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THE BIRTH OF THE SHIELD.

A Poem Delivered at the Fourth Annual Banquet of the Pi
Deuteron Charge by A. Edward Wupperman, '91.

Once on an idle autumn's eve,
Bathed in the twilight's waning glow,
So soft, the flowers seemed to grieve
That the balmy days should shorter grow,
I lay and watched the crimson west,
Spread out like a fan on a woman's breast,
An avalanche of glory, all
Ablaze like a gorgeous waterfall
Of priceless rubies 'gainst the sky—
A scene to make a hero dream, a woman sigh.

In saddest discontent I lay,
Nor cared to meet the coming day,
With disappointment overwrought,
Of dreary cares and ills the sport.

Sweet the fresh cut-grass
Scented the breeze, and the flowers gay
Nodded their heads 'midst the swaying hay
And wildest sassafras.
In despair I cried: "Oh, Being Divine!
To uplift my heart, grant me a sign
From Thine own Hand that I may know
That there's Heaven above and hope below."

Above the blushing west as I spoke,
The radiant clouds, in a sudden blaze
Of golden glory that dazzled my gaze,
As if swept by a whirlwind parted and broke.

There on his throne sat the King of Light,
 While below the sun, bloody and red,
 Almost like a monster gorgon's head,
 Tipped the horizon and sank from sight.

And by the King at either end,
 With feet on a crimson cloud of blood,
 Tw mighty seraphs obedient stood,
 With wings outspread, their force to lend
 To what the King should them command,
 Be it o'er sky, o'er sea or land.

And then he spake, the King on high :
 "A thing of brilliant gems create
 To hang above in the vaulted sky,—
 A thing so marvelous, so great,
 So powerful as to unite
 In one great brotherhood, all men
 Of every station, black or white,
 Jew, gentile or heathen—and then
 Place it where only those can climb
 Who long for my best gifts sublime."

And as he spake I saw above
 Our sacred shield of brother's love,
 Each jewel around it a brother's tear,
 And in the midst the arrows appear,
 Quick to avenge a brother's wrong
 Who to our circle may belong.

"Alas!" I cried, "but why so high?
 Who e'er can reach thee ere he die?
 What good on earth is such a shield
 That but Omnipotence may wield?
 If charity be indeed as far
 As the bright ray of yonder star,
 For what may we poor mortals hope
 Who 'midst earth's shadows daily grope?"

Then startled at myself to teach
 Such boldness to my sudden speech,
 I turned to things of earth, and saw
 To my surprise that day was o'er.
 The scene had passed; dark was the night.
 But one bright star dazzled my sight,
 For there, as from the sky, beside my seat,
 The jewelled shield had fallen to my feet.

BROTHER PAINE'S GIFT.

Through the courtesy of Brother Willis S. Paine (Chi, 1868), I have been privileged to examine a monogram $\theta \Delta X$ pin or badge, designed by himself, and which he has lately presented to the presiding officer of the Chi Charge and intended to be transmitted by the latter in turn to his successor. Thinking the design most charming as well as unique, I obtained his permission to write a description of it for the readers of the SHIELD.

The pin is composed of diamonds in "crown" settings with a ruby—the emblematic gem of the Fraternity—in the centre. The diamonds are not "rose diamonds" or "brilliants," but selected stones of the first water. The "Chi" of the badge has upon its upper arms crossed daggers and arrows, and a star upon each of its lower arms, these containing the insignia of the Fraternity in black enamel. The Delta is of blue enamel, and this, with the diamonds, make "black, white and blue"—the colors of the Society. On the reverse of the pin is an open book, surrounding which is a classical Grecian lamp, signifying *light*;

Roman clasped hands, testifying skull and cross bones, ex attached by a little chain



Above the book, also,

X. A.—the X. standing for the name of the Chi Charge, and N. A. is A. N. reversed. This badge has been forwarded in a leather case to Brother William S. Kimball, by him to be presented to Stanton E. Barrett of Rochester, N. Y., the presiding officer of the Chi Charge. It will be seen from this description that the cabalistic letters of the Fraternity being so dissimilar, their combination makes a most harmonious design, being, indeed, a circle, a triangle, and a cross. and one, moreover, that no other Greek letter Fraternity of three letters possesses. It will, furthermore, be observed that the gems on the back of the pin and appendix, together with the two stars make the number 28—this being the number of years since the Chi Charge was founded, viz: 1866–1894. This badge—an illustration of which appears in this letter—was gotten up by J. F. Newman of New York city.

fascies, indicating unity; to friendship; and a pressive of secrecy; while is a diamond Chi (X).

are the Greek letters N.

In conclusion : the design is as chaste and elegant as the conception was brilliant and original. The generosity, also, which prompted this costly and magnificent gift is thus strikingly set forth, and I am sure that my brothers will thank me for calling their attention to an instance of such surpassing love for our beloved Fraternity as is thus shown by one of their best loved and most honored brothers.

Brother Paine has recently again sailed for a foreign clime, and, after bidding him an affectionate farewell on the deck of the steamer, as I slowly wended my way homeward and thought of this ocean voyage and of his devoted loyalty to our Fraternity, these words of dear old Horace involuntarily came into my mind : *Coelum, non animum, mutant, qui trans mare currunt.*

WILLIAM L. STONE.

Mt. Vernon, N. Y., June 1st, 1894

NEW ENGLAND POEM.

Delivered at the Eleventh Annual Banquet of the New England Association, April 26, 1894, by Bertrand A. Smalley, Omicron Deuteron.

Once more is thronged the generous banquet board,
 Which lately groaned beneath the rare good cheer
 Of choicest viands land and sea afford.
 The spring gives promise of the budding year,
 On bells of bloom old winter's knell she tolls
 As to our wonted feast we gather here
 Seeking communion with congenial souls.

When hand clasps hand in holy brotherhood,
 When brothers sound the depths of brothers' eyes,
 The day is fraught with influences for good
 More potent far than aught beneath the skies.
 Seize then the hour; too soon relentless morn
 Will bring our parting. Be not over-wise!
 Forget the dawn, and laugh dull care to scorn.

Goodfellowship we crown our king to-night,
 His joyous reign naught but old Time disputes.
 The tyrant, Father Time, whose swift-winged flight
 Outstrips the rippling measure of our lutes.

Shall we, then, wear the shackles of the Fates?

What, ho! Rebellion! Naught like deeds confutes
The musty proverb, "Time for no man waits."

Upon the greybeard! Bind him strand on strand
With cords of joy; ply him with draughts of wine
Trode from the grapes of some far Orient land
Where poppies laugh into the skies divine!
Spare not, be choicest wines like water poured
'Till, yielding to the languor of the vine
We cast the drunkard 'neath our banquet board.

Now is our feasting free, our joy complete;
In Time's sore downfall Pleasure has its birth.
The gods are kind; keep time with flying feet
While rings the hall with jollity and mirth.
Come, sweep the chords of poesy with me,
For now has come the reign of Joy on earth
And sparkling wine shall wed fair minstrelsy.

Spill to the favoring gods one generous glass;
To Dionysus be our offering poured.
Fit patron he—Let not the goblet pass
When heaven-lent Hebe circles round the board.
Brim high the flowing bowl with Spain's red boast;
Snatched from some old monastic cobwebbed hoard,
And drink with me one happy lightsome toast.

What pledge more worthy than fair womanhood?
Search well your hearts. Find you no image there
Of some sweet maid whose artless love hath stood
Full many a time 'twixt thee and dark despair?
In whom the strength of loveliness abides,
Within whose soft brown eyes and rippling hair,
And dimpled cheeks the archer, Eros, hides?

To love of woman drink the heart's best pledge;
Woman, our queen, through her whose loyal knight
Each is. Yet stay, within the empurpled edge
Of Pleasure's cup, upon the minstrel's sight
Dawns stranger vision than may man behold,
Who seeks not in the eternal stars of night
The mystery-solving omens they unfold.

For bosomed in the fastness of the bowl
Which late we thought in Love's sweet name to drain,
Fair to the eye as 'twere an out-spread scroll,
The smiling beauty of the Attic plain

Lies all revealed, and towering on high,
 As though to kiss the blue Greek heaven, the fane
 Of chaste Athena stands against the sky.

Bearing their offerings to her holy shrine
 Garlanded girls, a glad procession, go
 To woo sweet Aphrodite's smile divine.
 Their choral chant comes stealing from below
 Wafted on pinions of soft winds that kiss
 With tender lips alight with sunset's glow
 The sacred temple-crowned Acropolis.

As light, from some great sun which never shone
 Upon earth's puny egotistic sphere,
 Breaks, trembling on the shores of worlds unknown,
 Rises their song which, swelling faintly clear,
 Re-echoes through the vault of centuries dead
 To beat sonorous on our listening ear
 Though Grecian glory be forever fled.

SONG.

Hail, goddess of loving and beauty !
 Our high altars shall glow with thy fire
 And Fate's shuttle 'twixt longing and duty
 Weave the willowy web of Desire.

Let our last day be spent in devotion
 To sweet Pleasure, as 'twere but the sand
 Which is strewn o'er the shores of the ocean,
 And we the sole lords of the land !

Let all prating of sorrow and dying
 Be left for the laggards to prove,
 Sing the lilt and the laughter of lying
 Mid the languorous lilies of love.

Hail, goddess of loving and beauty !
 Our high altars shall glow with thy fire,
 And Fate's shuttle 'twixt longing and duty
 Weave the willowy web of Desire.

How read the omen ? Would some ancient seer
 Might solve the portent mirrored in the wine;
 Some prophet-bard in whose accustomed ear
 The whispered message of the gods divine
 Blends into music in harmonious strain.
 Would that the harp of Homer now were mine
 With Grecian melody to ring again.

Is it to crown our toast in Love's sweet name
 Great Zeus vouchsafes this token of his hands,
 Or does the miracle his wrath proclaim?
 In answer all the white-robed host disbands
 Alone in matchless beauty all its own
 The Parthenon, a Doric idyl, stands
 A mighty poem, wrought in deathless stone.
 What though old ocean tosses miles and miles
 Between our western world so passing fair,
 And storied shores of classic Greece's blue isles,
 With passion all the mystery to share
 Each questioning heart the holy gods inspire,
 And echoing to the presage mirrored there
 No doubtful music thrills the trembling lyre.
 Far in a sunset land beyond the sea
 Adown the stately avenues of Time,
 Temples as holy rise to skies more free
 Than ever smiled in dreamy Eastern clime.
 On their high altars smokes no fragrant spice
 In honor of a Phidian god sublime;
 Immortal friendship claims their sacrifice.
 Immortal friendship, in the human heart
 Thy chiefest, fittest shrine will ever be,
 For though all powerful in thy might, thou art
 The only goddess whom on bended knee
 None serve, but to whose altar drawing nigh
 Thy loving sons stand proud, erect and free,
 To sing thy pæan, Theta Delta Chi.

PI DEUTERON BANQUET.

On Saturday evening, April 14th, the Fourteenth Annual Banquet of Pi Deuteron Charge was held at the Hotel Marlborough, New York. It was the most successful banquet and reunion the charge has ever given. In spite of the fact that the Rho Deuteron banquet was held two weeks later, the attendance surpassed that of previous years. Seven charges were represented, Beta, Epsilon Deuteron, Omicron, Pi Deuteron, Rho Deuteron, Sigma and Chi. Bro. Mansfield and three other Yale Theta Delts came down from New Haven,

and to their presence the success of the banquet was largely due. Mr. Sidman, steward of the hotel, deserves much credit for the fine menu he had arranged, and the excellent way in which it was served. Bro. Gonzalo de Quesada, who had consented to act as toastmaster, was unexpectedly called to Philadelphia on the same day. His place was filled by Bro. William Wettlauser, who, after the inner man had been satisfied, read letters of regret from Bro. James Cruikshank, A, '51; Bro. Clay W. Holmes, Phi. '69; Bro. Sawtelle, Secretary of the Grand Lodge; Bro. Frederic Goodwin, Pi Deuteron, '81, one of the founders of the charge, and others.

Bro. A. Edw. Wuppermann, the poet of the evening, then spoke as follows: "To those of you who have listened to or have read my previous rather erratic poems on Theta Delta Chi, I need offer no apology for the present one. Desiring some encouragement on the present subject, I read my poem to-day to a dear friend of mine, a brother in Theta Delta Chi, and after I had concluded, I noticed that his eyes were moist. I asked him whether the poem had touched him, and he said: 'Yes, I weep for joy.' I felt glad that one tender brother's heart had been touched by my humble lines. But he continued: 'When I think of the fortunate moment in which I declined an invitation to be present at the banquet to-night, I cannot help but weep for joy.'"

I am sure that no one who reads the "Birth of the Shield" will weep for joy at not having been present at the banquet. Bro. W. R. Walkley, O, '60, was down to speak on "A Business Man in Politics." His beautiful speech will long linger in the minds of all who were present. Bro. Walkley spoke as follows:

"Gentlemen and Brothers :

Bro. Tombo wrote me the other day and asked me to come over to this dinner;—if I would speak and what I would speak about. I gave him my theme as "A Business Man in Politics," but as I meet with you boys here to-night, I am not much inclined to say what I might have said to a larger audience. My gray hairs indicate age, while in heart I feel about as young as the youngest. (Applause.) I am not, as your

Toastmaster says, a public speaker, and I don't know whether I can follow the thoughts that have been in my mind for the last hour. My theme is very full of suggestions, and to you young men, who are standing on the threshold of life, ambitious and hopeful, looking out over a level plane but with eyes uplifted, there does not seem a goal which you cannot reach; there does not seem on the highest acclivities of fame a point to which you can not climb; there does not seem an object which you cannot attain. Oh, youthful hopes, aspirations of every soul, climbing to something above, noble inspirations of young manhood and young life, alas, how soon to be embittered by the struggle and toil in this great warfare and conflict of life. Yet I cannot say a single word to you that would dampen your ambition, that would lead you to cast your eyes downward, but if I could say a word it would be: Keep your eyes aloft, aim high, work diligently and faithfully; read, study, labor, toil; these will bring their reward; and do not forget it. There recurs to me just at this moment something I read in my college days like this: Toil on young men, struggle on, young men, look aloft, young men, if a thistle grows in thy pathway, pluck it out, dig it up, that a blade of useful grass may grow there instead, a drop of nourishing milk to feed some hungry one. "Work while it is called to-day, for the night cometh wherein no man can work." Work is the talisman that opens the door of many expanding palaces, and shows you cathedrals and galleries vast, paintings that have been wrought by the hand of genius, sculptures that have been carved by thoughtful men, which have been but the expression of that outward growth of their better selves. Work while it is called to-day, for older than all preached gospels is this ineradicable, inextinguishable, for ever enduring gospel, work, and therein have well being.

"But this has little to do with politics and business. Young gentlemen of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity, the associations of your college life may be and should be the associations of your manhood. Lay well the foundations upon which you would build the superstructure of life. Let it be of granite or of marble, and as story rises upon story, let it grow more beautiful in the advancing days of your life. . . .

"Why do some men toil from early morn till late at night, while others in affluence and luxury, enjoy the delight of living, or appear to enjoy it? What is the gauge by which men are measured? What is the plumb-line by which the depths of their beings are fathomed? What is the measuring rod that marks their greatness? Let this be a thought of your young lives, measuring up to the Great Standard of life which should be your example.

"What is literature? Ruskin has said it is the criticism of life; we may say it is the record of life. To what do men attain? What do men strive after, to what are men reaching, what is the summit of their ambition? What, young gentlemen, are your hopes? There is an ambition, there is a goal, there is a point to which you would attain. You are struggling towards it. You see no such thing as failure now. Life is bright and clear, the sun shines, there are no clouds. You care naught for the storm. You ride in a staunch ship. Though the waves beat about you; you sit in the smoking room, and hardly know there is a storm without. Yet there is a pilot at the helm in whose judgment we trust. There is a man guiding that ship, there is a master in whom you have faith, and if you remember the words spoken the other day in regard to Kossuth, they were that after the throbbing years of almost a century this man comes back to his native country, a pilot at the helm who has steered his vessel around the universe. The mighty oak has fallen, but a grove of young palm trees has grown up thereabouts, and the liberty that he loved, the liberty for which he fought, the liberty for which he pledged his life, has become the aspiration of every young Hungarian. (Applause.)

"I am wandering, gentlemen, and talking entirely off-hand, of nothing that I had thought to say. As I left my home to-night, within two blocks of my house lay the corpse of a dead general (Slocum.) A city is in mourning. The last of that grand corps of commanders in our civil war has fallen, he whose voice gave decision at the battle of Gettysburg, he who led one of the two divisions of the army from Atlanta to the sea, he who was present at Lookout, at Antietam, at Gettys-

burg, at Chancellorsville, has answered the long roll call whose summons we must all obey. A nation mourns a Commander-in-Chief; the army no longer listens to the tread of its general. The Congress to which he was welcomed as a Chieftain covered with the glories of war; the state which buries on Tuesday next the last of its great commanders, the flags at half mast in our cities, all speak of the great debt our country owes its honored general. Yet he was the plainest man among men, meeting others as we meet each other tonight, not in the tinsel and ornament of military life, but a plain man, marching as I have said from Atlanta to the sea, a conquering hero, yet in politics, in common life, a man among men, the president of a horse railroad, the manager of a trolley line, yet a man who commanded and obeyed, who followed and who led, who planned and who executed.

"Politics is the science of government. The politics of our modern day may be called the science of achievement. What are politics? An indefinite quantity. What have true men, honored men, honest men to do with politics? They smell of something loathsome; to touch politics seems to be touching offal. You shrink back and think there is something that would contaminate you; and yet, young gentlemen, the coming question of your lives is "politics." Great parties rule in our cities; the government of our cities is divided between these parties, and why? A philosopher needs answer. What difference does it make to you whether the mayor is a Democrat, or Republican, or a Free Soiler, or a Populist, or anything else. The mayor of a city should be a man that would conduct the city's business as he conducts his private business, and nothing more. There is no question of national politics, like tariff or immigration, that divides a city. We want simply good government, honest government, an administration that should be the best rule for citizens. (Applause.) You, young gentlemen, are to see the day when men shall be chosen for their worth and integrity, and the party that selects such men should receive your vote. It does not make any difference to me or to you as citizens of New York city or any municipality what the political inclinations of the mayor or

other officers therein may be. There is nothing, there is no department of life open to young men more promising than the study of municipal government. The time is coming when it shall demand the best talent, the best energy and the best industry of men, and to that end you should labor, to that end your voice and your vote should be given. We want honest administration, faithful and honest duty from the heads of all departments. This is what you have a right to expect, it is what you have a right to demand, and as I said at your convention a few weeks ago, you young gentlemen who have come upon the stage of life since the great rebellion and have looked upon this and that man as a hero, you who have studied the history of such men as Lincoln, Grant, and Garfield, find that they stand out before you as great lights in our civilization. In fact, I think myself that there is no name in the history of America like that of Lincoln, and each revolving year adds lustre to his name. And yet, young gentlemen, the question that confronts you to-day and will in the immediate future, is the question of Civil Government. The question of Immigration, the question of the Tariff, the questions that underlie the very structure of American Republicanism and the perpetuity of our institutions, these confront you like a ghost, and you must be ready to meet every requirement of the hour. (Applause.) There is too much dilly-dallying. There is too much fear, there is too much bowing down to the powers that be, and not that independent spirit of men that makes manhood the world over. Young gentlemen, if you will aim high, your arrows will come nearer to the sun than if you shoot toward the horizon. You may not attain the highest mark that you would seek, you may not reach that point which the ambition of your early life paints, you may not achieve the distinctions which other men have achieved, but the older you grow, the more you commingle with men that you have thought great, the more will you find that they are made of the same flesh and blood that you are yourselves. "It is distance that lends enchantment to the view." I tell you there is stuff in young manhood, the very fibres of which mingle with the next fifty years of our history, and the nation must stand or fall upon the integrity of its young manhood. (Applause.)

"I could speak longer but the hour is late. A thousand thoughts come clamoring into my mind, great pathways open, I will not speak of them. It is the prayer of my heart, gentlemen, so long as Theta Delta Chi lives, that you may be true men, that you may ever hold up the shield as a protecting Aegis, that you may be true to the motto which binds you together, and let this thought that I give you be the thought of my wish towards you.

"(Holding a rose in hand) This fading flower, whose breath perfumed the morning air, whose petals kissed the dewy drops that night distilled, then in opening bloom gave promise of a life most beautiful and fair. Yesterday eve while rocked in the cradle of the wind, or lulled by the gentle zephyr's breath, the moon's pale beams and light of glimmering star shone upon the opening bud. At early dawn Aurora from her gilded couch looked across the eastern hills and smiled upon its beauty. At Sunlight's touch it blushed in crimson as blushed the water at the Master's voice at the wedding feast in Cana. Painted by a hand Divine in colors rich which neither brush nor art can trace; ere the noontide hour plucked from the parent stem through which it drew its breath, it lost its life and power, yet in dying yields sweet fragrance. Oh, simple flower, thy life of but a day shall teach us pilgrims on the way, by grace of word and speech, by purity of thought and life, by kindly deeds of charity and love to yield sweet fragrance like thyself." (Great applause.)

Brother Brookins was to have answered the toast, Self-Sacrifice, but he was so full of the Theta Delta Chi spirit that when he rose to speak his heart failed him, and what would surely have been one of Brother Brookins' great speeches was thus lost to posterity.

To the toast "Pi Deuteron" Brother Alfred A. Wright spoke as follows:

"Pi Deuteron has many merits. She has graduated many great men, and she shall no doubt graduate many more great men, but at present she lacks one thing; she has athletes, she has students, she has honor men, she has sports, but among her present number she has no Cicero, no Demosthenes, no

Walkley, and it is for this reason that I must ask you to listen to a few dry facts without regard to rhetoric or oratory. I am to speak about Pi Deuteron in the present and in the presence of Pi Deuteron; to do it justice I must begin where Pi Deuteron of the present begins, namely, with Pi Deuteron of the past. When an ambitious youth enters into a contest of any kind and does not come out exactly where he thought he would, he is often tempted to say he began further back, that he began to jump before he reached the line, and so it is in history. We are apt to glorify our present condition by asserting that we sprang from a lowly past, and that we rose from a condition which was below that from which we really did rise, and so I might attempt to glorify Pi Deuteron of the present by asserting that she rose from a lowly past. But I do not for two reasons: 1. It would be entirely false; and 2. Pi Deuteron of the past is here and I dare not. There is no doubt but that the culminating point of Pi Deuteron's prosperity is in the past, and when the class of '92 was still in college we were, undoubtedly, it was confessed throughout the college, the strongest and the best fraternity in college. We had nineteen men in college and the finest men at that. This state of affairs was entirely due to the diligence of a few men who were in college at that time, and many of whom I am glad to say are here to-night. (Applause.) Although we had nineteen men in college in June, 1892, in September I believe we had the misfortune of having only nine out of the nineteen returning to college. During the year several more left college and in September, 1893, we had seven members. Since then three more have left college and four have been initiated, making a present number of eight. Why there should be such a general exodus of fraternity men from college at one time I cannot attempt to discuss. Nor do I mean to assert that Theta Delta Chi was the only fraternity that suffered, but I do assert that Theta Delta Chi was the only fraternity in college who was not afraid to preserve her strict conservatism, and the result is that at present we stand with eight men in college at the same place where we stood in 1892 with nineteen men. (Applause.) The result will be that in the next year we shall hold a still higher

position. We have pledged six of the finest men of the new class, besides two Sophomores. (Applause.) I think we have at least twice as many men pledged as any fraternity in college, and to get these men we were not troubled with having a few men in college. It was not Pi Deuteron who rushed the men, it was Theta Delta Chi. (Applause.) We showed them how the fraternity stood outside, and it was that which won them; not the number we had in college. At present, I am sorry to say, we are out of club rooms. We left them three weeks ago. But we will, undoubtedly, occupy much better rooms next year. The enthusiasm which was possessed by Pi Deuteron in 1892 was divided up among nineteen members, but the same amount is now divided up among eight members, and each one has therefore an ample share. This is thoroughly proved, I believe, by the success of our various social gatherings throughout the year. We have had much success in college politics, besides success in every other direction through the year, and the future promises to be much better than it has ever promised to be for a long time. We are especially delighted to see to what a degree Rho Deuteron is giving us encouragement. Were we the only chapter in New York we should feel lonely. Now we see Rho Deuteron advancing with rapid strides to her old position and she will, undoubtedly, be a great aid to us. We regret not to see more members from our sister charge here to-night, but we are delighted to have with us one representative from Rho Deuteron who has done much to raise the Charge to its present condition." (Applause.)

No one who heard Brother Wright could doubt that success will shine upon Pi Deuteron for many years to come. The following toast, "Rho Deuteron," was responded to in glowing terms by Brother Louis Eickwort. Brother Disbecker of Yale in a humorous vein then told a story of "Georgie de Wash," which kept everybody smiling for many minutes. He also thanked the Charge for their hospitality and extended a very kind invitation to all members present to visit *E^a*. Brother B. F. Mansfield next responded for the Grand Lodge. He spoke of the Charges he had visited and reported that the Fraternity to-day is taking a higher stand than ever before. Brother

Mansfield complimented the Charge upon its work in the past, and its promise of work in the future. He told the Charge that the eyes of the Fraternity were upon her, that the Fraternity realized that it is hard for a Charge of any Fraternity to exist in a city like New York. Brother Tombo was next called upon. He was followed by Brother Haight, who spoke of Delta. Finally Brother Wallace, in a speech thrilling with love and loyalty to Theta Delta Chi, told us about the Sigma Charge. After the silent toast to the Omega had been drunk the brothers returned to their several homes, treasuring in their hearts a pleasant recollection of a happy evening spent among brother Theta Deltas.

Those present were :

Beta, H. C. Nelson.

Epsilon Deuteron, C. R. Pratt, '94 ; H. P. Disbecker, '94 ; B. F. Mansfield, '95 ; L. A. Morrow, '95.

Omicron, Webster R. Walkley, '60.

Pi Deuteron, C. LeC. Howe, '89 ; W. H. Wettlaufer, '90 ; W. H. McIntyre, '90 ; F. H. Patterson, '90 ; A. Edw. Wupperman, '91 ; W. M. Seufert, '92 ; S. C. Haight, '92 ; Clifford Wilmurt, '93 ; J. W. Remer, '94 ; C. F. Wilken, '95 ; Alfred A. Wright, '95 ; R. Tombo, Jr., '95 ; F. A. Adams, '96 ; W. Strobel, '96 ; D. M. Marrenner, '96, and J. G. Geoghegan, '96.

Rho Deuteron, L. Eickwort, Jr.

Sigma, S. S. Wallace, '90.

Chi, Homer D. Brookins, '80.

RUDOLPH TOMBO, JR.

THE NEW ENGLAND BANQUET.

On the evening of April 26th was held the eleventh annual reunion and banquet of the New England Association at Young's hotel in Boston. Although not as largely attended as in former years it was none the less enjoyable. About fifty brothers assembled in the parlors at 6:30 and transacted the business of the association, electing officers for the ensuing year.

The venerable father of the association, Seth P. Smith, was re-elected president as usual. A list of the other officers was promised for publication, but as yet none has been received. The banquet was, as all banquets at Young's are, first-class and much enjoyed. Edward C. Stiness officiated as Toastmaster. Hon. Hosea M. Knowlton had expected to deliver the oration of the evening, but was unavoidably prevented by court duty from being present. The poem, which appears on another page was delightfully rendered by Bro. Bertrand A. Smalley. The set toasts were as follows :

"The Illustrious Men of Theta Delta Chi." C. Neal Barney, *K*, '95.

"Pot Pourri," L. D. Hill, *I*, '94.

"Epsilon Deuteron," F. D. Wanning, *E*^a, '94.

"The Grand Lodge," B. F. Mansfield, *E*^a, '95.

"Rhode Island Politics," Hon. Augustus R. Miller.

"Theta Delta Chi and the SHIELD," Clay W. Holmes.

According to the writer's recollection there were other speakers, but unfortunately the editor's note book has been lost and a poor memory does not serve well to make up the account. The absence of Rev. Dr. Elmer H. Capen was noted with regret. The boys missed his genial countenance and solid words of brotherly counsel. A New England banquet without him seems incomplete, and he is never absent except when detained by professional duties.

Those present as far as can be noted from one autograph menu were as follows :

Epsilon Deuteron—Frank Hatch, '92 ; F. D. Wanning, '94 ; B. F. Mansfield, '95.

Zeta—Hon. A. S. Miller, '71 ; E. C. Stiness, '90 ; A. W. A. Taylor, '92 ; George H. Eiswald, W. E. Gardner, L. E. Taylor, '95 ; H. B. Smith, '96.

Eta—N. R. Webster, '81.

Iota—F. M. Brooks, '89 ; E. R. Coffin, F. C. Thwarts, '93 ; L. D. Hill, '94 ; G. LeClear, Thomas Weston, Jr., '95 ; H. Canfield, C. G. Carter, L. Pierpont, '96.

Iota Deuteron—W. L. Sawtelle, '94 ; George W. Cartledge, '97.

Kappa—H. W. Taylor, '85; F. H. Stephenson, '91; F. D. Lyon, '92; W. H. Godfrey, H. C. Folsom, H. B. Fobes, C. N. Barney, '95; R. B. Sanford, '97.

Lambda—L. H. Woodvine, F. W. Kimball, G. O. Smith, '94; G. B. Dean, '95; E. M. Bosworth, '96; B. P. Boultenhouse, '97.

Mu Deuteron—W. T. Baldwin, '93; C. O. Seymour, '94; C. E. Bell, H. W. Lane, '95; George L. Crosby, '96.

Omicron Deuteron—Hon. Seth P. Smith, '82; B. Shirley, F. A. Griffin, '92; B. A. Smalley, '94; H. D. Lakeman, '96.

Phi—Clay W. Holmes, '69.

THE PHI BANQUET.

The twenty-seventh annual banquet of the Phi charge was held in the United States Hotel in Easton, Pa., Monday evening, June 19th. Twenty-two of the boys gathered round the festive board, and enjoyed the good things provided by mine host Hayden. After the material part came one of the most delightful after dinner programs it has been our privilege to enjoy in a long time. Alex. Elliot, Jr., '78, officiated as toastmaster and he did it well. In opening the oratorical feast Bro. Elliot spoke of the honor paid to the charge by the presence of Bro. A. G. Benedict, President of the Grand Lodge—the only member present not a member of the Phi charge. He then proceeded to propound the toasts of the evening as follows:

"The Grand Lodge," A. G. Benedict.

"The Phi Charge," O. G. A. Barker, '95.

"Theta Delta Chi," A. J. Weisley, '91.

"College Politics," C. Lobengier, '96.

"Our Alumni," H. D. Michler, '76.

"The Bar," Wayne Dumont, '92.

"Music," R. F. Marsh, '97.

"The Old and New Phi," Clay W. Holmes, '69.

"Athletics," F. J. Drake, '94.

"Les Belles," W. G. Chambers, '94.

"Reminiscences," F. W. Stewart, '69.

"Omega Charge," Standing and in silence.

Remarks were made also by most of the brothers present. Beside all of the active members of the charge there were present F. W. Stewart and Clay W. Holmes, of '69; I. P. Pardee and Frank N. Day, '74; H. D. Michler, '76; Alex Elliot, Jr., '78; L. S. Clymer, '85; A. J. Weisley and W. L. Sander-son, '91; Wayne Dumont and W. A. Jones, '92, and Charles Albertson, '93.

To the writer this was one of the pleasantest fraternity occasions he has ever experienced, and served to illustrate in a marked manner the relation of college life to fraternity life. He had returned to his Alma Mater to celebrate the quarto-centennial anniversary of his graduation. This is supposed to be the one great reunion of any class. The class of 1869 graduated twenty-two men—and twenty one are living. Two of the number reside in Easton. Only two of the non-resident survivors were present, and as the four met there seemed to be little in common. No old fires were stirred up. Those of the faculty who were still left had witnessed the graduation of so many other classes that they had practically forgotten us. There were no familiar faces about the place and the homesick feeling which always attacks the college student, if he remains in a college town a day or two after the term closes, came over us with startling force and we should have fled the town at once but for the fraternity tie. The old "college fraternity" spirit was just as fresh as ever. It made little difference that we had never met many of the boys. The good old grip kindled an instant fire and as the boys gathered around we were at home again and living over the good old fraternity times of the—olden days—a quarter of a century gone and more. Who dares to say that the strongest tie which binds any college man to his alma mater is not his fraternity membership? Surely, no Greek will be found to dispute this fact. Neutrals may, but only because they have never tasted the sweets, and know not whereof they speak. There may be many arguments which seem plausible against fraternities, but

no good thing can exist without opposition. We are free to confess that there are several serious objections which can justly be raised against some fraternities, but in the face of all these there is no argument which can overbalance the powerful tie created between the college man and his Alma Mater by his fraternity.

THE GRADUATE'S RELATION.

I am very glad you said what you did about the graduate and his relation to his charge and the fraternity. The one thing that $\theta \Delta X$ needs to-day more than any other is the support which a loyal, enthusiastic, wide-awake graduate membership can give. It would add strength and stability to all our charges and relieve them of many of the ups and downs that have marked their history. No one can add anything to what you have said about the status of a young man recommended by an alumnus to the consideration of his charge. It is impossible to make the matter clearer or show up more fully the weakness of our practice in that line.

In this connection we may profitably ask ourselves one or two questions concerning the graduate member. We have seen men all aflame with zeal for $\theta \Delta X$ and her interests go out of college to forget, apparently, in a few years that any such organization exists. In our every day experience we come upon members of our fraternity who know nothing of its work, its standing or its history: Men live in the same small town, or do business on same street or with each other, it may be for years without knowing that they have each sworn fealty to the same Divinity of Friendship. In other words, under our present regime so soon as a member graduates his work and consequently his active interest for $\theta \Delta X$ are considered at an end. Nothing could serve to more quickly alienate his affections and make his fraternity relations a thing of the past, a youthful sentiment and memory that shall cling about his college days. Is this all that $\theta \Delta X$ purposes doing for her sons?

Has she nothing to give them which may be a lasting enjoyment, something which may unite the members of a given locality into a union of heart and purpose that will be strong enough to appeal to every $\theta \Delta X$? Those of us who have fortunately carried with us a lively interest in the brotherhood, who have made our best friends those of our fraternity household, know that $\theta \Delta X$ can make the associations of graduate life just as pleasant as those which marked our college days. Why then this almost universal apathy among our graduate membership? It is a fact that nine-tenths of the members are, beneath the surface, loyal to $\theta \Delta X$. They are glad to see a Theta Delt, glad to give him the grip, glad to do for him all they can when once their attention is called to the matter. Most of them are glad to hear of our success, glad to know that we are strong here, growing there, have gone into this or the other college, but they are content to let it all go on, having no interest in it and no knowledge of the progress made.

The fact that these things do interest them, do appeal to their sympathies is a hopeful one. Few of them but have the spark of loyalty still in their breasts. The great question is how to make and keep that spark a flame of enthusiasm.

One of the first things we need to do, is to put aside our present notions as to the status of the graduate member. He is now by common consent practically an honorary member, enjoying only very limited privileges. All responsibility for the maintenance of his charge ends so soon as he receives his diploma. To his successors in college life fall the duties he has undertaken as an undergraduate, and somehow there is a difference between what he was and what he is. Every man feels this change as he leaves college and the haunts of fraternity associations so well beloved, so dear to him as an active member. But why this change? Does the laudable act of graduation sever the close relations he has had with his brethren? Does it make him less a member of $\theta \Delta X$? Does it absolve him from his vows of fealty?

We now and again hear our best post prandial eloquence in defense of the sentiment, "Once a Theta Delt always a Theta Delt," but somehow we have come to feel that the graduate

Theta Delt isn't quite so much of a Theta Delt as he was or as the undergraduate now is. Now looking plainly at the matter, what is there in this act which in any way alters a man's relation to the fraternity. He is no whit less bound by the vow of secrecy, no less amenable to the vow of loyalty to his charge. The only difference that can possibly be found lies in the fact that the graduate is of necessity cut off from the exercise of many of the rights and privileges that were bestowed upon him at his initiation. He still has those rights and if occasion afforded the opportunity could justly claim the use of them. It is just at this point that our practice has been weak, and simply because it has departed from the plainest and most natural course. So soon as each graduate goes out from his Alma Mater feeling that certain of the duties and privileges he has been enjoying as a member of $\theta \Delta X$ are given over voluntarily to his successors, not forfeited to them by his graduating and that he has an abiding interest in the affairs of his charge and the right at any time to have his voice in the solution of any problem, that he has certain responsibilities for keeping of the charge at the front, just so soon shall we find this graduate indifference disappearing.

Such a change in the graduates will necessitate a change in the attitude of the undergraduates of *some* of our charges. I say some of our charges because I know most of them to be not only willing but glad to accept this change in the attitude of their alumni. No charge will then feel that its vote on any subject is to be decided by the preference or personal prejudices of its active membership. The graduate membership consists of about 2,400, the active of 350 more or less. These will then of necessity feel that before they can vote the will of the fraternity they must ascertain the wishes of their alumni. I can see how this would work to the advantage of both our graduates and undergraduates. The bond of sympathy between them would be strengthened and in an emergency the undergraduates would not appeal so long and so unsuccessfully to their alumni for assistance. They would feel the moral uplift which the sense of some substantial backing gives. They would do better and more effective work. The gradu-

ates on the other hand would be brought more closely into contact with the enthusiasm of college men. They would not lose their buoyancy and hopefulness half so quickly as they do when all the time in conflict with the sterner side of life. It always does a man good to renew his youth and especially when that youth was moulded by the ties and associations, the loves and the friendship of $\theta \Delta X$.

I say then let us devise some way of bringing about so desirable a change in our customs. The work is a great one and will require all the enthusiasm and energy we can muster, but the end will more than justify the effort. The work of the SHIELD is along this line, but single-handed it cannot hope to do it all. We need some influence which may emanate from the charges as centers, and which shall consist of the work of all graduates now earnestly working for the fraternity and all that the undergraduates can add by their enthusiasm and efforts. The details of such a plan I have not worked out, but I am sure that it can be done and in less than ten years. I hope I have not taken too much of your time with this matter but it has been on my mind to say these things to you, thinking that we might together work out the solution from this problem. With kindest regards I am as ever.

Yours in $\theta \Delta X$.

J. P. HOUSTON.

Chicago, June 18, 1894.

WILLIAM HENRY GOODRICH.

In the beautiful Goddard chapel at Tufts college there has been placed within the last few weeks a new window in memory of him whose early death the student body at Tufts has not yet ceased to mourn. The window bears in beautiful colors the picture of a young man on the hillside "sowing the seed," and is a memorial erected by the parents of the late William Henry Goodrich. But the strongest memorial of the departed brother is not to be found in the glass picture of the young

man. The hearts that held in high esteem the loyalty of his heart, the eager souls that cherished the eagerness of his, will furnish a more lasting memorial than human hands can construct.

Four years ago William Henry Goodrich, then in his nineteenth year, entered Tufts, and at the same time Theta Delta Chi, for Kappa men had sounded the young freshman from Fitchburg and found in him the qualities that had marked him from the very beginning as a Theta Delt. From that time until his death the thoughts of this young man were of Tufts and Theta Delta Chi. These claimed his loyalty, a loyalty born of rich mental endowment and large open heart, a loyalty which, although never manifested in a demonstrative way, was nevertheless as sincere as any man's could be. As an editor on the *Tuftonian*, as a member of the Glee Club, as the Business Manager of the Brown and Blue, as president of the Evening Party Association, and as the responsible official in numerous college organizations, he never failed to show himself loyal to his Alma Mater and staunch in his support of the many and varied instrumentalities for promoting the welfare of the student body. But a care for these things did not lessen his interest in the regular college curriculum. As he proceeded in his course his desire to distinguish himself as a student increased until it became his wish to receive honors in the modern languages at graduation.

The work which he was doing would doubtless have won him the coveted honor had not the hand of sickness cut short his college career. A gastric trouble mastered his usually healthy body and wasted his form, yet no one for a moment imagined that a few weeks would not suffice for his recovery. One day in March, the twenty-fourth, news came that "Billy" Goodrich had passed away. All Tufts mourned, for the whole college felt the loss of this true friend.

It is hardly necessary to speak of the fraternity relations of our departed brother. Few Theta Deltos who are posted in undergraduate affairs did not know "Goody." They could not help honoring him. He won close friends in other charges than his own, through his correspondence for Kappa, through

conventions, and through the personal visits that he was fond of making wherever he thought he could find a shield of Theta Delta Chi. He was first, last and always a Theta Delt.

In the springtime of his life this brother whose noble heart and manly bearing had won him a host of loving friends was called to "sow his seed" in other fields. A wise Creator has decreed that we shall harvest where he has sown in the fields of this life. With each one of us whose lives have come closely in contact with his, this harvest is one of golden fruit, that we shall be a long time gathering.

C. N. BARNEY, K.

THE FRATERNITY IDEA.

(Continued from last number.)

I have divided fraternities into three heads for my own convenience. Fraternities of the first grade, Fraternities of the second grade and Fraternities of the mixed grade. Please note that I have not said "class," as that would be confusing.

By a fraternity of the first grade I mean one that is restricted to eastern colleges of the highest standing. By a fraternity of the second grade I mean those restricted to the west and south. By a fraternity of the mixed grade I mean the so-called national fraternities that go everywhere and anywhere.

Now then I speak as an eastern man. A fraternity of the second grade may be a first-class affair. It may be in every way worthy of a fraternity of the first grade. It may have just as good men and just as many of them. If such a thing as pan hellenism were possible its members might unite and make hale fellowship with members of a first grade fraternity. In other words the members of a first and second grade order might be made up of even of the same "set." Conceding this point some critic cries, "But why not argue then for a national fraternity, or a fraternity of the mixed grade as you say?" There is the rub, why not? I answer without regard for anybody's opinions or feelings it cannot be done. I respect a fra-

ternity of the second grade. It has limited itself to western or southern institutions and kept out of eastern colleges. It may rate *very, very* high in the west and south and will not compromise itself by coming east and taking the leavings. For a fraternity of the mixed grade I cannot have the same respect. It goes everywhere and takes in everybody, or rather anybody, because it cannot get everybody, even when it tries for them.

Please remember again I speak as an eastern man. This attempt to have a fraternity that shall stretch from Maine to California is a failure. It is too unwieldy. It suffers from a kind of chapter indigestion. It is made up of material so incongruous that it cannot possibly assimilate. One chapter may be good and another poor. But that is not the worst of it. The chapters in one section of the country may be uniformly good and in the other section it is bound to be uniformly bad.

Why is this, you ask. I speak as an eastern man, and I quote a Harvard Theta Delt: "The kind of a fraternity that will go to agricultural schools and pseudo universities cannot hope to get a footing at Harvard." In the same way I make bold to say on my own responsibility. The kind of a fraternity that will go to western or southern institutions cannot hope to stand well in New England.

Deny me if you will. Pile an Ossa of prejudice on a Pelion of statement and I will make my statement again. Some of the non-fraternity men in many of our larger institutions in the east are the finest men in their respective colleges, and they will not compromise themselves by joining an order that goes everywhere and takes in anybody. Therefore, some of the non-fraternity men in the eastern colleges are in every way better than some of the fraternity men.

A friend of mine who did join a western fraternity at an eastern institution said to me, and said it apologetically: "Our strength lies in the west, and not in the east." He knew and he had to acknowledge the corn. His fraternity was western, and this fact alone killed its chances in the east. It could get so high and no higher. Some eastern rival would say to it, "So far shalt thou go and no farther," that is all there is to it.

Deny me again if you will. I am not going to take water on my statement.

Don't flatter yourself either that the spirit of this article is fear of competition. Fraternities of the first grade are not hurt for coming in contact with fraternities of the mixed grade. On the contrary they are only using them for cats paws. They laugh at them and use them. They patronise them because they know there is no fear of competition from them.

Thus will I state my case. In no eastern institution where there are fraternities of the first grade are fraternities of the mixed grade regarded as *among* the leaders, In other words in every eastern institution fraternities of the first grade, or eastern fraternities, take precedence of fraternities of the mixed grade, or western or southern orders that have come to an eastern institution. A fraternity of the second grade may be a splendid order in the west or south. When it comes east and becomes a fraternity of the mixed grade it "queers" itself. Eastern men do not respect any fraternity that is spread over the west and south when it comes into New England. They may admire it for staying where it belongs.

WM. NEELY FREEMAN.

Our Graduates.

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

Hon. John M. Clark, Delta, '56, was appointed Collector of Customs at the port of Chicago by President Harrison. On the change of administrations Brother Clark was undisturbed and has had charge of the great volume of business incident to the holding of the World's Fair. Every one who visited the White City remembers our brother's name posted as the synonym of authority in every conspicuous place in the grounds. Recently President Cleveland has named Brother Clark's successor. He has recognized our brother's business abilities and official integrity by allowing him to remain in charge to conduct to a successful close this unusually large business, involving many of the more intricate points of law with reference to customs. Brother Clark is an official of rare abilities and well deserves this recognition of his merit. Brother Clark conducted his office on a high plane of dignity, but even the rules of official conduct could not prevail against $\Theta \Delta X$ spirit. Not long since two Thetas called on him at the Custom House, braving the dangers of collapse, falling plaster, etc. They were ushered into the presence chambers with a great deal of official etiquette, and Brother Clark received them with all the dignity of a potentate. A few words told him they were $\Theta \Delta X$'s, and as if by magic the cold official dignity gave place to the warm glow of brotherly affection, and half an hour passed in a pleasant chat over Fraternity matters. Brother Clark has a handsome residence at 2000 Prairie avenue, Chicago. He holds the office of first vice-president of Graduate Association of $\Theta \Delta X$ in Chicago. He is also interested in much of the best work of that city and has a place there which does honor to himself and the Fraternity.

F. L. Connard and G. D. Bills represented Beta Chapter of $\Theta \Delta X$ at Cornell banquet held in Chicago the latter part of February.

F. R. Shapleigh, Omicron Deuteron, '88.—The SHIELD is called upon to record the death of this earnest brother who was one of the most zealous of Omicron Deuteron's members. He was a model man, dearly beloved by all who knew him, and gave freely of his money for the advancement of Theta Delta Chi. His great scheme was a chapter house for his charge. He spent much time and money in agitating the subject among

the members of Omicron Deuteron. He was a devoted friend of the SHIELD, and many times contributed encouragement to the weary editor. His letters were always welcomed because they bristled all over with enthusiasm for the fraternity and its journal. We mourn with Omicron Deuteron and extend our sympathy to his bereaved wife and parents. We are glad to give place to the following, which appeared in the Somersworth, Mass., *Free Press* of April 6 :

"We chronicle this week with sincere grief the death of Fred Russell Shapleigh, who passed away on the evening of March 31st, in Asheville, N. C. Although he had been ill for many months, hopes of his recovery were entertained, so that the news of his death was a great shock to his family and friends.

"He was born in the town of Somersworth, January 2, 1867, the son of James B. and Sarah Russell Shapleigh. At the usual age he entered the public schools and remained a pupil until 1884, when he entered Dartmouth College. He was an active, wide-awake boy, fond of sports, yet very industrious and helpful. Among his playmates he was a favorite on account of his unselfishness and sunny disposition.

"The serious awakening of his nature came in 1783, when he became a member of the First Congregational church in Somersworth. He was one of the charter members of the Christian Endeavor society, which was started that year, and was loyal and true to his pledge ever after. Then awakened those sterling qualities of heart and mind, for which he will be long remembered, fidelity to every trust, loyalty in every relation in life, and supreme unselfishness. For these he stood among his associates here, and for these he stood during his college life. His college career, from 1884 to 1888, was a very happy period of his life. He was a valued member of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity and an active worker in the Y. M. C. A. In appreciation of his character he was selected to give the Ivy Oration at the new chapel on Class Day. He was then a serious and thoughtful young man, with the highest ideals and the finest sense of honor.

"After graduation he returned to his native town, where he was employed in the *Free Press* office, pending a permanent establishment in business. In the fall of 1890 he went to Cleveland O., to become associated with the Rogers Typograph company. In the spring of 1891, he went to Detroit under the same company, where he remained until December. Then his services were required as companion for an invalid brother on a European tour. He visited England, France, Switzerland and Italy, returning in May, 1892.

"The next winter was spent in Somersworth and much of his time devoted to the service of the town. He served as secretary of the committee for taking the census preparatory to the foundation of the city government, and in a faithful discharge of his duty contracted the cold which led to the fatal disorder, pulmonary consumption. By the advice of phy-

sicians he left home in May, 1893, but the disease made rapid strides and before his friends realized it he was in a very critical condition.

"He was married August 3, 1893, in Kansas, City, Mo., to Miss Marion Frances Thurston, of Somersworth, and they went directly to Asheville, N. C. Everything was done to save his life, but with no avail. He died peacefully and painlessly, falling asleep never to awaken.

"A large circle of friends sorrow over his early death. Of his immediate family remain his father and mother, two brothers, James Henry, of Boston, Mass., and Richard Waldo, of Somersworth, and his young wife. These bereaved ones have the most heartfelt sympathy of all who knew him.

"In all relations he was true and faithful, giving of his strength most generously for others. He was very modest and unassuming, yet all were attracted to him, and those who knew him best loved him most. His memory will be devotedly cherished by all who knew him."

Rev. Irving Meredith, Omicron Deuteron, '88, recently died suddenly from heart failure, falling dead in the street of Lexington, Mass., where he was pastor of the Hancock Congregational church. After one year at Harvard he entered the class of '88, at Dartmouth, where he spent two years, not, however, graduating with his class. The *Boston Journal* says of him :

"The young man, whose career was thus abruptly terminated, was for several years prior to entering upon the labors of his chosen profession, a reporter on the staff of the *Boston Journal*. In 1888, during the Presidential campaign, he went abroad to work up the condition of the workmen under free trade, and while there also did other newspaper work. Mr. Meredith intended to stay abroad several years, but, deciding to study for the ministry, he returned with his wife (born Lillie W. Tucker, of Jamaica Plain) in the fall of 1888. In October of the same year he entered Union Theological Seminary. During the three years of the seminary course he preached nearly every Sunday, for the last year acting as the pastor of the Camp Memorial church in New York city.

"One of the vacations Mr. Meredith spent in missionary work in Wyoming, Nebraska and Dakota, and another was spent in similar work in the mountains of Pennsylvania and Maryland. He graduated from the Seminary in May, 1891, and was ordained May 26 at his father's church, the Tompkins Avenue Congregational church, Brooklyn, N. Y. The council was one of the largest ever gathered in New York and Brooklyn, and at the public services the great auditorium was crowded.

Early in July, 1891, Mr. Meredith received a call to Lexington, and after due consideration accepted it, and was installed Oct. 1, 1891. Before Mr. Meredith took charge of the church there had been much talk of building a new edifice; some money had been raised and a lot facing the Common had been bought. In the early months of Mr. Meredith's pastorate plans were finally adopted, and with the next half year ground was

broken for the new building. July 26, 1892, the corner stone was laid, the pastor rising from a sick bed to be present.

"Though suffering from illness, he presided over the exercises and made an eloquent appeal for funds, which was answered by pledges for nearly \$8,000. A long illness followed this effort on his part.

"Mr. Meredith was very popular with the young people, and has been very efficient in the Christian Endeavor field. As a preacher he evinced great ability and his appearances in Boston pulpits always attracted large congregations. He inherited in a marked degree those qualities of heart and mind which have so distinguished his father. Mr. Meredith leaves a widow and two children.

Otto Kueffner, Beta, '78, is another Theta Delta to take an active interest in politics. The *St. Paul Pioneer Press* of Sunday, April 22d, says of him:

"Otto Kueffner, the Republican candidate for alderman of the Eighth ward, is one of the leading lawyers of the city, and has been practicing his profession here since 1880. He has resided in the Eighth ward for the past ten years. Mr. Kueffner is a German by birth, and received his first instruction in the public schools of that country, continuing his studies after he came to America, in the best American public schools, colleges and law schools. He is a member of the law firm of Kueffner, Fauntleroy & Searles. He voted the Republican ticket when he was twenty-one years of age, and has kept up the work in favor of good government ever since. Although he has never sought office, he has always taken a great personal interest in politics. He will receive not only the full Republican vote of his ward, but will have the support of many of the better class of Democrats who are indignant at the treatment received by Ald. Warren in the Democratic convention. Mr. Kueffner also has the Citizens' party endorsement."

Col. Wm. Lamb, Epsilon, '53, was largely instrumental in the re-establishing of the chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at the college of William and Mary. This chapter was established in 1776, died out during the seventies and was revived Dec. 9, 1893.

W. A. Sullivan, Lambda, '87, has received one of the Boston University fellowships, and, accompanied by his wife, is to sail in June for Germany, to remain at least a year. During the summer he expects to study German in Heidelberg.

Rev. F. N. Upham, Lambda, '83, has removed, after a short but very successful pastorate, from Roslindale to Baker Memorial church in Dorchester, Mass.

G. B. Richardson, Pi Deuteron, '93, has entered Harvard University, and by his remarkable work in the Department of Physics, won a place as assistant in that department.

John Wenzel, Lambda, '91, who graduated from Boston University Law School in June, was at the last town meeting elected town clerk of Ashland.

Willis H. Butler, Pi Deuteron, '93, now at Princeton, is spoken of in the following terms by the New York *Herald*:

"One of those on the literary side who seems to be 'in the swim' at present, and who has carried off the recent honors, is Willis Howard Butler. He is a member of the Junior Class and has always attracted attention by his literary ability, which, together with faithful work, has won for him the esteem of his college mates. Early in his course he showed a considerable talent for journalism, and was soon elected to the staff of the *Daily Princetonian*. He was recently chosen managing editor by the retiring board. On February 22d he represented his class in the Washington Birthday Prize Debate. Mr. Butler is also a member of the Cap and Gown, one of the social clubs of the college, and has recently been chosen president of the Young Men's Christian Association of Princeton for the year 1894-95. As a member of the Cliosophic Literary Society he is also prominent.

O. S. Davis, Omicron Deuteron, '89, expects to go to Germany in July for two years study as Wells Fellow of Hartford Theological Seminary. We hope to present some interesting letters from Bro. Davis.

Dr. Walter L. Pyle, Sigma, who has been for the past year chief resident physician at the Emergency Hospital in Washington has just left that institution, his term of office having expired. He has been remarkably successful with difficult surgical operations, of which there have been a large number during his term. He will continue practice in Washington.

A. Norton Fitch, Beta, '71, has resigned the presidency of the Traders' Bank, of Tacoma, and entered upon the practice of law. The name of the new firm is Walker & Fitch.

F. I. Valdes, Pi Deuteron, '86, returned to New York in April, after a four months' trip to Havana, Cuba. His address is now 109 East Sixty-ninth street. We have to thank Bro. Valdes for his kind remembrance to the editor in the shape of some delightful Havana cigars, which he brought back with him. It was thoughtful on his part and decidedly pleasant for us to know that we were not forgotten, even in that distant land.

R. P. Patterson, Phi, '80, formerly of Conshohocken, Pa., is now superintendent of the Roanoake Iron Company's furnaces at Roanoake, Va. He and Bro. H. A. Gillis, Nu Deuteron, '83, had a most delightful meeting not long ago, which was brought about in the usual way, by one happening to catch sight of the other's pin. Bro. Gillis writes that the business in hand was quite forgotten in their anxiety to talk about Theta Delta Chi.

Rev. Luther Freeman, Lambda, '89, has been appointed to the pastorate of the First M. E. church in Waltham, Mass.

George C. Selden, Omicron Deuteron, '93, is in Chicago. He is a student in the Kent Law School and does stenographic work for the Natural Gas Company at 148 Michigan avenue, where any correspondence will reach him. Bro. Selden lives at 11 South Elizabeth street.

E. C. Ryan, Beta, '94, is now in the employ of the London and Lancashire Insurance Company, with offices in the Rialto building.

James C. Hallock, C. E., Delta, '91, is now in Ecuador, South America, where he has been appointed government engineer of the state of Esmeraldas.

C. C. Arosemena, C. E., B. S., Delta, '92, is one of a party of engineers engaged in surveying a railroad for the Caribbean Manganese Company, of Colon, Republic of Columbia, S. A. R. M. Arango, C. E., Delta, '86, is also one of the party.

Jose B. Palacios, Delta, '93, has returned to his home in Guayaquil, Ecuador, S. A.

T. H. Bachman, Xi, '94, recently graduated at Hobart College as valedictorian of his class, with high honors and a *Ψ B K* election. Bro. Bachman was the most popular man in college. He held a greater number of offices than any other man in college for years. Among them were president of the senior class, manager of base ball team, captain of foot ball team, editor-in-chief of both *Herald* and *Echo*, Paddle orator for two years. As prizes he won the Sophomore ex., the White Rhetorical, the Sunderland Philosophical, the President's prize. "Thurney" is well known among the New York colleges as a shrewd politician and business man. In all matters pertaining to the welfare of the charge and the fraternity at large, Bro. Bachman has shown himself most zealous. He will study law.

William Waters, Xi, '84, has always been a hard worker. His work begins to show good promise of reward. He will build one of the finest churches in Detroit and will be heard of again.

Rt. Rev. M. N. Gilbert, Xi, '70, Bishop of Minnesota, spent commencement week at Hobart. Bro. Gilbert has worked himself up from a missionary to the Indians to one of the greatest orators and Bishops in the country. He is as an enthusiastic a Theta Delta as ever and has done a great deal for Tau Deuteron. Xi feels proud to number him among her sons.

F. M. Kendall, Beta, '78, for four years employed by Ginn & Co., left that firm on May 1 to become Chicago manager of the firm of Allyn & Baker. Bro. Kendall has his office at 355 Wabash avenue. His home address is still at Aurora, Ill., 56 North May street.

Leslie Fenton Potter, Xi, '93, was graduated from the General Theological Seminary, New York city, at its recent commencement and was ordained to the diaconate by Bishop Potter at Christ Church, New York city, on Trinity Sunday, May 20. After his ordination Bro. Potter made a short visit in Phelps, N. Y., and Geneva, the seat of his alma mater, and occupied the pulpit of St. John's church, Phelps, on Sunday morning, May 27th, where several of his old friends and Theta Delt brethren had come to hear him. Bro. Potter has now become minister-in-charge of St. Paul's church, Mexico, Mo.

F. L. Connard, Beta, '93, is city salesman for the Turner Brass Works of Chicago. Their offices are at 122 Kinzie street. Bro. Connard's residence address is 5,101 Lake avenue.

A. K. Sedgwick, Epsilon Deuteron, '93, is taking his law course in the University of Wisconsin. Bro. Sedgwick has a fine bass voice and made the spring trip with the University Glee Club. He took in Chicago, the Grand Opera and quite a number of Chicago Theta Delt.

Hosea Webster, Beta, '80, has been with the Henry R. Worthington Pump Company in Chicago since his graduation. When the company moved its main offices to Brooklyn, the man selected to have charge of its New York branch was Bro. Webster, who leaves Chicago to become sales manager at New York. His address is 86-88 Liberty street and he assumes charge on May 15. The Chicago Thetes are extremely sorry to lose so valuable and highly esteemed a member as Bro. Webster, who has been an active member of the Central Graduate Association since its formation. The best wishes of the Chicago contingent go with our brother to his new work.

J. P. Houston, Omicron Deuteron, '84, has removed his residence to 1,194 Sheffield avenue, Chicago. His office will be at 148 North State street.

I. M. Sowers, Theta, '57, has been with the Standard Oil Company in Chicago for six years. His office is located at 5 Wabash avenue. The finding of Bro. Sowers by the Chicago Alumni Association was one of those accidents which bring much pleasure to all concerned. Bro. Sowers said when called upon by a representative of the association that it was the first time he had met a Theta Delt since he had been in Chicago. It was not long until he was enthusiastic over the fraternity and its success and evinced great interest and much of the old time Theta Delt enthusiasm. Bro. Sowers lives at the Newberry, 225 Dearborn avenue.

Nathan P. Avery, Mu Deuteron, '91, is to remain for a fourth year as principal at Chittenango, N. Y., where he is deservedly popular. He is studying law in the intervals of his work.

Austin Farrell, Phi, '80 is manager of the Cleveland Cliff Iron Co., Negaunee, Michigan.

Paul C. Phillips, Mu Deuteron, '88, is in charge of the gymnasium of the Young Men's Institute on the Bowery in New York. He recently read a paper on Anthropometry before the American Society for Physical Culture. He will take a degree from Bellevue soon.

Dr. Willard G. Reynolds, Mu Deuteron, '90, has received an appointment to St. Mary's Hospital, Brooklyn, as the result of a competitive examination in which a large number entered. It is a very desirable place.

Prof. Robert S. Woodworth, Mu Deuteron, '91, holds the chair of Mathematics in Wabash College, Topeka, Kansas. There will be some more points to record about him in a few years.

F. M. Kendall, Beta, '78, and C. N. Kendall, Psi, '82, went to Madison in the interest of the fraternity March 31, last. There they met Bros. Bullock, Lambda, '89; Sedgwick, Epsilon Deuteron, '93, and Bros. Connard, DeWolfe, Goll and Kilgore, of Beta. The combination made a strong committee and 'tis safe to assume that Theta Delta Chi's interests were well represented by these brethren.

Rev. T. M. Hodgdon, Omicron Deuteron, '84, pastor of West Hartford, Ct., Congregational church has met with such success in his work and has so enlarged the work of his church as to require the services of an assistant pastor. A short time ago his church voted unanimsly to employ some one to take a part of their pastor's accumulating duties.

J. M. Frost, Xi '84, who has for the past few years been teaching in Faribault, Minnesota, is in Chicago for the summer. He is with E. W. Zander & Co., a real estate firm. He has charge of their Ravenswood office, where he may be addressed at 3,227 Arlington street. His down town address is Association building, 153-5 LaSalle street. September 4, next, Bro. Frost goes to Lacon, Ill., as superintendent of the public schools of that place.

R. P. Ward, Iota Deuteron, '95, has taken a fortnight's vacation and paid a visit to his people in Troy, N. Y. He returned about June 20 to his work with Rogers, Monroe & Rogers, Chicago.

Rev. J. N. Harris, Chi, '67, attended the annual meeting of his denomination, the Baptist, at Saratoga. There he met Bros. Halsey, Xi, '68, and Coats, Psi, '74, and had a regular $\Theta \Delta X$ love feast. On Memorial Sunday he listened to an eloquent address by Bro. H. C. McCook, D. D., Pi, '59, of Philadelphia. As so often happens on such occasions Bro. Harris did not know the orator was a Theta Delt and was robbed of the added pleasure such knowledge gives. Bro. Harris holds a responsible position with the American Baptist Publishing Society in Chicago, and has moved with its branch house to 177 Wabash avenue, where in a pleasant corner he has his office and keeps up a lively interest in Theta Delta Chi, as well as all Theta Delt. Bro. Harris lives with his family, consisting of his wife and two sons—promising fellows too—at 6,422

Dickey street, Englewood. He is a hard worker—as two breakdowns from nervous exhaustion amply testify—and though a man of fine physique and commanding presence, he has constantly to repress the tendency to attempt too much work. He came to Chicago about a year ago and has made himself an active part of the Central Graduate Association. When in his vicinity call to see him. It always pays for double the time spent.

John G. Campbell, Psi, '93, has finished the second year work in Chicago Medical College and expects to take a trip to Buffalo, thence to Clinton to be present at Hamilton commencement exercises.

Rev. L. H. Dorchester, Lambda, '86, has been transferred from the pastorate of St. Luke's Church, Springfield, to the first M. E. Church, Westfield, Mass.

N. A. Shaw, Psi, '82, was one of the committee for the Phi Beta Kappa dinner at the Hotel Waldorf, in New York, March 27th.

Rev. Geo. M. Woodwell, Omicron Deuteron, '84, has tendered his resignation to the First Congregational Church of York, Me., to take effect June 15.

Dr. John T. Manniere, Beta, '91, received his medical degree on the 24th of April from the Northwestern University Medical School (Chicago Medical College). He received the appointment of resident physician to the Polyclinic Hospital where he will serve for one year. His address is 176 Chicago Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Charles Wallace French, Omicron Deuteron, '75, was given carte blanche by the school Board, in the matter of the new High School Building, Hyde Park, Chicago, and it is in large measure the product of his brain. It is said to be the most finely equipped for the purposes to which it is put, of any building in the United States, and with but two exceptions it is the largest school building in the west. It is pronounced by Professor Sloan, of Princeton, far ahead of anything in its line that the East has produced, so Brother French may well be proud of his work.

W. O. Hersey, Eta, '92 is principal of Bridgton High School, Bridgton, Me. He sends a neat prospectus to the SHIELD.

Rev. G. W. Shipley, Sigma, '93, left college in 1892 and entered the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is now preaching in Lawrenceville, Pa., and made the editor of the SHIELD a pleasant call not long ago.

F. E. Bachman, Phi, '80 is located in Buffalo, N. Y., as manager of the Buffalo Furnace Co.

Dr. Frederic W. McCall, Nu Deuteron, '90, was elected secretary of Sixth District Dental Society, at Binghamton, N. Y., on May 3rd.

Duncan Campbell Lee, Psi, '91 is doing good work as Professor of Oratory at Cornell University, and the *Cornell Daily Sun* gives practical testimony to this fact. "Those who listened to the speeches delivered at the Armory last evening gained some appreciation of the practical value, as a matter of training, that may result from intercollegiate debates. The enthusiasm and interest manifested both by the speakers and by the large audience that filled the Armory to the very doors was certainly inspiring and encouraging to those who have at heart the development of debate at Cornell. Yet it was new interest and new enthusiasm. A year ago an intercollegiate debate of the character of that held last night would have been impossible. Even if such a debate had been possible it would have aroused but languid interest. What has worked the change? Certainly no one who has watched the development of interest in debate among Cornell Students and who is familiar with the arrangements for this particular contest will deny that it is in a large measure due to the sympathetic interest and infecting enthusiasm of our energetic young professor of elocution and oratory, Duncan Campbell Lee."

Hon. Walter G. Smith, Beta, '84, the editor of the *Hawaiian Star* is visiting relatives in Sherburne, N. Y. It is said that he expects to remain in this country for some time.

C. W. Blackett, Lambda, '94, has been appointed to the pastorate of the M. E. church in Winthrop, Mass.

J. G. Robinson, Xi, '91, received his diploma at the recent commencement of the Cambridge Divinity School, Cambridge, Mass.

Harry C. Bascom, Kappa, '89, studied law in Boston University, and in Hudson, Mass. He was admitted to the bar in Feb. 1892, and in May of the same year began practice in Leominster, Mass. His address is Room 8 Foster's Block.

PIERCY—GROESBECK.

George S. Groesbeck, Delta, '89 and Miss Edna Virginia Piercy, of New York City were married on Wednesday evening, April 26th in the Washington Square Methodist Episcopal Church. A reception was given after the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clay Piercy, 130 West 11th Street.

In Memory of
WARREN MUNGER,
Class of '58, Kenyon College.

WHEREAS Our Heavenly Father in his infinite love and wisdom hath pleased to call to himself our beloved brother, Warren Munger, and

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

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

Resolved, That in the death of our brother Theta charge has lost a valued member, and $\Theta \Delta X$ fraternity one whose loyalty and upright character won the respect of all.

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent to the relatives of the deceased brother, to the $\Theta \Delta X$ SHIELD, and to the college papers for publication.

M. T. C. WING, '84,
LOUIS E. DURR, '92.
E. R. WILSON, '96,

In Memory of
FRED RUSSELL SHAPLEIGH,
Class of '88, Dartmouth College.

WHEREAS It hath pleased Almighty God in His wisdom to call to Himself our beloved brother, Fred Russell Shapleigh, and

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

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

Resolved, That in the death of our brother, Omicron Deuteron has lost one of its most valued members and $\Theta \Delta X$ one whose loyalty and upright character won the respect of all.

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

For the charge,
BERTRAND A. SMALLEY, '94,
AUBREY C. LEWIS, '94,
DANIEL E. PUTNAM, '95.

Dartmouth College, April 2, 1894.

In Memory of
WILLIAM HENRY GOODRICH,
Class of '94, Tufts College.

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, having in his infinite love and wisdom called to Himself our beloved brother, William Henry Goodrich, we, the members of Kappa Charge of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity, wish to bear testimony to the deep esteem felt for our brother, the true nobility of his character and the warmth and power of his friendship.

We feel that we have lost a dear friend and the fraternity a true brother, and we offer our sincere sympathy to his family in their deep affliction.

For Kappa,

HENRY P. FRANK,
CHARLES L. RICKETTS,
ROLLAND B. SANFORD.

In Memory of
ALBERT LEVERETT VAN HUYCK,
Class of '93 S., Yale University.

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Heavenly Father in his infinite wisdom to remove from us our beloved brother, Albert Leverett VanHuyck; and

WHEREAS, In his death Epsilon Deuteron charge loses one of its most valued members and the fraternity one of her most promising sons; be it

Resolved, That we, as a brotherhood, deeply mourn the loss of our brother, and extend our deepest sympathies to his bereaved parents, and to all those to whom he was dear; and be it

Resolved, That our brother's noble character has wrought a lasting influence for good in Epsilon Deuteron charge, and will be a constant inspiration to us who remain to be steadfast in maintaining the manly principles of our fraternity, and be it

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the charge, and that copies thereof be sent to the family of the deceased, to the Grand Lodge, to each of the charges of Theta Delta Chi, and to the SHIELD for publication.

For the charge,

HERMAN D. CLARK, '93.
RALPH DUSINBERRE, '94,
B. FRANKLIN MANSFIELD, '95,
JAMES H. WELCH, '96.

July 30, 1894.

Correspondence.

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

LONDON, June 2, 1894.

MY DEAR HOLMES :—One advantage of sailing under the Stars and Stripes, or in other words, on the American line, is that Theta Deltas may perchance see the genial countenance of one of our most favorably known brothers, Colonel William L. Stone.

He represents the interests committed to his care most efficiently, As he suggested a letter from the subscriber to the SHIELD would be in order, I will make an effort to describe the much discussed race (which has been the subject of Parliamentary inquiry here) between the steamer on which I sailed, the 16th ultimo, the "Paris" and the White Star steamer "Majestic," both being vessels of about the same size. I presume you know that the "Paris" weighs over 10,700 tons. The race lasted from Wednesday afternoon until the following Saturday. Our vessel left New York at three o'clock, about thirty minutes before the British steamer; soon afterwards that vessel came in view and at some considerable distance behind, the "Paris" keeping well ahead and maintaining her lead until early Saturday morning, when the English vessel overhauled the "Paris" and crossed the latter from larboard to starboard between five and six o'clock; we were quite surprised on arising in the morning to find that the steamers had thus changed their positions. The "Majestic" remained on the port side until between two and three o'clock p. m. and from three-quarters to about half a mile distant from our vessel. The American vessel then pushed ahead, still maintaining the distance of about half a mile apart. The officers of the "Majestic," finding much to their chagrin that they were finally being beaten, slowed down, crossed the stern of the "Paris," receiving her back-wash, and we parted company. With the aid of a strong glass I could distinguish the dresses of the passengers on the other vessel, but could not distinguish faces. There were about 2,400 persons on board the two steamers.

I expect to leave here the middle of June to see "the land of the midnight sun," thence to Russia, and subsequently to visit the prominent watering places in Germany, returning early in November. Col. John Hay was a guest of Ambassador Bayard at the latter's dinner to the officers of the "Chicago" last Thursday here. I hope to be able to give the greeting of Theta Delta Chi to the poet before I leave this city.

With best wishes very truly yours,

WILLIS S. PAINE,

Editorial.

FOR the first time in the history of the SHIELD as conducted by the present management, the day of issue has long passed by and the June number, which should have come out of press May 25th, starts on its way July 25. The editor started on a western trip May 30th and from that time to July 1st was absent almost the entire time. Pressing business matters prevented attention to the matter earlier so that when it was possible to begin work it seemed best to change somewhat the usual make-up. As the boys are all bent on seeking to the utmost all the enjoyment which can be extracted from the summer vacation they will have little time to devote to the SHIELD. The editor finds his time limited and therefore the present issue is sent out without the extended articles which have been prepared for it, simply to preserve our complement of issue. The September number will contain a full and accurate history of Bowdoin College and the Eta charge, which will be embellished by about fifty half-tone plates. Much other good matter is held out so as to make the September number as large as the March or larger if need be. It will be the banner number of the year.

SHIELD readers are indebted to the thoughtful care of Rudolph Tombo, Jr., for the very excellent report of Pi Deuteron banquet, which appears in this number. The editor was not surprised when he received the manuscript because he has had reason to be thankful to Bro. Tombo in the past for similar assistance. If other brothers would be equally thoughtful when attending banquets of the various charges, what a record the SHIELD would be. Somehow they all seem to think that the editor can make up an account "out of the whole cloth," without knowing anything about it, and when the SHIELD appears and no mention is made of their banquet they feel hurt and think they are the subjects of slight at the hands of the editor.

The editor desires to extend his apology to Bro. Barrett, of Chi charge, for a seeming discourtesy in the March number. For some time previous to the issue of that number we had considerable correspondence with Bro. Barrett in reference to a song book to be issued by him. The editorial which appeared was a sort of spontaneous outburst written without a thought recurring to our mind about Bro. Barrett's project, and really not intened to interfere with his issue in the least. It is needless to state that no responses whatever were received by the editor to his appeal, so that it is clearly evident that the graduates do not want a song book. We hope Bro. Barrett meets with more encouragement at the hands of the active members. Since writing the above a letter has been received from Bro. Barrett in which he states that he received responses from eleven charges guaranteeing 212 copies. The song book is already compiled and in the hands of the printer. Two hundred and fifty copies have been ordered. Deducting the guarantee fund this leaves thirty-eight copies to meet the wants of eleven charges representing 200 active members. If any one wants a copy of this song book it might be advisable to write Bro. Barrett very soon. Just what the song book is to be we cannot state, in the absence of information. It seems too bad, however, that the eleven charges which failed to respond have so little interest in a song book that they will not even respond to the letter of inquiry. When the books are published and gone then the laggards may awaken to the fact that a song book is a nice thing, and bemoan their negligence. Bro. Barrett is learning by degrees what the editor of the SHIELD found out long ago. The boys are all willing that "some other fellow" shall do the work and pay the bill, but when they are called upon to assist, many of them are not in it.

Theta Delta Chi has suffered the loss of some of her brightest and most active sons for the past few years. It is to be expected that the veteran ranks must be thinned but when the summons comes to young brothers not yet out of college, it fills

our hearts with sadness. The June SHIELD is called upon to perform its sad offices for Bro. W. H. Goodrich, of Kappa, and Bro. A. L. VanHuyck, of Epsilon Deuteron. These brothers have been among the most active charge workers for the past two or three years and will be sadly missed. Each was dearly beloved by his own charge and both were well known by all the other charges. It brings home to all of us the painful thought that it may be our turn next and therefore behooves us to give attention to the things that most pertain to our future state before the opportunity may be forever lost. We may also profit by the lives of these brothers who had they lived were destined to win distinction for themselves and glory for shield they wore, and which they loved so well.

THE present volume of the SHIELD has seemed to encounter more obstacles than any previous one. The Editor has found it more difficult to abstract sufficient time from leisure hours in which to do it justice—in other words leisure hours have not been a drug on the market. Added to this is the painful fact that the remittances from both alumni and undergraduates are growing beautifully less all the while. The subject is a very unpleasant one to the editor and he dislikes to see the pages of the SHIELD glistening with duns to delinquents. This is a startling feature of nearly all the Greek journals. We do not propose to speak on this subject again. It is noted now so that all subscribers may have the opportunity between this time and the meeting of the next convention to elect whether they will have the SHIELD another year or not. The only notice delinquents will receive from the publisher will be the printed label on the wrapper, which means that its recipient owes the SHIELD one or more years subscription. In case the money does not come in the present editor will most surely retire from the position. Just think of this fact for a moment. The April number cost more money than has thus far been received this year. Where are the other three numbers to come from? Promises at convention time will not count for anything. This is a cold-blooded proposition. In the March number a proposition

was made to the alumni, in which the editor offered to contribute as much as any other person would, and do all the work for nothing, if a permanent fund could be established, which would insure the publication of the SHIELD. Not one alumnus responded who was really able to put up the collateral. A few enthusiastic brothers wrote that they had it in their hearts to do it, but their finances would not permit. In the face of this reception there is small encouragement for the editor who now does all the work and is likely to pay most of the bills. The same amount of time and energy devoted to paying work would bring him more money than is received altogether from SHIELD subscribers and advertisers during the year. We dislike to believe it, but it looks as though the readers of the SHIELD were getting tired and cared little about it. The editor is surely getting tired very fast, and waits with startling impatience for his year to expire.

THE Greek press is the victim of constantly recurring fluctuation due to editorial changes. As a natural sequence the journals do not hold their relative positions continuously. The past five years has been a time of paramount success in fraternity journalism, and it is not probable that the exalted position attained can be securely maintained for any length of time. The past twelve months have witnessed the retirement of several of the veterans who wielded strong pens. Last of all C. L. VanCleve, the successful editor of the Phi Kappa Psi Shield, lays aside the mantle and hereafter will devote his entire energies to personal pursuits. We often felt like criticising the make-up of his journal because he did not give his graduate subscribers more attention, but we have ever been ready to admit that the journal was ably managed. Mr. VanCleve was always courteous to his fellow editors and uttered his criticisms with the greatest kindness. Phi Kappa Psi will never have a better editor, and while respectfully bidding him an editorial good-bye we hope that the contemplation of his Greek press labors in the past will give him nothing but pleasure. We begin to feel lonely. No one now remains but Editor Keeble of the Kappa

Alpha Journal. We are in doubt as to the length of his service, but it must be nearly as extended as that of the SHIELD's editor. It reminds us of the advance of "Old Father Time," and soon it will be our turn to give way to younger and more aggressive blood. The only reward for the Greek editor seems to be the contemplation of his own work, and a realization of the fact that he may have been able to attract the attention of his fraternity and instill into the minds of the younger brothers loftier and better ideas. This of itself is a pleasant thought and has inspired our weary brains on numerous occasions. It does seem too bad that when a good man does happen to get hold of the editorial pen the alumni are so chary of moral and financial support that the inducement held out is not sufficient to retain his service. Men in these times must toil for money rather than glory.

WE are glad to publish in this number a letter from Brother Willis S. Paine, who is now traveling in the land of "the midnight sun." Recent letters received from him indicate that he is having a safe and pleasant trip. He expects to return in October. Brother Paine is one of the most enthusiastic brothers it has ever been our pleasure to meet. He has plenty of time at his disposal and lots of cash. He uses both with extreme liberality in behalf of Theta Delta Chi. The Chi Charge is peculiarly fortunate in having a member so deeply interested in her welfare. He evinces his interest in a substantial manner, which contributes much to the personal pleasure of each member of the charge. The beautiful monogram pin recently presented to the presiding officer of the charge, which is described in Brother Stone's letter, is an expressive testimonial of regard for the charge as a whole. Brother Paine is quite as thoughtful of the SHIELD. Frequent letters are received from him, alluding to his experiences and indicating his all absorbing love for Theta Delta Chi. Would that there were more of the genial whole-souled men who live to make other people happy.

THE September number of the SHIELD will be issued on time and be in the hands of all the college men at the opening of the college year. Special attention will be directed to such articles as will be of service during the rushing season.

Editorial Notes and Comments.

NORTHERN EXTENSION.

A contributed article in the February issue of the *Kappa Alpha Journal* is so one-sided and short-sighted that we are forced to pick it up and offer a mild protest. The writer begins by saying that "Northern extension has so often been voted down by our convention that our policy in this respect may be considered settled and unmistakable." In his consideration of the question the only possible present reason he can discover for such extension is that "Kappa Alphas who go north to pursue some special course of study are without opportunities to maintain their fraternal relations." And this he finds to have very little weight, for the reason that members going to the universities for post-graduate study have been at once subdued by their environment.

They were busy; * * they found college politics the chief motive; all the fraternities were preyed upon by parasitic social organizations. * * * So different is the world of universities from that of our smaller colleges that, to exist at all, fraternities have there to take on a new character. If they can be counted into clubs, rather than chapters, they serve a purpose and may continue to exist, but otherwise they are almost superfluous.

Such is the experience of all the fraternities at the great universities, and at the large northern institutions in which we are invited to place chapters. If we go north we must make up our minds, accordingly, to permit part of our chapter list to exist under one code of laws and the rest under another. It is notorious that in Yale, Harvard, etc., the fraternity system, as we know it in the south, hardly exists, or, if it exists, is at a grave disadvantage. Shall we consent to our northern chapters being mere clubs? Are we willing to relax our code of ethics and consent to charter mere convivial societies, pledged chiefly to "work the growler" and get drunk the allotted number of times per session?

I assume that if we went north we should succeed and speedily possess large chapters at all the richest institutions. Our wealthy members then would in this case have great influence in the order. They would attend conventions more than southern members do and soon control them. Before this happened, the center of gravity of the order, so to speak,

would be north, and the *Journal*, like the organs of other fraternities originating in the south, would be published in some northern city.

As southern men we understand each other. In view of our common history, we sympathize with each other in ways the outsider cannot comprehend. So far the order has preferred the warmth of feeling arising from perfect homogeneity to the glory of mere numbers or wealth. It wants its present ways continued. It fears the anarchy and dry rot of the fraternity system as it is compelled to exist in the large northern institutions. It fears to see the *Journal* become a northern publication.

Shades of Olympus! We had supposed that the fraternity spirit rested upon a principle deeper than mere locality, that its chief glory was in fostering the tie of brotherhood between men of widely different natures, that among them there might be that mutual giving and receiving which we call fraternity, or if you please, cosmopolitanism. But it would seem from the *Journal* that between North and South there is a great gulf fixed, of different conditions, which even the bonds of the fraternity cannot bridge over. Politics have no place in fraternity journalism, but we may perhaps be permitted to say that we have enjoyed the somewhat rare privilege of meeting old Southern Theta Deltas who fought valiantly on the other side during the war, but we had no trouble in understanding each other, and finding so much in common that sectional differences were lost sight of. Indeed, the thought of what they were, or did, in those troublous times, did not for a moment enter our mind. The hatchet is buried and if there be one object more than another which our fraternity system can accomplish it is that of so meeting North, South, East and West that henceforth we shall indeed be a united people. The editor has just returned from a far southwestern trip and remembers with pleasure the remark of a companion on the train who said, "We are no longer sectional. The old feeling has vanished by association with our northern friends." Now it seems to our mind that the intimacy induced by fraternity life will become the most powerful factor in the cementing together of all sections into one common whole which shall know no past or differences.

If our southern brother were a little more familiar with northern fraternity life we think he would materially qualify his

broad assertions, which are really a libel on a great majority of the societies. He judges the world by "Yale and Harvard." It may be that Yale and Harvard have a record which is notorious in some particulars, but the *true fraternities* of to-day in the north are fast losing sight of "the growler," and instead of being convivial societies have all that could be desired in the way of high moral and social qualities. Such, at least, is the condition of Theta Delta Chi to our certain knowledge, and we believe it to be equally true of many other societies. We raise no objection to Kappa Alpha being exclusively southern, but such grounds as are advanced in this article are to our minds childish in the extreme.

A PAWNBROKER'S STORY.

Some of the statements made in the daily papers concerning Greek letter societies are of so improbable a character that the fraternity man reads them with mingled amusement and vexation. The following extract from the *New York Sun* is certainly interesting, whether or not somebody has been romancing in regard to the mysterious pin and still more mysterious southern society :

On the Bowery, not far from Broome street, is a pawnbroker's sale shop, the proprietor of which makes a specialty of dealing in college fraternity pins and badges. You may examine every other pawn shop and sale store on the Bowery and find not more than five or six such emblems in all of them, but in this shop, occupying a conspicuous position in the show window, there is always a velvet-covered tray on which a dozen or more pins of different secret societies are displayed. The place is getting to be known among college men, and people who have lost fraternity badges go there as the first step to finding them. The most peculiar badge in the window was a large plain gold one, shaped much like a shield and inscribed with three characters that looked like the Cypriote inscriptions. The proprietor had some interesting things to tell about some of his pins.

"They ain't a college fraternity in the East but what I've handled one or more of its pins. I'm keepin' tab on the hock shops all the while, and wherever I find a badge I nail it. Usually I get 'em cheap, for they ain't any demand for 'em to speak of. Occasionally a man brings in a pin to me, or I see one on a bum's coat and buy it, but it's mostly the pawn

shops. How do I s'pose they get there? Well, most of 'em are lost, I think. I know enough about 'em to know that the last thing a college man 'll hock is his society pin.

"By the way, there's an Alpha Delta pin that I've been trying to nail now for three months. A Broadway cable car man has got it. Says he found it in the gutter. But he won't sell. He's stuck on it, and wears it for a scarf pin. Oh, you find 'em in queer places. I bought a Theta Delta Chi shield off a newsboy on Grand street, and a week after a Theta Delta spotted it in my window, and gave me just twenty times what I paid for it. That's what you might call quick returns and big profits, hey? Yes; but it don't happen often." The proprietor then took out the badge with the peculiar inscriptions and held it up. On the back were the initials "P. R. V.," and the date A. D. 1800. This is earlier than any recognized college fraternity was organized. He knitted his brows and looked at it curiously.

"There's one that pleases me," said he. "I've heard of a very secret society in some of the Southern colleges. No one even knows the name of it, and the members wear their pins in sight only one day of the year. They say it's very old, and everything about it is on the q. t. Whether it's going now I don't know. I've heard it died out, and then again I heard there was a chapter at Princeton, and another in a Virginia college. Some time when I get richer I'll go down to the University of Virginia and see if I can't get a line on it. Most likely I'll get my face broke for pokin' my nose into other people's business. By the way, that pin ain't there to sell as much as it is for a bait. I want somebody to come after it, and then may be I can find out things. Only one fellow ever came for it yet in the two years I've had it. He was a mug. He came in and poked his face 'round for a while. Then he says:

"'What d' y' want fer th' pin with th' dinky dinks on it?'"

"'Twenty-five dollars,' I said to phase him, and it did the trick.

"'Hully gee!' he said. 'His nibbs would stand that, I don't t'ink.'

"'Who're you gettin' it for?' I asked him; but he said it was none of my business and did a sneak. I followed him around the corner and saw him talkin' to a military-lookin' man. When they spotted me they slid. That's the last offer I had for it. One of these days I'll get there, though."

Brother Wm. L. Stone, who sent the clipping to the SHIELD, very pertinently remarks that of the different fraternities only a Theta Delt had cared enough about it to go in and buy at a big price the badge of his fraternity. We are glad it was a Theta Delt. All honor to the man who would not leave our shield in a pawnbroker's window.

Charge Letters.

[Charge editors are again requested to write only on one side of the paper and to assume a style somewhat more expansive than a telegraphic communication.]

BETA.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The college year of '93-'94, with all its cares and pleasures, disappointments and triumphs is a thing of the past, and once again the brothers of Beta are scattered through the country from Atlantic to Pacific.

The year has certainly been a prosperous one for Beta and we find ourselves in a position to look forward to a year which we believe will be the most successful in the history of our charge.

Cornell graduates three Beta men this year in Bros. Newton, Brown and Dreier, but Bro. Dreier will return to Ithaca next year to specialize in law. We have already four '98 men pledged who we are sure will not only make loyal Thetes but leaders in their class.

In the various college organizations our members, as usual, hold prominent positions.

In athletics Cornell has during the past term held her usual lofty position. In base ball our team has been ranked fourth among the colleges, and our crews have defeated all comers.

But the gala "Senior Week" with its "prom," germans, teas, reception and the like, has been the most important happening of the term. In all the social events Beta has been well represented.

In closing let me extend Beta's best wishes to her sister charges, and the invitation to all brothers in Theta Delta Chi to visit us in Ithaca.

H. R. TOBEY.

DELTA.

RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

As I undertake the task of summing up the news of Delta for this issue of the SHIELD, I find that the incidents of our life since last March have faded into a shadow. Full four weeks have passed now since the summer term at R. P. I. reached its end, since that time Sophomores and Juniors have been associating the pleasures of an outing with the valuable experience of a month of geodetic, railway, hydrographical and topographical surveying near Crooked Lake, N. Y.

Our commencement occurred on June 13th. The graduating class numbering thirty-seven men. Delta, I am sorry to say was not represented among the graduates this year, though if nothing happens we will be at the front in '95 with four men. Jos. M. Wilson, C. E., of the class of '58 delivered the annual address to the outgoing class. The commencement exercises were followed by the Senior farewell hop at Harmony Hall. This proved to be one of the most successful balls of its kind given for many seasons past.

While Delta has a reasonable hope for the coming year, her hopes are by no means overflowing. We realize that in order to keep abreast of other fraternities at Rensselaer we must work hard and meet with many rebuffs, notwithstanding this fact we are going to make an earnest effort to keep our pace. No new members are to be reported at this time, though '98 men may fall to our lot in plenty early next fall.

Our new corresponding Secretary for the coming year is Fred R. Schoonmaker, '97. His address is Myrtle avenue, Troy, N. Y. Any correspondence during the summer should be directed to Bro. Schoonmaker at the above address, as 351 Broadway, our headquarters for a year past, will be temporarily closed.

Bro. Jewett, of Columbia, New York city, drops in on us now and then from Hoosic Falls, where he is employed in the Walter A. Wood Company's plant.

Bro. J. Consalus, A, also makes a visit to Troy and the Del-

ta charge not infrequently, he is at present in charge of Macadam highway construction at Stapleton, Staten Island.

Bro. J. C. Hallock, Δ, '91, writes from Esmeraldas, Ecuador, where he is now government engineer for the province of Esmeraldas, that he is doing well at engineering in a foreign country. Bro. J. B. Palacios, Δ, is also at Esmeraldas as Hallock's assistant.

Bro. M. R. Sherrerd, Δ, '86, at present city engineer of Troy, N. Y., was recently elected a member of the board of directors of the Rensselaer Association of Graduates.

In closing we again voice our earnest desire to have all Theta Deltas call on us when in the neighborhood of Troy.

W. J. TOWN.

ZETA.

BROWN UNIVERSITY.

The last letter of the year for the SHIELD comes, very opportunely, sufficiently late for the scribe to be through the perplexing cares of examinations and commencement week. With us both the former and the latter have come and gone and another body of alumni sing the praises old Brown.

Nature did her best to send '94 out upon the world encouraged by her beaming smiles and soft caresses. Class day was an ideal one and as such was eagerly enjoyed. In the forenoon, in Sayles Hall, the class oration and poem were delivered by Mr. John Hope and Mr. H. D. Hazeltine respectively. In the afternoon the exercises were continued on the front campus; at 5 o'clock planting class tree and smoking class pipe; 5:15 class picture, and at 5:30 college songs on the chapel steps. The promenade concert occurred at 8 p. m. This is eagerly anticipated and is noticeable for the fraternity spreads which are given in different rooms about college. The rooms are distributed by lot, and accordingly, much depends upon the luck of the drawer. This year we were fortunate enough to obtain first choice, and of course, chose the Lyman Gymnasium, which has always been the most desirable place for class-night spreads. We were much elated over our good

fortune and made the most of it we can assure you. The gymnasium spread was conceded by all to be the best.

On Sunday at 4 o'clock President Andrews delivered the Baccalaureate sermon at the First Baptist church.

Brown's 126th annual commencement was celebrated on Wednesday, the 20th. Rarely has such a number of her sons assembled at a graduation. After the delivery of the orations degrees were conferred upon eighty-three seniors and twenty graduates. The present class is the largest in the history of Brown. With '94 also two women received the degree of A. B. This, again, marks an era in the progress of our Alma Mater, since it is the first time that she has ever conferred degrees upon women.

Zeta, with '94, will lose four brothers. The four years which they have spent with her have been marked by a continued growth, both in numbers and influence and we sincerely trust that this may continue. The graduates are Bros. W. C. Hill, W. H. Kimball, M. C. Stewart and your humble scribe.

Bro. Morse, '96, has been elected to the *Brown Herald* board.

Bro. Gardner, '95, has been appointed a member of the Liber board for the ensuing year.

Bro. Taylor, '95, will exert his authority as presiding officer.

In closing Zeta extends to all her sisters the hope that the summer vacation may be well enjoyed and long to be remembered.

J. S. MOORE.

ETA.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

The year just closed has been a great year for Bowdoin as it marked the close of the first century of her existence, and the centennial celebration joined with the regular commencement exercises made the last week of the term very enjoyable. Tuesday was class day followed by the dance on the green in the evening. Bro. Merrill delivered the class day oration, which was pronounced excellent by all. The commencement

exercises were Wednesday and Bro. Pickard and Bro. Merrill represented us among the speakers. In the evening there was an illumination of the campus and President Hyde gave a reception to the alumni and guests in Memorial Hall. Brilliant as these events were they were followed by one of greater interest to Theta Delts, our annual reunion in the society hall.

At the centennial exercises on Thursday Chief Justice Fuller delivered the oration and Arlo Bates the poem. The alumni dinner was held in a large tent on the campus, and about sixteen hundred had places around the numerous tables. Those having the dinner in charge kindly admitted the undergraduates this year and we listened to some very fine after dinner speeches. Joseph W. McKeen, of New York, presided as toastmaster and among the speakers were Gov. Cleaves, Judge Peters, Chief Justice of the Supreme Bench of Maine; President Gilman, of Johns-Hopkins University; Judge Simons, General O. O. Howard, General J. L. Chamberlain, Elijah Kellogg, and Professor Smith, of Yale, for several years a professor at Bowdoin.

In the rush for honors and awards the charge has taken a place among the first. Bro. Merrill, '94, won the '68 prize speaking. Bro. Pickard, '94, took first prize in extemporaneous composition, second prize in English composition, besides winning the Pray English prize and the Brown Memorial scholarship. Bro. Bryant, '95, has been chosen managing editor of the *Orient*. Of the eleven men elected to Phi Beta Kappa from '94 we have three, Bros. Merrill, Pickard and Knight.

Bros. Newbegin and Brown rowed on the '96 class crew, which defeated '97 in a well rowed race. Bro. Newbegin was captain of the crew.

Of the four men who represented Bowdoin in the Maine College Tennis tournament three were Theta Delts, Bros. Pickard, '94; Dana, '96, and the writer. Bro. Pickard and his partner won first place in doubles.

At our annual field day held lately we find that Theta Delta Chi scored more points than any other.

WALTER W. FOGG.

THETA.

KENYON COLLEGE.

The spring term of the college year has at last ended and the long looked for commencement week has finally arrived. Old students are seen walking up and down the campus, inhabiting old haunts, and watching for familiar faces, and what pleasanter sight is there than to witness the meeting of old college chums.

During the past two weeks the senior class have been grinding day and night on their theses and are now anxiously awaiting the degree to which a member of that venerable class is entitled, Bro. McKim, who has been a faithful member during the past three years is the only representative Theta has in the class of '94. He expects to pursue his studies at Columbia next fall.

Our outlook for the coming year is quite flattering. We expect to initiate three or four "pledged" men besides others from the incoming class.

Field day, one of Kenyon's eventful days, passed off very successfully. Bro. Wilson, '96. took three prizes, breaking two records.

The *Kenyon Annual* made its appearance a few weeks ago and is quite an improvement over last year's.

Bro. Durr, '92, who has been pursuing a course in the Theological department during the past two years, receives his ordination this commencement and then enters his field of labor. He has been one of Theta's most energetic members, and his presence will be greatly missed.

Bro. McKim has been occupying the president's chair of Mu Pi Kappa Literary society during the past three months, and Bro. Wilson is a member of the Programme committee.

During the early part of the term a minstrel show was given by the college students. It was one of the most successful entertainments of the year. Three of our men took active parts.

The annual ball of the Kenyon Military Academy and the Senior reception, two of the principal society events of the

year, were a great success. The charge, with their ladies, was well represented on both occasions.

A short time ago Theta received the sad news of the death of Bro. Munger, '58, the resolutions concerning which will be found in this issue of the SHIELD.

The annual charge banquet was held last night and was greatly enjoyed by all present. Bro. Hill, Eta, '88, officiated as toastmaster.

E. B. REDHEAD.

IOTA.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY.

Iota has been very quiet lately. The seniors have been preparing for class-day and their spread, and all of us have been working for the final examinations. However we have taken in several new members, whose names have already been reported.

Class-day at Harvard was delightful, for at last we had a pleasant day and made the most of it. People who have attended many Harvard class-days say that they never saw the yard look so fine. Spreads were numerous as usual, and the Theta Delta Chi's ranked among the first both in quality and in the number of guests. The spread was given in the house and grounds, which were handsomely decorated with plants and flowers. The fences were all masked with evergreens, which added greatly to the beauty of the grounds. The catering was excellent, as was also the punch. Perhaps the best idea of the spread is conveyed by the "Oh my! Isn't it awfully pretty?" which was heard on all sides from the girls.

One of the pleasantest features was the meeting of several old Theta Delt who dropped in on us, and thus showed their interest in the fraternity. In closing I wish to emphasize the fact that Iota is always glad to receive friends and do what she can for them

Yours fraternally,

CHARLES EDWARD SMITH.

IOTA DEUTERON.

WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

Williams has now completed her centennial year and every one agrees that with one or two exceptions it has been a very successful and pleasant year. Class and college spirit ran high and many little events happened which brought about a closer feeling of comradeship among the students. In football we were forced to take second place in the triangular league, but the unusual success of our athletic team at Worcester outran all expectations and proved that "Old Williams" is well able to hold up her head even among the strongest. From the first great hopes were placed upon the base-ball team and at the beginning of the season all omens looked favorable. Dartmouth, however, soon proved a strong competitor, and at the last moment Amherst showed her usual indomitable pluck in adverse circumstances and wrested victory from us just as she seemed to be safely in our grasp and left Dartmouth and Williams tied for first place.

At the same time a new misfortune came upon us and threw a cloud of sorrow over the festivities of commencement; the sudden and unfortunate death of Robert Gulliver, '94.

Owing to this calamity all the class-day exercises were omitted except the planting of the ivy, otherwise the exercises were as usual.

On Sunday, twenty-fourth, the most interesting features were President Carter's baccalaureate sermon on the text "He that findeth his life shall lose it; and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it"; and the Rev. Joseph Twitchell's address on "The Coming Man."

Monday the visitors were entertained by the junior dramatic and glee club concert during the day, and in the evening the ladies were given a chance to show their powers of endurance at the fraternity reception.

Tuesday brought with it the speaking of prize essays, the moonlight oratorical contest between the juniors and sophomores, and last but not least the senior promenade.

Wednesday was commencement day and Theta Delta Chi came as usual to the front. Bro. Partridge was '94's valedictorian

as well as ivy poet. Bro. Sawtelle was to have been class-day president and Bro. Towne was to have addressed the lower classes. Among the prizes taken Bro. Partridge won too many to mention. Bro. Craighead, '95, received second junior prize in the oratorical contest and Bro. Dunham, '96, received first prize in Latin, Greek and mathematics.

Wishing all our brothers a pleasant summer in behalf of Iota Deuteron, I remain

Yours in Theta Delta Chi,

EDMONDS PUTNEY.

KAPPA.

TUFTS COLLEGE.

It is with feelings of mingled pleasure and pain that Kappa's new correspondent takes up the pen to write this, his first communication to the SHIELD. It is a pleasure to him to feel his hand upon the switch connecting with the central office of communication in our fraternity, and to realize that he has only to turn on the current and send the message of his charge to Theta Delt the world over; but a heavy hand has been laid upon the happiness of Kappa, and it is impossible to begin without a feeling of sadness this epistle from which the name of one who has left us cannot be omitted.

In the death of our brother William Henry Goodrich, the charge has suffered a wound which will be long in healing. One of the most earnest and upright men in college, Brother Goodrich was also one of the most popular, and his popularity was of the sort of which to be proud, since it was founded in the sincere respect of all his fellow students. A commencement part had just been assigned to him when he was taken ill. All the path seemed bright before him and he was cherishing the hope that by a continuation of his earnest work he might some day come back to the hill he had grown to love so well as something more than a student.

Bro. Goodrich's relations with the brothers were most affectionate. He did his utmost to help and encourage the younger men and had a real love for us all. Theta Delta Chi had for

him the true meaning which it should have for every wearer of the shield. He felt the sacredness of the obligations which it imposed on him, and where his duty to the fraternity called there he was to be found ready to perform it. The charge in a body attended the funeral, which was held at the home of his parents in Fitchburg, Mass., and in which our President, Bro. E. H. Capen, '60, took part.

We mourn the loss of Bro. Goodrich's bodily presence from among us, but we must at the same time rejoice in the certainty that in "the sweet land of Omega" his pure and noble spirit has been received into that great fraternity whose secret is the infinite and whose accolade is the seal of life eternal.

The burden of sorrow has fallen most heavily upon Bro. Whittemore, who had scarcely seen the body of one of his dearest friends laid away forever when he was called home to take leave, for the last time in this world, of his own father. We know that the deep sympathy which Kappa feels for him in his loss represents that of the whole fraternity.

Commencement season with its round of gaieties is over, and four of our number have gone out from the fold—Bros. Whittemore, Walker, Hersey and Eastwood. Two of them, at least, have not gone far, for Bro. Walker will enter the Divinity School next fall, and Bro. Whittemore has been engaged as assistant in the department of English.

Bros. Walker and Hersey prepared commencement parts. Kappa enjoyed the day very much, as numbers of the old boys were back on the Hill, and all took a great interest in our new house.

We sincerely hope that they noticed its lamentable lack of furnishing, and that they will feel the proper amount of pride in the charge, and go to work to better the situation. Our rooms are pretty bare, it must be admitted, but we are thankful for the house at all, and we appreciate the fine points of its architecture now more than ever, when we open the long windows which lead from the big parlor out on the terrace and circulate in and out at will.

On Class Day, which came June 15, the Friday before Commencement, we had the house beautifully decorated, and

entertained most successfully from five to seven in the afternoon.

Ninety-four's Class Day was a big success all around. The weather, albeit a trifle hot, was perfect, and the various events of the day went off in splendid style,

At the Tree Exercises in the afternoon, however, a shadow was cast over the pleasure of the whole college by the absence of Bro. Whittemore, who was to have delivered the oration. Overcome by the troubles which this year has brought one after another in its train, Bro. Whittemore suffered a nervous break-down, just as his college work was drawing to a close, and had to spend his Class Day in quiet retirement at home. It was a joy to every one on the Hill, when on Commencement day he was able to come into the chapel for a few moments and take his degree with the rest of the class.

Kappa still keeps her place in the distribution of college honors. Bro. Whittemore's literary mantle has fallen upon the shoulders of Bro. Barney, who has been elected editor-in-chief of the *Tuftonian*. Bros. Folsom, Marvin and Sanford are also on the editorial staff of the paper and Bros. Pierce and Whittemore on the Board of Directors, the latter being President.

Bro. F. S. Gardner, '88, who left college in his junior year to take charge of a high school in Delaware, has been with us this year completing work for his degree which he received extra ordinem, on commencement day. His Theta Deltism is just as strong as ever, and we have enjoyed having him with us immensely.

The annual reading for the Goddard prizes took place in the chapel Tuesday afternoon, May 29th. Bro. Whittemore captured the first prize in the group of those who had studied oratory six term hours, Bro. C. D. Clark the first in those who had taken four term hours, and Bro. Marvin the second in that of those who had taken two.

Bro. Sanford acted as marshall for the freshmen on Class Day.

Our annual Field Day was scheduled for May 31, but had to be postponed to the afternoons of June 6th and 7th on ac-

count of rain. When it at length came off, Bro. Pierce broke the record in the running high jump, bringing it up from 5 ft. 3 in. to 5 ft. 4 in; and Bro. Davis captured a number of prizes.

In the tennis tournament, Bro. Lynde was in the double team which came out on top, and Bro. Marvin took second in place in singles after losing the championship in as hard fought a match as the hill has ever seen. The score was only 7-5, 7-5, 1-6, 6-3 in favor of Mr. Browning who won.

In speaking of Commencement I neglected to mention our Divinity School men, Bros. Hoyt, Perkins and Grose. Bro. Hoyt left the regular course to enter the Divinity School soon after his initiation. Bros. Grose and Perkins graduated from the college in '91 and then took the Theological course. Both delivered commencement parts, and Bro. Grose's was adjudged by all the most beautiful piece of genuine feeling ever voiced on our commencement platform.

Bro. Perkins has been installed as pastor of the Universalist Church in Hartford, Conn., and Bro. Grose has entered upon his ministerial labors at Stoughton, Mass. If these brothers do half the grand work for the Christian ministry that they have done for $\Theta \chi \chi$ the world will have no cause to complain. They have been, since finishing their college course, among the most loyal of our graduates. Both have, since their graduation entered into other bonds than those which bind man and man. Bro. Perkins was married June 21st to Miss Mary S. Thayer of Somerville, Mass., and Bro. Grose on June 27 to Miss Emily G. Arnold of Abington, Mass.

The entrance examinations of June 21, 22 and 23 showed a great increase in the number of lady applicants for admission, and some of them—oh! we shall go right to work in the fall convincing these that Theta Deltas are perfection.

There will be a large number of good men in ninety-eight also, and Kappa is by no means going around with her eyes shut.

Next year will see Tufts enriched by two new buildings which are now approaching completion; viz. : a ladies dormitory and a commons building. The former is situated on Professors' Row, and is a handsome structure of yellow brick

trimmed with grey granite. The latter, which is an imposing red brick edifice, will contain in addition to a large and commodious dining hall, accommodations for a post office, supply store, and a number of rooms for students. We are also to have a fine new scientific building in the near future, the gift of Bro. Sumner Robinson, '88 and his mother, in memory and accordance with the wishes of his father, Mr. Charles Robinson, who was formerly President of the college trustees.

During the past year Kappa has been greatly pleased to receive visits from Bros. Sawtelle and Mansfield of the Grand Lodge, and Bro. B. A. Smalley of Omicron Deuteron, '94. We sincerely hope that during the coming year we shall have more visits to chronicle. Iota sent up quite a delegation one evening, and we enjoyed seeing them very much. We want to see each and every brother who can make it in his way to come to the Hill, and despite the lack of furniture above mentioned, we will furnish something to sit down upon to all who will come.

When the boys from Iota came up to see us they brought a base ball banner which they owed us on account of a little defeat in that branch of athletics which we gave them in the Spring of last year. The other day they came up to see us again, and carried the same banner back on account of a little defeat they gave us in the same branch of athletics in the Spring of this year. Well, we were just as glad to see them, and we will tell the SHIELD confidentially that we mean to have it back next year; and the best out of three games keeps it.

I do not think that the editor can complain about this despatch being telegraphic, but as it may increase the postage of the SHIELD I will bring it to a summary close; so with best wishes to all Theta Deltas for a pleasant vacation

I remain ever fraternally,

ALARIC BERTRAND START.

LAMBDA.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

Our college year is just drawing to a close and as we look over the year's work, we note that it has been one of success, also that the charge is now in a flourishing condition.

With this year's close we shall lose seven good brothers, viz., Bros. Adams, Kimball, Rogers, Coyle, Smith, Tilton and Woodvine. In the next year we hope to fill their places in number, but the place each occupied to us cannot be filled.

Lambda has been well represented in college this year as you will see by the following: In the Senior class, for Class Day the appointments are, Brother Coyle, orator; Bro. Smith, President, and Bro. Rogers, Marshal, or in other words all the men chosen were from $\Theta \Delta X$.

In the recent Senior and Sophomore debate Bro. Coyle was appointed as disputant from '94 and Bro. Mason from '96.

The Debating Club is in a most flourishing condition with Bro. Deckman at its head and great interest has been aroused by his arranging a series of debates between the different classes.

I refer you to the papers for the success of our ball team which has been somewhat limited.

At a recent meeting we were pleased to entertain Bro. Pritchard, '77, and Bro. Keene, '86, who are as firm Theta Deltas as ever.

Under the auspices of the Philomathean Society a French play "L'Avocat Patelin" was presented to the students and their friends. The play was in all respects a success and one of the leading events in the history of the society. A German play has also been given "Der gerade Wegder beste" which was highly appreciated by those who could make use of their German.

The year has been one of hard work for us but the harshness has been counter-balanced by the enjoyments presented to us.

Bros: Deckman, Mason, Dean, Woodvine, Boultonhouse and

Hurd will this summer take a trip to Canada in the employ of Power Bros. N. Y., and a pleasurable trip is anticipated.

With best wishes for success from Lambda,
C. E. HURD, '97.

MU DEUTERON.

AMHERST COLLEGE.

Spring term at Amherst cannot be characterized as a period of hard work. The athletes, of course, are kept busy, and the pluggers cling to their books as they always will. But the great majority of students prefer to take life easy, study only when necessary, and employ most of their energy in applauding the athletes and urging them on to still greater efforts. The seniors, in particular, seem to be doing at this time loafing enough for a year or two to come, an indication doubtless of their appreciation of the reception that the cold, cold world is preparing for them. The present senior class is the first to reap the benefits of the new rule that requires only thirteen hours of recitation each week during the last term of the course. The juniors are engaged in a life and death struggle with the first principles of Psychology, the course in which is widely popular, although the "stiffest" in the curriculum. The sophomores are disporting themselves in the manner peculiar to beings of their kind, while the freshmen are just beginning to learn the ways of the college undergraduate and live on the same level with other mortals.

With us of Mu Deuteron the spring term has been unusually pleasant. As a charge, the lethargy of the season has had no effect on us, but on the contrary the period has been one of activity and growth. In worldly goods, especially, have we grown rich. During the last weeks of the winter term a subscription paper was passed around, the brothers plunged deep into their pockets and as a result our parlors are now possessed of a new set of furniture and draperies. On the front porch of our house may be seen a new installment of chairs, and the tennis court has had its annual renovation, which this year was somewhat more thorough than usual. Hard wood floors

and stairways have been placed in one of the halls, and on the whole both house and grounds are in much better condition than ever before.

We are especially proud to announce the election of Brother Arthur J. Hopkins, '85, as assistant professor in Chemistry. During the nine years of our existence as a charge we have been waiting for the election of a Theta Delt to the faculty, an event sure to come because of the high stand that many of Mu Deuteron's sons have taken in scholarship, and our fond wish has just been gratified. Brother Hopkins is a thorough master of his favorite study and is of a genial, warm-hearted disposition that is sure to make him popular both in and out of the class room.

The charge has been well represented on the athletic field this spring. Our star athlete is Brother Tyler, '97, who has distinguished himself by winning a place on every team that has represented the college since he entered. Last fall he was left tackle on the eleven, and this spring he won second prize in the high jump at the New England Intercollegiate meet at Worcester, and has after close competition with another freshman been made catcher of the nine. Brother Seymour, '94, who is athletic director of his class, won for Amherst third place in the half-mile run at Worcester. Brother Chase, '96, is substitute pitcher on his class nine.

Brothers Rice and Lane have been elected to Phi Beta Kappa, the former in the second drawing from the Senior class and the latter in the first drawing from '95. Brother Lane stands third in his class, and is in consequence awarded a monitorship, an additional mark of honor. It is an interesting fact that this year for the first time since 1887, Mu Deuteron will not be represented on the commencement stage.

A minstrel show for the benefit of the base-ball association was given in Amherst and Northampton early in the term. Brother Rice, '94, on the executive committee, and Brothers Lane, '95; Porter, '96, and Kidder, '97, were members of the troupe.

The annual banquet of the New England Association at Boston, April 26, was attended by five sons of Mu Beuteron,

Brother Baldwin, '93, now at the Harvard Law School, and Brothers Seymour, '94; Bell, '95; Lane, '95, and Crosby, '95. Our ninth anniversary spread was held in the parlors, June 8, with Brother Penney, '95, as toastmaster.

Amherst's musical organization will this summer seek fame in a field new to American college clubs. They have arranged a trip through England, which will occupy about three weeks, beginning the second week in July. After the concert tour is completed a large number of the musicians will join a party conducted by Prof. H. B. Richardson and spend the remainder of the summer in travel on the continent. Brother Bliss, '96, who sings second tenor on the glee club will not accompany the club, but Brother Porter, '96, first bass in the glee club and Brother Kidder, '97, who sings first tenor in the glee club and plays the violoncello on the Banjo and Guitar club, will take the trip.

Brother J. J. Walker, '89, who graduates from Andover Theological Seminary in June, has refused a call to the pastorate of the Belchertown, Mass., Congregational church.

Brother Ernest D. Daniels, '90, will be professor of Mathematics in the Sauveur College of Languages and the Amherst Summer School, which holds its session in Amherst from July 2 to August 9.

J. A. RAWSON, JR.

XI.

HOBART COLLEGE.

Old Xi made a glorious ending this year and one which will never be forgotten by those present. Our reunion was one of the most successful we have ever had. The only check given to the general good time was the inability of several brothers, whom we expected, to be present.

On the evening of the 27th of June the Theta Delta Chi, both active and graduate members, along with a number of ladies, started what proved to be an ever increasing triumph for the good old cause. Bro. Herendeen, '86, gave us the use of his steam yacht, and after a very pleasant ride on the

lake we withdrew to our rooms to consult "Billy," who happened to be in excellent condition that night, as Bro. Covert will testify. We swung Bro. Covert, '89. and pledged Mr. Colton, '97, both of whom will be heard of all through their college course.

Then the reunion banquet began at the Franklin House, Bro. Waters, '84, being toastmaster. The banquet was a most pleasing success. Bro. Waters displayed great ability as toastmaster. His choice of men and toasts could not have been better. Bishop Gilbert, '70, started the toasts by responding to the "Fraternity." He brought down the house by saying that "He was with us not as a Bishop, but as a Theta Delt." His eloquence has not been surpassed by any of the great men who have visited Hobart in late years; and if any one could have listened to this great orator and then say that Theta Delta Chi did not stand for highest manhood, that she did not help to make her sons great and good and noble, we must say that that man is either entirely ignorant of what he speaks or else is incapable of appreciating good and noble things.

Bro. Halsey, '68, then responded to "Xi." We need not say much about Bro. Halsey; everyone knows him, that he is a true Theta Delt, that he has always worked for her welfare and defended and praised her, both in prose and verse. He is our poet, and he is our brother but he is also a father to us. And it was the same Bro. Halsey who responded to old "Xi."

Bro. Herendeen, '86; Chace, '88; Ferris, '88; Hillis, '91; Meyer, Chi, '94, responded respectively to "Resident Members," "The College," "Theta Delt Wives," "The Faculty," and "Chi," with these and other toasts and singing the greater part of the night was spent. Every one was delighted with the time we had, and each one came away a truer Theta Delt than ever, with resolutions to devote himself more and more to the welfare of our fraternity.

Commencement day followed, which might not inappropriately be called the fraternity's day. Bro. Gilbert made the best two speeches of the day, and Bros. Alex. Mann and

Waters also held up our end nobly. Bro. Bachman, '94, was pronounced by a judge of wide experience, to have made the best valedictory oration he had ever heard. He did equally well at the alumni dinner and the paddle oration, and won the White Rhetorical and the Sunderland Philosophical prizes. Bros. McCabe and Davis also graduated very creditably.

Bro. Slosson, '63 recently gave us a very nice piano and it makes an agreeable addition to our rooms. We have now a good pool table and piano and library and can give a good time to all our visitors. We want more of the alumni to come to see us. If they knew the pleasure they afford us by their visits they would make greater efforts to be with us oftener. As we have always said, "nothing so rouses our love for the fraternity in general and makes us proud of being Theta Deltas, as seeing the old boys who made it what it is." We want you all to come as often as you can.

Bros. Potter, '93, and Brush, '92, spent a few days with us recently; also Bros. Graves, '97, of Beta, and Meyer, '94, of Chi. We are still alive and all will find us ready to give the grip and show true Theta Delt blood and hearts. Don't forget to come, we want to see you all.

A. G. RICHARDS.

OMICRON DEUTERON.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The spring term has been an exceedingly joyful and at the same time sad one for the brothers of this charge. It has been joyful because we have enjoyed the friendship of our brothers and the good times we have had together in our hall,—sad, because '94 brothers have now left us and gone out from our midst to begin their battle with the world. We feel their loss keenly, for they were a conscientious, hard-working band, and the present standing of Theta Delta Chi among the Greek letter fraternities in the college to-day is, in a large part, due to their endeavors. May success be theirs in after life, as it has been while they were in college.

On June 16th, Bro. Sawtelle, of the Grand Lodge, was

with us. About twenty of the members of Omicron Deuteron formed a party and with Bro. Sawtelle as guest, took a trip of ten miles up the river in a steam launch. Songs and stories were indulged in and a very enjoyable evening passed. The party returned by moonlight, reaching Hanover about 1 a. m.

The annual senior "set up" came off Wednesday evening, June 20th. Speeches were made by several of the '94 brothers. Refreshments were next in order, and every one present went away feeling that the inner man was fully satisfied.

On June 13th the charge listened to a very interesting talk on Ancient Dartmouth customs by Bro. (Prof.) Adams of the class of '76.

Bros. Smalley and Gifford are the commencement men of the '94 delegation.

Bro. Allen, '94, has the address to the President. Bro. Smalley, '94, is class poet, and Bro. J. H. Bartlett, '94, is class orator.

Bro. Wilson, '95, has been elected editor of *The Dartmouth* by the '95 delegation. JOHN W. H. POLLARD.

PI DEUTERON.

COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bro. Joseph Geoghegan, '96, and Bro. Oscar Wagner, '96. Both these brothers were much desired by the other fraternities, but they wisely concluded that it was to their advantage to join Theta Delta Chi. This brings our active number in college up to eight.

On March 30th, the Glee and Banjo Clubs, assisted by the college Orchestra, gave a concert at Pontiac Hall. Bro. Tombo represented us on the Glee Club and on the Reception Committee.

The great event of the year with us was our 14th Annual Banquet held on April 14th, at the Hotel Marlborough. A full account will be found on another page. Suffice it to say here, that it was the most successful banquet the charge

has ever held. Bros. Mansfield, Disbecker, Pratt and Morrow were down from Yale, and did much to enliven the occasion.

During the following week we were visited by the Treasurer of the Grand Lodge, Bro. Mansfield. We thoroughly enjoyed his visit and hope he will soon come again.

At the Annual games of the 7th Regiment, "the" Regiment of New York, Bro. Lee, II^a, '92, finished second in the 75 yard dash and in the one mile bicycle, and Bro. Jaques, II^a, '95, came out second in the 93 yard dash and half mile run.

The 20th Annual Spring Games of the college were held at Berkeley Oval on May 12th. As last year $\Theta \Delta X$ won more points than the other three fraternities together. Bro. Geoghegan won the mile run and finished second in the half, giving us 7 points, against $\Delta K E$, 5, $A \Delta \phi$, 1, and $\phi \Gamma \Delta$, 0. The mile run was the finest race of the day, Bro. Geoghegan winning by the smallest of margin. On the intercollegiate team we will be represented by Bros. Tombo, '95, Geoghegan, '96 and Hamill, '97.

Bros. Geoghegan and Wagner are on the committee of the Sophomore Class Dinner, which will come off soon.

On the whole we have had a very successful year. We began with four men and end with eight, having moreover pledged eight men of the sub-Freshman class. Two brothers who left last year, intend to return in the fall and as we lose nobody by graduation, our chances for next year are very bright.

We trust that the other charges have also spent a successful year, and hope that all the brothers will spend a pleasant vacation.

RHO DEUTERON.

COLUMBIA COLLEGE.

Commencement week has come and gone only too quickly and with it the joyous crowd that used to throng the campus, now deserted except by a few who are staying to arrange their next year's work.

Since our last letter the charge has presented the fraternity

with twins, they are Bros. Slichter and Freeman '96. For the past four months the brothers have been meeting at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, thinking it best to give up our rooms and to economize until fall. We also desire better accommodations than our old rooms afforded.

Seven of our brothers received their sheepskins at commencement, four of whom at least intend to resume their studies here in October. Brother Luqueer, who took his A. B. degree, received the prize of the Alumni Association to the most faithful and deserving student as determined by election from the graduating class. He also received a university fellowship in education. We notice, also, that brother Crampton, II^a, '93, has obtained a similar fellowship in Biology.

The resignation of Dr. Drisler and the election of Prof. Van Amringe to take his place as dean of the School of Arts is a source at once of regret and of satisfaction among both officers and students. One of the features of commencement exercises was the presentation to Dr. Drisler of a commemorative volume of "Classical Studies," consisting of papers contributed by well known classical students who have done work under him.

In accordance with Columbia's tendency during recent years to advances along university lines, there will be numerous changes and additions among next year's courses. Among the most important of these may be mentioned the four years required course in the School of Medicine and the establishment of a chair of Sociology in connection with the School of Political Science. Columbia is, we believe, the first college in this country to establish a separate department of Sociology; and the plan as embodied in the catalogue, seems to be to make the greatest possible use of the practical advantages which New York offers to students in sociology.

Of the other frats in Columbia there appears to be nothing worthy of record. In fact, on the whole, college affairs have occupied a higher place than those of fraternities in general. Of the fifteen or sixteen frats in Columbia, about one-half are practically lifeless. The reason of this is not far to seek. The majority of our best men have their homes and a large circle

of friends here in the city, and consequently the ties already formed prevent the formation of new ones which shall be strong and lasting. The frat is not first. The social force of common interests, so emphasized in late years, is not strong enough, and it is only by continual exertion that we can keep up that free social intercourse, which we believe is inseparable from true fraternity life. Still, we live in hopes that with the removal to our new home on Cathedral Heights, and especially with the introduction of the dormitory system, a new era of prosperity will be ushered in for fraternities. Another cause of hope is the continual increase which we observe in the number of students that come from a distance.

Although *P^a* has not quite come up to her expectations of last autumn and has advanced slowly after the first leap, yet she has steadily pushed ahead with a dogged determination that is bound to succeed. In spite of the fact that we started with a very small number and of the consequent tendency to haste to get wealth; we have never lost sight of the standard that we set up at the beginning; and, although our number is still somewhat small, at least from a financial point of view, still we are all looking forward in anticipation of a most successful campaign during 1894-5, and several of our fellows have their eyes on some good material that they have spotted in the preparatory schools.

GUY H. TURRELL.

SIGMA.

DICKINSON COLLEGE.

The part of the college year most looked forward to and most wished for, is past, with us, and with it have passed out of the college thirty-one graduates, among them being Bro. Underwood.

The past year has been a very successful one, so far as the college is concerned. We entered eighty men. The largest class that has ever entered Dickinson. Several men entered the Sophomore and Junior class. The year has not been a stormy one, or signalized by any rushes, etc, but has been unusually

quiet. This, however, attributes more to the success of the college than cane rushes and further collisions would have. At least this is Dr. Reed's version.

As to our fraternity, it has passed a very successful year. All of our men have made and always will make good, loyal Theta Delts. Although some of them have left college, yet we, who remain, are doing our best to keep the ball rolling, and are succeeding very well. Next year we expect to have a very good fraternity. We have our eyes on several men who are in the college and several who are coming to Dickinson next fall. Several of our old men were back this commencement, and I think I can say, without the least doubt, that we had the finest set of men on the campus, in looks, ability, numbers or in any way whatever. Among our brothers who were back were, Bro. Heberling, '91; Bro. Farmer, '95; Bro. Brandt, '92; Bro. Heim, '95; Bro. Patterson, '86; Bro. Bilger, '83; Bro. Harbaugh, '84; Bro. Wright, '69, and Bro. Hepburn and Bro. Ritter, '91.

Our commencement week exercises were unusually interesting as two of our brothers took part in them. On Monday afternoon the law school commencement was held at which Bro. Ballentine had the honorary oration. His subject was "The Young Lawyer, his dignity, duty and profession." Bro. Ballentine had an excellent speech and a very fine delivery. His manner was free and easy and he impressed every one with the fact that he was an excellent speaker. Too much cannot be said of Bro. Ballentine's speech. On Monday night took place the College Orchestra concert and the Junior promenade. On Tuesday afternoon Class day and on Tuesday night the commencement German. The class of '94 graduating exercises were held on Wednesday morning. Bro. Underwood received his diploma on this occasion. He also had the Beaver oration on Class day. Wednesday noon closed our college year and it is now, like many others are, a thing of the past. That it was successful no one can doubt, and we can only hope that the coming year may be even more successful than the past one has been. With best wishes from Sigma.

WILLIAM A. JORDAN.

TAU DEUTERON.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

While poets and philosophers have written of the blessings of adversity, it is hard for those whose paths have been cast in sunny places to always appreciate these blessings. But Tau Deuteron feels after a year of political misfortunes that her members have been drawn closer together and the fellowship among them strengthened by their political reverses. However, we have been twice successful. Bro. Bradford was elected as delegate to Denver from the University Republican Club in a straight contest with a "Deke," who is one of the most popular men in the institution; and Bro. Clifford was elected as financial head of the Athletic association.

We lose a large contingent by graduation this year. Bro. Simonton, who is one of the commencement orators will take graduate work next year. Bro. Manuel will minister to the intellectual needs of the people of St. James, Minn., as their superintendent of public schools. Bro. Sheldon will continue his researches in Botany. Bros. Scofield and W. C. Weeks, of the engineering department, will follow their chosen professions; the former at Elgin, Ill., the latter along the line of the Soo road. Tau Deuteron will be represented at the bar by Bro. Bradford, who will locate in Milwaukee; Bro. C. L. Weeks, who will remain in Minneapolis, and Bro. Harland Leach, who has, as yet, not decided upon the favored spot in which to make his home.

The *Gopher*, our college annual appeared last month. Bro. Rees, as editor-in-chief, is largely responsible for its artistic make up and completeness.

In the athletic line we have not been very active, although Bro. Simonton, '94, and Bro. Clifford, '95, are on their respective class base ball teams, and some of the boys have played in the inter-fraternity tennis tournament. In oratory we are more conspicuous; three of our members will appear on the final contest for the Pillsbury prize. We are only sorry that each cannot have first place.

Bro. Ramaley is treasurer of the Inter-Collegiate Oratorical association.

Bro. McDermott, '96, will act as toastmaster at a banquet of high school alumni in Stillwater, Minn. After inflicting a numerous assortment of stale jokes upon his defenceless hearers, he intends fleeing to Mexico, there beneath balmy skies to spend his vacation.

Another wanderer will be Bro. Rucker, who will carry the shield of $\theta \Delta X$ to the Antwerp exposition.

We were pleasantly surprised some time since by a visit from Bro. Kendall, *B*, '88, of Chicago, who dropped in upon us for an hour, bringing greetings from the boys at Madison. Bro. Bullock, Λ , of Madison, was here for a few days, and Bro. Bradbury, *K*, '79, came to see us when his theatrical engagement brought him to our city.

On May 12 was held a reunion of Tau Deuteron and her alumni at the charge house. Bro. Sheldon presided as toastmaster and called out the wit and eloquence of the members in response to toasts. As the meeting broke up the strains of "Theta Delta Chi shall be the anthem," floated out upon the midnight breeze, and not one of us, I am sure, but cherished a warmer love for $\theta \Delta X$ and for the associations and fellowship which she has given him.

FRANCIS RAMALEY, '95.

PHI.

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

As senior vacation passes and the dreaded "exams" crowd in so close, we must of necessity realize that the college year is soon to fill another page in history, but how every son of Lafayette hails with delight the advent of the summer vacation with all of its gaiety and recuperation. Yet, while we are rejoicing in the anticipation of a long summer's rest, Phi undergraduates are forced to a feeling of sorrow in the realization of the loss our charge sustains as the sheepskin is dealt out at commencement, for the time is fast drawing nigh when we must bid adieu to our seniors, four in number, who have by their unceasing labor and perseverance raised the Phi banner still higher and who leave many many marks of their work to live after them at Lafayette.

Bro. W. C. Chambers, of Mount Pleasant, Pa., who has risen to the first rank among college orators, holds the most enviable position in the senior class, having won the first prize in the intercollegiate contest in May over the representatives of six colleges and also winning first place in the junior oratorical contest and senior debate, editing so successfully the *Melange*, which was far the best ever issued at Lafayette prior to the production of '95 this term. He has won numerous other laurels in this branch of work and now finishes his splendid record by being awarded the valedictory for his class.

Bro. Gustave K. Voigt, '94, of Newark, has been awarded his celebrity by his work on the "gridiron" and has been rightly dubbed "the king of quarter-backs." "Gus" will be long remembered for his successes on our foot-ball team, carrying as he has the maroon and white to victory in the very face of defeat more than once. Bro. Voigt has been awarded a commencement honor. He has been a leader in all branches of college life during his whole course and the college thereby sustains a loss that is keenly felt.

Bro. J. T. Losee, of Patchogue, L. I., graduates as a competent civil engineer. He is one of the most popular men of '94 and also leaves a host of friends behind him. Bro. Losee has proven himself a staunch and faithful Theta Deit and has done much towards placing Phi in her present healthy condition.

Here, as elsewhere, athletics occupy a prominent position during these weeks so favorable to every form of sport. The base ball team this year has scored many victories and proved itself a great credit to this institution under the captaincy of Bro. Frank Drake, '94, who has been a fixture on the nine since his first year. In our Lafayette-Lehigh series we have downed the brown and white two out of three games, while victories over six other colleges are added to our credit.

The brothers at Phi sympathize deeply with Bro. J. Glick, '95, in the loss of his father in May. Bro. Glick has returned to college.

A very pleasant buckboard trip was taken by Bros. Voigt, Barker, Glick and Seymour early in May through the charm-

ing scenery of Northern New Jersey. The products of the three cameras make a pretty set.

Ninety-five's Melange is out. Were we not so modest we would like to say something about the artistic gem of over 300 pages, bound in maroon and white, lettered in gold, and pronounced generally as the largest, spiciest and handsomest college annual yet issued.

Bro. Twitmyer has been elected to the '96 Melange board as our representative.

The musical organization college hop given in April was a great success. Bro. Backer, '95, did efficient work on the committee.

The recent visits of Bros. Sanderson, '91; Meyers, '92; Loux, '92; Honness, '93, and Albertson, '93, were greatly appreciated, and we cordially invite all of Phi's alumni to visit us in our new quarters, and any Theta Delt who chances to be in Easton.

We have the promise of a large freshman class next year and have some good men in view.

If you are a Phi alumnus make it a point to be with us at our reunion and banquet.

ALBERT F. HOVEY.

CHI.

ROCHESTER UNIVERSITY.

With the close of another commencement Chi can look back over the year and feel that she has not labored in vain. With returning alumni comes also increased enthusiasm for our dear old fraternity, and resolutions that another year shall find us working still harder for our brotherhood and that our own charge shall stand still higher in the list for honors.

Since my last letter Chi has been the recipient of several nicely-framed portraits of her own alumni and other Theta Delts. They include Chi's patron saint, Hon. Willis S. Paine: Rev. Dr. Gregg, of Brooklyn; Rev. Dr. Sterrett, of Columbian University; a worthy brother whose name I cannot now recall and Mr. J. P. McKinney, all of which were presented by that enthusiastic Thete, H. D. Brookins, '80, except that of Bro. McKinney, which he himself presented, together with a black-thorn "shillalah" from Donnybrook Fair, Ireland.

Our most interesting relic is a copy of the original SHIELD from Bro. Paine, framed so that the four pages can be easily

read. We believe that there is but one other copy in existence. The SHIELD was then, as now, the *first* of Greek letter publications. A Phi Kap who called at the house recently was completely subdued by such overwhelming evidence after he was betrayed into claiming priority for his own "Shield."

Some weeks since by invitation of Bro. W. S. Kimball, Delta, the Chi boys with their friends were invited to visit his art gallery. Bro. Kimball has one of the finest collections for its size in the world, the surroundings of which, too, add very much to its attractiveness. After viewing the gallery under the guidance of Bro. Kimball, who is a connoisseur of no mean ability, we were favored by his son with several selections on a pipe organ in his residence, unexcelled in volume and tone by any in Rochester. It is needless to say that the boys appreciated the kindness of Bro. Kimball, and all departed wishing him long life and happiness.

This letter would be incomplete without an account of commencement and of our banquet on Monday evening after the Dewey prize declamations. We were all made glad by the arrival early in the day of our genial friend and brother, H. D. Brookins, '80, who was thoughtful enough to pack away in his grip several boxes of Havanas, which delighted even the nostrils of the non-smokers. Elliott, Xi, '96, also happened to be in town and was easily persuaded to remain to the banquet. In the early part of the evening we were all attracted to Music Hall to hear two of our brothers, Glass and Woodruff, of '96, compete for the Dewey prizes.

The banquet was held at the charge house, where merriment and loyal words for Theta Delta Chi prevailed until the "wee sma' 'ours." Toasts were drunk to absent alumni, while there were present to speak for themselves Bros. J. P. McKinney, '69; Major Spahn, '70; Dr. E. M. Moore, Jr., '71; H. D. Brookins, '80; J. P. Fleming, '92; I. E. Harris, '92, and Elliott, Xi, '96.

Chi loses this year four men, of whom Bro. Webster did the honors at commencement. Though four good, loyal brothers leave us, three of them reside in the city and, we know, will be *active* still. Bro. Webster will probably study law here, so the quartette will be complete to take their places in active work. We have four men pledged and two more reasonably certain.

At a meeting of the Students' Association recently, Bro. Estey, '95, was elected vice-president. This makes him a member of the executive committee, which has control of all athletics and the musical organizations.

Fraternally yours,

P. A. BLOSSOM.

Exchange Cleanings.

[Our exchanges are requested to send three copies of their journal in one wrapper to Clay W. Holmes, Elmira, N. Y. In return we will send three copies wherever requested.]

The February number of Kappa Alpha has, as usual, many good things in it. Editor Keeble expresses himself in this wise :

"Our K. C., Mr. Ammen, ever thoughtful of the *Journal* and its editors, kindly prepares and publishes in this issue a review of the *Journal*. In this he not only quotes some endorsements from other periodicals of similar nature, but also gives his personal commendation.

"It is human to like sincere commendation. Honest praise is inspiration to achievement. We who conduct the *Journal* are not exceptional beings; and therefore commendation is sweet to us. We appreciate Mr. Ammen's good opinion, and we appreciate the kind words that the editors of other publications have said. However, we never believed in that custom of editors, of publishing all complimentary notices. It would appear as undignified to us, to publish these things, as to publish upon our business paper the commendation of clients who have expressed themselves as gratified with the result of a lawsuit. Journalism is a noble profession, and it ought to be a dignified profession. For surely nobility and dignity should never be separate.

"Fraternity journalism is a legitimate branch of journalism, and is therefore of the same nature.

"When the press of the country ceases to blow its own horn, ceases to brag about its circulation, to boast of its enterprise, to catch up and reiterate all good said of it, then it will arrive at such dignity of character as it should possess.

"It is pleasing to print an article such as prepared by Mr. Ammen, but to deliberately clip *in propria persona* the compliments that now and then appear, and to publish them goes against our ideas of ethics. Nor can there be any two sorts of ethics. That which is right for one branch of mankind to do, is right for all. That is, in general conduct.

While we believe that Brother Keeble's ideas are well founded in many particulars there is such a thing as "straining at a gnat." He seems to forget that fraternity journalism has for its purpose something so entirely different from the public

press, that while it is legitimate it is not of the same nature as other branches of journalism. We would like to cross-examine our legal friend. Does it not please Kappa Alpha's editor to read the pleasant words published in the organs of other societies about Kappa Alpha or her *Journal*? We believe it does. Now is the editor so selfish that he does not wish every member of Kappa Alpha to know about it? Does he not believe that the publication in his journal of these good things will materially aid in the cultivation and propagation of the pan-hellenistic idea about which we have read much in the *Journal*? Does he believe that Kappa Alpha readers would think it egotistical on his part to publish them? Since the editors of all fraternity journals work for much love and little or no pay, and are privileged characters, if they use some of their pleasant exchange comments no one will object. Readers of the SHIELD are always glad to read such things and to know that their magazine is appreciated by other societies, and on this account such notices are often reproduced. The editor is pleased to see them and so are the subscribers. We bury our own modesty for the good of the craft. The article referred to is written by the grand chief of Kappa Alpha, and pays so merited a compliment to Editor Keeble that we reproduce a part of it:

"The modesty of editors is well known. In the daily press they publish encomiums upon their own papers, not because they admire themselves, but because such encomiums compliment the good taste of their subscribers. A sensible man who reads a good paper, or magazine, likes to know that there are other sensible men in the world. The more he hears his paper praised the more he likes it, and himself, and, finally the editor. There is a sort of community of interest between the editor of a loyally conducted periodical and his readers. They are in the same way of thinking. They are interested in the same cause. When the knight of the quill indites a weighty leader that demolishes the silly scribbler of the opposing camp, his joy consists chiefly in fancying the thrill of pleasure his article is going to give the sympathetic subscriber. The latter is united with him, the editor feels, in a joint enterprise, the triumph of which will be the world's delight. The average editor, accordingly, feels no scruple in copying into his paper everything good said about himself, or it, at the same time carefully excluding, as tiresome and irrelevant, all that is derogatory. It is his business to make his readers feel comfortable. and what pleases him ought to please them.

"This feature, it must be confessed, has been wanting in our *Journal*. Perhaps the ethics of fraternity journalism do not permit it. Perhaps our editor's modesty is excessive. Be the cause what it may, Mr. Keeble has failed to give us, from time to time, the paragraphs in the fraternity press that commend his work. He either skips them, or, if he reads, he keeps them to himself. This is all wrong, since it ignores the community of interest between our editor and all good Kappa Alphas. We have our own opinion of the *Journal*—we think it has no equal among the fraternity publications of the United States—but we should like to hear the good things said about it in the exchanges that come to the *Journal's* office. It is a case for self-sacrifice on the part of our editor. He ought to suppress his modesty for the sake of gratifying his readers with the perusal of the compliments rival publications pay the *Journal*."

Now we agree with the writer of this article. He continues with an extract from the SHIELD article which appeared in the December issue, with the following prefix :

"Among the very best of the fraternity publications that I have seen is the SHIELD of Theta Delta Chi—a quarterly edited and published at Elmira, New York, by Clay W. Holmes. It is handsome in appearance, and well edited. The ability and long experience of Mr. Holmes are indicated in the good judgment with which every detail of the SHIELD is settled. The paper, print, arrangement of matter, and variety and proportion of articles indicate a fastidious and discriminating taste. The editor is the author of many of the best articles. Evidently he is a man who knows a good publication when he sees it, and his opinion carries weight."

The leading article in *The Delta of Sigma Nu* is "A Record of Twenty-five Years of Growth." According to this article Sigma Nu really owes its origin to a body of men at the Virginia Military Institute who were determined to break down the power of Alpha Tau Omega, which reigned supreme there, though none of the founders then dreamed that it would go beyond that institution. "The practice seems to have been to give to each member on leaving the V. M. I. a charter to establish a chapter in such a place as he might choose. A good many charters were issued in this way, and it is probable that a number of chapters were formed, but all have been lost sight of except four."

From the Lombard University letter it would seem that the chapter there has had a unique experience.

Delta Theta has had an experience which we think is the only one of its kind on record. Some time ago two young gentlemen—anti-fraternity men—came to us and asked permission to address the chapter. Permission was granted and a date set. At the appointed time every man was in his place and both young men made bitter anti-fraternity speeches. One of the speakers opened his address by a comparison of the chapter and a Missouri court. "Individually you are mighty fine fellows but collectively you are a set of rascals." The addresses closed with very eloquent appeals to "give up our charter, destroy it if necessary, disband, go to our sister fraternities and demand the same and they would be compelled to disband and everything would be well." Did we live or did the shock kill us? Yes we are still alive, but sixteen madder men it would have been hard to find. Not a word was said in reply. One word would have kindled the smouldering fire. But it was a good tonic and did more toward bringing the chapter toward perfection than many a long year's work could have done.

The establishment of a chapter in the University of Illinois is celebrated in the April number of Phi Delta Theta *Scroll*. A brief description of the University and of the installation is illustrated by several half tone engravings, the most notable, perhaps, being the one entitled Keepers of Goat, Initiation of Illinois Eta, in which skulls, crossbones, and other gruesome things appear prominently. It looks as if the way of the Illinois Eta into the mysteries of Phi Delta Theta might have been interesting, to say the least. Beside this there are several biographical sketches, illustrated by half tone portraits of varying excellence. There is very little in the number of interest to other than Phi Delta Thetas, but this statement is not of necessity uncomplimentary. The journal is intended first, we may say solely, for members of that fraternity, and for them it contains much of interest and value. The chapter letters are well written and full of news of Phis, the biographies, while not of men of such national reputation that they are eagerly read by all Greeks, are yet the histories of honorable men of whom their fraternity may well be proud, and who help to make up the high average which is the glory of all fraternity men. The most important editorial indicates a wholesome sentiment in favor of greater conservatism of policy.

It seems to us that our Constitution has been entirely too pliable. It has been amended and remended, changed and changed back again, and if anyone has an idea to offer on matters pertaining to the fraternity it is offered in the shape of a constitutional amendment. The Constitution has been looked upon as a mere formula that could be changed to suit the particular breeze that might then be blowing, to be changed when the wind shifted. A proper regard for the fraternity demands that its Constitution be put upon such a basis that it shall not be pelted with amendments from the beginning to the end of every convention session.

We call upon the convention at Indianapolis to put the Constitution on a more stable basis. Make it a little harder to rush amendments through. We have seen the most important legislation sprung on the convention for action without fifteen minutes notice, the amendment rushed through without debate and with the delegates unaware of the full import of the measure. Such proceedings ought not to be possible for any purpose however laudable this might be. All proposed amendments should lay over for at least two days, being read by the Secretary at the opening of each session. This would give due notice of the proposed law that its probable effects could be judged, and prevent hasty action at all times and especially on the last day when so much business is transacted, all of it with little or no debate. Better still, and not too stringent, would it be, to make it necessary for it to pass a three-fourths vote of two succeeding conventions, instead of the three-fourths vote of one, or two-thirds of two succeeding ones as now. As the average grows higher it becomes harder to find shining exceptions to it, and to say of a magazine that it is an "average number" may mean far more than it did a few years ago.

Since a certain famous preacher sometimes makes quotations in his sermons from the immortal adventures of the Peterkin family, perhaps we may be pardoned for doing the same thing. On the great occasion when Solomon John Peterkin decided to write a book, one of the family remarks that nut galls and vinegar are said to make very good ink. The ink is made, he dips his pen therein, and while the family stand about in breathless expectancy he solemnly announces that he has nothing to say. Into the same acrid fluid the editor of *The Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta dips his pen, but he finds a positive wealth of disparagement to pour out upon the other magazines. For fear of being misunderstood, it may be well to say that he does not mention the SHIELD. They fall under his condemnation as being each "of interest to its own fraternity and to no

one else." He graciously approves of the *Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma, but "all the others, with the exception of a stray article here and there, are written in a bald, mechanical style, the same expressions and phrases are used over and over again in all; they are mostly on the same subjects, and on the whole the effect is monotonous when one reads a number of them, one after another." Certain verses are said to "remind one of an old backwoods preacher wheezing out in nasal tones each verse of the hymn to be sung." The chapter letters of another magazine are characterized as "very bad," and he adds that "a good course of Milton's prose would do every letter writer of them good."

It would be unfair to intimate that this criticism is actuated by anything but a desire for the literary reformation of fraternity journalism. Therefore, it may be hoped that he will receive in the spirit of meekness which he has given others so good an opportunity to exercise, the suggestion that a few hours study of a good handbook of synonyms might relieve him from the painful necessity of using the word "bald" three times in the course of four paragraphs.

From so much criticism one would be warranted in expecting to find words of lofty eloquence or profound wisdom in the other pages of the magazine. But it would seem that in a degree, at least, the dire disaster which attended Solomon John Peterkin's attempt to enlighten the world had overtaken editor and contributor alike. Still, from the mediocrity of which the editor complains so bitterly when found in the pages of other journals we rescue two brilliant gems, the first of which is given without comment.

Welcome, Beta Tau; welcome Beta Upsilon! Brethren, ye that have ears to hear, listen to the voice from Nebraska and Illinois! It is not a cry from the wilderness, but from a hot-bed of civilization and culture; from a region where has been raised a new altar, and where a new divinity reigns. Nebraska and Illinois both have found the golden basket pendant from the heavenly bow. A new covenant has been formed; a new era begun. Verily the children of the *Rainbow* are fast increasing. But let them come, even as twins.

The second is held up before delinquent subscribers to the *SHIELD* as an awful warning.

Brethren of the alumni, ye who are unsaved, tremble in your sins ! The war is on. In the forthcoming mad struggle for subscriptions due, some of you are fated to remain upon the gory field. Dishonor lieth in flight, and death were futile. There is no honorable escape but tribute. When the *Rainbow*, therefore, bravely sends its lieutenants abroad armed with nothing but duns, avoid dire bloodshed and embrace the golden opportunity of ransom. Some of you have received the *Rainbow* for years without turning a cent into its coffer. It is *necessary* to remind you of duty? *Must* we assault your fair reputation with bills, and make justice veil her sweet face with tears? Ah! *do* not forget your vows; *do* not remand a pleading conscience to prison and stuff your pauches with oblivious lotus.

The leading articles in the Phi Gamma Delta *Quarterly* are devoted more or less directly to the subject of initiations. Three of the alumni give their first impressions, and other members discuss it from different standpoints. Seldom is more crowded into a few words than in the brief statement that until the initiate "is moulded into a fraternity man the initiation is not over." As to the manner of the initiation there seems to be a difference of opinion. One writer pleads for "a little well-managed 'dog play,'" so that the expectations of the trembling neophyte may not be wholly disappointed. Another, whose ideal has in it more of dignity, argues most convincingly for a ceremony "as solemn as church service." His arguments are well worth attention.

"Every young man is a mystic, he loves the bizarre and dramatic. For this reason the initiation should not be stripped of the spectacular element, but should be made to appeal to the sentimental as well as the intellectual and moral portion of our nature. The ideal initiation should be solemn. The beautiful truths of our order should be taught in such a way as to produce a lasting impression upon the minds of the novitiate. It makes the heart sick to hear the service read or poorly rendered, and the first requisite to a successful rendition of the ritual is *practice* and thorough knowledge on the part of each individual of his work. The initiate should be made to feel that he has entered upon a career demanding his highest endeavor, not an association joined together for the better enjoyment of loose pleasures. We think it safe to cast the character of a chapter by the nature of its initiation. If it be indifferent or careless there, the life blood flows weakly; if inspired with lofty ideas and marked with gentlemanly deportment the career of such a chapter can be forecast with certainty. Reading of the impressive por-

tion of the ceremony should not be tolerated, and the utmost dignity, solemnity and respect should be observed by all. Ill treatment of a candidate is barbarous, and, to say the least, a poor return for his confidence. * * * Let the initiation typify our principles, not burlesque them, and then shall the neophyte be borne to an appreciation of his fraternity ideal, an ideal which may be taken as a limit to his life's ambition or endeavor.

The *Caduceus* seems to be causing great searchings of heart among the members of Kappa Sigma, from officers to chapter correspondents. With a frankness, which, whether commendable or not, is certainly unusual, they say the magazine is not what it should be nor what it once was. Be that as it may, we venture to say that it is not often a Greek letter society receives through the columns of its magazine such an energetic, graphically expressed *scolding* as is administered in this number by one of the "Supreme Executive Committee." Yet truth compels to say that this same scolding is the most entertaining part of the March number. But why, in the name of all that is to bring about this improvement, apparently so much desired by the Kappa Sigmas, does the editor give place to such an effusion as this?

"Then, too, the insects that had all day kept quiet began their evening song of praise to the Most High. * * Hark! there came a deeper sound, a tree toad piped his lay, and from the wayside brook came the chug, chug, of some patriarch of the water who was calling forth the frogs to join in the praising. * * * It is ever sweet thus to muse, and so thought the man who, that night sat in easy posture under the quivering leaves of an aspen."

We fail to remember in all the discussion of "Shall the Fraternity Journal be a Literary Magazine?" a stronger argument for the negative side of the question than this article furnishes. What do happy, healthy college men care about a moon struck youth who sits out in the wet after a thunder shower, even though it be "under the quivering leaves of an aspen," to dream dreams and see visions?

The May number is not so remarkable for its tone of self-abasement, editor and correspondents seem to have returned to their normal state. We quote entire a most excellent editorial, with which we quite agree, even to the hope expressed in the last sentence.

Fraternity journalism has changed much in the last decade, and the old-time conservatism is giving way to the methods of the present style of daily and weekly journalism. Many fraternity magazines are becoming broader and more liberal in their scope, and those that are best, to our mind, are giving more attention to fraternity and college matters in general, and nearly all now contain illustrations where few could be found years ago. The subject of illustration is a serious one with the fraternity editor where the subject of cost comes in. Do the results warrant the outlay of money that good illustrating demands, and does it make the magazine of more value to the readers? To us it seems that no amount of word painting of chapters and individuals can bring the members into as close relationship and knowledge of each other as a few illustrations. From the reproduction of photographs of chapters and colleges and the men prominent in fraternity work more can be learned of the character of the individuals and institutions than from wordy chapter letters and long-drawn-out histories. We hope that the increased support of the magazine will warrant us in doing still more work in illustrating than we have done in the past.

The *Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma rather takes exception to the tone of the review given in a recent number of this magazine, but says, "However, we feel sure that the SHIELD had no very prominent patronizing feeling in writing of us. The SHIELD is too sternly just for that." For which compliment we make our very best bow, and for the review which called it forth would offer a most humble apology if the compliment did not prove the apology unnecessary. But seriously, are not college women inclined to a little supersensitiveness in regard to their work, not only as students but as members of a fraternity? All the world except a few antediluvian conservatives have granted to them the right to enjoy the higher education, to band themselves together in fraternities, and to publish their own journals. If they are sure of themselves, why should they be looking for offensive "patronage" any more than their brothers? But does not the discussion in some of their journals indicate that they are not all quite sure of their place in the world? When a man is elected to a fraternity he regards that as a definite goal which he has attained. He knows that if he is a true and noble man he will be fulfilling his duty as a fraternity man for he has been told

that it is the object of that fraternity, as well as of a college training, to make *men*. He is content to go out and do his own individual work in the world. He does not attempt to turn his fraternity as a whole into the propaganda of his particular theory or the engine of his particular work. He is willing to admit that some other man's work may be just as important as his own, and that the fraternity which has helped them both to be of use has in that way been of the highest good. His brother's work may be in some line for which he is not at all fitted, and if the chapter as a whole had been turned in that direction he would have been that most pitiable of all objects, a man out of his place. And right here seems to be one of the dangers to which some of the young women's societies are exposed. Conscientious young women are asking, through their journals, what right they have as Greeks to exist if they are not doing something as chapters, as fraternities, already organized, with journals already established, to help on the great march of the world's progress, forgetful that it is the mission of the chapter to make women, and to fit them to go out and find their own work as individuals. We crave pardon of the editor of the *Key* for launching at her defenceless head this little sermon, when we have every reason to believe from her own editorials that she is on the same side of the argument.

The *Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi, in discussing the question "Shall the fraternity be non-secret?" touched more or less incidentally upon the question of the greatest usefulness of the fraternity, or one might say, upon the reason for its existence. It is noticeable that the question of policy is in the entire discussion made secondary to the question of what is most wise, in the sense of most right. Whatever may be said of the tendency to introspection which seems of late to be manifesting itself among them, the young women certainly have well developed fraternity consciences. There is a decided difference of opinion. One says, "When the subject of secret or non-secret fraternities is presented to a

secret fraternity member, her thoughts at once turn to initiation, grip, motto, lodge room, etc. Give up these dear delights? Never!" Another "would welcome legislation making public the motto, objects and constitution, and under certain conditions that would admit the presence of visitors (parents and teachers) at initiation ceremonies."

An innovation in fraternity work which certainly has good suggestions for every fraternity is thus chronicled.

Feeling that our organization might be placed on a still firmer basis if we could be sure that every member was educated up to a certain point in the history and methods of our fraternity, it occurred to our alumnæ president that it would be well to conduct yearly for the active members, an examination on our fraternity management, by which the intelligence of each member regarding fraternity affairs might be known. The matter was placed before the Grand Council and the work was given in charge of the Literary Bureau. We have anxiously awaited the result and are now convinced that it is a good plan. It means that each member is reasonably familiar with our chapter roll, our constitution, our early history and our present policy and work. This gives our officers the assurance, as nothing else could, that they have intelligent helpers, that the rank and file of our fraternity is in good marching order. Such familiarity with the history and workings of our fraternity as a whole, must give each member a keener sense of the unity of our fraternity.

THE SHIELD acknowledges the receipt of a neat little directory of the Chi charge, compiled by Brother Barrett. If all the charges would get up some sort of a directory occasionally it would be a source of much convenience to all the brothers.

College Notes.

S. A. E's. secret publication, the *Hustler*, has resulted in performing a mission not fully intended when the paper was inaugurated. Unprincipled barbs at the Mississippi Agricultural College, at which institution a sub-rosa chapter existed, contrived to get possession of an issue containing an account of the workings of the local chapter, together with full list of members. As a result of its being deposited in the hands of an "unappreciative faculty," the chapter was requested, in toto, to seek an education elsewhere.—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

Delta Tau Delta has entered University of Nebraska with nine men.

It is said that at the last Chi Psi convention applications for charters were received from Yale, Harvard and Stanford Universities.

Seven fraternities have entered Ohio State University in the last three years.

A chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha has been established at Vanderbilt University.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon has entered Worcester Polytechnic Institute, absorbing a strong local society known as the Tech. Co-operative Society.

Trinity College is soon to have a new Natural History building, costing one hundred thousand dollars.

The old University building on Washington Park, where the University of the City of New York has been so long situated, will be torn down next May, and a new ten-story steel building will replace it as rapidly as possible. The architecture of the new building is to have an academic aspect. It is expected that the new structure will cost between \$600,000 and \$700,000. Three of the permanent new buildings on University Heights will be ready for occupancy by next October.—*Phrenocosmian*.

The new Chancellor, Dr. James H. Kirkland, a fraternity man himself, looks on fraternities with the greatest favor.—*Vanderbilt University Letter to Caduceus.*

Delta Upsilon has granted a charter to Pi Kappa Omicron, a local non-secret society at Swarthmore.

Sigm Nu has entered the University of Iowa.

The fifty-third convention of Chi Psi was held in New York, April 4th and 5th.

It is only through the accumulated heritage of the ages that we are what we are. So the young man who appears as the champion of his chapter comes as aided and supported by his brothers.—*Caduceus.*

The Grand Chapter of Phi Kappa Sigma has directed that a fine be imposed upon delinquent chapter letter writers.

The Columbia chapters of Phi Kappa Psi and Phi Delta Theta have been revived.

Theta Nu Epsilon has entered Ohio State University.



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The chapter of Phi Theta Psi here has disbanded. The members, having become dissatisfied, paid up and were expelled. One of their number has joined the Phi Kappa Sigmas.—*Washington and Lee University Letter to Sigma Chi Quarterly.*

A semi-weekly newspaper called *The Brown and White* has been established at Lehigh University.

The sixty-first annual convention of Psi Upsilon began May 17, with the Kappa chapter at Bowdoin College.

The Philological Association of Boston University has established a Fellowship of two hundred and fifty dollars, limited to seniors or graduates of not more than three years' standing.

Dartmouth College will use the \$165,000 legacy of the late Dr. Ralph Butterfield, of Kansas City, in the construction of a \$50,000 building and the endowment of a professorship devoted to paleontology, archæology and ethnology in accordance with Dr. Butterfield's wishes. Dartmouth needs such a building for the relief of its library, which is partly devoted to museum purposes.



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BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

The years which followed the close of the Revolution were years of seed-sowing for the destiny of America. Turning from uncertainties to a more stable, more trustworthy form of government, wrestling with the gigantic problems which faced the newly freed states, yet dimly comprehending the possibilities of our nation, the magnitude and grandeur of the future. The citizens recognized the supreme value of early training and sought to establish and foster those educational institutions, which the test of years had proven to be the leaders of intellectual progress, the guardians of public welfare, the very fountain of manhood and truth. Thus it was near the dawn of our national existence that Bowdoin College was founded. A higher institution of learning in the far east had indeed been suggested in the old colonial days, but the first definite movement towards its consummation was the proposition drawn up by the Cumberland association of ministers in 1788, petitioning the Legislature of Massachusetts, (since Maine was a part of that commonwealth until 1820) to charter a college located in Cumberland county. Needless and vexatious delays attended the granting of the charter: no conclusive action was taken until June 24th, 1794, when the governor, Samuel Adams, approved the bill for its establishment and the college came into being, though for some years it had but a nominal existence.



BOWDOIN COLLEGE IN 1862.

The legislature selected a name for the new institution, christening it Bowdoin in honor of Governor James Bowdoin, a compliment to a citizen pre-eminent in the commonwealth, deemed worthy to hold the highest offices of trust the state could bestow, and moreover a man of learning and culture, a patron of the arts and sciences, a firm advocate of popular education and refinement.

The question of situation was one, long and doubtfully debated, and a grain in the balance might have changed the local habitation of Bowdoin to anyone of a number of rival towns, which strove for the honor, Portland and Gorham being the most favored candidates. Finally Brunswick, a village on the lower Androscoggin, a few miles from the sea, was chosen. There are many points of advantage in the selection, perhaps most of them more obvious now than in the latter part of the last century; the state system of railroads has since rendered Brunswick a place of central importance, easily and conveniently accessible from all directions. The size of the town is also favorable, not a city of such size as to present serious distractions and impede faithful and concentrated work, yet sufficiently large to afford considerable opportunity for social life.

At first life was a hard struggle for the infant college. Financial disabilities caused the faithless to predict a failure for the hazardous undertaking, but the spirit which had claimed the wilderness to civilization, had fearlessly braved the countless perils of America's occupation, had defied tyranny and injustice and claimed liberty as its birthright—the indomitable will, the firm iron resolution, the sturdy unquestioning of faith of old, saved Bowdoin to the world in those days of doubt and trial.

A lack of funds was the first embarrassment of the new institution. The state with its customary generosity, appropriated considerable tracts of land in remote regions, almost utterly unsalable and unavailing as a source of income. Governor Bowdoin's son, James, became interested in the college which bore his father's name and his own and gave valuable financial assistance. Encouraged by his liberality, and the gifts, how-



BOWDOIN COLLEGE IN 1892.

ever trifling, of the friends of the college, the corporation felt justified in erecting a building for the accommodation of the future faculty and students. This building stands to-day, loved and revered by all Bowdoin men, the quaint, three-storied structure of brick, known as Massachusetts Hall and now the home of the Cleveland Cabinet. In these days of prosperity it is well-nigh impossible to realize the sacrifice, the toil, the untiring efforts which the building represents,—the discouragements and even the derisions and reproaches endured by those strong determined fathers, ere the work was completed.

The boards, convinced of the far-reaching importance of the step, after long consideration called the Rev. Joseph McKeen, a pastor at Beverly, to the Presidency of Bowdoin College, and the succeeding years of his administration though they were but few, clearly demonstrated the wisdom of their choice; he was a man of unusual ability both for instruction and government, of deep manly piety and devotion, of wise counsel and unerring judgment; the college sustained a great loss in his early death in 1806, after participating in but one commencement of the institution which had flourished so notably under his guidance.

Even as it is enjoying to watch the intellectual or physical growth of an individual, so it is full of interest to trace the development of an institution, especially in the varied lines which constitute college life. To open the doors of the misty past and allow our imagination to rove within is a most fascinating diversion. So it is interesting to fancy what life was at Bowdoin in the earliest years. In 1802, a class of eight was admitted, and for some time the whole college was gathered within the four walls of old Massachusetts, officers, students, chapel, recitation rooms, and all "a curious blending of family and academical life," many amusing stories are yet remembered of this period of our history. Ere long the corporation voted to build a house for Pres. McKeen and as the number of students increased and demanded more accommodations, the dormitories were built, both of brick, Maine and Winthrop, the latter for many years known as North College. A two-story wooden chapel also was erected.



THE MARY F. S. SEARLES SCIENCE BUILDING.

On the untimely death of President McKeen, the Rev. Jesse Appleton was called to fill the vacant position. "Dr. Appleton was the model President, learned, devout, guileless, laborious, fearless, gracious. Of commanding presence he was of more commanding character." He served the college in this high capacity with honor to himself and the college until his death in 1819.

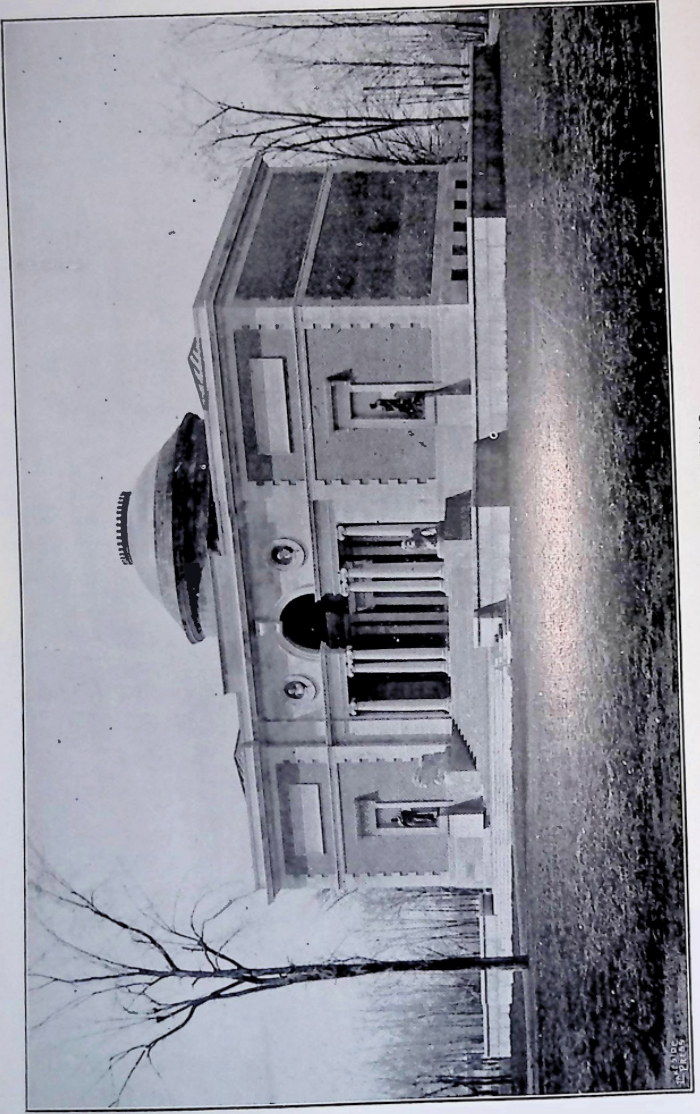
The third President of Bowdoin was the Rev. William Allen, called hither from a similar duty at Dartmouth. For nineteen years President Allen was at the head of the college.

The signal event of this period was the opening of the Medical School of Maine, as a department of Bowdoin; this has been well attended from the first and enjoys a well-earned reputation for thoroughness of work and the high place in the world of medicine which its graduates occupy. From the earliest days there has been a want of harmony between the "medics" and the students of the college proper, but happily in recent years the historic feud has been fading away, as meaningless and mutually detrimental, and more pleasant and profitable relations have proved of benefit to all concerned.

The union of the two schools in athletic interests has been largely instrumental in attaining this end.

President Allen, after so many years of labor and even the endurance of internal strife and opposition, stricken by fatal illness, resigned in 1838. He was succeeded by the Rev. Leonard Woods, Jr., a profound scholar, a talented writer, an esteemed theologian, who came to Bowdoin in his early manhood, and for twenty-eight years identified himself with her interest, adding much to her reputation by the lustre of his own. Dr. Woods long purposed to resign his office when he should attain the age of sixty years, and in 1866, his resignation took effect, sincerely regretted by all who held the well being of the college at heart.

A lasting memorial of his unflinching perseverance and his artistic taste is the beautiful King Chapel, erected mainly through his tireless efforts. It is unquestionably the finest structure of the kind in America, has been now for forty years the pride of Bowdoin and the admiration of visitors. Dr.

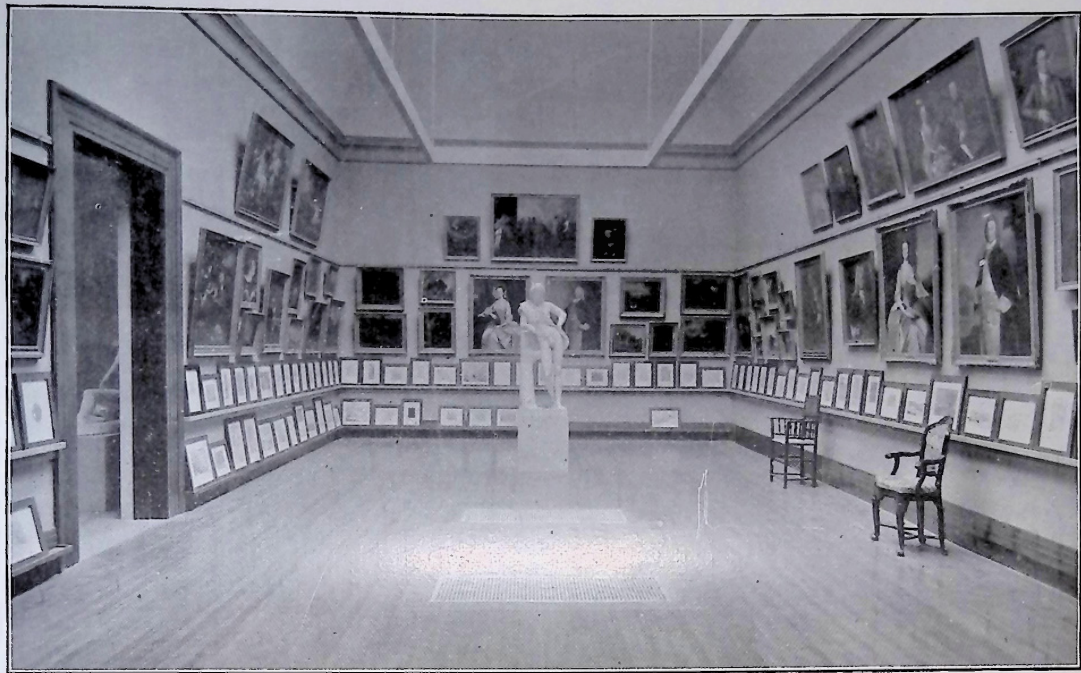


THE WALKER ART BUILDING.

W. H. RAY
PHOTOGRAPHER

Woods thoroughly imbued with the spirit of the university and ecclesiastical circles in the old world, planned the building with the aid of the great architect Upjohn. The chapel is Romanesque in style, with graceful twin spires, visible for a long distance, and strangely dear to every son of Bowdoin, the granite walls now overgrown with moss and ivy, hallowed by many memories, have already gathered an old world flavor of age which lends an added charm to their intrinsic beauty. Within, the chapel is especially effective, finished in black walnut, with stalls facing one another like an English choir, the light streaming in the stained glass high above, the elaborate frescoes by German artists, the large panel paintings illustrating scenes from sacred history, it forms a most striking interior. In the rear and in the wings extending along both sides of the nave which forms the chapel proper, the college library is beautifully if not conveniently housed. The collection now comprises towards sixty thousand volumes, and is particularly noteworthy for the large number of its rare old editions, antiquities and curiosities of the book-maker's art, treasures of priceless value.

The long contemplated medical building was also achieved during Dr. Wood's presidency; the medical school had found a temporary abode within the historic walls of Massachusetts, an occupation which unexpectedly and unfortunately lengthened into forty years. This new structure, named Adams hall, gave increased facilities for the study of the sciences, and relieved the over-crowded academical departments. In 1865 the Alumni voted to rear a Memorial hall in honor of those who had nobly sacrificed their lives in defense of their country and upheld the Union in its hour of peril. Those sturdy, valiant soldiers, those dauntless heroes who glorified their Alma Mater on the blood-stained fields of the sixties, find a fitting commemoration of their bravery in its massive and imposing walls. The assembly room within is hung with portraits of eminent graduates; and bronze tablets record the names of the two hundred and sixty Bowdoin men who served in the mighty conflict. A third dormitory similar in style and appointments to the others, was built in this time, and named Appleton,



THE BOWDOIN GALLERY—WALKER ART GALLERY.

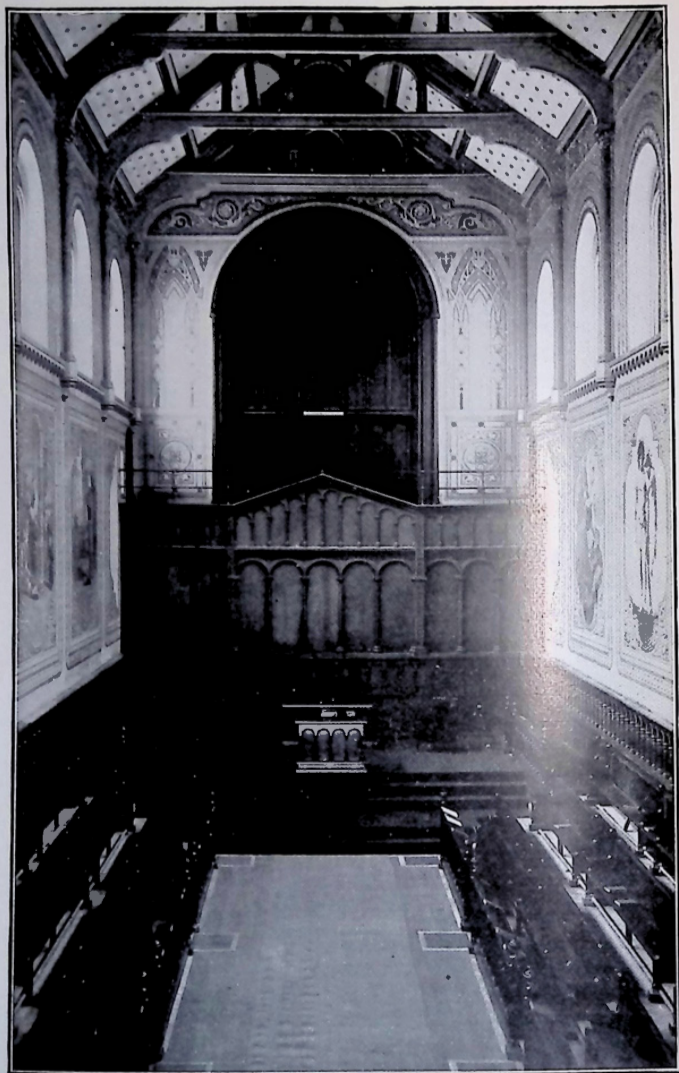
though for many years it bore the name South College. For four years succeeding Dr. Wood's retirement, the Rev. Samuel Harris, D. D., '35, was President, but a call to a more congenial, less-exacting position at Yale again left the Presidency vacant.

Gen. Joshua L. Chamberlain, LL. D., a former professor, twice Governor of the state, the wearer of fair laurels won in the recent conflict, was his successor. President Chamberlain resigned in 1883, and the venerable Prof. Packard was acting President until his death, when the present incumbent was chosen.

Bowdoin has ever been fortunate in her instructors; they have been men of sterling character and profound learning; men with extraordinary abilities to impart their own love of knowledge and present inducements for its acquisition; men whose achievements in literature and in scientific investigation have won enduring fame. They have long since gone to their rest, many 'neath the shades of the murmuring pines,—“amidst the pines they loved so well, they sleep,”—and yet, though their voices are silent, the lessons they taught, the blessed truths they instilled, are still ringing in the air of Bowdoin, the lives they lived come to us, far down the years like the sound of distant melody.

In 1885 the new-born college offered to Parker Cleaveland, a recent graduate of Harvard, the first Professorship of Mathematics and Natural Science,—“the magnificent and massive Cleaveland, exuberant in intellectual power, in labor indefatigable, a true lover of science, but an inveterate hater of theory, as a lecturer unequalled, as a teacher unsurpassed, the model professor, joining gravity and playfulness in one, making knowledge attractive and study a delight.” His position as a scientist is recognized at home and abroad, “the father of American Mineralogy” is a title of honor oft applied to him; many droll stories are told of his eccentricities and idiosyncrasies, yet his kindly heart and generous nature endeared him to hundreds of students during his half century of work at Bowdoin.

It is of him that Longfellow writes :



THE CHAPEL.

“ Among the many lives that I have known,
None I remember more serene and sweet,
More rounded in itself and more complete.”

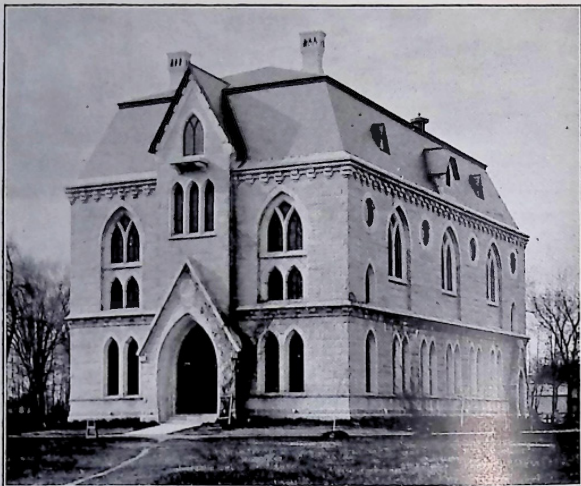
Massachusetts Hall, when remodeled as a museum, was fittingly consecrated to the great man's memory.

Professors Smyth and Upham were two others who devoted the flower of their lives to Bowdoin, and whose names have become closely interwoven with her history. The former was especially distinguished as a mathematician, and his textbooks—Algebra, Analytical Geometry and Calculus—were once standard works. Prof. Upham was instructor in moral and mental philosophy; he was author of many books, and the originality of his thought, the depth of meaning, and withal the simplicity of his style in dealing with abstruse subjects commanded a wide circle of readers.

Another cherished name is that of Alpheus Spring Packard, of the class of —. In 1819 he became a tutor, and from 1824 until the time of his death, he held successively the chairs of Greek and Latin, Rhetoric and Oratory, and Natural and Revealed Religion; the last year after the resignation of President Chamberlain, he was acting President. “His saintly life, his goodness and purity unapproachable,” his constant kindness and consistent living have made him the idol of whole generations of Bowdoin students. Prof. Packard was the last of the memorable circle to pass away. To quote Longfellow's words, in 1875:

“ They are no longer here, they are all gone
Into the land of shadows, all save one;
Honor and reverence and the good repute
That follows faithful service as its fruit,
Be unto him whom living we salute.”

No period of Bowdoin's history appeals so much to the world at large as that in the early twenties, when in a small college of 150 students there were gathered a group of illustrious men which has never been equalled elsewhere—Franklin Pierce, a future President of the United States; William Pitt Fessenden, Jonathan Cilley, James W. Bradbury, honored congressmen; Calvin Ellis Stowe, John S. C. Abbot, George B. Cheever, Horatio Bridge, and two names of exceeding bril-



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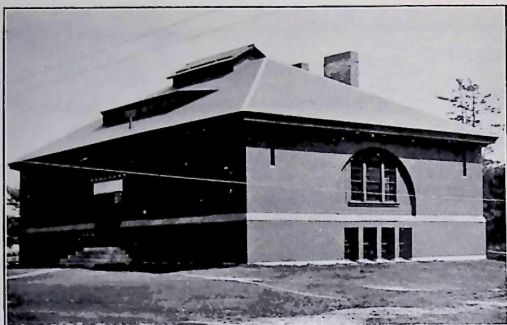


APPLETON HALL.

liancy, Longfellow, the laureate of America, and Hawthorne, the greatest of American romancers. Just how much these men owe to their early training here, how far the moulding of their character, the cultivation of their intellectual and spiritual lives may be traced to Bowdoin influence, is one of the secrets of human life past finding out. But it is certain, however, that they all in after years turned to their Alma Mater with love and veneration, laying at her feet their abundant gratitude, their richest services.

Though the class of 1825 has never repeated itself at Bowdoin, the more recent years have given to the world men of conspicuous abilities and well-merited honors, to furnish a highly cultivated class who may direct the movements and aid the efforts of those below them; who may present a lofty pattern for imitation, and from the sweet influences of knowledge and culture may descend in gentle diffusion through the whole mass; this is the most important function of the American college; and we may confidently say that in discharging this duty Bowdoin College has been pre-eminent. "We are safe in saying that no college of its size has surpassed or even approached it, in the eminent achievements of its graduates." There is no profession, no department of public service, no scientific interest, no social problem, no religious movement, no national crisis, which has not felt the beneficent influence and the sturdy support of the men who have received their learning here.

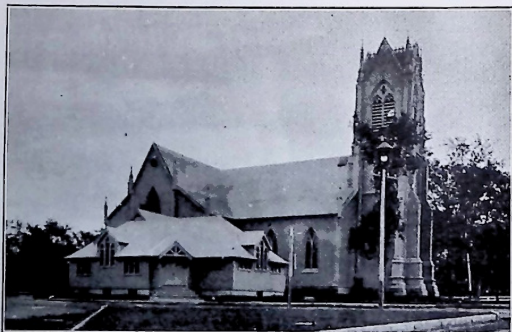
It is sufficient to mention on our roll of honor Chief Justice Fuller, Senator Frye, and ex-Speaker Reed, who exert a wide influence over our national affairs; Gen. O. O. Howard, the venerable Cyrus Hamlin, Charles Carroll Everett, Jacob Abbott, the story-teller; Rev. E. A. Rand, John A. Andrew, the War Governor of Massachusetts, and many other men of mark in church, society and state. In speaking of prominent Bowdoin graduates one must not be forgotten, the Rev. Elijah Kellogg, whose voice in Spartacus has made the heart of a thousand schoolboys thrill with heroic fervor, and whose numerous stories have been an unfailing delight to our youthful years. Perhaps no living graduate is so much beloved by the



THE GYMNASIUM.



THE BOAT HOUSE.



THE CHAPEL.

students as he, that charm so sadly strangely sweet which clings to everything connected with our childhood rests upon him ; we learned to love him in our early days with an affection and admiration which time cannot change.

But by no means is the work of a college measured by the illustrious, world-famous names upon its rolls ; they are but guiding stars in a shining heaven, where many fainter stars are glowing, and even far beyond our sight, we know that other lights are burning, even though our dim eyes cannot discern them. Many loyal graduates, unknown beyond their own immediate circles, are holding up the torch of liberal culture to shine on the lives about them ; who can estimate the influence of the lowliest faithful son that leaves its portals ?

The last years have showered on Bowdoin untold blessings. In 1885 the boards called to the presidency the Rev. William DeWitt Hyde, at that time the pastor of a church in Paterson, N. J. President Hyde was then but twenty-six years old, and for some years held the distinction of being the youngest college president in America. His administration has proved an unqualified success ; his deep personality pervades every sphere of Bowdoin life, his activities in outside circles have brought the college into prominence and his extended studies of modern educational problems have won for him a wide reputation. President Hyde has firm and progressive ideas in regard to a college education, and his theories are more or less exemplified in the Bowdoin of to-day. A clear conception of the distinction between an university and a college is at the root of modern methods here. Bowdoin makes no pretensions to the higher title, but thoroughly and conscientiously is doing the work of a college. The college through its historic surroundings and the bright memories of the past has acquired the mellowness, the ineffable charm of age, yet she has ever been among the foremost to grasp the new in thought and method, though cautiously, and discriminatingly. "The first flush of enthusiasm is apt to reject the old in toto, confounding its excellence in a promiscuous condemnation ;" so Bowdoin has wisely adopted new methods of assured worth, and clung to whatever of the past has been proven indispensable.



A CAMPUS WALK.



A CORNER IN THE LIBRARY.

The elective system has met with success here ; the tendency during recent years has been the increase of the number and scope of elective studies, yet the courses are so arranged as to mould themselves into one another and form consecutive wholes, not desultory individuals, giving a mere smattering of many branches. Changes are constantly being made in the curriculum according to the wisdom of instructors, and the experience of other institutions. A prescribed course of studies operates throughout Freshman year ; after that, the entire course is elective with the exception of German and one term's work in rhetoric during Sophomore year.

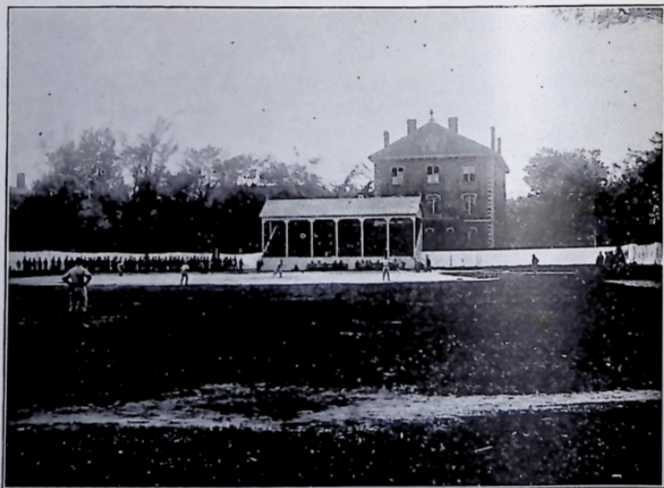
The number of students has been increasing rapidly under the present management, but the aim of Bowdoin is ever the quality of work and thoroughness of education rather than numerical advancement, a high standard is first to be maintained.

Materially the college has made striking progress in the last few years, both in new and increased facilities in the way of buildings and instruction, and in arrangements for the comfort and well-being of those who study here. In 1886 the Sargent Gymnasium was completed, the gift of generous alumni, and named in honor of Dudley Allen Sargent, the famed director at Harvard, who was graduated at Bowdoin in '75.

The observatory, a small building of brick in the rear of the quadrangle, was erected in 1891. Two buildings, which form an important part of the "New Bowdoin" deserve especial mention. Through the munificence of James Bowdoin the college received his collection of paintings and sketches, gathered during years of residence in Europe. Many of the old masters, the names most noted in the annals of art, are represented here either by originals or fine copies. Casts of classic sculpture and other works of art had been presented from time to time by loyal alumni. About two years ago the Misses Walker, of Waltham, signified their desire to present the college with an Art Building in memory of their uncle, Theophilus Wheeler Walker. The architects chosen were McKim, Mead and White, of New York. Their name is sufficient to assure a building which is a work of art in itself. Generous and even lavish ex-



THE DELTA AND MEDICAL BUILDING.



VIEW OF CAMPUS FROM THE SOUTH.

penditure has been made to render it a perfect structure of its kind.

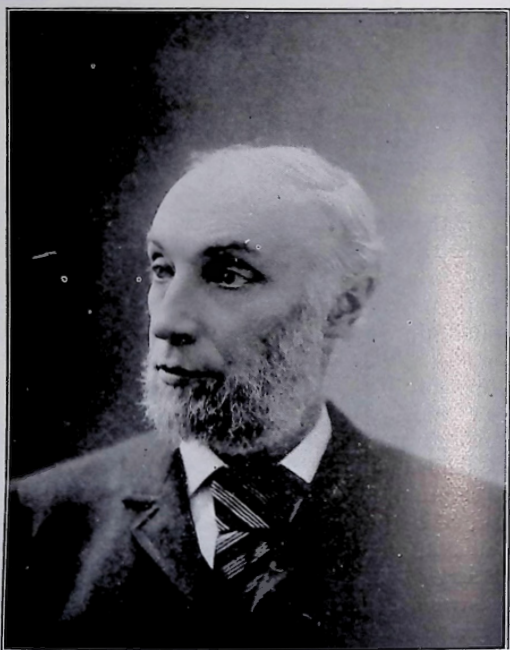
At present the building contains in addition to the collections already mentioned, a noteworthy and extensive exhibit of Japanese works of art, about forty choice specimens of ancient glass and pottery, dating from the seventh century, B. C., Saracen armor, mediæval weapons, Flemish tapestry, chairs from the middle ages, ancient American pottery; modern paintings by such world-famed artists as Corot, Daubigny, Millet, Troyon, and others; our national art is nobly represented by Copley, Vedder, La Farge, F. Hopkinson Smith, Abbott, Thayer, Kenyon, Cox, and others. It will be easily seen that Bowdoin is almost without a peer among similar institutions in the value and extent of her art collections, and the structure with its contents will exert an inestimable influence in culturing the thousands of Bowdoin students, who will, perhaps unconsciously, gain here a love and appreciation of the beautiful, which shall prove a most precious and abiding possession.

The President in his report of 1892 set forth the need of suitable accommodations for the departments of chemistry, biology and physics. Unexpected generosity met this appeal with more than the most hopeful ever dreamed of; a princely gift was secured for Bowdoin. Mr. Edward F. Searles, of New York, offered to erect a building for the science departments, and that offer has taken substantial form in the Mary Frances Searles Science Building now nearing completion.

In the summer of 1892, the professors of the sciences at Bowdoin made a tour of the leading educational institutions of the east, and the result of their investigations finds an embodiment in the new building. It is intended to be faultless in appliances for instruction and study, giving to Bowdoin better facilities for teaching the sciences than any college of her size possesses..

As an architectural effort the building is especially satisfactory; there is a suggestion of age about the high Elizabethan walls peculiarly pleasing in this new world.

The coming June fills the measure of a century in Bowdoin's

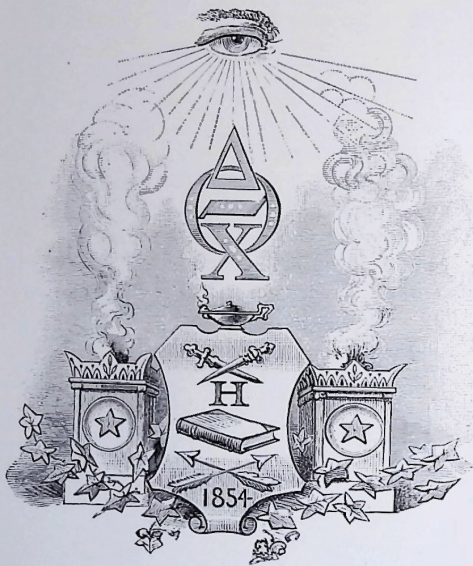


HENRY NEWBEGIN, '57.

existence ; the passing of the hundredth milestone will be celebrated by appropriate ceremonies at commencement time. Chief Justice Fuller, '50, will deliver the address ; Arlo Bates, '76, the famous novelist and poet, will supply the poem ; Prof. Egbert C. Smythe, '48, will give an address on the religious history of the college, and James McKeen, Esq., will preside at the centennial dinner. It is expected that a thousand Alumni will be present to pay their homage to the guide of their youth. Though the day may bring a flood of sad memories to the older graduates, though many may sigh with Charles Lamb, "All, all are gone the old familiar faces," yet none can fail to be impressed and gratified with the present prosperity and utility of the institution, and the brightness of the outlook for coming years ; true and devoted hearts are ever dimly, but eagerly and even confidently striving to pierce the future and fashion dreams of happiness for those they love, so now especially as the books of one century are closed, we delight to conjecture great and noble things for the college of our love, as the years roll on. The past alone is secure ; the lives of those who have already crowned "Old Bowdoin" with fadeless garlands are our richest heritage, a constant incentive to unceasing labor, to nobility of purpose and loftiness of aim.

So Bowdoin stands upon the threshold of a century, glancing, it may be, into a glorious and unforgotten past, yet with face firmly set to the future, now crowned with years, yet girded with eternal youth.

HERVEY W. THAYER.



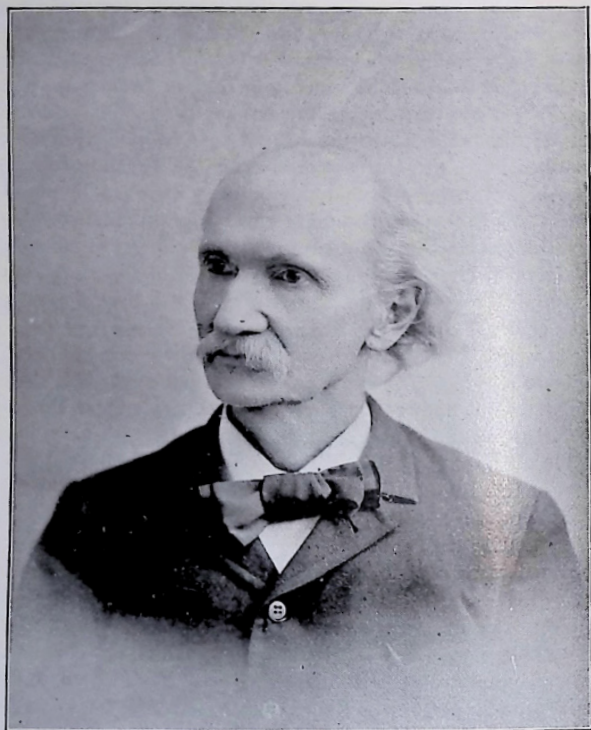
THE "OLD" ETA.

The history of the Eta charge naturally divides itself into two sections; the first embracing a period of about nine years from the establishment of the charge in 1854, until the surrender of its charter in 1863, the second from its re-establishment in 1872 down to the present time, a period of twenty-two years of steady growth and increasing prosperity.

It is of the "Old Eta," the Eta of *ante bellum* days that we are now to speak. Unfortunately for the reliability of this history of the original charge, we are compelled to rely for our facts entirely upon the memories of our graduate brothers of those days, and the traditions that still linger in the minds of brothers of later years, for the records of the charge were long ago destroyed by fire, and the gap left by the accident has never been completely filled.

From what can be learned of the condition and work of the charge we are led to the conclusion that her career was one of glory, and that her reputation for character, scholarship, and above all good fellowship and loyalty to higher ideas was an enviable one. Many a man whose heartfelt zeal lightened the burden of the infant society now comes forward to testify that its members were students and gentlemen; that it pursued its course steadily and consistently, with malice toward none and with fairness toward all; that in the class room and in social life the shield of Theta Delta Chi was never suffered to be stained by the disgrace of its members.

The charge was first established in June, 1854. The charter members were Franklin Cansley Davis, of Farmington, Maine; Rev. Wm. M. Johnson, Saco; Rev. John P. Watson, Guilford, N. H.; Edward W. Thompson, Topsham; Rev. Ebenezer Bean, Conway, N. H.; B. B. Kingsbury, Temple, N. H.; Ward Chadwick, West Roxford, Mass.; Charles Jenkins Little, Portland; Henry Newbegin, Pownal; Rev. Charles L. Nichols, Stark, N. H.; Rev. Cyrus Stone, Jay, Maine. Stephen Hilton and J. M. Copeland were also initiated but did not graduate, the former leaving college almost immediately after the foundation of the charge.



B. B. KINGSBURY, 1857.

The Genesis of the infant fraternity was briefly as follows :

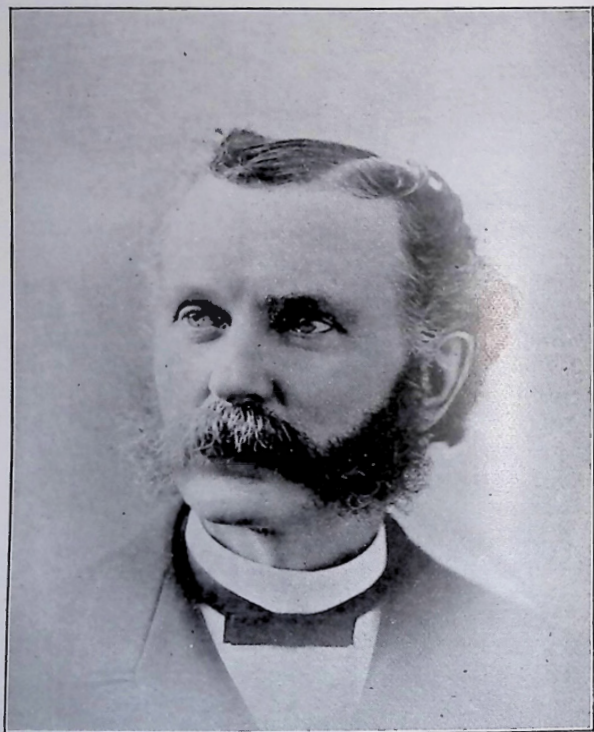
In the year 1854 the *Oudens* in college, as the non-society men were then designated, being something like fifteen or twenty in number, had some consultation together in regard to various contested elections and Bro. Henry Newbegin was the first to propose that a charge from some other fraternity should be sought. Bro. Kingsbury testifies that he wrote to a friend, then in the University of Vermont, and that through his efforts largely the charter was obtained.

George P. Upton, now of the Chicago *Tribune*, of the class of '54 of Brown University, and Henry C. Breckmeyer, afterwards Lieutenant Governor of Missouri, Brown, '55, and Franklin Burdge of the class of '56 of the same university, came to Brunswick in the early summer of 1854 and initiated the thirteen men, apparently an unlucky number, but in this case proving to be contrary, if the past record or present status of the charge is made the criterion.

Instead of the usual banquet. the new charge took the Zeta brothers down to the sea shore, where a sloop had been obtained for the occasion, and they "went fishing." Whether this was an anticipation of the work to be done by them in becoming "fishers of men" for their new organization history does not inform us, but at any rate a royal good time was enjoyed by everybody.

In 1858 the society made its appearance in the first annual, *The Bugle*, ever published at Bowdoin, with a good representation consisting of twenty-two men. There were then five secret societies at Bowdoin ; the Alpha Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Chi Psi, and Theta Delta Chi, beside a non-secret organization. The two old literary societies, the Athanean and Pencinian, still existed, but exerted little influence save in elections, and interfered but little with the rivalry which existed between the Greek chapters. But honest rivalry is strengthening and Eta flourished and grew under the ordeal. Her sons bore their part well in college, and as the list of her alumni lengthened, her credit and influence at home and abroad grew apace.

Brother Kingsbury writes us concerning the charter members

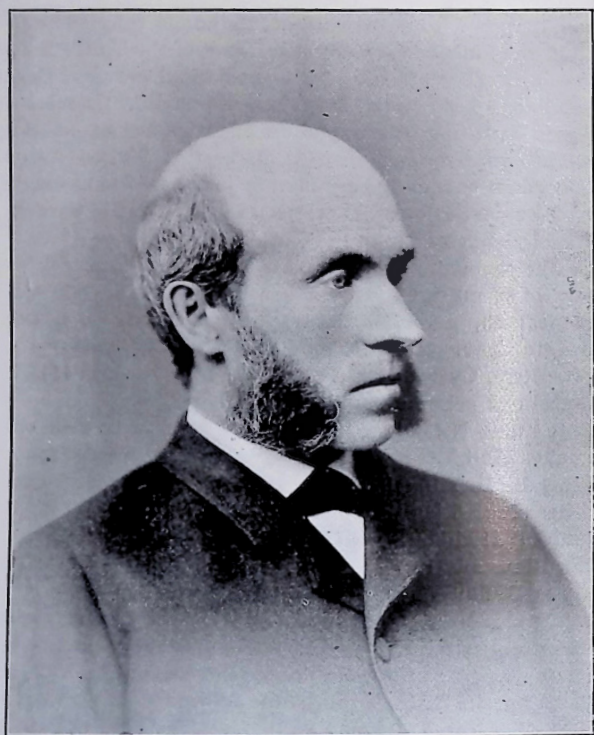


FRANKLIN M. DREW, '58.

of the charge at Bowdoin that Johnson was a fellow of brilliant talent, but quite neglectful of the standing in college he might have obtained. Franklin Davis was a fine fellow and of good address. After leaving college he studied law and in 1860 moved to Philadelphia and published *Davis' Business Guide*, which obtained some celebrity. He served three years and a half in the Union army as a lieutenant of the Thirtieth Pennsylvania cavalry, and received many compliments from General McClellan. Lieutenant Davis was captured by the rebels and confined in Libby Prison, and the exposure incident to his capture and imprisonment caused his death. Watson was quite advanced in years and very mature judgment and an excellent and enthusiastic Theta Delt. All the members of the delegation of '56 have gone to the Omega charge.

Of the members from the class of '57 Ward Chadwick was a fellow of good merit, great sensitiveness and possessed an open-hearted, generous nature. Unfortunately he was compelled to leave college before graduation and died not long after. Rev. Cyrus Stone, who died at Hallowell in 1889, was an excellent scholar and enthusiastic brother. Everybody in college knew Nichols to be a wit and a poet of no mean order, his jokes and hits reminding of the sly repartees of Lincoln. Brother B. B. Kingsbury himself was a most excellent scholar, and has since filled the chair of Professor in Greek at the University of Michigan, St. Charles and St. Paul's colleges. He studied law and has been in partnership with Brother Newbegin at Defiance, Ohio. Henry Newbegin was also a good scholar, more solid than brilliant and showy. He taught to some extent while in college and after graduation. After studying law he was admitted to the bar in 1862, and has since been counsel for the B. & O. railroad in Indiana. He married twice and has had three sons at Bowdoin, all Theta Deltas; P. C. and E. H. Newbegin graduated in '61, and Robert is a member of the class of '96. Brother Newbegin is a member of the Board of Overseers of the college and his genial countenance is frequently welcomed at the Eta Hall.

Of the class of 1858 the most illustrious probably are F. M. Drew and Henry G. Thomas. Brother Drew is the secretary



M. C. FERNALD, '61.

of the Board of Trustees of the college, and has been a well known man in the state for many years. Within a few months he has been elected treasurer of Bates college.

Brother Thomas won much renown in the army and in 1883 was stationed at Denver, Colorado, in the Pay Department of the United States government. He remained only two years at Bowdoin, when he transferred his sars and penates to Amherst, where he graduated in '58.

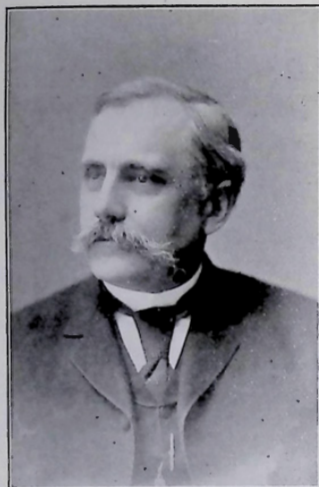
In 1855 the charge sent its first delegates, B. B. Kingsbury and Osceola Jackson to the general convention in New York. They reported an excellent time and Bro. Kingsbury says he became acquainted with Actor Brougham, who was poet on that occasion, and was a witty man who on acquaintance did not prove an illusion.

The classes of '59 and '60 were well "fished" with good results as the names of Hall, Hayes, Hilton, Merrill and Rand in the class '59, and Chaplin, Gardiner and W. N. Thomas, Jr., in '60 show.

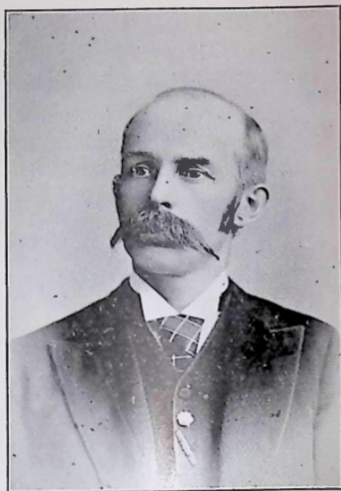
Thomas was a very fine scholar while in college, fond of hunting and fishing and quite famous for his feats of walking. He devoted himself to politics and has filled many important positions. In 1862 he was appointed vice-consul general at Constantinople. In 1868 consul at Gothenburg, Sweden, from '73 to '75 was in the House of Representatives, and was minister to Sweden under President Harrison. He has translated and published "The Last Athenian," from the Swedish of Victor Rydberg, and wrote in '92 "Sweden and the Swedes," an account of which was published in the SHIELD.

M. C. Fernald, of the class of '61, who presided over the meetings of the fraternity during his senior year, has been until recently president of Maine State college. In 1881 he received the degree of Ph. D. from his alma mater.

Lufkin and Simonton of the same class obtained honorable distinction in the civil war and P. C. Wiley became a prominent physician in the town of Bethel, Maine. He was a well known member of the Masonic order and a man of no mean talent. He was drowned in the Megalloway river by the upsetting of a boat, when going on a visit to a patient in 1877.



REV. W. WOODBURY, '64.



C. A. WHITTEMORE, '76.



D. M. McPHERSON, '75.



J. K. GREENE, '77.

Rev. Henry O. Thayer, '62, is at present preaching at Gray, Maine. He was a thorough scholar in college and is now a much valued member of the Maine Historical Society. He has a son in Bowdoin, a member of the class of '95 and a true Theta Delt.

Henry Warren, '62, left college in junior year and entered the army. Throughout his soldier life he showed the highest devotion to his country's cause, and the most undaunted bravery. He was killed in the battle of the Wilderness.

The civil war afflicted the college and charge with almost equal force. The membership of the institution rapidly fell off and the prospects of Bowdoin during the dark days of '63 and '64 were dark indeed. Not for two decades did she recover her wonted prosperity. But for the Eta still worse things were in store. Her active membership was reduced a half and the condition of the college precluded ail hope of speedy advancement, but not even then were the brothers disheartened until her worst misfortune capped the climax. The Theta Delt of Bowdoin in that time of treachery in high places had unknowingly admitted two or three traitors, who were base enough to violate their vows and betray the confidence placed in them by their friends. This disaster, coupled with the previous decimation of her numbers, gave the Eta her death blow, and in 1863 the vote to surrender the charter and disband was finally taken.

The *Bugle* of that date expressed the feeling in college over the event thus: "The Theta Delta Chi no longer appears in our columns. The chapter has discontinued its charter. We are sorry to chronicle this, and know that the lithe and majestic Minerva which has so long been at the head of their society list will no longer add grace and beauty to our pages. We wish it had not been thus, and we feel that we utter the sentiment of the whole college in so saying."

In spite of her brief history the Eta of the past was a charge of which Theta Delta Chi may well be proud. In these later days of prosperity, when Eta's boys are recognized as leaders in all departments of college activity, when in all that goes toward the making of a strong fraternity the Eta is in the van,



REV. E. M. COUSINS, '77.



A. G. PETTINGILL, '81.



ALBION D. GRAY, '81



H. E. SNOW, '81.

we of to-day look back at the work of the older brethren with feeling almost akin to envy, a brotherly envy of the strong fight fought against great odds, of success achieved collectively and individually, of interest, loyalty, activity preserved through long years of business and professional life. The old Eta was great even in her fall; may the new Eta build firmly and successfully on the firm foundation of a noble past.

A. G. WILEY, '95.

THE NEW ETA.

"I can only urge you to prefer friendship to all human possessions; for there is nothing so suited to our nature, so well adapted to prosperity or adversity."—*Cicero*.

As time passed on and the country began to rally from the disastrous effects of the great civil war Bowdoin's fortunes too revived, and prosperity, in the form of increased classes and enlarged means of instruction under the able direction of President Chamberlain, smiled upon the college once more.

In 1871 an unusually large class entered, and as only about half its members were invited to join societies the question of founding another society began to be agitated. Several meetings in the form of caucuses were held, but these only resulted in disagreement. Many wanted to resurrect the old anti-secret confederation; some preferred the Chi Psi, while a few strongly favored Theta Delta Chi. After many stormy debates the Theta Delta faction quietly withdrew and resolved to go to work independently of the others. They chose W. A. Deering of the class of '75 to carry on the correspondence and arrange the preliminaries. He procured a charter after various discouraging delays, and the thirtieth of April, 1872, was appointed for the establishment of the new charge.

To this brother the charge owes a debt of gratitude not to be lightly passed over. To his energy and zeal the Eta is largely indebted for her charter, and his enthusiastic efforts are still fresh in the memory of many a brother of the early societies. He was a valuable society man, an active and indefatigable worker, and more than all a whole-souled and loyal Theta



HON. LLEWELLYN BARTON, '84.



F. W. ALEXANDER, '85.



WM. C. KENDALL, '85.



HON. LEVI TURNER, JR., '85.

Delt. On how sure a foundation he built and with what care the superstructure was reared under his controlling eye the Eta of to-day bears eloquent witness. Popular in his class, a scholar of ability and a man of sterling character, he was ever foremost in the affairs of class, college and fraternity, an active worker, a clear-headed thinker and a true and faithful friend.

Three men from Kappa came to administer the oaths and deliver to the new men the secrets and constitution of the society. There were seven charter members, Geo. W. Stone, '72; James W. Boothby, '73; Ernest S. Hobbs, '74; W. A. Deering, Geo. E. Smith, N. M. Pettengill, and D. M. McPherson, '75.

It appears that the select few who had taken upon themselves the task of reviving the grand old society in Bowdoin felt something of a feeling of awe steal upon them as the time drew nigh when they were to see the realization of their hopes and aspiration. Bro. John G. Libby says of the prevalent feeling, "Whether this was due to an overwhelming sense of the responsibility they were about to take upon themselves, or to the lofty ideal of the society which they had formed in their minds, is not clearly ascertained. Quite likely it was a result of both these combined; for there were already four secret societies in the college, and the rivalry between them was intense, sometimes even bitter. Hence it would follow from the very nature of the case that the advent of a new society would not be regarded with very friendly feeling, to say the least, and the responsibility assumed was in proportion to the risk which they incurred in their undertaking." Probably they knew well the prosperity and brilliant achievements of the former Eta also, and were anxious that their undertaking should be as successful in its results as that of the members who brought about the grand reputation of the old charge. Doubtless they realized that they were the inheritors and beneficiaries of a noble past.

"O Kingdom of the Past!
Whatever of true life there was in thee
Leaps in our age's veins."

And the sentiment of the poet was not without an echo in the steadfast, loyal determination to press forward in the race present to each and all.



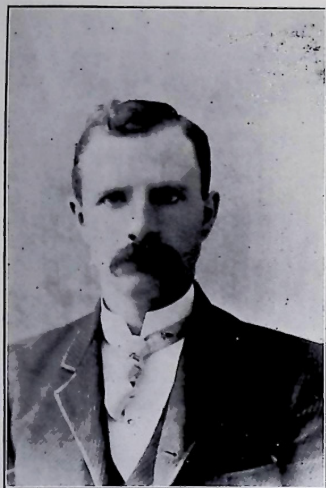
G. H. LARRABEE, '88.

Whatever the feelings were which agitated their minds, the visitors were well received and cordially entertained. At the appointed time they betook themselves down town to a hall which had been procured for the occasion, and there the initiation took place. Perhaps it is sufficient to say that the details of the festivities there enjoyed were much the same as are connected with other occasions of the sort.

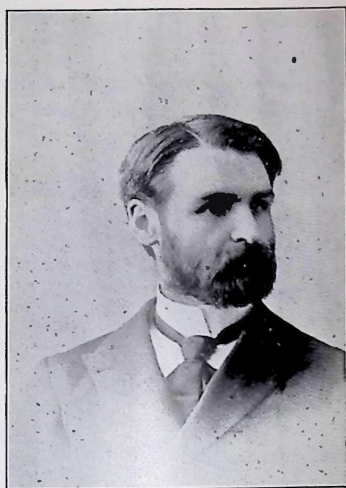
The first meetings were held at the residences of Brothers Boothby and Deering, both of whom resided in Brunswick. Wilson Nevins, '75, was the first man initiated by the charter members. Concerning his initiation I must quote from a letter received from Brother Deering: "We, one senior, one junior, one sophomore and four freshmen, had been initiated by the boys from Tufts. We had but one pin among the entire number—the others were ordered but had not arrived. The term was drawing to a close and of course no one of us was selfish enough to wear the only pin, and yet we wanted to 'come out.' Finally we fished a new man, initiated him, put the pin on him and marched him into chapel. The consternation that appeared on the faces of those college men who knew of what some of us were up to in the matter of starting a new society, but supposed as we wore no badges that nothing had been accomplished, and this mark appearing as the sole representative of the new society, can better be imagined than described."

Their number being small many tricks were played upon them. Bro. Deering writes describing one as follows: "The night of the initiation of our first man the hall we had engaged—we had no rooms then—was found locked; there we were 'out in the cold,' but nothing daunted we made a demand for my mother's kitchen and in this room the ceremony was *properly* performed, and from that time on the candidate had an accurate knowledge of the relative size of *kettles* and had a more healthy respect for kitchen utensils in general."

During the summer vacation of '73 death entered the ranks of Eta and claimed for its victim Brother Smith. A graduate brother speaks of him thus: "While in college he suffered from the attacks of an incurable disease, which finally proved



J. H. MAXWELL, '88.



P. F. MARSTON, '88.



H. C. HILL, '88.



D. M. COLE, '88.

fatal. He was social in disposition and of good ability intellectually. Despite the obstacles thrown in his way by a diseased body, he maintained a good standing in his class up to the time of his death. He had many noble traits of character and was universally esteemed by his associates. No one could enjoy such intimacy of friendship with him as we did without giving him confidence and love. His loss was deeply felt by every member of the charge."

Soon after the initiation in Mrs. Deering's kitchen a hall was obtained for the permanent use of the society, nor has there been since any necessity for a repetition of the "back kitchen" initiation.

All the charter members, and equally those who joined the society in those early days of its career, were loyal men. The perplexing problems of ways and means; the hard work of securing new members against the competition of older societies and at the same time getting the right kind of men for membership; in fine, all the difficulties which beset the pathway of a young society, were bravely met and overcome. No one evinced a desire to draw back. The prosperity of Eta was the controlling motive and all did their share of the work faithfully. Before the class of '75 graduated a new hall was secured and fitted up, a room more commodious than the one previously occupied. Among the things conducive to the comfort of the brothers was a new piano, which was procured through the kindness and favor of Bro. Hobbs, '74. The change of quarters proved highly beneficial to the society and marked the transition into a full, speedy and vigorous growth. The perfect unanimity of feeling among the members was a good groundwork to build upon. Even in those early days of the new Eta, the greatest care was used in the selection of men. Not a man was taken simply for the sake of increasing the numbers; on the contrary, only those who were "fished," whose character and habits were good and with whom the whole charge could associate on terms of closest intimacy. It is chiefly to this principle that Eta owes the many victories that have been won and the high position that has been gained. All these early members of the re-established Eta were imbued



W. T. HALL, JR., '88.



L. J. BODGE, '89.



C. H. HARRIMAN, '89.



W. B. MITCHELL, '90.

with the spirit of the divine Pythagoras, who founded his philosophy upon the grand harmonies of the universe and his morals upon the social harmony or friendship which he sought to establish among men, a spirit which neither scepticism, mysticism nor christianity can make other than wholly beneficent and true. "For there is no society worthy of any account without friendship. Because only that kind of pleasure never produces satiety, which arises from the contemplation of the Good and the Beautiful; and the soul which would delight in such contemplations must not only behold these images of the Deity constantly mirrored in itself, but must see them reflected from the eyes, and in the placid movements and the well-ordered words of friends."

Among the charter members was George W. Stone, '72, who was universally esteemed by his delegation, class and college. He came from Bowdoin to Wesleyan, entering as a sophomore. Since graduation he has been supervisor of schools at Livermore Falls and was a member of the State house of representatives from 1883 to 1889. James W. Boothby '73, is also remembered well by his classmates. He studied medicine and was a graduate of Detroit Medical College. He pursued his medical course further at Heidelberg, Germany, and at Vienna, Austria, and in 1880 settled at Dubuque, Iowa, in the practice of his chosen profession. Earnest S. Hobbs, '74, was after graduation interested in the cotton industry in Alabama. He has since been superintendent of the Aurora cotton mills' in Illinois and in the fall of 1890 became treasurer of the same corporation. Charles E. Smith, '74, was a loyal Theta Delta and possessed much zeal and ability. He paid most of his own expenses while in college by teaching. At the time of his death in '83 he was superintendent of public schools in Crookston, Minn. D. M. McPherson, '75, won much honor for himself and for $\theta \Delta X$ while in college. He was distinguished for scholarship and geniality. He taught several terms after graduating and is at present in the United States postal service as mail agent on the Grand Trunk railroad between Portland, Maine, and Gorham, N. H. The charter members showed good judgment in the selection of their first



P. C. NEWBEGIN, '91.



E. H. NEWBEGIN, '91.



HENRY H. NOYES, '91.



FRED W. DUDLEY, '91.

initiate, Wilson Nevins, for he showed marked abilities while in college and has distinguished himself since as a teacher. W. M. Pettengill and George W. Smith were the other members from the class of '75.

From the class of '76 nine men were initiated. None of them were exceptionally brilliant and showy, but they were men whose honest efforts told, and whose careers afterward proved that their time was well spent during their college days. Andrews took both the Mathematical and Greek prizes while in college and was president of his class from '76 to '79. He studied law in San Francisco with Judge Blake, Bowdoin, '38, who retained him as his private secretary after his election to the office of mayor. Andrews died at Norway, Maine, in 1883, and his loss was mourned by a multitude of friends. Clark, Leavitt, Perry and Pratt were men of whom Eta was and is justly proud. John G. Libby excelled in scholarship and has spent the years since graduation in teaching. Rogers was a self-made man, upright and strong, and won the respect and admiration of all his classmates. He taught seven terms of school while in college. Born at Ellsworth, Maine, in '55, he fitted himself for college mainly by self-instruction. After graduating he studied medicine, but decided to accept an offer to go to the Maine State College, at Orono, as professor of Modern Languages. He has remained there since and studied law in connection with his other work, being admitted to the Penobscot County Bar at Bangor in '91. Sabin was a fine scholar in the sciences and was elected Professor of Chemistry and Natural Science at Ripon College, Wisconsin, before he graduated. In 1880 he was appointed Professor of Chemistry in the University of Vermont. Whittemore completed the list of fine scholars, for which the delegation of '75 was noted. Eta has always felt a certain amount of pride in this delegation because it contained so many men of marked ability and talent.

Eight men were selected from the class of '77, who were thought worthy to wear the shield. The names of Cousins, Greene, Roberts, Metcalf, Melcher, Scribner and Stanwood all show the wisdom of a careful choice on the part of the charge. Cousins was popular in college and a fine scholar, receiving



H. W. POOR, '92.



W. O. HERSEY, '92.



J. F. HODGDON, '92.



THOS. S. NICHOLS, '92.

the third part at commencement. He was elected toastmaster at the Freshman banquet and continued to stand high in the opinion of his classmates throughout his course. A graduate of the Bangor Theological Seminary, and a very successful pastor, he was elected one of the overseers of Bowdoin college in 1890. In 1893 he was chosen Field Secretary of the Maine Missionary Society. The brothers Greene, the "twins from Otisfield," were both men of ability in college and of high scholarship. They both read law after graduation and have been very successful in the practice of their chosen profession. Melcher played ball on the college team and was a good all-round athlete. Metcalf became a civil engineer of merit but contracted malarial fever while at work in Memphis, Tennessee, and died at Newport, Rhode Island, in 1880. Roberts was a fellow respected and liked while in college, and full of Theta Delt spirit. He was president of his class Junior year and received a first part at commencement. An exceptionally good scholar in Greek, he was appointed one of Prof. Sewall's "immortals," a mark of honor, which signified that those fortunate enough to obtain it, had to do more work on account of superior abilities than did their classmates. Scribner also was a good scholar, became noted as a chemist and is at present engaged in the manufacture of chemicals at Elizabeth, New Jersey.

When the class of '78 entered college the brothers decided that their numbers were nearly large enough and only four men were "fished" and caught. Felch, French, Higgins and Sargent were all men of ability and three of the four received commencement parts. Felch was honored on Ivy Day by being chosen "Hornely man" by his class. Sargent is at present principal of Hebron Academy, one of Maine's best fitting schools, and is a man respected and held in high esteem by those who know him best. Of French, perhaps the best tribute to him appeared in a New York newspaper which ran as follows :

"Dr. Willis W. French, a popular young physician, died at his home in New York recently, from pneumonia. Dr. French graduated from Bowdoin college in 1878 and studied medicine, and was graduated at the



JOHN C. HULL, '92.



C. H. HOWARD, '93.

New York College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1883. He practiced his chosen profession at Greeley, Colorado, for a short time, where he made many friends. He came to New York in 1886, and was connected with the Board of Health. He kept up an intimate relation with the college, and his unexpected death will be deeply felt by many attached to that institution."

Brother Higgins studied law and is now practicing in Chicago. Whether or not he has become an Anarchist the records do not state, but certain it is that his college course fitted him for any field he might choose to fill, and if he has gone the way of Chicago's "dearest" we will vouch for his high standing among his brethren.

Four men were initiated from the incoming class of '79, Bowker, Byron, Johnson and Kimball. Frank Kimball was especially liked by all the boys and is a very pleasant man to meet, if you happen to visit his drug store at Woodsville, N. H.

Quite a large delegation was taken into the fraternity from the class of 1880. What Eta man does not remember the jovial, honest face of Frank Winter, who has since been so successful in the practice of law at LaCrosse, Wisconsin; the snapping, dark eyes of Mace Edwards, a man of more than ordinary ability, distinguished in college as an athlete and a scholar, and a ringleader in all sorts of Sophomoric pranks and deviltry; the intense originality and peculiar ways of Perkins, more familiarly known as "Perk," ways which have furnished a highly interesting topic for many a half hour's talk about "our graduates." "Perk" was noted for his *economy*, and a story is related of his leading characteristic, which runs somewhat as follows: One day he had two tons of coal come. It was dumped out of doors at the foot of the steps, and "Perk" after looking into the state of his finances, decided to economize by lugging up that coal himself. After dressing preparatory to a good sweat he started in. The first ton went up quite rapidly, but when he began on the second the perspiration of forgotten years seemed to have joined the sweat of his joyous young manhood in high carnival on his heated brow. Before the coal was safely deposited in his coal closet "Perk" was a tired boy and declared he would be "cussed" if

he would ever economize in that way again. He changed his clothes and with true economic instinct proceeded forthwith to Uncle "Bill Field's" tobacco establishment where he invested in an \$8 box of cigars, to placate his feelings and regale his intimates. Ever after that "Perk's economy" was a standing joke for all the fellows in his delegation. Nichols, Harding and Libby were all good men for $\theta \Delta X$. Henry A. Wing, of the Lewiston *Sun*, and E. M. Bartlett, of the Boston *Herald*, have both become distinguished in journalism and are deservedly popular among the graduates and undergraduates of Eta.

A. F. French, of '81, was a man whose never-failing kindness of heart and firmness of principle endeared him to all. He died in his Freshman year of consumption at his home in South Paris, Maine. His talent and good-fellowship caused him to be ranked as one of the first men in his class, and the whole college grieved deeply over his early death. Johnson was a track athlete and a solid scholar; Lane became a very successful teacher; Pettengill was a steady fellow of most excellent habits and endeared himself to all. Webster, Swazey and Stevens all became able men. The last named has made himself well known politically in Minnesota.

I must not forget to mention D. J. McGillicuddy, of '81. He is a man well known in Maine and has served two terms as Mayor of Lewiston, Maine's second city, and is the Democratic leader in that school. Albion D. Gray, now Master of the William Penn Charter School of Philadelphia, is another brother of '81 of whom Eta is justly proud. Genial, loyal and popular he is the typical brainy, clear-headed Theta Delt.

H. E. Snow studied medicine, and has resided for some time in California. When in college he was well known as a ball player, catching on the college team two years.

The '82 delegation consisted of six men. Herbert H. Chase is now practicing law in Brockton, Mass. M. T. Corson left college early in the course, greatly to the regret of the charge. J. F. Libby entered in the class of '80 but was obliged to teach for two years during his course, graduating in 1882. W. W.

Curtis, popular in his class, and a prize winner, is still following his old profession of teaching. Irving Stearns is now a merchant at Berlin Falls, N. H. Eugene T. McCarthy, a lawyer now, is the same bright, witty man that he was during his course, at which time he held almost every imaginable office in the class and in the various college associations. His anecdotes and yarns are always welcomed at the time honored commencement spreads.

William A. Perkins, '83, is one of Eta's brightest stars. After winning the highest mathematical honor of the course (and incidentally a \$300 prize), he held in turn several offices of honor and trust and ended his college life by graduating at the head of his class. H. E. Cole is perhaps the '83 man best known to the under-graduate members of Eta. He has been Principal of the Bath High School since 1885 and as the "shipping city," famed for its clipper ships and pretty girls, is scarcely ten miles from Brunswick, Brother Cole is a frequent and ever-welcome visitor to the charge. Knapp, Linscott, Reed, Snow, Winter, and Woodbury all deserve special mention but space forbids. Suffice it to say that they were all true gentlemen and Theta Delts.

Cothren, Orr, Longren, Fogg, Barton, Knight and Kemp were the Eta men in the class of '84.

Barton, a scholar and a ball player, stood high in the college and his steady interest in Eta has won him a sure place in the hearts of the brothers, many of whom he fitted during his five years of service as Principal of Bridgton Academy.

In 1885 he was a member of the State Legislature and though yet a young man is fast becoming known as an active participant in the political life of the state.

Kemp was a fellow whose natural gifts and genial good nature won admiration from all. He has taught successfully since graduation and is at present Professor of Greek at the French Protestant college, Springfield, Mass. We come now to a delegation of which Eta is justly proud, the thirteen from the class of '85. Alexander, Brown and Davis were famous as oarsmen, Bowdoin's champion four-oared crew, the fastest crew this college ever produced, was comprised of these three

men and one "Deke," Dr. F. W. Whittier, who is at present Instructor in Hygiene and Gymnasium work at Bowdoin. Everybody remembers the frank open countenance and open ways of Brown. He graduated from the Maine Medical School in '91, and is now practicing at South Portland. He is a self-made man, sending himself through both college and medical school. Folsom was another man for whom Eta has always had the warmest friendship and highest respect. Prominent in both athletics and scholarship, he easily won honors for himself and for $\Theta \Delta X$. He too was a hard working student, paying his own way through college, teaching to quite an extent, and in spite of the fact that he was obliged to be absent much of the time during his college course, he received a commencement part and stood among the first in his class.

The writer at the age of eight was one of his pupils and will always remember his never failing kindness and pleasant face, in spite of troubles bred of the mysteries of the multiplication table. Full of fun, Folsom was constantly playing practical jokes on his friends. He boarded at the writer's house while teaching and as there were two young ladies stopping there at the same time, Folsom and the scribe's father had considerable sport with them. One of the young ladies in question had a fellow—and a very peculiar sort of a fellow he was too,—Lucius B. Stiles was his name and we always called him "Lucius Brucius Bobtailed Stiles", to plague the young lady. One night my father and Folsom fixed a trap for him while he was enjoying the company of the young lady in the front room, everything the house contained in the shape of pans, kettles and tinware was strung up over the front door in such a way that the minute the door was opened, down would come the whole assortment with a crash. The young lady heard the preparation, however, and she sent Lucius out the window. But he had not yet escaped, Folsom had taken the precaution to stretch a rope tightly across both front gates about knee high and when the young man, going at full speed, struck that rope, he turned a complete summersault. The scene was about as funny as could be imagined, Lucius stretched at full

length in the ditch and the small audience laughing at him from the front door. He went home swearing vengeance on Folsom, but forgave him the next day for nobody could be angry with Folsom.

W. C. Kendall, who received the honor of being class lazy-man junior year, has done excellent work in educational and scientific lines since his graduation. He was naturalist on the U. S. Fish Commission vessel, "Fish Hawk," and is still in government employ.

Four men composed Eta's delegation from '86; Brothers Kilgore, Horne, Byram and Turner. Levi Turner, Jr., has always been a firm and loyal Theta Delt. He was a scholar of the highest grade and an extremely popular man, not only among Theta Delt's but among all his classmates.

Byram, Horne and Kilgore, all good men and true, are now engaged in teaching.

The class of '87 furnished us only two men, C. M. Austin and "Mort" Kimball. Every Theta Delt of ten years standing knows "Kim," and everybody wants to hear him tell his stories. His originality is only equalled by his—but we refrain. His familiar countenance is frequently welcomed among us, and a year without a visit from "Kim" would be dull, indeed.

Eta had taken in very small delegations from '86 and '87, so when the class of '88 entered college some lively "fishing" was done and with very good results, as the names of Dresser, Bartlett, Card, Hill, Linscott, Cole, Maxwell, Maston, Spaulding, Larrabee, Ingalls, Hall, Meserve and Shorey amply testify. We cannot mention them individually, all were worthy, all are esteemed. Hill, the orator, the Nestor of the delegation; Cole, the plucky athlete, the steady scholar, the genial friend, and all the other twelve indeed are fit subjects for a tribute from Eta's scribe. Brother Cole, it will be remembered, was one of the two plucky explorers who reached the Grand Falls of the Hamilton river on the Bowdoin Scientific Expedition to Labrador. Eleven freshmen were thought worthy of $\Theta \Delta X$ in the fall of '85. The two best known to us at present are F. J. C. Little, of Augusta, and L. J. Bodge, of Min-

neapolis, Minnesota. The latter has a brother with us now, E. L. Bodge, '97.

"As a freshman I hated them, as a sophomore I respected them, as a junior I looked upon them with real admiration and as a senior I often wondered if I compared at all favorably with them," writes a '90 brother of this delegation.

Alexander, Freeman, "Bob" Hastings, Mitchell, Stearns, Webb and Chandler made up the '90 delegation. Freeman was *the* ball player of Bowdoin for years. "Bob" Hastings was the popular man of the class, and Mitchell we have with us at present as Instructor in Rhetoric and Elocution. Chandler accomplished a feat while in college which made him famous. He climbed the north spire of King's chapel in the fall of '87 and after removing the Freshman flag affixed to the highest part of the lightning rod his own class flag, together with a tall hat and cane. He was the brilliant man of his class, a ready, spirited writer, a talented conversationalist and withal a "circus in himself," as one of his delegation remarks. '91's delegation of fourteen will be long remembered. '91 was pre-eminently an athletic class, and the delegation was representative of the class as three men on the eleven and four on the eight-oared crew testifies. But three commencement appointments shows that development was not one-sided.

Wright, of ministerial parentage and aldermanic tastes and proportions; Riley, whose brilliant promise was cut short by sudden death; "Venus" and P. C. Newbegin, loyal sons of a loyal father; Ridlon, genial and popular; Noyes, "little, but always there;" all are well remembered and missed. The brothers of Zeta should have seen their Gym. Instructor, Bro. Parker in his nightly "scrap" with the gloves, in which sometimes he, sometimes Poor, sometimes Hastings and sometimes Horne came out the winner. Dudley, the pleasant autocrat of the whist table; and Porter, royal good fellow, with Leary and Bragdon who did not finish their course complete the list of saints, sinners and Y. M. C. A. men who constituted the '91 delegation.

'92 furnished eight good men. "Tim" Durgin was an exceptional handy man with a bucket of water, as the scribe can

testify. The dry and original jokes of Abbott, "Sam," are still treasured. Hersey and Hull, sterling men and conspicuous in class room and society hall are still missed; but two of Maine's best schools can testify that they are still hard at work and proving themselves able and progressive educators. Nichols, after "swiping" a \$300 mathematical prize, graduated high in his class and is now pursuing his favorite study at Clark University. Poor, the "Major," as he was more often called, had ever a smile for the ladies, and another smile of slightly varying intensity for the boys. Good nature, added to pluck and determination, were his entire capital, but these qualities always win.

"Wad" Spring, '93, was the college pitcher. Arnold, Howard and Barker were the scholars in the '93 delegation. Barker and Baker were constantly waging war upon each other with jokes and witticisms. Barker was dry and droll in his sayings and Baker was very witty whenever he chose to wake up and "get into" his rival. One evening we were all assembled and had been laughing heartily at some of Barker's drolleries, when Baker spoke up in his husky voice, "Do you fellows want to know who are the three biggest fools in college?" Some one promptly said that we did, and Baker drawled out in his laughable way, "Well I'm one of them, and Barker is the other *two*." Charlie Bucknam was one of Bowdoin's best indoor athletes and always an enthusiastic Theta Delt. He was very popular not only with us but with the whole college, and was chosen president of his class junior year.

When this article appears in print the delegation of '94 will have been enrolled among the graduates of Bowdoin, but of their achievements it is too early to speak. Suffice it to say that the good record of their four years of college life seems a certain indication of success in after years. As to scholarship numerous prizes and three commencement appointments are in testimony; as to athletic ability representatives on the nine, the eleven, the '94 crew and the tennis championship of the state speak sufficiently, and the fact that they are sons of $\theta X \Delta$ tells the rest.

The undergraduate delegations are composed of strong men,

physically and intellectually. '95, '96, '97 all have men of whom we are proud and whose integrity of character and true manhood guarantee the charge its present high standing in the years to come.

Liberte, Fraternite Equalite. Not license but liberty, freedom of thought, of action, of feeling, directed in safe paths and to noble ends; brotherhood, all loyal sons of Eta and loyal sons of Theta Delta Chi, eager to press forward in her behalf, ever anxious to see her first, and always on the watch for an opportunity to aid a brother fallen or oppressed; equality, every brother the equal of every other, the spirit of true socialism, of common interest.

And above all unity. One in spirit, one in purpose, one in zeal for her principles of brotherhood and faith, one in her constant, steadfast pursuit of her ideal, one in her unanimity of action for Theta Delta Chi.

Such is the Eta of to-day. Proud of the charge of *ante-bellum* days, proud of the line of noble men who have borne the shield since the new era dawned, proud of her past history and confident of the future glory of her work. She looks forward with eager anticipation to the days to come, her loins girt with preparations, her hands anointed with the oil of brotherhood which knows not fear and rejoiceth in its own.

A. G. WILEY, '65.

THE AMERICAN COLLEGE FRATERNITY SYSTEM.

By G. L. Vancleve.*

The American College Fraternity is based upon the gregarious instinct of man, and finds in congenial companionship a sufficient reason for existence. It is true that from time to time in its history spasmodic efforts toward other ideals than social have been made, but these efforts have met with deserved failure.

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Whatever other reasons may be ambitiously set forth in their rituals, the life of practically all Greek-letter societies sustains the assertion that these organizations are social purely. From this point of view then the present paper will look in its effort to present to foreign delegates a concise account of this peculiar feature of American college life, and perhaps to show in clearer form to fraternity men themselves the institution of which they form a part.

It is interesting to note, in passing, that various attempts have been made to transplant into foreign soil the American college fraternity, but the results in nearly every instance have been fruitless. The notable exceptions of Zeta Psi at McGill University, and at the University of Toronto proving the rule that Greek-letter societies are indigenous to American soil.

It may be granted that, to a clear understanding of the system, some account of its history should be given. The first American fraternity was the famous Phi Beta Kappa, founded at the College of William and Mary, in December, 1776, by a coterie of enthusiastic young collegians, who the "more thoroughly to enjoy the society of congenial associates, to promote refined good fellowship," organized themselves into the society avowing "friendship as its basis, and benevolence and literature as its pillars." There is no good reason to believe that these ardent southern youths of Revolutionary times had in thus organizing themselves any of the highflown ideals or ambitious plans for the moral redemption of the world which have been attributed to them by writers on this theme whose imaginations appear to have worked more vigorously than their judgment. Distinguished men, notably, C. F. Adams, in his Phi Beta Kappa oration at Harvard, 1873; Dr. E. E. Hale, in *The Atlantic*, July, 1879, to say nothing of many smaller fry in light of the recently discovered archives of the society, have made themselves ridiculous by attributing lofty governmental schemes, large philosophical plans, to those verdant youths of a century since, whose poor spelling and loose English forcibly remind the reader of their minute-books, of the callow fledglings of our own time.

After the establishment of a few similar gatherings of con-

genial spirits—called chapters—in other institutions, Phi Beta Kappa at William and Mary, died in 1781, to be revived in 1850 and then again to lapse, until nothing now remains of the famous organization there but a memory.

Phi Beta Kappa, however, in modified form from the date of its establishment among the great New England colleges, has not ceased its growth until within its ranks may be found the most famous authors, statesmen and thinkers of our nation. Of this modified form let me speak a word and then dismiss Phi Beta Kappa entirely from the discussion, for it has not existed as a fraternity, in the sense in which we now understand the word, since the good old days of 1776-81.

The literary features which were largely an incident in the early organization soon became in the northern branches of the society the all-pervading sentiment, and it was not long until Phi Beta Kappa everywhere became nothing more than the outward symbol of high scholastic attainments, and men chosen into its ranks were and are taken without regard to the question of companionship—the underlying principle of the fraternity system of to-day.

For purpose of comparison, the American college fraternity may be classified as general, local and professional. By general fraternities I mean those organizations which are represented in more than one institution ; by local, such as are confined to one college, and these again may be subdivided into societies chosen from a single class, as the senior societies at Yale, and those chosen from all four classes ; by professional, such as are organized in law schools and other special post-collegiate institutions.

From the establishment of Kappa Alpha, in 1824, the real beginning of the American college fraternity may with propriety be dated, and since that time it has grown and flourished to such a degree that in its various branches there have been enrolled more than 120,000 of America's brightest and most cultivated minds.

The organization of the different fraternities is substantially the same, consisting in general of a body of laws and rules for the government of membership, embodied in constitutions,

by-laws and standing rules, and of a ritual for the induction of candidates into the chapter.

As I understand it, my duty is not to enter into the discussion of the question as to whether the American college fraternity ought or ought not to exist, but briefly to characterize it in its essential features. Bearing this in mind, let me indicate how a company of young collegians may become fraternity men. In case no organization exists in the college suited to the desire of the coterie, a petition to the coveted fraternity is made, setting forth the desires of the applicants, indicating their worth and that of the institution in which they are enrolled as students. In the event of the petition being favorably received, a charter is granted, which is an authorization under seal to establish the chapter, and deputized persons initiate the petitioners, by means of the ritual, into the coveted organization. There are various ways in which chapters may be established, but the above may be considered as the typical method. It ought perhaps to be stated that before a new chapter of any fraternity may be established the consent of all existing chapters must first be obtained. This rule, however, is not at all absolute, although it prevails among the oldest fraternities. When once organized a chapter recruits its membership by the selection of suitable candidates from the ranks of those who are not enrolled in any similar organization. The recruits are called "barbarians" or "oudens" for the obvious reason that they are not Greeks.

The rivalry between chapters of various societies for desirable men gives rise in most American colleges to a peculiar custom called "rushing" or "spiking." Rival societies desiring the same man vie with each other in paying him social attentions, and the candidate's life becomes a burden until he ends his popularity by identifying himself with one of the several companies of generous entertainers. While this custom prevails in general, there are interesting exceptions, to note of the manner in which a few local societies add to their ranks. At Yale, for example, where membership in the two senior societies, "Skull and Bones," and "Scroll and Key," is very highly prized, on a day previously well known the juniors and

interested spectators assemble in the quadrangle before the principal college building and witness this strange procedure.

Two men, members of the two societies, come in absolute silence into the quadrangle and mingle with the crowd, each seeking his man. Their solemn visages are not moved by the facetious remarks made by the spectators in order to break their solemnity. When each has found his man he claps him on the shoulder and follows him at once to his room. Arrived there, after the usual question and reply, "Are we alone?" "We are," the senior informs the junior that he has been elected to the "Bones" or "Keys." If he accepts, the member at once returns to his hall to inform his society of the result. After them in order come two other men into the crowd and take with them their men, and so on until each member of the society has taken his man and fifteen are made up; in each case membership in the chapter being limited to that number. All this is conducted on the part of senior society men with unbroken silence, while the crowd in the quadrangle cheers or expresses quiet dissatisfaction as the men elected happen to be considered worthy or unworthy. The initiations usually occur a few days afterwards.

Admission to membership in American college fraternities is always upon the invitation of the chapter and universally requires, I believe, an unanimous vote of the chapter extending the invitation. This is in marked contrast to the societies operating among professional and business men outside college walls.

Initiation ceremonies, accompanying the admission of a candidate into one of these societies, vary to a considerable degree, and yet all possess the same general characteristics. Nearly, if not quite all Greek-letter societies make a practice of dividing their initiation into two parts; one burlesque, in which the wildest play is given to the spirit of fun inherent in every young American's breast, the other serious, refined, noble and inspiring.

From a somewhat intimate acquaintance with the rituals of the leading fraternities of the country, I violate no confidences in stating that the initiation proper consists in imposing upon

the candidate an obligation, either affirmed or under oath, to preserve the strictest secrecy relative to all the affairs of his fraternity, except to those whom he is taught to call brother. He has then explained to him the meaning of the signs, grips and unwritten portions of the ritual, the whole concluding with a brief lecture explaining and emphasizing the beauties of pure friendship and the helpfulness of congenial companionship.

In some fraternities the above rather meager outline is filled up with dramatic episodes, illustrating and emphasizing the principles taught. In some places to such a degree has this elaboration gone that buildings specially adapted to the purpose are required, together with paraphernalia sufficient to equip a theatre. In at least one such case, initiation ceremonies occupy half a day. I might occupy an hour in describing the burlesque part of the initiation and yet not exhaust the types of which I have myself been a witness. One instance alone must suffice. At Harvard, for example, candidates are compelled to perform the most menial services for their tormentors, are often obliged to parade the streets in outlandish costumes, and a young Cambridge matron was horrified recently on being accosted in her own house by a neophyte who was compelled to ask her if she wished him to wash her baby.

The nomenclature which has given the distinctive title, Greek-letter societies, to these student organizations, dates back to the time of the Phi Beta Kappa, and is presumably based upon the fact that these organizations have their foundation and life in education, and that education as understood by the civilized world to-day is a Greek conception. However, it may be remarked that beyond the name, motto, titles of the officers, a few brief sentences of decidedly un-Attic Greek constitute the entire claim of these fraternities to recognition as Hellenists.

During the anti-Masonic agitation of the the second quarter of the present century, Greek-letter societies had a troubled and checkered career, based upon the insane and wholly preposterous notion that the secrecy which was supposed to hedge about the membership was a menace to the freedom and liberty of the American people. Speaking of one of these organiza-

tions, a famous writer of this period says : " Though it has no bloody code as I know of, with savage penalties, and consequently none of those crimes which blacken the institution of Free-masonry ; yet as a secret society it is as susceptible of being converted to unholy and dangerous purposes, and may, if continued unmolested and unexposed, in process of time, become an instrument of great hazard to the community and issue in the overthrow of all our civil and religious institutions." Any sensible man, not wholly blinded by prejudice, if he knows anything about college fraternities, knows that their secrecy is purely nominal, and that the real secrecy that prevails among the members of any chapter is only such as obtains in any cultivated household or company of congenial friends the world over.

I may not weary you with undertaking to portray college fraternity life in any of its multiform phases, further than to emphasize the opening statement of this paper, that our Greek-letter societies are social organizations, and that these vary in essential characteristics as men vary in similar organizations outside the pale of college life. One dare not open the subject far without letting in a flood-tide of incidents illustrative of American college life. It is germane to this brief paper, however, to advert to the fact that there are fraternities so-called, whose influence is as baneful upon young American character as the eye of the fabled basilisk was to its beholder. That such organizations bring discredit upon the system, the firmest advocate of fraternities dare not deny, but the indiscriminate condemnation of the system, because of these excrescences, has largely made it possible for them to exist. It need not be argued here, if you wish to make a rogue respectable, you will compel honest people to make common cause with him.

If faculties hostile to bad fraternities would make sympathetic co-operation with the good organizations their rule in driving out the bad, they would find the system as beneficial as they now believe it malevolent.

That the American college fraternity has become a permanent factor in American student life, no thoughtful man can

for one moment question. In recent years there has grown up in all the organizations a strong desire to make sure of the future by the most powerful of all arguments, material equipment. With bewildering rapidity chapter-houses are being built all over the land, some of which are used purely as lodgerooms, but the great majority of which are intended as places of abode. Many of these represent an expenditure of more than \$20,000 each. The readiness of students and alumni to thus invest their money, indicates a profound conviction that Greek-letter societies have come to stay. There are no reliable data at hand upon which to base an estimate as to the number of these structures, but judging from my reading as the editor of a Greek-letter society journal, I should say that there are nearly two hundred such edifices now owned and occupied, and another hundred under contemplation and prospective erection. With such a financial argument as these houses attest, he would be a false prophet who would predict the dissolution of the American college fraternity system.

It may be remarked that the building of chapter-houses is a long step toward the solution of the vexed question of how to establish an *esprit de corps* in each fraternity and in all fraternities. In the same way that a landed proprietor takes rank above a mere tenant, so will extensive ownership in valuable college properties give rank and influence to Greek-letter societies. It is now no uncommon thing for a man to prize his fraternity, measured simply by his own chapter standard. The Greek-letter fraternity, if it stands for anything, stands for culture and the broad humanities in opposition to provincialism and bigotry. A man who cherishes no fond regard for his fraternity as a whole, has failed of the highest lesson which he is supposed to have been taught therein. The man who has not learned in his chapter life to love mankind, is recalcitrant, and while I do not believe in any fanciful Pan-hellenism any more than I believe in Mormonism as the rule for the family, nevertheless I believe the true fraternity man has a higher regard for all fraternity men than he who has not tasted of the delights of intimate companionship found nowhere else in such perfect form as in the chapters of American Greek-letter societies.

At the present time the influence of the class societies, which find perhaps their highest exponent at Yale and Harvard, is very powerful ; but it is an interesting fact to note that in the great institutions which have come into existence since the war, those fraternities which take their members from all of the college classes dominate the policy and spirit of the college. I would not venture to predict that Harvard and Yale will in the future lose their proud pre-eminence, but I do assert that Cornell, University of Michigan, University of Chicago, Leland Stanford and institutions of a like grade, will people the college world of to-morrow with such numbers of true fraternal spirits that the proud members of "Skull and Bones" or "Hasty Pudding" will be lost in the company.

I do not believe that any class companionship or mutually helpful association can be formed among men who have not been closely identified with each other until the last year of their college course, nor do I think that a class fraternity at any stage of a young man's career in college can be of much service to him. Friendships can not be lightly made and ought not to be lightly severed. A man's allegiance to his fraternity ought not even to end with his graduation from college, in fact the highest and broadest good comes to the fraternity man in his after associations, if he has profited by the teachings of his college fraternity life.

The custom prevailing in many colleges of enrolling large numbers in their chapters is, I believe, a grievous mistake. How thirty to fifty men can associate together constantly on terms of passable cordiality, much less of intimate fellowship, passes my comprehension. The conditions of college life vary so that it may be unwise to fix a limit. but I will venture to say that when a chapter has passed the line of twenty, the danger is very great of separation in cliques, and of nullifying the very object for which fraternities are supposed to exist.

I can think of no more fitting close to this essay than a quotation from a scholarly article written a number of years ago to the Delta Kappa Epsilon *Quarterly* by the Honorable Charlton T. Lewis, in which he says :

" The ideal college society must not only be enduring, it must be broad, and must extend its benefits to many institutions. Experience has shown that a select association of students, in a single college, can not meet the wants of those whom our Greek-letter societies seek to serve. It may be of the highest value, and may become a permanent institution in which membership is an honor to each name on its roll, and whose existence is an honor to the noblest university. But such a history belongs only to small and exclusive bodies of men, selected with extreme care from comparatively mature classes after years of life together within the institution. The social needs of the freshman are not satisfied by the prospect that, perhaps after three years of earnest effort and acceptable conduct, he may be admitted to that inner circle of choice spirits. His eye first seeks a nearer threshold and a wider door. The new convert dreams of a distant heaven, and hopes one day to reach it, but his present want is a shrine for present worship. The Greek-letter society aims to be select, indeed, but also to be democratic, catholic, liberal. Not limiting its privileges to a small and mystic number, to twelve, fifteen or thirty, by a law so rigid that if Pericles or Plato, Shakespeare, Goethe, Sheridan or Gladstone, were the thirteenth or sixteenth candidate, he must stand outside, but welcoming every one who answers its standard of manly merit, it attains a wholesome breadth in its relations to the whole community of students. But this liberality is not always consistent with successful selection. It will sometimes happen that, in a particular college, the material for an ideal society can not in certain classes be found, or can not be brought into the most wisely conducted fraternity. If the chapter stood alone, it must degenerate and perhaps deservedly die. But the fraternity at large exercises an influence, rarely by direct interference, but always by its honorable prestige, and now more and more by the agencies which the increasing community of interest among the chapters is producing, to sustain and recruit the weak member. The oldest and strongest chapters of our best societies are perhaps those which would most freely acknowledge the great service which at times has been rendered them by such influences as these ; and each of the great fraternities owes no small part of its present general prosperity to the generous aid and moral support which the whole body has at times afforded, however silently, to its weaker parts.

THE ETHICAL INFLUENCE OF FRATERNITIES.

By Miss Gertrude B. Blackwelder.*

A great deal is being said of late in regard to the shortcomings of our colleges and universities ; indeed the whole American educational system is now upon the rack of criticism, just and unjust. To its door are laid all the evils, social, economic and political, of our complex civilization.

It is claimed by the educational pessimist that the ethical side of our natures has not been specially developed during the two generations of popular education ; that political corruption is increasing, that society does not tend toward greater equality of condition, but the reverse, that nations have not learned to avoid war, or at least the necessity for expensive armaments, that instead of fidelity and mutual respect between employer and employee being the result of the schooling of the masses, that dishonesty, disloyalty and general discontent have developed ; in short, that present scholastic methods do not lay the necessary moral foundation for the proper understanding and treatment of the vital problems of our age.

While this may be an exaggerated view of the subject, still we must admit that our college training, at least that of the older graduates, did not help us much in detecting sophistry, in finding the difference between the real and the apparent, between show and truth. We learned logic in the old medieval way, in no wise differing from the teachings of the fourteenth century, except that we did not have to sit upon the floor while reciting the old mnemonic lines : " Barbara, celarent, Darii, Ferioque," etc. Ethics, the science of duty and of morals, is so closely allied to logic, the science of thought, that the latter should be modified so that it may fit the conditions of modern life.

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Now as fraternities are supposed to supplement in certain directions, mostly social, the work of the institutions under whose shadow they exist, can they not take upon themselves the labor of demanding certain reforms in the curriculum. Let them ask that the next generation of college youth be taught those things which will form a bulwark against bigotry, sophistry and immorality.

The old literary society, where we used to solve, in flights of burning eloquence, the questions of the age, has, I am told, passed away, and we must look for the present college organizations to assume a somewhat broader role than that of fostering the social side of our nature. A great work is awaiting them in the form of organized effort toward the evolution and guidance of the moral side of our being. This is a work peculiarly belonging to women's fraternities. Women are already the moral guides of the young; not only from circumstance, being the mothers and the teachers, but also because of their peculiar ability to discern right from wrong, of their instinctive shrinking from the immoral in life. Buckle truly says that the influence of women "has softened the violence of men; it has improved their manners; it has lessened their cruelty."

Can we not see the mission of our societies in this thought? Little as I know of the actual doings of women's fraternities to-day, not having attended a meeting for twenty years, I am encouraged to believe that they have in some measure outgrown their primitive purpose, laudable though it is, of building up social intercourse and college friendships, and the less admirable habit of arranging plans for capturing class honors. It is gratifying to learn that nobler aims are now in vogue. It is just what we might expect after twenty years of pioneer work, of experiments and mistakes, of successes and failures. If the alumni have not had a hand in this change, it is greatly to their discredit. For no undergraduate can judge of his duty, of his best course of action as he can a score of years later. The gathered experience of our alumni chapters should begin to bear fruit, although we all know how loth the young are to profit by the advice their elders are so ready to give.

A white-haired saint of a man was once reproving his grandson for his wild conduct. "But, Grandpa," said the youth, "did you not do these very things when you were young?" "Yes, my boy, but I have lived to see the folly of my ways." "Ah," quickly replied the other, "and I expect to live to see the folly of mine."

And so it is with our dear young girls who see in fraternity life only a chance for displaying pretty dresses, for attending gay parties and afternoon teas, and (shall I say it?) for indulging in idle gossip. I have talked with some of these fascinating creatures with a view of suggesting something more worth living for than these things at a time when the treasures of the past, the discoveries of the present are lying at their feet. And I fear they thought me an antiquated, cross-grained old woman who could no longer enter into the spirit of the young, when in fact I was trying to show them a newer and better fashion, knowing as I did that the time would surely come when they would suffer the bitterness of regret for their "lost, lost hours."

We have heard that one aim of the fraternity system is to "foster the social side of our nature." I do not believe that the social side of the average girl's nature needs any fostering. In many cases it needs a little curbing. Can we not each one of us, call to mind some brilliant girl who literally threw to the winds her advantages for literary and scientific work because of her love for social pleasures? To me there seems but one watchword for the college student: work—work.

The young woman who enters college should be in the very prime of youthful strength and vigor. Childhood with its weakness and disease is past; the cares of bread-winning have not yet descended like a cloud upon her life. It is the time for gaining learning and wisdom, for building up character strong and true.

Our sororities are made up of picked women. The brightest and best, not, I hope, the wealthiest and most gay, are gathered together in bonds of close fellowship. What a weapon for good or for evil is in your hands. What a power you may exert over the young men of your college. To discountenance

that which is doubtful or dangerous in conduct, to keep yourselves bound to the highest ideals in manners, in dress, in all habits of life, is plainly your duty. Here lies the chance for ethical influence. The example of one student, who is faithful, pure, strong to resist temptation, but at the same time hearty and winsome, counts for much, but multiply that by thirty or forty and you have a force capable of deciding the character of a college.

A few nights ago there was a discussion in one of these halls on co-education. Efforts had been made to secure speakers for both sides, but when the hour came no one was willing to take the negative. Evidently public sentiment is in favor of educating men and women together. Co-instruction is also growing in favor, and the next step should be the formation of college societies where both sexes are admitted. If you must have secrets, and I believe they do no harm but rather tend to make us self-reliant, to teach us to hold our tongues, why not let men and women have the same? Ruskin tells us that the "mission" and the "rights" of woman can never be separate from the mission and rights of man, that they are not creatures of independent right and irreconcilable claim.

Woman's place is beside man, not above or below him, and I cannot imagine any relation in life where man is not the better for having the presence of women, or women the stronger and braver for having the men to look after. The fraternity began long before women had stepped up into the paths of higher education. Their presence there is now recognized by the noblest of all Greek letter societies, though not a secret one, Phi Beta Kappa. I may be a very Cassandra of a prophetess, whom no one believes, but I do look forward to the time when in our great co-educational institutions, a union will be made between a fraternity and a sorority; and that from this union will flow that moral support, that "ethical influence" which cannot exist under present conditions.

HISTORIES OF FRATERNITIES.

By William B. Palmer.*

The object of this paper is to urge that fraternities prepare to publish their histories without further delay. The subject deserves more attention than it has received. Histories should be written and published for the benefit of present members and also future initiates. Really, it is amazing that so little in this direction has been done. True, fraternities have been busy with other things, with the perfection of their internal arrangements, and the execution of plans for extension. But there is small excuse for this failure to publish histories. All of the fraternities have been enterprising in issuing publications of different characters, but of no more importance than histories, if indeed they are of as much importance. The fraternity system founded by Kappa Alpha in 1825, is closing the third quarter of a century of its existence, and yet an adequate history of any fraternity has not yet appeared.

Sigma Phi, founded in 1827, issued a catalogue as early as 1832. This, the first fraternity catalogue, is now sixty-one years old. The total number of editions of Sigma Phi's catalogue to date is seventeen. Psi Upsilon, founded in 1833, issued the first fraternity song book in 1849, forty-four years ago, and to the present time has issued nine editions of its song book and ten of the catalogue. The publication of a fraternity periodical was begun by Delta Upsilon in 1867-68. The oldest fraternity periodical that has had a continuous existence is the *Beta Theta Pi*, which was established in 1872, twenty-one years ago. Fraternity journalism has developed to an extent that makes it a great credit to the system. The latest and best specimens of fraternity catalogues show that vast labor has been spent in the accumulation of biographical data. A number of fraternities possess excellent song books which indicate

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that much talent has been employed in the composition of the lyrics they contain.

All this progress in the way of publications proves that there is great loyalty, enthusiasm and energy among fraternity men. Some of this loyalty, enthusiasm and energy should now be expended in the production of fraternity histories. What is needed is that some zealous man, willing to sacrifice his time for the benefit of his fraternity, should set an example in writing a history, such as the example set by Charles W. Smiley, who devoted two years to the compilation of the Psi Upsilon catalogue which appeared in 1879. This was the first great fraternity catalogue, and it established a standard which other fraternities have striven to equal or excel. If some man should issue a monumental historical work, comparing favorably with Mr. Smiley's achievement in catalogue making, it would likewise become a model, and but a few years would elapse before a number of fraternities would publish similar books.

The nearest approach to a fraternity history is "The Psi Upsilon Epitome," by Albert P. Jacobs. It was issued in 1884, and it is the largest separate work in the nature of a fraternity history that has yet been produced. Still its title indicates that the author did not consider it a history in the full sense of that word. It is not arranged to furnish a complete account of the development of the fraternity during successive periods, but it is of a sketchy character, the chapters or divisions of the book not following one another in chronological order. Though it gives much condensed information, it falls short of being a history. In 1886 "A Manual of Phi Delta Theta" was issued by myself. It embraces only a sketch of the fraternity, and was intended to be used as campaign material.

The latest editions of the catalogues of Kappa Alpha, Sigma Phi, Alpha Delta Phi, Chi Psi, Delta Upsilon, Chi Phi, Sigma Chi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Southern Kappa Alpha and Sigma Nu include much historical information, but in every case this information, both as to plan and contents, does not meet the requirements of a history. Sketches of fraternities have been published in periodicals, and considerable detail was given in

such sketches that appeared in early volumes of the journals of Zeta Psi and Delta Tau Delta.

The next best accounts of the various fraternities are found in "American College Fraternities," first published in 1879. As it embraces accounts of all fraternities, the space devoted to each was too limited for anything more than a sketch. The accounts vary in merits, for the author, William R. Baird, had from some fraternities but little co-operation in the collection of information, even for the last edition which appeared in 1890. Among histories of chapters which have been published are those of the Brown, Dartmouth, Wesleyan, Rochester and Michigan chapters of Psi Upsilon, the Wabash and Ohio Wesleyan chapters of Phi Kappa Psi, the Williams chapter of Kappa Alpha, the Williams chapter of Delta Upsilon, the Denison chapter of Beta Theta Pi, and the Northwestern chapter of Sigma Chi.

The enormous size and consequent cost of the last editions of the catalogues of the larger fraternities are sufficient reasons for not combining a catalogue and a history of a fraternity in one volume. Some fraternities are so large already, and are growing so rapidly, that they will never be able to raise sufficient funds to publish catalogues separately, unless the biographical data is more closely restricted to important facts than has recently been the rule.

Some difficulty will be found in writing histories, because of the secret nature of the fraternities. What events can properly be made public is a matter to be carefully considered. But each historian should give full details in regard to the founding of his fraternity. The more complete the information concerning the formative periods of the fraternity and the various chapters, the more interesting will the history be. Every chapter has had its vicissitudes, and the incidents connected with its victories and defeats should be related. While neither the original nor subsequent constitutions may be published, a clear understanding should be given of the principles upon which the fraternity was founded and of the fraternity's system of government, as it first existed and is affected by constitutional amendment.

All references to development in ritualistic observances must of course be omitted. The important acts of national conventions, so far as they may with propriety be published, should be recorded. Details should be given about the fraternity's bibliography. The adoption of fraternity insignia and the inauguration of fraternity customs should be particularly mentioned. Descriptions of chapter houses should appear. The book should be ornamented with illustrations of chapter houses, fraternity emblems, etc., and portraits of prominent members. Comparisons with other fraternities should occasionally be made, so that the reader may know of their relative standing at various periods. In allusions to rival fraternities, however, much care should be exercised to avoid inaccuracies. A fraternity history should above all things be strictly truthful. It should not detract from other fraternities, and the less boasting the better. Let worthy achievement, fairly stated, show the fraternity's merits.

The history should contain full biographical sketches of the fraternity's founders and personal information regarding distinguished members and charter members of the chapters. Especially should credit be given to those who have been foremost in different lines of fraternity work, and to whose devotion the fraternity is indebted for material advancement. In every fraternity there are members who have sacrificed much time, labor and money to promote its interests, and they have but small recompense if within a few years the active members are entirely ignorant of their loyal deeds. And yet this is inevitable unless such deeds, however notable, are recorded in a published history. A man who, by research among archives and old publications, has become exceptionally well informed as to his fraternity's career, is often surprised at the ignorance on the subject displayed by other members, but this is not to be wondered at when there is no historical narrative of the fraternity in existence.

All self respecting organizations should publish their annals. Fraternity pride demands that a record of the past be preserved. A fraternity history would be equally as valuable as a catalogue and more interesting. This work should not be post-

poned. Much has already been lost by delay. In each fraternity a competent member or committee should be appointed immediately to collect all the fraternity's publications and to resurrect old documents. Alumni who can now supply missing facts may be dead a few years hence. Archives still extant may have been destroyed by fire or otherwise. The originals of valuable papers should be kept in fire-proof receptacles, and copies of some might be printed in the fraternity's magazine, as has been done in the *Beta Theta Pi* and the *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta. Alumni who have acted conspicuous parts in organizing and building up the fraternity should be requested to write personal reminiscences. As time affects the accuracy of memory, it would be well not to depend too much on the recollections of alumni for historic details, but such reminiscences will often afford delightful insights into the customs of the fraternities during eras through which it has lived.

Each chapter should utilize all the fraternity and college records obtainable in the compilation of a chapter history to be published separately, or at least contribute a full historical sketch to the fraternity magazine. A general movement of this kind would in a few years result in a number of splendid histories, which would be the greatest addition that has ever been made to fraternity literature. Nothing else that could be done would so powerfully operate to bring the fraternity system more prominently before the public as an important and commendable factor in the college world of America.

LOYALTY IN FRATERNITY JOURNALISM.

By John E. Brown.*

Loyalty has ever been the shibboleth of the American college fraternity. The first fraternity had its origin in the firm loyalty to each other of a few chosen friends. The system, with its numerous branches, has arisen through the loyalty of these fraternal circles to the one order whose name they have accepted and whose badge they wear. Without it there is no fraternity, for loyalty is nothing more, and again, nothing less, than fidelity to the obligations assumed in forming fraternal ties. The courts do not deal with the vows of the candidate at the altar of a civic society, neither does the law lay hands on the one who disregards the oath he may have taken at such an altar. The statutes in no way measure the broken obligation or fix the penalty therefor.

But, happily, however, the manhood which conceived these orders and furnishes their support has raised a standard, coeval with their inception, by which the worthy and unworthy, the true and the false, may be judged. That standard we not only know, but we likewise warmly cherish. It is the standard of loyalty.

Broadly but justly defined, loyalty means devotion to all the obligations assumed by fraternity membership. It is scarcely necessary in such an assemblage as this to enumerate these obligations, which, it will not be denied, include not only the promotion of objects contemplated by the individual fraternity, but, likewise, adherence to the welfare and associations of that society over and above that of all others. Not the one especially, not the less imperatively, but to all—individually and collectively—an undivided loyalty.

Nor does it contemplate a dividing line, drawn at graduation, after which its burden is lessened. Its manifestation is

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not for the undergraduate alone, but for all time it is sought to have the expression of fraternal interest. Time removes the member from the field which gives frequent opportunity for such expression of his interest, but, none the less, when the opportunities are offered, should it be lacking. The ideal alumnus is he who stands ready as he can to counsel, aid and encourage the enterprises of each new college generation of his brothers. The young and old are to be sons of a common Alma Mater, whom each shall cherish with increasing measure as the days go by.

Loyalty can only be completely defined by an enumeration of the duties it entails upon the person. We have referred to those toward one's own order. But the principle, upon which the best loyalty rests, demands, in addition to these virtues toward his fellows in the faith, that he should put the same lessons to use in all his associations. A careful study will convince any one that the obligation to his own entails a respectful recognition of the worthy merits and rights of similar orders. Any infringement of these rights is an infraction of the principle upon which the members of his own order stand in fraternal union.

No one will be so blinded as to claim that all Greek-letter fraternities are exactly similar in character or of equal general merit. In policies, colleges entered, standards of membership, and other features, they have differed widely. Even those which have held to similar policies will be found to rest on achievements far different in nature.

It is as natural that fraternities should vary in character as that human nature should not be exactly the same in each individual. The philosophy of inequality has much to do in exciting the best powers of man. Through inequalities, and, therefore, varied tastes, wants and powers, man develops his highest capabilities.

The student who to-day enters a typical and representative institution of learning finds chapters that to him vary in local prestige and merit, and that represent widely different policies on the part of their general fraternity. Certain virtues on his part may open the doors of all those to his choice. He is to