deliver this, I believe for the first time, and in unpacking my pamphlets a few days since I found the proceedings of that Convention. The oration at my first Convention drew me toward Bro. Stone and the fraternal spirit there engendered has lasted and will last, I hope, until we are called hence, where we may meet within the portals of the Omega, where earthly friendships shall be eternally cemented. You might say in writing to Bro. Stone that I still remember his promise that if he should live longer than myself he would be the one to deliver the biography at Convention. Though long silent I still live in the hopes of again meeting the brothers in Convention assembled, and, grasping them by the hand, renew the friendships of past days.

By this mail I send you two small volumes issued ten or twelve years ago.

The Convention proceedings is the last one (save my own) that I have, and I place it in your hands with feelings of pleasure and that you will enjoy and appreciate it.

With best wishes for the success of the SHIELD and believing that the reins of government of our beloved fraternity are in good hands, I am

Fraternally yours,

CHAS. KNEISLY.

ST. LOUIS, Aug., 15, 1891.

DEAR BROTHER:—Enclosed please find \$2 to pay for my SHIELD, I hope the next number will be along pretty soon.

I am a Dartmouth man and want to have an article well illustrated and written on the Omicron Deuteron Charge. We have about 100 men who don't take the SHIELD and who ought to take it. There are men who have simply lost sight of Theta Delta Chi since they left College. I struck one in the most accidental way only a few days ago. He still wore the pin. Such men would devour an article on their old charge.

These fellows were once enthusiastic workers, only now their enthusiasm finds another channel.

Now it would be a good thing for our fraternity and the charge and the men themselves to have a copy of the SHIELD with such an article, I think that the charge will do the right thing about sharing the expense. Will you suggest a plan of co-operation that will be satisfactory to the publisher and within the reach of the Charge.

I think that some cuts might be had from the College Annual.—The Aegis—We could use six or eight to advantage. I could promise you a good article.

Hoping to hear from you soon I am,

Very fraternally yours,

WM. P. KELLY.

NATICK, Mass., July 28, 1891.

DEAR BROTHER:—I enclose postal note for subscription to the SHIELD. It is the greatest magazine of its kind in existence. I shall have to save the several copies to read next summer as there is hardly time to finish one number in three months. There is nothing that one wants to omit. Everything is interesting. Yes, I shall be at Bustleton again next year. I send a few notes which may be of service to you.

Sincerely yours,

EMERSON A. KIMBALL.

RIVERSIDE, Cal., July 7, 1891.

DEAR BROTHER:—I was very glad to receive the last number of the SHIELD so I could get some news about the good old Fraternity. I agree with you on the subject of a uniform badge, and think it a pity that the $\Phi K \Psi$, is so much like ours. Only a day or so ago I thought I spotted a Theta Delt standing on the corner and was congratulating myself over it but I found he was a $\Phi K \Psi$. Last Wednesday, July 1st, the first mem-

ber of Epsilon Deuteron to become a Benedict was James Wodron Ruthven. He was a charter member in the class of '90. He married Miss Minerva Hotchkiss, formerly of New Haven. They were married at the home of the bride's parents in Redlands, Cal. I was there to represent the Fraternity. The wedding was very quiet, but Jim, with his skinned nose, which had come in contact with a red wood post a day or two before, looked as happy as a clam. They received a number of handsome presents. After September first they may be found in their new house at Moreno, where Bro. R. has a ranch and has the position of Secretary of the Allesandro Irrigation District. Things with me are so, so, but I hope to tread the Convention floor next fall if nothing happens.

Yours in the bonds,

LOUIS C. DUBOIS.

THE TIDE IS OUT.

BY ALVARO F. GIBBENS, A. M.

Sea waves recede along the coast,
 As if they rushed to get away,
 The waters that not long ago
 But kissed my feet in sunny play;
 The winds that lately bore to me
 From distant East a fragrance sweet,
 Now sing in hoarseness o'er the mast,
 And briny foam dash 'neath my feet.
 So veer the winds,
 So changes sea,
 And human friendship's fickle as 'tis fleet.
 And I am tired of trusting wind and wave,
 Of battling with an angry sea,
 While faith in all that human heart controls
 Seems powerless in my destiny.
 When tide was in, then Hope was bright indeed.
 And sunshine lit the cloudless sky;
 The tide is out, and all is changed to night
 The winds but moan, like some weird spirit nigh.
 Winds will veer,
 And seas will change,
 And all things human be as the fickle sky.
 The clouds look down upon a sullen shore,
 And float grim shadows o'er the maddened sea.
 I watch the storm-birds all along the path
 Which once was sunlit in tranquility.
 The tide is out; Who cares to watch my sail,
 And cheer it as it floats afar?
 It seems to bear no riches, neither fame,
 Nor trophies from a murderous war.
 Winds will veer and skies will change,
 And men will worship only rising stars.

Editorial.

The period for the most active work of another year has arrived. Each charge has before it the material from which it is to weave the 1895 link of our glorious chain. We have but little advice to give, but that little is of vital importance. You all know the standard we have fixed. After you have selected the men whom you believe will do honor to the fraternity, go to them with all the good points we possess—say everything nice you can about Theta Delta Chi, but you are earnestly besought by your governing power not to say anything bad about any other fraternity. Leave all comparisons to be drawn by the proposed candidates. Remember that it is not honorable to run down your enemy. Let charity and manhood control all your statements. It matters not how much of misrepresentation may be made by other societies let there be an absence of all efforts on your part to make any statement which shall reflect upon any. We will stand on our own merits, and they are able to carry us through a winning campaign. Do not forget that the SHIELD is an exponent of our principles and as such is a good tool for you to work with. It contains nothing which will cast reproach upon our beloved society.

Among the benefits resulting from work on the new catalogue none is more pleasing to the editor than the rapid increase in the subscription list of the SHIELD. It is gratifying to note the growing interest manifested in its welfare by those who have been out of college many years. The most striking fact in connection with it is the apparent apathy of recent graduates. Why is it that they do not cling to their journal? It is their only means of keeping in touch with the fraternity. If every graduate will continue to subscribe for the SHIELD, in five years it would become the strongest journal in the

country, and in direct proportion to its growth will be the advancement of the fraternity as a whole.

We presume no one has forgotten our promise to give the fraternity the long promised catalogue in November. It is very certain that the continuous and very hard summer's work put upon it will cause us to remember it for many a day to come. The Catalogue, however, is a reality. At this writing the work is proceeding rapidly and if no accident befalls, it will be completed and distributed during the first two weeks in November. Those who have not already subscribed but desire to have a copy of the Catalogue should send in their subscriptions at once accompanied with the money. If you want the full bound morocco edition, remit \$5.00, and for the cloth bound, \$2.00. The funds subscribed will not warrant the binding in morocco, of more than are subscribed for, therefore it is important that you do not delay your order. If you feel disposed to add more than the subscription price it will help to prevent a deficiency which will fall upon the compiler. As the time is so near no description of the book will be attempted. It can and will speak for itself when seen.

Not long ago the editor heard from an entirely outside observer a statement to the effect that the college fraternities represented an intellectual aristocracy. This is coming to be more and more a recognized truth, though it is only a half truth. The world at large has very little reverence for mere learning, but it has a great and growing respect for a well disciplined mind, and for the broadening and refining influence which a college training has upon the whole man. While the members are seldom chosen for scholarship alone, or for social position alone, the fraternities do unquestionably represent the best intellectual and social life of our colleges. Though a man had the blood of all the Howards in his veins, if he were a boor or a sneak he would not be admitted to any reputable fraternity, and one always at the foot of his class would need to have very great redeeming personal qual-

ties to secure an election. The standard of admission to all the fraternities is very much the same, and the most loyal men, when the strife of college days is over, admit this, and recognize a community of thought and aim in all. As fraternity men we see in the wearer of any reputable fraternity badge, wherever we meet him, a man who is pledged to honor and loyalty, whose motto is *Noblesse oblige*. This is the aristocracy which is represented by the fraternities, and is genuinely Pan Hellenistic. The names of the leading fraternities are familiar to the outside as well as to the Greek world, and to the outsider they are almost synonomous. A fraternity badge stands in his mind for certain advantages and qualifications which a man must possess to entitle him thereto. A very keen observer said not long ago that while college valedictorians were often never heard of afterward, he was greatly interested in watching the career of the young men who were prominent in the class and society organizations, because he believed that the same qualities which gave a college boy influence among his fellows would give him success in the wider sphere which he enters after graduation, and this brings us back to the proposition, that the fraternities are a genuine aristocracy because they represent a process of selection, in accordance with a high standard.

It is impossible to note in one article all the advantages or pleasures to be derived from membership in a college fraternity. We give an account in this number of several weddings, a perusal of which would seem to require no further argument to the reasoning mind, as the strongest possible proof of the love which fraternity life weaves around the hearts of its members. The two eventful periods in any man's life which would prove this most conclusively are marriage and death. How beautiful a sight to behold is the bridegroom, surrounded and assisted, in this his first great step, by brother Theta Delts. It is a certain evidence that they are his chosen associates. When you are confronted with statements, such as we are all familiar with, of the harm engendered by fraternities, remember to quote the beauties of such scenes as are

occurring all around. Love in her deepest moments of ecstasy does not forget the brothers who have been loyal and true in the every day college life. Whatever others may say we fearlessly declare that any good fraternity will contribute to the manhood and happiness of its members, elevating them in the social world, and adding much to their influence as good American citizens. Remember the death bed scenes when among the last words spoken, is heard a saintly expression of love for the glorious brotherhood which has contributed so much to this world's happiness, and we trust is carried to the home beyond the river.

The attention of active members is especially directed to a letter in correspondence from Bro. Kelly. The SHIELD sometime ago took up the idea of giving a full history of every charge, as well as the institutions in which they were located. We find it impossible to write up such histories without the assistance of the charges. If they will secure the loan of any desirable cuts with which to illustrate the articles and give the necessary information, the SHIELD will gladly publish and circulate sample copies to every living member of the charge without any expense to the charges whatever. Such a course has several desirable features. It puts on record a history of the charge, authentic, and of great value as the years go by. It arouses the interest of the graduate brothers and secures subscribers to the SHIELD which is ample remuneration for the expense incurred. It adds to the matter which later can be used to compile a history of the fraternity.

There is good ground for the belief that the failure of many fraternity banquets to draw, is the price of the tickets. The money question is a very delicate one and many of the younger members at least do not like to "mortify the flesh" sufficiently to confess this a reason why they absent themselves. We do not regard the quality of the dinner itself as in any way an element of success or failure. The boys gather not chiefly to eat, but to see each other and re-awaken the memories of

the past. Our experience is that the memories clustering around the many banquets we have attended is not what there was on the table, but who was there and what they said. Brother reader if you have ever attended a banquet recall it and see if your experience is not identically the same. Why then should we, who are perhaps able to pay any price within reason, because we do not have to stop to count the dollars, insist on high-priced banquets. The editor of the SHIELD comes out flat-footed against the high prices—not because he himself objects to paying any price for the pleasure of a banquet, but in the interest of those who do, and yet whose presence would contribute a lustre to any banquet which our money fails to secure. We have taken the trouble to ask many of the enthusiastic brothers whose faces are never greeted at the banquets, why they do not come. The answer invariably is, "I cannot justly afford the expense." We feel that experiment is worthy a trial, and appeal to the brothers who have always insisted upon five dollar banquets to bear with us and join in a trial of the more moderate ones. There may be a little less "style and tone," but there will be sufficient good fellowship to more than compensate. The pleasure of seeing those about us who have not been able to enjoy the past luxury will be a source of gratification. It is not necessary that a fraternity of high standing should meet at the "famous places" to retain its popularity. Our recognition is claimed not on "the places where" but "the men who." Of the latter we have any number whose names are emblazoned in the history of this country as heroes, statesmen, and scholars. Their glory affords sufficient halo to crown the name we bear and put us on a footing of which we need not be ashamed.

The account of Bro. Remer's wedding, under graduate personals, clearly proves that Fraternity means something more than mere boyish friendship of college life. When we hear men say that the idea upon which fraternities are founded, amounts to nothing, we feel like referring them to such occasions as this. After a man leaves college there are two

great occasions in his life, marriage and death. When we see a brother gather about him all the Theta Deltas he can raise to assist in the celebration of his wedding festivities we are sure that he loves his Fraternity with an abiding affection which will burn actively as long as life lasts. Then, again, when we see the brothers standing around the grave of a departed brother, their heads bowed in grief, performing the last sad rites for the loved ones, we feel that this brotherly tie extends even beyond the grave. Who shall say that we are not all better men, because we have bowed at the shrine of Theta Delta Chi? Who shall say that the members of any fraternity founded on the true principles of brotherly love, are not benefitted thereby? We know that life is the sweeter because the magic influence of Theta Delt love has swayed our heart. We have been better able to fight life's battle because of the brothers about us whose love for us buoyed us up when in the slough of despondency. The experience of hundreds, yes thousands of others has been similar to our own. A man without abiding friends is a sorry object to whom life offers no charms.

A retrospective view of "charge banquets" or reunions at commencement time reveals some points worthy careful thought by the graduate members. The active members entertain a high regard for the graduates, especially of their own charge. They receive few visits from them, but naturally expect to see some of them at commencement time. In anticipation of this pleasure they are led to get up a banquet. They submit themselves to considerable expense in the way of getting out fine invitations which are sent to all the boys. Commencement arrives and with it perhaps one or two of the more enthusiastic graduates who never skip an occasion for reviving their college memories. The boys are disappointed. They have their banquet, but the good old faces they long to see are not there. This is not all, however. Places have been prepared for the visitors which in their absence have to be paid for just the same, and the boys are "in the soup" for the deficiency. This is a common occurrence and is to be regretted.

After the boys go to the trouble of getting up a nice dinner, and acceptances have been sent in they should not be left in the lurch. The man who accepts is entitled to pay his share just the same whether there or not, and doubly so if he is not. This is not, however, the burden of thought. Do we as graduates make sufficient effort to keep ourselves in touch with our charges. It does seem as though more of the brothers might find time to be there. It sometimes requires some little personal sacrifice, but the pleasure is fully sufficient to compensate for the time and money expended. Just bear this in mind when you get an invitation. If you cannot possibly manage your affairs so as to be present, write a letter in reply and let the boys see that your hearts are all right, and that you are only prevented by matters beyond your control.

The letter of Bro. C. C. Kneisly, although not sent for publication, contains so much evidence of the good work the SHIELD is doing that we cannot refrain from producing it. One of the volumes therein referred to was a supplement to the catalogue of 1875, issued in 1880, and evidently largely, if not entirely the work of Bro. Kneisly, although his modesty avoids any allusion to its authorship. It was the first intimation we had ever received of the issue of such a book, and suggests an idea. In the construction of the new catalogue it will be so arranged that supplements can be issued at small expense and at frequent intervals. It is to be regretted that Bro. Kneisly is far removed, as he would be a valuable assistant in catalogue work. The supplement is a neat little volume and exhibits capital taste on the part of its compiler.

The Theta Delta Chi Club have adopted the following membership fees :

Resident members—Initiation fee, \$5.00; annual dues, \$20.00.

Non-resident members, east of Buffalo—Initiation \$5.00; annual dues \$5.00.

West of Buffalo—Initiation \$2.00; annual dues \$2.00.

Non-resident members may become resident members by paying the initiation fee and dues of a resident member.

All the brothers who can afford to do so should become contributing members of our club. Do not wait to be asked by the committee, but volunteer your membership. No one can realize the pleasure it gives the committee to find some one who is enthusiastic enough to come the front without having a suction pump applied to him.

Only three college annuals have been received by the SHIELD this year. This will explain the absence of any review. Personally it is of little moment whether we receive them or not, but they are the source of much valuable information, and how can you expect the editor of a journal to be posted unless he is provided with the material. For the benefit, therefore of the SHIELD we once more ask the charges to remember us. Forward an annual at once, as all are out for the year. Do you not value your journal sufficiently to contribute this much to her advancement?

This is the first time the editor has published the SHIELD without writing from one to three letters to charge editors urging them to be prompt with a letter. We have a few letters and much credit is due the faithful ones, who in the midst of the summer pleasures had a thought for the SHIELD. There has been no time to write to anybody. The catalogue has consumed every moment, and if a number was ever thrown together regardless, this one certainly has been. It is to be hoped that the brothers will be kind enough to bear with our inability. Read the catalogue article and thus forgive all the mistakes—typographical or otherwise. We will try to make up in the December number what this lacks.

Theta Delta Chi, although very young at Williams, made a great showing at commencement. Ferry, in addition to the valedictory, captured four prizes; Person, one prize; Hibbard, the general prize for oratory and Armstrong second prize for oratory.

The Iota Deuteron charge is made up of four seniors, six juniors, six sophomores and six freshmen; Of the seniors F. C. Ferry, the valedictorian of his class, has been appointed instructor in Latin at Williams; H. G. Person enters Princeton Theological seminary; L. A. Pierson Auburn Theological seminary and C. E. Montague will teach.

We are delighted to give place to a communication from "Delta 63," whom all the older brothers will at once recognize as dear old Ben Potts. The SHIELD is willing to advance almost any crazy theory if thereby the older boys can be roused from their lethargy and induced to "speak in meeting."

We are glad to publish the kind words of one of our founders under Correspondence. While we still have them with us we enjoy their advice, which in the natural order of things we must some day be deprived of.

An article descriptive of Williams College was prepared for publication in this number, but failure to procure promised cuts for illustrating it renders it necessary to omit the same until a future date.

The lack of time for the preparation of original matter may excuse us for reprinting from the old first number issued in 1869 two very interesting articles relating to the Xi charge. As scarcely a subscriber of the present SHIELD has ever seen a copy of that historic gem the articles will be quite as interesting as anything of more modern production..

The Zeta Phi society, a local literary and professional organization celebrated the thirty-sixth anniversary at Delhi, N. Y., August 6. By special invitation Duncan C. Lee, a former student of Delhi, was the orator of the occasion. Bro. Lee distinguished himself and scored a success of which he has just reason to be proud.

Editorial Notes and Comments.

After all, the best of fraternity is always and everywhere fraternity; to load down our Greek letter organizations with all manner of subordinate obligations is to defeat the main purpose. A deal of anxiety would be spared the Greek letter world if only we would accept and act upon this seeming truism.

There is the chapter meeting for example; we appoint committees, draw up programmes, hold symposiums in our fraternity journals; and wonder that for all our plans and discussions the chapter meeting is at best only a half-way success. And the whole truth is that we have burdened the chapter meeting with so many and varied functions that we have quite lost sight of its primary purpose. Truly, the chapter meeting is not a literary society, or a debating club or a philosophical seminary; it is simply a circle of friends united for the sake of promoting hearty, helpful friendship. Yet with the mistaken seriousness of youth we insist on reversing the natural order of things and say not "Friendship for the sake of friendship," nor yet "Literature and philosophy for the sake of friendship," but "Friendship for the sake of literature and philosophy."

The above extract from an editorial in the *Key*, expresses exactly our conception of "Fraternity life." It seems too bad to drag into the "charmed circle of holy friendship" all the externals. The very highest object of a fraternity is to provide for the student while in college a time and place for the cultivation of all that is sweetest and best in his social nature. The literary societies afford ample opportunity for debate and oratorical display, the class-room for argument and the study hall for investigation. After the day's work is done and due preparation made for the next, what is better than a social hour? The mind must have relief. The brain is fed and strengthened by the change thus afforded. Gather yourselves together, sing the songs, tell the stories, and let your hearts be glad that you have so many true friends. Then when you leave your college cradle and find yourself struggling on the storm-tossed waves of a painfully practical "bread and butter" existence far away from home and friends, the memory of those

happy hours and the friendship then created will be a priceless boon to comfort you during the weary hours and dreary days. Don't imagine that all work and no play makes Jack a smart man. Quite the reverse.

Owing to the lack of interest evinced for the past few years by her graduates, the charge has decided to make no attempt at having a reunion banquet this year.

Formerly, invitations were sent to every graduate and personal letters were written to nearly all. Occasionally a letter of regret would be received in reply, and still less often, an acceptance. Of the latter, not more than one or two were ever fulfilled, their plates at the table being paid for by the active members of the charge. The climax was reached last June when only one graduate appeared—he lived in the city—and the remaining vacant seats were paid for by the undergrads. These banquets are given for the graduates; if they do not wish them we can discontinue the custom, but we cannot afford to pay for broken promises every year.

The above extract from a circular letter sent to the graduate members of one of our charges, is what we call good plain United States English, and is about as sensible a production as we have ever seen. Why mince matters? It is the plain truth—alas, too true. Graduates, did you ever think of it in this light. It does seem shameful to neglect the boys who have so high a regard for you that they prepare a feast which is simply ignored. To the boys in college we say don't spend your money on commencement banquets for the graduates. There is abundant attraction during commencement week, and if the graduates attend, as we hope they may, just give them a warm reception and they will feel quite as well satisfied and you will be that much better off financially.

The editor of the *SCHILD* is anxious to see fraternity journals with cut leaves and we say amen most heartily. He offers a bit of friendly advice to the *Key* on this subject. There are many who will appreciate this, and understand his feeling when he says that the waste-basket often gets the journal with uncut leaves. Some one has spoken of the "dainty blue cover" of the *SCHILD*. "Dainty" seems to us rather inappropriate an epithet to apply to the warlike and deathlike emblems which grace (?) the blue cover.—*The Key*.

We have had quite a rest on the cover. The *SCHILD* has

been the most unfortunate of any of the Greek Press in regard to its cover. We admit that the present design does not exactly suit our own ideas. The emblem was selected as a drowning man grasps at a straw. Anything was better than the one we had then. During the time it has been in use a suitable and permanent design has been under contemplation. We have struck it at last, but it is not a good plan to change horses too often. With the beginning of the next volume we may adopt the new conception. If so it will be final.

Among the records of the Grand Lodge a circular was discovered which emanated from the editors of *Beta Theta Pi*, under date February 10, 1883. It is a call for a convention of editors to meet in Philadelphia, February 22, 1883. It sets forth that the editors of the *Star and Crescent*, *Palm*, *Chi Phi Quarterly*, *Crescent* of *Delta Tau Delta*, *Sigma Chi Quarterly*, *Sigma Alpha Epsilon Record*, *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*, *Phi Delta Theta Scroll* and *Beta Theta Pi*, have agreed to meet, and other fraternities are asked to send a representative. The object is "to discuss the widely-mooted inter-fraternity or Pan-Hellenic Council." It is no new thing it would seem. History does not record that this meeting ever materialized. It resembles in its antics, our catalogue and song book. They have been spasmodically talked about for years. Come to think of it we do not see anything to be gained in a fraternity way by such a conference as was then, or is now talked about. We admit that it would be decidedly pleasant for the editors of the different fraternity periodicals to meet and become acquainted. It is a pleasure to know our co-laborers. For ourselves we would go a long way to any gathering of the "clan" and stand ready to make the journey at any time.

In the very interesting article on Club Houses which appears in *Beta Theta Pi*, and which is referred to under exchanges, note the following as the substance of its closing remarks. The clubs have some features in common. The prohibition of gambling is universal, dogs are not allowed, certainly not four-legged ones. Pipe smoking seems to be the universal favorite.

The annual dues in fraternity clubs range from ten to forty dollars per year. The chief public feature of all is the annual dinner to which none but members are invited. The libraries and periodicals, all of a high grade of excellence, are a distinct indication that the mental bias acquired in college is permanent if not paramount, of the social life of these clubs little but good can be said. Relaxation without excess, rest and cheerful companions, go to make up a desirable place in any man's existence. The clubs are therefore deservedly popular and it will not be long before Theta Delta Chi will know how it is herself.

Editor Downey refers to the remarks of Editor Brown in the *Scroll* regarding a convention of fraternity editors. He says:

"We hope to live to attend that convention and hope that the editor of *Scroll* will keep pegging away till success covers his efforts. He suggests Cincinnati or Columbus as the place. All right. We suggest October or November as the time, and Editors Brown of the *Scroll* and Holmes of the *SHIELD*, a committee to call the convention and arrange details. The editor of the *Quarterly* cannot do any preparatory work but will agree to be on hand."

Speaking for the *SHIELD* we would be glad to meet the editors of all the fraternity journals, and like Editor Downey will agree to be there, if business will permit. As for active work we are quite as busy as one could be. October or November would not be convenient. December would suit, perhaps, better than any other month in the year. We suggest that each editor name a place which, while as central as possible, would suit him, then the majority gets it. We have not examined the geographical location, but Philadelphia or Washington would seem to be nearer correct. We will go anywhere provided an assurance is given that we can have a full representation.

The following extracts from a letter just received from Bro. Brookins, in regard to the club house, are so earnest, and appeal so strongly to the manhood of every Theta Delt that they are worthy the attention of every reader of *THE SHIELD*:

It is a necessity for us here if we are to put our forces in shape to com-

pete with other fraternities, with their strong organizations and fine club houses. Already we have lost much ground; but we can recover it, if we are prepared to meet the requirements of the day without further loss of time.

But while the club will be of primary importance to us here, it will be a grand thing for the fraternity at large. Men from out of town will have one place to go to where they will be sure of finding congenial friends. They will find a place where they can post themselves on all that is going on in the fraternity world. It will rouse their enthusiasm and deepen their interest to meet old friends and make new ones, bound together by the sacred bonds of Theta Delta Chi. We want to conduct this club in such a manner that every such visitor, though his heart may become cold through neglect to Theta Delta Chi, shall go home impressed with the idea that there is one thing in life worth living for and working for and that is the fraternity of his college days—the Theta Delta Chi. Who can measure the good which such a club, conducted on these lines would do in a few years for the upbuilding of the fraternity?

This club would also become a treasure-house for all papers, books and memoranda of different kinds concerning Theta Delt and their fraternity. I think in a few years a collection could be made which would be of inestimable value and would repay a journey of many miles to see. We consider this point as one of the most important inducements to the founding of this club. Theta Delt everywhere ought to be interested in the gathering together in one place of all the materials now widely scattered, concerning the founding and growth of the fraternity and the individuals who have had part in the making of its history.

Now, this thing cannot be accomplished without money. We want all we can get and I think the fraternity can safely rely on the board of managers to make good use of all that shall come into its treasury. Let every member of the fraternity give something. If he cannot subscribe a large amount, let him send what he can. Any sum from \$2 to \$100 will help swell the fund. The burden of the whole thing falls on the beginning. The cost of furnishing the house is something enormous. But if the non-resident members will do their part we shall have one of the finest, if not the finest fraternity club house in New York, conducted as no other is—on a national and not a local basis.

We have so arranged the initiation fees and dues that all can afford to become members of this club. The annual dues of resident members of three years standing are twenty dollars; the initiation fee five dollars. Of graduate resident members of less than three years standing, ten dollars with an initiation fee of five dollars. The annual dues of non-resident members are five dollars or two dollars (depending on their distance from New York) with an initiation fee equal to their annual dues. The amounts received from membership fees added to the amount received from the leasing of rooms and from several other sources of income will

give us sufficient to run this club in good shape without compelling us to call for subscriptions after this first year. But the house must be started on subscriptions and we want everyone to have a part in it. We do not want any one to own it!

We want to start this house without debt. We want to conduct it on business principles.

H. D. BROOKINS.

MAY MORNING MUSINGS.

Each bright May morning, ere I rise from rest—
As golden light with horizontal ray
Gleams through my window blind,
I lie and listen with peculiar zest
To cheerful notes that greet the peep of day—
I cannot elsewhere find.

My soul in sweet accord would rise and sing
Responsive to the notes of happy bird,
And I would roll aside
The burden of my heart in joyous spring,
When only beauty's seen and music heard—
If it were not denied.

Enjoyment, though, is not with giver—all
The soul receptive must be tuned to earth :
And clouds can rise and veil
The bright horizon with a gloomy pall—
Nature's sweet charms, enchanting from their birth,
May sometime seeming fail.

While glorious the morning beams in May,
Anon December's winds with garb of white
Chase evening's setting sun :
But faith can gild life's eventide of day
Fairer than dawn, with pure and graceful light
When strife of life is done.

ABEL BEACH.

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.]

The July *Quarterly* of Delta Kappa Epsilon contains the following :

Just here, perhaps, we may as well say a word or two about the little strife between the *Kappa Alpha Journal* and the SHIELD of Theta Delta Chi concerning the latter's reference to Mr. Daniel, ex-editor of the *Palm*, in the March number of the SHIELD. We would not say anything at all save that both editors have referred to us, and, in the June SHIELD, Editor Holmes calls upon us to endorse or condemn his statements. Well, then, here its : We think that Editor Holmes expressed in plain, blunt English what every one who came into conversation with Mr. Daniel concerning Pan-Hellenism and the Pan-Hellenic magazine would have thought. Had we been uttering our convictions on the subject we certainly should have couched them in different phrase, but the meaning would have been practically the same. In justice to Mr. Daniel it should be said that he thoroughly believed not only that his scheme would be good for him and good for Alpha Tau Omega, but also that it would be equally good for the fraternity world at large, and it is this last fact that saves Mr. Daniel from the accusation of being a selfish schemer. He undoubtedly had the welfare of the whole fraternity world and of the entire Greek Press in mind. No one doubts but that time and money are now wasted in the publication of many of our journals and that an introduction of new and more approved methods would save much of both. Mr. Daniel thought that consolidation of publishing interests—one journal, with special departments, circulating among all fraternity men, all strictly confidential matter to be issued separately by each fraternity for its own members—would solve the problem. Perhaps so. We doubted it then, and doubt it now. At any rate, it is evident that the fraternities, as at present constituted, prefer to spend time and money and have their own journals. We wonder if our friend of *Kappa Alpha* compared his editorial on Mr. Daniel with the utterances of the SHIELD in March ! Or are the editorial and exchange departments of *The Kappa Alpha* under different control ?

We are satisfied. It may be unfortunate that the experiences of business life educate a man to speak bluntly, or rather that the SHIELD has fallen into the hands of a *business* rather than a *professional* man. We think we are correct in stating that the editors of every other journal are professional men; those who have ever since they stepped forth from college halls been intimately associated with books rather than men.

Editor Downey would naturally be expected to couch his statements in finer and smoother language. His ministerial work has softened his expression and leads him to appeal to the gentler part of one's nature, but "of such as I have I give freely" with a desire to speak truth, and in all candor, hoping thereby to elevate the standard of manhood as it is set before the college youth. No word of personal disrespect was for a moment intended against Editor Daniel, and had *Kappa Alpha* been less *blunt* in *her* expressions no notice would have been taken of the comment. We thank Editor Downey for his plain statement. He was a party to the conversation which occasioned the article and alone could decide the justice of *Kappa Alpha's* charge.

The "Sorosis" magazines are all more or less filled with an account of the Pan-Hellenic convention held in Boston, April 15th. To Kappa Gamma is due the credit of bringing about this convention. If one may judge from the reports the sisters had a delightful time and dispersed, well satisfied with their work. Their deliberations were sensible and their conclusions statesmanlike. It was decided to have a Pan-Hellenic convention in Chicago in 1893.

The committee on Greek journalism recommended as follows:

- I. That the fraternities exchange quarterlies throughout the chapters.
- II. That there be uniformity in the date of publication, issuing the quarterlies in October, January, April and July.
- III. That at the next Pan-Hellenic Convention one delegate from each fraternity be appointed from their editorial staff.

The committee on Inter-Chapter-Courtesy made the following recommendations :

I. That greater modification be exercised in rushing and that chapters be more watchful that they pursue no method that could be considered questionable or underhanded.

II. That the Women's Fraternities of each college appoint a committee to decide upon regulations for the control of pledging in that college.

III. That greater importance be attached to individual opinion and judgment in college politics.

IV. That in order to facilitate inter-chapter communication all chapters in a college be notified of the election of a new corresponding secretary in any chapter.

V. That in case of dismissal or expulsion of a member by any fraternity, notification of the same be given to all other chapters in the college.

A grand banquet terminated the council. The toasts and responders were :

"Twenty-one years of Fraternity;" Margaret Smith, Kappa Alpha Theta.

"East and West;" Charlotte Joslin, Delta Delta Delta.

"Greek Journalism;" Sarah S. Windsor, Alpha Phi.

"A Flower Garden;" Tirzah L. Sherwood, Delta Gamma.

"Greek and American;" Annie E. Boardman, Gamma Phi Beta.

"War and Peace;" Emma Harper Turner, Pi Beta Phi.

"Auf Wiedersehen;" Lucy Evelyn Wight, Kappa Kappa Gamma.

The Alpha Phi *Quarterly*, with her August number, closes the first year under the new management. The SHIELD when reviewing the first number predicted a successful year and facts have amply sustained the opinion then formed. Alpha Phi may well be proud of her handsome periodical. It is full of sisterhood, of the kind which cheers the undergraduate and keeps actively alive the sympathy and support of graduates. The August number has little of interest to outsiders, but it is so full of good things for Alpha Phi that we can look on and enjoy them. A full reprint of the SHIELD's article on Bro. John Wenzel, of Lambda, is highly complimentary to him. The exchange column has a good word for the entire Greek Press, and pleasant especially are the comments on the SHIELD.

Kappa Alpha *Journal* has just closed a successful year and

the editor may well be proud of his work. As it is the only journal which has during the year given its readers as many pages of reading matter as the SHIELD it is justly entitled to more notice. It has throughout the year been a good journal. It is emphatically "fraternity" in its tone. The June number is clearly the best known of the series. A statistical table of the fraternity, giving full details of the active membership, and also membership of rival fraternities, must be a source of satisfaction to every member. A very interesting article on the "secret society system at Yale," several biographies of distinguished members, a sample page of the new catalogue and a dissertation on the chapter house question make up a symposium of great interest. The editorial department contains much good advice and winds up with a farewell. Editor Keeble lays down the pen and steps out. This is a misfortune to the fraternity. It seems too bad to lose so good a man as he has proven himself to be. Kappa Alpha cannot afford to spare him.

Beta Theta Pi for May opens up with a very interesting article full of information in regard to university and fraternity clubs. According to this article the dates of organization of various clubs are as follows :

University club, of New York city, founded in 1865 ; established formally at the old Caswell house, Thirty-fifth street and Fifth avenue in 1879, where it still continues, the strongest and most prosperous club in New York.

The Harvard Club, of New York city, in 1887, occupied their present quarters at No. 11, West Twenty second street.

The Princeton club founded in 1866 has no quarters, but a large membership.

The University club of St. Louis, organized in 1872 ; not exclusively college men belong, but they predominate.

The University Club of Philadelphia, organized in 1881, have a house at 1316 Walnut street.

The University Club of Cincinnati, founded in 1881, occupies the old Dexter mansion, corner of Broadway and Fourth streets.

The University Club of Chicago, organized in 1887, occupy the Hansen building, 116 La Salle street.

The University Club, of Kansas City, founded in 1887, occupy quarters at Tenth and Bluff streets.

The University Club of Louisville, Ky., founded in 1889, recently collapsed.

Delta Psi Club of New York city, founded the first fraternity club called the St. Anthony Club, located at No. 29 East Twenty-eighth street.

The Zeta Psi Club, founded in 1883, has quarters at No. 8 West Twenty-second street.

The Delta Phi Club has a house at No. 5 East Twenty-seventh street.

The Psi Upsilon Club, founded in 1886, has a house at No. 33 West Forty-second street.

The Delta Upsilon Club, founded in 1887, has a house on East Forty-seventh street.

The Sigma Phi Club, founded in 1887, has quarters at No. 8 East Twenty-second street.

The Delta Kappa Epsilon Club, founded in 1885, has the largest membership of any fraternity club; has a home at No. 435 Fifth avenue. The New York chapters have lodge rooms in the building.

The Alpha Delta Phi Club took possession of its house No. 288 Madison avenue, Dec. 20, 1890, and is the latest.

Following this most excellent article are several more of interest, among which that on "The drift of fraternity journalism" is excellent. It notes that the fraternity magazines have a bright future. The drift is toward what is called professional journalism.

The *College Mercury* may well be proud of the commencement number. It is always neat, but this number surpasses all the rest. Bro. Trafford, the editor, retires covered with glory and the *Mercury* will now have another at the helm.

The *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta for June, closing Vol. 15, is a very pat number. It opens with a pan-Hellenic poem, a his-

tory of the University of Kansas with several half tone illustrations, an account of the Pacific coast reunion in honor of President Harrison. The editor seems to expect facetious remarks from others on the presidential horn blowing. Not so. The glory is yours and why not make the most of it. Any one who passes unpleasant comments on such a course, stoops to grovel in the pool of jealousy. So long as the President is willing to receive and acknowledge the attentions of his fraternity you should neglect no opportunity to cultivate him and "whoop her up" in the *Scroll* to your hearts content. For our part we have much higher regard for Benjamin Harrison than ever, since we have seen in him the disposition to enjoy the companionship of those who were his friends before so many honors were gathered upon his brow. Let his example raise your standard of excellence to the highest point and reflect itself upon the fraternity world to the bettering of all.

There seems to be but little in many of the journals to attract mention, or else we are overburdened with the *ennui* of the summer, wishing in the midst of our toil that we could be with those who are enjoying their well-earned vacations at the seaside or in the mountains. We note the absence from our table of many of the welcome visitors. *Delta Upsilon* has deserted us entirely this year. *Alpha Tau Omega* has not greeted us since the new editor grasped the reins; *Chi Phi*, *Sigma Chi* and others in which we always find something good to reproduce, are not before us, so we close our brief and unsatisfactory exchange notes, hoping to have more for next time.

College Notes.

Kappa Alpha holds her sixteenth Biennial Convention in Birmingham, Ala., September 16th.

Kappa Alpha's new catalogue is finished and ready for delivery to its members.

"The American University" has been organized and chartered and established at Washington, D. C. One hundred thousand dollars has been paid for the site, and the endowment is to run up into the millions. Bishop John F. Hurst has been chosen temporary Chancellor. The projectors expect great things from this new institution.—*A KE Quarterly*.

Dr. W. O. Thompson, formerly president of the Colorado State University, has been chosen to succeed Dr. Warfield as President of Miami University.—*A KE Quarterly*.

Dr. John Hall has resigned the Chancellorship of the University of New York, and is succeeded by Vice-Chancellor McCracken.—*A KE Quarterly*.

A new law school has been chartered and opened in New York City. Professors Chase and Petty, who recently resigned from the Columbia Law School, with others, are interested in the new institution. It bids fair to become very successful.—*A KE Quarterly*.

Col. Wm. L. Stone, of Jersey City, (Zeta, '57) was recently elected an honorary member of the Quebec Historical Society, a high honor, but one well merited.

Alpha Phi will hold her annual convention with the Delta Chapter of Cornell, at Ithaca, Oct. 8th.

Dr. D. S. Jordan, recently elected to the Presidency of the Leland Stanford, Jr., University, is a graduate of Cornell of the class of '72, and a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity, and the only graduate of that institution taking a Master's degree together with his Bachelor's.—*Alpha Phi Quarterly*.

It is interesting to note the methods of naming chapters in vogue among the different fraternities. There are four methods used. Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Phi, Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Alpha (Northern), and Sigma Alpha Epsilon numbering according to states. Alpha Delta Phi and Delta Gamma name theirs after the colleges where their chapters are situated. Delta Phi, Phi Kappa Sigma and Kappa Alpha (S. O.) are the only ones that have continued throughout naming them according the Greek alphabet. Beta Theta Pi, Delta Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Nu, and Theta Delta Psi seem to have started out in the same manner, but have since deviated. Chi Phi, Chi Psi, Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Sigma, Sigma Chi, Psi Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon, and Zeta Psi seem never to have had any particular system. The letters used as the names of chapters of some of the last mentioned fraternities, Delta Kappa Epsilon in particular, often represent mottoes of the particular chapters.—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

It is quite evident that in the above list Theta Delta Psi is a misprint for Theta Delta Chi, as no fraternity is known by the former name. We beg leave to correct *Kappa Alpha*. Theta Delta Chi started out to name chapters according to the Greek alphabet and has always adhered strictly to the plan. Theta Delta Chi is the only fraternity using the word "charge" in place of "chapter." The balance of the statement can not be vouched for by the SHIELD.



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.

GAMMA DEUTERON.

MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY.

I have a few personals, you may desire, of some of our western brothers. I have spent the summer at Bay View near Petosky. While there I met Bro. George, Psi, '79, who gave me, as he does all Theta Deltas, a right loyal welcome. Brother George is a prosperous lawyer in Petosky.

Bro. Ralph Sprague, of Epsilon Deuteron, was spending the summer at Harbor Point, one of the most beautiful of our northern Michigan resorts, just across the bay from Petosky.

Bro. Whitman, of our own dear Gamma Deuteron, has been summering at Charlevoix. I had a most pleasant call upon him.

Bro. F. R. Shapleigh, of Omicron Deuteron, Dartmouth, '88, made me a most delightful visit a week ago. The week before, on my return from the north, I spent some of the pleasantest hours of my summer with him in Grand Rapids. Together we called upon Bro. Le Clear, who left college last year because of ill health. He returns to Ann Arbor this fall, however.

As regards the graduate members of our own charge they are all doing nicely.

Bro. DePuy left last Tuesday for Chicago, to accept the position of superintendent of the mechanical department of the Chicago Manual Training School. It is a responsible and well-earned position for Bro. DePuy is one of our staunchest members.

Bro. Turnbull is studying law in the office of one of our most prominent lawyers, nearly opposite here.

Bro. Gus. Butler made me a flying visit a week ago on his return home from Ann Arbor where he has been spending his vacation. He is varying the practice of law by journalistic work.

His brother, W. H. Butler, expects to practice law this year in Ann Arbor, in the office of Bro. Whitman's father, C. R. Whitman, commissioner of railroads and one of the most prominent lawyers of the state.

Bro. Miller is at his home in Bay City after spending the summer east.

Bro. Rebec returns soon to Ann Arbor to accept the instructorship in English at the university. This will soon give us a man on the faculty which will be a tower of strength to our charge there. His position is a well deserved recognition of his ability, for rarely is a student, upon his graduation offered a position in the university. In fact, it is contrary to their rules.

Bros. Cole, Denman and Veysey have spent the summer in Ann Arbor and Bro. McGee has been in Jackson.

We shall retain the same house we had last year.

I am hard at work in the hardware business in Jackson, and shall be most happy to see any Theta Deltas who may be passing through. I shall endeavor to give them a right royal $\Theta\Delta$ welcome.

EDWARD DODGE WARNER.

EPSILON DEUTERON.

YALE UNIVERSITY.

Epsilon Deuteron enters upon her fifth year with brighter prospects than ever before. We lose six indeed whose places will be hard to fill, but in a class as large as that which will enter Yale this fall there must be some who will make good Theta Deltas and we shall try our best to find them out.

We were very sorry not to be able to greet our president at our annual banquet as well as the other invited guests who could not be with us. Bro. Fred Carter acted as toast master and to those who know Bro. Carter it is unnecessary to say that he was a complete success.

Bro. Van Huyck's illness last spring prevented him from rowing on his class crew so we were represented by only one man, Bro. Al. Sedgwick.

When we left last June Bro. Blair expected to return for a P. G. course but I have heard since that he has decided not to go into business at once.

A new building is to be erected for Shef. this fall and judging from the number of "subs." who were in town last spring to take their entrance exams, it will be needed.

Those of us who were freshmen last year are looking forward with great pleasure to the time when we can have our revenge for the "hazing" which we received last fall.

College opens the 24th and any Theta Deltas who are in New Haven after that time will find a welcome at "36." FRED E. STOW.

THETA DEUTERON.

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE TECHNOLOGY.

Nothing has happened at Theta Deuteron since the last SHIELD appeared as vacation at the institute commenced on June 3d.

Commencement occurred on June 2d and Theta Deuteron was represented in the graduating class by Brothers Ensworth and Dorr. Bros. Rice and White left the institute at the same time to go to work. Bros. Ensworth, Dorr and White were charter members of the charge and Bro. Rice came to us from Kappa soon after the establishment of the charge.

Unless something unforeseen occurs we shall have eleven men to start with next term and we expect to introduce several good men to the fraternity before the holidays as we have some good men in view already. Fraternities are booming at the institute just now but we expect to get at least our share of the good men.

A local society has been formed at the institute and the members are trying to get into Delta Upsilon, but I believe they have not succeeded as yet. If, as is probable, they do succeed, the number of fraternities here will be nine, an increase of seven since 1888.

Some time ago the news came that $\Theta \Delta X$ had established a charge at Williams College. This was joyful news indeed and Theta Deuteron rejoices with the rest although it robs us of the honor of being the "baby" charge. However, we heartily welcome the new brothers and believe that they will prove themselves true and worthy Theta Delts.

The institute opens on September 28th and every brother will return ready to do what he can to further the interests of $\Theta \Delta X$.

Brother Hawley took a trip to Chicago and the west early in the summer, but when last heard from he was enjoying himself at Block Island. Brother Norton has been spending the summer in taking short trips from his home at Rockland, Me. He reports meeting Brother Fuller, of Lambda, at Squirrel Island and speaks of a pleasant talk that they had on fraternity matters.

H. S. MILLER.

IOTA DEUTERON.

WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

The birth of Iota Deuteron was not heralded by any *visible* or portentious omens. The "music of the spheres" was not sensibly diminished nor did the writer's chronometer mark any appreciable difference in the diurnal rotation of the planets. No, the baby chapter of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity was not a sudden evolution, but rather the unfolding of a calm, rational purpose. True, as far as Williams College was concerned, the bolt fell from a clear sky, and as is the case with such phenomena it caused variations of the college needle.

Looked at from the surface, another Greek letter fraternity at Williams would have been considered four months ago unnecessary and even superfluous. Now, by common consent there is conceded to be room for us. Membership in a fraternity was not considered to be at all essential to success. There was nominally good feeling and accord between frats. and non-frats. But a second and more careful glance would have shown

the falsity of the first inference. Owing to the increasing number of students and the decreasing size of the delegations to the nine existing fraternities, the proportion of frats. to non-frats. has been steadily growing less, numbering at the beginning of the present year fifty-eight per cent. Further, this result has been greatly augmented by the refusal of many prominent men to go "inside." Then too it must be said and said frankly, though with all kindness, that fraternity life with one or two notable exceptions was having a degenerating influence. No longer were all the existing fraternities living up to their birthright and molding manly men and faithful students. The bone and sinew and brain of the college was not to any large extent enrolled in their ranks. Wealth seemed to be the first criterion. Such a state of affairs could naturally not endure long. The idea of a new fraternity founded on a different basis and having different ends in view lay simmering in the minds of many thoughtful students interested in their own welfare and the welfare of others.

The time was ripe for action. So thought Bros. Armstrong and De Wolfe on the 6th of May last. Not many hours had elapsed before a sufficient number of "the faithful" had been gathered and pledged to give character to the proceedings. The sentiment of all, in college vernacular, was to "go ahead" and the "go ahead" was soon changed to "went ahead." A delayed letter from President Holmes occasioned some delay but fortunately only temporary. Favorable report from the president and Grand Lodge led to an immediate election of a few additional members, making twenty-two in all, a perfected organization, and the arrival of a delegation.

Bros. Hallock and Cram of Delta, to whom had been intrusted the important mission of "looking us over," came upon us rather unexpectedly one afternoon late in May, and to maintain secrecy we entertained them in an open field much to their evident amusement. Their report must have been favorable, however, for the result was the unprecedented action of the charges in unanimously affirming their action within ten days! Meanwhile the prospective Iota Deuteron chapter was secretly holding meetings innumerable in a "sky parlor" of one of the old dormitories. Arrangements being completed, the midnight hours of June 12th witnessed the legal birth of Iota Deuteron. Theta Delta Chi was increased by twenty-two new recruits—raw possibly, but subject to seasoning by age and experience. A modest announcement in the *Williams Weekly* was the closing act, caused a flutter of excitement, and called forth many expressions of good will and friendship.

At present Iota Deuteron is three months old. Young, to be sure, and with all the dangers and critical periods of childhood before it, but standing where Nature intended—on its feet. Meanwhile our hearts are grateful to the President and charges for their prompt willingness to receive us into full brotherhood and to show that their confidence was not misplaced will be our constant endeavor.

E. W. BISHOP.

KAPPA.

TUFTS COLLEGE.

A new year has opened before us. Kappa sends her word of greeting to all and best wishes for a successful and prosperous year. Let us all be faithful and success and prosperity will surely result.

The commencement season was one of unusual interest to Kappa Charge. She is proud of the representatives whom she has sent forth and rejoices with them in the successes which they have achieved.

The annual prize readings were held upon the afternoon of June 9th. It has become almost proverbial that prize-reading day must be extremely warm and this year was no exception. College Hall, the scene of the contest, was filled to overflowing and presented a gay picture.

The decision of the judges awarded six prizes and of this number five were won by Θ Δ's. Knowing how interested we are always in reading of the success of a Θ Δ, I will give the names of the Kappa boys who received the prizes. They were A. W. Grose, F. W. Perkins, F. A. North, W. S. Gray and J. B. Groce.

The great social event of the commencement season is class day, and this year we were highly favored in every way. In the first place the day was ideal, and most important of all, the arrangements had been so carefully perfected that throughout the entire day there occurred nothing to interrupt the pleasure and harmony of the occasion. The morning trains brought hosts of visitors and long before noon the hill presented a picture of life and beauty which made the hearts of the undergraduates swell with pride. Never did College Hill appear to better advantage than upon that bright spring morning. Like some proud citadel, conscious of her power and beauty, she looked down from her lofty position upon the pretty villages which nestle at her feet, the fair fields and meadow-land stretching beyond, and the glistening river winding in and out until lost among the hills, and seemed to glory in that she was their guardian and protector. At 10 o'clock occurred the oration and poem in the chapel. Next in order came the charge spread. The gym. had been tastefully decorated and over five hundred guests were entertained. Here the delicious coolness of the room with its music and flowers and delicately served lunch offered a pleasing rest from the midday heat.

Visitors are constantly pouring into the grounds and the gay parasols and bright dresses add fresh beauty to the scene every hour. Shortly after 2 o'clock the undergraduates assembled by classes in front of the Barnum museum and escorted by the Boston Cadet band, marched around the campus cheering the buildings, until the tree was reached where the exercises of the afternoon were to be held. The Ivy oration was delivered by Bro. F. W. Perkins. Following this was the Prophecy and History of '91, interspersed with music and cheering. After the usual presentations had been made to the under-classmen all joined heartily in a cheer for our Alma Mater.

The remainder of the afternoon was devoted to society and private spreads. $\Theta\Delta X$ spread in College Hall and many graduate brothers, as well as other invited guests were present.

The pleasantest feature of all was the presence of so many of our $\Theta\Delta X$ girls. Wherever a shield is found they are sure to be welcome guests.

Mothers, sisters and sweethearts are all striving in their own way to spread those very principles which should be the foundation of every fraternity and which $\Theta\Delta X$ so nobly exemplifies in the lives of her children.

As the shades of evening began to fall, the Hill broke into a fresh blaze of light from thousands of lanterns, and a lovelier picture would be hard to imagine.

Then it was that our beautiful reservoir claimed its share of attention and hundreds of promenaders moving hither and thither along its walks added new picturesqueness to the scene.

From the band stand on the campus floated sounds of sweet accord, and down in the gymnasium a gay throng of young people mingled in the mazy dance. Thus the evening hours stole away, and all too soon the promenaders turned their steps towards the great city.

As the last train departed the Hill resumed its wonted tranquility and '91's class day passed into history.

On Sunday of commencement week President Capen delivered the baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class.

Commencement day fell this year upon the 17th. The exercises of the day were of especial interest to the friends of the graduating class, but the large attendance of undergraduates and outside friends of the college bespoke the high esteem in which the class of '91 was held. The parts were well assigned and the men who delivered them were worthy representatives of their class.

Those wearing the shield were Bros. F. W. Perkins, A. W. Grose and F. H. Stevenson.

At the conclusion of the graduating exercises the company assembled in the order of classes and marched to the gymnasium. An elaborate menu, followed by the addresses of a no less substantial and satisfactory nature made the commencement dinner a profitable as well as an enjoyable occasion.

And now as we bid good-bye to those who have left our ranks and to whose faithful efforts we owe so much, let us look to the future and see what it has in store for us.

Kappa begins the new year under the brightest auspices. Her position in college is an enviable one, and as a fraternity she commands the highest respect of her sister fraternities and especially of the non-fraternity men. They are not slow to praise $\Theta\Delta X$'s fair and square position on all matters of interest to the college.

Among positions of responsibility which are held by members of $\Theta\Delta X$ are the following:

President of the Senior Class—W. S. Gray.

Editor-in-Chief of the *Tuflonian*—M. M. Johnson.

Manager of the Base Ball team—F. E. Kimball.

Manager of the Glee Club—E. J. Crandall.

Leader of the Glee Club—W. S. Hawkins.

Besides these we have the chairman of the Class Day Committee and three editors upon the *Tuflonian*. The three men highest in rank in the Senior Class are $\Theta\Delta$'s.

Bros. Hawkins and Walker have been members of the Tufts' College Concert Company which has met with such flattering success this summer.

Bros. Perkins, '91, and Grose, '91, will enter the Divinity School.

The year is young yet, and we are inclined to rest upon our oars and let the future shape itself.

"In the stress and heat of the day, with shouts ringing in the ear, who is so blessed as to remember the yearnings he had in the cool and silent morning, and know that he has not belied them."

Amid the work and turmoil of the coming winter, can we pause and look back upon these days of hope and anticipation and feel that we have done our duty? It rests with ourselves.

In concluding allow me to express again the greeting and good wishes of Kappa.

FRANK A. NORTH.

LAMBDA.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

"Good morning, madam. May I ask whether there are any children that live here?"

These magic words, when once they have been uttered by one who has Chautauqua under his arm, enable him to do away with all difficulties, sweep all obstacles out of his path, and any amount of spondulics into his pocket; but better than all else, there is connected with them a mysterious divine inflatus, which supplies him with a ceaseless flow of eloquence on any subject, argumentative, persuasive, descriptive, and since the writer has been away all summer busily going from town to town, and unable to collect as much news of the brothers as he would if at home, he is now forced to utter these magic words of introduction to enable him to rouse his flagging energies and do his duty to Lambda and to Theta Delta Chi.

Lambda's men have been scattered all over the state in various occupations, preachers, writers, hotel managers, agents, farmers, business men, stenographers, etc. Some have been spending their time quietly and profitably at home, others have been doing the resorts, but all have been showing the world what loyal Theta Deltas are.

Enough of the present. Let us glance further back into the past and see what has transpired since last we received a copy of the SHIELD.

First is commencement week. We do not stroll across a green campus through shaded paths to our commencement exercises, but, though lacking all these outside allurements it does not fail to attract a crowd that fills Tremont Temple pack full.

Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, we listened to the baccalaureate address by President Warren. His subject was, "The Mastery of Destiny." He spoke of the circumstances beyond our control, the destiny that seems to master us, and the contemplation of which results in atheism. Then showed that this blight of men's lives comes wholly through sin, and then that these evils may be triumphed over by redemption, that God's mercy has sent into the world, and by judgment, which rights men's lives and makes them masters of destiny, having as its basis our free relation to his redemption. Not all the brothers were able to be present, but those who were listened to a discourse of absorbing interest from beginning to end, both from its subject and from its logical treatment.

Later in the afternoon was the convocation meeting in Convocation Hall. President Warren reviewed the year's work.

In the evening the different alumni held their meetings.

The C. L. A. held theirs in Hotel Thorndyke. Bro. Fox, '83, was chairman, and what with songs, toasts, feasting, etc., it was a very delightful and festive occasion.

The alumni of the Theological School met at 72 Mt. Vernon street. The gathering is reported as being by far the largest and most enthusiastic ever held.

The alumni of the Law School, which met at Young's, was unusually large, owing to the fact that General Butler and Governor Russell and other "big bugs" were expected.

Judge John Lowell, formerly of the United States Circuit Court; Judge P. E. Aldrich, of the Superior Court; Hon. F. T. Grunhalge and Albert E. Pillsbury, attorney general of the commonwealth, graced the occasion.

The Medical School met at the Packer house, getting as much the start of the rest of us as we do of other institutions.

The farewells of the '91 brethren at the Charge meeting Wednesday morning are too sacred for print. We were glad to see and hear many alumni brethren who were there with us.

Commencement exercises came off in Tremont Temple. C. L. A., graduates thirty-seven, and four of them are men that Lambda can ill-afford to lose. How proud we were that the commencement speaker for C. L. A. was Bro. Snow. He was worthily chosen and went straight to the point. His subject was "American Reciprocity."

We were doubly honored in having Bro. J. W. Spencer chosen as the

alternate speaker. The subject of his thesis was "A Study in the Play of Julius Caesar."

Bro. Butler's thesis was "The Lottery Question," and Bro. Wenzel's, "Comparative View of Modern Government."

All over by June 3d. It is so early that we are loathe to separate for even three months. We linger a little and meet each other in social joys, in walks and talks, in visits, rides, and tennis, etc., but the good-byes must at last be spoken, and off we go with the sweet remembrances of each other, of the college and of Lambda.

Of course we take a pitying glance at the anxious freshman before we go, and note some that we think will make good brethren.

Many of us are hard at work at the "rushing" business and feel confident that next year's delegation will be as worthy as any in past years. In order to realize this happy idea, we know it is necessary for each brother to take his share of the responsibility and be ready to do everything in his power for Lambda's success and the future glory of our beloved fraternity.

And now without further parley, let us have personal news.

Kellogg has been spell-bounding the people in Jefferson, New Hampshire.

Pitcher has spelled him occasionally. They have had a right good time together, and took a tramp of some days, through the White mountains, which they wrote up for a paper and were to send a copy of it for the SHIELD, but for some reason it has not yet been received.

Billy Spencer, our bruised fragile flower, informs us: "I was not born to blush unseen," and so has been engaged in changing fragility into robustness, and warbling for weeding by doing market gardening at Lawrence. A wise resolution for Billy.

Sylvester has spent the summer in main in Maine. "Have been as far north as Augusta, where I called on Guilty (?) Fuller." He reports that the latter is "just the same tired boy as in Boston."

Adams, '92, has been the same genial host of the Grove Hill house, Kennebunk Beach, as of yore. Adams and Sylvester have done successful concert work with the Odeons. One fortnight they gave eleven concerts.

Heckbert has been spending the summer at Old Orchard. He is going to rush things next year. Heckbert, Sylvester and Adams were together for a week at Old Orchard.

The "Deacon" positively affirms that during the summer he has put no more water into his father's milk than he could conscientiously.

Hawkins has been singing at various summer resorts with the Tufts College Concert Company.

Bullock takes an appointment as principal of the Northfield High School.

Baldwin, '88, our eighteen-year-old speaker, has been elected to the University Fellowship.

Tilton has been engaged in work at his home in Raymond, N. H.

MacDuffie has been agent for typewriters, the Visitor and Franklin (he's promised me a dollar for this advertisement) and has supplied at Montvale.

Sweetser has been spending the summer at Great Diamond Island, Portland Harbor.

Kimball has passed the time peacefully at home.

Hamlin has been doing some canvassing; also Kimball and other lucky boys in similar situations.

Hopkins sighs from Port Antonio, Jamaica, (where he has been engaged in the fruit business) for a few brief moments of civilization.

Noble has done some canvassing and is now at home.

Thomas clings with characteristic pertinacity to his "Little Giant."

J. W. Spencer has been preaching in Vermont.

Tewksbury and Balcom have been spending the summer in Elmira, N. Y. and regions thereabout.

Rogers has been doing gymnastics in the hay field at home, so as to get rid of that deathly pallor.

I just received a Theta Delt "Hello," sent by Kellogg from the Tip Top house, Mt. Washington. It behooves us to pause and listen to such an ethereal message. We'll hope he's not getting tip-top lofty notions from his high position.

During the past month we have often met and had glorious times together. Soon we shall all meet and give each other the grip.

C. H. HAMLIN.

PHI.

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

It is with a mighty effort that we are able to arouse ourselves from the lethargy caused by the intense mid-summer heat, to contribute our letter to the September SHIELD. But taking it as coolly as possible by keeping in mind the refreshing breezes that blow about "Greenland's Icy Mountains," and imagining ourselves there—though it is a great stretch of the imagination—we shall do our best.

Commencement at Lafayette has come and gone, and the summer vacation, so eagerly looked forward to, is almost past. Each one of our Phi boys is spending the time in his own characteristic way. Some are enjoying the mountain scenery; others are languishing at the sea side; while a few of the more business-like are rusticating on the farm, and "getting up their muscle" for the foot-ball season. Bro. Jones, '92, our new manager, says he is now able to pull against two horses (though he forgot to say how hard), and Bro. Dumont, '92, our noted end, asserts that he can overturn an ordinary building "with the strength of a single arm."

Commencement week is always a lively one at Lafayette, but this year an unusual enthusiasm was manifest. Our new president, Dr. Warfield, was present at all the exercises, and his manly form and pleasant countenance seemed to impress upon all the conviction that a brighter era is about to dawn. He made a number of speeches, and was everywhere received with hearty applause.

The first exercise of the week was Ninety-three's Calculus Play which was a decided success. Much praise is due Bro. Chas. Albertson, '93, who, as chairman of the Calculus committee, superintended the arrangements in such a way as to crowd the opera house with Easton's best people, and turn into the class treasury a good round sum. Bro. Honness was treasurer of the committee, and Bro. Chamberlin was loudly cheered for his rendition of the part of "Tweddle," a dude, in the play.

Our annual fraternity banquet held at Dawe's café on Monday night of commencement week was, as usual, a success. That *menu* was one of the choicest ever served in Easton, we are sure. A number of our alumni were present, but some whom we were very anxious to see disappointed us. That man Rice, from Aspen, Colo., who boasted so loudly to the SHIELD, that "nothing this side of the everlasting throne would prevent his being on the Easton Campus this year," failed to show up. Hence we are left to infer that something beyond the "everlasting throne" interfered with his arrangements, and on that ground must pardon his absence. Bro. Frank W. Stewart, "our old standby," officiated as toast master. The toasts, all of which were masterly efforts, were responded to as follows: Theta Delta Chi, J. M. Harris; Phi Graduates, J. K. Reed; Phi Undergraduates, R. C. Bryant; Our Lawyers, W. A. Jones; Our Athletics, Wayne Dumont; Ours from Princeton Theologians, A. J. Weisley; Lacrosse, G. G. Honness; The Ladies, W. G. Chambers; Alma Mater, W. S. Sanderson.

In graduating honors Phi was not behind. Bro. Weisly was one of the four honor men of equal rank. He also captured the "F. A. March Philological Prize," and delivered the Honorary Philological oration at commencement—a scholarly production. Bro. Bryant was class historian for class day exercises, and his history was conceded to be one of the best features of the program.

We lose but three men, Bros. Bryant, Sanderson and Weisly, by graduation this year. But it is a loss the weight of which we fully realize. They have always stood high in this class, and for several years have been the ruling and guiding power of the Phi. Throughout their whole college course they have conducted themselves in such a manner as to win the confidence of their instructors, the respect and friendship of their fellow students, and the affection and admiration of their fraternity brothers. We fully appreciate the nobility of their natures, and the ties of endearment that bind them to us. We regret to lose them, but realize that our loss is other's gain. We are confident that wherever they may

go their gentlemanly conduct and christian character will endear them to their acquaintances. May they come back to us as often as possible ! They will always receive a hearty welcome.

The class of '93 experienced some difficulty in the election its Melange Board, owing to a revolt of the non-fraternity element. The fraternity faction of the class have decided to publish the Melange themselves. Bro. Honness has been chosen to represent the Phi.

We desire to take this opportunity to express our appreciation of the honor conferred on Phi in the publication of the history and picture of our charge in the June SHIELD. We hope to see a similar honor conferred on each of the other charges in turn. They all know what we are like; now let us have a look at them.

In a few weeks the fall term will begin and we must "pull our coats" and go to work. We know not what the Fickle Goddess may have in store for us, but be ye assured that in the struggle for new men Phi will not be hindmost. We have one or two upper classmen in view, and trust that in our next communication we may be able to report the acquisition of a fine lot of new Theta Deltas. May good fortune attend you all !

W. G. CHAMBERS.

PI DEUTERON.

COLLEGE OF CITY OF NEW YORK.

It is with an apology that I begin my first letter to the SHIELD. I was elected charge editor at a meeting held in the midst of the June examinations, and being so pushed for time it was impossible for Pi Deuteron to be represented in the last issue of the SHIELD.

The College of the City of New York still maintains her accustomed high standing. Our president, General Webb, who is a West Point graduate prides himself upon the good order so prevalent here, and which is maintained with very little friction.

The whole college course is very thorough, and in consequence difficult; the course in pure and applied mathematics, under Professors Mason and Compton, being exceptionally fine; the course of lectures in American history given by Professor Johnson to the junior class embrace so much matter of original research, that they are exceedingly interesting.

Our annual banquet—it being ten years since the establishment of our charge—was held Friday evening, May 8th, at Mazzetti's. It was all that could be desired, the weather being perfect, and the attendance large, for this success great credit is due to Brothers McIntyre, Patterson and Lawson, who undertook the difficult duties of committeemen; Bro. Jones was toast master; Bro. Dougherty, orator; Bro. Wupperman, poet; Bros. Valdes and Quesada, historians, and Bro. Grass, biographer. Besides the graduate and active members of Pi Deuteron there were with us many brothers formerly Pi Deuteron, now Rho Deuteron, and also Bro. H. D. Brookins, '80, X.

This year being the tenth anniversary of the establishment of Pi Deuteron we celebrated it in the best manner possible, that is, every member of our charge succeeded in passing the examinations for advancement, this record has never before been equalled in the history of our charge.

It is very pleasing for us the younger brothers, to see what positions of honor and trust are held by our older brothers. To note for instance that this year two graduating classes were addressed by Theta Deltas—Bishop Randolph, of the old Epsilon, addressing the graduates of Johns Hopkins University, and Charles McDonald, president of the Union Bridge Co., addressing the graduates of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, his own college.

This year we lose only two brothers, and they by graduation, but nevertheless the loss of Bros. Trafford, and Nelson leaves a gap we cannot fill. Bro. Trafford having been president of the literary society, president of his class, and editor in chief of our college paper; he was always genial, a perfect gentleman,—and he will now be greatly missed by his attached brothers. Brother Nelson leaves with us a splendid example, he was a hard, diligent student, one who won the respect of all his classmates and the admiration of all his brothers, characterized by a manly straightforwardness, and a certain animation and dash; without in the least seeking popularity he was very popular; he followed in the footsteps of his brother, Dean Nelson, Π^a '90, who was captain of the college lacrosse team last year—Harry being captain this year.

The fraternities will stand as follows next year so far as the senior class is concerned, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, one; $A \Delta \Phi$, four; ΔKE , one; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, two; $\Theta \Delta X$, four. There is also a prospect of having another fraternity with us this coming year, namely $B \Theta \Pi$.

All the brothers were very glad to hear of the establishment of the new charge at Williams; we send them hearty greeting and wish them great success.

That a select club should choose our beloved fraternity, and without solicitation should apply for admission shows how we are considered by those outside.

We take great pleasure introducing to the fraternity, Bros. Seufert, '92, Wilkens, '95, and Jacks, '95; they already show that they are full of zeal for $\Theta \Delta X$.

Bro. Seufert is a fine cross-country runner, also an excellent speaker and debator, and is fond of any literary work.

Bro. Wilkens has been taught lacrosse by Bro. Nelson and we expect him some day to be captain of the team.

Bro. Jacks is a brother of Jacks, Π^a '88.

PERSONALS.

Bro. Quesada, '88, who two years was appointed by President Webb, special instructor in Spanish during the illness of Mr. Baratt, filled that position with his usual success. "Ques" as the brothers call him now

fills the honorable position of minister from the Argentine Confederation to the United States. He is stationed at Philadelphia.

Bro. Kosmak, '93, the last charge editor, is known about college as a fine naturalist; he is a member of the Agassiz Association; last winter he gave a lecture to his chapter upon "The Oyster."

Bro. Schultz, '92, won the "prize speaking" which is the annual contest between the two best speakers of the senior, junior, and sophomore classes.

Bro. Schultz is proposing to establish in conjunction with Prof. Houston, a school of elocution at college next year.

Bro. Tuska, '88, received his M. S. degree last June, also from the Columbia School of Mines his degree of C. E. Brothers will have to look out for him in Philadelphia as he is intending to settle there this fall.

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