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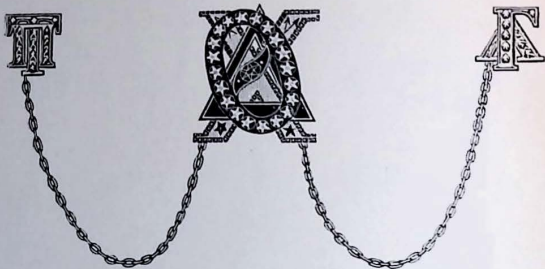
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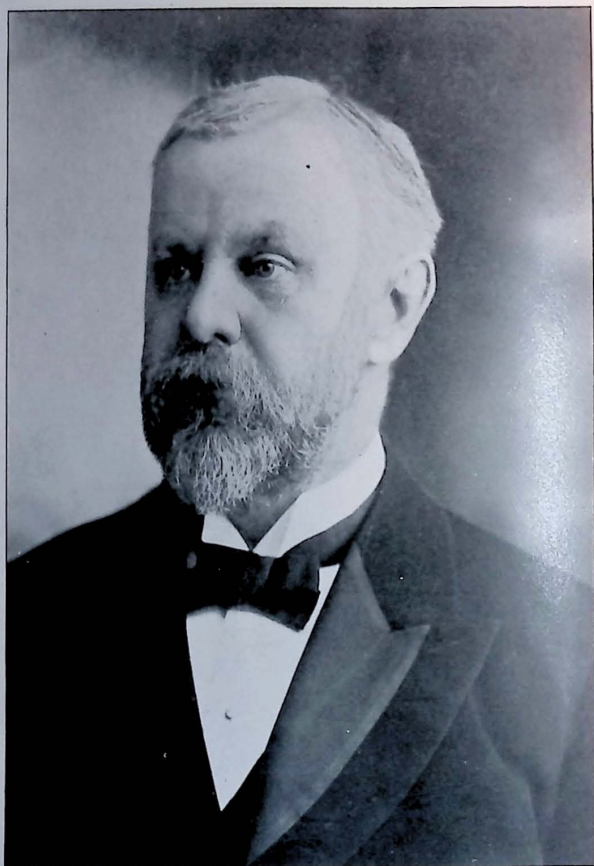
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HOSEA MORRILL KNOWLTON

Few men who have read the tribute of the Attorney General of Massachusetts to the memory of John Marshall, recently delivered before the Supreme Court of Massachusetts at Boston, have failed to be impressed with the fact that Hosea M. Knowlton possesses in a striking degree the mental attitude and equipment that fit a man to attain leadership at the bar. Every Theta Delt has taken a special pride in the steady advance of this same man from the time he entered Kappa as a freshman, to the present day, when he is the leading legal adviser to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and her chief prosecuting officer. It has been a source of special pleasure that, through all his personal triumphs, Brother Knowlton has kept in touch with Theta Delta Chi. But to know Hosea Morrill Knowlton is to know a man one of whose principal characteristics is loyalty.

Brother Knowlton was born in Durham, Maine, fifty-four years ago. He is a descendant of Capt. Wm. Knowlton who sailed to the new world in 1632. His father was Isaac Case Knowlton, well known in his day as a Universalist clergyman, settled at various points in Maine and Massachusetts. His father's constant change of residence made Brother Knowlton's early education a matter of several schools, but he finished preparation for college at Powers Institute, at Bernardstown, Massachusetts.

He entered Tufts, and graduated as a member of the class of 1867. Early in his course Mr. Knowlton was initiated into the mysteries of Theta Delta Chi, as a member of Kappa Charge. While in college he took prizes in mathematics and Latin prose

translation. At graduation he was the historian of his class, as well as the salutatorian, delivering his commencement part in Latin, according to the custom of that time. Yet tradition has it that Brother Knowlton won even more undergraduate fame as center fielder on the ball team and as skipper in the Theta Kappa boat club, than he did as a student. His fondness for out of door sports, which he has retained even to the present time, has doubtless assisted him in building up and maintaining his present magnificent physique.

After graduation, Brother Knowlton taught two years, and then studied law in the office of Hon. E. L. Barney of New Bedford, completing his legal studies for admission to the bar at the Harvard Law School. He was associated with Judge Barney until 1879, when he formed his partnership with Arthur E. Perry, also of New Bedford.

Brother Knowlton has always evinced a fondness for public life, but he has been fortunate in being called to occupy positions in which he could keep in touch with his profession—for he is first and last a lawyer. He was Register in Bankruptcy in 1872, and at various times a member of the school board and City Solicitor of New Bedford. He was in the lower branch of the Massachusetts legislature for two years and in the senates of 1878 and 1879. In the latter body, as a member of the committee on railroads, he presented a dissenting report on the petition of the New York and New England Railroad for a loan of \$6,000,000 to complete its system. His report was an able document; the senate accepted it in place of that of the majority, and the policy of the Commonwealth towards the railroads was pretty well determined.

For fifteen years Mr. Knowlton was the District Attorney for the southern district of Massachusetts, a position which many times afforded him an opportunity to show his ability as a prosecuting officer. Among the most notable cases that he tried for the Commonwealth were those of Freeman, who killed his little daughter in the belief that he was commanded by God to sacrifice her, and of Miss Lizzie Borden, indicted for the murder of her father and her mother. Brother Knowlton's argument in the latter case has frequently been cited as a strong piece of forensic elo-

quence, logical and forcible. This trial won for him a considerable reputation.

In 1893, Brother Knowlton was elected the Attorney General of Massachusetts, and each succeeding year has seen him re-elected by a large vote. While the duties of his position have not taken him into the courts as much as he had formerly been there, Mr. Knowlton has shown by his official conduct that he is a competent legal adviser as well as a skilled advocate. He has however personally conducted the prosecution of several capital cases. In the meantime he has been heard many times in public, on many kinds of occasions. Many times his name has been associated with offices higher than that he now occupies, and the feeling is that if he desires he may stay in the public service much longer.¹

¹As this article goes to press the following editorial appears in the *Springfield Republican*, and it seems advisable to append it to Brother Barney's admirable sketch of Brother Knowlton :

"That the direction of the law department of the state is an important office, each year increasingly so, is made clear by the report of Attorney General Knowlton. Not only is the legal business of the office growing, so that from 549 cases handled when Mr. Knowlton assumed his office in 1894, the number has risen to 1801 in 1900, but the attorney general's office prepared over 100 written opinions last year against 53 in 1894. It should be remembered also that the department presided over by the attorney general now handles important legal cases that used to be given by certain commissions to high-priced lawyers. In this there has been a great saving of money, and no less of efficiency.

It is only fair that the people should take note of the fact that Mr. Knowlton has filled his office in such a way that great care will have to be taken when he leaves it lest there should follow a falling away from the grasp and efficiency of his work. There is value in having a man of positive opinions in that office, and the present attorney general is not afraid to speak his mind. That he has reached so emphatic a position in favor of the abolition of the death penalty is important, because Mr. Knowlton is justified in claiming that he speaks from a larger experience in the prosecution and trial of capital cases than any other man now living in the state. He was district attorney for the southern district from 1879 to 1894, when he was elected to his state office, so that for 22 years he has been an active and strenuous prosecuting officer. The intimate knowledge thus gained has led the attorney general to the conclusion :—

That the punishment of murder by death does not tend to diminish or prevent that crime ; that a man who is so far lost to reason as to conceive the commission of murder with deliberate and premeditated malice afore-

Brother Knowlton has received the degree of LL.D. from Tufts, and has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He is a trustee of Tufts, is a member of numerous social, religious, and political clubs, and has been for some time a vice-president of the New England Association of Theta Delta Chi. And yet there is probably no place where Brother Knowlton is so happy as in his own home. Mrs. Knowlton is a charming woman, and the children of the household are numerous and interesting. Among them are John Wellington and Frank Warren, both of whom are known to the younger members of the fraternity as recent graduates of Tufts, and loyal Theta Delts.

Such is an outline of Brother Knowlton's life. The facts here recited mean little, however, unless one knows the man. I remember to have heard the late Governor Wolcott refer to him as a lawyer of "many convictions." This phrase, used facetiously, meant a great deal. Mr. Knowlton is not the man to compromise with what he believes to be wrong. In the blunt manner so characteristic of him, he has struck many a blow that he well knew in advance would cost him popular approval, but the result has been that Mr. Knowlton is to-day a person whose opinions are respected as those of an honest man.

With all Brother Knowlton's aggressiveness, there is no more truly magnanimous man at the Massachusetts bar; no distinguished citizen more democratic in his manner; none more loyal to his family, his church, his college, his state, and his country; none more worthy to stand for the typical Theta Delt in public life. Kappa Charge and the fraternity may well feel proud of his yet unfinished career.

CHARLES NEAL BARNEY.

thought does not enter into a discussion with himself of the consequences of this crime; that the infliction of the death penalty is not in accord with the present advance of civilization; and that it is a relic of barbarism which the community must surely outgrow, as it has already outgrown the rack, the whipping-post and the stake. I think I am justified in saying that the majority of those who have been or are engaged in the trial of capital cases share in these views. Testimony calculated to impress the popular mind could scarcely go further."

GRAND LODGE

OFFICIAL CONVENTION NOTICE

The Fifty-third Annual Convention of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity will be held in the City of Buffalo, N. Y., on Tuesday and Wednesday, July 2 and 3, 1901, in the rooms of the Historical Society in the Library Building, corner of Washington Street and Broadway. Headquarters will be at the Hotel Iroquois.

There will be two business sessions daily, the first session beginning promptly at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. The banquet will be held at the Iroquois on Wednesday evening.

Further information will be sent in due time to all members of the Fraternity whose addresses are known.

For the Grand Lodge,

ERNEST W. HUFFCUT,

President.

THE NEW YORK GRADUATE CLUB'S SMOKER

On Friday evening, February 1, the Graduate Club of Theta Delta Chi held its midwinter smoker and reunion at its rooms, 1424 Broadway, New York City.

A meeting of the graduates of Rho Deuteron was held early the same evening, at the Graduate Club, to consider plans in connection with organizing the graduates and forming a board of trustees to start a fund for the establishment of a charge house. Among those present at the meeting were Brothers J. Boyce Smith, Geo. Ehret, Jr., W. W. Lawson, Frank M. Dodd, F. Secor Dickerson, L. Eickwort, Jr., Rudolf Tombo, Jr., and Carl Tombo. Preliminary plans of several kinds were discussed, and it was decided that a general meeting of all the members of Rho Deuteron should be called, as soon as the committee appointed by this meeting should be ready to present the reports on the matters assigned to them for investigation. The officers of the charge stated that the charge was now in a position to add to any permanent fund that might be established, all receipts from graduate indebtedness, and a large proportion, if not the whole, of the entrance fees received by the charge. The graduates present pledged their active support, and at the meeting soon to be called, it is expected that the plan will assume definite shape, and the fund for a Rho Deuteron charge house will be started.

By the time the committee meeting had adjourned, some fifty members of the fraternity had assembled, and had gathered round the tables spread for the evening's entertainment. Brother Griffing started up a few rousing Theta Delt songs, and the smoker had begun in earnest.

Brother C. L. Howe, as chairman of the entertainment committee, made a short address of welcome, and closed by introducing Col. William M. Stone, the eminent historian, and an ever-loyal brother of the old Zeta. Brother Stone's words of greeting and reminiscence, interspersed with timely pleasantries, made a distinct impression on those of the younger brothers

present who heard him for the first time, and stirred the hearts of all.

But set speeches were not to be the order of the evening ; Brother Howe and the entertainment committee had planned a surprise for us. The distinctive feature of this over previous smokers given by the Club, was the perfection of the arrangements made by the committee ; and among the professional talent secured for the occasion, were members of the "Florodora" company now playing at the Casino, New York City, and the puzzling trickster, Bruno Lichtwalde, "professor of legerdemain," who was responsible for a great deal of "guessing" before the evening ended.

Songs and speeches were, however, a part of the informal programme ; and, being informal, were the more delightful. The Pi Deuteron quartette rendered a number of admirable selections ; and Brother Van der Burgh, of Iota, recited several poems, both original and selected. Brother Frederic Carter was with us, having recently returned from the Pacific coast. He is always an acquisition to any gathering of Theta Delts, and his enthusiastic sentiments were applauded to the echo.

Another voice from the West was heard in the person of Brother Edward H. Crooker, of Minneapolis. Brother Crooker is an active worker in the fraternity, and takes a lively interest in the welfare of the Tau Deuteron Charge, at whose meetings he is a frequent visitor. On this, his first visit to New York in twenty years, Brother Crooker said the Graduate Club had been a revelation to him in the enjoyment it had added to his stay in town ; he had come to New York an entire stranger ; here he had found tidings of old friends, the making of new ; pleasant companions for his leisure moments, and above all the assurance of the live spirit of Theta Delta Chi here represented. In congratulating the Club, he stated that an interest was taken in it, even as far west as where he has his home ; he promised to return the warm hospitality he had encountered here, by doing all he could to stimulate this western interest in the New York Graduate Club ; he had taken a package of application blanks for his homeward journey, and he intended to add some western names to the Club rolls.

After the warm reception which greeted the remarks of the speaker, Brother Griffing, as President of the Club, arose, and confessed that he was deeply touched ; he had not been altogether prepared to find the purposes of the Club so soon and so completely fulfilled as they had been in Brother Crooker's experience ; that no success of growth or of material prosperity could mean in any degree so much as to know that the lamp of the Club was full of the true oil of the spirit of Theta Delta Chi. Brother Crooker, he went on to say, in lighter vein, had triumphed in bringing this home to us ; but Brother Griffing did not propose to leave to Brother Crooker a monopoly of everything, not even of western members ; and he now desired to propose, for membership in the Club, Brother Ralph E. Sprague, of Chicago, a member of the Epsilon Deuteron.

And Brother Sprague responded, and invited us to song ; and we sang, and then Brother Brookins spoke, giving a resumé of the history of the Theta Delta Chi graduate organizations in this city, and explaining the relations between the present Club and its predecessor. Then Brother Dougherty addressed us, and many others ; but I am not going to tell all that was said and done, you should have been there, if only to observe the welcome given to Brother Frank L. Jones on his arrival, for Brother Jones has so much of Theta Delta Chi in him, and is not able to be with us often.

So with words and songs and with jolly good cheer the evening melted pleasantly away until the small hours were reached ; when, after voting the smoker a complete success, the brothers started "homeward bound."

F. N. D.

ROBERT W. DOUGLASS

In the spring of 1899, Brother Ralph L. Burbank, Kappa, '98, learned that, during the previous summer, a Theta Delta Chi badge had been found in a highway at Block Island, R. I. Brother Burbank immediately instituted a search for the relic, and finally succeeded in securing possession of it ; whereupon he



generously turned it over to the Grand Lodge for preservation by the fraternity. The badge proved to be the fraternity pin of Robert W. Douglass, Zeta, '58; and through the kindness of Brother Charles P. Schmid, Pi Deuteron, '97, the relic has been photographed for *THE SHIELD*.¹ From correspondence with a number of brothers who knew Douglass in college, the editor is able to supply the following account of the owner of the badge:²

Robert W. Douglass entered Brown University from Brooklyn, New York, and joined the class of 1858, of which John Hay, Clarence S. Bate, Elbert S. Carman, Henry G. Merriam, and Augustus E. Scott were members. Brother Hay writes: "Robert W. Douglass left college before I entered. I never met him." But those who knew Douglass at Brown testify unanimously that he was a man of singular attractiveness and charm, and was greatly beloved by all his associates. Brother Elbert S. Carman was, perhaps, Douglass's most intimate friend; and Brother William L. Stone writes that Carman and Douglass received the appellation, *par nobile fratrum*. Brother Henry G. Merriam writes: "I remember Robert Douglass very pleasantly; we were intimate friends, and were much together while in college. He was greatly beloved by all who knew him, and endeared himself especially to all in the Theta Delta Chi. He was gentlemanly and courteous in manner; quiet and dignified; as well as very careful in all matters of dress." Brother Franklin Burdge writes: "Douglass was a man of remarkable beauty of person and elegance of dress."

Brother Douglass did not graduate from college, and left Brown before John Hay entered the class of 1858. All that seems to be known of him subsequently is contained in the following words of Brother Burdge: "He died (I presume of consumption) a short time after he left college. He is buried at Newport in the large cemetery, near the tomb of the Belmonts. The stone

¹Brother Schmid writes that he made a magnified image, so that the photograph exaggerates the dimensions of the badge. The enlargement served "to accentuate the inequalities of the surface" which was quite rough on account of the fact that the enamel was badly worn and chipped.

²See also Memorial History of Theta Delta Chi, 100-101; *THE SHIELD*, XVI, 127.

has cut upon it a fine shield of Theta Delta Chi. I hunted it up about twelve years ago, and sent an account to *THE SHIELD*, where it was printed."

It will be noticed that, upon the back of Brother Douglass's badge, appears the inscription "Brn. Univ. 1854." The editor has been unable to secure any satisfactory explanation of the date, which is not that of the graduation of the class of which Douglass was a member. As Brother Stone suggests, this date may be an illustration of the careless manner in which such details were managed in the olden time.



THAT SPLENDID DAY

Oh, sweetly breaks that morning's light :
 In splendor shines the noonday sun ;
 Enchanting comes the cooling night ;
 And joyous all our currents run !
 For life was new and hope was bright,
 And Theta Delta Chi was young.

Far from the gray and mossy walls,
 We wander forth the trees among ;
 Soft on the earth the footstep falls,—
 His arm about my neck was flung,—
 O well my heart that day recalls,
 When Theta Delta Chi was young.

And late my ears our vows had heard,
 In solemn accents from his tongue,
 And now to me with eager word,
 He pours the thoughts his bosom wrung,—
 The high and daring thoughts that stirred
 When Theta Delta Chi was young.

And not our joys alone he pleads.
 "Oh I have dreamed," with moist'ning eye,
 He cries, "that such sweet social deeds
 The hearts of North and South might tie !
 Then think us true ; where my way leads
 I'll hold your Southern manhood high."

That night as one in stately dream,
 I sped him on his northward way ;
 Nor joy nor grief, but peace supreme
 Upon my weakened feelings lay.
 I knew him,—man in men's esteem,
 My friend henceforth, and come what may.

I saw that kindling face again ;
 But then with war's fierce zeal aflame.
 Up to our guns he led his men,
 Indiff'rent to their deadly aim.
 O wildly surged the old love then ;
 I could not save, and saw him slain !

From that dread scene I turn away ;
 But in my dreams, rare visions come.
 Then shines again that splendid day ;
 Again we walk those trees among ;
 Our hearts in union throb, for they
 And Theta Delta Chi are young.

ALUMNUS.

THE KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA LITIGATION IN MASSACHUSETTS

The legal proceedings brought in behalf of a chapter of the woman's college society of Kappa Kappa Gamma against the Massachusetts member of the Supreme Council of the society, to restrain her from taking part in proceedings to withdraw the charter of the chapter, have resulted in a decision adverse to the petitioners, and the chapter has since waived any claim to an appeal.

To reach an understanding of the course and effect of the litigation in Massachusetts, it is important to state the principal facts on which the proceedings were based, although these have been already set forth with considerable fulness in Professor Huffcut's articles in this magazine.¹

¹See *THE SHIELD*, Vol. XV, p. 108 ; Vol. XVI, p. 143.

Kappa Kappa Gamma is a woman's fraternity, having in 1898 twenty-nine active chapters. Like most Greek-letter fraternities, it is an unincorporated voluntary association, with no legal existence apart from its members. The Beta Beta Chapter of the fraternity is located at St. Lawrence University, in the town of Canton, New York. The fraternity is governed by a National Convention which meets every one or two years, and by a Grand Council, elected by this convention, which has authority to act in the fraternity management only in the interim between the convention's sessions. This general government of the fraternity is provided for by its constitution and standing rules.

St. Lawrence University is a college with about 250 students, of whom in 1898, 35 were women, most of them members of Kappa Kappa Gamma or Delta Delta Delta. Two-thirds of the women students were residents of Canton. The Beta Beta Chapter was formed in 1881 from a secret club, the Browning Society, which had existed since 1873. The chapter claims that upon its establishment, the fraternity adopted the grip and much of the procedure of the Browning Society. It further claims that it came into the fraternity at the fraternity's urgent request, and under a special agreement or treaty, by which, without initiation, its undergraduate and alumnae members became a chapter of the fraternity, with the right of perpetual succession, on the sole condition that they should conform to its rules and usages. The fraternity denies that such a treaty was ever made by its authority, and denies that any person could become a member without initiation. A charter, however, was granted in 1881 to the then active members of the Browning Society and their successors, "fully constituting them" a chapter of the fraternity and giving them "full power to perform all duties and ceremonies appertaining to the same, whilst they conform to the rules and usages of the fraternity," with a provision that "otherwise this charter may be declared null and void."

The Beta Beta Chapter remained a chapter of the fraternity in good standing for some sixteen years. It had a prosperous existence, rented a house, and maintained a strong alumnae association in Canton and another in New York. During these sixteen years seventeen of the present chapters of the fraternity were estab-

lished, and the charters of various chapters were withdrawn, in most cases because they failed to prosper or appeared to exist under unfavorable conditions, and in all cases with the consent of two-thirds of the active chapters, including the Beta Beta Chapter at St. Lawrence University. It appears, furthermore, that the constitution of Kappa Kappa Gamma provides that to withdraw a charter, a unanimous vote of the Council and a two-thirds vote of the several chapters are necessary.

During the spring of 1898 the Beta Beta Chapter was visited at different times by various officers of the Grand Council, who conferred with each other as to their observations, and concluded to recommend a withdrawal of its charter. No intimation of the unfavorable attitude was given to the chapter at the visitation; but during the month of May, 1898, the Grand Council took action in favor of submitting the withdrawal of its charter to a vote of the other chapters. The reasons submitted were, the standard of the college as to which it was claimed that the admission requirements were too low and the faculty too small; the lack of material, since there were only thirty-five women students; and a claim that there was a want of culture among the women of the college and the town, and that the chapter would be uncongenial with the other chapters of the fraternity.

These proceedings were afterwards withdrawn before the holding of the National Convention of the fraternity during the summer vacation; but they roused great indignation among the members of the Beta Beta Chapter. On May 31, July 15, and November, 5, they published letters of protest addressed to the members of the fraternity at large, and in August they prepared a printed pamphlet called "A Statement Concerning the late Attempt to Withdraw the Charter of Beta Beta Chapter," containing reasons against a withdrawal, to be submitted to the convention. This was afterwards republished and sent out to the fraternity alumnae. Meantime, a suit was begun in New York on June 14 against Miss Mary J. Hull, the editor of the Kappa Kappa Gamma *Key* and a member of the Grand Council, to enjoin her from taking further action, and on June 28 a bill in equity for a similar purpose was filed in the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts. It should be stated that in both cases the

bill was brought by certain members of the chapter acting in its behalf against all five officers of the Supreme Council, but Miss Hull was the only officer living within the jurisdiction of the New York Courts, while Miss Bertha P. Richmond, the Grand President, was the only Massachusetts member of the Council. In both cases a preliminary injunction was issued against the members within the state. The injunction issued in Massachusetts by Mr. Justice Barker restrained the defendant "from officially or personally taking action to perfect the withdrawal of the charter of the Beta Beta Chapter of the Kappa Kappa Gamma fraternity under the proceedings begun by the request of May 23, 1898, and from treating those proceedings as an effectual withdrawal of the charter." A copy of the fraternity constitution was annexed to the bill, but was withdrawn from the files by agreement of counsel.

The Grand Council abandoned the proceedings begun in May; but on August 11, after the college had closed for the summer vacation, the secretary of the Beta Beta Chapter received at her home a communication announcing that on August 29, at the convention, the Grand Council would pass on the questions whether the charter should be withdrawn for lack of proper material, and whether it should be withdrawn for breach of the fraternity rules and usages by making public the constitution and submitting to outsiders official letters and documents. A hearing was to be given on these matters on August 25.

The Beta Beta Chapter appears to have appointed delegates to the convention, and had prepared a printed statement to submit on the question of whether the charter should be withdrawn; but it claims it had no time and not sufficient notice to make special preparation to meet these charges, or to be officially represented for that purpose. The Council claimed that the hearing was not in the nature of a trial, but was held to obtain fuller information.

Seven members of the chapter appeared before the Grand Council at the convention, and filed a protest in writing against any withdrawal of the charter. On August 29 the Council by formal vote recommended that the charter be withdrawn, and submitted the question to the chapters, with a written statement of

reasons, which the Beta Beta Chapter claims was not brought to the notice of its representatives. The Council claims that, because of the objections raised by the Beta Beta Chapter, a list of more particular specifications than those previously named was submitted to the chapters at large, which the Beta Beta Chapter was given several weeks to answer.

Over two-thirds of the other active chapters voted in due course to withdraw the charter of Beta Beta. Thereupon the Grand Council declared the charter void, made a demand upon the chapter to surrender all fraternity documents in its possession, and proclaimed that the chapter had ceased to exist. Under the constitution and rules of the fraternity, the effect of the withdrawal of the charter was to deprive the chapter of the right to initiate new members and to be represented in convention; but all persons who were members at the time of the withdrawal retained their standing as members of the fraternity, and no property of the chapter was ever physically taken from its possession.

In the suit in New York, after a finding of facts in favor of the chapter by a judge of the trial term of the Supreme Court, and a judgment for the relief prayed for by the petitioners, the case was taken to the Appellate Division, which on May 17, 1900, affirmed the judgment below, and restrained the defendants from proceeding to withdraw the charter of the Beta Beta Chapter so long as it should conform to the rules and usages of the fraternity. (*Heaton v. Hull*, 51 App. Div., 126, 64 N. Y., Suppl., 279). The opinion was fully discussed in Professor Huffcut's article in *THE SHIELD*, but it is worth while to recall that it went on the grounds that the charter created a contract between the fraternity and the chapter, and gave the chapter a right to permanence so long as it conformed to fraternity usages; that, although the charter was subject to the constitution and by-laws, no authority was shown in either for revoking it unless fraternity usages were violated; that no right was reserved to revoke a charter for lack of proper material for initiates; that the publication of fraternity secrets was no breach, because the action of the fraternity itself compelled it; and that rights were affected for the loss of which a court of equity would give remedy. Though no members were expelled or property rights

appropriated, there is a loss of a club home which "is not merely sentimental ; it is a substantial loss which has always been markedly felt wherever a charter of a fraternity has been withdrawn from a college. . . . It is the same wrong to extinguish a man's club as to expel him from his club. . . . This action may be without actual precedent. No case is cited, however, where a court has refused to interfere when an expulsion has been attempted, unauthorized by the rules of the club,"

The opinion was delivered by Justice W. L. Smith, Justices Herrick and Kellogg concurring. Two of the five judges, (the two non-fraternity men), Justices Parker and Merwin, dissented without giving an opinion.

In view of the preliminary injunctions issued by the courts of Massachusetts and New York, all further proceedings treating the charter as withdrawn had been stayed by the fraternity authorities. On March 17, 1900, however, a new suit was begun in behalf of the chapter by bill in equity filed in the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts, with a view to testing the validity of the Grand Council's action, and on May 25 the former suit in Massachusetts was abandoned by consent. The petitioners in the new proceeding alleged that the action of the Grand Council in August, 1898, was improper under the fraternity rules and usages because the Council had no power to act except between sittings of the convention ; because at the hearing on August 25 no proof was offered of the charges against the chapter ; because the charges were untrue, to the knowledge of the Council ; because the officers had prejudged the case, and did not give an impartial hearing ; and because, knowing the charges to be groundless, they personally urged the delegates to favor withdrawing the charter. The defendants answered that the chapter produced no evidence to refute the charges against it at the hearing, but did so at a special meeting of the convention, called at its delegates' request ; that the action of the Council was in large measure based on the officers' observations at personal visitations to the chapter ; that it is a usage of the fraternity to determine the question of withdrawing charters largely upon impressions and information obtained at such visitations ; and that the Council

was at all times ready to receive information and hear the defence made by the chapter, and did so fully and impartially.

The petitioners in their bill claimed property rights in the *Key*, in an edition of the fraternity catalogue, in the sum of seven hundred dollars in the fraternity treasury, and in property in the offices of the fraternity. They further claimed that a withdrawal of their charter would deprive them of their interest in this property and of their right to collect fees and dues, would discredit the members of the chapter, and would compel it to surrender fraternity documents accumulated during twenty-three years. The defendants denied that the right to collect dues was given them by the charter or taken away by its withdrawal; and answered that the fraternity is merely a voluntary association for social intercourse, and makes no provisions for holding property except funds collected by dues for current expenses; that the withdrawal of a charter is a matter of fraternity policy, affecting no rights of person or property, and the chapters are merely the machinery of the fraternity organization; and that the question was between the chapter and the society and not between the chapter and the Grand Council, and consequently all members of the society in the state should have been made parties to the bill. This last point, however, was waived in the hearing, as both parties desired a decision on the merits. The relief sought by the plaintiffs' bill was an injunction against treating the proceedings taken as a withdrawal of the charter; against excluding from convention delegates and alumnae of the Beta Beta Chapter; against withdrawing the charter while the chapter should conform to the fraternity rules; against violating the treaty of establishment, and against interfering with the chapter's enjoyment of all rights and privileges; and that the proceedings of withdrawal might be declared void.

Several long and elaborate depositions were taken; and in June, 1900, the case came on to be heard at Boston upon these depositions and oral evidence before a single judge of the Supreme Judicial Court, Mr. Justice Hammond sitting. Messrs. Owen D. Young and Edmund A. Whitman appeared for the petitioners, representing the Beta Beta Chapter, and Mr. Edward A. Adler was associated with them. Mr. Addison C. Burnham, of

the firm of Carver & Blodgett, represented the defendant, Miss Richmond.

The petitioners conceded that if the charter of the chapter had been withdrawn after a fair and honest hearing, with proper notice given, under a procedure conducted according to the rules of the fraternity and by the body authorized by those rules to act, the chapter would have no legal redress (*Karcher v. S. L. Knights of Honor*, 137 Mass., 368, 372). But they contended that the withdrawal of the charter in this case had been attempted by unfair methods, not according to the rules of the fraternity, and by a body having no jurisdiction to act at the time when the vote to withdraw the charter was passed. They cited some of the numerous cases in which it had been held that a member who has been unfairly expelled from a church, a brokers' board, a Masonic organization, or a club may be given a remedy in the courts.¹ They argued that they were entitled to sufficient notice and a

¹The petitioners cited, on the point that the court should grant relief against the single member of the Grand Council upon whom service was made, *McFadden v. Murphy*, 149 Mass. 341; *Smith v. Williams*, 116 Mass. 510; *Birmingham v. Gallagher*, 112 Mass. 190; Encyl. Pl. and Pr. vol. 15, p. 606. To the point that this existence of property, in the ordinary sense of the term, was unnecessary, or even if necessary there was here a sufficient violation of property rights, *Heaton v. Hull*, 51 N. Y. App. Div. 126; *White v. Brownell*, 2 Daly, 329; *Metropolitan Base Ball Club v. Simmons*, 17 Pa. W. N. C. 153; *Innes v. Wylie*, 1 Car. & Kirw. 257, 262; *Farmer v. Kansas City Board of Trade*, 78 Mo. App. 557; *Huston v. Reutlinger*, 91 Ky. 333, 336-339; *Finch v. Oake*, L. R. [1896] 1 Ch. 409 (ruling of Keke-wich, J., at p. 413); *Rigby v. Connol*, L. R. 14 Ch. D. 482, 490-491. If these cases, *Metropolitan Base Ball Club v. Simmons* appears to go farthest in the petitioners' favor, declaring that membership is "a right as sacred as any property." To the the point that the chapter was entitled to adequate notice and a fair hearing before an unprejudiced body, the petitioners cited *Labouchere v. Earl of Wharnclyffe*, L. R. 13 Ch. D. 346 (the "Beefsteak Club case"); *Loubat v. LeRoy*, 40 Hun, 546, where a member was expelled from the Union Club of New York City; *Baird v. Wells*, L. R. 44 Ch. D. 661 (the Pelican Club case), and *Gray v. Christian Society*, 137 Mass., 329. On the question whether notice was waived they cited *Downing v. St. Columba's Society*, 10 Daly, 262; on the effect of the constitutional requirement of secrecy, *National Fertilizer Co. v. Holland*, 107 Ala. 412; on the effect of fraternity usage, *Connell v. Stallser*, 21 N. Y. Misc. 609; *Knights of Pythias' Case*, 3 Brewst. 452.

fair and unbiased hearing ; that it was not necessary that property rights should be involved, or if it was necessary that there was sufficient property, according to the evidence in this case, and the court would not enter into the question of the amount (citing on this point, among other authorities, Professor Huffcut's article in the *THE SHIELD*) ; and that no usage could create a right to expel members in violation of natural justice. It was also contended that, as Miss Hull's vote had been declared void by the New York courts, the constitutional requirement of a unanimous vote of the Grand Council in favor of the withdrawal of a charter had not been complied with.

The defendant argued that the cases of expulsion from clubs did not apply, because no member had been expelled and no property right had been interfered with. The fraternity has no property except a fund for incidental expenses raised by a small tax on undergraduate members, and this fund had been entirely expended at the time the charter was withdrawn. After a charter is withdrawn, persons previously members of the chapter remain so, and are eligible to fraternity offices. They may form an alumnae association and send a delegate to convention, although she would have no power to vote. Charters have for twenty years, by fraternity usage, been withdrawn for want of proper material, and the Beta Beta Chapter has raised no objection. The courts, they said, will not interfere to enforce contracts of personal association and intercourse, except where the person expelled is deprived of property or of a commercial or statutory right.¹ The fraternity constitution, the defendants

¹On this point, the defendants cited Wortheimer's *Law of Clubs* (2d ed.) p. 64; *Baird v. Wells*, L. R. 44 Ch. D. 661; *People v. Chicago Board of Trade*, 80 Ill., 134; *Robinson v. Yales Lodge A. F. A. Masons*, 86 Ill., 598, which holds that an expelled Mason cannot get back his dues; *Manning v. San Antonio Club*, 63 Tex. 166; *Fitzgerald v. Robinson*, 112 Mass., 371; *Shannon v. Frost*, 3 B. Mon., 252; *Bouldin v. Alexander*, 15 Wall., 139; *State v. Odd Fellows' Grand Lodge*, 8 Mo. App., 148. In this last case, upon which the defendants particularly relied, a subordinate Odd Fellows' Lodge was suspended because of dissensions, and the charter was then restored to certain of its members, who excluded four others by a majority vote. The excluded members claimed that the proceedings were irregular, and that they were deprived of an interest in Lodge property worth \$500

claimed, does not preclude the Grand Council from voting on the withdrawal of chapters during the sessions of the convention. The chapter, they urged, was given sufficient notice, and by appearing and submitting the case at the convention it waived all technical objections. The relation of membership should not be considered a contractual one, or one looking to the holding of property.

The case was taken under advisement of Judge Hammond, and on June 25, 1900, he issued an order that the petitioners' bill should be dismissed with costs, with the following memorandum of ground of decree: "Without passing upon the other questions raised by the defence, I do not find any substantial property right involved, and on that ground, dismiss the bill."

Under Massachusetts practice, a suit in equity in a case like this may be brought originally in either the Superior or the Supreme Judicial Court. The hearing is before a single justice, and in either case appeal may be taken to the full bench of Supreme Judicial Court. Only full bench decisions are reported.

and in a relief fund of \$1,500; but the court held that no property right was violated, and that the proceedings were regular and binding on the complainants. The defendants claimed that the dicta in *Labouchere v. Earl of Wharnclyffe* and *Loubat v. LeRoy*, above, and in *Fisher v. Keane*, L. R., 11 Ch. D., 353, that unfair conviction of personal misconduct is a ground for legal interference, have been overruled or discredited in *Rigby v. Connol* L. R. 14 Ch. D., 482 and *Baird v. Wells*, 44 Ch. D., 461. They distinguished *Metropolitan Base Ball Club v. Simmons* as relating to an association for commercial purposes, and depending on statutory provisions, and certain regulations of the association. On the effect of fraternity usage, they cited *Topliff v. Topliff*, 122 U. S., 121, 131; *Crooker v. Cotting*, 166 Mass., 183, 187; *Lovejoy v. Lovett*, 124 Mass., 270, 274; *Whittenden Mfg. Co. v. Staples*, 164 Mass., 319, 321, 326. On the chapter's acquiescence in the fraternity's construction of its rules, they cited *Dawkins v. Antrobus*, L. R., 17 Ch. D., 615; *Riley v. Hale*, 158 Mass., 240, 255; *Murray v. Roberts*, 150 Mass., 353, 355, and other cases. To show that the proceedings were properly conducted, they cited *State v. Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce*, 47 Wis. 670, 673, 682; *Grosvenor v. United Society of Believers*, 118 Mass., 78; *Inderwick v. Snell*, 2 MacN. & G., 216; *Spelman v. Home Circle*, 157 Mass., 128; *Gardner v. Freemantle*, 19 W. R., 256, 259. On the point that publication of the charter, though necessary to protect supposed legal rights, would be ground for expulsion, they cited *Doyle v. Continental Ins. Co.*, 94 U. S., 535.

The petitioners appealed from the final decree entered in the case July 25 ; but on November 12 their appeal was withdrawn.

From the standpoint of other Greek-letter fraternities, it is perhaps to be regretted that the questions raised in this case have not been passed upon by the highest courts of Massachusetts and New York. The Beta Beta Chapter has, however, maintained a successful existence during the period of storm and stress, and has recently bought a chapter house worth six or seven thousand dollars. For a year it published a periodical, *The Latchstring*. Possibly the fraternity may conclude that a chapter that has made such a vigorous struggle for existence is too valuable to lose. Up to date, however, the victory is with the general officers of the fraternity, for, unless they live within the jurisdiction of the New York courts, they can take such action as they see fit.

Under the various forms of organization among college Greek-letter societies, there are at least three possible cases where the courts might apply a different rule, if the validity of a charter withdrawal should be questioned. In the first place, if the central fraternity organization should be the holder in trust for the individual chapter of a house and land or an endowment fund, the reasons for the decision in the present case would obviously be less applicable. In the second place, if the central organization were the holder of a large accumulated fund, from the income or distribution of which the individual chapters were to receive special benefits, a different conclusion might be reached. Thirdly, it is conceivable that a college fraternity chapter might own a house and grounds so constructed and laid out that they would be of less pecuniary value if used for any other purpose than as a chapter house of a college society. Possibly the property might have less value for the purposes of the chapter, continued in existence as a local secret society, than it would have for a chapter-house of a general college fraternity. If such were the case, the chapter might argue that a withdrawal of its charter deprived it of a substantial property right ; and the question would then arise, how much weight the courts would give to the argument that the selling value of the chapter's property, either in the limited market for college chapter houses or in the market for its sale as a private residence, would not be as large after the

withdrawal of the charter as before. College fraternities will become of interest to the courts in proportion as they become property-holding organizations.

It is of course fruitless to speculate upon what would have been the decision if the court had passed on the regularity of the proceedings of the Kappa Kappa Gamma fraternity authorities. A recent case in Massachusetts, however, throws light on the attitude of the courts there upon the question of interfering with the internal administration of social and fraternal organizations. In *Grand Commandery U. O. G. C. v. Stewart* (December 12, 1900) 177 Mass. 235, the complainant was a corporation, the Massachusetts Grand Commandery of the United Order of the Golden Cross, and the defendants were an investigating committee of the Supreme Commandery, and the Supreme Commandery itself a Tennessee corporation. The Massachusetts Commandery, in its bill in equity, alleged that it had supervision of the local lodges in Massachusetts, with a membership of about two thousand, and was engaged in organizing fraternal insurance; that it did an extensive business and collected and received large sums; that it was summoned on seven days' notice to attend a hearing on charges alleged to be without foundation; that no duly authenticated copy of the charges had been served upon it; that its next regular meeting was not for several weeks, and that it believed that the notice had been given in the way in which it was in order to prevent the plaintiff from having an opportunity to answer the charges. It further claimed that the action upon the charges would interfere with its business in organizing fraternal insurance, and cause it pecuniary loss. The investigating committee demurred to the bill, as failing to show that the matter was beyond the power of the Supreme Commandery, and because it was admitted by the allegations in the bill that the committee constituted a court of special jurisdiction, and it did not appear that the plaintiff had exhausted its remedy before that court and before the Supreme Commandery itself. The court below sustained the demurrer, and its decision was affirmed by the Supreme Judicial Court. The opinion, by Chief Justice Holmes, it seems worth while to reprint in full :

"The bill shows that the plaintiff actually knew the time and place of the defendant's intended meeting and the nature of the charges against it. It does not suggest that the defendants will not hear the plaintiffs' defence. If the plaintiff wants a certified copy of the charges, there is nothing to show that it cannot get one by sending to the defendants. Whatever difficulties it may have in dealing with the proceedings because of its own constitution are its own affair. The proceedings of the defendants appear to be following the regular course of the defendant corporation when charges are preferred against subordinate bodies like the plaintiff. If there has been any technical omission, which is not clear, it seems to have done no harm, and certainly is not ground for an injunction."

From this opinion it appears clearly enough that the Massachusetts court is not disposed to interfere in the disciplinary proceedings of private organizations unless a plain case is shown of irregularity and unfairness likely to result in substantial harm. This is a conclusion with which most members of college fraternities are likely to be entirely satisfied.

It is interesting to note that Judge Hammond, who decided the Kappa Kappa Gamma case, is a Theta Delt (Kappa, '61). Judge Barker, who granted the preliminary injunction, is a graduate of Williams, and a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. Of the counsel, Mr. Young and Mr. Adler are St. Lawrence University men, and members of Beta Theta Pi. Mr. Whitman is a graduate of Harvard. Mr. Young and Mr. Whitman have married members of the Beta Beta Chapter, whose charter was in question. Mr. Burnham's wife is a former Grand President of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity.¹

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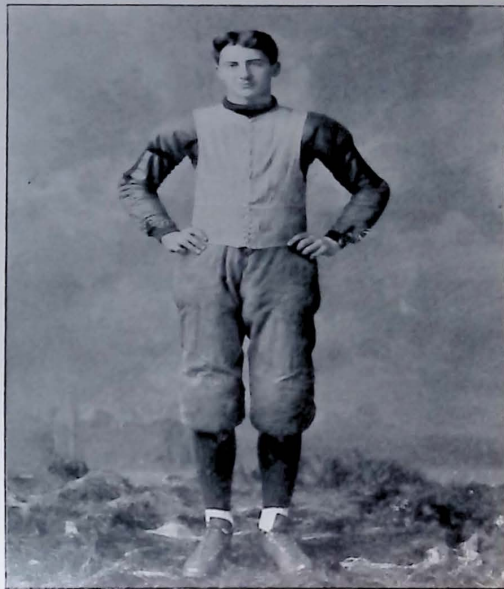
¹ The writer wishes to acknowledge his indebtedness to Mr. Burnham and Mr. Whitman for copies of briefs and pleadings, and to Mr. Adler and Mr. Young for much information about the case.

THE NEW CATALOGUE

Brother Frederic Carter, Custodian of the Archives, wishes to have the following notice reach every reader of **THE SHIELD** at the earliest possible moment. Work upon the new Catalogue is now so far advanced that copy is being prepared for the printer, and it is hoped to issue the book before the convention meets in July. To this end everyone who can contribute any data that will aid the Custodian is earnestly requested to forward such information at once. All material must be on hand by May 1, in order to secure the prompt publication of the Catalogue. Address all communications to Frederic Carter, 1424, Broadway, New York City.



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THETA DELTA CHI IN FOOTBALL

During the football season of nineteen hundred Theta Delta Chi was particularly well represented on college teams ; some of the charges having as many as four men playing regularly on the first eleven. In order that the fraternity may more generally know something of these men, we have secured a short sketch of the brothers who played on varsity teams last fall.

Beta was represented by Brother A. B. Morrison, 1901, who was born in Geneva, New York, June 4th, 1878. He prepared for college at the Geneva High School, where he played football for three years, the last year as captain of the team. In the fall of ninety-six he entered Hobart, and there played full-back on the college team ; the following fall he entered Cornell, where he was elected captain of the freshman team. In his sophomore year he was substitute half-back on the varsity ; in his junior and senior years he has played that position regularly. Brother Morrison's knowledge of football has been recognized by his being offered the position of coach at the Virginia Military Institute. He has accepted the offer, which is a good one. In addition to his work in football, Brother Morrison has played baseball ; he has also played basket-ball and is this year captain of the team.

Brother George A. Sawin, Iota, 1901, who was Harvard's best half-back during this last season, was born in Cambridge, Mass., October 12th, 1878. While attending the Cambridge Manual Training School he played football for three years ; his last year there he was captain of the team. In ninety-seven he entered Harvard, and that year made the varsity squad ; he played in several games, but was injured toward the close of the season. The following fall he played more or less regularly on the team, trying every position behind the line. The next year he made left half-back and played that position through the whole season. In his senior year he again played left half-back thus having played four years with the Harvard varsity. Brother Sawin will be graduated with very high standing, certainly "Cum Laude."

Brother Marion F. Dolph, Iota Deuteron, 1901, was born at Portland, Oregon, July 7th, 1880. He prepared for Williams at Portland Academy, where he played football for several years as half-back on the academy team. In the fall of ninety-seven he entered Williams College; here he has played football during the four years of his course. In his freshman year Brother Dolph played on the second team and his class team; in his sophomore year he made full-back on the first team, and since then has played that position regularly. Brother Dolph also plays baseball.

Brother Charles Milton Davenport, Iota Deuteron, 1901, was born at Leydon, Mass., September 18th, 1877. He prepared for college in the Greenfield High School, Greenfield, Mass.; in ninety-seven he entered Williams College. Brother Davenport did not take any active interest in football until his junior year, when he played on the varsity squad until he was so injured that he was unable to play the rest of the season. Last fall he succeeded in making right guard on the first team, which position he played regularly. Brother Davenport is very energetic in all lines of college activity.

Brother Josiah Butler, Kappa, 1901, was born at Lowell, Mass., June 25th, 1879. He entered Tufts College from the Lowell High School, where he had played football while preparing for college. In the fall of ninety-seven he played guard on the second team; in his sophomore year he was substitute guard; and in his junior and senior years he played that position regularly. Brother Butler is also interested in track athletics.

Brother Thomas Sawyer Knight, Kappa, 1903, was born at Tufts College, Mass., in 1882. He entered the college from the Somerville High School; while there he did not play football. Since entering college he has developed into one of Tufts best football men, playing full-back on the college team for two years and captaining his class team in his freshman year. Brother Knight is a good athlete; last spring he won several points in track meets.

Brother Lord Tyler Flagg, Kappa, 1903, was born at Richmond, Vermont, in 1879. In ninety-nine he was graduated from Goddard Seminary, at Barre, Vt., having played football three

seasons, twice as captain of the team. Since entering college he has played two years as half-back on the college team; in his sophomore year he was captain of his class team. Brother Flagg is also active in baseball, having captained his class team in freshman year and having played right field on the varsity.

Brother Joseph Allen Lamb, Kappa, 1903, was born in Granville, Vermont, in 1878. He prepared for college at the Goddard Seminary; there he played football for three years as full-back on the seminary team. He has played tackle on the college team for two years. Brother Lamb has also played second base on the varsity baseball team.

Brother Williams Darling Ballantine, Mu Deuteron, 1901, was born at Brooklyn, N. Y., December 23, 1877. He prepared for college at the High School at Fitchburg, Mass., from which he was graduated in ninety-seven. He played football on his school team for four years at end and half-back, and captained the team during his senior year. He also played with the Fitchburg Athletic Club team. On entering college he played with the varsity from his freshman year, at end during the first year, and tackle during his sophomore year. At the end of his second season he was elected captain for the season of ninety-nine, and was re-elected for the season of nineteen hundred. Both of these years he played right end. Brother Ballantine has the distinction of having played throughout every game played by the Amherst team in the last four years, never having been removed on account of injuries. Beside being a football man, Brother Ballantine held in ninety-nine the best record for total strength in the college, and fifth best in those colleges of the country which entered the contest.

Brother Warren Judson Burke, Mu Deuteron, 1902, was born at East Somerville, Mass., August 11, 1878. He prepared for college at Brewster Academy, Wolfboro, N. H., and at Mt. Hermon School, Mount Hermon, Mass., from which he was graduated in ninety-eight. He entered Amherst in September, 1898; but did not try for the football team until his sophomore year, when he played right guard. During the past season he played that position throughout every game.

Brother Harold Abbott Varnum, Mu Deuteron, 1903, was born at Lowell, Mass., March 4, 1880. He was prepared for college at the Lowell High School where he played on the school football team ; later he attended the preparatory department of Rollins College, Florida. He entered Amherst College in ninety-nine, and during his freshman year played on the second eleven. This fall he played regularly on the college team at right guard.

Brother John Christopher O'Connor, Omicron Deuteron, 1902, was Born at Bradford, Mass., December 21, 1879. He prepared for college at the Bradford High School ; there he played tackle on the school team. Later he entered Haverhill High School, from which he was graduated in ninety-eight. While there he was captain of the school team, playing full-back. In the fall of ninety-eight he entered Dartmouth College ; there he has played right end on the first team in every game since entering. Brother O'Connor has been elected captain of the varsity team for next year.

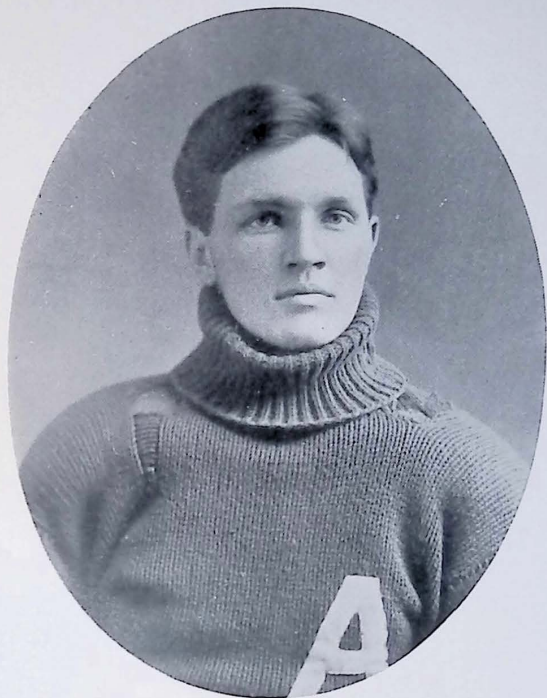
Brother William Parker Craig, Omicron Deuteron, 1902, prepared for college at the Cushing Academy, where he played football for two years. Later he entered the Vermont Academy ; there he played quarter-back and captained the school team. He entered Dartmouth College in the fall of ninety-eight, and in his freshman year made the college team as left tackle ; in his junior year he again played as left end.

Brother Charles Whelan, Omicron Deuteron, 1901, was born in 1870. In ninety-six he was graduated from the Weymouth High School, Weymouth, Mass. Brother Whelan played regularly on the college team as full-back during the fall of ninety-six ; he also played in ninety-nine, having been absent from college during the intervening years. He played half-back during the last season.

Brother Ellis E. Lawton, Chi, 1902, was born at Solway, New York in 1880. He prepared for college at the Jordan High School, from which he was graduated in ninety-eight. While attending that school he played football for three years, captaining the team in his last year. He entered Cornell with the class of 1902, but did not play football while in that institution. In the fall of ninety-nine he entered Rochester, and played regularly



J. C. O'CONNOR



W. D. BALLENTINE

throughout the season at half-back and tackle. During the season of nineteen hundred he played half-back on the varsity team.

Brother Fred Elmer Gladwin, Chi, 1904, was born at New York Mills, New York, in 1877. In ninety-three he entered Utica Free Academy, where he remained one year and where he first played football. The following year he entered the Brockport Normal School, where for the next four years he played on the team as guard, tackle, end, and half-back. The last two years he captained the team. After graduation he taught school in his native village and played football on the village team. In the fall of nineteen hundred he entered the University of Rochester, where he at once made the varsity as regular end.

Brother Warren J. McLaughlin, Psi, 1901, was born at Oil City, Penna., November 5, 1879; in eighty-seven he moved to Lima, Ohio. He prepared for college at the Lima High School, where he played on the school team for three years. In the fall of ninety-eight he entered Hamilton College as a sophomore; that year he made the college team, but was injured so that he played only a short while. The following year he played regularly as varsity quarter-back; because of an injury he was unable to play this last season, but had charge of the second team.

Brother Stuart B. Blakely, Psi, 1903, was born at Franklin, New York, January 14, 1882. He prepared for college at the Otsego High School, Otsego, New York. On entering Hamilton College he played guard on the second team; and in his sophomore year played centre on the first team.

FLETCHER M. DURBIN.

In Memoriam

ARTHUR L. BARTLETT

Lambda, '84

As THE SHIELD goes to press, word comes of the death of Brother A. L. Bartlett, ex-President of the Grand Lodge. Although time is lacking for the collection of the material necessary for a complete sketch of the life of our departed brother, the editor must needs pause in his labors to pay a last tribute to the memory of one to whom our fraternity owes much.

Brother Bartlett entered Boston University in the fall of 1880, at an age much in advance of that of the average undergraduate, having toiled hard in order to secure his preparatory training. Joining the Lambda Charge at a time when its fortunes were at a low ebb, he devoted all his energies to the upbuilding of the charge, and with signal success. Largely through his efforts Lambda secured its first permanent home, at 29 Ashburton Place, where for five or six years the charge led a prosperous existence. Though obliged to depend entirely upon himself for the means of completing his college course, and though compelled to deny himself many of the ordinary comforts of life, he always had money for the fraternity; and of his time, he gave as liberally as of his money. Many Lambda men will remember that, when Bartlett bought his fraternity badge, he spent literally almost the last penny that he had in the world. To him Lambda Charge was the most important thing in his college course.

But, while Brother Bartlett's zeal began very properly at home, his interest in the fraternity was not confined to the affairs of his own charge. As an undergraduate he represented Lambda at the Annual Conventions, and formed a wide circle of acquaintances in the various charges. Upon graduating from college he was instrumental in forming the old Boston Graduate Charge, and he mourned deeply the death of that organization. He served as President of the New England Association, and was always present at the Annual Conventions. From 1882 to 1890 no figure was more familiar to those who attended fraternity gatherings, large and small, than that of A. L. Bartlett.

In the spring of 1888, when Brother Perry resigned his position as President of the Grand Lodge, Brother Bartlett, who was then serving as a member of the committee appointed to revise the Constitution, was chosen as his successor. Until 1890 he continued to serve the fraternity as President, and those years were filled with good works that now form a part of our

history. The *Memorial History* of Theta Delta Chi records that, during Brother Bartlett's administration, regular correspondence was begun between the Grand Lodge and the charges; that inter-charge correspondence was extended and systematized; that all the charges were visited by the President; that the revision of the Constitution was pushed to completion; and that Phi Charge was reëstablished and the Gamma Deuteron was founded. It is to these years that the historian must date the revival of activity within the fraternity; and to the progress achieved during this period no one contributed more than Brother Bartlett,—perhaps no one contributed so much.

After graduating from Boston University in 1884, with the degree of A.B., Brother Bartlett engaged in the practice of the law in Boston, having been admitted to the bar before he decided to enter upon a regular college course. His office was at this time a rendezvous for Boston Theta Deltas, and he maintained a most active interest in the affairs of Lambda Charge. In 1890 he removed to California, where he remained for several years. From this time on he was unable to attend the Annual Conventions, and his face has been unknown to the younger generation of Theta Deltas. When he returned to New England a few years ago, he was much broken in health; and was seen by few of his old friends. With his wife and child he settled at Franklin, New Hampshire; and waited for the end to come. Fate continued to deal hardly with him; his little son was taken from him, and his last days were marked probably by financial adversity. Upon March 7 he died at Franklin, where his funeral took place two days later.

Although ten years have passed since his active association with the fraternity ceased, and a new generation that knew him not has come upon the scene, the news of Brother Bartlett's death will cause the deepest sorrow to our older members. He deserved well of his fraternity; and, if the last days had been his happiest, we should now mourn the loss of a devoted brother. But we are left with a deep sorrow that his life ended under such adverse conditions. Poor Bartlett! He saw his hopes of professional success disappointed and his health broken at an age when he should have been in his prime; then, as prosperity deserted him, his child also was taken away. What detail could be wanting to complete the sadness of the story? As we place on record this inadequate tribute to the services that he rendered the fraternity, we would not withhold some expression of our profound sorrow that his life must needs go out under circumstance of such peculiar sadness.

FRANCIS A. NICHOLS

Kappa, '65

INASMUCH, As God in His infinite wisdom has removed from this life our Brother, Francis A. Nichols, of the the class of 1865, and

INASMUCH, As, by his death, Kappa Charge has lost one of its most valued members, therefore

Resolved, That it is altogether fitting that we, the Kappa Charge of Theta Delta Chi, extend our heartfelt sympathy to the relatives and friends of our deceased brother.

For the Charge,

H. E. MOORE,
A. N. COOLIDGE.

PAUL ALFRED WATERS

Mu Deuteron, 1902

WHEREAS, It has pleased an all-wise Father to remove from us by the death of Brother Paul Alfred Waters, of the class of nineteen hundred and two, a trusted friend and beloved brother, and

WHEREAS, Realizing as we do the utter inadequacy of words at a time like this, we would yet in some fitting way make public testimonial of our loving regard for his memory and our sense of personal bereavement at his untimely death, be it

Resolved, That, while humbly submitting to the will of our Heavenly Father, we recognize in his death the loss of one whom we loved as a friend, cherished as a brother, and honored for the stature of manhood to which he had attained. To his high character and to our regard and love for him we desire to bear this imperfect but grateful testimony. And be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, published in the *Amherst Student* and the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD, and be entered in the records of the Charge, and that our badges be draped for the period of ninety days in token of our sorrow.

For the Mu Deuteron Charge,

FRANCIS G. BARNUM,
CHARLES W. ANDERSON,
WALTER T. BRYANT,
HAROLD F. GREENE,
FRED L. THOMPSON.

THE SHIELD

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AND LEIGH SANFORD.

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EDITORIAL

The attention of all our readers is called to the official notice of the Fifty-third Annual Convention of Theta Delta Chi, which is to be held at Buffalo on the second and third of next July. Every brother who can possibly do so should begin now to make arrangements for attending this meeting. Further announcements may be expected in the June number of THE SHIELD which will be issued some time in advance of the convention.

The New York Graduate Club has recently published a list of its members, of which THE SHIELD has received a copy. This organization now has 138 members representing 23 different charges; and those who read the account, published in this issue, of the recent smoker and midwinter reunion will be able to form some idea of the value of the work that the club is doing. We take this opportunity of calling to the attention of all Theta Deltas who ever visit New York the claims which this club has to their interest and active support.

During the last quarter we have received from a number of brothers various publications of interest to members of the fraternity. Brother A. C. Bunn, Xi, 1867, has sent in a report of the Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, of which he is now the Rector. This contains an admirable historical review of the growth of the work of the Charity Foundation during the last fifty years. Brother Lewis Halsey, Xi, 1868, sends the

directory of the Phoenix Baptist Church, of Phoenix, Arizona. From Brother A. G. Benedict, Psi, 1872, we have received the annual catalogue of Houghton Seminary, the excellent institution of which Brother Benedict is the Principal. Brother Lawrence T. Cole, Gamma Deuteron, 1892, has forwarded his inaugural address as Warden of St. Stephen's College, which we wish every Theta Delt could read. From Brother Edward W. Byrn, Sigma, 1870, we have received an able article, published in the *Scientific American*, upon "A Century of Progress in the United States." Brother E. C. Chamberlain, Phi, 1893, has sent us a copy of the *Automobile Magazine*, to which he contributes an interesting paper upon "The Automobile for the Physician." And finally there has come to hand the "History and Biographical Catalogue of the Beta Charge," of which an advertisement was printed in our last issue.

THE SHIELD has received, also, greetings from "the newest, farthest, and most loyal" of Theta Delt graduate clubs, formed by four good brothers who are sojourning in Rome for the year. An accompanying photograph contains a picture of the club, which is composed of the following brothers: C. R. Morey, Gamma Deuteron, 1899, O. A. Grassi, Pi Deuteron, 1900; W. S. Kendall, Iota, 1899; and J. S. Holbrook, Pi Deuteron, 1898. The address of the members of the club is 2 Via Gaeta, Rome. What Theta Delta Chi means to members situated as these four brothers are, can be realized, probably, only by those who have been in similar circumstances.

A recent article in the Delta Upsilon *Quarterly* furnishes us with a text for some remarks upon the subject of secrecy in fraternity affairs, a topic to which our attention has often been directed during the last five or ten years. In the article to which reference has been made, the writer contends that most, if not all, of the fraternities have in recent years abandoned a large part of the secrecy with which their proceedings were formerly conducted; so that Mr. W. R. Baird is right in saying, in one of the editions of his book upon American College Fraternities, that

their "secrecy is purely nominal." Naturally enough the writer in the *Quarterly* considers this change of policy a vindication of the principles for which Delta Upsilon has always stood. That there has been a most decided movement toward a relaxation of the secrecy that prevailed in former times, will be denied, probably, by no one whose experience with fraternity affairs goes back even to such a comparatively recent period as ten or twenty years ago; and we do not need to look outside of our own fraternity for facts that prove the existence of such a tendency. The editor can remember distinctly what a sensation and protest were aroused in the convention of 1886 when it was found that the names of the officers and delegates present, as well as some hints concerning one or two subjects that were under discussion, had been given to the daily papers. Whereas, in recent years it has become customary for *THE SHIELD* to publish almost a complete account of the proceedings of the Annual Convention. To this relaxation of the rules requiring secrecy two causes, at least, have contributed. One of these is the very laudable desire of *THE SHIELD* to publish the news; the other is the fact that only by such a method can those graduates who are unable to attend the conventions be informed concerning the affairs of the fraternity, for, obviously, it would be unwise to circulate among three or four hundred men the printed record of convention proceedings. Some fraternities issue two publications,—one public, the other secret; but even the device of publishing a secret journal is not altogether satisfactory. Last year, for instance, a copy of one of these publications intended only for the elect came to *THE SHIELD* along with the regular exchanges; and, moreover, such pamphlets are certain in many cases to find their way eventually into the hands of dealers in second-hand books. Enough has been said to make it plain that the situation is such as to merit careful consideration. Upon the one hand, we are anxious that our graduates should be informed, as fully as possible, concerning the matters that are of present interest to the fraternity; but, upon the other, our present policy is leading us rapidly and inevitably to a point where our secrecy will become purely nominal. It is not our purpose to enter upon a discussion with the Delta Upsilon *Quarterly* concerning the advantages or disadvantages of secrecy: the

position of Delta Upsilon is well understood ; and it is equally certain that our own policy has, in the past, tended in the opposite direction. But we desire to invite the attention of our readers to a question that involves the whole future policy of the fraternity in regard to a matter that has always been considered of vital importance. Our professed secrecy is not yet a thing that exists in name only, although the last ten years have seen great changes in this particular. In our own opinion the secrecy of the fraternity should *never* become nominal ; and it is time that the present tendency should be checked, and that our transactions should be given less publicity. Undoubtedly the cardinal point is our faith in brotherhood, and not secrecy ; but we believe that fraternal relations lose something of their charm when the veil of privacy and secrecy is wholly withdrawn, and we trust Theta Delta Chi will never sanction any policy that must ultimately result in complete publicity. For this reason we shall, in the future, endeavor to draw the line more carefully between the things that are and those which are not, under our traditional policy, proper subjects for discussion outside of our brotherhood.

The editor is glad to be able to announce that the June number of THE SHIELD will contain Brother Spahn's "History of Chi Charge." Our readers will be glad to know, also, that Brother Norman Hackett has been keeping a diary of his various journeyings this winter, during which he has made a point of visiting all Theta Deltas in the cities included in the itinerary of the company with which he is connected. This diary we expect to publish in June. For our September issue we hope to have Brother Start's "History of Kappa Charge," and an article by Brother Dodd upon "Fraternity Accounting." We can announce, also, that, in addition to Brother Harstrom's article on the Xi Charge, a history of Mu Deuteron has been started by Brother Harry A Bullock. It will be seen that volume xvii of THE SHIELD will not be lacking in contributions of permanent interest.

In the direction of constructing charge houses, the activity of Theta Delta Chi is growing apace. Iota's beautiful house is

approaching completion ; the annex to the Beta Charge House will be occupied next month ; Rho Deuteron has instituted definite plans for acquiring a permanent home ; Phi will certainly not lag behind its rivals when the time comes for action at Lafayette ; and at least three other charges, whose names THE SHIELD is not authorized to mention, have entered upon plans which promise ultimate success. In all these cases the important thing is to decide upon a definite plan of campaign upon which interest can be centered and latent enthusiasm aroused. When this is accomplished, the loyalty of our members, both graduate and undergraduate, can be relied upon to do the rest.

With this issue, Brothers Davenport, Osborn, and Hagen have turned over to their successors their respective departments of SHIELD work. To these three brothers the editor extends his heartiest thanks for the willing and efficient aid that they have furnished him during the past year. Their assistance has been of the greatest importance at all times, and to them the thanks of both the editor and the fraternity are due. It is proper to state, also, that many other members of the Iota Deuteron Charge have coöperated in the work of conducting THE SHIELD, and that no request of the board of editors has ever failed to secure an immediate response. Our thanks are due, also, to the many brothers in all parts of the country who have contributed to the last volume of this journal. Beside contributions, too numerous mention, of graduate personals and other items of interest, THE SHIELD published during 1900 no less than twenty-four signed articles contributed by nineteen different brothers. For 1901 enough contributed articles are already promised to provide for three out of the four issues, and it is evident that other valuable material can be had for the mere asking. It is hardly necessary to say that the editor is profoundly grateful to all who have assisted him, and that the most pleasant feature of the year's work has been the readiness with which Theta Delts honor every draft that THE SHIELD makes upon their time and good nature.

At the time of writing it is impossible to determine whether the graduate subscription to volume xvii are to equal or exceed

the number secured in 1900. The only difficulty in the way seems to be the natural inertia with which busy men are usually affected when it comes to such a small matter of business as remitting a trifling sum for a subscription to a periodical. We hope, however, to report in our next number that our subscription list for 1901 fully equals that for 1900. Many of those who have renewed their subscriptions have taken the trouble to write to the editor a few lines expressing their good will and their satisfaction with the work of the past year. It would be a pleasure to acknowledge all such letters, if such a thing were either possible or expected.

THE SHIELD has just received from the Custodian of the Archives a notice which should be called to the attention of every reader. Work upon the new Catalogue is now advanced so far that Brother Carter is preparing the copy for the printer. If all returns can be received by May 1, the catalogue can be issued by the time that the Convention meets at Buffalo. It is earnestly hoped that all brothers who have any information concerning the addresses of any members of the fraternity will forward all such data to Brother Carter at once, at 1424 Broadway, New York City. Such a request as this ought to receive the immediate attention of every Theta Delt.

The Proceedings of the Fifty-second Annual Convention are now ready. Copies may be had of the Custodian of Archives upon condition that they be returned within thirty days. No copies will be allowed to remain permanently in private hands. This new arrangement has been made in consequence of the loss or disappearance of so many copies issued in previous years. Those desiring to borrow copies should address Frederic Carter, 1424 Broadway, New York City.

Bound copies of volume XVI of THE SHIELD are now ready and may be had at two dollars a copy payable strictly in advance.

CHARGE LETTERS

BETA—Cornell University

Junior week has come and gone and the weary monotony of winter life at Cornell has been resumed. We had quite a gay house party for the week and managed to have the usual good time which always attends this social activity. Never did the Armory look more beautiful than the night of the "prom." and seldom has the music seemed so entrancing to the dancers.

With the departure of the guests came the "bust" notices for the first semester. Beta was fortunate in losing but one man so that she now numbers twenty-three active members, sixteen of whom are rooming in the house. The addition to our present property will soon be completed so that we will then have accommodations for four more. The dining room which will be located in the new building will satisfy a long felt need. Four years ago but a few fraternities at Cornell boarded in their houses, but all are now endeavoring to arrange existing conditions so as to enable them to provide this very essential feature of fraternity life.

The freshman banquet was held February 22, and the old time class rivalry and spirit of the under classmen seemed to have been revived for the occasion. However, notwithstanding the strenuous efforts of the sophomores it proved to be a great success. Brothers C. P. Brady and Greenwood were on the committee which arranged this first social event of their class.

Following close upon this affair was held the senior banquet. Brother Austin was upon the committee which managed so well this last gathering of 1901. Brother G. E. D. Brady has recently been appointed chairman of the sophomore banquet which is shortly to be given as a means of raising funds for general athletics.

Brother Roberts, '01, has managed the hockey team through a very successful season. Up to the present time it has won all its games including those with Pennsylvania and Princeton,

which is doubly a good record since this is only the second year of the game at Cornell. Brother Morrison has captained the basket-ball team through a hard season and showed the same ability for the game for which he is so well known on the grid-iron. He has recently accepted a fine offer to coach the foot-ball team of a southern college, and we feel gratified for the confidence in his abilities manifested by other than Cornell followers.

WILLIAM H. BAKER.

GAMMA DEUTERON—University of Michigan

INITIATE

1902

William Stanley Cookson, Fitchburg, Mass.

On the second Sunday of last December we initiated William Stanley Cookson, '02, and I take pleasure in introducing him to the brothers; he is a good fellow and a worthy bearer of the shield of the Theta Delta Chi.

Since my last writing we have been favored by visits from Brother McGee, '92, Heames, '98, Sutphen, '97, Savage, '98, Warner, '91, Bidwell, '02, Wood, '00, Brother Sabin, Eta, '76, and Brother Vedder, Beta, '87. We frequently hear from Brother Morey, '99, who last year received his M.A. degree and a fellowship in Christian Archaeology in the American School at Rome. Recently he sent us a photograph of the "Graduate Club of Theta Delta Chi of Rome," composed of himself, Brothers Kendall, Iota, Holbrook, Rho Deuteron, and Grassi, Pi Deuteron.

The first semester closed on the eighth of February and there were no "cons" received by any of the boys in the house; we feel pretty proud of this. Following right on the heels of the examinations, came the junior hop, which took place in the gymnasium; it was an elaborate affair and most of the brothers participated. On the night after the hop we attended the concert of the glee, mandolin, and banjo clubs in a body; it was a brilliant success and much credit is due Brother Lancashier, '01, who is general manager. Brothers Walter Wood and Elmer White were

our guests during the hop, and Mrs. Hakley Butler was our official chaperone during the festivities.

Shortly after the second semester had begun Brother McClure, '04, surprised us one evening, by coming in on us in the smoking room and saying good-bye to all the fellows ; he left the next morning for Boston to enter the Massachusetts Institute of Technology ; we were sorry to lose him but he has our best wishes.

Brother Talcott, '01, has been appointed chairman of the senior class social committee, since my last writing, and Brother Thomason, '04, sings in the freshman glee club. Brother Belford, '03, was out for the varsity track team, but was compelled to drop out, when his prospects for the 440 yd. run were beginning to look bright, on account of an infected gland under his arm ; he is still laid up, the trouble now being a sore foot which will probably prevent him from doing much training for a month or so yet. Brother H. L. Crumpacker, '03, was laid up with a severe attack of appendicitis during examinations, but he pulled through without an operation and is again in good condition and able to attend his classes.

The hopes of the committee for the purchase of a house have grown brighter each day ; the alumni have responded generously to our appeals for help, and success seems assured.

STEPHEN C. MASON, JR.

DELTA DEUTERON—University of California

INITIATES

1902

Oliver Wendell Hunter

1904

Max William Enderlein

Since the last letter Delta Deuteron has been pursuing the even tenor of her way, gathering strength and fame at every stride. We have everything in running shape and exceptionally

good prospects for next term and the remainder of this. We have acquired two new brothers, worthy in every way of our beloved fraternity, and I now take the opportunity of introducing them to the brethren at large. They are Brothers "Vere" Hunter and Max Enderlein.

Just now the main subject of interest is track athletics, in which we expect Brother Bailey to uphold his previous good record. At the end of term we had a short visit from Brother Emory Brace, Tau Deuteron, '99, and received a little later a notice of his marriage. We have also had the pleasure of a visit from Brother Sheldon, Tau Deuteron, '94. Brother Burrage, Kappa, '00, is still here at the Union Iron Works and generally spends Saturday night and Sunday with us, so that we now consider him practically a member of the charge. Among our more recent visitors we have had Brother Norman Hackett, who is leading man in the James-Kidder Company. He spent the greater part of two weeks with us, and his winning manner and unlimited enthusiasm helped us immeasurably in our rushing. Another theatrical brother was here also at about the same time, Brother Roe, Kappa, '01, who was in Mrs. Fiske's Company in their great hit, "Becky Sharp." Brother Jack French, Omicron Deuteron, '99, left a few weeks ago for Mexico where he is interested in some mining enterprise.

When next heard from we hope to bring a good half-dozen freshmen with us and introduce them to you at the convention.

MCCULLOUGH GRAYDON.

ZETA—Brown University

INITIATE

1904

E. S. Macomber, Dartmouth, Mass.

Zeta sends out her March letter with the stress of winter examinations so near at hand that they won't bear talking about. During the winter she has added to her membership, survived the

terrors of a Grand Lodge visitation, and said God-speed to two of her alumni brethren who laid aside the bachelor's estate. She is proud of her record and looks hopefully to the future.

Once more has the college found indispensable the social prestige of Brother Low, '01. He has been appointed to the senior dance committee ; and Brother Bullock, '02, was made a member of the committee that has in charge the arrangements for junior week at Brown. On the first call for baseball candidates we sent Brothers Fish, '03, and Penley, '04, into the cage. We watched their career with anxiety ; and now that the coaches have made their first assault on the squad, we find Brother Penley still there with a fine show for a position in the in-field. Flattering reports of Brother Newman, ex-'01, have reached us from the University of Pennsylvania. He is sure to play on the varsity baseball team, and almost equally certain to prove to be the team's heaviest batsman.

On the last night of February, Brother Gilmore, '01, announced to us and the world that he had come to three and twenty years. We went forthwith to Brother Gilmore's room, which bore all the earmarks of a festive time to come. The spread was inviting ; the hours fled by ; and not till near the gray of the morning did Brother Gilmore's party disband. The party's success can only be measured by our craving for more of its kind.

The charge introduces Brother Edward Sumner Macomber, '04, who was initiated into the bonds of Theta Delta Chi on the 25th of January. Brother Macomber will make a good Theta Delt, and will, we are sure, show North Dartmouth, Mass., what it means to be a Theta Delt. Two of the alumni brethren have succumbed to the inevitable, and have wrested from Providence two of its most charming young women. On Christmas day Brother Charles W. Low, ex-'99, was married to Miss Alice Bourn, the daughter of Brother Amos M. Bourn ; and Brother Ernest C. Baker, ex-'02, celebrated St. Valentine's Day by his marriage to Miss Rose Freeman.

ALLEN KRAMER KRAUSE.

ETA—Bowdoin College

Since the publication of the last SHIELD letter Eta has taken in no new men, but has developed in the last initiates the true spirit of loyalty and friendship which every Theta Delt owes to every other. The competition for desirable freshmen is so keen that already we have held several parties at which we entertained sub-freshmen who are coming in next fall and to whom we look for our next year's delegation.

Last month the ever absorbing chapter house question received a new impetus. With the able assistance of our brother, Professor Mitchell, we secured the most desirable lot to be bought around the campus. Since chapter houses have begun to come in here, the efforts of the various fraternities have been strenuous to the last degree toward obtaining a lot for their future homes. We were exceedingly fortunate in getting a corner lot, situated on the main street of the town and directly facing the campus and handy for all recitations. About March 20, we shall have a meeting of as many of our alumni as can get back to consider ways and means, and we hope later to announce plans and specifications for the house we aim to build.

Brother Flint, '01, has been ill at his home in Somerville, Mass., for the past month, and in his absence from college Brother McCann, '02, has been managing the glee and mandolin clubs as well as leading the mandolin club. Brother McCann has received many a compliment in the columns of various papers throughout the state on the excellent finish and high character of the work of the mandolin club. Brother Welch, '03, and his violin have also been accorded a deal of praise—prominent critics placing his finished and excellent playing second to nothing in the state.

Brother Gibson, '02, has been leading the glee club, singing the solos, and acting as mandola soloist in the mandolin club. In a recent concert Brother Gibson appeared in all the numbers but the reading and violin solo. Brother Welch is leader of the college orchestra in which Brother Gibson plays the second violin and Brother Walker, '03, the piano.

Brother Stone, '96, of Bridgton, Me., was with us a day last week and Brother Wiggin, '98, of Rockland, Me., has visited us. Brother Williamson, '98, has recently obtained a position as manager of a drug store in Fort Benton, Montana, where he went for his health about a year ago. Brother W. T. Merrill, '99, spent Monday, the 18th inst., with us; and Brother Cobb, '00, of Butler, comes up to see us frequently.

In the recent junior elections Brother McCann, '02, was chosen chairman of the ivy day committee, one of the first honors in the gift of his class; and Brother Merrill, '02, was chosen odist.

JOHN ARTHUR CORLISS.

IOTA—Harvard University

INITIATES

H. B. Brown, Fall River, Mass.
 F. L. Carter, Jr., Cambridge, Mass.
 H. Tolman, Newton, Mass.
 P. T. Dean, Boston, Mass.
 A. M. Boothby, Cambridge, Mass.

Winter is now almost gone and we are all hoping for an early spring that we may enjoy the outdoor sports which come with the warm weather, and so work off the bad effects of the mid-year grind. Iota is undergoing many changes at the present time. In fact she hardly feels like herself. This is due to the fact that we are just now without a house and will be for a month to come, when we shall move into our new one at Dunster and Winthrop streets, and assemble once more in the interests of our charge. That we have not been inactive thus far will be seen from the list of men we have taken in, whom I take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity:

H. P. Brown, of Fall River, Mass.; F. L. Carter, Jr., of Cambridge; H. Tolman, of Newton, Mass.; P. D. Dean, of Boston, Mass.; A. M. Boothby, of Cambridge.

Brother Brown was leader of the freshman banjo and mandolin club. Brother Carter won first place in the B. A. A. cross country run. Brother Sawin, '01, has been elected to the class day committee. On February 20 we had a stein and graduate night, and I think I voice the sentiments of all in saying that it was greatly enjoyed. Our house was thronged with graduates, undergraduates, and visiting brothers, and all seemed to enjoy themselves—due in no small part to the management of Brothers Boothby and Faxon, whose arrangements were excellent. Kappa men were present in a body and made us a beautiful and appropriate gift of a silver stein suitably inscribed. Our collection of steins is now very large, and will add to the furnishings of our new house.

During the winter we have received visits from many brothers, including Brothers Seth P. Smith, Omicron Deuteron, Frederick Carter, Epsilon Deuteron, Carleton, Omicron Deuteron, and Goodell, of Kappa. We were more than glad also to see Brother Huffcut. He made us an excellent address, giving us many good points upon the management of our new house. The house will be ready for us at the end of April soon after which we will have our house-warming, when we will be ready and glad to welcome any brothers who happen to be hereabouts.

J. G. BERRY.

IOTA DEUTERON—Williams College

Iota Deuteron has once more weathered examinations and has come out unscathed; indeed we may say, with honors, for Brothers Brooks, '01, and Chandler, '01, have received commencement appointments.

As a means of expressing our rejoicing we held a house-party from the sixteenth to the nineteenth of February, which was the most successful effort, in that line, we have made. "Queens" from Smith and Wellesley held sway, and, judging from appearances, are still exerting their hypnotic influence. The presence of Brother DeCamp, '00, gave added pleasure to the whole party.

In the recent senior class elections Brother Davenport, '01, was elected class prophet, while Brother Osborn, '01, was elected permanent class secretary. We have a large interest in the athletic life of the college. Brother Mears, '03, is captain of his class relay team, and ran on the varsity team which defeated Amherst at Boston. In the dual meet with Columbia at New York he got a place in the mile. In baseball Brothers Dolph, '01, Bassett, '02, Mears, '03, and Bacon, '04, are out for the varsity; and Brother Dolph, '01, has been elected captain of his class team. Brother Durbin, '04, has been elected manager of the freshman team.

Brother Osborn, '01, is on the dramatic club, and took a prominent part in the play just presented by the club.

We are all anxiously awaiting spring term, which is the best of the year at Williams, and are keeping our eyes open for men of 1905.

MARION F. DOLPH.

KAPPA—Tufts College

Perhaps one of the most difficult letters one has to write the SHIELD (from the standpoint of being entertaining) is this one which comes in March. Charge activities, moving as they do in an even tenor, are scarcely of sufficient moment to excite a deal of comment. Kappa has given her usual quôta of hops and on one occasion a party, which was in every way successful. The next affair of this kind was a dance on March 26, and we trust visiting brothers will not fail to show up if they feel so inclined.

Brother Whittemore's forthcoming production of *Comus* is one of the events in which Kappa feels proud to have a hand. Several brothers are contributing their services, and there is a general sentiment prevailing that the play, as it will be staged by Prof. Whittemore, will be an artistic success and one which will bring much credit to the college. Brother Boutelle, '01, who already has so many college honors bestowed on him, is to be one of the players, together with Brothers Kingsbury, Foster, '01, R.

E. Nason, '03, F. Flagg, '03, S. F. Fiske, '02, and Hiram Foster, '03.

This is our first winter at basketball, and as yet we have no varsity. Brother Samuel F. Fiske, '02, has made a very creditable Theta Delt captain of the team we did have to represent us,—known, by the way, as the Tufts combination team,—and reflected glory on the charge as well as the college. Brother Charles E. Moore, '02, F. Flagg, '03, and H. Foster, '03, have played at various times during the season.

Brother J. Butler, '01, has proved what an efficient manager can do with a track-team by making it the best team Tufts ever turned out. Brothers C. L. Baker, '02, R. E. Nason, '03, H. C. Turner, '01, and A. W. Coolidge, '03, are candidates with excellent chances of making it. We had our annual indoor track meet on the evening of March 5, and Brother H. C. Turner, '01, carried off the honors, winning the greatest number of points. Brother R. E. Nason, '03, followed next in order. Just to show how really *good* we are I might add that the charge won twenty-four and a half points out of a possible sixty-three, a larger percentage than any other two factions in college.

We are hoping to have half a dozen men on the ball team this spring, as we certainly have some very promising candidates. Among them are Brothers L. D. Pierce, '01, L. S. Fiske, '02, F. Flagg, '03, H. Foster, '03, and K. Foster, '01. It will be hard to crowd off any one of these brothers.

Recently the charge house has had its beauty adorned through the efforts of an energetic house committee, and the adorning has added much to the attractiveness and comfort of this home of ours. Too few brothers outside the charge know what an agreeable place old Kappa abides in, and the men who come to Boston ought, at least, to look in on us and see for themselves. The library has grown very considerably during the past two months owing to the generosity of several old graduates and we are getting to feel very proud of it.

At the Tufts College Club dinner on March 1, three Kappa men spoke: President Capen, '60, Brother I. Rich Kent, '99, and Brother Winthrop L. Marvin, '87.

R. B. MANBERT.

LAMBDA—Boston University

During the past three months Lambda has been enjoying life to the fullest extent, and now as a result all are compelled to buckle down to work, for "exams" with all their fury are upon us.

In December we had a "ladies' night," and a most successful affair it was. The charge rooms never looked better, and according to the stories of the young ladies the brothers never looked better. Everyone had an enjoyable evening. Then we gave Brother Elihu Grant, '98, a farewell reception. Brother Grant has been given the responsible position as headmaster of a boys' industrial school in Ramallah, Palestine. Mrs. Grant accompanies Brother Grant, and both are looking forward to the five years which they will spend there with great anticipation. They sailed the twenty-third of February on the Saxonnia.

Many visitors have been with us, most of whom were graduate brothers including Brothers Davies, '00, Look, '00, Wilder, '99, Currier, '99, Stratton, '98, and also Brothers Vanderhoof, of Omicron Deuteron, and Nicholls, of Iota. Of course we cannot forget the visit of Brother Huffcut, our President. We enjoyed every moment of his stay and only wished it could have been longer. Moreover we congratulate the fraternity in having such a man at its head.

In regard to college affairs, Lambda has by no means been compelled to take a back seat, for in all departments the brothers are taking an active part. Brother Hemenway, '01, was unanimously chosen Class Statistician. He is also business manager of the college publication. Brothers Chandler, '02, and Edson, '04, represented us on the Men's Club Banquet committee, at which Brothers Hemenway, '01, and Coan, '03, were speakers.

In dramatics we have had more than our share. In the presentation of Sheridan's "The Rivals," Brothers Bradlee, '02, Webber, '02, Coan, '03, and Holbrook, '02, reflected great credit upon themselves by their performances. Also in the Latin play Brothers Davies, '00, Webber, '02, Coan, '03, Hopkins, '03, Holbrook, '02, and Turner, '03, showed great ability.

By the way, allow me to present to the fraternity a new brother, George F. Turner, '03, of Scituate. Brother Turner had

the leading role in the Latin play which he presented in a masterly way, winning great commendation. Brother Hopkins, '03, is president of his class and assistant manager of "The Beacon." Brother Klein, '04, is secretary of his class. Brother Merritt, '03, was recently made manager of the baseball team. On the basket ball team are four Theta Delts, Brothers Rink, '03, Merritt, '03, Crawford, '01, and Baker, '02.

Of course the expected happened when we received word from Yale saying that Brother Clapp, Lambda, 1900, had received a prize in the Theological School; and again when announcement was made that Herbert C. Sanborn, Lambda, '96, had been awarded the Jacob Sleeper fellowship of \$500, which means a year's study abroad.

A most enjoyable evening was reported by those brothers who took in "Stein Night" at Iota. We watch with an air of jealousy and yet of congratulation upon their successful erection of a new house; each time we think of it we wonder when Lambda will reach that stage. Next term promises to be a busy one inasmuch as we are planning to give a reception and dance to our friends, and also since we are in duty bound to present some kind of a program for the dramatic organization of the college. Last year a drama was most successfully given; this year the entertainment will in all probability take the form of a minstrel show.

J. ARTHUR BAKER.

MU DEUTERON—Amherst College

Since the last letter was written Mu Deuteron has sustained an irreparable loss. Brother Paul Alfred Waters, 1902, passed to the Omega Charge on Tuesday, December 11, 1900. Brother Waters was a man of rare natural endowments and of exceptional promise, one of whom the fraternity might well be proud. His death was most unexpected. When we parted at Thanksgiving time he was apparently in perfect health; so that on our return the news that he was in New York and would have to un-

dergo an immediate operation for appendicitis came with a great shock to us all. Six days later he passed out of this life at the Roosevelt Hospital in New York City. Brother Waters was a brilliant student, yet he entered enthusiastically into the other activities of college life. He won the entrance examination prize (Scientific). He was class gymnasium captain during his sophomore year and on the *Olio* Board in his junior year. He was a very hard worker, a man of lofty ideals, generous in his friendship and sympathy, possessed of a frank, manly character, and a most loyal Theta Delt. Throughout the whole period of his confinement at the hospital he would never allow the fraternity shield to be removed from his breast, although his clothes had to be constantly changed. His death is mourned not only by this charge and by his classmates, but by the whole college.

It is hard to turn from this subject to the details of our ordinary life here at college. The most important social function of the term is, of course, the "junior prom" which took place on February 11. It was attended by members of the senior and junior delegations. All who went pronounced it a most pleasurable and successful prom.

As a whole the past term has been a most characteristic winter term. It is traditionally the time when most of the "plugging" of the year is accomplished. Some of the brothers, doubtless realizing their duty in this respect, seemed to feel called upon to take more than the required number of courses! Their extraordinary zeal, however, has been quite short lived, and the scribe does not see any very alarming indications that they will become "leading lights" in the Phi Beta Kappa Fraternity.

Basket ball, skating, and "Hamp" have each received their full share of attention. Three of our seniors are working hard in the senior dramatics. Brother Anderson, '02, is in the varsity basket ball team. Brother Thompson, '04, is the fastest short distance man on the track team, which ran against Williams at B. A. A. meet.

In closing Mu Deuteron extends cordial greetings to the sister charges.

FRANCIS G. BARNUM.

NU DEUTERON—Lehigh University

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INITIATES

1901

Ernesto Franco, Quito, Ecuador.

1904

Frank P. Sholly, Tyron, Penn.

The opening of the second term finds us intact as a charge, though some of us were badly mangled and cut up during the battle with the mid-year "exams:" to these unfortunates we offered the stock consolation, better luck next time.

Since our last letter, Bethlehem has been seized by a peculiar form of the grip and twelve of our seventeen brothers have been sufferers. We are hoping for a change in the weather to release us. Our charge editor, Brother A. R. Glancy, '03, has been very ill with typhoid fever at his home in Washington, but we are glad to say that he is getting better and may be able to join us again this college year.

This brief account of our troubles makes but a poor preface to our book of joys, but it was ever thus and Nu Deuteron has no right to expect to be exempted from all misfortunes.

Socially, from what people tell us, so take it with a grain of salt, we have been a great success this winter. Our second annual dance, given on Friday night, February 15, at the Eagle Hotel, was very largely attended by local society and friends from out of town, several of the alumni, and our friends from other fraternities about college. In the afternoon of the same day an informal reception was held at the house, and part of the house was turned over to out of town visitors that night. Last Wednesday night we gave a little "Dutch Spiel" and entertained a number of young ladies and chaperons from town. A negro quartette, both vocal and instrumental, furnished music and a fund of amusement. Later in the evening the rooms were cleared and we had a very enjoyable small dance.

The musical clubs gave a joint concert on the night of February 13, with Lafayette, in the Grand Opera House, South Beth-

lehem, under the management of Brother J. F. Tim, '01, of Phi, and your humble servant. Needless to say, under Theta Delt management, it was an unqualified success musically and financially. We were well represented on the clubs, Brothers A. R. Glancy, '03, G. R. Stull, '03, and E. T. Murphy, '01, sang on the glee club, and Brothers E. Higgins, Jr., '02, and Ernesto Franco, '01, played on the mandolin club. The rest of the brothers did the next best thing by swelling the receipts.

Brothers J. R. Reigart, '03, and A. R. Glancy, '03, represent us on the sophomore cotillion committee and Brother F. W. Parsons, '02, on the Junior German committee. Brother E. T. Murphy, '01, was on the senior banquet committee.

We will be well represented in athletics this spring with Brother T. W. Parsons, '02, as captain of the baseball team, Brother C. C. Car, '04, as coach, Brother T. R. Alder assured of a position at the first point on the diamond, Brother M. Lewis, '03, as a promising candidate, and a pledged man, E. Taylor, '04, of Washington, D. C., is a pitcher of no mean ability. Brother E. Higgins, Jr., '02, will in all probability run on the track team.

We have received visits from many of our alumni, who have shown a keen interest in the charge and its affairs. Remember the number, 237 Broad Street, and be assured a cordial welcome awaits any Theta Delt who happens to drop in.

E. T. MURPHY.

XI—Hobart College

Hobart at the beginning of the next college year hopes to enter upon a new era of prosperity with the completion of the two handsome new buildings which were mentioned in our last letter and a new campus which is to be the finest one of its size in the country. The campus is to be on the same level with the old one, extending from the gymnasium south to St. Clair Street and west to the rear of the college lot, thus utilizing the vacant portion in the southwest corner of the block occupied by the college buildings.

We have been very much pleased to receive during the past month visits from several brothers of other charges. Among these were Brothers Massey, Richmond, Morrison, Baker, and Jones, of Beta ; Brother Fairley, Mu Deuteron, '94, and Brother Holbrook, Chi, '03. Brother Fairley very nicely entertained the members of the charge, February 22, 1901, at a reception and dance at Granger Place, Canandaigua, N. Y., of which he is headmaster. This is the second time Brother Fairley has shown us this kind consideration for which we are deeply indebted to him. On February 15, we entertained the Delta of New York of Sigma Phi by a smoker in return for the one given by them in our honor shortly before Christmas. The latest departure of the student body is the formation of a college club, which holds a smoker once a month. This new organization is to have a club room in the new Coxe Memorial Hall, its object being the furtherance of college spirit.

The Alumni Association of Xi is still moving owing to the efforts of Brothers Cook, Cornell, and Herendeen. To those who are near us we extend a hearty welcome and from those who do not often come our way we urge an occasional letter.

EDWIN V. BAKER.

OMICRON DEUTERON—Dartmouth College

To find anything of interest to write about in this period of dull routine is an exceedingly difficult matter. However, basket ball games have to some extent served to enliven the monotony. In this branch of athletics Dartmouth has enjoyed fruits of victory denied in football. By defeating Harvard, Cornell, and Yale, '01, she presents a strong claim to the intercollegiate championship. Brothers Newman, '02, Craig, '02, Foster, '04, and Kimball, '01, have been our representatives on the team. The games with Cornell and Tufts were occasions of pleasant greetings from Beta and Kappa brothers.

Since my last letter the charge has been honored by the election of Brother O'Connor, '02, to the captaincy of next year's football team. This is very gratifying, as he is the first Theta

Delt captain since Brother Lakeman, '92. Brother O'Connor has played right end for three years with a high degree of excellence, and the student body has confidence in his ability to bring victory to us after two disastrous seasons.

Just before the mid-year we had an enjoyable visit from Brother Huffcut, and we were glad to be thus brought into touch with the fraternity at large.

The baseball team has begun practice in the cage and will be under the coaching of "Jack" Fifield, an ex-Philadelphia pitcher. Brother Raphael, '01, is manager, and has arranged the best schedule in years. Brothers Gregg, '02, Uniac, '04, Rollins, '04, and Scales, '04, are candidates, and the first named will probably captain the reserves. Our relay team inspired considerable confidence as to our chances this year on the track, by defeating Columbia at the B. A. A. meet. The candidates are already out for the track team and Brothers Neal, '03, and Jackson, '04, are among them.

On February 6, occurred the marriage of Miss Julia Southerland Rutter, of Enfield, N. H., to Brother Nathaniel Haven Barrows, '00. The ceremony took place in the evening and was followed by a reception and dance. Brothers Vanderhoef and S. M. Chase, Iota, '99, were ushers, and a large delegation from Omicron Deuteron was present. Brother and Mrs. Burrows will be at home in Enfield after May 1.

During the spring we hope to see many of the brothers in Hanover with the various teams. To each and all we extend a hearty welcome.

RALPH H. CARLETON.

PI DEUTERON—College of the City of New York

INITIATES

1903.

Austin Gilbert Clark, 165 East 74 St., New York City.

Arthur George Murphy, 817 East 134 St., New York City.

A quiet and steadily progressive fraternity life has been the lot of Pi Deuteron for the last few months; few events of im-

portance, but a higher level of union and good-fellowship has been reached. Two more men have been added to our roll, whom I take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity. They are Austin Gilbert Clark and Arthur George Murphy, both members of the sophomore class.

As is usual, Pi Deuteron has kept her old athletic record. Brothers Fisher, Trubenbach, Maloney, and Moran played on their class lacrosse teams; and Brother Moran was recently elected captain of the varsity. A fine schedule has been arranged, including games with Swarthmore, Johns Hopkins, and Lehigh. The team will be a good one and we hope to better the record of the '99, team on which six Theta Delts played.

At the indoor athletic games held in January we were not as successful as in the past owing to the fact that all the brothers were back-mark men. On the class relay teams were Brothers Fisher, Trubenbach, and Moran. Brother Moran also got placed in the mile run.

The charge was honored recently by the election of Brother Maloney as president, and Brother Dulon, secretary, of the sophomore class. Brother Trubenbach, 1902, acted as toastmaster at the junior dinner.

Owing to the large entering class an annex has been added to the college which will give us a little more room. The sub-freshman class has been relegated to the past, and a three-year "High School" course substituted. This is a great improvement and will tend to raise the curriculum of the college.

Our annual Christmas reunion was held in December, and was a decided success. Brother Wettlaufer, Pi Deuteron, '88, took the opportunity of presenting to us a magnificent silver shield. We have held these reunions for the last ten years and find them an excellent thing for the charge. It is good for both the graduate and active brothers: for the undergraduate because he becomes acquainted with the older brothers, and for the graduate as he is thus able to keep in touch with the affairs of the charge. I would like to inform the graduate brothers that another reunion will be held on April 22, 1901, at the lodge rooms, 416 West 118 St., New York City. The competition is open to all Thetes and we would like to see as many as possible. The

charge is now engaged in preparing a catalogue of all its members. This should fill a long-felt want, as the old catalogue is a trifle out of date.

Brother Grassi, Pi Deuteron, 1900, who has been traveling in Europe, is with us again. He met quite a number of Theta Delts while in Italy and at one time thought of petitioning the Grand Lodge for a charter. Among the founders would have been, Brother Stackweather, Iota, '96, Brother Morey, Sigma Deuteron, '99, Brother Holbrook, Rho Deuteron, 1900, Brother Dickerson, Rho Deuteron, 1901, and Brother Grassi, Pi Deuteron, 1900. "The project fell through as all such projects do," and they sadly departed their several ways.

Brother Steele, Pi Deuteron, 1900, has discontinued his study of law, and is now engaged in business. Brother Crampton, Pi Deuteron, '96, is now an instructor in biology in Columbia University. Brother Patterson has been recently married. Brother Onderdonck, Pi Deuteron, '98, who already holds the world-record in the 75 yard sack race, broke the record in the 60 yard sack race a short time ago.

HAROLD P. MORAN.

RHO DEUTERON—Columbia University

INITIATES

1902

Philip Bevan La Roche, Jr., 704 Madison Ave., New York.

1904

Albert Roy Camp, 3011 West 104th St., New York.

Isaac Clendennin Perkins, 163 West 121st St., New York.

Rho Deuteron has the pleasure of introducing three new men to the sister charges: Brothers La Roche, '02, Camp, '04, and Perkins, '04. This makes the number of our initiates this year seven. We have successfully passed through a very difficult rushing season, handicapped as we were by reduced numbers and cramped quarters. As we look back over our year's record, we feel that we have passed through one of the most try-

ing periods in our history, and by our success have obtained a firmer footing in the university than ever before. The proposition is now before us of securing a permanent home in the vicinity of the campus ; and, with the assistance of our graduates, we hope to obtain it before the lapse of another year.

In athletic events, we will be especially distinguished this year. Three of our number are varsity captains : Brother Smith of the track team ; Brother Eastmond, of the gymnastic team ; any Brother Spencer of swimming and water polo teams. In the recent dual gymnastic meet with Yale, Brother Eastman won first place on the parallel bars ; Brother Goodman has been playing on the varsity basket-ball team ; Brother Otis won the heavy-weight sophomore-freshman cane-sprees. Brothers Smith, Eastmond and Steeves are out for the track team ; Brothers Goodman and Kebler are trying for the baseball team ; Brothers La Roche, Camp, and Benjamin for the crew ; and Brothers Spencer and Camp for the water polo team.

Brother Spencer represented us in the varsity show, in the rôle of leading comedian. Brothers Camp and Benjamin sang in the chorus. We have received our usual share of college honors, and a few more, too. Brother St. Clair, who last year was elected to the Phi Beta Kappa, is among us now as university scholar in Indo-Iranian languages. Brother Morrison has been elected secretary of the senior class. Brother Lawson is assistant manager of the gymnastic team. Brother Rudolph Tombo, Jr., holds the position of secretary of the University Quarterly, succeeding Brother Arthur M. Day, of Iota.

We have been visited lately by the following out-of-town brothers : Carter, of Epsilon Deuteron ; Wheeler, Woods, Harrington, and White, of Iota ; Royal and Shepherd, of Iota Deuteron ; Marston and Partridge, of Xi ; Compton and F. L. Ford, of Sigma Deuteron ; Lynes, of Phi, and Domer, of Chi Deuteron. Many of the brothers met Brother Mears, of Iota Deuteron, at the indoor athletic meet between Williams and Columbia. We have also been visited by these brothers of our own charge : Van Winkle, Powell, Dawson, Brown, Ehret, DeYoung, Kebler, Tiemann, Schanck, Halsey, Dickerson, and Slichter.

HARRISON ROSS STEEVES.

SIGMA DEUTERON—University of Wisconsin

The most important happening with Sigma Deuteron since the December letter was a house party given at "prom" time. Brothers Gerhard M. Dahl, '96, of Waupaca, C. S. Greenwood, '99, of Lake Mills, O. M. Salisbury, '95, of Mazomanie, and C. S. Seiler, '00, of LaCrosse, were here for the occasion. The charge house, which was turned over to the visiting ladies, was crowded and everybody had a most enjoyable time.

The last two months have been very quiet at Wisconsin and there has been little activity in college circles. Brother Sawyer, '02, has been elected secretary of his class. In athletics, Brother Burdick, '01, is taking care of the half mile on the track team, and Brothers Borrison and Dyer, of the freshman class, are candidates in that department. It is now practically certain that Wisconsin will send a varsity crew East this year; and probably a freshman crew will be sent. We expect to send Brother Sawyer down to steer the varsity boat, and if the freshman crew goes we hope to be represented on that by Brother Caskey, '04, who is working hard for a place in the boat.

Brother George Jones, who held a fellowship in electrical engineering at the university, left us at Christmas to accept a position with the Chicago Edison Co. Brother J. G. Graham, '97, who started in the Law School this fall, took the state bar examinations at Milwaukee in December, and was among the number to pass. He is now practicing law at Tomah, Wis. We have lost another of our number in Brother Everts, who took his degree at the close of this semester.

We have received an unusually large number of visits from old Theta Delts, both of our own alumni and of those of other charges, during the winter, and we hope that no Theta Delt will ever go through Madison without making a stop at 703 State Street.

WILLIAM JARVIS CARR.

TAU DEUTERON—University of Minnesota

The month of March finds Tau Deuteron forgetting the hard winter and looking forward to the spring time. A short time ago we lost Brother Roy M. Pike, who has gone home to Lake City to enter on his business career with his father. Aside from the absence of Brother Pike, things look bright and we hope that Tau Deuteron will continue to prosper as a charge of Theta Delta Chi should.

During the winter we had a short visit from Brother Burdick, of Sigma Deuteron. He came to Minnesota with the Wisconsin basket-ball team, and his appearance at "1018" was a surprise and a great pleasure to us all. Brother Geo. Pratt, Tau Deuteron, '98, who has been in Peru for the last three years, came home last week, loaded with wonderful stories of Peru. Brother Pratt expects to remain in Minneapolis about a month, when he will return to his work in the Andes.

Our annual banquet was held March 1, at the West Hotel in Minneapolis. Plates were laid for thirty-five, and although we were few in number, we had a royal good time as we always do at our banquets. Tau Deuteron extends greetings to her sister charges.

C. F. LANE.

PHI—Lafayette College

Almost every winter term at Phi is dull and dreary, and the present one is no exception to the rule. There is hardly anything of a college nature to absorb one's attention except study. The opera, dances, and an occasional basket-ball game mark one's diary for the term.

When we returned to college in January to open the new year and century, we found one name missing on our roll. Owing to death in his family, Brother McIntire, '04, of Pittsburgh, was forced to leave college. However we hope to have him with us again next year.

Of the possible college honors during this term, Phi has carried off a comfortable share. Brother Williams, '02, was elected president of his class. Brother Rush, '03, and Brother Twitmeyer, '03, were elected to the "Sock and Buskin," our Dramatic organization. Brother Rice, '01, was selected as toast master for the coming senior banquet; and the success of the freshman banquet, which was recently held in Newark, was in no small part due to the efforts of Brother Bradley, '04, who was chairman of the banquet committee. Brother Tim, '01, manager of the glee club, expects to take his club on an extended tour during the Easter vacation.

Since our last letter Brother Clay Holmes, '69, dropped in on us, and the evening's conversation, enlivened here and there by reminiscences of Phi's early days, was greatly enjoyed by all. Brother F. N. Hay, '74, also paid us a short visit, and all the brothers were sorry that we could not keep him with us for a longer time. Early in the term Brother Marston, Xi, '03, spent a few days with us.

It seems to be the sentiment of the charge that the convention date was well chosen. A number of the brothers are making active preparations to attend, and Phi expects to be well represented when the Fifty-third Annual Convention of Theta Delta Chi is called to order.

J. WILL REUF.

CHI—University of Rochester

Chi now has twenty-two active members, the largest number we have had in many years; and what is more, the quality is as excellent as the quantity. Brother Huffcut's recent visit has inspired us all with renewed loyalty and enthusiasm. Brother Huffcut is an ideal man for his position; and we hope to see him annually, and oftener, for many years to come.

The new gymnasium at the university has greatly boomed athletics, and several Theta Deltas are working for the basketball and track teams. In baseball our outlook is especially bright; three of our men are certain to make the team. Brother Hart is

president of the class of 1902 ; Brother Watkeys, toastmaster of 1901 ; and Brother Drake, orator, of 1903. Brothers Watkeys and Salmon are on the mandolin club, while the glee club really cannot get along without Brother Hart. We have six men on the college honor roll this year. 1902's junior "prom." was a great success, Brothers Salmon and Hart representing us on the committee.

Besides the new decorations in the house, our alumni have presented a quantity of new furniture and pictures, so that we will be proud to have a visit from any Theta Delt. Now in closing, let me remind you that Rochester is on the direct line from the East to the next convention, and it will cost you practically nothing to stop off and visit us in our own house. Of course we shall be at the convention, and we are looking forward to it with the greatest of pleasure.

FREDERIC C. DEPUY.

CHI DEUTERON—Columbian University

INITIATES

1904

Ernest Barbour, 619 14th Street, Washington.

William S. Rowland, 2115 California Avenue, Washington.

The fourth of March is nearly upon us and before this letter shall have gone to press the inauguration will be of the past. Just at present, however, preparations for this great national celebration are absorbing the energy of the Capital and its citizens to the absolute neglect of all else. As usual it is promised that this one shall surpass all former inaugurations in elaborateness of display and number of visitors. In the multitude gathered from all parts of the country we feel confident that a number of Theta Delts will be found, and we trust that Chi Deuteron may have the pleasure of meeting many of them.

During the past three months we have enjoyed visits from a number of Chi Deuteron's alumni, whose numbers are now assuming good proportions. Through Christmas week we had a merry

crowd consisting of Brothers H. R. Pine, A. P. Spear, H. H. D. Sterrett, G. W. Kelly, W. W. Gilliss, W. Manning, and H. T. Domer. Theta Delta Chi and Chi Deuteron seem to have lost none of their early fascination for these brothers as was witnessed by the constancy with which they lingered about the charge rooms and joined in the gatherings of the active men.

On December 27, the charge gave its annual Christmas dance at Rauscher's. Several visiting Theta Delts were present with us, and the dance is one long to be remembered for its enjoyableness. Two days later the college gave a delightful reception and dance to the students and alumni. Since the holiday season there has been nothing attempted of a social nature in either the charge or college.

As noted above we have succeeded in adding two or more to our number and we are pleased to introduce Brothers Ernest Barbour and W. S. Rowland, of the class of 1904. Let me introduce also Brother Paul Sperry, 1901, whose name was incorrectly given in the December issue of *THE SHIELD*. With a total of five new men for the year, and in all fourteen active members, we are very well satisfied with the condition of the charge. On or about March 26, we expect to hold our annual banquet in conjunction with the Southern Graduate Association, and we would be glad to have any visiting brothers join with us. To sum up the general news of Chi Deuteron, I may say that the past three months have been of the greatest interest to the charge in every way, but there have been few events of general interest to Theta Delts.

M. W. LINDSEY.

PSI—Hamilton College

Psi firmly advocates progress and abhors stagnation, and has succeeded in attaining this ideal to the extent that a new carpet has found its future resting place in our parlor and several rugs have been adopted for life. With such cheerful surroundings the long winter evenings have been pleasantly passed in listening to songs and band music reproduced by an Edison phonograph

which Brother Ehret, '04, brought back with him from his Xmas vacation.

The evening of February 19 found Psi holding forth to the college in the shape of a very successful reception. As usual Psi showed herself a model hostess. This was the first evening for the festivities of junior prom. week, and every one was in a mood to enjoy himself to the utmost. We had with us Brothers F. M. Weston, Psi, '00, and E. J. Humeston, Psi, '99, both of Auburn Theological Seminary.

The thirteenth of March was the day appointed for inter-class debate, a custom established last year. Three members each from the junior and senior classes are chosen by the professor of oratory, and Brother Campbell, '02, received an appointment. We are sure that he will adequately and easily represent the junior class as well as Psi.

The attention of the college has of late been directed entirely to basketball. Psi is represented by the McLaughlin brothers, considered the best players in college. Warren McLaughlin, '01, is captain, and has led the team to several victories during the season.

The past month brought us visits by Brother Holbrook, '03, Brother Hawkins, Iota Deuteron, '99, and Brother Geo. Ehret, Rho Deuteron, '99. Our nearness to Utica and fairly good railroad accommodations ought to induce more brothers to drop in on us, and we trust that the next SHIELD will show a marked increase in the number of visits.

CHARLES W. LEWIS.

OUR GRADUATES

Every graduate is an associate editor of this department. Its interest depends entirely upon the cooperation of those who are in a position to gain information concerning the members of our fraternity. The assistance of all is earnestly requested and full details are desired whenever they can be obtained.

L. H. Durkee, Beta, '74, has been elected president of the New York State Association of County Agricultural Societies.

Seward A. Simons, Beta, '79, is a member of the committee on sports for the Pan-American Exposition.

T. Guilford Smith, Delta, '61, is the subject of a long biographical article in the *Successful American*. The sketch was accompanied by a half-tone of Brother Smith.

L. C. DuBois, Epsilon D., '89, is now located at Florence, Colorado, where he is superintendent of the leading department at the Dorcas mill.

W. L. Stone, Zeta, '57, since visiting Williamstown last fall, has been interested in determining the origin of the name of Mount Greylock. In an old history he has recently discovered that the mountain was named after an old Indian, Grey Lock, who formerly lived near it and made a practice of disturbing the early settlers in the region. Brother Stone addressed the Bronx Chapter, D. A. R. at Mt. Vernon, N. Y., February 14, 1901, on the Declaration of Independence.

Joseph J. McAdoo, Theta, '96, is in the office of the general passenger agent of the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad, at Pittsburgh, Penna.

E. R. Wilson, Theta, '96, is a member of the firm Kling & Wilson, wholesale hardware dealers at Marion, Ohio.

W. W. Winslow, Iota, '85, is president of the Punxsutawney National Bank, of Punxsutawney, Pa. The Bank is capitalized at \$100,000.

Dr. Charles E. Montague, Iota D., '91, is practicing medicine in Wakefield, Mass.

Charles L. Hibbard, Iota D., has been dangerously ill at his home in Pittsfield, Mass., during January and February, but is reported to be recovering slowly.

Edward Bartow, Iota D., '92, is connected with the department of chemistry at the University of Kansas.

Lewis Earle Lee, Iota D., '94, is pastor of the North Presbyterian Church at Cincinnati, Ohio. It is one of the most flourishing churches in the city.

E. A. Start, Kappa, '84, published in a recent number of *The Chautauquan* an article upon "The Berlin Treaty and Russian Policy."

Winthrop L. Marvin, Kappa, '84, has been appointed to the Civil Service Commission of Massachusetts by Gov. Crane, to succeed the late E. P. Wilbur. The appointment is commented upon very favorably by the Boston papers.

T. O. Marvin, Kappa, '88, is treasurer of the Publicity Bureau, Boston, Mass.

E. Marble, Kappa, '99, is with the Factory Mutual Fire Insurance Companies. His address is 17 Boylston Place, Boston, Mass.

Rev. F. W. Perkins, Kappa, '91, has resigned his pastorate of the Church of the Redeemer, in Hartford, Conn., and has accepted a call to the Universalist Church of Haverhill, Mass.

Guy C. Pierce, Kappa, '96, is with the Copelin-Lee Paper Company, 205 La Salle Street, Chicago, Ill.

H. A. Doris, Kappa, '99, is practicing dentistry; his office is in the Warren Chambers, Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.

F. W. Knowlton, Kappa, '99, is one of the editors of the *Harvard Law Review*.

Rev. Benjamin A. Goodrich, Lambda, '81, has accepted a call from the Unitarian Church at Santa Barbara, Cal. His former charge was at Dorchester, Mass.

Herbert C. Sanborn, Lambda, '96, has won the Jacob Sleeper Fellowship of \$500, as a reward for his record in the study of philosophy and philology since his graduation from college.

Rev. Loring B. Chase, Mu D., '97, is pastor of the Congregational Church in Rocky Hill, Conn.

Harry W. Kidder, Mu D., '97, has become an assistant in the office of the treasurer of Amherst College.

Marshall Tyler, Mu D., '97, is teaching in the College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts, Kingston, R. I.

F. Stuart Crawford, Mu D., '97, is representing the *New York Tribune* in Brooklyn, N. Y. His address is 109 Joralemon Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

H. A. Bullock, Mu D., '99, has removed from Boston to New Haven, Conn., where he has taken charge of the night office of the Associated Press.

Frank E. Boggs, Mu D., '00, is teaching in the Kingsley School, Caldwell, N. Y.

Frank C. Dudley, Nu D., '00, is teaching English in the Polytechnic Institute, Brooklyn. His address is 166 Clinton Street.

C. A. Luckenbach, Nu D., '86, is purchasing agent for the Los Angeles Gas Company and the Los Angeles Electric Co. His address is 1400 Carroll Avenue, Los Angeles, Cal.

Frederick W. McCall, Nu D., '90, is practicing dentistry in Binghamton, N. Y.

G. A. Gessner, Nu D., 1893, is connected with the office of the city engineer of Toledo, Ohio. His address is 2328 Detroit Avenue.

Francis Betts Smith, Nu D., '97, has opened an office in the Ellicott Square where he is representing the Bullock Electrical Manufacturing Company.

F. E. Gale, Omicron D., '76, is connected with the firm of Geo. Gale & Sons, Manufacturers, in Waterville, P. Q.

Rev. Leslie F. Potter, Xi, '93, is rector of the Grace Church at Kirkwood, Mo.

C. W. New, Xi, '95, is dean of the faculty of St. John's Military Academy, Delafield, Wis. Brother Roy Farrand, Sigma D., '00, and Brother J. H. McNell, Epsilon D., '95, are also instructors in the academy.

S. Carleton Haight, Pi D., '92, having completed his course at Auburn Theological Seminary, was installed, on October 23d, as pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Oakfield, N. Y. At this service the charge to the people was delivered by J. Wilford Jacks, D.D., Psi '68, Superintendent of the Synod of New York.

F. N. Dodd, Rho D., '91, has been designated by the Custodian of Archives as Deputy Custodian of the Archives for the fraternity, and the arrangement has received the approval of the Grand Lodge.

E. W. Byrn, Sigma, '70. Brother Byrn's article upon "A Century of Progress in the United States," to which reference is made in our editorial page, has been widely copied, by permission, in leading newspapers. Pressure of work has compelled Brother Byrn to decline an invitation to contribute an article on "Agricultural Machines" for the new edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

Charles G. Biggs, Sigma, '70, is an attorney at law at Sharpsburg, Md.

Theo. W. Brazeau, Sigma D., '96, is practicing law at Grand Rapids, Wis.

E. A. Stavrum, Sigma, D., '97, resigned last June his position in St. John's Academy at Delafield, Wisconsin, in order to pursue work in music. He is now located at 667 Marshall St., Milwaukee, Wis.

Willis S. Paine, Chi, '68, presented a communication last month, to the New York Assembly Committee on Taxation and Retrenchment, concerning the taxation of savings banks. He was against the Treat bill which proposed a tax on the deposits in such institutions.

G. R. Lewis, Phi, '89, is a druggist in Cripple Creek, Colorado.

A. Edwin Keigwin, Phi, '91. The Park Presbyterian Church, of Newark, N. J., of which Brother Keigwin is pastor, has recently raised \$25,000 with which to pay off the debt upon the church edifice. Through the efforts of Brother Keigwin this was accomplished by a single collection taken at a recent service.

Dr. E. C. Chamberlin, Phi, '93, is an enthusiastic automobilist, being a charter member of the American Automobile Club, and president of the Automobile Storage and Repair Company. His address is 57 West 66th Street, New York City, N. Y.

O. G. H. Barker, Phi, '95. Brother Barker has contributed to a recent number of the Ebensburg, (Pa.), *Mountaineer-Herald* an interesting letter, describing winter scenes and events in Vienna, where he is spending several months.

S. D. Allen, Psi, '78, is an attorney-at-law in Duluth, Minn. His offices are 402-403 Lonsdale Building.

R. B. Seymour, Psi, '84, has removed from Detroit, resigning his position in the Gutchess College of Business. Last September he settled at Springfield, Illinois, where he has accepted a position as director of the commercial department in the high school. His present address is 215 West Adams Street.

Notes

The Central Graduate Association held a meeting last January in Chicago. The meeting was very enthusiastic, most of time being spent in discussing whether or not graduate associations should be represented in the convention. The majority of the members were in favor of such representation, and they will bring the matter before the fraternity. The annual dinner will be held Saturday evening, April 6th.

The Buffalo Graduate Association of Theta Delta Chi held their annual meeting at the Colonial Parlors of the Genesee Hotel, January 17, 1901. The officers for the following year are : President, General John C. Graves; Vice-President, Sidney W. Petrie; Secretary, F. Beaumont Griffith, Jr.; Executive Committee, Col. S. Douglass Cornell, Hon. Daniel N. Lockwood, and Henry Chace. Those present were Hon. Daniel N. Lockwood, Col. S. Douglass Cornell, Gen. John C. Graves, Sidney W. Petrie, Clark Timmerman, Dr. H. R. Gaylory, Dr. Lorenzo Burrows, Dr. Benj. H. Grove, E. S. Petrie, Henry Chace, John Chace, Henry Russell, R. T. Needham, James

Heckman, James Persons, F. Beaumont Griffith, Jr., Clark Twinn, and F. B. Smith. The last supper was held October 18 at which time we had the pleasure of entertaining Brother Norman Hackett, Hobart Cone, of Batavia, and Professor F. C. Fairley, of Canandaigua.

Beefsteak Dinner of the New York Graduate Club. The Graduate Club of Theta Delta Chi held a beefsteak dinner on the evening of Friday, March 15, at Gaston's restaurant, Fifth Avenue and Thirty-ninth Street, New York City, and the following brothers were present: Carl A. Harstrom, Edw. S. Griffing, Frederic Carter, F. C. McLaughlin, Harry G. Hershfield, Lemuel R. Hopton, Wm. L. Harrington, Richard Ten Broeck, Clay W. Holmes, C. LeClare Howe, Jas. A. Hamilton, Chas. Stevens White, Clifford Wilmurt, Jas. T. Harrington, A. S. Clift, R. Tombo, Jr., H. D. Brookins, Frank N. Dodd, D. S. Dougherty, H. A. Uterhart, Wm. B. Wright, James Hess, F. L. Connard, E. C. Chamberlin.

Letters were also read from Brothers Dale Wilson, E. W. Huffcut, Wm. G. Preston, Benj. Douglass, Jr., Chas. C. Hoff, Chas. P. Schmid, Jr., Rev. Lawrence T. Cole, James R. Mellon, Lewis A. Barker, and Hon. John Hay.

The dinner was pronounced a great success, and at its conclusion the brothers adjourned to the rooms of the Graduate Club, 1424 Broadway.

Association of Theta Delta Chi. A meeting of the organizers of the Association of Theta Delta Chi, an incorporation having in view the accumulation of a permanent endowment fund for the benefit of the fraternity, was held at the rooms of the Graduate Club, March 15, 1901. Proposed by-laws were adopted, and a committee appointed to confer with the Grand Lodge with regard to the plans of the Association. The officers elected were: Carl A. Harstrom, President; Frederic Carter, Treasurer; Frank N. Dodd, Secretary.

The graduates of Iota Deuteron who live in the vicinity of Boston have been holding a very pleasant series of informal reunions during the winter to discuss welsh rarebits and matters relating to the welfare of the charge. The fifth of these was held at the Copley Square Hotel the evening before Washington's Birthday. Those present were Brothers Charles E. Montague, '91, William I. Corthell, '93, C. Park Pressey, '93, John P. Huntington, '94, Olcott O. Partridge, '94, John H. Peck, '95, William H. Nutter, '97, Ralph W. Dunbar, '98, Walter C. Kellogg, '99; Russell C. Gibbs, 1900, Philip R. Dunbar, 1900, and Paul R. Knight, 1901.

THE SHIELD has received notice of the founding of the Rhode Island Alumni Association of Theta Delta Chi. The names of the officers are reported under our list of fraternity organizations.

The Phi Alumni Association held a dinner on February 8, 1901, at the Hotel Manhattan, New York City. The banquet hall was arranged with

small tables holding about ten each. Brothers Holmes and Adams addressed the Association.

In the Southern Historical Papers there has been published an interesting contemporaneous account of the attack upon Fort Fisher. This is from the pen of the wife of the commandant, Colonel William Lamb, Epsilon, '53.

Of the formation of alumni associations and graduate clubs there may be no end ; but among the clubs there is much of that spice of life,—variety. A recent Theta Delt organization has such a bountiful supply of variety that it seems to justify comment. Novelty, indeed ! Here is a Theta Delta Chi alumni association with no constitution, no by-laws, no name, no officers, "no nothing,"—not even members, as the word is ordinarily used. And yet it has an existence, and a most precious existence. This strange thing is a "gang" of about a dozen Iota Deuteron graduates, who live in or near an obscure New England town called Boston. Its *raison d'être* is simple : the desire to combine the college spirit of the Williams Alumni Association and the fraternity spirit of the new England Association of Theta Delta Chi. So the "Boston Iota Deuteron" gang evolved. It occupies a place that's all its own. It treads on nobody's heels. It meets at the Williams dinner at the University Club, and it meets at the "New England banquet" at Young's. It sings Williams songs within half a mile of the Lambda rooms, and it gives the Williams yell under the walls of Iota's new home. It is always a Theta Delt crowd ; it is first and foremost an Iota Deuteron crowd. It doesn't meet ; it just "drops in" about once a month. It plays whist and hearts and other well known games with the pasteboards ; it smokes Hand-some Dan and Deities and Marguerites ; it stowes away Anheuser-Busch and Faust Brand and Sand Springs Ginger Ale ; it makes "rabbits" and other heartrending concoctions ; and it talks Williams and sings Theta Delta Chi and sings Williams and talks Theta Delta Chi, and imagines the old undergraduate days are come back. If anyone happens to be so minded he calls the meeting to order, nominates himself as temporary chairman, declares himself elected, makes a nomination for permanent chairman, and announces the election. Then the Iota Deuteron alumni roll is run over,—this doctor is settled, that professor advanced ; this man (the shyest in his delegation) succumbs to matrimony ; so-and-so passes the bar exams. ; and the Sergeant sends a letter from his post with the troops in Peking. If a Round Robin happens to be in Boston it chirps up ; the newly established house fund is discussed at length ; recent college elections come up for comment ; and "Who is going back to Commencement?" is asked and answered, and "Who is going to Buffalo?" And then the Williams Marching Song and all the fraternity favorites and the hearty grip and the "good nights." Not much of an alumni association after all,—doesn't appear in the list in the early pages of THE SHIELD,—never does much of anything. But who can tell what it may mean sometime to the dozen men who are in

it now? And who knows what its existence may some day mean to Iota Deuteron and to the fraternity?

R. C. GIBBS.

Marriages

Fred Adams Briggs, Beta, '98, is to be married to Miss Anna Valette Haight of Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

The romance is the outcome of the college boat races that have been held on the Hudson at this place for the past five years. Mr. Briggs rowed on the Cornell crew that went to Henley in 1895, and also on the red and white eight that was sent to Poughkeepsie in 1896. In 1897 he was stroke of the great Cornell crew that defeated Yale, Harvard, and Pennsylvania, and in those races he won his reputation.

In 1897 he attended the regatta ball given by society people of this city to the college men, and there met Miss Haight.

Mr. Briggs is connected with a bank, of which his father is the head, in Waterloo, Canada. The date of the wedding is not announced.

Brother Frank F. Van Tuyl, Gamma D., '95, was married on December 27, 1900, to Miss Laura S. Jenness, of Ypsilanti, Mich. They are keeping house in Ypsilanti, where Brother Van Tuyl is employed as superintendent of the Washtenau Electric Company.

Percy Nelson, Gamma D., '94, was married December 25, 1900, to Miss Violet Bertha Ashenfelter, of Silver City, N. M. Brother Nelson has lately removed from Denver to Silver City, where he is practicing law.

E. C. Baker, Zeta, ex-'02, was married to Miss Rose Frances Freeman, Thursday, February 14, 1901. Rev. Joseph F. McDonough, of St. Michaels, Providence, officiated.

C. W. Low, Zeta, ex-'90, and Miss Alice Lindley Bowen were united in marriage at the home of the bride's father, Col. Amos M. Bowen, Zeta, '63, 12 Tobey Street, Providence, R. I., by the Rev. Sumner Shearman, Zeta '61, December 25, 1900. H. C. Low, Zeta, '01, was best man, and Miss Lillian MacQuilland acted as maid of honor. Mr. and Mrs. Low are residing at 234 West Elm Street, Brockton, Mass, where Brother Low is engaged in the shoe manufacturing business in the firm of Oakman & Low.

For the first time in its history, the old chapel of Hamilton College was the scene of a wedding on December 20, 1900. This was the occasion of the marriage of Professor Thomas Flint Nichols, Ph.D., Eta, '92, to Miss Alice Gordon Root, eldest daughter of the Rev. Oren Root, D.D., professor of mathematics at Hamilton. The old chapel was prettily decorated with evergreens, and at the hour of two the bridal march from "Lohengrin" announced the approach of the bridal party. The ceremony was performed

by President M. Woolsey Stryker, D.D., LL.D. The ushers were Professor Alfred A. Moore, of Cornell University; F. H. Cunningham, Psi, '99, of New York; George M. Weaver, Jr., of Utica; James H. Taylor, Professor Edward F. Fitch, and Professor William P. Shepard, Clinton. E. J. Humeston, Psi, '99, of Auburn Seminary, presided at the organ. Immediately after the ceremony the friends of the contracting parties were received at "The Hemlocks," and among those who assisted was Rev. Dr. C. L. Nichols, Eta, '57, father of the groom. Professor Nichols on graduating from Bowdoin College entered Clark University, and received his Ph.D., in '95. Since that time he has been assistant professor of mathematics at Hamilton. His interests in Theta Delta Chi have always been most ardent, and being the only "Frater in Facultate" his counsel is sought by all the brothers at Psi. He is now acting with the Trustees as Treasurer of Psi's Alumni Association.

N. H. Barrows, Omicron D., '00. On February 6, 1901, Brother Barrows was married to Miss Julia Southerland Rutter, of Enfield, New Hampshire. The wedding is described by the newspapers as a "brilliant social event." Brothers S. M. Chase, Iota, '99, and G. E. Emerson, Omicron D., were among the ushers, and a large delegation from Omicron Deuteron was in attendance. Brother Barrows and his bride are now at Shirley, Mass.; but after May 1, they will be at home at Enfield, New Hampshire. Brother Barrows has the congratulations of his many friends in the fraternity who know of the invaluable work that he has done for Omicron Deuteron Charge, which presented him a handsome cut-glass wine set as a wedding gift.

Rev. **Richard Pope**, Rho D., '91, was married Feb. 2, 1901, to Miss Alice Stoutenburgh of New York City. Brother Pope is rector of St. Peter's Church, Clinton and Carroll Streets, New York City.

The wedding of Miss Eleanor Howes Morgan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Nash Morgan of Cleveland, Ohio, to Robert H. Perdue, Epsilon Deuteron, '96, took place on Thursday, February 28, 1901, at the Morgan residence, 469 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland. The Episcopal wedding service, which was read at high noon by The Very Reverend Charles D. Williams, Dean of Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland, was witnessed only by the immediate families of the bridal party. Paul Wright, Epsilon Deuteron, '96, acted as best man for Brother Perdue; and the ushers were Frank D. Wanning, Epsilon Deuteron, '94, George W. Van Slyke, Epsilon Deuteron, '95, William H. Van Slyke, Epsilon Deuteron, '95, Waldo F. Tobey, Beta, '95, and Mr. George W. Pope. The bridesmaids were Miss Lois Bailey, Miss Lillian Burnett, and Miss Henrietta Allen. Miss Elizabeth Colwell, who was to have been maid of honor, was too ill to attend the wedding. The wedding ceremony was followed by the wedding breakfast, which in turn was followed by a tea from three until five, for which several hundred

invitations were issued. A large number of very beautiful and elaborate entertainments were given for the bridal party on the days preceding the wedding. Among the most notable of these were a dinner given by Miss Henrietta Allen, a supper by Mrs. Morgan, mother of the bride, a dinner by Mr. and Mrs. Price McKinney, a dinner-dance by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Goodrich Hower, a studio tea by Mr. William T. Otis, and a theatre and supper party by Mr. and Mrs. William Higbee and Mr. and Mrs. William Maxson. Brother and Mrs. Perdue are now in the South, but will shortly return to Cleveland where they will be at home after June 1, at "The Halcyon."

Dr. Edwin Chamberlin, Phi, '93, was married November 14, 1900, to Miss Annabel L. Johnston. They are at home to all Theta Deltas at their residence, number 4 West 84th Street, New York City.

Deaths

Clarence T. Jenkins, Alpha, '60. From Brother William L. Stone we have received the following account of our late Brother Jenkins :

Clarence T. Jenkins was a most kindly and lovable gentleman. He was a grandson of the late Chancellor Walworth, the Nestor of American equity lawyers, a brother of the distinguished jurist, Judge James Graham Jenkins, of Detroit, Michigan, and also a brother of the late General Walworth Jenkins, who was a well known general in our Civil War and was for several years in charge of the military department at Louisville, Kentucky. For some time Brother Jenkins owned a book store in Albany, N. Y.; but about fifteen years ago he removed to St. Louis, Mo., to engage in the same business. He was twice married, his first wife being Miss Louise McMillan, of Albany; and his second, Miss Emma Stoker, of Oswego, N. Y. He was also my first groomsman at my wedding.

Oscar Frisbie, Gamma, '56. Brother Stone writes, also, concerning the death of Brother Frisbie :

"Brother Frisbie was a man of herculean build, and his intellect corresponded fully with his physique. He was always a most enthusiastic Theta Delt, as his presence and speeches at the various reunions in New York fully testifies. He was, moreover, a most conscientious lawyer—never taking a case unless his client was in the right, thus losing many a fat fee. So let us, in this age of some of the miserable practitioners at the bar, who will take any case provided there is money in it, give dear Oscar full credit. He suffered greatly, two years since, in the loss of his dear wife; but, as he told me: "I shall rejoin her again." Peace to his ashes! The old Gamma has, of course, long been out of existence; but Theta Deltas should in some manner take notice of Brother Frisbie's death." He had been a member of the Brooklyn board of education, of the Union League Club, and the Long Island Historical Society.

Dr. S. H. Harrington, Alpha, '53, died December 17, 1900, in Greene, N. Y., at the residence of Curtis Winston. Brother Harrington was one of the prominent men of Chenango County, where in connection with his practice, he was proprietor of the leading drug store for a number of years.

Captain Robert Lamb, Epsilon, '57, brother of Col. Lamb, Epsilon, '53, died recently in Norfolk, Va. He was on the staff of his brother through the Civil War, and took active part in the defense of Fort Fisher.

John W. Church, Psi, '72, a gifted attorney, of Norwich, N. Y., died recently at Passaic, N. J. Brother Church was one of the most gifted men and lawyers Chenango county has produced, and was known far and wide for his brilliancy as an orator, his shrewdness in the examination of a witness, the force and clearness of his argument before a jury, and his thorough knowledge of the law. These qualities, exercised as his natural alertness of mind would direct, served him well professionally and in all the walks of life, and won for him friends and a reputation that extended far beyond the limits of the Chenango county bar, giving him a prominence in legal circles rarely excelled.

EXCHANGE GLEANINGS

Our exchanges are requested to send *two* copies of each issue to C. J. BULLOCK, Williamstown, Mass., and *one* copy to E. W. HUFFCUT, Ithaca, N. Y.

With the November number of the *Phi Gamma Delta*, editorial management of the journal passes into the hands of Myron J. Jones, of Mansfield, Ohio. A long article is devoted to a sketch of the retiring editor, Frederic C. Howe, who *made* the journal and has guided its affairs for nearly a dozen years. Of a high order of excellence are several speeches made at a recent convention and reported in this number.

The January issue contains sketches of the lives of the late John Clark Ridpath, Bishops J. C. Hartzell and W. E. McLaren, and Governor S. R. Van Sant, of Minnesota, all of whom are members are of Phi Gamma Delta. The Yale chapter is now erecting a hall, or "Tomb," patterned after the style that prevails in this university. This chapter initiates men from all departments of the institution, and claims to be unique in this respect. Phi Gamma Delta has recently installed a chapter at the University of the State of Washington.

Those who delight in the writings of Mr. Dooley will appreciate the following account of a recent convention at Philadelphia, which F. K. Farr, of Kappa Sigma, contributed to the last number of the *Caduceus* :

"Hogan's boy was tellin' me he have been to a Conclave of that set of la-ads he was jinin' when I saw ye last," said Mr. Dooley to Hennessey.

" 'Twas somethin' like the A. O. Haitch picnic, was it?" said Hennessey, helplessly.

"Well, yes," said Mr. Dooley. "Fr'm what Michael tells me 'twas as much like wan of those occasions as a quiet night on th' dhrainage canal is like th' Galveston flood. Ye ought t' know, Hennessey, 'tis foine company

young Hogan have got himself in, an' th' la-ads at Philadelphia, he says, was up t' th' limit."

"But what was it all for?" inquired Hennessey.

"I gather fr'm the description of Michael that 'twas f'r th' manifestation of brotherly affection fr'm 6 P. M. to an early hour th' followin' mornin', with a little business on th' side, thransacted by as many as was up in time f'r to attend th' tin o'clock session," replied Mr. Dooley. "There was seegars, seegareets, an' smokin' tobacco on tap at all times, an' a Frinchman runnin' f'r matches constant. There was also several colors av punch on th' sideboord continuous, an young Hogan bein' sthricly temperate whin in company. niver made th' discovery till th' last day in th' avenin' that th' light colored kind was nothin' but liminade an' could niver bring a blush t' th' cheek av modesty, as old Hogan says. Michael's short a gallon av liminade f'r th' rest av his life.

"At th' openin' av th' sessions th' diligates was welcomed t' th' city be a local mimber. 'Welcome to Philadelphia,' he says, 'an' t' all that th' word implies, he says. 'If th' town isn't movin' fast enough f'r t' suit ye 'twill be hurried up,' he says, 'but, he says, 'we must kindly r-request ye not t' be impatient in case a milk-wagon sh'd get on th' thrack ahead of yere sthreet-car,' he says, 'f'r this is a protectionist city an' th' milk-wagon as th' mainstay of th' infant indushtry has th' right av way,' he says. 'We thrust,' he says, 'that if ye come into collision with anny of our metropolitan police foorce ye'll be able t' get away,' he says, 'but in case ye shudn't, we have arranged that th' sign av disthress will be reecognized be anny magistrate in th' city,' he says. 'Ye're invited f'r to put yere money on th' Penn team,' he says, 'an' in case av loss 'twill be refunded,' he says, 'this offer, howiver, not extendin to anny other game ye may meet with in th' coorse av yere explorations,' he says.

"Th' local committee had arranged so well f'r th' entertainment av th' diligates that many av thim spoke av movin' to Philadelphia. Th' first noight there was a smokin' party. Iverybody had th' materials an' used thim. Th' diligation fr'm Cornell was heard t' yell in subdued tones onct or twicet, an' a la-ad fr'm Denver med a speech on 'Ixpansion th' Need av th' Times, an' How to Do It.' Pollytics bein' barred, he med reference only to th' ixpansion av th' Ordher an' was heard with pleasure be all. There was much other speakin' as well as other rayfrishmints. Th' nixt avenin' there was a ball, to adorn which th' committee had imported th' beauty av all th' female colledges in th' neighborhood an' av th' city as well. Th' occasion was not marred be any untoward circumstance, ixcept whin a girl fr'm Brownmore thried t' teach th' edither av th' Sadducees th' waltz.

"There was prisint at th' meetin's a happy pair be th' names av Cloud-man, fr'm Maine, an' Williams, fr'm Louisiana, an' th' one bein' six fut three while th' other was three fut six, th' attrahcted th' greatest attintion whin in company, an' that was most av th' time. There was Northern

la-ads prisint frathernizin' with Southerners, th' East with th' West, an' th' Philadelphians with iverybody. Th' Worthy Grand Scribe av th' Ordher was in th' custody av a preacher an' was not observed t' wandher fr'm th' path av righteousness once, an' nayther was th' preacher. Th' treasurer rayported that th' Ordher had money t' bur-rn, but all projicks f'r burnin' it was rayjected an' th' treasurer directed to take out fire insurance. Tin la-ads fr'm the Kneehigh University was initiated, all at wanst' an' young Michael said th' scene was one of threemenjous excitement, th' thrained goats fr'm all over th' counthry havin' been brought on f'r to assist in the ceeremonies. Th' goats confusin' th' mimbers with th' candidates was th' cause av no little consternation, but all were at last brought to where they had a view of Bolony an' were charmed with th' sight.

"Th' banquet at th' close av th' exercises was th' finest thing av the whole meetin', young Hogan says. There was r-reed-birds on toast, fried Philadelpy scrapple, Hellenic punch, an' all th' usual dilicacies. There was also speeches, th' principal ones bein' in raysponse to th' sintiments av 'Woman,' 'Th' Ladies,' 'Our Girls,' 'Th' Fair Sex,' an' 'Our Sweethearts.' Aftther settlin up all bills th' diligates dispersed to their rayspictive homes, with th' greatest regret on all hands,"

"But what was there in it, aftther all?" said Hennessey, skeptically.

"Hennessey," said Mr. Dooley, "if ye don't know, there's no wan can tell ye. But young Hogan said he'd niver miss another, and on me sowl I don't blame him."



From the January *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta we reproduce, as worthy of careful consideration, the following editorial :

"Age and evolution have carried the fraternities far away from many of the old time moorings. In most instances this is an improvement and sometimes not to be regretted ; but, in the nature of things, much that was good and desirable has been lost at the same time. No instance of this sort is more to be regretted than the disappearance of the literary side of fraternity life. Under present-day conditions we realize that the old order of things cannot be brought back ; but we often think that there would not be the same lack of available contributions to the Fraternity Journal under the old order. The thing to be regretted is that nothing else has taken its place or been able to compensate for this loss. In most of our colleges the literary society has also disappeared, or where it does survive is of little aid.

We venture to say that no more noticeable loss from this change can be found than at fraternity gatherings. The active who is able to make a fairly satisfactory speech from the floor of a convention is in the minority. Oratory is not what is needed ; but it would be a satisfaction to have the men able to express coherent ideas in fairly decent English. Despite some brilliant exceptions, the two last Karneas have demonstrated the fact that our actives are sadly untrained in the art of extemporaneously expressing their views. Many more are deterred by a diffidence that practice would dispel.

In seeking for an improvement along this line we are confronted by two facts. The technical school offers its students no aid in public speaking; in the second place, few of the other colleges give any material assistance. Lecture work and written examinations have supplanted to a large extent the drill resulting from individual recitation. Where the semblance is retained the size of the classes generally counteracts any appreciable good.

It is evident that any improvement along this line must come from the chapter itself; but we should be the last one to advocate a return to the stilted literary exercises of a decade or two ago. We believe the best results will be obtained by encouraging open discussion in the regular meetings and the adoption of a plan that has been employed by one of our chapters for several years with very satisfactory results. It has been the custom in that chapter to have a somewhat informal banquet once a month in addition to the elaborate initiation banquets, and two annual affairs of the same nature. Quite often these informal banquets, or "feeds" I believe they are called, are provided for by postponing the regular dinner and having a light supper earlier in the evening. At other times they were given by some members as a penalty for having a birthday. Of whatever nature they were the speaking was always a prominent feature. At the more formal affairs there were always set speeches, at other times there were music, songs and informal talks from each man as the loving cup was sent around. No excuse for silence was allowed; every man had to get on his feet and say something. The result was that in a short time the man who formerly was only able to stammer out a toast found thoughts coming in due order, and he soon was able to clothe them in fairly intelligent language.

The inception of this custom was in a desire to unite the men more closely and smooth over any internal trouble that may have arisen; not only was this accomplished and more harmony insured than the regular meetings could produce, but in a short time the chapter became noted at its college for the fluency of its members. While it may not have produced any very great orators, the average member of that chapter is perfectly able to hold his own at most any banquet table or upon any convention floor.

With such changes as local conditions might require we would recommend this scheme to our chapters as a valuable training for their members and a potent aid to harmony and the strengthening of the common bond."

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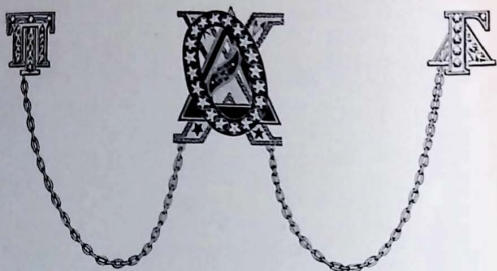
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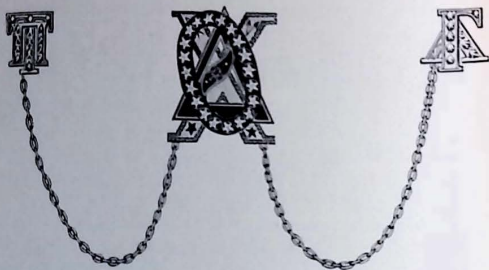
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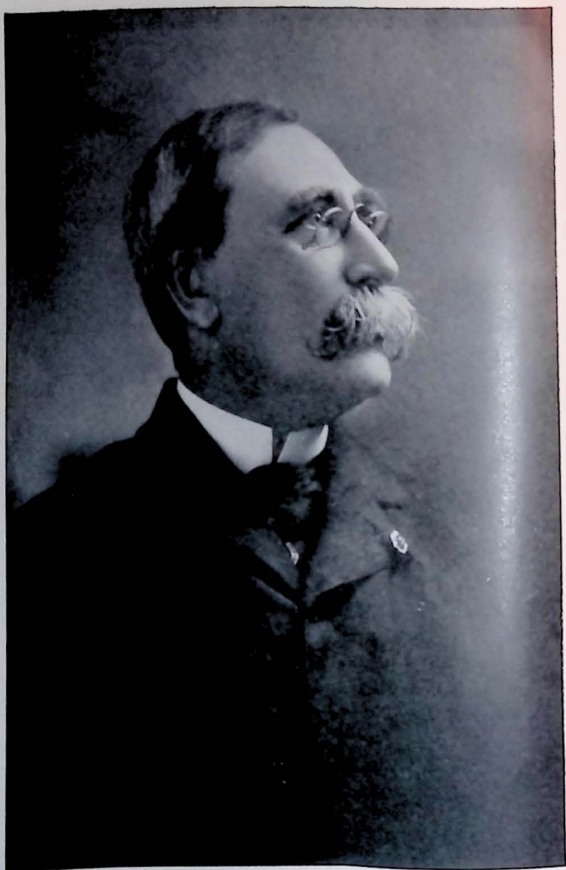
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A Sketch of Chi Charge which should have been
the History of the Same.¹

When THE SHIELD, under its present enterprising management, resolved upon publishing the history of each of the charges of Theta Delta Chi seriatim, the writer, who heard of it and was cunningly burrowing under some sheltering earth out of sight for

¹Since Brother Spahn has placed his prologue at the end of this article, the editor will make good the loss by inserting here the following letter, as by request :

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER :

The Chi history which will reach you this week, may occupy as I figure, about 25-30 pp. of THE SHIELD. It is as complete as it is possible to make the same ; and outside of the swift movement of the narrative, which rather flies aloof from earthy beaten paths in an air line of its own, there is when it becomes a part of all the other charge histories, much for the future to contribute before the respective histories in their ensemble, will suffice for so exalted and grand a thing as the history of all the Fraternity. But each of us so called charge historians will nevertheless to a great extent be sources to the Fraternity historian. If Brother Frederick Carter will make a point, as Custodian of Archives, to beg, borrow, or steal as the case may require, a complete file of THE SHIELD, together with all fugitive printing of G. L. proceedings which still exist, and index what relates to fraternal history, which is and ever must be to a great extent biography he will not only find a remuneratively profitable task in all save cash but achieve a labor that ought to be done by some one in the best interests of the order. I wish a power would hire me to do it at a salary. Publish this letter.

Yours in the bonds,

JACOB SPAHN.

fear he might be chosen into the literature, became an object of eager search to his fraters ; and was found in no time—like the traditional dinner woodchuck on the occasion of the minister's domiciliary visit. Then, before the muzzle of a metaphoric shotgun, the writer was compelled to decide whether he should emerge from the recesses of his hiding hole and worthily memorialize Chi ; or retreat farther inward where his *obscurity* would become denser till he was either shot or smoked out into the open for any editorial exigency of the occasion. Why ?

Let the reader picture to himself a venerable (?) old man—half poet, half philosopher by “strenuous” striving, yet wholly to fail of either, fond of ease, fonder of books (being an omnivorous reader) but only endowed with intelligence enough to essay great literary tasks which he cannot accomplish ; who does with honest thoroughness small tasks in easy amateur “dissertationing” and statesmanship which he can accomplish, while all the time struggling prosaically among complicated law suits full of inextricable puzzles which are distasteful, to vanquish his adversary for a comfortable fee so the tax gatherer anent a mass of the old man's unproductive reality, the office landlord, the butcher, baker and candle-stick maker, who are insatiate at all times, may be disposed of without blood-shed or overt horrors, each satisfied and pacified. All that would portray the writer ; and still leave out many duties which burden him, time-absorbing and unremunerated, touching matters of public expediency, imposed by appreciative fellow citizens upon talent supposed to be gifted with a ready if not profitable fluency of information on the municipal needs of the hour—for, dear reader of THE SHIELD, your involuntary historian of Chi is president of a bustling body known as the Anti-Mortgage Tax Association just now (May 22d) delegated to go representatively to the National Civic Federation's Convention at Buffalo ; and chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Citizen's Market Association of the City of Rochester ; and chairman of the citizen's committee, opposed to the repavement of St. Paul Street—(where some of the writer's unproductive realty is located). His opportunities for “fame” on a small scale are unbounded, and not any the less *dear* to him than cheap to his friends. Invitations reach him only too



often to address public gatherings, and he does address bodies like the local Chamber of Commerce, the Common Council, the legislative delegation to the State senate and assembly from the district; the local party "Boss"—that uncrowned, all-appalling king; and even a joint committee of the legislature of the State at the Albany Capitol—an event which occurred February 21st, 1901, concerning the tax against mortgages of private persons. On the last occasion the writer is said to have been not only extremely forceful but was vociferously applauded by the good-natured concourse who took in his display of ornate phrase and word pyrotechnics. Nevertheless the bill which the writer and his friends espoused, went miserably to pieces before the end of the legislative session. Some blighting "infloence" must have overcome it. Whew! Newspapers became engorged of the empty business; but the writer's purse remained and is flat-chested and collapsed, to now, alas, cynically cry out in sheer despair for "ways and means" while his time is everlastingly being slaughtered. Here a secret must suffer violation. The writer, whom the reader by this time has discovered to be very full of himself (which is history too) knoweth naught of the eager, unrelenting and yet complaisant black art of sooty Vulcan's smithy. That transmutheth the base metals into current gold; wherefore he shineth not in the lucky riches of the art's necromancy; and cannot hope the ravishing exaltation of Plutocracy's dusky luster. Yet he may thrive, if thrive he would, in the sweet blessing of Contentment (ahem) whose unfading flowers are more than the nosegays of a mortal hour (ahem again). But Fortune never asserteth her solacing voice where this blithe goddess's happy devotees abide (ahem a third time and now the copious tear). Amid all the foregoing diversion, with but twenty-four hours to each day (sixteen of those being necessary for various recuperative purposes to an "old" man) the invitation arrives from the sanctum of THE SHIELD and strikes at what ought to have proven the safe obscurity of the writer viz.: non-control of data—to urge that he compass eternity "at one fell swoop" by compiling a true—nay an *exhaustive* history of the Chi Charge of his beloved Fraternity. He does not want to answer nay. His general engagements though financially barren, hardly allow him to answer yea. How nonchalant is the call of this

world to plow and harrow without consideration (the "long green") sterile stretches of resounding Glory? Thus puzzled between two alternatives—a sort of forlorn ass in hungry agitation before two equi-distant bales of phantom hay and starving moribund—which deplorable situation might perhaps be better described as on the one hand the prosaic *eclat* of unrequited, non-official civic achievement; and on the other hand the exhilarating satisfaction of Parnassus-flights in *vacuo* concerning Chi, which Clio may finally repudiate for the flier's want of strict accuracy—the sudden mandate of a friend of the writer's boyhood, Willis S. Paine, father of the Chi Charge, brings about a resolution. The mandate is "*you must write the history,*" and so the scribe of this very expansive circumlocutory and perhaps altogether unique introduction, who is indebted over and over to Brother Paine for courtesies, compliments and benefits in times past, submits and surrenders with grace. There are no data whatever for the desired compilation put at the writer's disposal. Indeed none such exist anywhere within anybody's reach. Even Chi's legend is in *vacuo*. Brother Frederick Carter, yclept—"Custodian of the Archives" by a decree of G. L., is written to; and the response which echoes and re-echoes back from the cavernous void of Chaos, should be read by THE SHIELD's readers in full, just as it came to the writer—salutatory band-wagon flourish of heralding trumpets under the imposing head lines and all, viz.:

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DEAR BRO. SPAHN:—

Yours of the 15th inst. at hand. I am very sorry to have to state that the archives contain nothing relating to the Chi that would be of use to you. In fact I have recently been through them and they contain nothing of the Chi except the old charter which does not even bear a date.

Fraternally yours,

FREDERICK CARTER."

Yea, in the name of the prophets—figs ! Here verily is room no less than opportunity for Rabelaisian humor and the Homeric laugh. Now old Jake Spahn must trust to memory alone,—a treacherous muse. But as he loves Chi, she shall not prove inauspicious while he resurrects ghosts so they seem to walk, talk and gesticulate like animated beings from the thirty-three years which have passed since Chi became one of the stars in the glorious fraternal constellation ; and Jake made his abode in that star.

Let no reader of *THE SHIELD* look for anything here equal to the exhaustive and masterly narrative of that purist in English diction, Huffcut, concerning Beta. The effort of our present President shall remain forever unexcelled, one peerless model of its kind. But under all the drawbacks which supervene for the present, the writer, like that pianist in the western story, honestly declares to the reader,—“we shall do the best we can, and hope never to be wantonly shot to death while in the throes of any great act or trick according to our peculiar kind.” Not every man is given the magnificently lucid power of stately presentation commanded by Brother Ernest W. Huffcut, jurist not less than purist ; who has has the rare gift of losing sight of himself without misgivings of a loss. Professor Huffcut never became in the least autobiographical ; wherein he will be found to differ much from the present scrivener. Moreover the latter is a mere rhetorician on any subject that don't concern him ; and no more than a rhetorician—a chaffing, rollicking, frolicking rhetorician in the very gravest contingency, fond of literary “stunts” with words, verbose on a capital of few ideas, like the present day succession to those tremendous dissertating titans, the first British essayists. Yet the various quoted references from distinguished authorities in science and classic literature which appear (when at all) at the close of several of the biographical sketches hereinafter set forth, have each been carefully verified by the writer who refuses, as the reader will always find, to risk the sacrifice of a reputation for the most painstaking literary accuracy (fidelity to true text particularly) which has been his principal pride since he left his *alma mater* bearing the “highest honors” in the shape of some sheepskin, 15×20 inches all told ; and the first Davis medal (gold) for a certain commencement proficiency which is

History and still shall be nameless in this "history." But the writer's bump of reverence, alas, will be found frequently impaired to some extent, though never ruined against lauding cheerfully the right thing when that rises to the surface as the following "history" progresses from the embryonic and simple, into the complex, organized and heterogeneous. (See Herbert Spencer—The Philosophy of Evolution, as thriftily republished without any great fortune to that philosopher under the auspices, to some extent, of the 7th Regiment, National Guard of the State of New York.)

FIRST PERIOD. 1867-1880

Nathan P. Barlow, of the class of 1866, University of Rochester, whom the last general catalogue locates at Granville, Michigan, a minister of the gospel, appears to be the oldest living alumnus of Chi. Chi itself was organized a year later to continue in active existence until about 1880. During that period of thirteen years, its roster, compiled from the general catalogue, save the corrections by and revisions of the writer from later data, was as follows (names marked with a star indicate silently that final enrollment which we will all be compelled to make in the Omega Charge):

1866

Rev. Nathan P. Barlow, Granville, Michigan.

1867

*Charles G. Kingman, Orange, New Jersey.

Rev. Judson W. Harris, 6422 Becker St., Engelwood, Ill. With American Baptist Publishing Society, 177 Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Rev. J. McBride Sterrett, D.D., "Springlands," Washington, D.C. Professor of Philosophy in the Columbian University, Washington; author of "Studies in Hegel's Philosophy of Religion," "Reason and Authority in Religion," and the "Ethics of Hegel." See SHIELD, Vol. VIII, page 153.

1868

Willis S. Paine, LL.D., 60 Wall Street, New York City. President Merchant's Safe Deposit Company. Late State Supt. of Banks, N. Y. See SHIELD, Vol. II, p. 7.

1869

Albert W. Morehouse, Potsdam, N. Y.

*Freeman A. Greene, Albion, N. Y.

Adelbert J. Howe, 137 W. 128th St., New York City.
 J. Prescott McKinney (Promoter), 365 W. 118th St., New York City.

1870

*Isaac G. Wile, Rochester, N. Y.
 Jacob Spahn, 34 Concord St., Rochester, N. Y. Attorney at Law, 517-18, over 39 State Street.
 *Thomas Hungerford, Rochester, N. Y.
 John F. Oaks, M.D., Engelwood, Ill.

1871

Thomas E. Blossom (a Lord of manor demesnes), East Avenue, Brighton, N. Y.
 *Frank M. Bottum (died July, 1899), 138 S. Fitzhugh St., Rochester, N. Y.
 Marcenus H. Briggs (Lawyer), 10 Wall St., New York City.
 T. Bissell Eversen (Capitalist), Hazelwood, Pittsburg, Pa.
 DeWitt C. Gibbons, 172 Main St. E., Rochester, N. Y. Piano Manufacturer.
 Edward M. Moore, Jr., M.D. (Surgeon-expert), 74 Fitzhugh St., Rochester, N. Y.

1872

E. Irving Ayer, Buffalo, N. Y.
 *George F. Bausum, Rochester, N. Y.
 William J. Conway, Rochester, N. Y. Tobacco, 512 State Street
 Albert P. Little, 342 West Avenue, Rochester, N. Y. (Manufacturer, 409 Powers Block.)
 Ivan Powers (Government Official), 1403 H. St. N.W., Washington, D.C.
 T. H. Sproull (Divine (?) or Lawyer), 413 Wood St., Pittsburg, Pa.

1873

Caleb Sherman Hanks (Druggist) Newark, N. Y. (formerly Hudson).
 Arthur J. Gibbons, 97 Ambrose St., Rochester N. Y. Piano Manufacturer, 11 and 15 Hill St.
 Arthur H. Fitch (Capitalist), Carlisle, Arkansas.
 *Marcus Michaels (died May, 1900), 272 East Ave., Rochester, N. Y. Late Clothing Manufacturer, Clinton and Pleasant Sts.

1874

*Hobart M. Chapman (former Business man), Penn Yan, N. Y.
 *Orlin J. Mason, Bath, N. Y.
 George W. Haight (Lawyer), 207 Sansom St., San Francisco, Cal. Judge, at present ; jurist always.

1875

Charles M. Everest, 350 West Ave., Rochester, N. Y. Vice President Vacuum Oil Co., 1200 Granite Building.
Edwin Van Auken, New York City. Attorney at Law.

1876

Orlando E. Clark, Appleton, Wis. Attorney at Law.
*William E. Walmsley, M.D. (died, winter 1900-1), 255 Carleton Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
James C. Peet (Shoe-dealer), 96 Broadway, Rochester, N. Y.

1877

William W. Jacobs, Kansas City, Mo. Attorney at Law, 502 N. Y. Life Building.
Benjamin F. Simpson, Bellows Falls, Vt.
William B. Weir (Promoter), Leavenworth, Kansas.
William D. Forbes (Retired), 1250 Garden St., Hoboken, N. J.
John R. Gage (Banker), Skipwith's Landing, Miss.
John S. Brandt (Farmer), Ontario, N. Y.

1878

Rev. William Hart Dexter, Springfield, Mass., Pastor First Presbyterian Church.
William L. Dickinson (Promoter and capitalist), Saginaw, Mich.
Spenser S. Markham, Salt Lake City, Utah. Attorney at Law, Room 32 Scott-Auerbach Block.

1879

Louis Spahn, 89 Evanston Ave., Chicago, Ill. Attorney at Law, 525 The Temple, 84 LaSalle St.
Irving H. Rogers, 123 Edmonds St., Rochester, N. Y. With L. V. R. R. Co.
William Crawford Ramsdell, Albion, N. Y. Attorney at Law; now Judge of Orleans County.
Rev. Lorrens Stiles, Mt. Morris, N. Y.
O. K. Foote, 15 Culver St., Rochester, N. Y. Architect, 223 Cutler Building.
Charles R. Barber, M.D., 53 Cumberland St., Rochester, N. Y.

1880

Worthy H. Kinney, Lyons, N. Y. Principal Lyons Union School.
Rev. Milton W. Covell, Athens, Pa.
Rev. William E. Witter, Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.
Homer D. Brookins, 38 Park Row, New York City. Business Manager, *Examiner*.

Chi prospered from the beginning and was a credit to the Fraternity barring those common-place ups and downs which ought never to become history since they are trifles ; and concerning which no record ever need be made for the further reason that they are, after all, the inconsiderable incidents rather of sturdy progress in the face of temporary obstruction, than permanent indicia of any weakness about the social character. Chi shared on a fair basis the usual class and college honors from term to term. But the writer is at present utterly without means to afford any table covering names, dignities, functions and chronology concerning a single event or generation during the long period now treated.

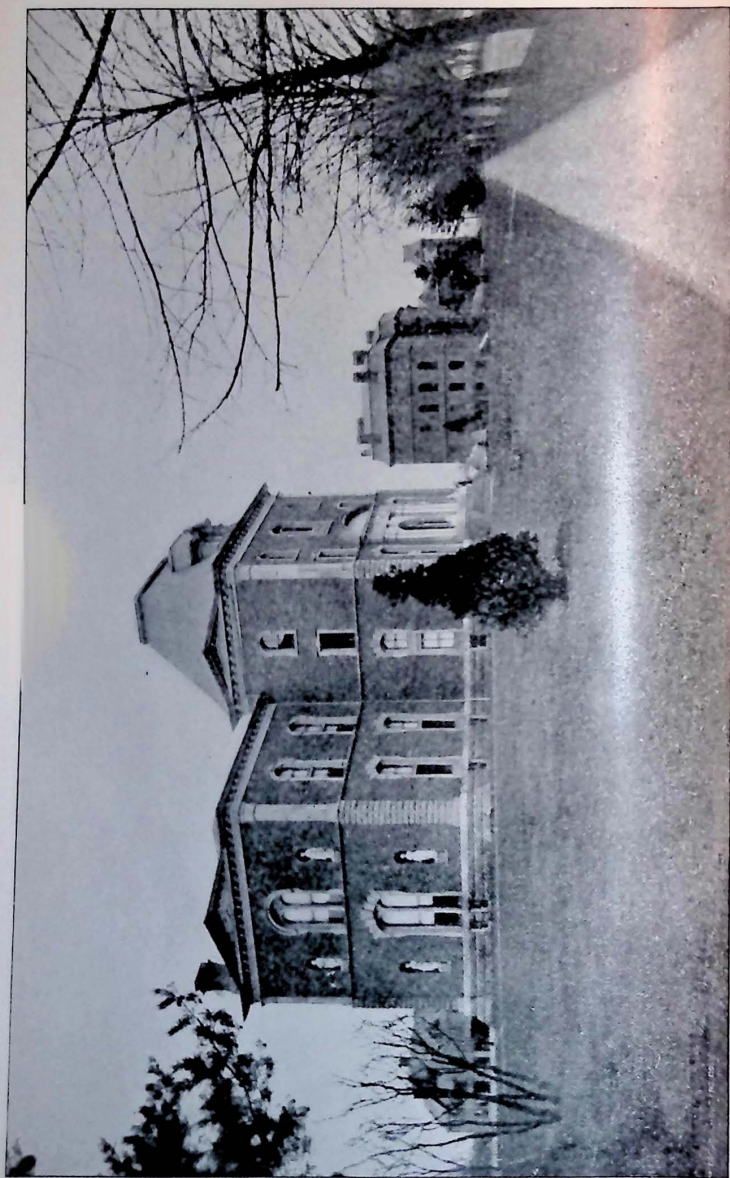
It was in 1867 that, as near as the writer can recall the circumstance, an enthusiastic installation delegation of big brothers from Hamilton College inaugurated Chi. Certain big brothers from Hobart College were also present according to the tradition which survives. The master spirit to bring the event about was Brother Willis S. Paine ; and he, like most of those early "fathers" of Chi, was much over the average man in height. Somehow the writer cannot pen that name without experiencing a warm thrill of emotion for the manly courtesies, affection, substantial aid and encouragement at all times and everywhere freely afforded Chi and its affiliates by Brother Paine. This labor, often arduous, sometimes very incommoding, never easy, yet ever willingly and cheerfully devoted, like the true labor of Love, constitutes a monument of the indefatigable faith in no less than loyalty for Chi ever displayed by Brother Paine. To the writer it mounts Willis Seever Paine on a crown-capped pedestal. Indeed words cannot express the Charge's indebtedness to him ; while, be it said to the credit of the Charge that it has ever maintained a very warm spot in its associate heart for Big Brother Paine. His time to time appearance at the Charge House invariably turns the place into pandemonium, so the very roof of Heaven would seem to be split asunder by the commotion of the plaudits in his honor.

Equally popular is big brother, the Rev. Professor James McBride Sterrett, D.D., LL.D., another charter member of Chi, who proudly claims to be a grandfather of the institution ; and

rightfully so ; since in 1896 he caused his namesake son to be initiated therein. That most promising youth, a universal favorite among us while he was with us, is alas, a member of Omega now ; his distinguished father surviving as the perennially good and gentle soul that he always was, true to the everlasting bonds of Theta Delta Chi—a well known writer and profound scholar, a nobleman at heart, a gentleman by ancestry no less than by education, and boundlessly benevolent to Chi.

Here, somehow, the writer, a restive mortal at any serious task, having become coerced into a decent, almost lugubrious, propriety which is somewhat irksome, grows conscious of the circumstance that there ought to be a new departure in the matter of inscribing history where College Greek Letterdom is concerned. Such narration is liable to become "slow" and superdidactic along orthodox and stereotyped lines, taxing the normal intellectual digestion over-much like a soggy wedge of rich plum pudding where the Roman punch should be served or the Piper Heidsick sparkle and circle. The writer therefore proposes to start out of the beaten path, blaze a new way to glory at the business and yet conserve no less than extend and amplify the reputation for prodigious scholarship, which is every college graduate's pride in behalf of himself, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns. The present affords an imposing opportunity to display erudition, he is sure, in bright novelties of biographical short-sketch. So whoop-la ! and to begin, viz. :

Time and Fortune both smiled on many of the brothers. Marcenus H. Briggs, who became a partner of the writer's preceptor in law, Mr. Justice Francis A. Macomber, LL. D., before that jurist's elevation to the bench of the New York Supreme Court, and who during his day in the writer's alert bailiwick, was a masterful financier, grew opulent under Queen Fortune's favor and figured as a director in the Rochester Railway Company almost from the day of that powerful corporation's organization. From 1885 to 1896 he was also the treasurer, handling millions of the money of the Electric Railway Company, a second passenger corporation which arose out of the first named, plying between the City of Rochester and its Ontario Lake suburb, Charlotte. Briggs, in consequence, had a prospect certain of becoming one



of the Board of Trustees of Rochester University—an honor justly dear to every Rochester alumnus. Many a man would neither care nor perhaps dare to burden himself with such responsibility as Brother Briggs took. Ah! thereby hangs a tale. The writer himself was never in the slightest danger from the same cause. At the time in question, the law firm of Bacon, Briggs (our Thete), Beckley and Bissel had the largest and most affluent clientage in Rochester, N. Y. This the writer was never able to boast for even a minute. The great firm is dissolved now. The senior member, Theodore Bacon, died a year ago. Neither of the last events have happened to the writer. At present Brother Briggs shines a denizen of the country's metropolis, with life again before him; and his office is located on Wall Street, a too, too risky neighborhood for country statesmen like the writer. "*Man has his ups and downs on earth's revolving sphere.* (Shakespeare, Timon of Alleghany City, Edition of 1601, Act III, Scene 42). The reader of THE SHIELD will surely pardon the writer for suspending "history" just long enough to declare that these lines are now discarded as spurious, it having been proven that they were woven into the true text before the birth of the great dramatist. Even the dramatist's name is challenged, investigation going great lengths to establish that it was "Shove-his-beer" which became corrupted to Shovespere; and when the bard quit drinking he wrote it *Shakespeare*, a corruption of "Shake-his-beer."¹ Investigation may yet prove it was "Small-beer."

¹The very profound commentaries on these subjects by Dink Botts, Pod Dismuke and Hoke Smith (all careful investigators of Shakesperiana as has been so often attested by the *New York Sun* in various antiquarian behalfs) are not accessible to the present "historian," though they might be able to set at rest much doubt concerning the true text of the plays and other interesting data concerning the playwright. No Rochester (N. Y.) library contains any of the rarer contributions on the subject; and editions of the divagations of the writers named are no less than the gentlemen themselves now quite exhausted; but the Rochester (N. Y.) Shakespeare Club, thank fortune, still survives since the death of Delia Bacon and ex-Lieutenant Governor (of Illinois) Ignatius Donnelly, to meet the situation and the riddles with a brave face, being now able to command the assistance of Dr. Orville W. Owen, M.D., of Detroit, Michigan, who modestly proclaims himself the discoverer and decipherer of Sir Francis Bacon's cipher story (bound in paper, 50 cents; cloth, 75 cents.)

Brother Briggs' whilom classmate, Edward Mott Moore, Jr., (Chi, '71), eldest son of the distinguished surgeon and scholar, Edward Mott Moore, M.D., LL.D., President of the Board of Trustees of the University of Rochester, President of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Rochester, and ex-President of the Buffalo Medical College, is become the foremost medical expert in the county and commands never less than a fee of \$100 per diem for his testimony at court. We are a simple and confident community up here. Brother Moore has but to fix his price and we take him at his own high estimate spot cash every time, dear reader. The writer was defending an Italian (innocent, of course) under indictment for the alleged murder by a pistol shot of another Italian last summer, to encounter among the State's witnesses Dr. Moore, Jr., son of the manifold President who in his prime was among the foremost authorities on surgery in America. The junior Moore, our frater, having inherited all of his science and art in medicine legitimately, *aliunde* medical bibliography, was hostile to the writer's defense, on the subject of gun-shot wounds and their treatment. It should be explained now that the writer, with a fine corps of medical experts who were swearing good and hard, had tried to establish at this trial that not the defendant's bullet, but the Aesculapians who had treated the wound, killed the shot Italian. Then it should also be stated that Dr. Moore, Jr., had been the writer's classmate during his freshman year (1866). Yet Brother Moore and the writer collided ferociously more than once during the trial. There were stormy scenes at such times. But peace was restored when the doctor, still championing the prosecution against the writer, called the lawyer's attention to the fact that both had once bolted a class recitation and "caught it" from "Prex" and the faculty, a circumstance aged over 34 year past. *O allusion reminiscent*, what a mellow of the heart thou art! And the innocent Italian was saved, for the jury refused to convict him of murder after the awful disclosure by Dr. Moore, Jr., against himself. Could it have been because of that disclosure? The intellectual vagaries of petty jurors are passing all conjecture. But the jury's generosity never restored to life the other and killed Italian—of course. That one remained a dead Roman—stiff and stark—yet in such condi-

tion, ex-fruit vender though he had been, equal to Julius Caesar prone at the foot of Pompey's pillar—just as he had been shot by the writer's impeccable client under the bloodthirsty theory of the district attorney in the case. Concerning him as concerning the greater Roman one might exclaim: "*Fate is immutable.*" (Sophocles, of Saugerties.) The cited line later criticism puts in doubt; and charges to be an interpolation by unknown revisers of the original text fresh from bovine Boeotia. The writer is still Greek enough to be certain that he could "spot" the miscreants if he had them pointed out to him. Not even a police-detective now-a-days will do more.

In the above roster the Gibbons brothers deserve to be particularized. They succeeded to a business of their father as manufacturers of pianos. The Gibbons establishment was already old, reputable and extensive in the time of the writer's boyhood; and the Gibbons piano still bears an excellent reputation throughout the western and northern tiers of York State. Indeed it is well spoken of everywhere by desert and merit. The Charge House contains one, for the Brothers Gibbons have always been liberally loyal to Chi. Why shouldn't the Charge "historian" now and here speak out through the misty night like the distance-defying fog-horn (Homeric diction—see!) for their instruments? "*One good turn deserves another*" (Dionysius, of Hackensack-on-Hudson). But again the reader must be warned that the last sentiment, so felicitously befitting the facts concerned, was recently adjudged doubtful as citation from the great Greek orthoepist, by a more critical later scholarship. Business is ever briskly on the move at Arcady; and all hucksters in the groves of Academe must hustle, to remain abreast with the foremost in art, science and literature at and near Rochester, N. Y.

Brother Adelbert P. Little became rich from an invention which is still remunerative. The writer recalls him as a tall and diaphanously slender youth during the final "sixties" whose lucky appointment about the year 1874 among the corps of Supreme Court stenographers in his home district, was itself a small fortune. But not until the type-writer machine became a universal want among the legal fraternity, did brother Little know what bounty Fate had in store for him. Now this fratern-

ity, with all the world who will write by machinery, are indebted to Little for improving the quality of the sticky coloring mixture upon the ribbon with certain ingredients which are Little's own secret, so the usefulness of the device as a labor-saver is much manifolded. Efforts were made to juggle away the credit due to Little for his invention when the same proved to be a source of ever-increasing profit; but Fortune, that propitious deity, stood by our *frater* faithfully in the contest. She enabled him to defeat his foes, the jugglers, whom he met in open court on a claim of priority with reference to the law of trade-secrets, and routed both at the original trial and on an appeal as they deserved. His prosperity is assured. May he prosper evermore for no man is a more insistant Theta Delt, nor more open handed to Chi than cheery Deb Little. His interest in Chi will not wane as wealth waxes.

Brother Ivan Powers, ex-corporation counsel of the city of Rochester, a lover of oratory, and Delsartean master of the art, fought his way up as a Democrat through political campaign after campaign till he now, despite the fact that the present administration is Republican and has been so going on 5 years past, rests somniferously undisturbed under a national appointment which began with President Cleveland's second administration; and which must not be allowed to obscure the fact that Brother Powers's was one of the clearest legal minds the writer ever encountered among the bar of a large city (Rochester) full of first class forensic talent which was constantly forced to endure the extremest test of its quality. Our brother always stood that test with the best and foremost, a credit to himself. May his shadow never grow less. The writer, who had been Powers's business associate for some years before Powers's appointment in the Department of the Interior, misses him much. You see, dear reader, the writer, who while Powers was with him might safely risk a little practice of law occasionally "by ear" (a process, if demoralizing, yet never discommoding, and the longer the ear the more profound the process) now must "root" for his legal precedents and principles. Thus the writer hath mastered a great store of law, good, bad and indifferent, all by himself, for his clientage, to find very little worth any justice before a well managed quibble. "*These be the days of the jaw-smiths, wind-pushers, and blatherskites, while Hum-*

bug, sceptered, swayeth paramount the tribune, the forum, the schools and the populace." (Honest Phineas Taylor Barnum, all-around ingenue.)

"T. H." Sproull (which "T. H." should have been plain Theophilus, an old time *intime* of your "historian") the writer met but once since 1875. That was in 1895 at Rochester, N. Y., when Brother Sproull named the pulpit as his life work; and earnestly invited the writer to hear him preach. At that time the writer had learned to eschew all malt and fermented beverages whatsoever (his only tippie and once diversion), while becoming somewhat interested in the problems of scriptural exegesis. The undoubted pleasure which Brother Sproull's invitation eventually affords any Thete on acceptation the writer has been compelled, much to his regret, to make dependent upon having some business in the State of Pennsylvania, a commonwealth whose piety since that political paragon, Matthew Stanley Quay, was re-elected to the U. S. Senate, may safely be doubted by a Christian who must have his theology unmixed as the writer has always insisted for himself and his family. When Statesman Quay subsides moribund, under some avalanche of retribution, as finally he must, since Fate keeps on grinding at the "Mills of the gods," the writer will look up the hamlet where Brother Sproull ministers to the flock of his devout, and congratulate that flock which must surely know Theophilus to be the Pierien Spring of spontaneous benevolence as his comrades of old Chi always found him. Then there shall be rejoicing in reunion, while reminiscences are interchanged of the etc., etc., save the mark; for perhaps Brother Sproull, enrolled among the stiff starch of the reverend clergy, and now unbending (not even to the extent of the pliant elbow) would himself interpose his veto upon any resurrection of the personal past. "HIC JACET GLORIA MUNDI." "*And the green grass grows all around.*" (La Terre-par Schweitzer Kaese, A.M., Ph.D., LL.D.,—College de Frommage, Pottsdam, near Horseheads, Chemung, Co., N. Y.) N. B.—The writer's memory may be at fault as to the exact identity of the Sproul he knew prior to 1875 with the Sproull who claimed divinity for his profession in 1895; wherefore the reader must exercise great caution about accepting as established fact all the details of the forego-

ing narrative appertaining to the supposed Pennsylvania dominie. "One is so apt to be mistaken" as Aristophanes Languish Suds, the noted bard of Slab City, near Hemlock Lake, Livingston County, always touchingly observed when he compared the wholly colorless extract of the juniper berry with the translucent water which he so little favored. But this history must "get a gait on"—celerity is the watchword; and citations from the rarer lights of literature are become *de trop*. They will be abandoned henceforth; and "scholarship" thrown to the dogs for cold fact.

Brother George W. Haight, '74, was a leader of the bar in San Francisco from the very outset. Old "Fate" Bachman (Psi), an ex-member of the California Legislature, once wrote the writer, many years ago, that he, "Fate," had followed the marvelous sinuosities of some special pleading of Haight's at an argument in Court, to come from the ordeal thunderstruck at what necromancy words, mere hollow but resonantly plangent *words*, could accomplish when from the lips of a master of the *art forensic ratiocinative*. Brother Haight always was didactic—yea solemn as an owl, with us; and that bird of the night is very fine in ornamenting the bust of Minerva with classic appropriateness, though its diet be largely mice.

The great city of San Francisco, where Brother Haight is now a legal luminary of the first rank—aye a judge even on a solid foundation of just desert, lies across the sea from China, a country partial to mice also—where wise mandarins are created out of mud. Somehow the writer never sees a judge perched upon the bench "*blinking blind justice*" but he thinks of China, its mud-made mandarins and mice. No more appropriate cast of face as the writer now recalls it, man ever owned for a mandarin or a judge than Haight. May he finally reach the peacock feather, thrice over and as many yellow satin buttons, should he ever essay to try his fortune further west. His has been for many years the top of the wool-sack, with honor and renown, in the Supreme Court of California. God bless him and all as worthy in our consecrated circle—he is a gentleman and a scholar, no less than a jurist.

Brother Marcus Michaels that was ('73), who passed away

nearly a year ago, deserves special mention for his constant liberality to Chi. Mark, as the writer familiarly knew him, studied law, was admitted to the bar, went into politics, held office, retired from public life spotless and respected (a rare result) to end his days very rich, as a member of the foremost clothing manufacturer's firm in the city of Rochester, N. Y., a man known to his industry all over the country, not less successful and enterprising than irreproachable in his integrity. Check-book in hand he always responded to the needs of Chi with no questions asked; in that respect like Brothers Little and Everest, of whom he was a contemporary at college. The tears of the writer welled up in a stream when that last look of the living upon the dead, before the casket was forever closed, became the writer's sad privilege at the funeral. He knew Mark even before Mark enrolled as a freshman way back in 1869.

The writer has now reached brother Charles M. Everest, a modest and unassuming personage indeed, yet the biggest giver of them all, save one (Paine) and like him proud of the fraternity, with the Chi charge no less proud of him and his membership. Everest is Vice-President of the Vacuum Oil Company; but really the manager-autocrat of that tremendous plant in the city of Rochester, an off-shoot of the Standard Oil Company. Yet this off-shoot is very affluent and powerful in its unaided right, by irreproachable merit and business enterprise. Brother Everest was a member of the class of 1875. Now skipping from that class over to the class of 1879, brings the readers of *THE SHIELD* to the writer's brother, Louis Spahn, of whom somehow the writer is unable to resist the family vanity (he hopes all pardonable in such a square case) to say here that Louis was the star prize man not only of his college course but is of the entire Chi Charge, up to the present number of *THE SHIELD*. While Louis was at College but one honor was competitive during the freshman year (in mathematics), and Louis gained that honor. In the sophomore year there were two honors, Greek and Declamation. He gained them both. In the junior year there was but one again—Latin. He bagged that. And in the senior year there were three honors, and he took the two highest of them. Had there been more college honors to strive for in his day, Brother Louis's proportion of suc-

cess would have risen accordingly by these tokens. Besides, he held class offices all along his college course ; and is still a post-graduate officer in his class. Reader, don't hoot at the writer because he shouts metrically over it—"He's my brother. Show me another as able a brother." Who would not lapse into poetry over such an item in the family record ?

What can that brother, beloved with an affection passing ardent by the poor scribe who here extols him, contribute toward the exaltation of, nay what hath that brother to so contribute, for the wayward roamer around whose circle the prizes of earth have fallen thick and fast—to others ? Time may tell. One must leave all to Time.

Yet one more life sketch must be supplied to this essay at the history of Chi's first stage ; that of Brother Thomas E. Blossom whom the directory, *ante*, describes as a 'Lord of Manor Demesnes'. Tommy Blossom, now a middle-aged man, was once a gushing boy out on his father's farm—Blossom farm—in Brighton Village, miles from the heart of the city of Rochester. This event is hoary with age (for it was 30 odd years ago). Legislation since then extended the city limits. Blossom farm, so remote from those limits in 1870, now in part abuts against them and in part lies within them. During the early days there was a chestnut grove upon the farm, full of stately trees amid the foilage of which song-birds loved to nest and the summer swallow blithely flitted away his season's stay. Squirrels would furtively peep from the umbrageous boughs. A small brook of crystal water full of sparkling diamonds that formed and broke, to form again and break in the hurrying rush of the current which anon some speckled trout divided with a kaleidoscopic flash to disappear like a dream-vision, completed this earthly paradise. It was Elysium wherein the passing of a summer afternoon became an idyl. That idyl was raimed to the writer by sweet Mother Nature many a time and oft under Tommy's and ministrations.

Every autumn for years Tom was wont to bring a big bag of chestnuts gathered in that beautiful grove, up to the Chi rooms for the boys—and they were made happy by the fruit, since it seemed that Pan with his pipes and all the dancing wood-nymphs were in the meat of those nuts. The air was then full of bird-song

while the Aeolian breezes were wafting other melody through the glistening foliage of that grove, in the mind's eye, during a repast out of Tommy's big bag. O, brothers, pardon the reminiscent scribe here when he cries—"Curses on the March of Improvement." Serried brick and mortar are devastation—the very meanest prose on the earth which they make ugly! The stately chestnut trees have vanished. The sylvan brook is dry forever. The grove is no more. Tommy has become a grey-beard. He calculates to deal in building lots. And the writer is himself in the sere and yellow leaf; stale and useless around a circle of perfunctory duties that deny him any fair place for the exercise of such power and talents as God gave him. His little history here dribbles its small gossip from a pen that could do greater things but vainly seeks a wider field. None the less are his congratulations hearty and sincere to Brother Thomas E. Blossom, Esq.—that Tommy's farm, the old Blossom farm of sweet memories and poems countless which were never written, is now along East Avenue for rods and rods, which avenue, let the writer whisper to the unknowing reader, is the most aristocratic thoroughfare of Rochester; and means a great fortune to Brother Blossom—Thomas E. Blossom, Esq.—all of which, God bless his dear heart, he richly deserves!

Speaking of time, while thinking of the irrevocable flight thereof, the memory of that famous Convention in the Astor House during 1873, held under the auspices of the old Chi Charge, recurs and deserves its meet share of space in any sketch of Chi; for the Convention nearly bankrupted Chi by the unprecedented splendor of its banquet appointments. But it was during this very Convention that the writer had the good fortune for the first time to meet both Brother John Hay and Brother John W. Griggs, quite *au naturel* and not yet all official as he did 27 years later at the Washington (D. C.) Convention. Hay was in 1873, an editorial attache of the *New York Tribune*. He had been President Lincoln's private secretary. More than that, he had shone "smartly" as the author of a book of good verse—*Castilian Days*—and at least two short dialect lyrics (or should they rather be termed epics) known to fame under the homely titles of "*Jim Bludsoe*" and "*Little Breeches*," respectively. These two

productions enjoyed an immense popularity in their day. They have graced the writer's collection of poetical scraps since 1871. It should also be stated that Hay had been in the diplomatic service as Secretary of Legation to the American Ministry at Madrid; Charge d'Affairs at Vienna; and the same later in Paris, France. But no man anticipated then, on a view of his slight and unobtrusive personality (he was of sandy complexion and not much over $5\frac{1}{2}$ feet tall, weight about 145 pounds) that here was an individual who would loom up in statesmanship thereafter mightily under an ambassadorial appointment by the National Government to the Court of St. James; and later rise even higher to the control of the portfolio of Foreign Affairs in the greatest administration of Expansion known to our history. Good men differ as to the wisdom of "expansion;" since all war is a barbarous proceeding—no less stupid than spendthrift; and unnecessary among creatures who are conceited enough to ascribe souls to themselves. Six thousand dollars is the cost of shooting a single ball from some of the national ordnance, which sum is enough at 6 per cent. to maintain an average (that is of course very average) citizen for life, if he'll omit stimulants, curb the beast in human nature and cultivate wisdom. But controversy on such a subject can form no internal part of this paper.¹ The writer now will venture upon a glorious forecast concerning Brother Hay. That brother is in direct—nay in immediate succession to the national presidency. Reader, mark this well.

¹There is nothing more inopportune and inappropriate about any Charge History than a divergence into issues on national administrative policy—which is in short "politics." But the writer once had a friend who was a chum and countryman of His Excellency Wu Ting-fang, LL.D., the present Chinese ambassador to the United States. This friend's name was Lo Tin Pan, a mandarin of the single peacock feather and the pink satin button with visions of the yellow jacket but not a fear of the straight jacket. He had almost as much dry humor about him as Dr. Ting-fang. Like the writer, Lo Tin Pan was always inviting a precautionary hint by a "friend premonitory" to forestall all chance of blunders in the matter of tact upon a neutral public occasion. Whenever Lo, while on an inspecting tour through the United States last year, had any criticism to offer an American on so much of America as the American proudly boasted to be his *perfect* native heath, Lo became very artful—something after the wise practice of

the great Montesquieu—for, if Mr. Lo wrote the criticism out for the press as he frequently deemed it best to do, not trusting wholly to the inventive memory of newspaper reporters who are men with prolific but inaccurate imaginations, he either dated his letters from Persia or any other old place over the seeming patronymic of an alleged Parsee; or if he spoke his criticism, he prudently attributed what sage reflections of an uncomplimentary nature occurred in his mind, to a meditating Brahmin who was philosophising in the abstract, as is the way of Brahmins whose wisdom is always thereby rendered non-committal, no less than impersonal against the concrete institution which may be at issue. I recall the following sentiments from the lips of Lo Tin Pan, the cautious; in which some of Dean Swift's cynicism and snarling characteristics are discernible, viz.: "Alas, what ready tribute-paying puppets taxpayers are even in a Republican form of despotism, bellowing themselves hoarse—mere horned cattle in droves with all the rest of the voting contingent at the hustings and elsewhere for the very man who designs the measure that is designed to impoverish or even strip them of their hides—intellectual nurslings in arms, unweaned and unconscious of being the victims of sordid power, where government might be wholly good, wise, honest, peaceful, thrifty and self supporting; but is instead wholly wasteful, bellicose, predatory and lawless within all its law; for being always managed by an insatiate tax-imposing pauperage for the maintenance of that pauper known as the party in power (that is the administration since it has no assets till some one is stripped, being like certain insolvents) government is always a leech on all production, all industry and all wealth."

"Thus government—national, state, county, town and municipal is not a little anarchy before all the laws and precedents of Time; or Time's long blood-elaborated experience. It refuses to forget its duty to progress and dares never an experiment in any fundamental improvement toward benevolence." Here, reader, is a Mongolian Juvenal on the debauchery no less than Bourbon stupidity of Caucasian state-craft in his own day and hour.

Lo Tin Pan, once musingly remarked to me in no connection with any subject that had been under discussion between us, this, viz.:

"It is a strange thing the world over, that the sovereign is no less a slave than the subordinate human bipeds over which he towers in so-called power; and with such burdensomely expensive splendor. Both the sovereign and the ruled are dominated by the paramount sordid force of some strongest will—an imperial hypnotism worse than the Caesarian dictatorship at its most demoralizing period. This is even true where the sovereign is so seemingly self-sufficient an aggregation as the democratic *Populus*; alas, most true, just there because the highest and best intelligence does not seem to get gregarious and is never efficacious. That intelligence is often a stubbornly cultivated habit of self-sufficiency no less than opinionated segregation and therefore hopeless. Genius proudly demands—it even insists upon isolation. Nor is it at all above being corrupt and fallible to sordid temptation; item, that "wisest, meanest of mankind"—Lord Bacon.

annals of New York as the Quarter-master General of the National Guard in 1851—mine host of the Astor House. And, of course, there were "others"—who shall name them all now? The banquet itself took place in the Metropolitan Hotel, corner of Broadway and Prince Street; since 1899 a thing of the past; but then and for thirty years prior thereto, the finest hostelry upon the American Continent. How time flies! William M. Tweed, whilom the uncrowned king of all New York, had just parted with the ownership of the hotel to Alexander T. Stewart—the all absorbing merchant prince of the day—a veritable department syndicate by himself. Who knows now—who indeed cares a rap what those two names signified in the country's history then? Nevertheless just then they were each in their domain like Zeus—all sufficient, all compassing and "earth-shaking."

It was, moreover, the winter of the now historical trial of *Crim. Con.*, instituted by Theodore Tilton against Henry Ward Beecher. One Thete, Samuel D. Morris, ex-judge of the city court of Brooklyn, was counsel for Tilton in that celebrated case.

The circumstance bears upon the present sketch; for the writer with H. H. Eddy of Kappa (who later became a state senator somewhere out "West") and the Pardee brothers of Phi, sons of the distinguished millionaire philanthropist, Ario Pardee (long since deceased), founder of the great scientific school which bears his name and is a part of Lafayette University, were accorded with another brother whose name is now forgotten by the writer (all of them delegates to the Chi Convention of 1873) the then very rare and difficult privilege of places within the bar of the Court at the celebrated trial, through the courteous intercession of Judge Morris on the strength of the fraternal tie. The visiting party, so generously, no less than exceptionally received, spent the forenoon at the trial, with that magnificent array of lawyers, never before equalled nor since surpassed, who were engaged in behalf of the then universally distinguished litigant principals¹ in full sight at close quarters, to-wit: For the plaintiff

¹One (the defendant) became a passenger on Charon's craft some ten years ago after a midnight diet of roast clams with the odor of sanctity to hallow great intellectual gifts; for he successfully, even gloriously outlived a world-astounding scandal; the other as brilliantly endowed may

Hon. William A. Beach, at that time by all odds the leading trial lawyer of America; Ex-Judge William Fullerton (the foremost cross-examiner and gentleman "sport" of his day); ex-Confederate General Roger A. Pryor, a former southern congressman, thereafter a New York City Supreme Court Judge by the grace of Tammany Hall and always a brilliant jurist; Samuel D. Morris (our Theta Delt Brother still in the land of the living); and Thomas Pearsall, Brother Morris's then partner. For the defendant appeared ex-United States Attorney-General William M. Evarts, always notoriously averse to any physical exertion, bow-legged and seedy, with the rustiest of silk hats on his great head when out of court (and full of sapient objections when in court), who later became a Senator in Congress, and finally Secretary of State under President Hayes, and was even a presidential aspirant long himself; also John K. Porter, ex-Judge of the New York Court of Appeals, who survives, dry as dust, in some fair opinions, but is otherwise all dead. With these were Austin Abbott, the law treatise writer, noted delver and annotating expounder; ex-Secretary of the navy and ex Judge of the N. Y. Court of Appeals also defeated Platt *protegee* for Mayor of New York—General Benjamin F. Tracy (an ancient Sinbad of many honors and a single eye still alert;) Hon. Thomas G. Shearman, also dead, the partner of the great codifier, David Dudley Field (dead likewise now) over some of whose law codes the Empire State Legislature is still—or rather denies to be still in a quandary; but refuses to enact such codes into living law;

still vegetate at Paris (France) where he went in what would seem hiding soon after 1873, crushed and humiliated—too poor to fight a battle out to the bitter finish, which he had made the mistake to begin too dearly and which therefore had impoverished him, yet which he might have concluded successfully with fair legal aid (of which there is abundance always cheap if you know where to find "'em") through all the courts till he reached JUSTICE. He ever insisted that he was right in the face of the proof that he commanded. But what of it all now? While not one hundredth part as ancient as Marathon and Salamis, the whole miserable business is stale—wofully stale. Yet it illustrates most forcibly one fact, to-wit: that time is generous oblivion—a panacea of evils to so extraordinary a degree that infamy may share no less complete obliteration than impeccable goodness in the distributions of Fate. What a cosmos!

also John C. Hill and John N. Sterling of whom Fame knoweth naught within the writer's imited ken.

The Convention banquet followed that evening. The program of the banquet was short. The reader may therefore pardon the reproduction of the same as an historical curiosity entirely relevant to the present sketch :

PROGRAMME

Willis S. Paine, Chairman.

Jacob Spahn, Orator. Subject—"Reminiscences of College Life."

John Brougham, Poet. Subject—"The Age of Gold."

Franklin Burge, Historian. Subject—"The Original Founders of Theta Delta Chi."

TOASTS

"Our Fraternity," J. Kilbourne Jones.

"Memory of the Dead," John W. Griggs [the late U. S. Atty-General].

"The Southern Charges," William M. Coleman.

"The Press," William M. Stone.

"The Bar," Oscar Frisbie.

"The Ladies," Cameron Mann.

"The Grand Lodge," Frank W. Stewart.

"Liquids in Motion" (a twin repartee), { Joseph Mullin,
T. N. Van Valkenburgh.

"The Charge Whose Guests we are," Marcus Michaels.

"The Charge Whose Guests we are to be," R. C. Briggs.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS

A. P. Little, C. S. Hanks, M. Michaels.

Of the above fraters, Joe Mullin (Peace to his ashes), only son and namesake of his distinguished father, the late Mr. Justice Joseph Mullin of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, was to become State Senator from the Watertown District not long afterwards; thereupon to hold that office many terms and pass away suddenly at New York City during February, 1897, while in some public function. Tom VanValkenburgh, (a most genially convivial raconteur) became Assemblyman from the Erie County District in the Legislature of the Empire State. The writer does not know the present whereabouts of the Honorable Thomas Nye Van Valkenburgh, erstwhile of the City of Lockport. Tom's last office was "Steamboat Inspector in the Department of the Interior." The rest of the names upon the forego-

ing programme speak for themselves and to some degree have been or will be dwelt upon in befitting terms herein, so far as need be.

Somehow at this stage of the present history (sic) the writer ought to introduce what his most enthusiastic eulogist on all occasions, Brother Willis S. Paine, has ventured to commend as a fine (nay sometimes Paine says the "finest") bit of convention oratory in existence—(zip boom!), or at least a wee extract thereof from the records of the G. L. of 1873 concerning the Chi Charge; and leave Paine's judgment to its devoted fate if, peradventure, that judgment should prove erroneous or unjustified in the premises; while the writer must risk (he is a brash campaigner always) the questionable taste of the act; and even seek some excuse for it in the following letter, which somehow lays itself open to the awful—the horripilating charge of resurrectionism, viz:

1424 BROADWAY, NEW YORK CITY,

MARCH 21ST, 1901.

DEAR BRO. SPAHN:

Can you send me a copy of the Oration you delivered at the Convention of 1873 at the Astor House, New York; or refer me to some one who would be likely to have a copy of it? I am anxious to get as many such things as possible for the Archives.

Fraternally yours,

FREDERICK CARTER.

The request of the Custodian of Archives has been since faithfully complied with. And now the re-publication of an apostrophe from the "oratory" will be boldly dared, extracted from pages 10 and 11 of the said Convention proceedings: (Ex-tract)

"Ah liquor, siren; and oftimes relentless Nemesis—we go to you for cheer, and the welkin rings with laughter to the clinking of full glasses. Then the music that floats on the air becomes sweeter—then the soul takes wing and soars above sordid things—then the sun shines brighter and our hearts feel light and free—then our love is an angel, our friend is a glorious fellow, confidence pervades us, and we feel that

The merry world is round,
And we may sail forevermore.

But lo, a day comes when our palaces lie in ruins, when our idols are shattered, when faith is gone and dark clouds envelope all. O protean Misfortune! A false woman loved too well; a toilsomely gotten fortune swept suddenly away; the loss of an adored wife; disappointments; privation; ill-luck—despair; all urge toward the flowing bowl. And the same cheer that raised our hopes so high, that fed our faith so lustily, that made the world so bright, is again drained from the circling cup to ease the bitter pangs of disappointment, to drown, mayhap, remorse, and numb the aching soul, to stupefy the paining senses, to draw a curtain on the past; yea, the poor bleary-eyed wretch who sought that melancholy recourse for surcease of his woe, creeps to it shivering, miserable, invoking relief as a famished wayfarer who wearily plodding midst storm and darkness, would seek rest and shelter by a ruddy fire-side; yet shall be denied that all, forevermore—an outcast."

In 1881 the writer was again invited to deliver the convention oration. There had been one notable death in the fraternity since 1873. Alluding to such fact the writer reverted to the famous Symposium at the Metropolitan Hotel in the following words:

"BRETHREN IN THETA DELTA CHI:

"Some eight years ago the charge of our Fraternity to which I belong, conferred upon me the flattering honor of officiating before an annual convention as the orator of the occasion. Since that time the seasons have rolled by, that charge has become extinct, yet the Fraternity has increased in strength, new forces have been added, the old ones have intensified their affection for the order; and though the silent messenger Death hath summoned many a distinguished and beloved brother to his eternal home, the perpetuity of our association is assured and we are destined to last as long as a reputable college and worthy aspirations flourish in the land. Some of the faces around me are not familiar. I miss one in particular. It belonged to him who read the poem of that year—a great dramatist, an accomplished actor, an incomparable friend. I recall distinctly the geniality with which, ill in body, failing of strength and harassed by many burdensome cares, he responded to the charge's call, giving the brothers assembled about the festive board a spiritual entertainment that far outlived in memory the material one which mine host of the Metropolitan had taxed his ingenuity to lavish. How grateful all, who were lucky enough to be there, felt for the distinguished brother's presence among them; what merited plaudits they showered upon his poem; how modestly he took the noisy encomiums! Now he is gone, and severed is the last link that united the classic comedy of Goldsmith and Sheridan across the wide ocean, with the playwrights and generation of to-day. He was of the

ancient cultured school, and worthy—that scholarly gentleman, with his polished, old time ways, the peer even of the very best, and—one of us. Peacefully rest his ashes in the bosom of mother Earth. We shall never again see the bright twinkle of his eye ; we shall never again hear the merry joke from his lips ; but his work is part of dramatic history ; its spirit lives and breathes among us to-day ; while his memory is embalmed in our hearts for ever. I little dreamed that accident would give me so grand an opportunity as this, to pay John Brougham my humble and most sincere tribute ; and I hope when the toasts are drunk, one may be tendered here, rising and in silence, to him among our dead.”

In 1895, the Grand Lodge again honored Chi with a literary office at the Convention Banquet. The good luck of the honor once more fell to the writer. He was nominated the poet of the occasion and he takes the liberty to offer his “effort” then and there, now excerpted from pages 314, 315 and 316 of *THE SHIELD* for December of that year :

SUCCESS

*The Convention Poem, Delivered at the Banquet, Young's Hotel, November
27th, 1895, by Jacob Spahn, Chi, '70*

A cardinal looks down upon my hut.
 He has more knighthood stars than duke invest.
 From furrowed brow his cruel glance doth gleam
 O'er victory where power be his quest.
 North, south, east, west, to Power adamant ;
 And to his glory stoic yet he seems
 On a long record of swift struggles won
 With a heart flint to mercy's melting beams.

The church forbids him wife, forbids him love
 But to its sexless self ; yet there's a brood
 Who wear his face and a great titled name
 In gaudy glitter with unruffled mood.
 Long years ago he herded mountain goats ;
 I knew him then, a lad of rugged dearth.
 That famished time none dare recall to him,
 Since he hath towered up, a prince of earth.

Lo, many slaves in liv'ry heed his beck ;
 His vineyard acres are of vintage rare ;

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But not one soul he owns sincerely leal,
 Nor any grape which can dispel his care.
 Fame reared upon an eminence of wrong
 Knows not remorse to touch its stony heart ;
 Relentlessly it breaks opposing wills,
 To loot from each the rarest, noblest part.

But mark the hollow pallor on his cheek ;
 And the crushed empire of his tones command.
 In the slow measure of his failing step
 Is death whom he would fly as runs his sand.
 Yon setting sun warns me to pen my goats ;
 The hut awaits me with an humble crust,
 The mountain mist arises in the pass—
 Sweet God inscrutable, I know thee just.

When he is dead, his palace will be craped—
 Draped in deep black each church ; tolled all the bells ;
 Signs of deep sorrow universal seem,
 While not a tear from any eyelid wells ;
 Along the street with stately catafalque
 A pageant made o'er glory turned to dust ;
 Not mine in death such splendor shall there be ;
 But God inscrutable I know is just.

O Italy, my country, lo the gyves
 Of priestcraft shackle still what should be free.
 Yet mother Earth upon her teeming breast
 Bears one republic great beyond the sea.
 Now it is whispered that her men are slaves
 In cities plundered by uncrowned kings.
 If this be true her heroes won in vain
 Success nor Freedom even blessing brings.

To you New England yeomen, sounds the note,
 Which thus inspires a simple goatherd's strain.
 Free, free yourselves once more—compass the fall
 Of despotism regnant here again.
 Shall Lexington and Bunker Hill be lost
 With virtue's lesson from the founder's creed,
 To a base foe, the sordid serpent warmed
 In Freedom's soul on which it now doth feed ?

The present sketch of Chi during its first period, should not be brought to a close without the writer's testimonial to that prince of merry-men, Homer D. Brookins, jocund with good fellowship—boundlessly enthusiastic for the Fraternity and the

most redoubtable all-around athlete (save one, of whom anon) to battle trouble Chi ever commanded in the hour of need. Indeed and indeed—Brother Brookins is a man molded after the writer's own heart. Why happens it whenever Brookins is toasted, one's mind unconsciously reverts to a cross between Artemus Ward and Mark Twain, the two great American funny fellows, if such a phenomenon were possible? He is inexpressibly droll. Then again, like Old Josh Billings, he bubbles over with the very quintessence of good sense. The man who takes Brookins for daft in the least, is bound eventually, "if not sooner," to be startled and surprised. A clearer-headed, more farsighted business man in his vocation, the writer never encountered. Here, reader, behold the portrayal of an extraordinary association of qualities—Brookins is as enterprising as a New England Yankee—sound to the core, and as wholesomely tonic as a hearty laugh. The Chi men who know him at his true worth (as does the writer) always feel when they meet him like falling on his neck in brotherly embrace and kissing him after the affectionate fashion of the Europeans, with tender masculine friendship. Therefore the writer in closing up what he can offer concerning the first period of Chi, tenders to Brother Homer D. Brookins the consideration of his most distinguished regard, and will carefully ascertain from competent quarters in what form Brookins will have the same. Here the writer must essay to extenuate the omission of more itemized Chi biography, where it assuredly deserves special mention as well; and charge that omission to the want only of space to do such biography full justice on this scant occasion, within the necessarily contracted limits of *THE SHIELD*.

In the period recorded above, the roll of fraternities at the University of Rochester, which is the home of Chi, was as follows: Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Psi Upsilon, Delta Psi and Theta Delta Chi, so named in the order of their establishment at the institution. The roll of attendance varied from a trifle over 100 in 1866 when the writer matriculated, to something over 200 in the present year. The property assets of the corporation closely approach the sum of \$2,000,000. Jew, Gentile, Romanist and Protestant; aye even the agnostic and the skeptic meet on a common footing, in its tolerant halls; no

questions being asked any applicant for admission save as to character and integrity, if his intellectual qualifications reach the standard for matriculation ; but the foundation of the University of Rochester was and still is under the Baptist creed.

The Second Period—A Reincarnation

In the early spring of 1892 Brother Frank Milton Bottum, who had exercised much fine diplomacy to revive the Chi under the urgent insistence of Brother Willis S. Paine, after the Charge's suspension in 1880, called upon the writer and asked the writer if he knew a place where an installation of officers for a reincarnation of Chi could be effected. Privacy was the quint-essential prerequisite. The writer bethought himself a moment and then suggested his (the writer's) residence at No. 34 Concord Avenue, saying it was a commodious, old fashioned house in which (since there were about twenty rooms at the disposal of the chairman of the Grand Lodge and his necessary adjuncts, for the ceremony) the various divisions of the pageant for a re-organization of the charge could be assorted and stowed away into separate apartments as might be required by the exigencies of the ritual, without any serious risk of clash or inconvenience. Brother Bottum, alas, entered into everlasting rest in July, 1899, with Chi represented at his funeral ; and the writer, when the services were done (the funeral being private) left the house of mourning nearly broken hearted : for the departed brother was not only one of the oldest members of Chi but one of the closest and very dearest friends of the writer since 1868.

Among other things concerning Chi's Avatar (or shall it be better termed Chi's re-incarnation?) the writer recalls the following encouragement which he gave in the welcome task to Brother Clay W. Holmes, viz.: "Holmes, I've got a library containing over 6,000 volumes of miscellaneous books. I'll turn it open to the classic mob while you are at the stage thunder with the working staff, and let the uninitiate browse around universal literature in detachments till you issue the call for some specific platoon that may be needed, and then I'll file it out from among the musty tomes to do or go through its appropriate trick like a trained band. So 'get along with the music'."

Thus Chi was then and there revived. For the foregoing reason the writer claims a sort of midwifery relation to the re-incarnated (or second) Chi Charge; wherefore the reader ought not to allow any subsequent narrative penned peradventure by other later hand concerning the matter, to omit or challenge that interesting fact.

The men who became identified with the new Chi proved to be strong and vigorous constituents of the general fraternity; and their work in the charge goes on notwithstanding that the college terms of many of them now are over. What other charge may boast more?

The following is a directory of Chi from the re-chartering of the same to the date of the present writing:

1892

Nelson T. Barrett, Attorney at Law, 379 Breckinridge St., Buffalo, N. Y.
 James P. Fleming, M.D., Charlotte, N. Y.
 Irving E. Harris, M.D., 156 Lake Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
 Charles P. K. Sarver, New York City.
 Thomas T. Swinburne, 85 S. Washington St., Rochester, N. Y.

1893

Rev. William A. Harris, Milville, N. Y.

1894

James Fahy Galligan, Attorney at Law, 79 East Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
 David G. Meyer, 13 Delevan St., Rochester, N. Y.
 Joseph R. Webster, Attorney at Law, Rochester, N. Y.

1895

Stanton E. Barrett, So. Alabama, N. Y.
 Peter A. Blossom, Brockport, N. Y.
 Benjamin G. Estes, Prin. High School, Pittsford, N. Y.

1896

Walter M. Glass, Attorney at Law, 21 So. Union St., Rochester, N. Y.
 Willard M. Williams, New York City.
 William B. Woodruff, Avon, N. Y.
 *James McBride Sterrett, Jr., Washington, D.C.

1897

Arthur R. Anderson, 110 Atkinson St., Rochester, N. Y.
 James A. Hamilton, 426 W. 35th St., New York City.

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Roy N. Burgess, Attorney at Law, 647 Genesee St., Rochester, N. Y.
 Edward D. Hardy (status unknown).
 Herbert J. Harris, 3d U. S. Infantry, Fort Walker, Minn.
 George L. Hayes, 48-49 Westcott Bldg., Binghamton, N. Y.

1898

*Frederick T. Lent, Rochester, N. Y.
 Harlan W. Rippey, Wadsworth, N. Y.
 George M. Winegar, Medina, N. Y.

1899

Freeman E. McNall, Medina, N. Y.
 Charles G. Orwen, 155 Mansion St., Rochester, N. Y.
 Wilfred J. Craig, Highland Falls, N. Y.
 Herbert R. Taylor, 12 Selden St., Rochester, N. Y.
 Charles E. Hyde, Rochester, N. Y.
 Walter J. Tompkins, New York City.
 M. L. Hakes, Albion, N. Y.
 Merwin W. Lay, Prof. Avon High School, Avon, N. Y.
 E. O. Wilson, 1 Tiffany Pk., Newark, N. Y.

1900

James R. Martin, W. Rush, N. Y.
 James F. Keeler, 19 Vick Pk., Rochester, N. Y.
 George F. Gomph, Pittsford, N. Y.

1901

Eugene C. Roeser, 96 Park Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
 Charles W. Watkeys, 12 Anderson Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
 Albert J. Kennedy, 96 Park Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
 Walter B. Clarke, Kalamazoo, Mich.
 Percy Wilson, 774 Main St., E. Rochester, N. Y.
 Edward D. Hardy, Andover, N. Y.
 Arthur R. Tower, 80 Adams St., Rochester, N. Y., Aff. with Gamma
 Deuteron.

1902

James A. Gosnell, 147 Atkinson St., Rochester, N. Y.
 William H. Salmon, Bergen, N. Y.
 Frederick C. DePuy, Brighton, N. Y.
 Ray Hart, W. Rush, N. Y.
 Ellis E. Lawton, Solvay, N. Y.
 Arthur S. Whitbeck, 29 Buckingham St., Rochester, N. Y., Aff. with
 Beta.

1903

William F. Love, 1 Eddy St., Rochester, N. Y.
Hiram S. Schumacher, 362 Alexander St., Rochester, N. Y.
Fred H. Holbrook, Brockport, N. Y.
Charles L. Hinchey, Kent, N. Y.
William E. Drake, 110 Park Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
Thomas T. Horton, 10 Chili Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
William J. Richter, 188 S. Ave., Rochester N. Y.
William F. Croston, 16 Lewis St., Rochester, N. Y.
James S. Vail, Brighton, N. Y.
George H. Rounds, 96 Park Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
Joseph P. Hogan, 23 Glasgow St., Rochester, N. Y.
Frank E. Winter, 96 Park Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
William M. Hastings.
Fred E. Gladwin, 338 Monroe Ave., Rochester, N. Y.

Among the above list the writer does not know a man who is undeserving of a special and particular mention for signal honor work in behalf of Chi. The brothers each in their turn labored and labor still shoulder to shoulder night and day vieing with each other in generous rivalry to raise the standard of college fraternity affiliation. They challenge whatever exists in Greek Letterdom at their own university, with its limitations of capital and general attendance, to do better than Chi was and is doing all the while. Carl A. Harstrom understands just what is meant here. It need not suffer minuted disclosure ; suffice it to say that after night there came a dawn of splendor ; and the day is now at meridian with a powerful spirit hovering auspiciously over the charge and pronouncing in its august behalf the inspiring words *Esto perpetua*. No important class or college event takes place but what Theta Delta Chi bears its fair representative share in it and the honors or glory of it.

Could James Fahy Galligan be persuaded to pen the story of his toil and anxieties, of his makeshifts counterbalanced by resources that descended in the hour of need like miracles, till the young craft "Chi" was fully rigged, able to face the winds and waters at their worst, he would furnish THE SHIELD with a tale "o'er true and good as any romance." From the hour Brother Galligan was consecrated in the bonds of $\Theta \Delta X$, so much venerated by us all, he became a devotee, a very slave of the order,

who voluntarily sacrificed himself, his time, his talents, his money and often times, too, his comfort ; when he more than all required rest. In facing a problem his fortitude was Roman. In solving the problem his ingenuity was Greek. So he became at once doubly classic. He himself is of Celtic descent ; and (now pardon a little quaint humor, reader,) the combination was simply irresistible ; since never before has the writer seen what seemed to be hopelessly unsuperable difficulties dissipate and take disconsolate flight swifter than upon an assault planned and led by that cosmopolite in three phases : Brother Galligan. So here's a toast to Brother James Fahy Galligan, "May he live long and prosper."

Yet, biography of Chi is still in order ; with other strong counties to hear from, for Brother Thomas T. Swinburne also ought to have a special notice (not Tommy "Traddles" (a la Dickens) Swinburne ; but Thomas *Thackeray* Swinburne). Brother Swinburne is by inclination a poet (and so surely akin to Thackeray). Let the writer declare, all jokes aside, Brother Swinburne is a master of the nice art of mellifluously dulcet verse. That he should be by occupation a master printer also, can surely bring no discord into any symphony which might be scored in the Chi history for the due sounding of his merits metrical. He sports no less modestly than gracefully the honor of a selection into the most critical and carefully culled bouquet of undergraduate rhyme which was ever gathered from the tangled field of college song-flowers to be put in irreproachable book form for an appreciative posterity by a poetical connoisseur. The Chi, through its involuntary "historian," tendereth him its compliments and sincere congratulations. Our brother's fugitive poem, which the volume spoken of so gracefully perpetuates, shall not be and ought never to be omitted in a history of the achievements of "Chi." "Here goes" then as follows :

PARTING SONG

Say not adieu, but *au revoir*,—
 We owe the past a farewell sigh ;
 A tear to mutual pleasures o'er ;
 To hallowed scenes a fond good-bye ;
 But even these in other days
 Shall memory oft again renew ;
 And may we, ere we go our ways
 Say *au revoir*, but not adieu.

Say not adieu, but *au revoir*,
 And let each overflowing heart
 In silence a libation pour,
 To pledge our friendship ere we part ;
 No vow with sacred oil or wine
 Than such an offering is more true,—
 An earnest hand-clasp mine and thine,
 Then *au revoir*, but not adieu.¹

Furthermore the following anent Brother Swinburne is taken from page 406 of Vol. VIII of THE SHIELD :

"On another page is printed a poem, 'Columbia's Flower.' This poem is from the pen of Bro. Swinburne, and to THE SHIELD is given the honor of its first production. The following description is given of the flower :

"Of all the gems that grace our soil the Columbine is the most fitting for the National Flower. It is a marvel of beauty ; full of symbolic sentiment ; a model of inspiration for the genius of poet, painter and sculptor. Among the characteristics that endear it to the hearts of the American people and make it most appropriate for adoption by our Nation are the following : Its name comes from the same root as Columbia, a name our country often bears ; it is classed with the 'Aquilega' or Eagle variety, because its petals end in spurs, resembling the talons of an eagle ; it grows in red, white and blue, our National colors ; it has five trumpet-shaped petals, corresponding to the five points of the star upon our flag, and these are grouped around a central shaft, similar to the arrangement of the states around the central government ; and it is indigenous to the North American Continent, a hardy perennial and wild flower that is found in every part of our land, growing even upon the Rocky Mountains in the very heart of the country."

"Measures are being taken to have the flower adopted as the National Flower by the management of the World's Columbian Exposition. An additional point in favor of its adoption is that the flower in its shape resembles the horn of plenty which graces the head of 'Columbia'. We can see no valid reason why this great and mighty nation should not adopt a flower. Such a beautiful one as this fittingly represents the magnificence of America. THE SHIELD heartily endorses the move and asks the brothers to help boom the Columbine as a national flower."

COLUMBIA'S FLOWER

The mountain bird of liberty
 Unfurled our country's flag on high,
 And with it flew from sea to sea,
 O'er hill and dale athwart the sky,

¹Cap and Gown : Some College Verse. Boston. Joseph Knight Company, 1893.

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But ere the vision sank from view
 The glad earth caught the fair design,
 And wove in red and white and blue
 Columbia's flower—the Columbine.

Now north and south, and east and west
 Behold this patriotic flower,
 In hues of native glory drest,
 A type of liberty and power ;
 Bright blossom of our native land
 Around our hearts thy colors twine,
 And bind our Union, hand to hand,
 Thou eagle-taloned Columbine.

But somehow T. T.'s Columbine could not be made to bloom on the National escutcheon in symbolism of this great country's bustling, hustling citizenship and aspirations. Some other county or rather flower will have to be heard from than Monroe, where T. T. poetastes and has his being, or else the "boss" must be seen with a "pull" and persuaded to give his high approval to the Columbine. The "historian" knows how to appreciate a well turned stanza and sees in Brother Swinburne the true artist, though the "historian" will have his little satirical jibe at politics and the "boss" in a republic that is according to the historian's Chinese friend, Lo Tin Pan, hardly more than a despotism because of that "boss"—yet which is a very good country, all in all, to live in, by the citizen who pays no attention to the "boss" except to see him change the party machinery at the helm from sowing to harvest as they come and pass with the mutations in the majorities from time to time.

About the time ('93) Brother Swinburne was earnestly polishing the foregoing reproduced and other poems into exquisite elegance (Swinburne is still writing first class verse and some day will be his own printer when the writer shall prove his first buyer) William Crawford Ramsdale, now Judge of Orleans County, was manfully breaking through the trammels which enmesh the rising barrister, and coming out into the open of public prominence. His town had already elected him to the minor magistracy where he did each task entrusted to him meet and unflinching justice. The confidence in his integrity following from such a course—a confidence which had been already well

aroused by the results of his very first efforts in the practice of his profession, was intensified until it became enthusiasm ; and thereupon higher politics took him in hand. He became a successful nominee of his party to distinguished office, notwithstanding that his party for years has and had been in the minority where he lives. His personal popularity carried the day ; and he is now an honor to the bench—and would be a credit no less than an honor to his party upon the bench of any court anywhere in the broad Union. Chi feels proud of him. He not unfrequently allows his tall form (he must be six feet four inches in height) to cast its welcome shadow across the threshold of the Charge House. How many, many more of the Chi deserve special mention did not time and space forbid? There are Goetzman, J. P. McKinney, (Pres.) Everson, Hanks, O. E. Clark, Jacobs, Dexter, Stiles, Foote, Kinney, Meyer, (Dave) Craig, Glass, McNall, Webster (a sky-scraper), Anderson, Hamilton, Roeser, Gosnell, Rippey, Blossom—*et id omne-genus*. But this history must draw to a close.

Now, reader of THE SHIELD, old Jake Spahn (like Rip Van-Winkle) revived herein, and (O miracle) rejuvenated as upon a long sleep since that grand symposium of 1873 at the Astor House, gazes wonderingly about with his ancient eyes. Before him trip the beauteous sisterhood of charges, a living garland around Olympian Theta Delta Chi. Stupefied bewilderment at the spectacular transformation that has taken place within 30 odd years, comes upon the marvelling but jolly old man ; and signals to him the hour for universal fraternal felicitation. All is splendor—nay it is unsurpassed magnificence which swells the fraternal heart with pride and exalts the fraternal soul to rejoice from the Great Lakes to the Gulf, from Maine to California, aye from Pole to Pole and very center to circumference of this revolving sphere. Hail all the virtues in that eternal wreath of airy spirits ; and never more farewell ! Here is the cosmogony of the beatitudes of Humanity, and they are fathomed here to become evangel. In the fundamental principles of the order, old Rip feels are both the Salvation and Redemption of the Republic—yea its highest Destiny—Peace and Good-Will to all mankind where the Progress is upward more than outward or onward—the

Savior's creed; nor anything in all the holy tri-logy of that creed—Faith, Love and Charity—is loftier.

If Rip before what he sees in that tremendous concourse of system-centering suns whose co-ordinate constituencies make up the universe of our Fraternity, draws upon a super-luxuriantly exuperant vocabulary and insists that the concourse constitute the foremost Greek Letter organization on the face of the blooming earth, yea the very crown of Greek Letterdom resplendent upon the mountains' tip top tip like a gigantic diadem of diamonds—*isn't* there enough to justify the claim? The "frat" has become a part of the history of the world. Hurrah;—and again Hurrah with tigers three to finish!

So far as concerns Chi, it should be added that several of its brothers participated in the Spanish-American War, to wit: both the Barretts ('92 and '95 respectively) and Walter M. Glass, (96). Nelson T. Barrett was a commissioned officer in that war; and bore aloft the first United States flag that floated over Havana when Uncle Sam's forces effected their entry into the Cuban Capital. Stanton E. Barrett deserves another laural; since he is immortalized as the compiler of the only complete collection of Theta Delta Chi Song in existence up to the time of its publication. A very fine monument to Stanton E. Barrett's loyalty that compilation is certain to remain, no matter what other collectors may essay hereafter in the same domain.

Farewell now, gentle and considerate reader. We have meandered pleasant ways together (if so you bore us company to here) up a rising elevation in thanksgiving harmony toward the everlasting sun. Let it now be said that the foregoing alleged "History" took nearly three weeks to compile and pen out of sheer nothing, during which copious contributions of broken victuals poured in from the neighbors for the benefit of the "Historian" and his family—*nit!* On the contrary he practiced much economy and a little "small fry" law in the interim, doffing from time to time the silk hose, fine lace and ruffles of a "charge historian," to eke out with great fortitude, in "plain" clothes, a scanty subsistence before the face of frowning obstacles, like prison-breaking Monte Christo buffeting to liberty from the dungeon keep; nursing his future with the motto "Wait and Hope."

The writer is a dreamer amidst the burdening anxiety of contrivances to make ends meet, tortured with impecunious landed interests that take the "fun" all out of him, and still and ever dreaming of a lucky windfall political or financial from some kindly point of Dame Fortune's fitful compass. But the writer has not been as fortunate as Monte Christo. "Nay, nay, Pauline." No banker ever accorded unlimited credit on the top of an auriferous "find" to the writer. You see, Mr. SHIELD reader, the writer invariably failed of the auriferous "find." Alas, the writer would always insist upon offering a client something else besides a winged joke, or spell-binder rhetoric; and conscientious, painstaking professional labor in a controversy over an issue no bigger than a pin's point. It was repulsive, unvarnished honesty, that should be but never is quite welcome on this sub-lunary orb—thereby disclosing that the writer (who is now lapsing into the auto-biographical which not unfrequently becomes the morbidly-maudlin) lacked the fine tact of that diplomatic impudence which characterizes successful action—the prime factor of every fox's depredations. Cunning never estranges Good Luck, a coy goddess to homely straight-forward souls, yet who is ever the most considerate patron saint of the liar, the pharisee, the flatterer, the sychophant, the parasite, the hypocrite and even the thief when the thief is artful enough to manage his larceny within the law—all winners in this world among the craft who work "*the pliant hinges of the knee that thrift may follow fawning,*" and whom Theta Delta Chi, by the relentless text of its order; by the holiest ordinances in its most sacred creed, shall ever anathematise! Schopenhauer once made some sense for the writer; yet he fain struggled from the bitter cynicism of the pessimist against becoming "*aufgekläert,*" as the cold Teuton puts it, preferring to live and strive under the divine ministrations of Theta Delta Chi according to the impeccable creed of its foundations. Man in this world must "eat his peck of dirt." That is the coarse way of saying "He must bear his cross." But to the writer bearing such a burden in his obscure life and twinkling a merry eye at Fate, evermore stands out Theta Delta Chi athwart Heaven's unfathomable azure: the bright star of light, the central orb of all the constellations in a world of smiles and tears

(more tears than smiles of course) where the happiest and closest ties of friendship, of love, of truth, of honor, of rectitude and that greatest, not more than rarest, beauty, charity, each divinely cluster like flowers in blooming commemoration of the fraternal story and its legend to signalize every virtue; to perpetuate faith in humanity and in everything else whatsoever that makes this erring earth better, fools wise and wise men good. Theta Delta Chi shall never cease to inspire the best and highest in human ambition among its loving affiliates. It hath done this since its inception among us grey-beard fraters of the order. It will and must continue to do the same sublime service forever more; and even in the future inspire posterity which is in its due turn to boast its noblest pride but one thing—the hope of affiliation with and among the order.

God cherish our Fraternity in his Providence; and God bless you all, dear readers, while I say farewell again. Auf wiedersehen.

Before I began to write a line of the foregoing, I had dedicated all to my wife; who is Love and Faith. Now, after the pretty fashion of the fair, I append that foremost matter on at last, which should have been prolegomena and exordium, a postscript too important to be overlooked even in the face of this poor paper's long drawn out *finale*.

JACOB SPAHN, Chi, 1870.



THE DIARY OF A WANDERING THESPIAN

Orange, N. J., October 1, 1900. To-day I have had a great pleasure. As I pulled my shades up this morning, the room became flooded with sunshine and invigorating air. This was enough to arouse in me a determination to get away from shop for awhile, and try to forget the unpleasant features of rehearsals, costumes and other taskmasters who make our life miserable three weeks before the opening of every season. After breakfast I boarded an open car and started for Jersey City to spend the day with Brother Edward Van Winkle—better known as "Rip"—and his charming wife. This was the first time I had seen them since they were married, so congratulations were in order. We had a jolly dinner party and spent the afternoon roaming over the house and lounging on the piazza. The Van Winkle homestead is famous for its hospitality, and "Eddie" has certainly inherited all the characteristics of his predecessors and maintained the reputation of the delightful old place. It was long past dusk before I was able to leave and then only by promising to come again soon.

New York, October 8. To-night we begin a week's engagement at the Grand Opera House. I am never quite so glad that I wear the shield as when I am in New York—so many of the brothers are in evidence here, and somehow there are always "doings" when a few of them get together.

October 12. This is the last day but one of our New York engagement, and I am genuinely sorry. What a splendid thing the Graduate Club is down on Broadway. I have spent much of my time there the last few days to my pleasure and profit. Have met Frank Dodd, Clifford Wilmurt, Homer Brookins, Jay Buffington, Fred and Will Wright, Jack Hess, Henry Hershfield, Charles White, Charles Clark and a host of other rare Theta Delts. The location is most convenient, and the cozy rooms are fitted up in a manner delightfully reminiscent of college days, while an unmistakable Theta Delt welcome pervades every cor-

ner of them. I know of nothing more worthy of the fraternity's interest and support than this same Graduate Club. Its great good to us all cannot be estimated. Theta Deltas from every charge and section of the country are constantly dropping in and are at once put in touch with fraternity affairs. Young and gray heads meet there and discuss the society in all its phases ; new friendships are made and old ones renewed. It makes a home for us in New York and arouses interest among the alumni, in a way that cannot be surpassed. I look forward to the day when the Club is large enough to maintain a permanent house, where we may go and live as we do in college—where we may have a complete fraternity library containing all the books that have ever been written by Theta Deltas, together with our own society literature, and where our esteemed Custodian of Archives, Brother Frederic Carter, may exhibit to us the valuable records and curiosities he has so admirably collected. This sounds Utopian, but it is not. It might easily be accomplished if every Theta Delt, especially those in the vicinity of New York, would do his part. We owe to Willis S. Paine, Franklin Burdge, B. F. Mansfield, Frank Dodd, Frederic Carter, Clifford Wilmurt, Doctor Dougherty, Rudolph Tombo, Frank Jones, and many others, our sincere gratitude for their generous and untiring efforts in behalf of the Club. Theta Deltas coming to New York should not fail to visit it.

October 13. Spent last night with Rudolph Tombo—the first time I had seen him in two years. It was a great pleasure to hear him tell of his year in Heidelberg and his experience in meeting Theta Deltas abroad. I hope to see him President of the Grand Lodge some day, for he has learned Theta Delta Chi thoroughly and is in my mind the most promising of all our younger men for the position. Went with him this morning over to Columbia and peeped in for a moment at Rho Deuteron's new quarters on the Heights. Sorry I did not see more of the brothers ; but, from reports, this charge begins the year well, and I am sure its present rooms, so near the campus, will greatly strengthen its already prominent position at Columbia.

Easton, Pa., October 15. We came on from New York this evening. Upon arrival I met one of the Phi Boys at the hotel, who immediately telephoned to the other brothers that I was in town;

Buffalo, N. Y., October 20. We are here for three days. The Buffalo Alumni Association is one of the best in existence. It has a membership of forty and enlists the names of some of our most prominent brethren—conspicuous among whom are to be found: Col. S. Douglas Cornell, Hon. Daniel Lockwood, Gen. Graves, Hon. T. Guilford Smith, William Hoyt, Seward Simons, and a number of others. F. Beaumont Griffith is secretary, and deserves much credit for the way he keeps the brothers stirred up. It is their custom to have a smoker every month and these are largely attended. One was arranged for me this evening at Almendinger's. Twenty-five loyal Thetas were present and we had a splendid time. Gen. Graves came in late and was given a rousing welcome—he always is, they tell me, for he never misses a Theta Delt gathering if it is possible for him to be there. Afterward the brothers came to the theatre in a body, which gave me great pleasure.

October 21. Had dinner to-day with Brothers William and Orson Hoyt at the former's home, and spent the afternoon with them.

Rochester, N. Y., October 24. Have just been out to see the Chi boys. It has been two years since I was last there and a marked improvement is noticeable. They have recently had new hard wood floors put into their house, and the entire place decorated and refurnished, which gives it a handsome and most inviting appearance. The charge has twenty excellent men, an abundance of harmony and enthusiasm, and the boys all seem to be taking a prominent part in college affairs.

October 26. Several of the Chi brothers came to the theatre last night, and took me back with them to the charge house for a good time; and, as it was 3 A. M. when I reached the hotel, I am sure I had it.

Binghamton, N. Y., October 27. Called to-day upon Dr. Ned McCall. Brother McCall is one of the leading dentists of the city, a fine fellow, and enjoying much well deserved success.

Reading, Pa., October 31. "When a Theta meets a Theta the word is always hail." I fully realized the meaning of this to-day when Brothers Eckert and Nolan, of Beta, came to see me. We were together most of the afternoon and called upon Brother

Howard Hoff, better known as "Oom Paul"—golf player. Bill and Bunny are both holding desks down in a law office, and incidentally drawing pay from father. Note that they have a tendency to become engaged—but that's on the quiet, so never mind.

Allentown, Pa., November 1. Met Brother Joe Freund on the street this afternoon, and went with him over to Bethlehem, where I had dinner with the Mu Deuteron boys. Found Rombaugh, of Phi, there.

Trenton, N. J., November 2. Returned last night to Bethlehem with Rombaugh. A number of the Mu Deuteron brothers waited up for us, and we chatted over our pipes till long into the night. Mu Deuteron is another substantial charge which always keeps the even tenor of its way. It is a positive delight to hear and see so much evidence of their alumni. They never forget the old boys and even go so far as to keep chairs and pictures in their customary places in order that the house will look familiar when they come back to visit. That is the proper spirit, for the old boys are as loyal as the new; and a charge can do much toward keeping their interest alive by humoring them a bit for we all like to feel that we are still active in spite of gray hairs.

Wilmington, Del., November 3. Brother Will Young, a fond Gamma Deuteron contemporary, came down from Philadelphia this morning to spend the day with me. We have had a happy visit recalling Michigan times, and letting the toast pass to all the brothers who were with us there.

Norfolk, Va., November 7. Called this afternoon upon my esteemed friend, Col. Wm. Lamb, but unfortunately did not see him. This was a bitter disappointment as I look forward every year to a visit with him. This reminds me of the brilliant speech he gave us at the John Hay dinner in New York four years ago. It thrilled us all as I have not seen a Theta Delt gathering moved since. His whole noble life was revealed to us. We could see him as a boy in college—we could see his gallant defense of Fort Fisher—we could see him as a man, a citizen, statesman; but best of all we saw him as a Theta Delt—something never to be forgotten.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 15. I am always glad to be in this famous old southern town, for I have so many good friends here—Bro. Chester Richmond for instance. The genial "Ches" knows how to give a weary traveller the glad hand, and I only wish I might see him oftener. Played Pygmalion this afternoon to Kathryn Kidder's Galatea. Had dinner with Richmond, and a symposium after the evening performance.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 7. It has been three weeks since I saw a Theta Delt. They are few and far between through the South, hence my delight to-day in meeting Henry E. Wilkinson from Gamma Deuteron. Henry and I were classmates together and have had a fine visit going over the old days.

Ft. North, Tex., Dec. 9. Met Henry Morgan, Iota, '96, to-day. Bro. Morgan is traveling for a large eastern firm in this part of the country at present, and we found ourselves guests at the same hotel—enough said.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 29, 1901. This morning when I lifted the shades in my berth I beheld beautiful California, with her green valleys, glorious sunshine, and incomparable sky. At Oakland, Bro. Lucien White met me, and took me at once over to Berkeley to see our new Delta Deuteron Charge. The boys were waiting for us, and gave me a splendid welcome. As we came in sight of the house, my senses thrilled, for there unfurled to the breeze was the prettiest flag in all the world, our beloved black, white, and blue, emblem in this case of a cherished hope fulfilled. So far, I am delighted with the progress and condition of the charge—not that I expected less, but that I find more. The brothers occupy an attractive modern house, which they have furnished themselves. Two Chinamen do their cooking, and five boys live in the house; while they all lunch there at noon each day. An abundance of harmony and rousing fraternity enthusiasm are in evidence; and, as for the men themselves, my first impression is most favorable. "Jimmie" Hallock, than whom there is no better Theta Delt living, and the man whose courage, perseverance, and belief in western extension successfully brought Delta Deuteron to an issue, came over at one o'clock and we all had a merry dinner together. In the afternoon Bros. Haight, French, Row, and Burrage came over, and greatly added

to the enjoyment of the day. At five o'clock I came on to 'Frisco with Hallock, White, and Shirley Walker.

February 1. I have now been to Berkeley three times and feel that I begin to know the boys. There is no doubt about it, they are a splendid crowd of fellows and wear wonderfully well, which after all is the best test. There are ten active men in the charge, and a half dozen or more alumni in the city, all of whom take an active part, which practically makes them fifteen strong. I am firmly convinced that a mistake has not been made in establishing Theta Delta Chi on the coast. Consider the University. It has a magnificent location, over 2,500 students, a fine faculty, and a progressive spirit that is amazing. It is the pride of California: the wealth of the State is back of it, to say nothing of such magnanimous benefactors as Mrs. Phoebe Hearst. Plans for new buildings have been accepted which will make it in time one of the finest institutions of learning in this country. All the better national societies are locating there, so are we not fortunate to get a foothold among the first? I think so.

February 3. To-day is Sunday and I am with the boys again at Berkeley. I came over last night with Brothers Burrage and White. The fellows all waited up for us, and held a special meeting in our honor, which was conducted in a most gratifying manner. After it was over, we repaired to the rooms below where we sang songs, did "stunts" until we felt, like Sir Tobey, that "it was too late to go to bed." But one by one the boys dropped off, and left Burrage and me alone. We put the lights out, and only the dying embers in the grate fire remained to cast a faint gleam across the room. I went to the window and there beheld one of the grandest sights I have ever seen in my life. The charge house being on an elevation commands a fine view of San Francisco Bay. A glorious moon breaking through the clouds cast its reflection on the water. Across the harbor I could plainly see the outline of the Golden Gate, and beyond on the great Pacific the lights of a passing steamer. To the north, silhouetted against the clear sky, was majestic old Mt. Tamपालais, while toward the sleeping city could be seen a noble cruiser, several vessels, and a transport just back from its errand to the Philippines, lapping the water as they tugged at their moorings.

A great peace rested upon all, and as I stood looking out upon the stillness of the night a feeling of thankfulness crept into my heart—gratitude that I was permitted, after the long struggle, to behold such an inspiring scene from the home of Theta Delta Chi on the coast. I called Burrage to the window, and we both looked in silent wonder, filled with the solemnity of the hour, while the beautiful lines of Browning passed through my mind :

"God's in his heaven,
All's right with the world."

February 5. Went to Berkeley again this afternoon. The ride across the bay is delightful—occupying about thirty minutes. The ferry lands at Oakland, and from there the train brings you to Berkeley. To reach the University a ten minutes' walk is necessary. It takes one through the most attractive part of the campus, across picturesque bridges, over tangled ravines, under the stately old oaks, and by the University Botanical Gardens which flourish with rare beauty, as all nature seems to do in this country of perpetual summer. Stayed to dinner with the boys.

February 6. Spent the day at Berkeley. Played whist in the afternoon. The boys have recently had a number of Theta Delt pictures framed, and a charge scrap-book started, which adds much to the fraternity atmosphere of the house. In looking over the charge register, I noticed that fifteen Theta Delt from the East have visited Delta Deuteron since September ; and yet it was thought that no one would ever see these brothers. I doubt if many of the other charges can show a better record.

February 9. Another happy day with the boys at Berkeley. Last night Bros. White and Barnwell came over to the theater and took me back with them. I am sorry our engagement here is near the end, but it is pleasant to realize that I shall see the boys again in two weeks when we return from the south to play in Oakland.

Fresno, Cal., February 11. I looked for some one to meet me at the station to-day and was not disappointed—it was old "Fate." We had dinner together, and after the theater he insisted on staying with me till the train left for Los Angeles at two A. M. He presented me to-day with a scrap book filled with poems he

has written at different times for the Fresno paper. It will be a valuable souvenir. It has been my privilege and pleasure to see Bro. Bachman each year for the past four seasons, and I have grown very fond of him. He is a veritable tonic to a Theta Delt and I regret that more of the boys cannot know him. We had a "bully" visit as usual, and my heart was gladdened many times by his familiar expressions: "The proposition is simply this," and "they can't beat us feelin' good." Long live old "Fate"!

Los Angeles, February 16. I regret that this is the last day of our engagement here. Aside from enjoying the beautiful city and idyllic weather, I am greatly indebted to Bros. Nat Myrick and Ed. Ware for some delightful times. They are both very happy with their wives and prospective Theta Delt sons, and know how to make others happy also. Married life seems to agree with the genial Nat for he tips the scales at almost 200. We leave in the morning for San Diego, and I mean to spend the afternoon at lovely Coronado Beach.

Riverside, February 18. This morning I took an early train for Cucamonga—twelve miles out—to spend the day with Augustus Gaylord, Gamma Deuteron, '94. Bro. Gaylord has a large orange ranch there, and is one of most successful fruit growers in Southern California, having over a hundred acres under cultivation. He was at the train to meet me, and we have had a fine day together. A Theta Delt is almost the rarest thing he sees in his far away home, and I am sure there is nothing more welcome to him and his loyal Theta Delt wife. Their hospitality is delightful, and it seemed to give them unlimited pleasure to hear me talk fraternity. What a satisfaction it is to be able to carry the spirit of Theta Delta Chi to a brother like Gaylord, and help keep warm his love and enthusiasm for the dear old bonds.

Pasadena, February 21. Bro. Fred Nash, Gamma Deuteron, '00, resides here, and he and Mrs. Nash are entertaining me in their pretty home. Went for a long walk with them this afternoon out to the famous poppy fields. It was a gorgeous sight—fully fifty acres, a solid mass of brilliant yellow. What an inspiration for an artist!

Oakland, February 23. We arrived here this morning from Pasadena, and I reached the Delta Deuteron house in time for

breakfast. I was mighty glad to see the boys again, and am happy over the prospect of being with them two days more.

Stanford University, Palo Alto, February 25. Yesterday was Sunday, and my last day with Delta Deuteron. A number of the alumni were over ; and when Tin the Chinaman asked "how muchee boyee" would be at dinner, he was told fifteen. At five o'clock they all came down to the train to see me off—it was hard to say good-by. I am spending to-day here with the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. Had a nice visit this morning with Bro. Marx, who is professor of civil engineering in the university. This is a beautiful place and Stanford has a great future. Eleven hundred students are enrolled—five thousand acres constitute the college grounds—the buildings are magnificent, and it is estimated that Mrs. Stanford has provided an endowment of nearly fifty millions.

Tacoma, Wash., March 7. From delectable California to the tall pines and bleak vistas of Washington is a marvelous change, and I can't say a particularly agreeable one—still it means that we are so much nearer the East and that is good for as Kipling says ; "Once you hear the East a callin you can't heed nothin' else." Called to-day on Bro. A. N. Fitch—the father of Beta. What a Thete ! What a man ! It is a privilege to know him and to hear him tell of the early days at Beta. His interest in the fraternity seems to grow more ardent each year, and it is amazing to know how closely he keeps in touch with fraternity affairs. I shall see him again tomorrow.

Seattle, Wash., March 12. Had dinner this evening with Harry Weinstein and James Wagner, old Michigan boys, and Bro. Chinn, of Beta.

Butte, Montana, March 23. Was greatly surprised to run across Bro. George McGee to-day. He has been in Australia for the past two years and now returns to accept a fine position in the mines here.

Duluth, Minn., April 6. Dr. and Mrs. George Conklin came over from West Superior this morning to see me. We had lunch together at the Spalding. Telephoned Seward Allen to join us, but could not get him. It has been some time since I saw the

Conklins, and I have thoroughly enjoyed their visit. It is a delight to hear them manifest so much Theta Delt enthusiasm.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 7. We are here for a week and I am staying with the Tau Deuteron boys. Brother George Snoad, or "Mouche," as he is called, got up early this morning and met me at the train. I was very glad to see him. What a good thing Theta Delta Chi is to one who leads a nomadic life. Here I am delightfully installed in the charge house with all the home comforts and pleasant recollections of college days about me, while my confreres have to be content with the prosaic hotel. Find Tau Deuteron doing well. There are a lot of new faces since I was here last, but I shall soon know them and am already convinced that they are Theta Delt of whom we may be proud. There are eighteen men in the charge, and a large number of alumni in the twin cities. This afternoon Brothers Edward Crooker, Fred Andrews, Thomas McDermott, and George Pratt (who by the way was married last week) dropped in together with all the active boys. George brought us over a box of cigars, and we gathered around a crackling log fire to smoke his health and happiness.

April 9. Last night when I returned from the theater I was delighted to find Bro. Huffcut, who comes to make his annual Grand Lodge visitation. He had first been to Gamma Deuteron and gives me fine reports of the boys there. He and I lunched to-day with Bro. and Mrs. Crooker.

April 14. Last night Bros. Andrews and McDermott came over from St. Paul and we had "high jinks" till early this morning. This is my last day at Tau Deuteron. I have had a very happy week, and the brothers have extended to me the finest kind of Theta Delt hospitality. Indeed how to repay all the many kindnesses I am continually receiving from the brothers on the road is a problem constantly uppermost in my mind. The boys all came around this afternoon and we smoked our pipes together for the last time.

Winona, Minn., April 15. I knew there was pleasure in store to-day, for Hugh McGaughey lives here. Two charges, Gamma Deuteron and Rho Deuteron, boast of Bro. McGaughey; and well they may for he is something to boast of. It was from

Columbia he graduated in medicine, and he is now one of the leading physicians of Winona. We have been together most of the day, and I have persuaded him to "throw physic to the dogs," and come on to La Crosse with me to-morrow.

La Crosse, Wis., April 16. Hughie was true to his word and showed up at the train this morning. When we arrived here we were met by Bro. Phil Thomas—I should say Doctor—and we have had a fine re-union. Bro. Thomas is an initiate of Tau Deuteron, but came to Michigan for dentistry and affiliated there. He is now practising his profession with notable success—besides winning laurels at golf and bowling. Went with him to our afternoon tea where we met many charming young ladies. Think Hugh was embarrassed. This is quite a Theta Delt town—there being nine resident brothers—Andy Lee, Sigma Deuteron's brilliant young lawyer, being one of them. Had a Theta Delt dinner party at the hotel this evening and a symposium after the theater. Made McGaughey and Thomas subscribe for THE SHIELD.

Detroit, Mich., April 23. "Home, Sweet Home."—It takes eight months on the road to fully appreciate the beauty of those simple words. Last night a large delegation of my own Gamma Deuteron fellows came in from Ann Arbor to see me play and help make the opening performance before my townsmen a success. That's the way with Thetes—they are always on hand when you want them. Had a fine time afterward. Brother Horace Van Tuyl was there; so were Brothers Heames and Winchester, the latter coming all the way from Jackson to be with us.

Toledo, Ohio, April 29. Brother Frank Arbuckle, Gamma Deuteron, '99, resides here, and has a splendid position with the Arbuckle Ryan Co. He has done much to make my stay in Toledo pleasant. Called on Brother Tom McCall, but unfortunately missed him.

Johnstown, Pa., May 3. To-day I received a postal card from the boys at Columbia. It reads as follows: "Greetings from Rho Deuteron and welcome to New York. Three cheers from C. Tombo, W. Beers, Sidney Otis, J. Boyce Smith, Jr., Bill Lawson, J. Rionda, H. R. Steeves, S. Stevens, J. W. Spencer, Herbert Benjamin, F. V. Goodward, H. F. Haviland, P. B. La



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