

## THE CHICAGO REPORT.

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As was stated in the last number of the SHIELD, circulars were sent to about twenty-five hundred members of our Fraternity outlining our scheme for a hotel headquarters for  $\Theta J X$  during the World's Fair. It was hoped that we could go to some proprietor and promise him definitely at least five or six hundred guests for a longer or shorter period during the summer, and that under such conditions we should be able to secure better rates and other concessions not usually given. To our surprise we received only about one hundred and fifty replies, and of these not more than fifty were favorable to our enterprise. This gives us about one hundred and fifty guests to hurl at any hotel proprietor, as a sand bag to put him in a mood favorable to granting special rates. This was entirely too few, and we are unable to secure any special concessions. However,  $\Theta A$ 's are almost everywhere and grace every honorable calling. Bro. O. S. Marden, of the Lambda, is manager of the Park Gate Hotel, located on the corner of 63d st. and Stony Island ave. It is just outside the Fair grounds, is a new and handsome building, substantially constructed of brick and steel, is as nearly fireproof as hotels are built, is a commodious, pleasant, well conducted hostelry, where guests are safely and well housed. Bro. Marden assures us that while he cannot grant us any concessions on price, he will be pleased to show every  $\Theta A X$  all the courtesies of mine host with a warm  $\Theta A$  grip thrown in gratis. The hotel is run on the European plan. There is a large dining hall on the first floor at one end of the building and a lunch counter of no mean size at the other. The prices of rooms range from \$2.00 per day upwards, the average being \$2.50 per day per individual.

We recommend our brother's establishment because of its nearness to the grounds, its safety, its comfortable quarters, and feel assured that every  $\Theta J X$  will be cordially welcome and receive the kindest consideration from our brother. It would be well to write Bro. Marden prior to coming to the city, so that he may arrange for your accommodation.

We shall try to have on hand at the hotel office a directory

of the  $\Theta \Delta X$ 's in the city, a city directory and map, and such helps as may be useful to strangers in the city.

It is a matter of regret to us that we are unable to furnish a down town headquarters, but it is impossible. Should any brother arrive in the city and be unable to locate, or wish for the addresses of  $\Theta \Delta X$ 's, or other information such as would be furnished by such headquarters, a telephone call upon either of the undersigned would probably give you the desired information, and we shall gladly serve as far as we are able. Both our names are in the telephone directory, and it is almost always possible to communicate at once with the one or the other of us. Trusting that what we recommend may meet with the approval of all our brothers, and that the summer may bring us many happy reunions, we remain as ever,

Yours in  $\Theta \Delta X$ ,

DR. H. F. LEWIS,  
Chairman Ex. Com., 4426 Lake Ave.  
J. R. HOUSTON,  
Sec'y and Treas., 296 Erie St.

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## THE PI DEUTERON BANQUET.

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Seventeen loyal brothers gathered around the festive board on the occasion of the annual reunion and banquet of the Pi Deuteron charge on the evening of May 12th. This was the first reunion of Theta Deltas since the closing of the club house, and the first banquet in two years. After having done due justice to the dinner, Bro. Wilmurt arose and introduced the Toastmaster of the evening, Bro. Patterson. Bro. Patterson spoke in short as follows:

I hardly think that the usual address of welcome is needed here this evening, because a Theta Delt knows he is always welcome when he is with his brothers, whenever and wherever it may be. We gather here this evening to talk, to hear and to imbibe Theta Delta Chi; to renew that love for our fraternity which, while it may smoulder during the cares and troubles of life, to which we become exposed at the close of our college career, yet never dies. As I look over this vast and intellectual assembly, I see that we have with us to-night representatives of the

medical profession, the legal profession, journalism, and also the clergy. But before introducing to you the first of the excellent gentlemen who will delight us to-night with their wit and rhetoric, I wish to thank the charge and commend the charge that they have revived the custom of an annual charge dinner. I am sorry that last year this banquet was forgotten. I am sorry that to-night we have not with us many of the older men. I sincerely hope that not another year may be permitted to pass without an annual reunion and banquet. I also wish to commend the committee for the hard work they have done and to console them for the meagre results.

The poet, Bro. Bogert, being absent, Bro. Patterson introduced the first speaker, Bro. Kosmak, who talked of "Pi Deuteron." He set forth in glowing terms the merits and excellence of the charge, and claimed that it is second to none in C. C. N. Y. This state of affairs is largely due to the zealous and faithful work of Bro. Kosmak himself. Bro. Patterson introduced Bro. McIntyre, who reviewed the "Successes" of the fraternity, speaking in his usual eloquent manner. This brother shows his true love for Theta Delta Chi at every opportunity, and we hope that if he is ever called on again to respond to our successes, he will have so many to report that there will be no time left to talk of our shortcomings, which we hope will dwindle down till they are totally erased from the history of the charge. Bro. Brookins, after having been introduced by the Toastmaster, talked of our "Shortcomings," but there were so few to talk about that Bro. Brookins had hard work to draw his speech out to any length. Each of the brothers present were then called on to make a short address, and after the Omega had been drunk in silence and the brothers had sung some royal Theta Delt songs, they dispersed to their several homes, vowing that not another year should pass without a Pi Deuteron dinner.

Present were: H. D. Brookins, X '80; W. H. McIntyre, II<sup>a</sup> '89; F. H. Patterson, P<sup>a</sup> '91; F. R. Trafford, II<sup>a</sup> '91; F. N. Whitehorne, II<sup>a</sup> '92; C. W. Wilmurt, II<sup>a</sup> '93; W. T. Lawson, II<sup>a</sup> '93; H. Spofford, II<sup>a</sup> '93; A. Piercy, P<sup>a</sup> '94; G. W. Kosmak, II<sup>a</sup> '94; W. L. Jaques, II<sup>a</sup> '94; H. A. Uterhart, II<sup>a</sup> '94; W. L. Harrington, II<sup>a</sup> '95; G. W. Hunter, II<sup>a</sup> '95; R. Tombo, Jr., II<sup>a</sup> '95; F. A. Adams, '96, and D. M. Marrenner, II<sup>a</sup> '96.

RUDOLF TOMBO.

## NEW ENGLAND BANQUET.

The tenth annual reunion and banquet of the New England Association was held at Young's Hotel, Boston, on the evening of April 19th, 1893, under the auspices of the Iota Deuteron charge. A short business session was held in the parlors, at which the following officers were elected :

President—Seth P. Smith.

Vice-Presidents—Rev. Elmer H. Capen, D. D., Hon. N. F. Dixon, Hon. H. J. Spooner, Judge John W. Hammond.

Secretary and Treasurer—George H. Eiswald.

Directors—Harry P. Disbecker, *E*<sup>a</sup>, George H. Eiswald, *Z*, Frederick W. Rickard, *H*, Joseph Wiggin, *I*, John H. Peck, *I*<sup>a</sup>, Harry C. Folsom, *K*, Charles W. Pierce, *A*, Clinton E. Bell, *M*<sup>a</sup>, Bertrand A. Smalley, *O*<sup>a</sup>.

The banquet hall was entered at 7:30. Covers were laid for seventy, and all the chairs occupied. A seat of honor was reserved for the editor of the SHIELD, who was unavoidably detained by imperative business in New York, and did not arrive till 8 o'clock. As he entered the room the reception extended was a refreshing reward for the effort made to be there. As is always the case, this banquet was a success. The Iota Deuteron boys had labored hard to have everything go off smoothly, and it did. The viands were delicious, the speeches fine, and the oration of the evening was one of the best which has ever been delivered before a Theta Delt audience. The subject matter itself might not seem of such deep interest to the casual reader, but when illumined by the oratorical fire of the delivery, it would captivate the most careless listener. After the crowd lost their appetite for the tempting dishes before them President Smith read several letters of regret and introduced Bro. Frederick C. Terry, of Iota Deuteron, as Toastmaster of the evening. After introductory remarks of a happy character, the Toastmaster presented the Rev. Charles L. Goodell, of Lambda, who delivered the oration of the evening, which will be found in this number. The next speaker called upon was President Elmer H. Capen, of Tufts. The old war horse of New England he might well be called, so far as Theta Delta

Chi is concerned. He is always present at the fraternity gatherings, and never fails to say something encouraging to the boys. His remarks on this occasion were peculiarly satisfying. He said that some of the warmest friendships of his life were those formed within the charmed circle of Theta Delta Chi. He stated his belief that Theta Delta Chi helped its members to cultivate those social relations which enabled them better to do their duty to their Alma Mater after going out into active life.

Bro. Sexton, of Zeta, spoke to "The business men of the fraternity." Bro. D. H. Morley, of Omicron Deuteron, to "The newspaper men of the fraternity." A pause was taken in the toasts and Bro. F. W. Perkins, of Kappa, read the poem of the evening. Following this the editor of the SHIELD was called upon and made a few remarks of a general nature. Bro. C. N. Barley, of Kappa, spoke to "Our Undergraduates." Bro. A. P. Stone, of Iota, to "Our Lawyers." Bro. Baldwin, of Mu Deuteron, to "Our New England Girls." Bro. Newbegin, of Eta, to "Our Athletes."

The hour being late and many of the brothers having to leave on late trains, the banquet was closed at twelve o'clock. During the evening a number of songs were given with much zest. The entire evening was greatly enjoyed by every one present, and all will agree with the editor that this was one of the most delightful occasions on record.

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## A POEM

Delivered at the New England Banquet April 19, 1893, by  
F. W. Perkins, Kappa, '91.

New England's dear old mother heart  
O'erflows with pure delight ;  
With tender voice and fond caress  
She greets her sons to-night.  
Once more they come at friendship's call  
To pledge, with kindling eye,  
Their truest lives, their dearest hopes,  
To Theta Delta Chi.

The drowsy town, the strife for gain,  
All such as this give o'er,  
And let "the little busy bee"  
Keep right outside the door.  
Forget that politics aren't fine,  
That heretics abound;  
Forget, O undergrad, the toil  
To-morrow's sun brings round.

That misty, dusty, prosy world  
With its round of sordid cares,  
Its gnawing worry, its weary strife,  
We've gently kicked down stairs.  
To-night goodfellowship is king:  
With mirth and speech and song  
We'll seize the reins from Father Time  
And speed the hours along.

From out the north, where eternal heights  
Majestic tower above the plain,  
New Hampshire's sons bring greetings to  
The sturdy sons of "down-east" Maine.  
Rhode Island and Connecticut  
Press forward eager on the way;  
While the Old Bay State's procession winds  
From Berkshire Hills to Boston Bay.

O strong the spirit whose command  
Is heard and heeded far and near!  
No base-born hope of selfish gain,  
No cringing terror, slavish fear.  
Love's willing service claims us all,  
Love's cheering voices warmly greet;  
We come, as loyal friends, with friends—  
God's grandest, noblest gift—to meet.

We come because, beyond the darkness  
Lowering o'er life's troubled sea,  
Youth's vision sees the glimmering dawning  
Of the brighter day that's yet to be;  
The day when truth shall rule triumphant,  
And virtue discount rank and gold;  
When right shall dare its fullest powers,  
And God reign King in might untold.

We come as equals, simply brothers—  
The rich, the poor, the great, the small;  
The learned doctor, laurel-crowned,  
The meekest Freshman; these and all

Throw off convention's outward trappings,  
 Give to mankind, as best they can,  
 The native worth God gave them, when  
 In His own image He made man.

"Give *man* to man!" be this our slogan!  
 O tell me what the world more needs  
 Than strong men, brave men, ever turning  
 Pure lives into noble deeds?  
 For only man can cope with mammon,  
 Only man can break the hold  
 Of sneering vice and grim oppression—  
 Their deadly grip on young and old.

This day is sacred unto manhood.  
 Recall the tale of Concord fight—  
 The stealthy march of British soldiers,  
 The courier speeding through the night;  
 The hasty arming of the freemen,  
 The sun's slow rise upon the scene;  
 The halt, th' advance, the fatal volley,—  
 And Freedom's blood had dyed the green!

It was the shock which brought conviction  
 Home to many a doubting breast,  
 For the home-spun met the red-coat  
 And unflinching stood the test.  
 Then through field and town and city  
 New kindled faith and courage ran,  
 'Till oppression's iron sway was broken  
 By the resistless power of Man!

The world-old conflict still is raging,  
 In myriad forms the ceaseless foes  
 Of God and virtue hurl defiance.  
 The call rings out for sturdy blows.  
 O let none stand indifferent, heedless,  
 While unused hours drift idly by!  
 Let all, as did the old-time prophet,  
 Courageous answer: "Here am I!"

O dare to give life's fullest powers  
 In reckless service to the fight!  
 Show all mankind that Wrong's the coward,  
 That dauntless bravery goes with Right!  
 So shall our mystic Shield be honored,  
 So shall love's power never die;  
 And men shall breathe, with deep thanksgiving,  
 "Thank God for Theta Delta Chi!"

## THE SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS OF HARVARD COLLEGE.

The following are the social organizations of Harvard College in the order of their foundation :

Institute of 1770 . . . . .	Founded 1770.
Porcellian Club . . . . .	" 1791.
Hasty Pudding Club. . . . .	" 1795.
Alpha Delta Phi. . . . .	" 1837.
Delta Phi . . . . .	" 1845.
Zeta Psi . . . . .	" 1852.
Theta Delta Chi . . . . .	" 1855.
A. D. Club. . . . .	" 1865.
Pi Eta . . . . .	" 1865.
Delta Upsilon . . . . .	" 1881.

The Institute of 1770 was organized as the Speaking Club and afterwards called successively the Patriotic Association and the Social Fraternity of 1770. In 1825, after absorbing its rivals, the Hermetick Society and the "Akribologoumenoi," it assumed its present name. The "Institute" is essentially a sophomore organization. Its method of election is as follows: Toward the close of the college year ten freshmen, known as the "First Ten," are selected. The first ten select a second ten the next fall. Then the first two tens select the third ten, and so on, till ten (sometimes eleven or twelve) tens have become members. In the "Institute" (and other Harvard societies) personal friendship is the most important qualification for membership. Family, wealth, and individual prominence in the college world also count for a good deal. An election to the "First Ten" of the "Institute" is practically the highest social distinction a Harvard student can attain. It means future membership in  $A \Delta \phi$ ,  $\Delta \Phi$ , or  $Z \Psi$ , the A. D. Club, or the Porcellian Club and the Hasty Pudding Club. Membership in the Institute is retained till graduation, but Seniors take no active part and Juniors withdraw their interest at Christmas. The society rents a club-house near the college yard.

Within the "Institute" is that most peculiar and little understood organization, popularly known as the "Dickey

Club." It consists of the first five tens of the "Institute" and practically controls—one might say *is*—the latter society. The "Dickey Club" has received a great deal of enlightened newspaper criticism, but one pregnant fact must be borne in mind when the "Dickey Club" is under consideration—nine out of every ten Harvard students would join the "Dickey" if they had an opportunity. The fact is, the "Dickey Club" is a stepping-stone to higher and better societies. The practices of the "Dickey" are largely puerile, but there is no reason for criticising them rather than similar practices in other colleges.

The "Porcellian Club" is supposed to have been founded in 1789, although its records go no further back than 1791. It is the most exclusive society of the college. At one of its first banquets Mr. Joseph McLean furnished a roast pig. It was voted to make this a feature of future banquets; and from the custom the society took its name. Mr. McLean was a refined gentleman and imparted his own characteristics to the society so thoroughly that they have distinguished it even to the present time. In 1831 the "Porcellian Club" united with the Knights of the Square Table (founded 1809). The "Pork" membership usually numbers about fifteen and is largely drawn from the Zeta Psi Club. The society owns an elegant club-house and library. It is extremely secret. Even its list of members is never published. It is known, however, that among its members were Wendell Phillips, Leverett Saltonstall, Charles Francis Adams, Washington Allston and other prominent Harvard alumni.

The "Hasty Pudding" is the most influential of Harvard societies. Its membership is limited to eighty, twenty-five of whom are taken in at Christmas from the Junior class, twenty the next fall, and the remainder before the end of the Senior year. The method of election to the society is most democratic. The names of successful candidates have to pass at least two-thirds of the nominating committee and remain posted three days without being black-balled by one-fifth of the members. The spring theatricals of the club are among the most popular events in the social life of New York and Boston. The club has a most comfortable club-house and theatre on

Holyoke street near the college building. A large share of the prominent alumni of Harvard have been "Pudding" men. Among them may be cited William Ellery Channing, Edward Everett, George Bancroft, Robert C. Winthrop, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Charles Sumner, J. R. Lowell, Phillips Brooks, W. E. Russell and W. W. Goodwin. Four members have become presidents of Harvard College, eleven, presidents of other colleges; seven, United States cabinet officers; eight, United States senators; forty-one, members of congress and five, governors of states.

Alpha Delta Phi was the pioneer intercollegiate fraternity in Harvard. It was founded as the "Honorary Yale Chapter," inasmuch as the faculty voted the establishment of a secret society "inadmissible." In 1846 the society was legitimated by the faculty and maintained a high social and literary standing till the surrender of its charter in 1865. From this time on it has existed as the A. D. Club. For several years after the supposed abolishment by the faculty of all secret societies (in 1857) Alpha Delta Phi had been known as the "Haidee"—the name of a college boat. The purpose of the A. D. was to maintain an inexpensive club containing the prominent men of the college. It is now very much like the "Porcellian." It has rooms near the college yard and an excellent library of some six thousand volumes. It usually has about twenty-five members, drawn largely from the new Alpha Delta Phi chapter (founded 1879), which has no less than forty-five members. James Russell Lowell, Phillips Brooks, Edward Everett Hale, Charles W. Eliot, A. S. Hill and Francis J. Child were members of the old chapter of Alpha Delta Phi. The new chapter and the A. D. Club contain a large share of the prominent society and athletic men of the college.

Delta Phi has had a small and select membership. The Harvard chapter died in 1848 but was revived in 1885.

Zeta Psi was founded in 1847, but, on account of non-fraternity laws, it became dormant in 1857. It was later revived and again suspended. In 1882 delegates from five other colleges revived the society in its present form. It has thirty-two members, all of whom are prominent in society or athletics.

The Iota Charge of Theta Delta Chi was established largely through the efforts of Dr. Francis H. Brown, '57. It maintained a high standing, but was killed in 1857, at the same time as its sister societies by decree of the faculty. It was revived in 1885 and has been well represented in every class since then. It has forty members, who are by no means non-entities in the different phases of college activity. It is one of the few Harvard societies which do not permit liquor in their club-houses. It is also one of the few Harvard chapters which are in active sympathy with their fraternities at large. Among Iota's prominent alumni are Charles V. Mapes, '57, and Dr. Francis M. Weld, '60, both loyal Theta Delts.

Pi Eta is a local society and the rival of the "Hasty Pudding." It was founded by members of the class of '66. Like the "Pudding" it has given special attention to theatricals. For the past few years it has suffered from having no club-house; but it is probable that its alumni will build or buy one soon. The initiations of Pi Eta are no less severe than those of the "Dickey Club."

The Harvard Chapter of Delta Upsilon was inaugurated on a successful career in 1881. The purpose of the society has been to gain members of a scholarly and literary character. That this purpose has been realized is seen in the fact that of the members of the chapter fifty-four have been members of Phi Beta Kappa. It has begun to give spring theatricals. It has forty-six members, mostly from the Senior and Junior classes.

Within the past year a chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon has been founded. Whether it will become a permanent fixture in Harvard society life or take its place beside Beta Theta Pi, Psi Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Kappa Sigma and Chi Phi in our "graveyard of fraternities" remains to be seen.

Some peculiar features of Harvard societies remain to be considered. In the first place, freshmen are not regarded as suitable society timber, in spite of the fact that they usually enter here a year later than they could enter other colleges; and men from other colleges are not in the early part of their Harvard careers a desirable class to draw from. Why? Be-

cause it requires at least a year to become a Harvard man and sympathize with the Harvard spirit. It will perhaps be urged that the societies should initiate them into this spirit. But can you blame a Harvard society for not wanting non-Harvard men when it can get plenty of men in full sympathy with Harvard institutions. Here is one limitation that a fraternity must regard before entering Harvard.

In the next place, a fraternity of the grade that enters agricultural schools and pseudo-universities cannot hope for a prolonged existence here. The reason is self-evident.

In the third place, a chapter must content itself with being more or less of a club. In other words, it is impossible to maintain a society in which every member will take an affectionate and solicitous interest in the welfare of every other member. The spirit of Harvard independence or "Harvard indifference" (as one pleases) requires that every student be able to look out for himself. This is no place for the weak-willed or immature student.

But let no one be frightened by the word "club." Harvard clubs are societies of gentlemen, whose aim is the cultivation of friendship and manly courtesy.

JOSEPH WILLIAM CARR, Iota, '93.

## MY DREAM.

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Sleep bore me away from my sorrow,  
 To a land of eternal delight,  
 Where the sky bent above in its gladness  
 With the splendor of midsummer bright.  
 Glad life in the sunlight was gushing,  
 With summer's impetuous thrills,  
 And the music of caroling wild birds  
 Was jubilant over the hills.

The sunlight grew faint in the branches  
 And died in the glow of the grove,  
 And its murky, deep aisles were pervaded  
 With the passionate silence of love,  
 And in its voluptuous shadow,  
 In youth's tender beauty and pride,  
 Lay my love mid the red budding roses,  
 That were flushing to death at her side.

There, wounded with love's burning arrows,  
 Lay shame that had guarded her charms,  
 And my heart in wild rapture was thrilling,  
 In the white, young heaven of her arms;  
 And the watchword of thunderous passion  
 Her sweet voice was whispering low,  
 And her kisses like lightning were darting  
 To kindle my lips and my brow.

Then my dream melted, soft as the sunset,  
 That glows when night mingles with day,  
 But in memory still lingers the rapture  
 Of the dream that has faded away;  
 But love me as fondly, my darling,  
 And my dream with its passion and gloom  
 Shall be to my joy as the rosebud  
 To the rose's voluptuous bloom.

In my slumber I'm blest, for thy spirit is o'er  
 To keep watch while I rest, and thy presence restore.  
 I awake and, alas; the glad spirit has flown  
 'Twas only a dream, I'm alone—all alone.

Holy link that binds together, friends from every distant land,  
 May we to keep thee pure, unsevered, ever lend a helping hand.  
 And tho' the storms of life may rage, and present friends may die,  
 Oh ever cherish with fond love our Theta Delta Chi.

Sept. 25, 1858.

JOHN HAY.

## Our Graduates.

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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.

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Charles Moore Burrows, M. D., Rho Deuteron '88, was born in Albion, Orleans county, N. Y., October 10, 1865. He was educated in the schools of Albion and of Saginaw, Michigan, and left them fully prepared to enter the Literary Department of Columbia. He, however, began the study of medicine on April 1, 1885, and entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons (the Medical Department of Columbia College), in the city of New York, on October 1st of the same year. He was pledged to Rho Deuteron in December, and on January 8, 1886, he became a Theta Delt, and from that time until graduating, in 1888, he held successively (with one or two exceptions), all the offices in the power of the charge to bestow. In November, 1888, he began the practice of his profession in New York, at the same time entering the New York Polyclinic, from which institution he was post-graduated in July, 1889. In November, 1889, he moved to Chicago to enter into general practice, and on December 10th of the same year he was unanimously elected Professor of Medical Jurisprudence in the College of Physicians and Surgeons in that city, which position he still occupies. In May, 1890, he was made Recording Secretary of the College, and governed the affairs of that office until July, 1891. Brother Burrows is a member of the Chicago Medical Society, South Side Medical Club, American Medical Association, Cook County Medical Society, Illinois State Medical Society, Chicago Medico-Legal Society, National Library Association and the Kenwood Club. His offices are at 48 East 43d street, Kenwood, and he resides at "The Orleans," 4305 Oakenwald ave. He married, on September 11, 1889, Miss Margaret R. Cain, the only daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. George X. Cain, of Albion, N. Y., an account of which appeared in the following SHIELD. She had contracted a severe cold some time previous, which, in spite of the best medical skill in the country, terminated in pulmonary consumption, and she died on January 6, 1890, at Chicago, in her twenty-sixth year.

Rev. Barton W. Perry, Psi, '91, is about to remove to California. The Rochester *Democrat and Chronicle* of May 8th contained the following notice: "Rev. Barton W. Perry resigned his charge as pastor of Grace

Presbyterian Church yesterday morning. The resignation is to take effect June 1st. Some weeks ago Mr. Perry received a call from the Presbyterian Church in Redding, California, which he declined. But the invitation was still urged upon him, and he has finally decided to accept it. He has suffered much from throat troubles, from which he will probably be free in the dryer California climate. Mr. Perry came directly from Auburn Seminary and Hamilton College, and his two years' pastorate of Grace Church has been marked by great zeal and earnestness. The mission was organized as a church in three months after he entered the field, and now has a membership of ninety-two, with a large and flourishing Sunday-school, a junior society of nearly forty members and well-sustained weekly Christian Endeavor and church prayer-meetings. A new bell has been purchased and the pipe organ has been enlarged and repaired during his pastorate. While Mr. Perry's departure will cause deep regret here, he will carry with him the earnest wish of all that in his new field he may meet with abundant success."

Morris R. Sherrerd, Delta, '86, has recently been appointed city engineer of Troy, N. Y., at a salary of \$3,000 a year. The following extract is taken from the *Troy Press* of May 12th: "Morris Robeson Sherrerd, the new city engineer, is a son of Samuel Sherrerd and Frances M. Hamilton. He was born in Scranton, Lackawanna county, Pa., in December, 1865. He received his preparatory education at Blair Presbyterian academy, at Blairtown, N. J., and entered the Rensselaer polytechnic institute in October, 1882. Four years later he graduated and thereupon was employed for some time by the Troy Steel and Iron company. Afterwards he worked as assistant engineer on the Beech Creek railroad, Jersey Shore, Pa. Later he became assistant city engineer at Peoria, Ill., and afterwards removed to this city and has lately been identified with the Troy Engineering Company. Mr. Sherrerd is an engineer of established reputation and recognized ability. He has designed and executed some difficult work in engineering and enters upon his new charge under the most favorable auspices."

Rev. L. B. Dorchester, Lambda, '86, continues to be most successful in his pastoral work at St. Luke's M. E. church, in Springfield, Mass. He has but one year more to serve of the five allowed to Methodist preachers, and during his pastorate the church has increased from 55 to 271 members, and an increase in salary which clearly shows the regard in which he is held is promised for the coming year.

Frank J. Metcalf, Lambda, '86, has resigned his position as teacher of sciences in the Leicester Academy to accept an appointment in the War Department at Washington, Division of Record and Pensions. His present address is 1920 15th St., N. W. Since his graduation Bro. Metcalf has been an indefatigable traveler, having been altogether in twenty-four states and two territories.

Rev. W. C. Gannett, Iota, '60, of whom the fraternity had for many years lost sight, is pastor of the First Unitarian church of Rochester. Soon after the convention, one of the members of the charge in Rochester called upon him to return a borrowed book, and to his astonishment received an unmistakable Theta Delt greeting. In reply to his inquiries, Mr. Gannett told him that he was a member of the old Iota charge. They fraternized at once, and since then Mr. Gannett has been much interested in looking up the old Iota records for the benefit of the Catalogue, in which the Harvard records were very imperfect.

C. N. Kendall, Psi, '82, who was for several years one of the many prominent and successful educators of whom the fraternity is justly proud, entered the real estate business in Chicago about a year ago. He taught in private schools in Chicago and Milwaukee for three years after graduation, was successively Principal of the High School and Superintendent of Schools in Jackson, Mich., from 1885 to 1890, and during 1890-92 Superintendent of Schools in Saginaw, Mich., which position he resigned, although tendered the position by the Board of Education for a three years term, at a large increase in salary. The resolutions adopted by the Board show plainly the great esteem in which he was held.

E. L. House, Lambda, '86, after two years of pastoral work, one year in Ashburham, Mass., and one in Skowhegan, Me., re-entered Harvard College as a senior and graduates with the class of '93. He has had many flattering calls to leave the ministry of the Methodist church and go to the Congregationalists, but has declined them all. During his senior work in Harvard he has been in charge of a church in Boston.

William Neely Freeman, Beta, '84, has recently established himself in business at Utica, N. Y. His letter head reads, "Freeman, Ives & Co., Wholesale and Export Cheese, Butter and Eggs." He is the same loyal brother as of old, and we commend to all the boys his example in sending news to the SHIELD.

Rev. Frank P. Harrington, Xi, '73, late chaplain of De Veaux College, Suspension Bridge, N. Y., is rector of the Episcopal church at Hamilton, N. Y. He has a hearty Theta Delt greeting for any brother who happens his way.

S. Douglas Cornell, Xi, '60, has been traveling with his wife and daughter through Mexico and the south-western states. On his way home he stopped at Chicago to visit the Columbian Exposition. Bro. Cornell has his summer home in Coburg, Ontario.

Charles D. Jones, M. D., Lambda, '86, has recently been acting as one of the aural surgeons at the Boston Dispensary, the ear being a specialty in which he is particularly interested.

Rev. George G. Perine, Xi, '61, formerly rector of St. James Church, Theresa, N. Y., is now the rector of the Episcopal church at Guilford, Chenango county, N. Y.

A. J. Weisley, Phi, '91, has accepted a call to preach in Scranton, Pa.

E. M. Wilkins, Delta, '89, has gone to Denver, Colorado, for health and business.

Dr. William H. Chace, '84, is the proud father of a beautiful baby girl, now about three months old. She has been christened Dorothea King Chace.

E. A. Loux, Phi, '92, who has been pursuing his studies at Princeton Theological Seminary, expects to spend the summer establishing Sunday-schools in Minnesota.

Rev. John McKinney Xi, '84, for some time the rector of St. John's Church at Clifton Springs, N. Y., has moved to Westfield. Every effort was made by his congregation at Clifton Springs to induce him to remain, and the boys at Hobart greatly regret losing him from their neighborhood.

James W. Wands, Alpha, '64, whose name was credited in the Catalogue to 1865, has left his old home in Olean, N. Y., and is now living in Arcola, Tangipahoa Parish, La.

E. W. Ruggles, M. D., Psi, '83, was some months ago compelled to give up practice, on account of poor health, and accepted a position to travel abroad for an American medical firm. A letter recently received from him says: "I did not want to be so lonesome as the first time I was abroad, so took to myself a wife, Miss Grace A. Gordon, of 143 West 61st street, New York city. We were married April 14th and sailed April 20th. Have been pretty well all over Germany, Switzerland and Italy. Do not expect to return till next September. I have nothing to do with business matters, merely calling on the doctors. Am working up Italian with more or less success now."

Henry Chace, Xi, '86, met with a serious misfortune, late in the winter, when his office was badly damaged by fire. Legal papers were destroyed and his library injured, but he has now repaired to a great extent the damages resulting from the fire.

William Ray Delano, Xi, '77, has been promoted to the position of first law assistant to Surrogates Ransom and Fitzgerald, New York, at a salary of \$4,000 a year.

B. S. Lewis, Alpha, '64, we are informed by the boys at Minneapolis, died on May 17th, '91, but no further particulars are given and the information has only recently come to them.

P. C. Gilbert, M. D., Xi, '62, who was for a time connected with the Keeley institute at Binghamton, N. Y., says in a brief letter to the editor: "Since my last I have had a varied experience in this business. For a considerable time I was on Dr. Keeley's staff at the parent institute, Dwight, Ill., and since I have been on temporary duty at many branch institutes, *i. e.*, Binghamton, White Plains, Hagerstown, Md., West

Haven, Conn., and Lexington, Mass. I am at last anchored here permanently, at least such is the understanding, and I think that it will hold. Have only been here one week, but that is long enough to convince me that I shall like the place and be contented."

G. W. Stewart, Alpha, '63, about two years ago became ill with nervous prostration. After an unsuccessful struggle he was compelled to abandon his law practice in St. Louis and seek rest in the country, where he is slowly recovering. Many friends will unite in the hope that he will soon be restored to health.

C. W. Curtis, Beta, '88, is to be married, June 8th, to Miss Stephanie Marx, of Rochester, N. Y. She is a sister of Bro. C. D. Marx, of Leland Stanford University, and herself graduated from Cornell in the class of '88. Bro. Curtis says she is a loyal Theta Delt. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis will spend commencement week at Ithaca.

Willis S. Paine, Chi, '68, who has reached Japan in his tour of the world, expects to sail from Yokohama June 9th, on the Pacific mail steamer China.

Osgood T. Eastman, Mu Deuteron, '86, was one of the charter members of the charge at Amherst, which was organized a year before his graduation. He was born in South Braintree, Mass., and, as often happens with minister's children, lived in several towns before at the age of sixteen he graduated from the academy. He then took a year of extra preparation for college in the Boston Latin School. Though he always passed safely through the examinations, his principal distinction was in athletics. He was interested both in base ball and foot-ball. Immediately after graduation he went to Omaha, Neb., where, beginning at the bottom, he worked his way up in the traffic department of the Union Pacific Railway. But before reaching the goal which he had set for himself, he, to use his own expression, "jumped the track" and cast his fortune with the Searle & Hereth Co., (pharmaceutical chemists) of Chicago, where he has been for the past three years. The retirement of one of the members of the firm last summer advanced him to the position of secretary and treasurer.

Walter G. Smith, Beta, '84, is in the Sandwich Islands, reporting for the San Francisco *Chronicle*, New York *Tribune* and other papers. He is a regular member of the staff of the San Francisco *Chronicle*. Until recently he edited a paper in San Diego, California, and made himself very popular there. It was entirely owing to him that the citizens celebrated the 300th anniversary of the discovery of California by the Spaniards. Bro. Smith has written a book on the subject. Several years ago Bro. Smith received a great deal of free advertising in the papers as one of a party of Americans who wished to annex the Southern California peninsula to the United States, and it is said that his arrest was demanded by Mexico, on the ground that he was ringleader in the affair. At

the late celebration at San Diego a very pleasing incident occurred in this very connection. The Governor of Lower California, who but a few months before had been Bro. Smith's bitter enemy, and had conspired to get him into his clutches for a bandit and outlaw, was among the invited guests and was entertained by Bro. Smith, becoming one of his friends. A few months ago Bro. Smith moved his family to San Francisco. He has made himself a prominent factor in California journalism. At one time Bro. Smith edited a paper at Ithaca, N. Y., and was a member of the New York Legislature from Tompkins county. Those who know Bro. Smith feel that he is the right man in the right place, reporting the events in Hawaii.

G. W. Woodward, Omicron Deuteron, '84, was a teacher in Charlestown, N. H., immediately after graduation. In 1886 he went to Westerly, R. I., as Principal of the Grammar School. He was promoted to be Vice-Principal of the High School in 1887, which place he held to 1891. He went then to Milford, N. H., as Principal of the High School of that place. After a year's work there, Woodward transferred his *lares* and *penales* to 7 Concord street, Charlestown, Mass., and has taken to the activities of business. No doubt he still likes a game of whist and can give as hearty a  $\Theta \Delta X$  grip as any man alive.

H. W. Thurston, Omicron Deuteron, '86, La Grange, Ill., it is rumored, will leave his place as Principal of Lyons Township High School at the close of the present year. He is to pursue some special studies in the University of Chicago and do some work in one of the South Side city schools.

Rev. G. M. Woodwell, Omicron Deuteron, '84, is located at York Village, Me. A recent letter from him tells of his pleasant surroundings and shows him to be still loyal to the fraternity and ready to give any brother who may be taking in the beauties of the Maine coast a most cordial welcome. Bro. Woodwell lost his wife about a year since. He has two sons.

A. W. Hobson, Lambda, '89, is with Silver, Burdette & Co., at 262-4 Wabash ave., Chicago.

F. R. Shapleigh, Omicron Deuteron, '88, called on a number of Chicago brothers recently. Bro. S. was on his way to Colorado and the west, whither he goes in the hope of benefitting his health. For some time he had a slight bronchial trouble, which has assumed such proportions as to make his stay in New England rather hazardous. We wish him all success in his quest and hope that he may be soon restored to his full vigor and health.

Wm. M. Lawrence, Kappa, '73, when seventeen years old, enlisted in the Fourth Wisconsin Cavalry and served until the regiment was mustered out July 4, 1866. He immediately gave his attention to preparing for college, and in three years of teaching not only prepared himself for

entrance but saved enough money to pay for a course at Tufts College. He joined the Kappa charge in his freshman year and after graduation in 1873 at once resumed teaching, which he has made his life profession. He was for ten years a grammar school principal in Milwaukee, Wis. For the past seven years he has been principal of the Sheridan School, Chicago. He was a pioneer in advocating the use of real literature in primary and grammar schools, and for several years has made American lyric poetry a special study. He has compiled the Riverside Song Book, for use in schools. This book, containing classic folk-songs and poems from Longfellow, Lowell, Whittier, Holmes, &c., set to standard music, is now issuing from the press of Houghton, Mifflin & Co., as a double number of their Riverside Literature Series. Good judges pronounce the book a most praiseworthy and successful effort to elevate the standard of school music.

Gould A. Porter, Eta, '91, in writing to the editor enclosed a very neat card of the First National Bank of Farmington, Me., on which his name appears as assistant cashier.

C. C. Kneisley, Delta, '73, whose address was given in the last SHIELD as Omaha, writes under date of April 11th, 1893, that his address until the first of next year will be Davenport, Iowa, where he is secretary of the Davenport Co-Operative Bank.

F. R. Magee, Lambda, '88, was ill for three months during the winter with malaria and typhoid fever, and when he wrote to the editor in April expressed the fear that it would yet be many weeks before he could resume business.

T. T. Snow, Lambda, '91, O. S. Marden, Lambda, '77, and Rev. A. R. Archibald, Lambda, '83, are among the recent additions to the list of our alumni who are located in Chicago.

J. F. Echeverria, Delta, '84, in a recent letter to Bro. W. C. Hawley, of Chicago, says that for the first time since he left the United States and returned to his home in San Jose, Costa Rica, he recently met a Theta Delt. Bro. Jos. H. Conkling, Kappa, '75, went to Costa Rica recently to engage in the coffee and cocoa business, and he took a letter from Bro. Goodwin to Bro. Echeverria. Bro. Hawley says, "Imagine from E's letter that he hasn't been so pleased over anything since his first baby was born, which he named *Delta*. Bro. E. also wishes me to explain the matter referred to in September, '92, number of the SHIELD, p. 395, where Bro. Curtis refers to the effort to place a  $\Theta \Delta X$  tablet in the Washington monument. The effort was made, the space promised (verbally), the stone ordered, but before it could be completed word was received that there were so many similar tablets to be put in that there was no space left for ours. This last information was in writing."

#### BIRCH—TAPPIN.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Charles Edwin Birch, Delta, '92, and Miss Elizabeth Lamburn Tappin, on Wednesday, June 7th, in Christ Church, Troy, N. Y. A large circle of friends unite in congratulating Bro. Birch.

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**In Memory of**  
**CHARLES G. POPE,**  
CLASS OF 1861, TUFTS COLLEGE.

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The Kappa Charge of  $\Theta \Delta X$  have learned with profound sorrow of the death of our beloved brother, Charles G. Pope. He was a man of sterling qualities, noble minded, able and firm; having ever at heart the welfare of those he served. Although we shall no more behold his manly form, yet he has left behind him many enduring memorials of a trusted citizen and faithful friend. His course in life was so shaped that he has left a name beloved and honored by all; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That we sincerely mourn the death of our dear brother, and that we tender to his bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy.

*Resolved*, That in the death of Bro. Pope, Kappa Charge and the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity loses a most valued member, one whose trustworthiness, loyalty and upright character shall ever be held in the memory of this society.

*Resolved*, That these resolutions be placed upon the records of this Charge, and that a copy be sent to the family of the deceased brother, to each Charge, to the  $\Theta \Delta X$  SHIELD, and the *Tuftonian*, for publication.

For Kappa,

HAROLD B. FOBES,  
ISAAC B. HERSEY,  
R. W. PINDAR.

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## Correspondence.

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As many letters are received which are best communicated to the readers of the SHIELD in their natural condition, this department has been organized. Letters are invited on any subject of interest to the Fraternity. Suggestions or opinions on current fraternity topics and reminiscences, or personal history of any Theta Delta, will be welcomed. The opinions advanced are not necessarily approved by the editor. Everyone is permitted to speak his mind.

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NEW HAVEN, Conn., 36 Elm Street.

DEAR BRO. HOLMES—I send this letter to the SHIELD mainly for the purpose of bringing to the notice of the several charges one phase of society customs which has always been in vogue here at Yale, especially in the "Sheffield School," namely, never mentioning society matters of any kind to an outsider. While of course there are no rules and regulations in the matter, there is nevertheless an unwritten and even unspoken law to the effect that when a man has become a member of any fraternity or society, his mouth is sealed, never mentioning even the word "society" to anybody except members of his own "crowd." Never, under any circumstances, is a man heard to say a word concerning his own or any other society, although, as in some cases, two men, members of different fraternities, may be room-mates, chums, or even brothers, and as familiar and communicative as can be on any subject but this one. It is a part of human nature that if a man has a particularly good thing, he is very apt to boast, although perhaps not to an offensive degree. And so it is in fraternity life. If a man is a member of a well-known and respected fraternity, it is only natural that he should want that fact known. However, in his love for his fraternity he is very often inclined to vaunt its standing in the fraternity world, its accomplishments or its illustrious members before the eyes of the uninitiated, thinking, no doubt, that he is doing the fraternity at large a great service in thus convincing an outsider of its superiority. Nevertheless, if he were to think of the matter fairly he could not help but see, that instead of doing any good, he is doing positive harm. He is lowering the dignity of the whole fraternity. He is making a dent which might in time amount to an opening in that staunch wall of secrecy which should surround every "secret fraternity." What should he care about the opinions of outsiders? The fraternity is not for them. It does not concern them what the fraternity was, is, or will be. They themselves care nothing about the matter personally, and delight in listening to a man only in the vain hope of gleaning some little insight into the mysteries intended only for the initiated.

I do not think so highly of this plan of silence because it is "the Yale way" and I am a Yale man, but because I think it the *best* way.

But as I do not wish to be considered "windy," I will close with the suggestion that if the brothers in other colleges favor it, they adopt it and live up to it, thereby increasing the dignity and deepening the mystery of Theta Delta Chi.

Yours fraternally,

B. F. K.

March, 1893.

## THETA DELTA SONG.

(TO BE SUNG AT INITIATION BANQUETS.)

*Air—''Tis a way we have at Old Harvard.''*

We think it is no sin, sir,  
To take a Freshman in, sir,  
And let him wear the pin, sir,  
Of Theta Delta Chi.

CHORUS.—Of Theta Delta Chi,  
Of Theta Delta Chi ;  
And let him wear the pin, sir,  
Of Theta Delta Chi.

It really isn't bad, sir,  
To make him feel so glad, sir ;  
There's pleasure to be had, sir,  
From Theta Delta Chi.

CHORUS.

We never care a rip, sir,  
We make him take the trip, sir,  
And greet him with the grip, sir,  
Of Theta Delta Chi.

CHORUS.

It makes him feel so smart, sir,  
It tickles him at heart, sir,  
To thus be made a part, sir,  
Of Theta Delta Chi.

CHORUS.

The goat's his only fear, sir,  
It makes him feel so queer, sir,  
To be butted from the rear, sir,  
In Theta Delta Chi.

CHORUS.

But then it makes him grin, sir,  
When he really has got in, sir,  
And we let him wear the pin, sir,  
Of Theta Delta Chi.

CHORUS.

The world may be unkind, sir,  
And Fortune ever blind, sir,  
There's love, as you may find, sir,  
In Theta Delta Chi.

CHORUS.

WM. NEELY FREEMAN, Beta, '84, March 20, 1893.

# Editorial.

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IN this number we publish an original poem, written by Hon. John Hay in the early years of the fraternity. The original copy of the poem, evidently in the handwriting of the author, is appended to a resolution adopted by the Alpha on the 25th of September, 1858. This poem, with many other relics of the Alpha, was sent to the SHIELD in 1891 by John W. Little, of New York, and laid aside for future use. Probably Bro. Hay has forgotten all about the poem and may be inclined to disown it, but it appears to be genuine, and we gladly put it in print for preservation.

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THE situation at Chicago is not what it might have been if the committee had met with more attention from those who will make up the swelling throng this summer. We know that the committee have made every effort to organize a regular headquarters, and it is through no fault of theirs that it is not a success. We are, however, led to feel that the possibilities in the case are quite as good, or even better, than we had hoped for. Let it be understood that Bro. O. S. Marden's hotel, "the Park Gate Hotel," be the headquarters. Every Theta Delt who goes to Chicago should make his plans to stop there. Then when any of the brothers go there let them register in full form and the matter is all fixed. Special rates at any hotel will be out of the question, but no one doubts that Bro. Marden will give special attention to any brother who goes there. Engage rooms in advance and you will be well cared for. No special dates have been agreed upon. One of the best times to go will be the week of the Educational Congress, July 17-22. If nothing prevents the editor will be at the Park Gate Hotel that week, and hopes to see many Theta Delts there at that time.

WE gladly give place to a communication from one of the Epsilon Deuteron brothers. There is much in it worthy of serious thought. The points made are certainly good ones. It must not be forgotten that active fraternity life in the college is an entirely different sort of existence from that we meet in the world at large. As graduates we have other things to think of, and fraternity thoughts and even membership become in a certain sense secondary. We are absorbed entirely in obtaining substantial results for labor expended, and only at times throw off busy care for short communion seasons with the craft. During college life fraternity membership is a prominent factor. It is the tie which cements the companionship of student days and very naturally occupies a prominent place in the thoughts. Secrecy is the charm which adds much to the attractiveness of membership. While not an absolute necessity *per se*, it is decidedly essential as an *effect* upon the minds of active members. It would seem to be straining a point for one's mouth being sealed on the subject, but there would be danger of giving some vital points away, even in an ordinary conversation. Members of rival societies are always on the lookout to catch anything which might accidentally drop, and neutrals are even keener in their detective efforts. We have heretofore taken occasion to speak of the carelessness displayed by some of the boys in giving the grip. While we may not be entirely in personal sympathy with all the ideas promulgated, we are in hearty accord with the general theme. A lack of time forbids more extended remarks, otherwise we should enter fully into detail and outline what in our mind should be the ground-work of college politics in this particular. The subject may be referred to later on.

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THE exchanges so far at hand since our last issue have not contained any matter which has attracted our attention, so that editorial comments are not presented in this number. The trend of all journals seems to be more toward the special work of their particular society. This is in the line of improvement, as the proper sphere of any fraternity periodical is to give news of its own society.

## Charge Letters.

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[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.]

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### GAMMA DEUTERON.

#### UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bro. Frank Briscoe, '96, of Detroit, and Bro. John Albert Kreis, Jr. '95, of Cincinnati. These initiates bring our number up to eighteen, the largest membership which the charge has yet had.

There is but one short month remaining before commencement. We expect to lose by graduation four members, Bros. Dennen, Field, McGaughey and Veysey.

Bro. W. C. Belknap, Omicron Deuteron, who is taking the two year law course here in a single year, was one of the successful contestants in the annual debate between the Jeffersonian and Webster societies in the law school. Bro. Belknap ably represented the Jeffersonians.

We enjoyed a short visit from Bro. Harris E. Leach, of Tau Deuteron, who accompanied as manager the University of Minnesota base ball team.

Our own team, which had found easy victory through the West, went down before Cornell at Ithaca. We look for revenge in the return game to be played at Detroit on Decoration Day.

Mrs. Professor Stanley, a sister of our Bro. Bullock will entertain Pi Beta Phi Sorosis and Theta Delta Chi, Friday evening, May 26th.

Bros. Warner and Trumbull, '91 of Jackson, have made us flying visits during the month.

ARTHUR H. VEYSEY.

## EPSILON DEUTERON.

YALE UNIVERSITY.

Now that spring has once more arrived with its press of work in preparation for the annual exam's, we begin to realize that another college year is drawing to a close. Yet, while rejoicing at the prospect of a long summer's rest, Epsilon Deuteron, and especially the lower classmen, are forced to a feeling of sorrow, knowing as they do that the time is fast drawing near when we must bid farewell to our seniors, those men who, by their unceasing labor and perseverance have done so much toward raising our charge from the comparatively weak foot-hold which a new charge must necessarily have, to the strong and firm position it now holds in the college world.

The year just closing has been one of great activity for our members, both collectively and individually. Bro. Van-Huyck, in spite of his accident some time ago is once more installed on the 'varsity crew in his old position at No. 3, and our Brothers at Harvard must look lively if they wish to see their crew carry off the honors at New London. Bro. Van-Huyck is also on one of the graduation committees. Bro. Beckett, another one of our men who will graduate this year is one of the highest stand men in his class and has received a Commencement appointment.

We have just had a large photograph of the charge taken and hung in the smoking room of the house together with photos of all of the University teams and our charge pictures of years gone by.

Saturday, May 27th, is the day appointed for our annual banquet and at the time of writing of this letter all is activity in preparation for it.

As base-ball is the all absorbing topic at this time this letter would not be complete without some mention of it. As all have probably read in the papers, the Yale nine is not doing as well as it might under different circumstances.

The undergraduate rule has of course weakened us but nevertheless we believe in it, and until other colleges adopt it also, Yale cannot expect to compete quite as successfully

through her undergraduate teams, with the semi-professional teams of her opponents.

A source of a great deal of enjoyment during the past winter was the course of military instruction under the direction of an army officer. Each class in the scientific department has a company averaging about ninety men each. Among the officers of the Senior company we have no representation but Bro. Disbecker is captain of the Junior company and the writer a Corporal, while among the Freshmen Bro. Mansfield is First Lieutenant, Bro. Cowee, First Sergeant, and Bro. William VanSlyke, Sergeant. Bro. George VanSlyke is a member of the Glee Club and stands a good chance of getting on the 'varsity next year.

Within the past week Yale has revived an old custom, if it may be called a custom, namely, dramatic performances given by the students. About ten years ago the Faculty shut down on it and since that time nothing of the kind has been given until this year, when the Junior societies D. K. E. and Psi U. obtained permission to present a burlesque on Robin Hood.

The plan was splendidly carried through and now there is almost no doubt that a "joint play" will be one of the annual events.

Next year we shall begin with twelve men and if our good fortune of the year just gone by continues, we can easily double if not triple that number by June '94.

Our house is to be entirely refitted and refurnished during the summer months so that by the opening of college in the fall we can offer to all visiting brothers as comfortable and pleasant a place to "hang out" during their stay in New Haven as anyone could wish for.

We have no graduate news to communicate, except that Bro. Sprague, E<sup>a</sup>, '91 is to be married in Chicago on June 20th to a Miss Heegaard.

EDWARD PAGE SMITH.

## ZETA.

## BROWN UNIVERSITY.

Every student of Brown hails with delight the advent of the spring and summer term. There is a general feeling that the faculty will realize that out-door athletics are a part of the curriculum, and that therefore the daily work required of the students will be somewhat abridged. But this has not been the case this year. All those unfortunates who aspire to a degree are harder at work than ever before, and although the charms of base ball and tennis may sometimes lure them from their books, yet they are liable to pay dearly for their pleasure at the next recitation.

Brown, after over a hundred years of uneventful prosperity, has, according to all reports, reached a crisis in her history. It remains to be seen whether we continue as the staid old conservative college or develop into the larger, more modern and more useful university. President Andrews has need of one million dollars, to be used in furthering the interests of the university. A mass meeting of the students was called in Manning Hall to show that they were in sympathy with the President and to take some means of causing the public at large to realize that their help was needed. It was finally voted to have the true state of the financial condition of Brown printed in every influential newspaper.

Providence during the month of May saw the presentation of the arithmetically named opera, "Eight Times Eight." It was presented by the students of Brown and was the joint production of Messrs. Sprague and Langdon. The profits were to be divided among the various athletic teams of the college. Although the opera was a success from a social standpoint, yet the amount cleared over and above expenses was but one hundred dollars, and this sum will not go far toward supporting athletics.

The organization of the university in which the average student takes the greatest pride is the ball team. Its prospects at the opening of the season were brighter than ever before and up to date the nine has fulfilled all expectations. Tenny's suspension for non-attendance at recitations at first occasioned

a feeling of alarm throughout the college, coming as it did at the most critical period of the base ball season ; but there are several good men who are fully competent to take his place behind the bat, and the Brown nine still hopes to win the majority of the remaining college games.

The summer tour of the musical clubs has been thoroughly arranged and promises to be carried out in a more satisfactory manner than ever before. The trip is a long one and includes concerts at all the leading summer resorts on the New York and New England coasts, the White Mountains, Adirondacks, Lakes George and Champlain, Saratoga and Chicago. Six of the Zeta brothers will accompany the clubs. Brothers Hopkins, '93, and Eiswald, '95, will act as advance agents. Bro. Hawkins, '94, will direct the quartette, while Brothers Stone, '96, and Roberts, '96, will respectively lead the banjo and mandolin clubs. Thus it can be seen that Theta Delta Chi will be well represented.

W. H. KIMBALL.

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ETA.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

The opening term has come, though it has not brought with it the long-delaying springtime ; the weather has been cold and forbidding, for the most part hitherto, the season is seemingly a month late ; but the last few days have filled our hearts with hopes of the longed-for sunshine and warmth. These days are the most enjoyable of the college year, and they are flying by more rapidly than we can realize, more rapidly than we can appreciate their value—the priceless worth of association with those who are bound to us by the firmest ties, those whose aims and interests are as our own. It seems hardly possible to account for the days and weeks already sped. Here, as elsewhere, athletics occupy a prominent position during these weeks so favorable to every form of sport ; nearly all in one way or another fall beneath its charm.

The base ball team this year is proving itself a credit to the college. In the league of Maine institutions, of which Bow-

doin is a member, our team has firm ground for hoping to gain the foremost place. Bowdoin men are confident that the much-coveted pennant is surely theirs this year. In the league games already played we have not suffered defeat and have met all our opponents once and Bates, our strongest adversary, twice. Bro. Chapman, as last year, is winning laurels in the center field.

The Sophomore and Freshman boat crews are in training for the four-oared race which is to take place the latter part of the term. Bro. Mead rows bow-oar for ninety-five, and Bros. Stone, French and Newbegin with one non-society man form ninety-six crew.

Work is also steadily progressing for the intercollegiate meet at Worcester, and before this letter is published Bowdoin's fate in that direction will have been decided.

Tennis tournaments, both in college and fraternity, are in progress.

Bro. Pickard has been elected as president of the college tennis association, and Bro. French, '95, as vice-president.

The Sophomore class supper is arranged for May 26th, in Lewiston. Eta secured the toastmaster and the poet of the occasion.

At the annual election of *Orient* editors, held the latter part of last term, two brothers were added to the board, making four Theta Deltas in a body of ten men. Bro. Pickard is managing editor.

I regret to write that illness has been in our number. Bro. Bryant, '95, and Bro. Soule, '96, both were taken seriously ill at their homes during the recent vacation days. It is a pleasure, however, from time to time to obtain cheering reports of their returning health and strength. We miss their presence with us day by day and look forward to the time when they will once more be among us.

The provisionary list of commencement appointees was published at the close of last term. Bros. Howard and Arnold were the fortunate members of our senior delegation.

There is every reason for Bowdoin's men to rejoice in her advancing material prosperity. Work is to be commenced im-

mediately upon the new scientific building. This promises to be unsurpassed by any other structure in the country devoted to a similar purpose ; no care or expense will be spared in making it perfect in construction, pleasing and satisfactory architecturally, and faultless in its appliances for instruction and study. Cheering news has also been received lately in regard to the Garcelon bequest of \$400,000, which was announced last year and is now going through a course of litigation in the California courts. Every indication now points to a settlement favorable to the college.

With the best wishes of Eta to all her sister charges.

HARVEY W. THAYER.

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### IOTA.

#### HARVARD UNIVERSITY.

As the college year draws to a close we are reminded that the first anniversary of Iota's re-establishment is but a few days distant. In view of this fact it seems eminently appropriate for her to inform her sister charges what has been accomplished during this period, trusting that the brief account rendered is a partial fulfillment of Bro. Stone's promise that the Iota charge "shall be a credit to your fraternity, brethren, and ours."

Upon our return to college last September we found our membership reduced by graduation just one-half. Upon eight active members rested the future interests and welfare of our cherished society. To them, it must be confessed, the outlook was anything but a bright one. With a most commendable determination and firm reliance in the protecting goddess of  $\Theta \Delta \lambda$ , one by one were overcome the obstacles which at first seemed insurmountable.

The first meeting in our present commodious quarters, at 20 Ware street, was held on the evening of October 6, 1892. It is to be borne in mind that the entire furnishing of the club house was at the expense of our own society. After we were well established in our new surroundings fortune seemed to smile upon us, auguring for the charge a brilliant future.

Thus far twenty-four brothers have been initiated, making our present total active membership number thirty-five. Of this number, four are graduate members. We feel gratified in saying that each new member has not been found lacking in those personal qualities which characterize the true Theta Delt.

In the numerous branches of the University we are well represented. Within our ranks are five Phi Beta Kappa men. In the joint debate with Yale, Bro. Stone figured prominently. Bros. Babbit and George graduated with honors, the former in classics, the latter in mathematics. Of the twelve selected to compete for the Boylston prize were Bros. Davis and Keeler. In athletics we are no less successful. Bro. J. Wiggin is the 'Varsity pitcher. Bro. Garcelon is a valuable Mott Haven man, while Bro. Lyman is one of the tennis cracks. Bro. T. B. Hill represents us on the 'Varsity Banjo Club.

In November we had the privilege of entertaining the delegates to the 46th convention. The affair was an informal one and passed off pleasantly.

At the New England banquet we were represented by thirteen members, thus manifesting a live interest in fraternal affairs.

On the 19th of this month Bro. Babbit's nine was taken into camp by the Kappa charge nine of Tufts University. The official score is 14—10. We hope to retrieve our reputation as ball players by winning the college scrub championship.

It is the intention of our eleven Senior brothers "to spread" at the club house on Class Day. We take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of their untiring labors for the prosperity of the charge. To Hon. Seth P. Smith we are also indebted for much friendly counsel and advice. Through the efforts of Bro. Williams we have the nucleus of a library.

Ever mindful of the obligations resting upon us as Theta Delts, we renew our vows of loyalty and tender our sincerest wishes for her best welfare and success.

EDWIN M. GROVER.

IOTA DEUTERON.  
WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

It scarcely need be said that Iota Deuteron charge editor feels varied emotions in taking up his pen for his first letter. But the quarter has been prosperous, and so there is nothing bad to report.

First, as to base-ball interests, which are the feature of the spring term. On the nine, the charge is represented by Bro. Towne, '94, on first base, and Bro. Anderson, '93, in center field. Thus far, our prospects for the pennant are fairly good; of the two Dartmouth games played here, we won one and tied the other in eleven innings. The Amherst game at Amherst was lost.

As for tennis, our court is one of the best in college; and we are holding a charge tournament, in which the winner will play Brother Anderson, who is the college champion. A great deal of new material will be developed from this contest.

In literary matters also, we have had some interest. The '94 Guhelinensian has on its board Brother Partridge, '94, and Brother Huntington, '94. On the recently elected '95 board is Brother Peck. In the debating societies, Brother Pressey, '93 has been president, and Brother Millspaugh, '95 secretary of the Philotechnian. Brother Sawtelle, '94 and Brother Peck, '95 have won places on the Moonlight Prize Speaking, which takes place at Commencement. Brother Partridge has become an editor on the Literary Monthly.

Of late all things at Williams have pointed toward one idea, the Centennial Celebration which is to take place here next fall. Preparations great and small, direct and indirect, have been made for it. The three new laboratories are being hurried toward completion; the new campus is being graded off, a chorus is being trained to sing at the centennial; athletic committees are working to prepare a good field day; the whole college is making ready in one way or another. One effect of all this has been the issue of a pamphlet of the words of Williams songs. The committee which did this work, and of which Bro. Sawtelle is a member, succeeded in making a very complete collection.

A few honors have fallen to us in elections. Brother Huntington has become president of the Y. M. C. A., and treasurer of the Literary Monthly. Several of our Seniors secured preliminary Commencement appointments, but the final appointments have not yet been announced.

A number of our men attended the banquet of the New England Association, and report a good time, especially in meeting so many fellow Theta Deltas.

J. R. CRAIGHEAD.

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### KAPPA.

#### TUFTS COLLEGE.

It is indeed invigorating to be able to write a letter under the conditions that prevail at present. Next fall our college will enter upon the most prosperous year in its whole history. Several necessary buildings are in process of construction and the new course of studies which is looked forward to with so much interest, will then go into effect for the first time. The incoming class will be the largest one that has ever entered Tufts and we have already met several men who have impressed us very favorably.

But in the midst of all this prosperity and anticipation, there is nothing to which the Kappa men look forward with so much happiness and real enthusiasm as our new Charge House, the construction of which is now assured. The graduate brothers deserve great praise for their long and arduous labor in our behalf and can rest assured of the most sincere gratitude of all our undergraduates.

The time is now close at hand for the class of '93 to bid farewell to their Alma Mater. June 16 has been selected as Class Day. Bro. Groce will then deliver the class prophecy, and Bro. Shaw the poem. Bro. Keene has been elected marshal to lead the freshman class in cheering, and we have again been fortunate enough to draw College Hall for the reception of our friends and for the usual spread. We shall be represented on Commencement Day by Bros. Groce and Shaw.

We have recently learned that Bro. Ricketts, who has been our subscription agent for the Tuftonian the past year, suc-

ceeded in getting a sufficiently large number of our graduates to subscribe, to secure us a representatson of four editors on the college paper, a larger number than any other fraternity. This fact tells more in praise of the industry of Bro. Ricketts than mere empty words could speak. The appointment by the faculty of Bro. Whittemore as editor-in-chief of the *Tuftonion* caused great rejoicing among us. Bros. Goodrich, Barney and Folsom will serve us as the other three of our four representatives.

At the annual meeting of the Mathetican Society for the election of officers, Bro. Perkins resigned as president and Bro. Whittemore was elected to that office and Bro. Barney to the secretaryship. Those of us who have attended these meetings for the past year have been well rewarded, as the literary work has been of a high order.

An interesting game of base-ball was recently played on our campus with the Iota charge. We were glad of the opportunity afforded by the game to get better acquainted with the Harvard brothers, and if a series of games could be arranged including the nines of Lambda and Zeta, they would be a means of bringing the members of the neighboring charges into closer relations with each other.

On the 25nd of May we held our farewell meeting in the charge rooms at Medford. Many of our graduate brothers were present in order to visit for the last time the old familiar place of meeting, around which cluster so many delightful memories.

Kappa sends to every brother her sincere wishes for a happy vacation and those of us who are fortunate enough to be able to visit the World's Fair this summer anticipate having a pleasant reunion with the wearers of the Shield.

REIGNOLD K. MARVIN.

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### MU DEUTERON.

AMHERST COLLEGE.

As the time approaches for the June issue of the SHIELD, we are reminded that another college year has nearly passed; for some of the brothers the last one of college life, yet we always

look upon the Spring Term as the most pleasant one of the year.

But first let us take a hasty review of the Winter Term since the March issue of the SHIELD.

Of prime importance is the reception and dance given in the parlors on the afternoon of March 22, after the "heavy gym" exhibition. Enjoyable in every respect, it will long be remembered as one of the most successful receptions that the fraternity has ever held.

During this term also Mu Deuteron took her usual stand in scholarship. Bro. Jewett took the special prize offered in the Latin department of the Freshman class. In the Junior class Bros. Howes, Rice and Putnam received Leffingwell prizes in oratory. So much for the Winter term.

This term the all-absorbing question is base ball. Amherst has played her first championship game and won. While we are not confident of success in the race for the pennant, yet our hopes are brightened by the result of the first game.

On the day of the game occurred the Ladd prize contest in the dumb-bell drill and marching in which the three lower classes competed. This, as usual, was won by the Junior class. After the game a short reception was held in the parlors, and in the evening occurred the Lester Prize contest in oratory. In this Mu Deuteron was represented by Bro. Putnam.

We are taking a good stand in oratory this term, as is seen by the fact that the names of Bros. Jewett and Crosby are on the Kellog "fifteen" of the Freshman class, and lastly Bro. Edgell a member of Phi Beta Kappa and a monitor, is one of the Commencement speakers.

College interest at present centers on the New England Inter-Collegiate Athletic Meet which takes place on Wed. May 24th at Worcester. Amherst lost many valuable men with the class of '92 so that our chances of winning are not so bright as in past years. Mu Deuteron is to be represented in this "meet" as in other departments.

With nearly every department of college life represented, the fraternity is enjoying the prosperity and happiness that it has during the past eight years.

F. D. HAYWARD.

## NU DEUTERON.

## LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

It seems but a short while since the last SHIELD was issued, and yet in that time great changes have been wrought in the old Moravian town of Bethlehem. Nature has asserted herself, and foliage has crept forth so fresh and green as to even throw into obscurity the gaudy colors worn by the Dutch maidens, who have now taken the place of the primitive Moravians. Nu Deuteron's charge house still stands, though shaken by many a wintry blast, and the modest blue, white and black is unfurled to the Pennsylvanian breeze as pure and undefiled as of old.

A stranger looking in upon the Nu Deuteron charge would simply see fifteen jovial men of all forms and descriptions, from the small and delicate proportions of Bro. Howard to the massive figure of Bro. Gearhart. These fifteen men spend time in a variety of ways. Bro. Harris is a leader of society, Bro. Gearhart attends to athletics, Bro. Bosbyshell is a composer of high rank music, Bro. Russell is a mental and moral philosopher, while Bro. Powers spends considerable time in pouring sperm oil on his mental machinery, to keep it from getting rusty from disuse. Bros. Vansant, Drake and Quigley constitute Nu Deuteron's invincible trio; nothing can oppose their profound wisdom and sagacity. But I must not forget to mention the funny men, Bros. Kendall and Lehman, both of whom are proficient in the Choctaw dialect; and any dime museum might be proud to possess them. Only three names yet remain to be added to this diversified category, and these are the names of Bros. Holcombe, Cable and Richmond. They are, however, harmless, inoffensive beings; more conspicuous for beauty than anything else.

The reader may have now formed a faint idea of the men that constitute the Nu Deuteron charge, but he may also be assured that outside of the fraternity circle these men take a prominent stand in college affairs. It has always been our policy to select men, not according to their position in college politics; but to consider those qualities that render a man a congenial companion and a loyal member of our beloved brother-

hood. In thus doing, however, we seldom fail to secure men prominent in college affairs, as can be shown by a glance at our present members. Bro. Gearhart, on account of an undue pressure of work, was reluctantly forced to resign the captaincy of the base ball nine, but he has now assumed the duties of manager. Bro. Powers has succeeded in making the team; Bro. Kendall is a member of the calculus cremation committee; while Bros. Vansant and Clift represent us on the board of editors of the *Epitome*, our college annual. Bros. Powers, Richmond, Bosbyshell and Quigley represent us on the glee or banjo clubs.

Bro. Stinemetz, '93, having finished his course before the end of the term, left us and accepted a position in one of the electrical industries of Chicago. We have not as yet heard the exact character of Bro. Stinemetz's situation, but we have no doubts but what he is proficient in wire winding by this time. The departed brother's place has been taken by Bro. H. C. Quigley, '95, our latest initiate. He is in all respects a splendid fellow and a loyal Theta Delt.

Perhaps the most important event of the term was the Pennsylvania banquet, an account of which is given on another page. The evening was most pleasantly spent, and we all hope to see many repetitions.

Since the last SHIELD we have had visits from Bro. H. D. Brookins, of Chi, Bro. Grass, of Pi Deuteron, Bro. Nelson, of Beta, Bro. L. A. Sassaman, of Sigma, and Bros. L. H. Ely and A. G. Hearne, of Nu Deuteron. Any Theta Delts that will spend a few hours with us may be sure of a good time; and if the old Nu Deuteron men only knew what pleasure it gives us to see them once in a while, they certainly would drop in on us occasionally. Every one may be sure of a hearty welcome. With this invitation we must close, happy in the thought that the past year has been such a prosperous one, full of the hope that the future of our beloved fraternity may be even brighter.

A. S. CLIFT.

## XI.

## HOBART COLLEGE.

The year now closing for Xi has been a very satisfactory one. If she has not boomed she has been uniformly prosperous. She is holding an honorable position in the college; she has men of talent and worth, which have been suitably recognized. Our numbers have not been large, but since the initiation of Bro. Humphrey last month they have seemed complete. We feel that we are in a very large measure realizing the ideal fraternity life.

Hobart has also enjoyed a prosperous year. Just now we are greatly interested in our base ball team, which has not yet been defeated, and has started to-day on the trip. We will not undertake to prophecy, but the playing last week would appear to justify hopes of winning the pennant another year. Bro. Davis is captain. He is still our crack pitcher and has as good control of the ball as ever. Bro. Elliott is playing first base in good form and earned a reputation by making a home run in the Hamilton game the 11th. Bro. Brodhead is the manager this year. We have suffered somewhat from heavy rains and a wet campus.

Our field day came off last Wednesday, in the midst of a driving rain, which rendered any attempt at record-breaking out of the question, but gave to many of the contests a pleasingly ludicrous appearance.

The elections for the Herald Board were held the 16th. Bro. Bachman received the compliment of an almost unanimous election to the literary board and Bro. Elliott received a place on the business board by a handsome majority.

Bro. Palmer, '91, of Brooklyn, made us a delightful visit recently. Bro. Howe, '85, of Phelps, has a beautiful young daughter. She was born April 5th and weighed eleven pounds. She is already another attraction at Phelps for the boys. Bro. Hoff, '91, has also visited us this spring. He is as gay as ever, not suffering from ill health.

The Senior vacation begins in two weeks; that means Commencement very soon. We are looking forward to a good time—a reunion with the old boys. Our banquet will be held

at the Franklin Wednesday evening, June 21st. The editor and every reader of the SHIELD is most cordially invited.

D. A. PARCE.

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#### PI DEUTERON.

##### COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Our charge editor, Bro. Turrell, having been very ill, suffering from spinal meningitis, I have taken upon myself the pleasant duty of writing a charge letter. Bro. Turrell is on the high road to recovery and we expect him back at college next fall.

In spite of the fact that we have lost fifteen men since last June, our charge is in a prosperous condition. We have at present eleven active men, with several Freshmen and a Sub pledged.

The brothers worked hard to get signatures to the petition regarding a new site and new buildings for the college, and we all hope that our fond expectations in this respect may soon be realized. Over 35,000 signatures have so far been obtained. On the petition committee we were represented by Bro. Kosmak for '94 and Bros. Turner and Tombo for '95.

On Thursday evening, May 27, it was the good fortune of the brothers to meet our worthy Grand Lodge President, who honored us with a visit. We were all charmed with him and only regret that we saw him for so short a time.

The 10th annual spring games of the College A. A. were held on May 12th. They were to come off the week before, but had to be postponed on account of the bad condition of the track caused by the recent heavy rainfall. Brother Adams as vice-president of the athletic association and a member of the executive committee, labored faithfully to make the games a success, and they were. He was ably supported in this respect by Bro. Uterhart as grand marshal, and Bros. Anderton and Marenner as clerks of the course. Bro. Tombo was the winner of the broad jump, the only fraternity man to get a prize. He also won the prize offered by the class of '95 to the member of the class scoring the most points in the games.

The annual reunion and banquet of the charge was held on May 12th. An account of the banquet will be found on another page. Much thanks is due to the committee, Bros. Lawson, Wilmurt and Kosmak for the able way in which they conducted it.

During the May vacation (the first week in May) fifty students of the college, several brothers among them, chartered a tug and visited the foreign and American war-vessels at anchor in the Hudson.

There has been much talk among the brothers of forming a tennis club. Several brothers hold permits for the Central Park courts, and a Theta Delt visiting the park will be agreeably surprised one of these days to see a Theta Delta Chi flag waving over some of the nets.

At the class elections Bro. Strobel was chosen recording secretary of '96, Bro. Wheeler corresponding secretary of '96, and Bro. Tombo historian of '95.

The college base ball team is in a better condition than it ever has been. The nine has met teams from Wesleyan, Trinity, Cornwall Military Academy, Polytechnic Institutes of Brooklyn and Worcester, and many others. Rain interfered with the Rutgers and Columbia games.

The '96 foot-ball team has also done fine work. One of the most earnest players on the team is Mr. Harrington, brother of Bro. Harrington, and we hope soon to introduce him as a brother in Theta Delta Chi.

We are sorry to report that Bros. Anderton and Marenner have left college to turn their attention to busines. Bro. Anderton was one of the most popular men in college. He was elected president of his class while a sub-freshman and was prominent in athletics as well. Bro. Marenner was one of our athletes. During his first year in college he won the annual cross-country run, in which Bro. Adams finished third, making the best time.

At the recent annual exhibition of the New York Microscopical Society Bro. Kosmak, who is a prominent member of the said society, exhibited star fish and sea urchins. His exhibit was certainly the most popular if not the best.

Bro. Hunter, our baby, is one of the best players on the College Banjo Club.

Bro. Tombo is College Editor of the *University Magazine* for C. C. N. Y. and college correspondent for the *College Fraternity*. We have noticed the name of Bro. Hovey, of Phi, as representative for Lafayette on the *University Magazine*.

At the annual games of the Seventh Regiment A. A. Bro. D. Nelson finished second in the mile run and Bro. Lee got second place in the high jump. Bro. D. Nelson was also a winner in one of the regiment shooting matches.

The last issue of the *Clionian*, a college publication issued three times a year, contained an article entitled "Taine," prepared by Bro. Uterhart.

We were very much pleased with the decisive steps taken by the Chicago Theta Deltas with regard to fraternity headquarters during the Fair. Several brothers intended to visit Chicago and the Fair, and all hope to meet with many Theta Deltas from other charges.

#### PERSONALS.

Bro. Cummings, '94, is at the N. Y. University. Bro. C. Bogert, ditto.

Bros. Rundlett and Richardson are at Harvard; Bros. Whitehorne and Lawson at P. & S.

Bro. Remer is at the N. Y. College of Dentistry.

Bro. Lee, '93, is in care of the Gallatin National Bank, or as one brother put it, Gallatin National Bank, care Bro. Lee.

Bro. Schulz, '92, as well as Bro. Piercy, Pi Deuteron, '95, and Rho Deuteron, '94, are at the New York Law School.

Bro. Corbett has affiliated with Epsilon Deuteron.

Bro. Wilken is with Bradstreet & Wheeler. Mr. Wheeler is a brother of Bro. Wheeler, who has been spending the winter in Maine.

In conclusion we wish our sister charges all prosperity and happiness in the future.

RUDOLF TOMBO.

## TAU DEUTERON.

## UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Another college year is about to close with us and the next number of the SHIELD will find us elsewhere than at the university. Some will return home to recuperate for next year's work, others will go into business, but all will visit the World's Fair, where we hope to meet many brother Thetes.

Three of our boys, Bros. Hult, Erf and McElligott take degrees. This year one, Bro. Hult, an M. A., Bro. McElligott will practice law.

We celebrated the anniversary of our birth with a banquet April 27th, at which many of our alumni were present and at which three new names were added to our roll, Bros. Hult, Herteg and Todd.

Bro. Rees is editor in chief of the Gopher of '95.

Bros. Simonton and Bray represent us on the staff of the Ariel.

Bro. McElligott is one of the debators to defend the honor of the university in a debate with the University of Iowa. This is the first event of its kind that we have ever taken part in and much interest is manifested in it.

Our base ball season is been well under way. Four league games have been played, two of which we won, defeating Northwestern twice and losing to the Universities of Wisconsin and Michigan. We are represented by Bro. Leach as manager. A trip has been made to Detroit. Ann Arbor was visited on the way and a pleasant time enjoyed there.

We were visited the last of April by Bro. Houston of Chicago who represented the G. L. We enjoyed the visit very much and profited by his sound advice.

W. A. SIMONTON.

## PHI.

## LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

As one more year is added to our college life we cannot but feel how rapidly are these happy days fleeing from our lot. Perhaps there are some of us who are fully satisfied with the work accomplished during the last college year, but alas, I

fear some of us feel somewhat dissatisfied and can now see places where something of more value might have been accomplished but, as we turn our attention to the sunny side of this epoch in our lives, we find that our enjoyments are due principally to this enchanting season of the year when we have the rare opportunity of enjoying to the fullest extent the pleasures offered to the wearers of the maroon and white to sandwich in with the usual extra work preceding Commencement, which is so very near at hand.

During these delightful spring days of May how much more do we appreciate the beautiful location of our surroundings of Lafayette on the hill, and it seems that even the air has assumed an additional weight of fragrance and a loveliness prevails everywhere which seems but the preparation for the festivities accompanying Commencement.

Naturally the all-absorbing topic of conversation at present is athletics and especially our base ball team—in which we are represented by Bro. Drake, '94, in center field and Bro. Reeves '96 in left field. Both men have been playing fine ball and are assured permanent positions on the team.

We lose three of the brothers by graduation, Bro. Albertson, Honness and Robinson, and although we shall miss these enthusiastic brethren Phi considers herself well equipped to enter the "rushing" season.

Bro. J. J. Robinson is the master of ceremonies on Class Day and it is conceded that this day will be most successful under his direction. Bro. Robinson has a toast at the Senior banquet to be held at Boston.

Bro. Albertson and Honness, who graduate as civil engineers, are laboring hard on their Theses. The speeches for Commencement have not as yet been given out.

In the Junior Oratorical contest held in Pardee Auditorium, on May 15th, Bro. W. G. Chambers '94, captured the first prize of \$50 from eight contestants. His oration on "Silent Influences" was exceptionally fine and his delivery captivated his audience.

As a complete report of the Inter-Charge banquet at Allentown is given in this issue of the SHIELD suffice it to say that

Phi sent eleven under-graduates—and is heartily in favor of the continuance of Pennsylvania charge banquets.

Our Freshman nine defeated the Lehigh Freshmen on our campus the 28ult. On that occasion we enjoyed a call from Bros. Kendall, Powers, Bosbyshell, Russell, Cleft and Howard of Nu Deuteron.

Bro. W. A. Jones '92, besides pursuing his law-study is kept busy managing the base ball team.

Bro. J. T. Losie '94, who was detained at home during the early part of the term by illness has returned to his work.

Bro. N. G. Chambers and his assistant editors deserve much credit for their excellent production. The '94 *Melange* is certainly a gem and proves itself to be an exceptional one, introducing many attractive features. The general make-up is spicy and it makes a handsome volume.

Bro. G. K. Voight '94, has resigned the captaincy of the foot ball team for the coming season.

The brothers at Phi sympathize deeply with Bro. Wagner '94, in the loss of his mother; for what bereavement is heavier than the loss of mother.

Bros. Glick '95, and Barker '95, attended a reception given by a social club at Girardville, Pa., recently.

The writer is Phi's representative on the "Melange" board of '95 and at the first meeting of the editors was elected one of the business managers.

Bro. J. H. Slocum '96, is a member of the Freshman class fraternity "Bone and Seal."

Bro. A. B. Seymour '96, played the flute in the Mandolin club during the past season.

Bro. Lobingier '96, is now editing the News Notes department on the "Lafayette" Board.

The annual banquet of the Phi charge will be held June 19, at the United States Hotel, Easton, at which time we expect to meet many of Phi's alumni. We extend a cordial invitation to all the Phi brothers and urge their attendance at this enjoyable event.

I close with best wishes to all sister charges and a hearty grip from Phi.

ALBERT F. HOVEY.

## CHI.

## UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER.

As a fitting close to the winter term, we received on March 31st a visit from President Benedict, of the Grand Lodge, who assisted us to enjoy a splendid evening in company with several of the resident alumni.

The problem in college at the present time is to pay the debt of the Athletic Association, which has increased for several seasons past. An assessment upon the student body is considered the only remedy, and it is forthwith being collected. The absence of any professional team in the city this year smooths the path for the manager of the base-ball team. The nine has won the only game played as yet; may it win many more.

Bro. Estes has received an appointment on "Soph. Ex.," and will speak on the Monday evening preceding Commencement. As we lose but one brother by graduation, W. A. Harris, who enters the local Baptist Seminary in the fall, our numerical strength will scarce be diminished to start a new year. Bro. W. S. Paine has presented us with a large photograph of himself and wife before the pyramid in which were found the letters  $\Theta \Delta X$  by Bro. Burdge. The picture is handsomely framed in gold and bears a nicked-plate inscribed with the words:

BRO. W. S. PAINE

to

CHI CHARGE  $\Theta \Delta X$ .

1893.

The Interpres, the U. of R. annual, will not be out until June 1st. Bro. Webster represents us on the board of editors.

We received a pleasant visit from our Zeta brothers on the Brown University musical organizations, and together with them visited Bro. Kimball's hot houses. We have received calls also from Bros. Sarver of Palmyra, Barrett of Buffalo, and T. E. Harris of the Medical Department, University of Pennsylvania, all of whom are of Chi, '92.

DAVID G. MEYER.

## Exchange Cleanings.

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[Our exchanges are requested to send two copies of their journal to the SHIELD at Elmira, N. Y., and one copy to Prof. A. G. Benedict, Clinton, N. Y. In exchange we will send three copies wherever requested.]

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The *College Fraternity* for April has a number of good things. An illustrated article on Cornell and her fraternities, is very fair as far as it goes perhaps, but as it does not do justice to all alike we assume that it might have been better written by someone either more familiar with the general state of things or less prejudiced in his general belief. A brief history of Lafayette College is given with several excellent illustrations. Especially familiar is the picture of Ex-President Cattell, one of Lafayette's hardest workers in the past. The fraternities of Lafayette are also written up. Their early history is quite amusing; in some points it is correct but in others grossly wrong. The author of the article is F. A. March, Jr., now a member of the faculty we believe, but in the early day of which he writes he was not in it. In 1865 the editor of the SHIELD was a freshman at Lafayette and remembers Mr. March as an infant living chiefly on milk and spending most of his time in the cradle with his heels higher than his head. He states in his article that in 1865 the faculty abolished fraternities in Lafayette, and that the feeling was so strong that in 1867 it culminated in a series of riots in which the President of the college was mobbed and the city police required to restore order. While we do not presume that the author intended to misrepresent wilfully, he has been led to say what would seem a blot on fraternities. We are surprised since he is a fraternity man himself. The statement is entirely and utterly false in fact. The editor remembers the occurrences which he calls "the riots" as well as though they had occurred last week. He was there and one of "the rioters."

For three nights in the month of July 1867 things were decidedly lively on the old hill it is true, but we assert boldly and forcefully,

1. That fraternity feeling had nothing whatever to do with the affair.

2. The President of the college was not mobbed, neither was any indignity extended to him or any other member of the faculty personally.

3. The favorable action of the faculty toward fraternities had been taken before that time.

The police did come on the hill the last night to aid the faculty in discovering who were the perpetrators of the mischief, and the editor has a very vivid recollection of being visited in his room at three o'clock in the morning by a policeman closely followed by President Cattell and several other members of the faculty among whom if we mistake not was the honored father of the author, Prof. Francis A. March, familiarly known to the boys in those days as "old Shanghi." These riots were nothing more than the pranks of a lot of boys carried to an unwise and unreasonable extent. They were not conceived in any spirit of vicious revenge for supposed oppression, but originated in the excited brains of a party of boys who had been out on a "toot," from a chance suggestion by one of their number, which spontaneously burst into immediate action. Things had been quiet at old Lafayette and everybody was just spoiling for excitement of some kind. It spread like wild-fire and so strong was it that it was kept up for three nights, almost every member of the college taking a hand in it. The neutrals out numbered the fraternity men but no thought existed in the minds of anyone to do damage. The board of health had failed to discover a public nuisance which existed and the result was a large bonfire. We could write the whole history accurately but refrain, with an apology for so extended mention. We desire to relieve the fraternities of Lafayette from so dark a blot. If Mr. March would like to re-write his article, he can get all the points from the editor of the SHIELD who took a very active part in all that goes to make up the history of Lafayette from 1865 to 1869.

Now that the College Fraternities Exhibit Committee have, on account of foes without and fears within, given up the idea of an exhibit at Chicago, and surrendered the space allotted to them, the *Alpha Phi Quarterly* characterizes the situation very aptly by saying :

"At this late date it has been decided not to hold a general fraternity exhibit at the World's Fair. We have been considered somewhat peculiar, because, from the first, we refused to favor the project, so far as actively taking part is concerned. We declined from no wish to be individual. We could not understand the advisability, or the appropriateness, or even the possibility, of making any exhibit that could, in the least degree, do justice to fraternity life ; a subject that cannot be shown as can the latest inventions and scientific discoveries. With so much to be seen, how many outsiders would stray into the fraternity corner? And what would they see? Photographs, badges, magazines, banners. What a meaningless display to the uninitiated ! And to the initiated the thought would come, "How unsatisfactory, after all, and how incomplete !" For the essentials of fraternity life, its character and influence—how can these be represented in an exhibit like that of the World's Fair?"

Equally just is the comment upon the Phi Kappa Psi affair at Wisconsin University :

"A resignation of this kind comes as a blow, not only to Phi Kappa Psi, but to the whole Greek world. \* \* \* True it is that if one member suffer, all the members suffer with it. True, also, that if one fraternity shows weakness inconsistent with the principles of the highest fraternity standards, all fraternities must suffer, somewhat, from the blow to the great whole of fraternity life. A threatening evil is the reward conferred upon disloyalty, namely, the opportunity of entering another order. The sacredness of the bonds disappears, when one may leave one order for another at will. At the same time the respect for fraternity life is lessened.

"We have no inter-fraternity laws, or, at most, they exist in the conscience alone ; they are unwritten. If, being unwritten, they are disregarded, let them be proclaimed. Let a member leave his own order, if he will, but let him never enter another. Let no fraternity stoop to welcome a traitor !"

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The *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly* gives the place of honor to Leland Stanford University, and the chapter there, though of necessity there is little or nothing new to say on a subject which has been so widely discussed as the University and the position there of fraternities in general. A thoroughly well

written and sensible article is "The Meaning of Fraternity," and the writer presents the gist of the matter in a few words when he says:

"Originally the college fraternity was peculiarly a college institution. The idea of fellowship, further than is shown in concerted action against rival organizations, was unknown. When the college doors closed on the graduate, he looked back upon his fraternity associations as but one of the many formative influences of college life, which, while good and pleasurable enough in their day, had now passed away before the widening responsibilities of maturity. All things considered, the fraternity was a literary society in which the dominant passion for mysticism and secrecy were used as a machine tie in college politics. All this has changed. The evolution of fraternity has been a revolution. From friendship to brotherhood expresses the change. To narrow down the field of observation to our own, I should say that the guiding principle of our union is helpfulness."

Under the heading "The Use and Abuse of the Chapter House," the editor lifts up a warning voice against the danger of selfishness, and the possibility of too great intimacy in chapter house life. He suggests that "While our friendships may be the most real thing of our college career, we may find, like the porcupines of the old Greek fable, that greater comfort is to be found if we do not live too close together." Perhaps he does not mean to intimate that men chosen for membership in a fraternity usually bristle with peculiarities as the fretful porcupine with quills. The character of the average fraternity man probably presents its fair share of angularities, and will the friction he meets in the world rub off these sharp corners in a more kindly fashion than the intimate association of the chapter house? Or, if he needs to learn reserve, may he not learn it there quite as well as in a harder school, where the penalty for wearing his heart on his sleeve would be more severe?

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The March number of *Alpha Tau Omega Palm* comes a little late. The new management makes humble apology for this, but among the reasons given omits all mention of the fact that the magazine makes its appearance in a new cover. With this innovation another journal is added to the scoffed at

ranks of the blue covered, but the new design is printed in such a sallow, sickly, "greenery yallery" color that it is enough to make one shed tears of anguish. The more's the pity of it, because the subject matter deserves something better. It is distinctively a Congress number, which gives it special interest not only to Alpha Tau, but to all who are interested in the progress of the Greek world. Without question the gem of the number is the address delivered at the Congress by Rev. Thomas F. Gailor, D. D., Regent of Sewanee University, who is an especially interesting figure just now from the fact that he was conspicuously mentioned as the successor of Phillips Brooks in the bishopric. It is impossible to do justice to this address by means of extracts, but when a man like Dr Gailor, whose praise is in all the churches, bears glowing testimony to the "high spirit and lofty aims" inculcated by Alpha Tau Omega, he is speaking not alone of his own fraternity, but incidentally of and to all who acknowledge the same sacred bond of friendship, and with such testimony and such men every true Greek may proudly claim fellowship.

The report of the *Palm* committee as adopted by the Congress is decidedly interesting. It recommends that more attention be given to Greek letter exchanges in the columns of the *Palm*, and the following provision seems quite radical.

"That each initiate shall be charged \$1.50 as his *Palm* dues for the first year, and requested to pay the same within thirty days after initiation, under pain of suspension. Further, that every active member be required to renew his subscription when due, and should he fail to do this, he shall at the expiration of two weeks, be notified by the W. M., and, should he then fail for a further period of two weeks, he shall be at once suspended from the privileges of his chapter, until he makes good the deficit."

The College Fraternities Exhibit comes in for a brief editorial. According to this, the work of the committee has been carried on in a truly Pan Hellenic spirit of sweetness and light. But the editor distinctively refuses to stretch the broad mantle of charity sufficiently to cover those fraternities which have declined to take part in the exhibit. He attributes it to jealousy, (Shades of our Founders!!) and intimates that the

delinquents will have no one but themselves to blame when next summer they find themselves unrepresented. For ourselves we realize that it will then be everlastingly too late to come in out of the wet, but in view of this dreadful contingency we have ordered an extra large umbrella.

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The *Caduceus of Kappa Sigma* inaugurates a new departure in the way of illustrations by reprinting several cuts from the *Swarthmore Halcyon*. Most of them are decidedly amusing, though we question the appropriateness of reprinting the half tone picture of the college foot ball team, even if four of its members are Kappa Sigs. The associate editor contributes an earnest protest against "False Conservatism," in which he says :

So long as suitable material is to be had, we hold that it should be the policy of every chapter to increase the number of its active members as far as possible.

By way of illustration he continues :

Take, for instance, the Chapter of  $\Phi \Lambda \Theta$  at the University of Alabama. We find that the year in which the anti-Fraternity laws were repealed there the chapter numbered about sixty active members having full swing at the entire institution and not limiting its membership while there were good men to be had. The chapter has never suffered any evil effects from that year's work as far as is known, and has easily maintained the supremacy it gained in that year, and bids fair to keep it for all time, being easily the first chapter in the institution.

We know nothing about the success or failure of the particular chapter which he instances, but we would like to inquire just what would be the nature of the success he would look for in a chapter of sixty men. If the object to be attained were supremacy in college politics, then we admit that sixty votes might be a powerful factor in college elections. With so many members it would be strange if they did not manage to capture some who were distinguished in scholarship or athletics, unless, indeed, these men objected to sharing their distinction with so large a number, and preferred to join a fraternity with a smaller chapter, which would not require so much reflected glory to illumine it. For it cannot be denied that such a happy family would be decidedly patri-

archal in its dimensions. There certainly could not be among so many that harmony of thought, feeling, and interest which is the fine flower of fraternity life in a smaller chapter. If the fraternity is simply a club, organized for the convenience or to gratify the ambition of its members, then perhaps the larger the chapter the better, but if it is a brotherhood in the higher sense of the term let it not be so large as to preclude the possibility of all the members being thoroughly acquainted with each other.

The Editor's table in this number is more extended than usual, and in a very happy vein.

His remarks on the SHIELD are very graceful and we reproduce.

The guardian spirit of the fortunes of the journal of  $\Theta \Delta X$  does not seem to care to have the SHIELD called his "fat blue pride," and calls us to account for appropriating news items from the same. We confess that we find many items of interest in the pages of the SHIELD, and use them in a department marked "Notes and Clippings," and credit any article that is more than a simple news item, and that bears the stamp of originality in the magazine in which it appears. But as we see the same items, without credit, in the SHIELD, that we have read in other earlier copies of other journals, we cannot feel that Mr. Holmes can claim originality in much of his Greek notes, and rather think, as he suggests, that we glean sometimes in the same fields, and that he has stretched a point in order to say something in answer to a heedless remark about the bulk of the journal he ably edits.

The editor of the SHIELD gives to its readers probably the best review of the fraternity journalism that appears in any of its exponents. His views, although not always agreeing with those of the majority, are well expressed, and his criticisms and remarks are entertaining and instructive. He is not afraid to say what he thinks, and by avoiding the general tendency to say nothing if not complimentary, gives to the readers of the SHIELD a much better idea of the true value and status of the many journals than the more kindly reviewer. We make these remarks concerning the SHIELD and its editor, not because we have to thank the latter for any compliments, but because we too say what we think, and give praise and criticism where we think it due. We give below what the SHIELD has to say about us—but do not wish it taken as a sample of its reviews in bearing out our remarks above—for that ill-timed remark on "fatness" seems to have struck in a manner most unexpected.

Referring to College Notes, many which appear in the SHIELD are extracted from the daily press, and quite likely other

Greek editors seek the same source of supply and in this way would seem to be copying without credit. It is a matter of little importance however, and our remarks were made in a kindly spirit. We acknowledge the graceful kindness of Editor Warner and desire to compliment him on the able manner in which he wields the editorial pen.

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The exchange editor of *Kappa Alpha Journal* puts lance in rest, and like the knights of old, runs a tilt among those who have presumed to enter the lists of Greek journalism against him. Yet at the risk of being again the subject of the wealth of metaphor, which shows a familiarity on the part of the editor of *Kappa Alpha* with journalism, the law, and farming, to say nothing of a modest reference to angels, we venture to meet his criticisms with a quotation from a certain juvenile classic:

" The cloven knight received the blow  
Like a pin prick, nor seemed to know  
That he was sliced in two."

So, though the *Kappa Alpha* sword has descended upon our head, these thrusts at the "SHIELD of blue" do not keep us from thoroughly enjoying the April number. The article entitled "The Fraternity Editor" has no signature, but bears evidence on its face of having been written by one who is familiar with the trials which beset the path of the man who has anything to do with Greek journalism. We are led to think that he needs the meekness of Moses, the wisdom of Solomon, the literary ability of Silas Wegg, and a faith in the future like that possessed by the immortal Micawber, and it might be inferred that he should be willing to do good, looking for his reward in the next world. Among other articles, there is a well-written resume of the work done by the different fraternity conventions recently held. "The Higher Aims" is a dispassionate discussion of the aims of all fraternities, which we commend to the careful attention of barbarians, whether college presidents or undergraduates, the more's the pity that as they do not largely affect periodicals of this sort, comparatively few of them will ever see these statements.





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## REV. RUFUS S. GREEN, D. D.

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Rufus S. Green was born at Sidney Plains, N. Y., April 1, 1848. He prepared for college at the Gilbertsville Academy, and in his fifteenth year entered the sophomore class at Hamilton College. As is the case with many young men who are determined upon an education he lacked the ready means to complete his course. After teaching a few years in the Norwich Academy, he graduated in the class of 1867, taking the second honor of the class. During his sophomore year he took second prize in mathematics and first prize in English essay. In the Junior year he took first prize in classics and received honorable mention in English essay. After graduating from college Mr. Green spent two years in teaching at Coopers-town and Penn Yan. The third year was spent at the University in Berlin. Special attention was given to the German language, which he so thoroughly mastered that he can not only speak and read the language with ease, but has many times preached acceptably in German. In 1870 Mr. Green entered Auburn Theological Seminary, graduating in the spring of 1875. In September of the same year he became pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Westfield, N. Y. In June, 1877 he was called to the First Church of Morristown, N. J. After a successful pastorate of four years, he removed to Buffalo to become pastor of the Lafayette Street Presbyterian Church. When he assumed the pastorate of this church, October 19, 1881, there were three hundred and eleven members. After a successful pastorate of

more than eight years, with a membership of six hundred and twenty-two, he relinquished this field owing to the ill health of his wife and accepted a call to the Central Presbyterian Church of Orange, N. J. He closed his labors in Buffalo, March 2, 1890. The farewell exercises on this occasion indicated the powerful hold he had upon the congregation and their deep regret at his departure. During his connection with this Church in addition to the large accession of members, over \$180,000 was raised for benevolence and church improvements. Returning to New Jersey he became pastor of the Central church of Orange, which pastorate he resigns to accept the presidency of the Elmira College.

Dr. Green was married on the 23d of July, 1875 to Miss Lucy Ann, daughter of the Rev. Samuel Robinson, and a former student at the Elmira College. They have three daughters and one son living. The eldest child, a wonderfully bright boy of seventeen years was drowned Aug. 2, 1892. He had just graduated from the Newark Academy, taking the highest honors of his class, and had successfully passed the entrance examinations of Princeton College. He was spending his vacation on the Musquash River in Canada, when the sad accident occurred which terminated his life.

The honorary degree of D. D. was conferred upon Dr. Green by his Alma Mater in 1883.

That Dr. Green has much ability in the direction especially needed by the Elmira College, is indicated in the following extract which appeared in the May number of *The Worker*.

Dr. Green's ability to manage church finances was recognized not only by his own church in Buffalo, but in the Synod of New York he rendered much valuable assistance in putting into effective operation the scheme of synodical sustentation, by which the Board of Home Missions is relieved of the care of the weak churches, and in creating new interest in the whole subject of proportionate giving. A still wider recognition was given when in 1891 he was chosen chairman of General Assembly special committee on systematic beneficence. The work for the church at large has prospered under his administration, although in this, as in other lines of effort, results are not all seen immediately. A single act, however, which stamps the man as grasping the needs of the situation was the establishment of the *Christian Steward*, a small monthly paper for the use of the committee in reaching the members of the churches.

The wisdom of this will be seen as time goes on. Other means are also used and the progress of the work of educating Christians to avail themselves of the privilege of giving to the Lord's cause is highly gratifying, and the gratitude of the entire Church is due to this committee and especially its chairman for this disinterested service. For it is purely a labor of love.

Personally Dr. Green is a man of dignified and noble bearing, with the impress of strong character clearly outlined in every feature, a keen penetrating eye, gleaming with a kindly love which attracts all who meet him, a ready speaker, whose voice is filled with melody and power. His career thus far has been one of success in every direction and he comes to Elmira College with the settled look of determination, which carries with it the sure evidence of success. He will be welcomed by the citizens of Elmira as a most desirable accession to this community, and by his co-workers in the College as the one who has at a most opportune moment appeared on the field to lead them to victory.

The above is taken from an article which appeared in the *Elmira Advertiser* of June 13th, and as it was written by the editor of the SHIELD we are privileged to reproduce it here.

After several weeks canvass by the trustees of the Elmira College for a suitable person to take the presidency of the institution, Dr. Green was settled upon as just the man for the place and at their meeting during Commencement week he received a unanimous election. Dr. Green was prevailed upon to accept the position and at once entered upon his duties. He has been kindly received upon all sides and has already won the hearts of all with whom he has come in contact. Those who know him as a Theta Delta know all which we have said of him to be true and more. He is enthusiastic in his work and intensely loyal to the fraternity.

He may be justly called the real founder of the Psi charge. He was initiated by the Xi charge during his senior year and immediately set about the formation of a charge. He was a member of the Alpha Phi Society, a purely literary organization, which sprung from the old Phoenix Society. There were about twenty members of this society and it was proposed to take them en masse. John T. Knox and Charles A. Wetmore

were also initiated by the Xi charge. Strong opposition was met at the hands of the Delta charge, who objected on the ground that it was a literary society. The project dragged for some time. Bro. Green finally visited the Delta and after much persuasion gained their consent. This occurred after his graduation, but when he returned to Clinton to aid in carrying out the establishment of the charge; a curious complication arose. The Alpha Phi men had become tired from waiting so long for the fraternity to decide their fate, and declined to go in. Then came a struggle to gain them over again. Finally all was settled and a delegation from the Chi charge went to Clinton and initiated the petitioners and established the Psi charge. Bro. Green has lived to see the fruit of his labor. Psi has sent forth many noble men who do honor to the fraternity. Among them all, however, there is none whom the fraternity delights more to honor than the founder of the charge.

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#### CLASS POEM.

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*Class Day, Brown University, 1857. Composed and Read by  
Geo. W. Carr, M. D., Providence, R. I.*

As pilgrims linger by some holy shrine,  
On verdant slope of towering Appenine,  
And backward gaze upon the western main,  
Forgetting now their journey's toil and pain,  
Whilst twilight paints on fair Italia's skies  
Her fading glories on broad canopies,  
And parting blushes glow along the scene  
Like transient pleasures far o'er memory's green,  
And all around as far as eye can scan  
Lie olden relics, epitaphs of man,  
The mouldering ruins, ivy crested towers,  
Palatial marble and Campanian bowers,—  
So look we back from this our festal day  
And to the good old times our homage pay,  
Awake the memories of the old regime  
And float awhile upon its tranquil stream.

There is a charm whose winning influence flows  
From every spot where learning's sons repose,

Along the paths where once they loved to roam  
 From every nook which e'er has been their home,  
 Thus veneration bows the reverent knee  
 On every spot made great by truth's decree,  
 Alike esteems the shrines yet undecayed  
 And those where time has fiercest havoc made,  
 They stand like beacons of a distant age  
 To guide the scholar and to greet the sage ;  
 Though friars throng no more Iona's fane,  
 Though long in ruins have her altars lain,  
 The ivy wreathes its garlands o'er her grave  
 And decks in beauty whom it could not save.  
 Hushed is the matiu song and vesper hymn,  
 Quenched is the light of tapers burning dim,  
 Cold are the forms which once were kneeling there,  
 No more ascend the incense and the prayer,—  
 Yet hearts are yearning toward that holy place,  
 Time can its portals not its fame deface.

The turf shall be the pilgrim's fragrant shrine  
 Who 'neath the shadow of its walls recline,  
 Who still 'round its prostrate ruins stray  
 To mark the spot where hero martyrs lay.

And shall we scorn this glad, sincere return,  
 Reject this tribute from devotion's urn ?  
 Is loyalty to learning's still retreats,  
 Her gloomy cloisters and her sacred seats,  
 Is loyalty to all that can refute  
 And intellect with proudest chaplets twine,  
 Unworthy him whose soul has ever beat  
 In union with Homer's sounding feet  
 Or found congenial warmth in strains once sung  
 On Iris' stream, where Grecian damsels hung  
 Enraptured at the bold chivalric tale  
 Poured forth by minstrels in her classic vale ?  
 Whilst statesmen swell their patriotic song,  
 And rally 'round their country right or wrong,  
 Whilst all maintain the honor of the state,  
 At every hazard call her good and great,  
 Whilst deep dishonor is the traitor's doom,  
 And ignominy stamps the recreant's tomb,  
 Whilst glory decks the faithful martyr's grave  
 And twines the laurel 'round the loyal brave.—  
 Shall those who bow at Alma Mater's shrine  
 Court loyalty to her as less divine,

Upraise for her no grateful song of praise  
And reverence not the great of other days ?

Around old Albion's barren cliffs of snow  
Glad as the waves that lave their feet below  
Cling happy memories of the bygone years,  
Now bright with promise and now dimmed by tears,  
Each son of Albion turns his lingering gaze  
Where learning's temples lofty columns raise,  
Where from the olden time those altars stand,  
Which art and science scattered o'er the land,  
Through Oxford's classic shades and towering piles,  
Along her gentle streams and pillared aisles,  
Her foster children yearly wend their way,  
With retrospective glance her deeds survey,  
For every nook within her classic halls,  
And every painting on her mossy walls,  
And every bank laved by the Iris' tide,  
Can tell how sages lived, how martyrs died.  
There England's Primate tottered to the block,  
Whilst Albion's isle was riven by the shock ;  
And where Balliol casts her lengthened shade,  
Where now their monumental pile is laid,  
The pious Ridley breathed the martyr's prayer,  
And fire and fagot canonized the pair,  
Here martyr antiquaries fumble o'er  
The quaint old volumes of forgotten lore,  
Awake old Chaucer from his dusty grave  
And Cœdman's script with pious reverence save.

Nor lesser fame has hallowed Granta's seats,  
Or flung enchantment 'round her calm retreats.  
Though Carus' dull waters rival not in pride  
The silvery winding of the Iris' tide,  
And Art and Nature have less kindly smile  
Than on her rival's more imposing pile,  
Yet on her annals' greater names we trace  
Where Genius lingering consecrates the place.  
For as the ghost of ancient Homer clings  
Around Scamander's low and wasting springs,  
And as divine Shakespeare's wondrous might  
Fills smiling Stratford and the world with light,  
So cling the memories of the great and good  
Around these haunts of their high brotherhood.  
Here Milton worshipped at the Muse's fame,  
And Newton first observed the starry train ;

Here Bacon scanned the old Platonic rules  
 And breathed the spirit of the Grecian schools ;  
 And others great in genius and in fame  
 Have linked their memories with her very name.  
 Who then can view those walls or musing stand  
 On ground thus hallowed by that peculiar band,  
 And feel no reverence for the mighty dead  
 Or bless the spot on which their glory shed  
 The glistening halo of a matchless fame  
 And gave a prestige to her very name.

On those same walls the mediæval age  
 Beheld the armor of the squire and page  
 And heard the watchword of the stern patrol  
 Along their turrets and embrasures roll ;  
 And still there echoes through her columned halls  
 And on the soul with stirring cadence falls,  
 The signal watchword and the cheering cry,  
 " Gird on your armor, on to victory !"

We too can boast in this our western clime,  
 Although less honored by the deeds of time,  
 Some classic spots made sacred by the muse,  
 Nor can we them the meed of praise refuse.  
 What bright remembrances will cling around  
 The ancient walls on Harvard's classic ground,  
 What thoughts are wakened by such gentle gale  
 That floats along the shady groves of Yale.  
 And thou ! O, Brown ! the mother of our choice !  
 In thy glad heritage to-day rejoice ;  
 No deed of thine has raised the blush of shame  
 Or thrown reproach around thy honored name.  
 On thy pure annals lowers no bigot's frown,  
 No martyr's blood has stained thy high renown,  
 Thy corner stone was laid on freedom's ground,  
 The very spot where truth long since had found  
 A safe asylum and a welcome home,  
 Had built her altars and had raised her dome,  
 'Twas meet that learning then should hold the sway  
 When freedom's exile had prepared the way.  
 Thou too can'st boast a long and honored line,  
 Whose well-earned fame has also brightened thine,  
 Whose deeds are known on every sea and land,  
 By icy breezes or by zephyrs fanned.  
 See now, along the Ganges' bloody tide,  
 Gaudama with thy sons the sway divide ;

'Twas thou didst strike all heathendom with fear  
 When Judson sailed, the Gospel's pioneer.  
 Thus battle ever for the truth and right,  
 With manly firmness and heroic might,  
 Slave to no bigot, recreant to no tie,  
 The cynosure of crushed humanity.  
 And as thy sons act well their part in life,  
 They still amid its conflicts, cares and strife,  
 With grateful hearts return these scenes to view,  
 Again the days of college life renew.

Review awhile the student's changing way,  
 Recall the passions which his bosom sway,  
 And see how every pain a pleasure brings  
 And how from both a loyal feeling springs,  
 Now bright with sunshine and now dimmed by woe  
 He sees anon the fleet Olympiad go,  
 Yet memory lingers 'round the honored place  
 And lures its pains and pleasures to retrace.  
 The toil and labor of scholastic life  
 Bring not to him the frenzy of the strife  
 When toil and danger lose their hideous hue  
 And timid cowards vaunt like heroes too ;  
 He toils alone, with heartache and unrest,  
 With stern resolves to triumph in his heart,  
 With Truth's great problem, undismayed to cope  
 Sustained, encouraged by a buoyant hope.  
 So the wan pilgrim plods Arabia's strand,  
 Far from the hearthstone of his native land ;  
 The lengthened days roll on their toilsome round  
 And still the wanderer on his way is found ;  
 On, ever on to Mecca's holy shrine,  
 With heart resolved, although his body pine  
 For flowing waters and the cooling stream,  
 The downy pillow and the blissful dream,  
 He bends beneath the Simoom's sandy tide,  
 He sees the mirage spread its waters wide,  
 Through shady groves ambrosial zephyrs blow,  
 Through verdant lawns refreshing streamlets flow ;  
 Yet bright visions dwell within his soul,  
 The high reward of him who gains the goal ;  
 Then onward seeks the proud sepulchral pile,  
 Forgets his sorrows 'neath the prophet's smile.  
 Thus toils the student through the weary day  
 Nor pauses yet beneath the midnight ray,  
 For hours he ponders o'er some hidden line,

Some Attic proverb or some problem fine  
And lucky he if for his wondrous pains  
He one small thought from many a folio gains.  
He fills his head with logarithmic sins,  
He groans and fumbles o'er the dusky lines  
Which some astute and noble Grecian sage  
Has left for him upon the classic page.

Horatian metres now his thoughts employ,  
Now Napier's rules infuse ambiguous joy ;  
With dizzy head he treads the stellar main,  
At one fell swoop he lies in Hecate's chain ;  
But ere Plutonian pangs his vitals rend  
Or on Ixion's wheel his body bends,  
He seeks the Gods in their celestial home  
And marks their lineage on the heavenly dome.  
His senses wild with such distracting feats  
He now from his tormentor quick retreats  
And seeks the bower of some fairy elf  
To bring afresh dire torments on himself.  
Presumptuous he ! to think that beauty's eye  
Should deign one tear to his repulsive sigh,  
That he should hear responsive accents flow,  
Who never aped the fop or played the beau.  
Yon brainless fop who swells along the street  
Ne'er bows unhonored at the Grace's feet ;  
Here Fashion decks with tinsel and with cane,  
Supplies in frippery what he lacks in brain ;  
Adorned with all that vanity bestows,  
From silken vestments to an upturned nose,  
He struts along in conscious merit great  
And rails at learning at a direful rate.  
With such a compeer learning may aspire  
In vain to raise the sympathetic fire,  
In vain to wander from th' classic grove  
And seek awhile through Paphian haunts to rove.  
Nor is success the constant, sure return  
Of him whose thoughts for science only burn.  
Thus when the follies of his early course  
Have lost on him their sophomoric force  
And sterner feelings make the senior yearn  
To tell the world what thoughts within him burn,  
Some silvery Thetis, with her siren song,  
Lures his lone bark the surging waves along,  
Sounds on his ear the distant breakers roar  
When flattering fancy paints the murmuring shore :

Too late he sees the danger round him spread  
And soon the billows triumph o'er his head.

Thus hope allures him to the critic's toils,  
Around his heart the poisonous viper coils ;  
Ambition fires but modesty shrinks back  
And trembling fears to tempt the critic's rack ;  
He knows full well how many hearts have bled,  
How smiles have vanished and how hopes have fled,  
How minds have lost their intellectual bloom  
Whom rank injustice hastened to the tomb.  
O shade of Homer ! spirit of the dead !  
In vain Ulysses fought, Achilles bled,  
In vain old Ilium's walls have laid them low  
And Priam's sons to exile forced to go ;  
No critic's eye had scanned thy page along,  
No critic's rule had measured forth thy song,  
For nature breathed untutored thoughts for thee  
Nor recked she what the critic's rule might be.

But why recount the labor of the way  
And murmur at the heavy price we pay,  
When beauty spreads her mantle ail around  
And clothed in verdure all the classic ground.  
The road to science leads to dizzy heights,  
O'er weary sands, through long and dreary nights,  
But oft meanders through the blooming vale  
And oft is swept by many a fragrant gale.  
And every height which dizzy seems at first,  
When once attained, Lo higher wonders burst  
Upon the view, and all the past seems clad  
In waving robes of green, and warblers glad  
Pour sweeter music o'er the fading view,—  
And every step takes on a brighter hue.  
Then pour in glad succession down the years  
The great of ages and their high compeers ;  
His eye reviews the slow and lengthened train,  
Sees all their deeds recounted once again ;  
Through Academic groves the sages stray  
Or Aristotle teaches on the way.

The Delphic oracle rechants her doom,  
And mutterings rend the Eleusinian gloom,  
And where Castalia pours her crystal tide  
The silvery naiads o'er her bosom glide,  
The Muses tune their golden harps once more  
And touch the chords which echoed there of yore ;

And sunny Greece in glory reappears,  
Undimmed in beauty, through the silent years.  
Now in the past alone his spirit dwells,  
With cunning hopes his bosom often swells,  
For Truth his day star sheds the eternal ray,  
Which around stretches to the perfect day.  
The past all dark and blood-stained with its crime,  
Though classic still and clad in blooming thyme,  
Must fade and vanish in the brighter hue  
Which Truth and Justice fling around the new.  
Imagination waves her purple wings  
Above the ancient diadems of kings ;  
Beyond this drear and wintry eve of time  
Brave voices swell their glad and choral chime.  
Who never sang the laureled victor's feats  
Of proud Olympia or the Isthmian seats ;  
And eyes of starry brightness radiant shine,  
And beings fairer than the sister nine  
Glide gaily on around the coming years  
And greet the future smiling through its tears.

We now are following in the steps of those  
Who slumber calmly in their last repose ;  
With swelling hearts they stood where we now stand,  
A firm, unbroken and a hopeful band  
Just waked to life from out their dreamy spell,  
And life's great drama they have acted well.  
And as our part in turn to theirs succeeds,  
Be ours the aim to emulate their deeds.  
And there are memories dwelling in our hearts  
Each one shall bear as sadly he departs,  
The gushing memories of the pleasant hours,  
So gently passed amid Brunonian bowers.

Wheree'r in future our lot be laid,  
'Midst palmy groves or wild magnolia's shade ;  
Away in distant lands of sunnier clime,  
'Midst orange groves or by the drooping lime,  
Let fortune smile or dire reverses frown,  
Our latest breath shall be a prayer for Brown.

## THE FRATERNITY CONGRESS.

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Every Theta Delt undoubtedly knows that in conjunction with the World's Congress Auxiliary of the World's Columbian Exposition, a Congress of College Fraternities was held in the Memorial Art Palace. Three very interesting sessions of this Congress had been arranged; they consisted of a General session of College Fraternities held on Wednesday morning, July 19th, a Special Session of Fraternity Editors on Wednesday afternoon, and a Woman's Session on Thursday morning, July 20th. Each of the three sessions furnished many valuable papers, which tended to make the listener feel proud, not only that he was a member of a certain Fraternity, but that he was a member of the great fraternity system. One circumstance which surprised the fraternity men, was the fact that there were more ladies present at the General Session than men, and it seemed to me they were as much imbued with the fraternity spirit, with the friendly and brotherly, or rather sisterly feeling, as we, members of the stronger sex. Bro. Holmes was to read a paper on "Fraternity Journalism, Its Financial Aspects," at the Special Session of Fraternity Editors, but illness unfortunately prevented him from attending the Congress. This fact was deeply deplored by all Theta Delt present, for he proved the missing link which could not be replaced. In connection with the Congress a reception was given by the Soroses in the New York State Building on Thursday afternoon. The situation here was, as far as my little knowledge of fraternity history goes, unprecedented in the annals of the fraternity world. The handsome reception room and banquet hall of this beautiful building were thronged with fraternity men and women. There was hardly a fraternity that did not have its representatives. The first hour was mainly devoted to "finding one another," and soon the members of the different Fraternities were assembled in groups, giving their respective yells and singing the songs which are so dear to the heart of every fraternity man. Almost every charge of our beloved fraternity was worthily represented; there were at least 25 brothers present and it is needless to say

that many new friendships were formed and many old ones renewed. "G A X shall be the Anthem" resounded through the halls mixing with the cries of Psi Upsilon, A K E, A D  $\Phi$  and all the other branches of the great fraternity system too numerous to mention. Such a meeting of a thousand fraternity men and women in one building, in one room, has probably never occurred before and will not for some time to come. What delighted me most was the attendance of brothers who were no longer college students but men on whom college doors had shut years ago, and who were well on their way on the stormy path of life. I refer especially to Bro. Buchanan, Theta, '73, who left his Alma Mater 20 years ago, but who still wore his pin as proudly as if he had just been initiated. These are the men, that remember the connections and friendships formed in their college days through life, who have brought the fraternity system to the height it now occupies in the college world. A little incident happened which will hardly prove interesting to those not present at the reception, but to the brothers whose throats were hoarse from singing and shouting, it came in very opportunely. One of the fraternity girls who served the refreshing mixture of Roman Punch and Ice Cream, wore our pin, and you may be sure that we Theta Delt were not losers by the fact. Towards evening the bands in the Music Pavilion on the Fair Grounds struck up college airs, and college men and women sang to the accompaniment as only college students can. In the evening, some attended a Fraternity banquet and dance held in the New York State Building, while others woke the echoes on the Midway. All left the fair late at night, vowing they had had a jolly good time, and that they hoped to renew the friendships thus happily formed. I would like to say a word about the similarity between our pin and that of Phi Kappa Psi. While at the Fair I was accosted at least a dozen times by Phi Psis who, seeing my pin, mistook me for one of their fold, and as many times did I take a Phi Psi for a Theta Delt until I came closer and could distinguish the letters. I often wonder whether Psi U, D. K. E. and Phi Gamma Delta have the same trouble. During fraternity week many acquaintances were formed at the Fair,

and the bonds of friendship which unite us all in a noble brotherhood, were strengthened and drawn closer by such pleasant intercourse with our fellow-brethren. I append a partial list of brothers met at the Fair during the week. There were so many present, it was impossible to get all their names.

Beta—C. M. Thorp, '84; P. A. Newton, Jr. '94; C. A. Cleaver, '94; E. D. McConnell, '94; L. S. Louer, '94; T. T. Hubbard, '95; C. D. Dreier, '96.

Gamma Deuteron—F. F. Van Tuyl, '95; H. H. Van Tuyl, '96.

Delta—W. C. Hawley, '86.

Epsilon Deuteron—H. D. Cowen, '95.

Zeta—E. B. Morse, '96.

Eta—P. C. Newbegin, '91; R. Newbegin, '96.

Theta—C. H. Buchanan, '73.

Kappa—J. M. Hollister, '92.

Lambda—F. W. Kimball, '94; C. W. Coyle, '94; W. F. Rogers, '94; C. W. Pierce, '95.

Mu Deuteron—F. W. Cole, '93; C. A. Kelley, '95; J. P. Trask, '95.

Nu Deuteron—C. D. Richmond, '95.

Pi Deuteron—W. L. Jaques, '94, R. Tombo, Jr., '95; D. M. Marrenner, '96.

Tau Deuteron—C. T. Moffett, '93; C. L. Weeks, '94.

Chi—W. M. Glass, '96.

RUDOLF TOMBO, JR., II<sup>nd</sup> '95.

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## THE FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF FRATERNITY JOURNALISM.

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Fraternity journalism occupies a field so peculiarly its own that the consideration of any factor of its existence is prescribed by narrow and well defined limits. The particular factor under consideration in this article is decidedly the most important and interesting of all the components of fraternity journalism. The great magazines of the day, whether devoted to science, general literature or politics, have the whole world for a field, but the Greek press can only look to the fraternity men for existence.

In an analysis of the possibilities of the Greek press, under any of its aspects, it is necessary to make two great sub-divis-

ions, and many minor ones. The first division has relation to the quality of fraternity loyalty which exists in the subject. About one-half of the members of any society are entirely neutral as to society matters. The other half constitute the enthusiastic body which to-day comprises the fraternity world. This class is again divisible into the multitude of societies whose individual interests are so paramount that they have very few points in common.

There are at present twenty-two distinctively fraternity periodicals published. The total membership of the societies thus represented is 67,500. Under our first sub-division the largest number of possible supporters for any of the journals is 5,000. Only one society has this list, the next is 3,500 as a possibility to two journals, 2,000 for three journals, 1,000 for six journals, and eight have a range of from 200 to 500. From these figures it will be seen that the limits of any fraternity periodical are necessarily prescribed. In addition to the special publications, there are two which cover the general field and have more or less interest for all, but are not directly attractive to the general fraternity reader, who peruses his particular society journal, to learn from it the progress of the society.

With such a definite outline of the field and scope of fraternity periodicals, it seems easy to define their financial aspect. The history of the past is an index of the future. Three of the strongest societies have already seen their periodicals succumb, after a more or less chequered existence. The majority of those now published hang by a thread of possibility. So far as our knowledge extends, not a single publication of this class has ever enjoyed the prosperity of business success, but has depended upon the energy of the publisher, contributions from members, or foreign sources of income. This fact is in no wise the fault of the journals themselves, or those who labor on their pages. No class of special journals published perform their functions any more successfully than fraternity journals, with the difference in favor of the latter class. None of the editors of fraternity periodicals are commensurately paid, many receive nothing whatever for their work, and some

not only do the work gratuitously, but also make up cash deficiencies for publication. The only thing which keeps any of them alive is the interior patriotism which exists in all college societies, and the greater the degree of this enthusiasm, the more pronounced the apparent success of the journal. We say apparent, advisedly, because this factor is not sufficient to keep alive a journal unless the editor is endowed with much zeal and patience. Let any one of them fall into the hands of the ordinary routine editor and it would die "a bornin'."

To the general magazine advertising patronage is a source of revenue for profit. To the fraternity periodical it constitutes the balance of power which keeps the journal alive, and is therefore not a source of revenue, but of existence itself. But one fraternity journal has ever attempted to maintain an existence without their aid. One periodical tried it for a year, hoping that the pride of exclusiveness would stimulate the society to greater animation, and a consequent increase in the subscription list. Subscriptions did not, however, materialize, and the experiment resolved itself into a choice between a deficit or the insertion of advertisements.

Under the light of experience there seems to be no future prospect for the financial success of any fraternity periodical on general business principles. The membership of college societies is augmented each year, but the percentage of those who are voluntary subscribers during the first ten years after leaving college is very small, so that it may be said that the field does not practically grow larger. The reasons for this are obvious. The young graduate meets other and more serious problems, which attract his entire attention and consume his cash until he becomes settled in life. If prosperous, then his mind returns to college associations, and he becomes a supporter of his society paper. If unfortunate, he then is of the class who would like to but cannot.

Perhaps one of the principal reasons why the fraternity periodical may not be expected to grow with advancing years is that it literally does not fill any essential point in the economy of business or professional life. It is one of the side lights which serve to brighten the social existence and keep alive the

memories of earlier and happier days. It serves an excellent purpose in its field, and is probably more appreciated by its readers than any other periodical. It therefore deserves an existence, and has a prospect of life quite as good as that of any of the popular periodicals of the day, which for a time flourish and then, like a fashion plate, vanish from sight forever. A fraternity journal may suspend, and be revived, and at once enjoy the same prosperity it had before, all depending upon the editor and his zeal. It does not literally depend upon any financial consideration. Every line which appears on its pages is a work of love. The paltry sums paid to a few of the editors bear no part in the life of the journals. Probably there is not one who would not gladly relinquish his task to some more zealous brother, if such could be found. Unlike all other branches of editorial work, the task has to seek the man, and often hunts a long time before any one is found willing to assume a position involving so much labor with so little hope of any substantial reward. As a last resort, some enthusiastic member assumes the task so that the fraternity may not be deprived of its position in the Greek world.

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#### THE OLD BETA CHAIR,

Come tell me old boys, whose beards now are gray  
 Who have battled with sorrow and care,  
 Do you never feel sad to remember the day  
 When we sat in the Old Beta Chair?

We sat there and rocked and chatted and mocked,  
 Our spirits as light as the air—  
 All the world has grown cold and we have grown old  
 Since we sat in the Old Beta Chair!

The long years that have fled may have whitened our heads, (Those of us  
 living. Some are dead.)

Who can tell now what burdens we bear?  
 Will you still keep the vow? Do you still love me now,  
 Since we sat in the Old Beta Chair?

Yes, our hearts are still young and our bosoms are wrung  
 With the thought of the love that we share.  
 Time may give us the slip but we still have the grip—  
 We have sat in the Old Beta Chair.

Then pledge me, old boys, whose beards now are gray,  
 Come join me in spirit and swear—  
 Our love is new yet; we can never forget  
 We have sat in the Old Beta Chair.

—WILLIAM NEEELY FREEMAN, Beta '84.

## Our Graduates.

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

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George Williamson Smith, D. D., Xi, '57. From the Boston Sunday Herald of June 18th we take the following article, which is worthy of permanent record in THE SHIELD :

President Smith has been in charge of Trinity College, the chief literary institution of the Episcopal church in New England, for ten years, and it is a proper time to pass in review what he has accomplished for that institution within this time. It is no more easy to build up a college than to establish a newspaper, and the successful colleges in this country are chiefly those which have widened out their basis from a denominational to a representative position, and have become really national institutions. Speaking largely, there are only two great literary institutions in New England—Harvard and Yale; but, speaking truly, there are five or six institutions that have a distinguished position among us, if they are not so large or influential as the two here named. Trinity, Williams, Brown, Amherst, Dartmouth, Tufts and Bowdoin are all institutions of which any community may well be proud. They have a history and a character, and they are at present, in each instance, in the hands of men who have displayed a wonderful capacity for developing education along right lines, and in sympathy with American ideas. What can be said for the smaller college at its best is illustrated in the recent development of each one of these smaller institutions, and this is a good time to take up some of them and indicate what their lead and merits are and what kind of men are at their head.

Before President Smith came to Trinity College in 1883 it had removed to a fine location a mile out of the city of Hartford, and had built one side of a quadrangle, after the style of an English university, on its magnificent site, overlooking one of the finest valley views in Connecticut. It had builded better than it knew, but its trustees, if their ambitions were bigger than their purses, built wisely for the future, and today there is no institution in New England that can compare with it in the beauty of its architecture and in the healthfulness of its location. But President Smith, who is a man of large resources, of independent and liberal thought, and of enthusiastic leadings and sympathies, was not to

be overcome by difficulties. On him had fallen the duty of making Trinity College the model of what a New England academic institution ought to be. It has ceased to be a college of the diocese of Connecticut and has been made an institution of national reputation. It is not exclusively or even mainly a feeder for a theological school, but an institution where a man can pursue scientific and philosophical branches which represent intellectual discipline and the culture of gentlemen. It has fought its way under Dr. Smith and his admirable associates to the front rank in the colleges of the United States, as distinguished from the universities. It has made itself strong in the improvements which a large view of education have brought home to us, and while it has all the benefits of the small college in the cultivation of comradeship and in bringing young men to act and react upon one another, it has such elasticity in its methods of using electives that young men, intent upon special studies and pursuits, can save a year or more in professional studies by the free adaptation of the curriculum to their special needs. It combines the scientific men with the academic men by keeping up the old dormitory system, so that all classes of students are brought into close relations with one another and with their instructors, thus making the institution a place where men are ground up against other men and are compelled to learn how to control themselves and to live and work with others. These are no small advantages. They mean that the institution has a well-developed plan of education, and that the young men who are trained in it get something more than mental discipline and diplomas.

The feature of this institution which specially commends itself to attention is its religious character. President Smith would be the last man to say that Trinity is a purely denominational college, or that it is run strictly to meet the demands of his own communion. The faculty of Trinity includes Presbyterians, Congregationalists and Baptists, although the rule and worship of the Episcopal church are followed. What is of priceless value in the institution is that religion is neither forced upon men nor left to haphazard measures. The daily service in Trinity College is said to be the only instance where the students begin the day at a fixed hour with religious worship which they would rather attend than shirk, and to have reached this point with young men is something that makes for character and righteousness in a fashion that everywhere commends itself to attention. This is not a special work accomplished by Professor Smith or his associates. It has been a feature of Trinity from the beginning, but it is now carried on in such a way that it helps to make the men reverent and devout and straightforward. With a manly president, with manly professors, with independence of position, and with a comprehensive range of study that fits into the needs of American life, Trinity College has at length entered upon a career of which its trustees are as proud as its alumni, and it is simply right and honest to

say that in ten years of hard work, often under many discouragements, President Smith has made his influence felt in every department of the institution, not suppressing the activity or the independence of his associates, but constantly placing strong men in the right positions, and constantly inviting endowments and gifts, which are at once applied to the widening out of the influence of this institution to the largest possible service. Dr. Henry Barnard, who is the Nestor of American educators, recently said that, in his opinion, Trinity College stood in the first rank to day as an institution which combines the university with academic work in the best proportions, and gives a thorough and practical education to its students. President Smith may look back on his ten years of work for Trinity with some satisfaction in having gained such a judgment from one who has a right to be heard.

Albert J. Weisley, Phi, '91, now in the class of '94 in Princeton Theological Seminary, took the first prize offered by the committee on systematic beneficence of the Presbyterian Church of the United States for the best essay on the subject of Christian Stewardship. His essay is published in the October number of the *Christian Steward*. The chairman of this committee, who is also editor of the *Steward*, is Dr. Rufus S. Green, D. D., Psi, '67. He was not aware of the fact that Bro. Weisley was a Theta Delt when the award was made, and would not now know it had the editor of THE SHIELD not informed him of the fact. Bro. Weisley's essay is a master piece, both as a production *per se*, and a sensible Christian article.

W. C. Hawley, Delta, '86, has set his face eastward. A letter just received from one of the Chicago brothers says: "The Northwestern Association at Chicago deplore the loss from among its active members of Brother W. C. Hawley, Delta, '86. Brother H. has been one of the most active members in this Association, and to him, as much as to any one, is due its existence. He was one of the first to work for the formation of the Association, and one of the three or four who successfully revived it after it had slept for a year in undisturbed repose. The Chicago members will miss his genial face and helping hand, and will send him their best wishes for success in his new place. Brother H. is engaged in constructing a proper water supply for the city of Troy, N. Y., and at last reports was up among the mountains, out in some wilderness at the head of navigation, or some other starting point, looking for a source of water supply which should be free from germs and other crawling things. Evidently from the tone of his report he was happy and very busy.

George W. Woodward, Omicron Deuteron, '84, will be for the coming year connected with "King's School," Stamford, Conn.

Edward Y. Ware, Epsilon Deuteron, '91, is located in Denver, Colo., with the Denver Consolidated Electric Co., and writes that he will be glad to see any visiting Theta Delts.

Rev. W. W. Dawley, Psi, '75, "has resigned the Woodland Park Church, St. Paul, in order to accept the hearty and unanimous call of the First Church, Duluth. This announcement means much to the Baptists of both these cities—to St. Paul, well nigh irreparable loss; to Duluth, inestimable gain. For six years now Mr. Dawley has been pastor of the Woodland Park church. No man is better known in the state or more generally beloved than Mr. Dawley. Not alone in the city of St. Paul has the influence of his consecrated life and attendant labor been felt, but elsewhere as well. No pastor has been more ready to respond to the call of outside interests, none more quick to "lend a hand" to the weak, struggling church, or to speak the encouraging, helpful word to a brother pastor. In the community outside Baptist circles he stood equally high, enjoying the esteem and confidence of all churches, of whatever name. It is not to be wondered at then that Mr. Dawley's departure from St. Paul is regarded as a serious loss to church and city. To say that he goes to very great and far reaching responsibilities is to under state, rather than over state the fact. In the opinion of this writer there is nowhere in all Minnesota a more important field than the one Mr. Dawley is to be pastor over,"—*The Minneapolis Ensign*.

Brother Dawley's address is 1115 East Third st., Duluth, Minn.

Rev. A. S. Coats, Psi, '72, has resigned the pastorate in Pawtucket, R. I., and become pastor of the Washington street church in Buffalo, N. Y. His address is 150 North Pearl street.

Edward D. Warner, Gamma Deuteron, '91, received the prize recently offered by *The Iron Age* for the best and most comprehensive essay on "Advantages of the Cash Over the Credit System of Trade."

W. R. Walkley, Omicron, '60, delivered the Phi Beta Kappa poem at the Dickinson College commencement.

Rev. Lewis Halsey, Xi, '68, preached the baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class of Houghton seminary, of which Bro. A. G. Benedict is President. Dr. Halsey also delivered an address at the commencement of Clifton Springs seminary, which was very highly spoken of.

Henry A. Wing, Eta, '80, is managing editor of the Lewiston (Maine) Daily Sun, a democratic paper established a few months ago.

Llewellyn Barton, Eta, '84, was admitted to the bar at Portland, Me., about the first of May, 1893.

C. C. Kneisley, Delta, '73, is now located at Davenport, Iowa, as Secretary of Davenport Co-Operative Bank.

A. M. Edwards, Eta, '80, has been chosen chief clerk of the Liberal Arts Department at the Columbian Exposition. Mr. Edwards has lately been so unfortunate as to lose a valuable law library by fire.

Gould A. Porter, Eta, '91, has resigned his position as assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Farmington, Me.

Wilmot B. Mitchell, Eta, '90, has resigned his position as teacher of the Freeport High School to accept the position of instructor of rhetoric and elocution at Bowdoin College.

O. R. Cook, Eta, '85, has been elected principal of the High School at Braintree, Mass.

Sidney G. Stacy, Eta, '89, also a graduate from Johns Hopkins University, will take the professorship of languages in Grinnell College, Iowa.

Rev. Edwin Smith, Eta, '61, is pastor of the Congregational church at Bedford, Mass., a short distance from Boston.

Dr. Walter L. Pyle, Sigma, '93, is resident physician at the Emergency Hospital, Washington, D. C.

E. M. Cousins, Eta, '77, has resigned the pastorate of the Warren Congregational church, Cumberland Mills, where he has been for several years. Mr. Cousins has recently declined calls to Hopkinton and North Andover, Mass., and accepts a call to become field secretary of the Maine Missionary Society, an office which was created at the last meeting of the society, and which involves the presentation of the work of the society to the churches of the state.

Prof. Z. Willis Kemp, Eta, '84, who for the last four years has been professor of Latin in Tabor Academy, has been elected professor of Latin and Greek in the French Protestant College of Springfield, Mass.

D. L. Hower, Phi, '92, has been re-elected vice-principal of the Honesdale, (Pa.) school, at an advanced salary. During the summer he taught at the Lycoming County Normal school.

Francis W. Lane, Omicron Deuteron, '81, has been in Chicago for about a year, engaged on the *Railway Age*.

H. W. Thurston, Omicron Deuteron, '86, will teach in the Englewood High school this year.

F. E. Kimball, Kappa, '92, spent the summer resting up, and with the opening of the business season, entered the wholesale grocery house of Spaulding, Kimball & Co. at Burlington, Vt., where he will remain for a time, and, if the business is congenial, he will probably engage in it permanently.

E. H. Newbegin, Eta, '81, was admitted to the bar at Columbus, Ohio, last June.

Frank J. Metcalf, Lambda, '86, was so unfortunate as to be one of the victims of the Ford's Theater disaster in Washington. In a personal letter he says: "I was there, and went down with the rest of them. My injuries were a severe strain to the hip and bruises on my arms and head. I was in the hospital for over four weeks and then was able to come home. I am kept abed now by pains in my foot, caused by injuries to the sciatic nerve at the hip." Bro. Metcalf will have the sympathy of every brother in this serious misfortune.

Theodore N. Ely, Delta, '66. The subjoined clipping was taken from the daily newspaper telegraph column. We assume that it is correct and congratulate Bro. Ely upon his preferment. His election gives Theta Delta Chi the presidents of four colleges.

"Theodore N. Ely of Philadelphia, chief of motive power of the Pennsylvania railway company, was elected president of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, yesterday. He is a graduate of the class of '66. President Green, who has for many years been professor of mathematics and astronomy in the institute, will retire with the close of the present school year."

Col. Franklin M. Drew, Eta, '58, has recently been elected treasurer of Bates College (Lewiston, Me.). Bro. Drew is also Secretary of Bowdoin College.

Warren E. Fisher, Lambda, '90, whose marriage we note elsewhere, has been elected president of the academy at Lyndon, Vt.

G. H. Larrabee, Eta, '88, succeeds Bro. A. C. Dresser as principal of Bridgton academy (Maine).

S. Carlton Haight, Pi Deuteron, who spent last year at Troy Polytechnic institute, has been so seriously ill during the summer that his physician insists that he shall not return to his studies this fall.

Emerson A. Kimball, Lambda, '88, who spent the last school year in Berlin, returned the latter part of August and is domiciled at Pottstown, Pa., where he is teaching Prof. Hill's school.

Foye S. Baldwin, Lambda, '88, spent the past season in Berlin, in company with Bro. Kimball. He went to Munich recently to enter the University, from which he expects to take a degree. One of Bro. Baldwin's lady friends in Berlin confidentially told the Editor that it is not now Foye, but Spencer Baldwin, so, when any of the boys hear mention of Spencer Baldwin, they are to understand that it is Foye S. under another name.

D. A. Parce, Xi, '92, is now at St Andrew's Divinity school in Syracuse studying theology.

Jas. A. Murtha, jr., Rho Deuteron, '91, has withdrawn from the law firm of Wingate, Cullen & Miller and associated himself with Mr. F. S. Angell, under the firm name of Angell & Murtha, with offices at 186 Remsen street, Brooklyn.

E. W. Jewell, Xi, '88, has recently been settled as rector of Emanuel Church, Petoskey, Mich.

Geo. R. Brush, Xi, '92, has entered the General Theological Seminary in New York City.

Frank Van Tuyl, Gamma Deuteron, '95, and Horace Van Tuyl, '96, have been in charge of the admissions to the Libby Glass Works display at the World's Fair. Bros. Taft and Rogers, of Lambda, were also connected with the same exhibit.

Edwin C. Chamberlin, Phi, '93, while on duty in a New York hospital this summer contracted typhoid fever and was for a time seriously ill. Bro. Chamberlin is now at his home, Croton Falls, N. Y., regaining his lost strength.

John Hay, Zeta, '58, is now traveling abroad. When last heard from he was in Paris. He expects to travel for a year, and will do the entire continent.

David L. Ferris, Xi, '88, was ordained last June and has taken charge of St. Matthew's church, Horseheads, N. Y.

#### RETTEW—COOKE.

The following newspaper clipping came to us too late for insertion in the June number of THE SHIELD. Bro. Rettew is a member of Sigma, '91.

"A bright wedding occurred this afternoon at the First Lutheran church, when Miss Edith Cooke, only daughter of Mr. Harry Cooke was married to J. Barton Rettew, Esq., of Philadelphia.

The ceremony took place at 4:30 o'clock, and the church was filled with invited guests. The interior had been beautifully decorated with palms and greens, and as the sun shone through the colored glass, the scene was beautiful. The couple arrived at 4:20, and as the organist, Mr. George Bixler, played on the magnificent pipe organ with strains that rolled through the large church, the party walked up the aisle. Mr. Harry Cook and wife, the parents of the young lady, preceded the couple. Then came the bridesmaid, Miss Fannie Shearer, of Harrisburg, and the groomsmen, Dr. D. Rettew of Philadelphia.

The ushers were S. Douglas, of Harrisburg; Gilbert Rettew of Philadelphia; Harry Stock and C. H. Cooke of Carlisle.

Rev. H. B. Wile performed the ceremony, after which a special car was taken to Harrisburg, where they took a train for eastern cities, and, after a tour, they will settle in Philadelphia. Quite a number of friends from Harrisburg and surrounding towns were present.

Miss Cooke is a very prominent young lady of Carlisle, possessing scores of friends. For a number of years she sang in the First Lutheran church choir. She is a graduate of the High school.

Mr. Rettew graduated at the Dickinson school of law a year ago, and established himself in Philadelphia, where he attained prominence. The young couple have the best wishes of their many friends."

#### LOCKE—ROWELL.

In Amesbury, Mr. W. B. Locke, Lambda, '90, of Rumney, N. H., and Miss Frankie Rowell of Amesbury.

#### REBEC—LARGE.

George Rebec, Gamma Deuteron, '91, and Miss Elizabeth Large of Wellesley, Mass., were married at Wellesley Lake and are enjoying their honeymoon in Germany, where Bro. Bebec spends a year in study.

## BODGE—KING.

Lincoln S. Bodge, Eta, '89, of Minneapolis, Minn., and Miss Josephine King of South Paris, Me., were married at South Paris on July 18, 1893.

## FISHER—ORCUTT.

In Taunton, Mass., August 3d, by Rev. Edward H. Chandler, Warren E. Fisher, Lambda, '90, of Springfield, Vt., and Miss Elizabeth Augusta Orcutt of Taunton.

## WEBSTER—CASSIDY.

Bro. A. L. Webster, of the Tau Deuteron charge, and Miss Ada L. Cassidy were married June 21, 1893, at Mankato, Minn., and are at home in Mapleton, Minn.

## SHELDON—DENNISON.

Edmund Perry Sheldon, of the Tau Deuteron, and Miss Grace Etta Dennison were married July 6th. The cards read, At Home after August first 518 Sixteenth avenue, S. E., Minneapolis. Bro. Sheldon is botanist on the Natural History Survey of Minnesota.

## DEMAREST—DIEFENDORF.

Rev. James Demarest, D. D., Alpha, '52, and Miss Ida Augusta Diefendorf were married on Wednesday evening, September 20, 1893, at Fort Plain, N. Y.

## HARRIS—BROWN.

The following account of the marriage of Bro. Harris, Chi, '93, is taken from a newspaper clipping sent us by one of the brothers, but the date is not given:

The marriage of W. Anable Harris, of the class of '93, Rochester University, and pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Charlotte, N. Y., to Gertrude Brown, daughter of George Brown, of Fairport, was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents at 4:30 p. m. yesterday. More than 100 guests were present. Many friends from Rochester, Buffalo, Canandaigua and Philadelphia were present. The house was beautifully decorated in pink and white. The back parlor mantel was banked with flowers, and in the east corner an arch of green, from which hung the traditional wedding bell, under which the bridal party stood. Mendelsohn's wedding march was played by Miss Fanny Jones of Charlotte, and promptly at the hour the party took their places. The bride was attired in white lausdown and carried pink roses. The maid of honor, Miss Lillie Snyder of Rochester, wore pink India silk and carried white roses. H. H. Hunt, pastor of the bride, performed the ceremony, assisted by Rev. James McElhinney. The young couple left at 7:41 o'clock for the west, stopping at Hillsdale, Mich., and later will visit the World's Fair.

## Editorial.

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THERE seems to be one subject which has escaped Editorial attention in all the Greek Journals. Chapter House building, Rituals, Rushing and some other subjects have become threadbare again and again, but nothing seems to be mentioned in connection with the influence which the alumni can or might exert upon the growth of any fraternity. Whether the alumni give much thought to the subsequent career of their charges after they leave college is not the question which is pertinent, but rather, what weight the expression of an alumnus is to his charge in regard to suitable candidates for rushing. It seems to the writer that the best and surest support to any charge is the work which an alumnus may do toward directing the attention of prospective college students toward his particular society. It seems to be the custom of all societies to "size up" a man as soon as he enters college and rush him "pell-mell." If he is good looking, wears respectable clothes and impresses the boys as a "good fellow," then he is the man, and they get him if they can. Now this is all very well in some ways, but many a warm and loyal heart beats under a rough exterior, which does not open up quickly, and in the hurry and rush is lost. Again, all is not gold that glitters, and sometimes a "bad burn" is the result of haste, which affords much "repentance at leisure." A wise course would seem to be a searching out of past records. Here is where the advice and opinion of the alumnus is of great value. The charge knows the record of the alumnus. His opinions, when measured by his record, immediately become a known quantity. Many times within the knowledge of the writer have different charges made serious mistakes by disregarding the advice or information furnished by their alumni. As the membership is constantly changing such experiences are lost sight of, and history rapidly repeats itself. Just at this period

of the year it seems very appropriate to consider this element of "Rushing." One of the most important things in looking over suitable material should be to see what information can be obtained from the alumni. It sometimes happens that an alumnus will write a charge in regard to some young man who has been already favorably impressed by contact and advise his approach by the charge. Very strangely it has sometimes occurred that such a course was really the death knell of the young man's fate. A young man's character is not always written upon his face. If he is of good parentage and stands well at home, he is sure to develop into a good college man, if his surroundings are good. It would seem that the alumnus who has borne the "shield" for years would be as intensely loyal to the best interests of the fraternity as the three year old member, whose only fraternity experience has been within his own charge. Thinking of the matter in this light, and remembering that every Theta Delt, however old, is still a Theta Delt, the charges should value any assistance com- from them very highly. Greater concert of action between the charges and their alumni in this matter of new members would result in better members and more of them.

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THE graduate readers of THE SHIELD are reminded that they owe a duty to the fraternity quite as much as to themselves. It has been well said that "fraternity membership" is of more real moment to those who join than all their other college associations. We might go further and express our belief that the same influence has a closer relation to a man's subsequent experience than Masonry or any other secular society. This is pre-eminently true, if the members make any effort to keep alive the "vestal fires" of their college enthusiasm. To our minds it does the graduate member much good to meet the representative men of the various charges at an annual convention. During the last five years it has been our pleasure to hear from the lips of every old graduate who has attended the conventions, "It has done me good to be here. I feel greatly revived and benefited. It makes me younger."

Yes, it is true that all who have ever taken upon themselves the "vows of eternal constancy" do enjoy it when once they experience the delights of seeing so many bright and active young Theta Deltas. But there is another and more important thing which is much lost sight of—the effect upon the young Theta Deltas. Memory tells the writer that when he was a college boy nothing did him more good than the sight of a graduate who had been a Theta Delt for ten or twenty years. Pride swelled in his bosom and he said to himself, there must be something in it. If a man can say, with truth, after so long a membership, that he was glad he was a Theta Delt, I certainly can be proud that I am a member. It was a noticeable fact that graduates were looked up to with admiration, and their influence was very marked upon all active members. More than a quarter of a century has elapsed since those halcyon days, but in the minds of the college boys an old graduate member is still looked to in the same admiring way. Theta Delta Chi has won many laurels since as a college boy the writer helped to make a history for posterity to look upon. There are many gray-haired and honorable men whom Theta Delta Chi delights to honor, because they have honored her by the record they have made for themselves. You, as members, owe it to the young men of to-day to present yourselves at the official alumni gathering of the fraternity and encourage the boys to deeds of valor. Your presence will give them an electric influence for good. From them you will receive an answering shock which will recall your youth and give you longer life. Every brother who can shape his business to that end can well afford to spend a day or two with the boys. It will not hurt him in any way, and will do the boys worlds of good. Let the convention of 1893 be noted for its graduate attendance.

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OWING to the delay in sending out the June number copies were not sent to the charges which had disbanded. As our record of these omissions has been lost, any charges which failed to receive them should notify the editor at once, and they will be sent. The whereabouts of the class of '92 is un-

known, and the numbers which should be sent to them are included in the regular charge supply. It will, therefore, be the duty of the corresponding secretary to see that each graduate gets his SHIELD. They are entitled to receive this and the December number. If the correspondents will send the addresses of these brothers to the SHIELD the December issue will be sent direct. The December issue completes the five years contract of publication, and at the convention a report of the five years will be rendered. As that number will be a farewell number, so far as the present editor is concerned, it may be of special interest to some.

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THE next annual convention will be held at the Hotel Marlborough, corner 36th and Broadway, New York City, November 28th and 29th.

Those who attended the convention held there in 1891 will remember what a pleasant place it was to meet in. The hotel authorities were most courteous in their treatment, and took special pains to make it pleasant for everybody. A private dining room was at our disposal for meals and a pleasant meeting room for business sessions was furnished without any charge. The Editor of the SHIELD is pleased to learn that the Grand Lodge thought well of the Hotel Marlborough and selected it for this year's meeting. The Editor was responsible for the 1891 convention being held there. It has been his personal headquarters for a long time, and a very pleasant home it is, too. A delightful time is certainly in prospect for all who attend the next convention. The year has been a gratifying one to Theta Delta Chi, and no business of vital moment is to be considered, so far as the Editor knows. We have no ritual to change or other discussions to settle. All is peace and harmony. The great object before us is to get together and make tighter the bond existing between the charges. The fraternity could not exist and maintain a healthy growth without these annual gatherings. It is, therefore, quite as important for every charge to be represented by its delegates. Do not let the matter go by default. If you

cannot send two delegates send one without fail. It is a duty that each charge owes the fraternity at large.

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THE Editor acknowledges the receipt of a neat little directory containing the names all Theta Delts residing in Chicago and Cook county. The book gives both business and residence address. Just at the present time it is an exceedingly valuable book for those who visit Chicago. We cannot say exactly whose labor produced this valuable little book, as no indication is given in its pages. The tell-tale chirography of Bro. J. P. Houston on the envelope in which it came would indicate that this active brother had a large hand in it. Whoever did it, the book is neatly gotten up, and a valuable addition to the fraternity records. A letter just received from Bro. Houston gives the following details: "The directory of  $\theta \Delta X$  men residing in Cook county shows a list of 76 members.  $B$  leads the list with 16,  $O^a$  is second with 12,  $I$  and  $K$  tie for third place with five each,  $E^a \Delta$  and  $A$  each have four,  $P^a$ ,  $\Gamma^a$  and  $N^a$  have three each,  $\Theta$ ,  $\Sigma$ ,  $P$ ,  $\Psi$  and  $X$  have two each, while  $H$ ,  $I^a$ ,  $M^a$ ,  $Z$ ,  $I'$ ,  $T$  and  $\Phi$  have one representative in the World's Fair city. The list includes men of prominence in all professions, and is an honor to the fraternity. There is plenty of room for many more in Chicago, and we shall be glad to welcome any and all unto this territory."

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EARLY in the summer a currency panic struck the entire country with the suddenness and force of a western cyclone. Nothing like it has occurred within the knowledge of the present generation. Its cause we are not to explain. What its final effects will be are yet in the dark. One of the factors which will make the most lasting impression is the decrease in the number of college students. Our proposition is this. If the total number of college students this collegiate year is materially less than last year, then the panic has left its mark. If not, then we conclude that it was but the flurry of political excitement and the capitalists, and the world will still move on with its nine days' wonder soon forgotten. We certainly

hope the latter is the true condition. Thus far news has been received from but few different institutions. Bro. Benedict writes that Houghton Seminary is fuller than ever. The house is entirely occupied and "standing room only" sign out. In such times as these it speaks well for the sterling reputation which the institution has made under his charge. We hope the same cheering reports may come from all other institutions. This hope is indulged in for two reasons. It would be an indication of a prosperous business year, and also of a satisfactory growth of the fraternity. As far as the editor knows the general prosperity of each charge is satisfactory. The Psi charge had a hard struggle last year, but the news from that quarter is more than cheering. The Psi will take her old place at once. Theta has come out from under the bulrushes and has resumed much of her old-time vigor. With the growth of Kenyon comes prosperity to Theta. The charge letters give some idea of the condition of things in general. By the time Convention meets the year's work will be fully entered upon and our condition visible. Now is the time to get in the good work, boys. The future of Theta Delta Chi depends upon the impressions you create now and the subsequent harvest of initiates. Remember that we travel upon a high plane and no questionable methods should be made use of in the strife for glory. Say no evil thing about our contemporaries. If aught be said at all let it be truth and good words for them. They are all able to take care of themselves. Give your attention to lauding Theta Delta Chi—but remember that to run down other societies does not help your cause at all but rather benefits them.

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WE ARE greatly indebted to Bro. Tombo for the interesting description of the Fraternity Congress, which appears in this number. The editor regretted deeply his inability to be present at this Congress. He had long had in anticipation a personal acquaintance with the editors of the Greek press with whom he had tilted the pen for the years past, but it was not to be. It is evident that much pleasure in general was missed. The editor had a similar experience in regard to a Phi Psi

badge. One day he chased a man a long distance, thinking his shield seen in the distance was a Theta Delt badge. The reward for his exertion was disappointment. The article contributed to the Editors' Congress appears in this number.

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THE editor sincerely regrets that in publishing the original poem, "My Dream," in the June number, an unintentional discourtesy was shown to its author, the Hon. John Hay, and other members of the fraternity. He did not suppose for a moment that any episode was connected with it which would complicate the situation. A personal and public apology is tendered to its author for the act. No person except the editor is to be blamed in any way. In Vol. 6, Page 302, an allusion is made to this poem by Bro. Wm. L. Stone. A letter received since the June number appeared, from Bro. Stone, states that he did not give the poem to Little but returned it to Bro. Hay. The editor can not explain how it came into Little's possession, but it certainly was sent by him with many other interesting documents to the SHIELD, without restriction.

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BRO. WM. L. STONE, the most prolific and successful American author on the American Revolution, has just compiled another very interesting work entitled "Ballads of the Burgoyne Campaign." This collection of quaint ballads is a very valuable and interesting addition to the series of American history. It will be published if a sufficient number of subscribers can be obtained. Any brother interested in the work can obtain full information by writing to the editor of the SHIELD. It is a book which will adorn any library and subscriptions will be of material aid to Bro. Stone. The SHIELD gladly commends his writings.

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THE Editor takes special delight in giving to the SHIELD readers the portrait of our genial Bro. Green. This delight is quite as much personal as general. The trustees of Elmira College did themselves proud when they selected Dr. Green as President. While we rejoice that another worthy brother has

received preferment, we confess a selfish joy that this act brings to Elmira one who may become a delightful associate. Many happy hours have already been spent with him, and, as indicative of the future, we are glad that we have the prospect of many more.

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JUDGING from Theta's letter and the general news which comes from Kenyon, the Grand Lodge of 1890 made no mistake when they gave Theta charge a chance to recover her lost ground. It then seemed right to give a charge, which in years past had been so loyal and earnest, opportunity to prove her ability to rise from her slough of despond. She has come up slowly but surely, and to-day is able to hold her own with the other fraternities of Kenyon. Enthusiastic to a degree, we predict a glorious future which the fraternity can be proud of.

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WE ARE glad to be able to publish in this number a class poem written by Dr. Geo. W. Carr, of the Zeta charge in 1857. For this privilege we are indebted to Bro. William L. Stone, to whom Bro. Carr gave the manuscript immediately after its delivery. Bros. Hay and Carr always occupied a prominent seat as writers in their respective classes. While there is no direct connection between this poem and any fraternity subject, we believe it the duty of the SHIELD to give the worthy production of any brother a place of permanent record in its pages.

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THE new initiates in the different charges, as they contemplate the purchase of badges, will please remember that Theta Delta Chi has an official badge; that it is always and everywhere alike; that the grand lodge has approved the pins as made by the following manufacturers only: Roehm & Son and Wright, Kay & Co., both of Detroit, Mich.; John F. Newman of New York and Norling & Bloom of Boston. As the three first named are liberal advertisers in the SHIELD, the brothers should show their loyalty to their fraternity publication by giving their orders to these houses.

THE opening of the present College year adds to the honor roll of Theta Delta Chi. Two more of the Brothers are now classed with the list of College Presidents. Theodore N. Ely of Delta is President of his alma mater, and Rev. Rufus S. Green, D. D., of Psi, is President of Elmira College—for women, the oldest female college in this country.

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Bro. Willis S. Paine, who has been traveling abroad for two years, has again reached this continent. A letter received some time ago, dated at San Francisco, stated that, after spending some time at Yellowstone Park, he expected to travel eastward in September and spend some time doing the World's Fair. An invitation to attend the annual banquet and initiation of the Chi charge on the evening of Oct. 13th, announces that Bro. Paine will act as toast master. This invitation was not received till the day of its occurrence, which deprived us of the pleasure of being present.

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The Phi charge held their annual banquet during Commencement week at Lafayette. The Editor deeply regretted his inability to be present, owing to ill health. The affair was most pleasant throughout, and many of the old graduates were present. Bro. W. M. Stem, '68, presided as toastmaster.

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During Commencement week at Brown University—on the evening of June 23d—the Zeta charge held a reception. The committee in charge was composed of Brothers S. A. Hopkins, F. P. Ladd, A. Meiklejohn, C. A. Selden and F. J. Sexton. The invitations were extremely neat, gotten up in steel plate, surmounted by a cut of the badge. No particulars have come to the knowledge of the Editor, but it could not have been other than satisfactory.

## Editorial Notes and Comments.

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### THE PRINCETON ACCIDENT.

"Hazing is foolish enough at all times, brutal frequently, murderous once in a while. Princeton freshmen were thrown into the canal by the sophomores the other night after previous horse play and one of the number is missing. The canal has been dragged for the body. The name is withheld. This report—a special to the New York World—looks a little dubious, as are many of the items proceeding from that most sensational sheet, but if the freshmen were merely ducked they ought to make the festive sophs smart for it."

The above editorial in a recent issue of the daily press attracted the editor's attention, and prompted a few words on the general subject. The subjoined letter received just as we go to press embodies the idea which the editor wished to present and is given entire.

UTICA, N. Y.

DEAR EDITOR :

In view of the sensational report of an accident at Princeton in the way of hazing a freshman, and in view of the fact that the opinion has got out that Princeton is the worst college for hazing in the land, I would like to say a word on the subject as a fraternity man. Understand too that I do not speak from a Theta Delt standpoint, my opinion is endorsed by members of other fraternities that have had chapters at Princeton in years past. I hold that the faculty of Princeton by barring out fraternities has encouraged class spirit of the worst form as a substitute for the fraternity idea. How far class spirit may carry its hate this sad accident, as well as other little hazing scrapes that pass without comment from the public at large, well illustrates. The only antidote for this 'relic of barbarism' generated by class spirit is the fraternity love. The college fraternity if it does nothing else inspires a brotherly feeling among underclassmen. Under the fraternity system freshmen are entertained and not hazed, and upperclassmen will protect freshmen for their fraternities' sake.

Let the Princeton faculty withdraw its restriction to fraternities, allow all that wish to enter Princeton as soon as possible, and I will wager that the next freshman class at Princeton will be received in a way that will take away a just reproach from a noble institution.

Sincerely,

W. N. FREEMAN.

The theory of Bro. Freeman involves a new argument on the fraternity question. It is a powerful one, which entitles him to much credit. The writer has always been of the opinion that antagonism to fraternities was detrimental to the best interests of any college. This is notoriously true in Princeton history. The writer was located near this institution in the earliest days of her fraternity war and saw some of the self inflicted injuries. It is our candid belief that had Princeton directed her energies as much toward the elevation and advancement of fraternity existence within her borders during the years of this struggle, she would to-day be the greatest university in America. Hazing has become odious in all institutions where fraternity existence has been paramount. There seems also to be less opposition in many college faculties. Wesleyan University has opposed fraternities more or less for years. The following extract from Prof. Raymond's speech at Chicago in July is very pleasant to contemplate :

"I am to speak also on the subject of college fraternities. Although I am not a fraternity man, I am prepared to say after a few years of experience that the best men are in control of the fraternities—the men of best scholarship and of the highest ideals. The fraternities are proud of their members who make fine records. They are also interested in the morals of their men and labor with them day and night for good character as well as a high standard of intellectual life. I believe there is an advance being made in the fraternity life of our colleges."

The bitter and resolute opposition held by the Princeton faculty has been due largely if not entirely to the dogged persistence of one man, a neutral, knowing nothing of the true inwardness of fraternity existence; like all neutral college men, bigoted, but to a much greater extent than most. It may be true that in those early days of fraternity life, the higher moral idea had not become crystalized. The "speech of people" was prone to decry college societies as the promulgators of immorality. However true it may have been then it is certain that years of experience have elevated the standard of all fraternities and to-day men of the highest rank in all professions, eminent in the clergy, unite in declaring fraternity existence a great blessing to any college man both during his

student life and afterward. The Morgan incident in masonry, illustrates how prone outsiders are to make the most of any rumor. It is hard to conceive the extent of the bitter and long-drawn-out opposition of anti-masonic people to masonry.

It is quite parallel in general theory to fraternity opposition. Thanks to the enlightenment of the age the bitterness of the opposition is gradually fading under the benign influence of the educated christian gentlemen whose exalted position gives great weight to the evidence they publicly give in the interest of college fraternities. It transpires that the sensational report, which has been spread broadcast through the land, exciting the entire populace, was a canard pure and simple. The incident serves, however, quite as well to prove how ready "vox populi" is to make a great hue and cry about college boys, and the deviltry (?) which they concoct. Such things seem rather to delight the public, than to awaken any feeling of sympathetic desire to correct the evil at its root. We predict that the next generation will witness the triumph of the fraternity idea.

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#### THE WORLD'S FAIR.

Like many others, the Editor of the SHIELD has been to the great and only Columbian Exposition. We went there swinging our badge in bold relief; spent ten days doing the fair faithfully, from early morn till late at night. We went everywhere, even up and down the much-talked-about MIDWAY; we sauntered here, there and everywhere, closely scanning the persons of thousands of people, hoping to find the badge of a Theta Delt. We saw perhaps a dozen fraternity badges during the time, but none of our kind. We came home finally without having met a single Theta Delt. In looking over the notes on our Editorial desk we learn, when all too late, that the great engines in Machinery Hall were guided by the skilled hands of Bro. McLaren; that the motive power behind the throne, which produced the thrillingly beautiful effects of the electric fountains, was guided by a Theta Delt; that in entering the gateway of the Libby glass works a Theta

Delt captured our ticket of admission, and that numerous other Theta's were to be found doing duty on the grounds. Regretfully we feel that our full mission was not accomplished. It would have been very pleasant to have rested at times from the weary task of always looking, while passing the compliments of the day with a brother. The general experience of our visit proves conclusively that the World's Fair is no place for visiting in the ordinary sense of the term. Its pleasures are of an altogether different character. There is too much there to be learned, and the time necessarily occupied in getting even a fair conception of its magnitude, so great that few, if any visitors, could afford either the time or expense necessary to accomplish it. Hence it is not to be regretted that plans for a summer meeting or reunion fell through. Considering the subject of the general exhibit of fraternities, it is not to be regretted that this plan was abandoned. The magnitude of scientific and educational exhibits is such that a fraternity display would have been entirely lost sight of, except by a very few, who might have been personally interested in making comparisons. As these few would have been American fraternity men, it seems well that the opportunity was lost, as no lasting benefit would have accrued to any fraternity, and many comparisons would have resulted, odious in themselves, and productive of no general or particular good. The fair is a wonderful educator. It is not within the scope of the SHIELD to give any extended remarks on the subject. Many college men were noted in the vast crowds which surged hither and thither, and, if one may judge from external appearances, they were intent on gleaning all possible information on the subjects which were most closely allied to their particular calling. The editor himself was mostly occupied in noting the wonderful strides in electrical science which have developed in the few years which have passed since the Centennial Exposition in 1876, when electricity was almost an unborn babe. Who can tell what the next generation will produce, and how much of it may be credited to the brilliant young men who are now treading college halls in search of lore?

## COLLEGE ANNUALS.

The perusal of some sensible editorial remarks in *Kappa Alpha Journal* prompts a few words on the subject, chiefly to explain why the SHIELD has never made a practice of reviewing college annuals. Editor Keeble says :

"The *Journal* has never conducted a review department, saving the Greek Press, although the subject of college annuals has been a tempting one. On one occasion the staff announced that it had determined to contribute some thought, space, and Faber to a review of those evidences of inter-fraternity good fellowship, and awaited their arrival with a keen anticipation and sharp pencil ; but the *Lehigh Epitome* and the *Vanderbilt Comet* were all that came, the former loaned by a kind frater and the latter secured at the regulation discount of thirty-five per cent—a silver dollar being given in payment. On that occasion the *Journal* failed to become distinguished as a story paper and ardent admirer of the annuals, as after a careful review its only comment was that two annuals were on the table, "the *Lehigh Epitome* and the *Vanderbilt Comet*, the former's principal characteristic being its mechanical make-up, which is excellent. and the the latter its vulgarity, which is superlative." Since that time the annuals have been scarce articles with the *Journal* ; in fact, until the last week none had come to it save at the regulation price of one dollar per copy."

Some years ago the editor thought that a review of college annuals issued by colleges where Theta Delta Chi then had chapters was a courtesy due to the charges, and announced that ample space would be given to such review in a subsequent number, and called upon the charges to see to it that the editor was supplied with copies for review. Up to the present time our experience has been somewhat similar to that of Editor Keeble. A few have been received. Each one was carefully deposited on the editor's table awaiting the advent of all. Usually about three or four have come to hand each year. Finally after waiting for enough "to make a good meal" it has been discovered that a review of those on the table would be rather stale after so long a time had elapsed. For the last two years no attempt has been made either to get them or make a review. The few charges who have taken pains to procure and send these annual productions will accept the editor's thanks for their personal attention. The loss to general readers has not been great.

## PUNCTUALITY.

"I insist that the chapters must suspend or expel members who willfully neglect to pay dues or to perform official or other duties. This is the result of my earnest attention to chapter delinquencies during my present term of office—that a chapter's shortcomings are due, as a rule, to the neglect to suspend members who violate what everybody understands to be a serious obligation. And this neglect can be cured by the chief officers taking the bull by the horns and proposing the suspension of each member three months in arrears in the discharge of any duty. If he needs backing in such a course, the K. C. exists for that purpose."

The above remarks which appear in the July *Journal* from the pen of the President of Kappa Alpha's governing body, have no tone of doubt in them. They are definite and right to the point. We heartily concur in the position taken and believe if it was rigidly enforced as a standard rule in our own fraternity that there would be less of what is called "boys' play." It embodies one of the first principles of education and tends to "manhood." Regretfully it is noted that many persons arrive at man's estate without learning the importance of this principle. Procrastination has ruined many a business man's prospects. Who knows how much of it is due to the business impressions received while in college. No part of a student's college career will abide in his memory so long as his fraternity association. Its influences will have greater bearing on his subsequent habits than all other college influences put together. How important, then, that the performance of all duties connected therewith should be promptly and faithfully performed. It may seem unbrotherly at the time, but the truest kindness we can do a brother is that which accrues to his greatest lasting benefit. Don't forget this. Teach the freshmen as they come in that to-morrow will not suffice, and when they take their places on the stage of life's work they will become prompt and successful in their business or profession.

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REMARKABLE RECORDS.

In various ways is seen the affection which brothers have for the fraternity of their choice. Some as they go through life leave their mark here and there in strange and out-of-the-way

places, and if any brothers happen afterward to see the mystic symbols thus placed, a thrill goes through them and they silently commune with themselves on the love they bear the unknown whose hand has thus left the evidence of his own affection. For many years it has been a tradition that somewhere a monument bore the evidence on its face of Theta Delta love. Bro. Burdge, who in his extended travels never lets anything escape him, has found many places where these marks exist. He saw them in the bowels of the great Egyptian pyramid, and recently found the traditional monument, as explained in the appended letter.

NEWPORT, June 12, 1892.

MY DEAR HOLMES :—I am stopping here for a few days. When I was in college I knew a young man named Douglas. He was amiable and agreeable, extraordinarily handsome, and dressed with great elegance. He died thirty-five years ago and at the time I heard he had the *O A X* shield put on his gravestone. I have never been in Newport since then—but to-day after a long search I found in the Island Cemetery, in Elm avenue, near the tomb and chapel of August Belmont, the following inscription :

" THE GREAT MYSTERY IS SOLVED.

(Badge enclosed in a wreath.)

" Sacred to the memory of Robert W., eldest son of Robert T. and Julia C. Douglas, who passed into the spirit life from Brooklyn, N. Y., aged 20 years, 10 months, 20 days. April 30, 1858.

Yet again we hope to meet thee

When thy day of life is fled,

There in Heaven we hope to greet thee

Where no farewell tear is shed."

Yours hastily,

F. BURDGE.

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#### OF INTEREST TO COLLEGE FACULTIES.

In *College Fraternity* for June appears an article on "The Fraternity for Girls," by Miss Ethlyn Emery, Kappa Alpha Theta. In this article, which is in its entirety deeply interesting, is a paragraph which expresses so clearly the deep relation between colleges and fraternities that we clip it.

"The non-fraternity girl has a strange longing, after some two or three years, to visit once more her Alma Mater. How lonesome are the halls and corridors where she was so happy before. She visits the

rooms; none of the faces of the girls who made them so warm and beautiful are there. Her classmates are gone and with them has gone her college life and much of her love for her Alma Mater.

And the other girl goes back to her Alma Mater; a hand shake; a glance; and although the girls are not those of her class, they know some things which she knows, they have lived a few hours such as she lived some six years ago. Then there is the old hall, the familiar colors, the fraternity groups of the old girls; they are all there. And how the gush of her sophomore and silent dignity of her senior years, all return; she is at home.

For the fraternity girl, even though her college days have become a recollection, and she be world-worn and sad there is a space of fraternity history which is hers, individually. Come when she may, the latch string is ever loose for the initiated. Years seem but days. With what a thrill of sweet, sad pleasure she lives again this part of her college days and feels herself among the familiar environments of her college home."

While the girls may be more effusive in their expressions of love for Alma Mater and disappointment at finding things changed, the same feeling exists quite as deeply in the heart of every man who has ever attended college. The life of the college depends to a material extent upon fraternity men. Let the chapter of a fraternity become extinct in any institution and note how quickly the intense love for "Alma Mater" drops, and dies out. It is not to be wondered at, of all the lonesome homesick feelings, that which greets an old alumnus returning to visit his Alma Mater, when he finds not a face he knows, or a person in whom he has a personal interest, is one of the saddest it has been our personal experience to see. One visit of that character is about all any man can stand. He hungers for old associates. They are not there. If he can go into the old fraternity rooms he sees much, and feels more. While none of the living faces are there he finds others who have taken their places and the magic grip awakens a new friendship instantly cemented by the electric thrill of associated recollections. He becomes the hero in the eyes of the "boys" and is happy in recalling for their gratification the historic deeds of earlier days when he was a college boy. Such experiences revive the Alma Mater love and strengthen it.

## FRATERNITY JEWELRY.

Under the caption of "Pledged and Pinned" there appears in the July number of *The University Magazine* a unique article by Albert N. Faulkner. One can hardly surmise as he begins to read the freshman's first college experience what is the trend of the article. It soon dawns upon him, however, that the intent is to convey an idea of the important part in the manufacture of jewelry which fraternity badges occupy. Twenty-five years ago when the editor of the SHIELD was a college man, very few and secret were the places where society pins could be procured. The demand did not seem to be sufficient to attract the attention of manufacturers at large and New York seemed to be the only place where they could be obtained, very plain and simple they were too. With the growth in the number of societies and their chapters has sprung up a greatly increased demand for badges. Manufacturers are vying with each other in all parts of the country to see who can produce the neatest badge for the least money. This particular article contains a number of illustrations of badges and also shows a working department, and the main salesroom of the extensive house of Roehm & Son of Detroit, Mich., who are among the largest manufacturers of fraternity jewelry. The following extracts from the article show its general character.

"College life to-day is much the same as then. The badges are made more costly; the groups more aristocratic; the conservative fraternities more conservative; their influence greater, and their homes vastly more elegant. Their alumni are the country's leaders. Their numbers exceed the tenth of a million.

The business of badge and symbol-making alone exceeds \$250,000 a year. Several jewelry establishments have immense and elaborately equipped workshops to make them. It was my fortune to visit the largest, while passing through Detroit towards the Columbian Fair.

Roehm & Son, of that city, who have completely killed the old prejudice against Western-made fraternity jewelry, showed me such a display of exquisite fraternity novelties and jeweled pins, that the fire within me burned again as in college days. I may be excused as a gray-head if the thrill carried me away. My watch-guard bears a piece of their handiwork, with its mystic letters. An extra beat of the heart is all that tells me that my eye has fallen upon it unconsciously. "Is there anything in it after all?" I'm often asked.

No, nothing but a softening of the voice as you see it on another. Only a gentler bartering in trade; a more cordial "yes" and a more reluctant "no." Only a kindlier feeling for your mother-in-law, whose son made his sister your own. Only a friend found in far climes with a kindred interest and college culture. Only a placing of heart above money. Only the tolerant spirit. Only a *gentleman's wish to be liked*. It has its amusing and romantic sides as well."

The extent of the article precludes the supposition that it is an advertisement. It is rather an original portrayal of the importance which college badges play in the economy of college life. It suggests to the writer that a description in detail of how such badges are made would be of great interest to many readers. The editor of the SHIELD would like to examine the workshop of a jewelry house out of simple curiosity to see for himself just how the beautiful little charms are constructed.

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August 16 was Dartmouth Day at the World's Fair. The occasion was a very pleasant one despite the fact that the day was rainy.  $\Theta \Delta X$  was represented by Long, '79; Lane, '81; Willard, '83; Waring, '83; Houston, '84, Kimball, '85; Thurston, '86, and Pritchard, '91.

# Charge Letters.

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[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.]

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## EPSILON DEUTERON.

YALE UNIVERSITY.

I take great pleasure in introducing myself as "Charge Editor" of Epsilon Deuteron for the coming year.

Thus early there is comparatively little to write about that would be of interest to other charges, except, perhaps, a brief account of the improvements in our home. and the home of all brothers who will honor us with a visit.

We have had cause to feel somewhat slighted in years gone by, by Theta Delts visiting New Haven and, instead of making "Old 36" their stopping place, they have chosen to go to a hotel, and, in many cases, have left town without even letting us know they were here. Now, that is not the square thing to do at all. We come into contact with few of the men of our fraternity at the most, and we wish to see and entertain every one who will give us the chance.

Our fellows for the past two years, in direct contrast to the years preceding, have taken a lively interest in the improvement and adornment of the interior of the house. Last year, largely through the munificence of Bro. Pratt, we did a great deal, chiefly in the line of furniture. This year our aim is to carry the work still further in the same and in other channels, and, if what has been accomplished during the summer vacation is any criterion, we will, by the beginning of another college year, have a house for Theta Delta Chi to be justly proud of.

The appearance of the house this fall was indeed a revelation to the fellows who had not seen it since they left for home.

last July. The changes are in such variety that I will not take space to mention them all here, but they were chiefly sanitary improvements and interior decorations. One of the greatest needs of a college man, as you all know, is a good clock, and Bro. Pratt has graciously obviated all our cause for complaint by presenting to us a very handsome, and also very valuable (to judge from his accounts, for it has not yet arrived) "Grandfather's Clock," which he purchased while traveling this summer.

As for new men, there is at present nothing to say. The Freshman class is very large and in it are many desirable men, a number of whom we are considering. We expect to get anywhere from ten to fifteen new men, which will make the number in our charge much greater than last year, as we lost only four men by graduation, and one by leaving college.

At present we have twelve, which, for a nucleus, is not at all bad.

Again extending a most cordial invitation to all visiting brothers to make their home with us while in New Haven, I remain,

Most fraternally,

A. RAYMOND BARTON.



#### ZETA.

BROWN UNIVERSITY.

Zeta wishes to express the pleasure she felt last year at receiving visits and letters from many of the brothers, who were not all alumni, and hopes to greet many more during the current year.

And in this current year Brown offers several new inducements. On September 20th our Freshman class of 170 men saw the establishment of the "Co-Operative Refectory," a stock company of students; the introduction of a first year course in law; add to these the immortal foot-ball, under the direction of the celebrated coach, Mr. Odlin. The military drill is admirable training for such lower class men as are inclined to athletics. Base ball, tennis and the cross country

runs were organized very early. With the "co-eds" our enrollment is over 700.

Events later than the last SHIELD are the appearance of the "Liber Brunensis," which we hope will please our sister charges as much as their annuals have pleased us; the profitable summer musical tour, and the increased financial support of the university.

Keeping pace with this prosperous outlook, Zeta records representatives in music, journalism and  $\Phi B K$ . Though we cannot now give a complete list of additions to the charge, our choices thus far give us special influence in athletics, civil engineering and literary circles, not forgetting music and politics.

We would mention No. 10 University Hall as one of the places where Theta Deltas are welcome, and we hope for the pleasure of meeting many of them soon and often.

JAMES S. MOORE.

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ETA.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

It is an exceedingly difficult task to write a charge letter in any degree interesting during these weeks of vacation.

The brothers are all scattered in one direction or another, either at their homes or at places of work or recreation. And, by the way, it has occurred to me that it would be an excellent scheme if some one could devise a plan of keeping the fellows more in touch with one another and with fraternity interests during the long summer vacation; at least supply a knowledge of all the brothers' whereabouts in the time of separation. This, it seems, would prove both pleasant and profitable.

The preceding term is now so long past that many little points of interest have entirely slipped from our minds, and the plans and prospects for the coming year are too vague and indefinite to admit of our writing concerning them at present.

The last weeks of the college year are full of interest, sharing honors in this particular with the first few weeks, which

are so pleasing as offering the promise of success in the coming year. The annual announcement of prizes was very satisfactory to Eta, the brothers securing six prizes out of the eighteen awarded at this time of year. This is especially pleasing when the fact that there are six fraternities in college, is taken into consideration. The list is as follows: English Composition, Bro. Barker, '93, first; Bro. Howard, '93, second. Junior Prize Declamation, Bro. Rovill, '94, first; Sewall Greek Prize, Bro. Thayer, '95; Goodwin French Prize, Bro. Brown, '96; and Bro. Knight, '94, won the Brown Memorial Scholarship of his class.

Bros. Arnold and Howard represented us Commencement day, being among the speakers.

The alumni banquet was a very enjoyable affair, though the number of graduate brothers present was not as large as it has been frequently in the past. Many who would otherwise have been with us, not finding an opportunity of attending commencement two successive years, doubtless delayed their coming until next year, '94, which will be fittingly observed as the Centennial anniversary of the founding of Bowdoin. This occasion, will without doubt bring an unusually large number of the brothers together.

Bro. Nichols, '92, who has been pursuing a special course at Clark University, Worcester, won a fellowship of four hundred dollars for excellence in mathematics. It will be remembered that Bro. Nichols was awarded the Smyth Mathematical Prize at Bowdoin.

It is a great pleasure to learn that Bro. W. B. Mitchell, '90, who has been principal of the Freeport high school, has accepted the position of instructor of Rhetoric and Elocution at Bowdoin, the chair made vacant last year by the illness of Mr. Tolman.

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#### THETA.

##### KENYON COLLEGE.

Kenyon opened September 13th with a good class for '97. though not as large as the applications had indicated. This, however, is accounted for in a great measure by the condition of

the money market, and so it does not detract from the fact that our dear old Kenyon is lifting up her proud head once more, and we hope, never to lower it again.

Theta's delegation is back, with the exception of Bro. Knox, '96, he having gone to Hamilton, where he will share the life of Psi.

We have the pleasure of introducing to the fraternity Bro. F. M. Hawby, '97, Cleveland, O. Bro. Hawby has worn the colors for two years as a pledged man while over at the academy, and now enters the closer bond of fellowship which those colors stand for.  $B \Theta \Pi$  has been revived here, with a membership of 11. All our competitors have good delegations,  $\Delta KE$  7,  $A \Delta \Phi$  10,  $\Psi \Upsilon$  8,  $\Delta T \Delta$  10, and we have 8.

We have Bro. M. T. Wing, Ex., '84, with us now as a member of '94, and by him we are represented upon the football team, which promises to keep up last year's good work for Kenyon. We expect them to play off the tie for first place last year and win this year's pennant too.

The Scribe is President and Manager of the Glee Club and leader of the Choir.

Ninety-four published a very creditable annual last year, and we would be glad to exchange with the sister charges. We have only received one exchange thus far.

We enjoyed a visit from Bro. Harry C. Hill, *H*, '88, on the 26th. He is now stationed at No. 219 E. Town St., Columbus Ohio, as the western representative of Ginn & Co. He dropped in to see us and promises to run up occasionally to fraternize with us Saturday night.

Theta is always glad to see the boys, but it is seldom we see the eastern lads. Let them take the motto of Horace Greely and come west. We are not west, for we are over 800 miles from the center of the United States. So don't get frightened when we invite you all out to see us. WILL R. MCKIM.

## IOTA DEUTERON.

WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

Since the last letter Iota Deuteron has lost six men of the seven who graduated in June. Bro. Anderson has returned to take a post graduate course in modern languages. We have also gained another member by the affiliation of Bro. Hunter, '95, who comes to us from Pi Deuteron. Our prospects on new men are very good, several being already pledged and several others under consideration. Our whole Senior delegation of seven men at first intended to room in the chapter house, but Bro. Towne has concluded to take the room in the Gymnasium, which is his through virtue of his position as assistant instructor.

Every one at Williams is looking forward to the Centennial of the college, which is to be celebrated in a few days. There will be an attempt to show all the various sides of student life to the visitors. There will be a field-day and probably a foot-ball game, to show the athletic side; there will be receptions and banquets and class reunions. It will be, altogether, the great event of the year. Very little work has been done yet this fall except in preparation for the Centennial. Lessons are to be increased afterward, but are unimportant now.

In the foot-ball game there is a decided improvement this fall. Most of our old team are back, and the new material is showing up very well. Still, it is too early to make any prophecies about the championship yet.

J. R. CRAIGHEAD.

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KAPPA.

TUFTS COLLEGE.

We have again returned from our various summer recreations to continue our studies and sing the praises of Theta Delta Chi. As mentioned in the last letter, the college has recently been strengthened in all departments and the increased opportunities will stimulate the students to put forth their best efforts. During the vacation it was announced in the papers that the college had decided to assume control of

the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Boston. Thus Tufts has taken another step toward the broader name of university.

Looking back to last June, there were two events in that month which we think are of sufficient importance to be recorded. One was the reception given to the graduate and undergraduate brothers of our society by Bro. Harrington, '77, a prominent Boston physician. The evening was pleasantly passed in conversation and story-telling and the younger men were greatly interested in hearing Dr. Harrington's recollections of Tufts in his day, especially his account of the famous victory in foot-ball over Harvard, when Gov. Wm. E. Russell was a member of the crimson team. The latter part of the evening was devoted to the transaction of business concerning the erection of our new Charge House and we then saw for the first time the picture of the house which we now see in reality, and which has fulfilled our expectations.

On the 13th of June the annual Prize Reading was held in Goddard Chapel. The attendance was large and the speakers and their selections were admirable. That the competition was close was proved by the fact that the judges were in deliberation nearly an hour and then failed to cast a unanimous vote for the successful candidates. The first prize of the Junior class was awarded to Bro. Whittemore and the second prize of the Sophomore class to Bro. Clark.

The class of '95, contrary to the old custom of printing an annual, has decided to publish a book of college songs. This is a real innovation on the part of '95 and success should crown their efforts. Bros. Clark and Folsom, whose musical abilities well fit them for their positions, are respectively managing editor and associate editor.

The foot-ball team hopes to have an even more successful season this year than last. This popular game has never been so flourishing in our college as at present and the work of the eleven with Bro. Thompson as manager and Bro. Clark as captain, will be closely watched by all the Kappa men.

It may be well to add a few particulars concerning the new Charge House of which we are justly proud. It is located on

Packard avenue, near enough to the college buildings for one to reach them conveniently and yet sufficiently withdrawn to insure us quiet and privacy. The basement of the house will be utilized for the kitchen and dining room. The first floor will have a large hall, reception room, library, office and coat room. On the second floor will be the suites and in the attic the charge room is imposingly situated.

With all these advantages, this year ought to be the most successful one in the history of our chapter, and if earnest endeavor and enthusiasm can accomplish anything, it undoubtedly will be.

REIGNOLD K. MARVIN.

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### MU DEUTERON.

#### AMHERST COLLEGE.

Another Commencement season has come and gone, and another delegation has been added to Amherst Alumni, of which Mu Deuteron loses eight men. The eighth commencement in which the charge has been interested, was favored by very auspicious weather and the exercises were carried out with the usual success and attended by an average audience.

The exercises began on Sunday when the baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Rev. Frank W. Gunsaulus of Chicago. In the afternoon a praise service was held in the church and in the evening an address was delivered to the members of the Hitchcock society. On Monday occurred the Hardy Prize Debate and Kellogg Prize Speaking. Tuesday was class day and the busiest day of the week. In the morning occurred the Ivy Oration and Poem followed by the Glee Club Concert. In the afternoon, the Class Oration and Poem with the Grove oration and Poem. In the evening, receptions were held at the various Fraternity Houses and at our parlors was the jollity characteristic of a Theta Delt reception. Many of our alumni were cordially welcomed, among whom were Bros. Baker, '88, Woodworth, '91, Pierce, Perry and Fairley, '92. At eight o'clock the Hyde Prize speaking took place in College Hall and at the close of this exercise the winners of the prizes for the year were announced. Here as for

several years past, the name of a Theta Delt was frequently heard. Of the Senior class, Bro. Lacey received the Law Latin Prize of \$25, Bro. A. V. Woodworth the 3rd Bertram Latin Prize of \$20 and Bro. Edgell the Woods Prize of \$60. Of the Freshman class Bro. Jewett received the first Freshman Latin Prize of \$30 and the first German Prize of \$40. In scholarship we take an average stand but in the oratorical department are very deficient.

The College, in general, has completed another very successful year. The pastor's chair, left vacant by the resignation of Dr. Burroughs, has been filled by Rev. John E. Tuttle, '79 of Jamaica Plain. Prof. Clark takes the department of Political Economy. Mr. Louis Derr, '89, has accepted the position of assistant in Chemistry and Physics at the new laboratory. The college mourns the loss of Prof. W. S. Tyler, whose resignation was announced on Commencement Day.

In athletics, we have equaled the record of any previous year having won the pennant in both foot-ball and base-ball, and the championship in doubles in tennis. At Chicago the base-ball team pushed Yale very hard for the inter-collegiate cup. Our foot-ball team for next season will be captained by Bro. Haskell who we hope will put another winning team into the field.

Mu Deuteron sends her best wishes to the charges, and the best of success during the coming "rushing" season.

F. D. HAYWARD.

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NU DEUTERON.  
LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

As the time for the publication of the September SHIELD approaches we are reminded that another college year has commenced, and that the pleasures of the summer are at an end.

On these cool, autumnal evenings we can draw our chairs around the grate, whose ruddy glow is a greater attraction than mathematics and mechanics, and as the apples sputter and the mug of cider (?) simmers we can fill our pipes and exchange vacation experiences.

Nu Deuteron is very much pleased with the state of things as they now are. Sufficient men have returned to make charge life enjoyable, and we have prospects of a few more.

Our hearts fill with sorrow when we think of those who have gone from our midst never to return again as undergraduates, for we have long ago learned to love and respect them. Bro. Gerhart has charge of one of the electric railroads that run through the battle-field of Gettysburg; Bro. Harris is in the mining business with his brother, his address is No. 1014½ Park Place, Elkhorn, W. Va., while our departed Bro. Steinmetz has taken up a claim on the Cherokee strip, and all Theta Delts will be received with open arms by "mine host."

We rejoice at our brothers' successes, but grieve at the thought that separation is inevitable and must be borne with fortitude.

Bro. Holcombe is the only one that we have to uphold the dignity of the Senior, while Bros. Clift, Drake, Quigley and Vansant do their share in impressing the people in general that they are Juniors.

Bro. Howard is fighting for glory on his class foot-ball team; Bros. Bosbyschell, Richmond and Lehman are receiving the applause of the masses by playing on the Banjo and Guitar Club, while your humble servant has the honor of representing *N<sup>a</sup>* on the Glee Club. Bro. Cable has left college for a few weeks, but ere the snows of winter begin to pile up around Packer Hall we expect to see "Bob's" genial face again and listen to his quaint humor.

Bro. Wetlaufer, our latest initiate, is a loyal Theta Delt, and we recommend him to the fraternity at large as one worthy to wear the shield.

Nu Deuteron has been very unfortunate in losing several men. Bros. Kendall, Powers and Russell are gone, but not forgotten. Bro. Hutchins, who was compelled to leave college on account of sickness, will return at Christmas. Bro. Weaver, who left for the same cause, has already returned and is more than ever a Theta Delt.

HENRY C. QUIGLEY.

## XI.

## HOBART COLLEGE.

The close of the year at Hobart was not particularly marked, but was in every way pleasant and satisfactory. Our base ball was a little disappointing, as we had to take second place in the league, but yet we did ourselves much credit.

Our worthy President of the Grand Lodge, Bro. Benedict, made us a visit early in June and afforded the charge a most delightful time. The impression left upon every member was most pleasant.

In Class Day and Commencement we took an important part. Had one speaker on Commencement, the Prophecy and Junior Paddle oration on Class Day, and took the Thompson prize for essay on a subject connected with English Literature, and also an honorable mention. We graduated two men, but they leave the charge strong in a brotherly unity.

Our reunion abounded with pleasure and enthusiasm. While there were not as many of the old boys back as we had hoped to see, those who came brought a full measure of good-fellowship. The banquet was held at the Franklin and was acceptable to all. Bro. Harstrom, '86, was toastmaster, and made us all happy. Formality was this time entirely dispensed with, and each spoke from the inspiration of the moment. We finally completed all with a morning walk and a serenade.

We parted for the vacation with confidence and good feeling. Our star shines with a warm and steady light, which we trust may never grow dim.

D. A. PARCE.

## OMICRON DEUTERON.

## DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The opening of the new era in the annals of the college seems also to bring with it a new reign of prosperity for the Omicron Deuteron Chapter of Theta Delta Chi. Prof. Charles D. Adams, Dartmouth, '77, the new occupant of the Greek chair is the first representative we have had on the faculty, although at the same time with him comes Bro. Herbert D.

Foster, '85, to have charge of the new chair of history. Bro. Foster, however, has been granted a leave of absence for one year to study abroad.

The '97 delegation, which will be initiated soon, is unquestionably one of the best we ever had. Although it is very large it is believed that every man will give a good account of himself before leaving college. Kelley has been chosen captain of the freshman football eleven. McFee will easily secure a position on the glee club. Hardy is probably the best pianist in college. Watson plays second base on the '97 nine. The other men are: Poore, Ela, Tent, Hilton, Boyd, Boyd, Gilman, Simpson, Johnson, Moshier and Merrill.

Bro. F. C. Allen, '94, is the new editor-in-chief of *The Dartmouth*, which has begun its fifteenth volume in a most meritorious manner.

Bro. B. A. Smalley, '94, will publish a second edition of the "Dartmouth Lyrics," with illustrations. Bro. Smalley is acknowledged to be the best poet in college. He also won the first essay prize in the junior competition, with Bro. J. H. Bartlett second.

Bros. J. H. Bartlett and J. P. Gifford, '94, are editing an illustrated history of "Dartmouth Athletics," which will appear in a bound volume of about 250 pages just before the holidays. It is said to be the only publication of its kind in existence.

Bro. J. W. H. Pollard, '95, is quarter-back on the 'varsity eleven.

Bro. F. W. Lakeman, '92, has been coaching individual players on the eleven.

Bro. Russell, Eta, '89, has entered the medical department.

Bro. Murphy, '94, is principal of the Hanover high school.

Bro. Tetlow, '94, has been elected to the newly-created fellowship in biology.

Bro. Watson, '91, visited the charge at the opening of the term.

Bro. Travers graduates from the medical department this fall.

Bro. W. R. Jarvis, '93, the celebrated yodler and guitar player, visited the charge at the opening of the term. He will soon enter business in New York.

J. W. H. POLLARD.

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### PI DEUTERON.

#### COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Last spring marked the close of one of the most prosperous years in the history of our college. Sixty-six students bid farewell to their Alma Mater, but it is expected that these will be replaced by about 650 subs.

Bro. Seufert, who attended the New York Law School last year, came up for his degree at commencement. Bro. Seufert's class graduated last June, but sickness then prevented him from taking his final examinations.

Of prizes awarded at commencement Bro. Tombo won one of the Belden medals for excellence in pure mathematics during his Soph. year.

Our term was fittingly closed by a pleasant visit from the Secretary of the Grand Lodge, Bro. Wilson. Unfortunately Bro. Wilson arrived at a very inopportune moment—just before examinations. Several of our brothers managed to meet him, however, at the Hotel Marlborough on the evening of May 25th. A banquet of the Delta Chi (professional) fraternity was in progress at the hotel on the same evening and we were delighted to meet Bro. Quesada, a founder of their New York University Chapter. Bro. Brookins, X, '80, was also present. We had no rooms during the latter part of the term and so were obliged to meet the President as well as the Secretary at the hotel. We have postponed our June initiation until fall for this reason. We intend to take suitable rooms before the college term opens, in order to stand on an equal footing with the other fraternities when the rushing season commences.

Bro. Harrington, '95, did not take his examinations in June. He will enter Harvard this fall.

At the class dinner of '96 which took place last June, one-quarter of all present were Theta Delts. On the dinner com-

mittee we were represented by Bro. Adams, chairman, and Bro. Marrener. Bro. Marrener filled the position of toastmaster as well. Bro. Adams set forth in glowing terms the "Achievements of '96," while Bro. Anderton responded to the toast, "'96 as Sub-Freshman." It need not be said that the spirit of Theta Delta Chi predominated.

Our annual charge dinner next year will probably be held in February. The fact of our last dinner having been held just previous to examination lowered the attendance considerably. The exact date we hope to mention in the December SHIELD and we sincerely trust to see some brothers from other charges present. We generally meet none but Pi Deuteron and Rho Deuteron brothers at our banquets and reunions, and we heartily invite any brothers who may be in or near the city to come to our dinner or to drop in at our rooms, when we shall be pleased and happy to exercise the laws of Theta Delta Chi hospitality to the best of our ability.

At the last meeting of the Phrenocosmian Literary Society Bro. Tombo was elected corresponding secretary. No other fraternity man is represented on its board of officers.

#### PERSONALS.

Bro. Wilken, '95, has changed his business. He is now with E. S. Greeley, railway, steamship and electrical supplies.

Bro. Harrington spent the summer in Maine.

Bro. Kosmak is staying at Palenville, in the Catskill Mountains. He will visit the Fair in September.

Bro. Hunter killed time at Norwalk, Conn., during summer.

Bro. Turner enjoyed his vacation at Kinderhook, N. Y., and in Vermont.

Bro. Wright spent a few weeks at Lewiston, Pa., and at Gloucester, Mass.

Bros. Uterhart, Wilken and Wheeler were at the Fair together during the latter part of August.

Bros. Jaques, Tombo and Marrenner represented Pi Deuteron at Chicago during the college fraternity week. They report a delightful time at the reception given by the Sororities in the New York State Building, where they were fortunate enough

to form the acquaintance of brothers from almost every charge. They will undoubtedly recognize many familiar faces at the next Convention in New York.

GUY H. TURRELL.

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### TAU DEUTERON.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

It is pleasant to again be back in College Hall, among familiar scenes, recalling to our minds past victories and defeats, to breathe in the air of youthful ambition, to feel the enthusiasm of those about us; but, best of all, is the hearty grip of the brother Theta Delts, whose friendship we ever prize more and more.

Tau Deuteron began the new year with twenty-one active members, firm believers in and active workers for  $\Theta \Delta X$ . Rushing began very early this season, and there is a lively scramble for the best men. In this work we are by no means behind, and expect to carry off the four or five men we are looking for.

We are located at No. 1018 University avenue, only a block from the main college building, and the banner of  $\Theta \Delta X$ , unfurled September 12th, floats over the best fraternity house at the university. This newly fitted house, with its beautiful surroundings, is a pleasant place to pass a leisure hour, and will, we think, prove quite a help in obtaining the new men we want.

During the summer one of our members, Bro. Sheldon, '94, became lonesome while the brothers were away and took unto himself a wife, Miss Dennison of Minneapolis.

While at the World's Fair the writer had the pleasure of meeting Bro. Webster, '91, of Mapleton, Minn., who, with his bride, was spending a delightful honeymoon amid the pansies and jessamines of the Horticultural Building, and in the secluded footpaths of the Wooded Island.

Bro. W. I. Gray, '92, has entered the electrical supply business; Bro. Gottfrid Hult, '92, is principal of the Wells, Minn., High school; Bro. A. M. Frazer, '93, is with the Twin City

Rapid Transit Company; Bro. J. W. Erf, '93, is at Monroeville, Ohio.

Bro. Thomas J. McElligott, law, '93, has hung out his shingle at Appleton, Minn.

Bros. E. H. Schofield, J. B. Moffett and C. T. Moffett are with us again. The last named is taking the law course.

The only election held, as yet, is that of the Hermean Literary society. Bro. W. A. Simonton carried off the presidency.

Our campus is being graded and our old friends the sandburrs—we call them friends, for they stick tighter than a brother—are being ruthlessly torn up to give place to beautiful green sod.

The plans for the new fire proof assembly hall and library have been approved and work on the building will soon be commenced.

Sweaters appearing on pleasant afternoons warn us that the foot-ball season is at hand and we must get ready with our "Rah! Rah! Rah! Ski-W-Mah!" to greet the coming champions of the northwest.

Should any brother chance to be in our city this year let him drop in upon us at our new and comfortable quarters, where he will be given a hearty welcome from as wide-awake and enthusiastic a body of men as can be found anywhere.

After a couple of weeks' careful feeding with sweet and succulent pledges, Tau Deuteron's goat was let loose October 7th upon five trembling victims, who were initiated into the mysteries of our beloved fraternity. The following are the brothers whom we now introduce to the family of  $\Theta \Delta X$ :

R. P. Felton, '92, who is taking graduate work in engineering; W. L. Hoffman, '97; L. T. Savage, '97; W. Colby Rucker, '97; G. R. Snoad, '97.

Others are yet to come. Tau Deuteron wishes as good success to all its sister charges.

FRANCIS RAMALEY.

## PHI.

## LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

After our exhaustive communication to the June SHIELD we feel justified in consigning a somewhat shorter message to this issue of our beloved fraternity organ.

It was with sincere pleasure that we greeted one another at the beginning of the term with hearty grips and welcome words. As the new college year dawns upon us it finds Phi in a very promising and flourishing condition for the "rushing season."

We take great pleasure in announcing to the fraternity that we have initiated into the mysteries of  $\Theta \Delta X$  Rabe F. Marsh, '97, of Mt. Pleasant, Pa. and Thomas W. Cooper, jr., '97, of Long Branch, N. J. Both of the new brothers are already typical Theta Delts and prominent in class affairs. Bro. Marsh is considered one of the best tenors in college and has been elected to the Glee Club. At the Mt. Pleasant institute Bro. Marsh won a fine gold medal for first prize in oratory, took second honor in the graduating class and was captain and pitcher of their team, making a fine record as a pitcher.

Bro. Cooper is an all around athlete, having made good records as a bicycle rider, jumper and runner, besides captaining and playing on the High school team. He is well liked and we consider him as the stuff with which Theta Delts are built.

We are "sizing up" several Freshmen and hope to initiate them in the near future.

A delightful surprise awaited us this term in the addition to our ranks of a valued Theta Delt—Bro. Pearl T. Haskell, '91, Epsilon Deuteron—who comes to Lafayette this year as football trainer. We gladly welcome our brother and during his sojourn with us we shall endeavor to show him that Phi holds the banner of  $\Theta \Delta X$  high.

Bro. C. K. Reade, '90, has "hung out his shingle" in front of a neat lawyer's office.

Bro. Wayne Dumont, '92, has been promoted to the high position of assistant principal of Phillipsburg, (N. J.) High school.

Bro. N. A. Jones, '92, takes Bro. Dumont's old place as principal of the Grammar school in Phillipsburg, N. J.

Bro. E. A. Loux, '92, has returned for his second year in Princeton Theological seminary.

Bro. Joseph J. Robinson, '93, writes us that he will enter the New York law school this fall.

Bro. Chas. Albertson, '93, made us a call at the beginning of the term. He is pursuing his engineering studies at his home at Bangor, Pa.

Bro. G. G. Honness, '93, has a position in the engineering department of the D., L. & W. railroad.

Bro. Losee, '94, won a gold medal for a 100 yards dash at his home this summer.

Bro. Drake, '94, has been elected base ball captain for the coming season.

Bro. Reeves, '96, will not return to college this year. He is studying law at his home Cape May City, N. J.

In our next letter we hope to tell our brothers something about our foot-ball team.

Phi was well represented at the World's Columbian exposition by the following delegation: Bros. Voight, '94; Chambers, '94; Gleck, '95; Barker, '95; Hovey, '95; Twitmeyer, '96; Marsh, '97.

We do not meet our brothers from other charges as often as we wish we might, but let us remember that while our fraternity life must, for the most part, be associated with some one charge, yet we are members of a fraternity whose spirit is above all charge limitations and whose current of sympathy only flows through the sacred hand shake of Theta Delta Chi.

This is the message that Phi sends to her sister charges.

ALBERT F. HOVEY, '95.

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### CHI.

#### ROCHESTER UNIVERSITY.

In a few short weeks the time will have come around when the doors of college will be thrown open to welcome the timid freshman and his returning brethren to the work which makes

them wiser and binds the ties of friendship closer about them. This time will be very acceptable to the members of the Chi charge as we have secured a comfortable charge house where most of the out of town members will room for the coming year. Our new quarters are on Alexander Street, about a block from the campus.

The usual Commencement exercises were varied somewhat this year, one entire day being given up to class reunions of the alumni and a smoking concert being held in the evening. The class-day exercises on the campus were held at night and were followed by the cremation of Analytics by the Freshman class, the first public cremation here in a number of years. Bro. Estes received Third prize on 'Soph. Ex.' The Senior Prom. was a brilliant success. Among the Theta Delt alumni whom we received as visitors during the week were Dr. J. MacBride Sterrett, '68, of Columbian University, Washington, D. C., H. DeWitt Brookins, '81 and C. M. Everson, '71. While Dr. Sterrett was in the city we initiated his eldest son, J. MacBride Sterrett, Jr., '96, of Columbian University.

In the week preceding Commencement we had as a visitor W. N. Freeman, Beta, '84 who had been making charge visits at Michigan and Kenyon on behalf of the Grand Lodge.

Bro. Glass has been spending the entire summer in Chicago. The other active members who visited the Fair are T. T. Swinburne, W. W. Williams, S. E. Barrett and the writer, who also had the pleasure of spending a week on the U. S. S. San Francisco as a seaman in the Naval Reserve of the State of New York.

DAVID G. MEYER.

## Exchange Cleanings.

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[Our exchanges are requested to send two copies of their journal to the SHIELD at Elmira, N. Y., and one copy to Prof. A. G. Benedict, Clinton, N. Y. In exchange we will send three copies wherever requested.]

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The July number of the *Kappa Alpha* closing the tenth volume is a worthy number to terminate the career of Editor Keeble. For four years John Bell Keeble has conducted *Kappa Alpha* and its rise and progress have been notable. In laying down the pen and scissors Editor Keeble says :

"For four years the same man has directed the Journal. Such a position has enabled him to survey the whole Order and to become familiar with all of the various departments. The editor's life is strange and mysterious. He sits and watches, has no power to change or order done, but only to advise and to urge. It is his duty to praise that which seems good, and to thunder against that which seems evil, in fact or in tendency. Aside from this, his only care is to put forth a creditable magazine, to aid and promote interest of his fraternity.

There is a jot of pride felt when the progress made in the Journal in the past four years is observed. It is, we think pardonable pride, and yet this great change is not assumed to be due to personal efforts alone, but to the progress of ideas in this direction, and the passing of time.

The present staff are fond of the Journal. It has become a pet of him who presides over it. In after years he will bless the period of his connection with it. In the capacity of editor, no doubt things have been said which sounded harsh and hard. Duty alone has prompted such words. No doubt, duty is often performed too severely, but yet that is a fault in make-up rather than in desire. Cassius laid his temper at the door of his natural heritage, when Brutus chided him so harshly. So it is, perhaps, to more or less degree with every man who lives.

Whatever has been said or done was done with eye single to the advancement of our magazine and to the progress of the entire fraternity."

We doubt if fraternities at large realize the important part a good journal plays in the history and progress of any society. The fraternity does not make the journal. The good which a periodical may do depends almost entirely upon the magnetic

influence introduced into its pages by the toiling editor whose heart must be in the work to produce results. Much has been accomplished by the hard work of Editor Keeble and Kappa Alpha will miss his earnest and wise suggestions. The Greek press will feel his absence quite as much. It is to be hoped that he may be induced to continue his good work. The last number contains plates of three chapters. There is nothing which so effectually perpetuates the history of any society interest as a group photograph. If the writer could have his way, a group picture would be taken of every chapter each year. They might not seem to be of great value for a few years, but let ten years or twenty-five pass and they become particular treasures to every surviving member. Lay aside a trifle of the money which is squandered for senseless things and invest it in a chapter photograph each year. We promise you that you will never regret it. Editor Keeble said in his Greek press notes a year ago that he should hereafter let the SHIELD severely alone, but he forgets in the throes of parting with his editorial friends the rash statement and says some pretty things while unable to resist a "dig" at the old sore. We give his remarks entire.

"Some years ago there appeared on the walls at an art exhibit in a certain Southern city a striking picture of a ghost, others more artistically developed called it a "Study," while people generally shivered and referred to it as "the girl in blue" with her eyes punched out. That picture is now on the walls of the art building at the World's Fair, and none who have seen it will ever forget "the girl in blue." Likewise no one will ever forget the SHIELD in blue. It impresses itself on one with such force that he will ever remember it as he remembers the green apples of his juvenile days, or the old oaken bucket his infancy knew.

The current SHIELD has a twenty-page oration "delivered at the banquet of the New England Association, April 19th, by the Rev. Charles Goddell." The Rev. Charles is something of a humorist, and in places the types make him appear to speak very disconnectedly. In fact, if it were not for the prefix to his name, one might imagine that it was an after-dinner speech, and that the speaker had not been a total abstainer during the dining, but had looked upon the wine when it was red."

For instance the thread is rather difficult to trace through the following:

"The yankee like the cat always strikes on his feet, and knows the way out of hard places as a goat knows the way up a mountain.

"An editor gave an obituary of a townsman who appeared next day alive at the office. 'Can't correct it,' said the scribe, 'but I will put you among the births.'

"Why isn't Boston better laid out?"

"It will be when it is dead as Philadelphia.

"He loved the useful and knew little about the ornamental.

"With the darkey he said, 'de shirt buttons may help the look ob tings, but it am the 'spender buttons that does the solid work,' and it was solid work he wanted."

"And the blue SHIELD has again distinguished itself in the advertising department. Some years ago there appeared advertisements of various commodities, promiscuously scattered through the reading matter and editorial paragraphs of the SHIELD. The practice was rather severely commented on by other fraternity magazines, but they all afterward apologized, when Mr. Holmes explained that he had been too sick to personally attend to the make-up of the SHIELD while it was in press, and thus the "mix" was made. Some time afterward Mr. Holmes cut advertisements out of his magazine altogether, saying the magazine ought either to be self-supporting or else surrender its lease. But now, then, again appear the hated advertisements, and again Mr. Holmes must be sick, for they are once more mixed in with reading matter, rather after the order of the last two or three pages of *Puck*, half a page of personals and notes of interest, then half a page at \$— per page per issue. This does not commend itself to fraternity journalism.

But, all else aside, Mr. Holmes has done more for the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD than has any other Greek done for his fraternity. He has actually made it. He started with nothing save the moral support of his fraternity, published a magazine at his own expense, himself being all but chapter correspondent, and within two years made it one of the heavy weight members of the Greek press. It has been an individual enterprise, and one of great success. With a good pendulum attachment it would maintain its high position. Mr. Holmes certainly deserves the good will and hearty support of every Theta Delta Chi."

This may seem a strange place in which to comment on the general work of the SHIELD, but Editor Keeble has renewed the criticism of the entire Greek Press, and we desire to answer it once for all in the Exchange Column. Readers will not take the remarks as a drubbing intended for Brother Keeble, for they are in no wise thus directed personally. In behalf of the SHIELD, we desire first to thank Editor Keeble for his kind and encouraging personal remarks. Inadvertently he answers the very proposition which he charges upon the SHIELD. Advertising is in itself quite as much an art as any other part of

newspaper or magazine work. Advertisers are willing to pay good prices for preferred space. The Greek press will pardon the SHIELD for noting that it is not in good taste for any one of them to criticize the methods which the SHIELD adopts to secure its income, so long as those methods do not conflict with any rights common to the entire Greek press or any single member. As the Editor of the SHIELD is a newspaper man, he is able, from experience, to compute the relative values of position ads, and the Greek editors are informed that no advertiser gets the benefit of a cut into reading pages (a la Puck) unless he pays a good round sum for it. The SHIELD claims it as a right to arrange its business as best it can to secure the greatest gain, and denies the right to any man to question the position of its advertisements. If the self same editors were to take up a comparison of the apparel worn by different students and criticise some poor, hardworking student because, perchance, his coat was "seedy," while admitting his standing to be quite equal to any, we are of the opinion that some one would take it as downright personal insult. Now, please let our apparel alone. The SHIELD has never attacked any journal on account of its business methods, or because they had less or more ads or circulation, but almost every Greek journal has trampled rough-shod over the SHIELD on more occasions than one, in a manner positively discourteous, and worthy of severe censure. The SHIELD has taken it kindly and apologized, when the shoe was really on the other foot. We have, however, concluded that, since no one else pays our bills, we will give a gentle hint to all who are inclined to criticise our business methods to keep their own counsel. The SHIELD is not in debt to anybody, and has not been in five years. Can the rest say the same? Editor Keeble thinks "Mr. Holmes must be sick again." He is really sick of the tirade and hopes never to see it more. The farewell remarks of the present Exchange Editor in the next issue will perhaps somewhat clarify and soften the caustic tendencies revealed in this, our last unkind expression to the Greek editors who, as a rule, have been extremely courteous to the SHIELD.

The latest issue of the *D. K. E. Quarterly* to find place on our table is dated May. In this, as might be expected, are half-tone portraits of Mr. Herbert and Mr. Bissell, the two D. K. E. members of the cabinet. The accompanying biographies are brief, though the little they attempt to say is well told. "Old Times in Achaia" is entertaining reading for more reasons than one. What can be said of a flight of eloquence like this? "Ambition rises to supernal heights on accelerating wings whenever we review the emblazoned record of the eventful past." We give some extracts from the review which may recall similar memories in the minds of other Greeks than members of D. K. E.

"It was a great day for Achaia when the original Greeks insinuated their equine hobby into the penetralia of the universities, and reined him up on the college campus in the very face of the curriculum. The apprehension of the faculties and professors of the period was pitiable to behold. They feared the Greeks' interloping, and time and events have proved their foresight; for, like Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon, their glory thence forward began to wane, and their autocracy departed from them.

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"I suppose it will puzzle the younger of our Latter-Day Alumni to know how we "old 'uns" got there; but we got there all the same, like the historical blue-tail fly. Sometimes it was by high stepping, oftener by groveling; sometimes through valleys of dark shadow, and anon through the fumes of burnt "lucifers." Candidates had to be impressed with the uncertainty of life, the imminence of death, the vanity of vain-glory and the value of humility; and when the bandage was removed from the swollen eyes and they saw the light, they were grateful for the ordeal. How to indoctrinate these virtues in an effective manner at initiation, so that they would always remain fast colors, became the study and duty of every conscientious master of ceremonies, though stewards at that remote period had not learned the acute elective methods of subsequent years, and novitiates were seldom killed.

The entire ritual was quite in keeping with the crude character of the academic era, when even students of mature age were treated by the faculties as mere schoolboys of larger growth, without serious aims or motives, and were rounded up like herds of sheep by arbitrary tutors appointed to "guide, guard and govern" them, and who were entrusted by our parents to do our thinking for us, though they were in no other respect proxies. In those days—fifty years ago—progressive students were wont to sell their disused text books to pay their extra livery bills. We rushed to chapel prayers at day-break in our bed blankets to save demerit marks, and then to recitations of an hour on empty stomachs,